



HERITAGE BRAZOS

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Celebrate Independence Day at Heritage Park

Plan to attend the 26th annual 4th of July celebration at Heritage Park at the corner of East 30th Street and Hutchins Street in Bryan, Texas, on Wednesday, July 4, 2012, from 9:30 AM to 12:00 PM.

This event, sponsored by the Brazos Heritage Society, will feature patriotic activities for adults and children of all ages, including live music, flag raising and toast, a children's parade, and classic car display.

Food and drinks will be available for purchase. All refreshments will be sold at the old-fashion price of 25 cents.

In addition, there will be a number of booths to visit and a silent auction.

Schedule of Events

9:30 AM Patriotic Music by Proud Country

9:45 AM Flag Raising, Pledge of Allegiance, and Toast to the Flag

10:15 AM Special Presentations

10:30 AM Music by Proud Country Continues

10:30 AM Children's Parade

11:00 AM Silent Auction Closes

Come join us for an enjoyable and entertaining Independence Day celebration.

Trees for Heritage Park

Several people have expressed an interest in donating a tree for Heritage Park. Earlier this month we received an email from Darrell Lovelette, Director of Bryan's Parks and Recreation Department, in which he outlines prices for trees and shrubs that will comply with the approved master plan for Heritage Park. The prices are as follows:

\$125.00 for Trees
\$ 70.00 for Shrubs
\$225.00 for Mesquite

The quoted prices will cover the cost of the tree, mulch, stakes, and planting.

If you are interested in donating a tree or shrub for the park, please send a check for the appropriate amount to:

Beverly Myers, Treasurer
Brazos Heritage Society
P. O. Box 1776
Bryan, Texas 77806

If you wish to donate a tree in memory or honor of someone, please provide the name of the person to be honored.

Nat Hilliard, President

Treasurer's Report

Greetings from the desk of the Treasurer. The following is an overview of our finance condition as of June 11, 2012.

Prosperity Bank Certificate of Deposit	\$ 8,363.50
Prosperity Bank Checking Account Balance	\$ 5,998.87
Total	\$14,362.37

For more detailed information about the Society's financial condition, please do not hesitate to contact me at 979-229-9414 or by email at mycobra@suddenlink.net.

If you have not done so, please send in your annual membership fee with the 2012 Membership Application Form, which is included in this mailing.

Beverly Myers, Treasurer

The Brazos Heritage Society

2012 Membership Application

The Brazos Heritage Society is “dedicated to preserving the cultural heritage of Brazos County” through efforts to: identify, document, and preserve the architecture and historical context of Brazos County; promote the community’s appreciation of its history through advocacy and educational programs; and combat the deterioration of older parts of our community through education, advocacy, and special projects.

Type of Annual Membership

Membership dues and charitable contributions are tax deductible. The Society’s fiscal year begins on March 1.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Student/Individual | \$ 10.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> Business | \$ 75.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family | \$ 15.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> Heritage Club | \$100.00 |

Volunteer Opportunities

The strength of the society is through the volunteer efforts of its members, Please check all activities that appeal to you.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Serve as an officer
<input type="checkbox"/> Publicity
<input type="checkbox"/> Work with archives
<input type="checkbox"/> Address envelopes
<input type="checkbox"/> Assist with High Tea
<input type="checkbox"/> Research restoration projects
<input type="checkbox"/> Membership development
<input type="checkbox"/> July 4 th Celebration activities
<input type="checkbox"/> Assist with Children’s Tea | <input type="checkbox"/> Docent for Historical Homes Tour
<input type="checkbox"/> Ticket sales
<input type="checkbox"/> Host a social event in your home
<input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer home for a custom tour
<input type="checkbox"/> Prepare refreshments for custom tour
<input type="checkbox"/> Make presentation on Brazos County history
<input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising activities
<input type="checkbox"/> Contact me for special events
<input type="checkbox"/> Inform me of other options |
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Membership Information

Please list your name as you want it to appear on the membership roll and on correspondence.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: (Work) _____ (Home) _____

Email: _____

Please mail the completed form and your check to the following address:

The Brazos Heritage Society

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Bryan, Texas 77806

Electronic Newsletter Update

Heritage Brazos, the electronic newsletter of the Brazos Heritage Society, had its inception in May 2011. After a year in existence, the Society's newsletter has had 2,310 online visits.

While the vast majority of those visits were from within the United States, the newsletter's website was also viewed by people in the following countries (listed in alphabetical order): Australia, Austria, Bangladesh, Brazil, Canada, Colombia, Côte d'Ivoire, Egypt, Finland, France, Germany, Ghana, Hong Kong, Hungary, Indonesia, Ireland, Japan, Latvia, Malaysia, Namibia, the Netherlands, Pakistan, Poland, Romania, Russia, South Africa, Sweden, Taiwan, Thailand, Togo, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom, and Vietnam. In decreasing order, the ten countries with the most visits are:

Country	Number
United States	2,025
Russia	73
United Arab Emirates	50
Canada	24
France	19
United Kingdom	18
Germany	17
Thailand	16
Poland	8
Egypt	5

For a more timely access of news about the Society and Brazos County's history, visit: <http://heritagebrazos.blogspot.com>.

On a somewhat related matter, in an attempt to reduce costs and to be more environmentally friendly, we are asking members with Internet capabilities to consider opting out of receiving our newsletter – *Heritage Brazos* – by conventional mail. The Society's online newsletter contains all the information as the one mailed to members, and much more, including photographs, contests, and time sensitive announcements.

If you are willing to forego receiving a paper edition of the newsletter, please email me at dan.beto@gmail.com.

Dan Beto, Vice President