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IT'S BUTTERNUT SQUASH FESTIVAL TIME!

By Juliet Cranbourne



Autumn has arrived in Fireside, and once again it's time for the Annual Butternut Squash Parade. The Fireside Chamber of Commerce, our host for this spectacular event, asks all registered parade participants to be in lineup by 10:00 a.m. this Saturday morning at the fairgrounds. William Bartlett, parade organizer, says the event will begin at 11:00 a.m. sharp, followed by a barbeque benefiting the Society for Squash Protection and Preservation.

"The Mustard Seed"

By Brother John Haygood,
pastor of Cowboy Heaven Church—
Fireside, TX

Dear Fireside citizens,
As I contemplate the bounty of our late fall gardens—whole rows of butternut squash and pumpkins, I am reminded of the spiritual harvest that produces even more abundantly.

Matthew 9:37-38

"Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field.'"

We are at once God's field and His workers. Without Him, we

are barren of good fruit. Our soil is shallow and dry. Yet, we are capable of producing much. God sows seeds of hope, faith and charity in all who welcome Him. His rains of patience and persistence fall upon us until new growth occurs and then we are entwined by the spiritual vines of kindness, tender mercy and selflessness. Shovels may temporarily screech against the rocks of grief and despair, but know that we are intended to be fertile ground. His glorious light of truth and love will shine down and overcome darkness as was intended in the beginning. No one who wishes to work these fields will be turned away.

How do we harvest an abundant field? We do not use bulldozers, lest

the crop be bruised and lost. We tenderly gather the crop, one plant at a time. By baptism, the old soil is washed away that we might have new life.

Invite someone new to come to church this Sunday. Tell your guest we'll save a seat for him in the sanctuary. Make sure he knows that we have stout coffee, warm doughnuts and an abundance of goodwill. Say that our harvest is more bountiful than we'd ever dreamed. We've got plenty of room for more folks! See you Sunday at 10:15 a.m.



★ Notices ★

FIRESIDE LADIES' CLUB

Meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Fireside Library. Membership is open to any female old enough to remember the pre-Oleo era. This month, Earlene Pickett will be holding forth on, "The Dangers of Collapsible Nylon Zippers, Fact and Fiction."



FREE CATALOGUE: Pigs Galore!



Potbellied pigs. Ornerly and compliant pigs. Lazy and athletic pigs. You name it, we've got the pig for you! Come see us at the Fireside Feed and Mill.



House of Cranbourne presents:

All new creative salad dressings!

Dress up dull salads with our NEW edible TOP HATS and TIARAS. Just poke them into cherry tomatoes, olives or cucumbers for that festive gala look!

We also have tiny PUMPKIN HEADS, PILGRIMS, TURKEYS, SANTA CLAUS' HATS, VALENTINES' HEARTS, 4-LEAF CLOVERS, and EASTER BUNNIES for your holiday salad-making needs!

Contact Juliet at the HOUSE OF CRANBOURNE, located on the corner of Persimmon Street and 3rd Avenue.



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LOCAL NEWS

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The latest heatwave has sent Fireside citizens scurrying indoors until dusk. You may have noticed the return of fireflies lately, and the abundance of cicadas. Folks are on their front porches late in the evening to catch the breeze and watch stars. Therefore, the city council has organized community stargazing each Saturday evening on the courthouse lawn. Come on down, have some lemonade and take a peek through an Orion telescope (*graciously loaned to the community by William Bartlett.*)

FIRESIDE GEMS

By L. Ottmers (of the Fireside, Café)



Homemaking tip of the week: Fry an entire pound of bacon at one time, drain well on paper towels and cool. Place in plastic bags and freeze. This will save time during the workweek and keep you from having to clean up the greasy mess in your kitchen over and over. Or come on over to the Fireside Café and swear off cooking, period.

FIRESIDE BIRTHS



Calvin
Otis
Stuart

Fireside congratulates the Stuart family upon the arrival of this cutie pie. Eileen Stuart (age 49) has just given birth to their first child, little Calvin Otis Stuart (10 lbs. 5 oz. - 21 3/4 inches). He has already received a welcome letter from the University of Texas at Austin Athletics Department.

Go little Cal!

Obituaries



Wilbur Mayes, age 96

It has been a sad week here in Fireside due to the passing of local horseshoe and domino king, Wilbur Mayes. More than anything, he loved to while away every afternoon playing these games. Fireside salutes you, Wilbur. We hope you have found the tournament of your dreams in the sweet bye and bye.

Personals

The divine Ms. Evangeline needs 23,708 empty wooden thread spools to be donated to a worthy cause. She could also use some pals to help string them together for necklaces. All proceeds from sales will benefit the Women without Gems Charity Drive. "E" also says she will turn on the electric churner while everyone works and make the best peach ice cream ever tasted!



★ For Sale ★



Selma Davis has several vintage mannequins, dress-maker forms, and a box of antique buttons for sale. All interested parties should contact her at Densky Groceries and Dry Goods.

Slim Klein has a used combine for sale that works like new—hardly a scratch on it. He wants to reassure you that nothing is wrong with it, and his word means something. Slim is heading out on a bus trip through the deep South and doesn't plan to combine any more fields. No way no how...

