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Did you know this about "GOD BLESS AMERICA?"

The link below will show a video of the very first public singing of "GOD BLESS AMERICA." But before you watch, you should also know the story of the song. The time was 1940. America was still in a terrible economic depression. Hitler was taking over Europe and Americans were afraid we'd have to go to war. It was a time of hardship and worry for most Americans.

This was the era just before TV, when radio shows were HUGE, and American families sat around their radios in the evenings, listening to their favorite entertainers? and no entertainer of that era was bigger than Kate Smith. Kate was also large in size, and the popular phrase still used today is in deference to her, "It ain't over till the fat lady sings." Kate Smith might not have made it big in the age of TV, but with her voice coming over the radio, she was the biggest star of her time.

Kate was also very patriotic. It hurt her to see Americans so depressed and afraid of what the next day would bring. She had hope for America, and faith in her fellow Americans. She wanted to do something to cheer them up, so she went to the famous American songwriter, Irving Berlin (also wrote "White Christmas") and asked him to write a song that would make Americans feel good again about their country. When she described what she was looking for, he said he had just the song for her. He went to his files and found a song that he had written, but never published, 22 years before - way back in 1917. He gave it to Kate Smith and she worked on it with her studio orchestra. She and Irving Berlin were not sure how the song would be received by the public, but both agreed they would not take any profits from "God Bless America." Any profits would go to the Boy Scouts of America. Over the years, the Boy Scouts have received millions of dollars in royalties from this song.

This video starts out with Kate Smith coming into the radio studio with the orchestra and an audience. She introduces the new song for the very first time, and starts singing. After the first couple of verses, with her voice in the background still singing, scenes are shown from the 1940 movie, "You're In The Army Now." At the 4:20 mark of the video you see a young actor in the movie, sitting in an office, reading a paper- it's Ronald Reagan. Frank Sinatra considered Kate Smith the best singer of her time, and said when he and a million other guys first heard her sing "God Bless America" on the radio, they all pretended to have "dust in their eyes" as they wiped away a tear or two.

To this day, "God Bless America" stirs our patriotic feelings and pride in our country. Back in 1940, When Kate Smith went looking for a song to raise the spirits of her fellow Americans, I doubt she realized just how successful the results would be for her fellow Americans during those years of hardship and worry, and for many generations of Americans to follow. Now that you know the story of the song, I hope you will enjoy it and treasure it even more, especially now, considering the state of our great nation. God Bless America!

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VBS

First United Methodist Church—Winona
206 Tyler Street
Winona, TX 75792

JULY 26, 27 & 28

6:30 - 8:30

Come Meet
Our
Jungle Friends



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Winona ISD 2011-2012 School Calendar

First Day (students)
August 22

Teacher Orientation / Preparation-Work / Staff Development Days
August 11 New Teacher Orientation
August 15,16,17, & 18 Staff Dev. Days
August 19 Preparation Day
September 24 Staff Dev/Comp Day
October 15 Staff Dev/Comp Day
January 2 Staff Dev/Comp Day
April 6 Staff Dev/Comp Day
June 1 Staff Dev

Inclement Weather Days
April 9
April 30

Student Holidays
September 5 Labor Day
November 21-25 Thanksgiving
Dec. 19 – January 2 Christmas
January 16 Martin Luther King Jr.
March 12–16 Spring Break
April 6 Good Friday
May 28 Memorial Day

Six Weeks Grading Periods
August 22– September 30
October 3– November 11
November 14– January 20
January 23– March 2
March 5–April 20
April 23 – May 31

High School Graduation
June 1, 2012

Legend
N = New Teacher Orientation
S = Staff Development/comp
P = Teacher Prep-Work Days
H = Holidays
ER = Early Release 12:30 pm
TS = TAKS/STAAR Test Days
W = Inclement Weather Days

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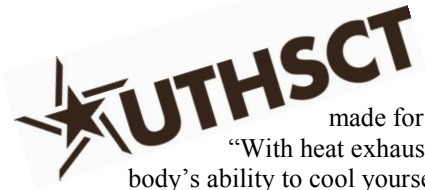
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Did You Know? You can survive the heat by planning for it

The hot temperatures and high humidity of an East Texas summer are tailor-made for heat illnesses such as heat exhaustion or heat stroke.

“With heat exhaustion, your body is warning you. With heat stroke you have overwhelmed your body’s ability to cool yourself,” says Wyn Andrews, MD, of UT Physicians of Gladewater.

Early signs of heat exhaustion are profuse sweating, fatigue, thirst, and muscle cramps. You may also develop headache, weakness, dizziness, nausea, and vomiting.

Signs of heat stroke include an absence of sweating, mental confusion or dizziness, and a temperature of over 103 degrees. If you have heat stroke, you need immediate medical attention.

Infants and children under 4 years of age and people over 65 are more vulnerable to heat illnesses. And carrying excess weight can affect your body’s ability to regulate its temperature and cause you to retain more heat.

“Be smart and plan for the heat. If you go outside and exert yourself, do it early before it gets hot or later after it cools off,” Dr. Andrews says.

Drink water and sports drinks while you’re outside; don’t wait until you feel thirsty, he adds. Wear a hat and a lightweight long-sleeved shirt; lightweight clothes allow evaporation.

Limit your time outdoors during the hottest part of the day. Work for 15 minutes and then take a rest in the shade or inside an air-conditioned building.

If it’s 95 degrees outside with humidity of 75 percent or above, that can be hazardous to your health.

“Temperatures and humidity like that are not just uncomfortable. They are dangerous,” Dr. Andrews says.

A Note From The Mayor

I hope everyone had a safe and happy Fourth of July holiday. This was a time for everyone to rejoice in our freedoms and pay respect to those that fight and work tirelessly to keep us free. I am thankful not only to our past and present military members, but also to each and every person that works with and within our government to keep our country going.

We recently completed our Johnson Rd. resurfacing project. This new surface will keep protect Johnson Road for many years to come. I am sure you have also noticed the concrete aprons that we are adding to several more streets around town. Eventually we want to have concrete aprons at almost all intersections in town. Where vehicles turn you see a lot more road wear. These concrete aprons will hold up to turning vehicles much better than standard asphalt. One more road project that will be complete before summers end is Wildcat Drive. The crews will start on this project in the next few weeks to complete it before school starts back in late August.

We are still pursuing the collaborative city park project with First United Methodist Church. We are working through some property questions and should have those issues resolved in the next month. Once the property issues are ironed out we hope to break ground and get moving quickly. I will keep you posted on our progress.

As always, if you should have any questions please contact City Hall at 903-877-3381, or you can email us at cityhall@winonatexas.com.

Sincerely,
Rusty Smith
Mayor
City of Winona

First Baptist Church of Winona News -

We are in the midst of Vacation Bible School this week as I type this and what a week it has been! Over 200 in The House each night and some great stuff happening.

Speaking of great stuff happening, we are having our annual summer Singspiration on Sunday, July 31st at 6pm, featuring the great musical talent of the FBC family and lots of great testimonies. We'd love to have you be a part.

We finish one Wednesday night program and begin another in August. PandaMania concludes for the kids August 17th and RA's, GA's and Mission Friends begin once again on August 24th. We continue to have a big time for youth worship on Wednesday night as well as men's & ladies' Bible Studies. It all starts at 6:30 pm.

Speaking of August 17th, we'll be hosting our annual Blood Drive with Carter Blood Care that evening from 4-8pm. If you are interested in donating blood, you can sign up by calling our church office at 903-877-3273.

First Day of School is August 22nd. Pray for the students, teachers and administrators . . . oh yeah, the parents too! We'll be having our annual Back to School Bash on Sunday evening, August 21st at 6pm. Love to have you join us!

Tony Watson
Pastor
First Baptist Church of Winona

Sunday Services
9am - Bible Study for All Ages
10am - Worship
5:30 pm - KORE Youth Ministry
6pm - Evening Worship, Kingdom Kids

Wednesday
6:30 pm - Men's & Ladies' Bible Studies, Youth Worship, PandaMania (through August 17th), RA's/GA's/Mission Friends (Begins August 24th)

Winona Happenings

By: Annabelle Langley

At the wild and crazy Cross-Brand Cowboy Church, the excitement levels are high with Bible studies, rodeos, and more,

Mondays

- Men's Round Pen --7:00 PM Women's Round Pen Wednesdays

- Dinner-- 6:00 PM

Worship Service --7:00 PM

Thursdays

Celebrate Recovery --6:00 PM

Sundays

Worship service-- 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM

Monthly

Younger Barn Fellowship—5th and 19th

Special Events

- 2011 Fall Playday Series—17th at 2:00 PM registration starts after second service and ends at 1:30 PM.

- #11 Team Roping—8th

- #8 Team Roping—22nd

The always exciting First Baptist Church of Winona has the following event occurring:

Sundays

- Bible study for all ages -- 9:00 AM

- Worship service-- 10:00 AM

- Choir rehearsal -- 4:30 PM

- KORE student ministry -- 5:30 PM

- Kingdom Kids -- 6:00 PM

Worship service -- 6:00 PM.

Wednesdays

Hearts and Hands -- 10:00 AM & 6:30 PM

Adult Prayer Mtg./Men's & Ladies Bible studies -- 6:30 PM

Youth Discipleship (grade 7-12) --6:30 PM

Royal Ambassadors (boys grade 1-6)-- 6:30 PM

Mission Friends (ages 3-5) --6:30 PM

Special Events

Angel food ministry is available to the public (a program to provide low cost food for ANYONE. To hear more and to look at the menu, please contact the church at 903-877-3273

VBS—17th-21st 6:30-9:00 PM

Your hometown bank, the First National Bank of Winona has free cups of gourmet coffee for you to enjoy!

Winona Wildcat Bands

FULL SUMMER BAND STARTS MONDAY, AUGUST 1ST 5PM-9PM

Everyone is to report at the "NEW" High School Band Hall at 5PM SHARP! (Really that means by 4:45 PM) I know that there are Athletic Two-A-Days going on as well, Coach Evans and myself have worked to where there are no conflicts! This will be a tough 3-weeks, but well worth it. Please notice that the FULL SCHEDULE IS POSTED ONLINE AT www.winonaband.org. The camp schedule changes the third week of August. Each, and every rehearsal is MANDATORY. If you miss, don't expect to have your spot of the field. This year, we will have 10 alternates, which means everyone will be competing for a "contest-spot". Work, drivers ed, hair appointments, dentists, vacations, dates, and anything else non-school related will not be excused. This schedule has been posted since May, please make this camp a priority! Preparation starts now, get outside and start spending time in the heat! Drink plenty of water, and do not show up in jeans for camp! The heat index will be extremely high on our new practice field. Bring water jugs to fill up with water and ice!

Excerpt from 2011 Summer Letter, Winona Wildcat Bands, www.winonaband.org

For more information, contact Jerry Whorton, Director of Bands, Winona ISD, 903.944.8349



Helen & Buddy Bozeman
Citizens of the Year 2011

Presented by Judge Mitch Shamburger
Congratulated by Chamber President,
Dexter Jones

Winners of the 2011 WACOC Scholarships



Dillon
Lance
Kennemer

Kimberlie
Christine
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and its members on the web at
www.winonatxareachamberofcommerce.com
and on facebook and twitter.

A Bright Future

By: Makaylah Downs

Inside, everyone has
strength, courage, beauty
and power.

How they choose to
express them is all
up to that person.

Whether it be through
violence, passion, looks or
personality.

The truth and depth
of it will show in
their everyday life.

Even if you hide behind

a mask, or books, or attitude.

When the time is right
you really can't hide who
you are.

So don't take these
abilities for granted.
Don't use them to your
advantage.

Use them well.
Use them right.

If you follow that, then;
I'm sure your
future will be BRIGHT!

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