

City of Stanton Economic Development & Martin County Chamber of Commerce

February 2017

Dates to know:

- 2nd- Groundhog Day
- 6th&13th- Do Well, Be Well with Diabetes-Martin County Hospital, Board Room- Supper provided- 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. (First class of series will be Jan. 30th)
- 13th-Circle 6 Men's Rally-Meal @ 5:30p.m.- Program @ 7:00 p.m.-Guest Speaker: Shane Pruitt
- 14th- Valentine's Day-Impact Meeting @ Noon-Senior Citizen Center-All are invited
- 18th- Soup Cook-Off @ 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. @ Martin County Community Center
- 20th- President's Day-No School (Grady & Stanton)

Valentine's Day-Martin County Style

Valentine's Day is almost here! Here's the scoop on what Stanton has to offer to make the occasion perfect for that special someone. Borrowed Recipes will be offering a dozen chocolate covered strawberries for \$15 and customized candies such as chocolate covered marshmallows and mice kisses. EJ's Valentine's special served from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. will be crab cakes for two, duet of petite fillet and jumbo shrimp, mini chocolate cakes with champagne cream, and chocolate covered strawberries for

\$49.95. Sweet T's Candy Shoppe will be making custom gift baskets starting at \$15. Walk in or call to let Idalia know what you want in your Valentine's basket. She is taking orders and the deadline to get your order in is February 10th. She will give 15% off \$25 or



more on the first 15 orders! Everything Delicious Bakery will have an exclusive event on the 13th and 14th. Vanessa and Domingo will have cupcakes, chocolate covered strawberry bouquets, and cookie bouquets. They are extending their hours on these 2 days 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Southern Stems will have half dozen and dozen roses, single bud arrangements, 3-flower bouquets, and live plants. Aline and Lety will also have gift and candy boxes starting at \$5.00.

Have your own definition of success... so you can fulfill your dreams, not someone else's expectations of your dreams-Elliot Fletcher

Soup Cook-Off

Martin County Convent Board's 28th Annual-Great Texas Soup Cook-Off will be Saturday, February 18, 2017 at the Martin County Community Center, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Admission is \$5 and proceeds benefit restoration and preservation of the historic

Carmelite Monastery/Convent. Special guest judges will award a "Best tasting Soup" and "Best Decorated Table". 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places will be voted on by the public. Anyone is welcome to bring a dessert for the Dessert Auction. Part of the auction will take place as normal this year,



but part will also be held as a silent auction. Make your way out to the event to vote for your favorite soup and bid on your favorite dessert!

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Impact Meeting

Martin County had its very first Impact Meeting, January 10, 2017. Old Sorehead Trade Days sponsored the lunch. The idea for the meetings came from the Leadership Advisory Board, of Martin County AgriLife Extension. Representatives from local organizations gave reports. The food bank, reported new programs and serving about 150 families. Wes-Tex Telecom gave updates on fiber optics, Matthew Blocker reported on his application for petition. County Judge Bryan Cox updated the group on courthouse landscaping and new county jail progress. Sally Poteet gave an update with the Senior Citizens Center, which has a gym and is available to

anyone for \$25 a month and open Monday-Friday from 6:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Police Chief Schroyer, informed of some additional services that local law enforcement provides, and requests if there is a problem to please contact the police department. The Chamber of Commerce announced Chamber Mixers which will begin and be available to members in March. Jennifer Weston of Permian Basin Regional Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse informed of new programs launching at our Jr. High School and possible new ones to come. Amy Baugh gave an update for AgriLife Extension and new programs to be offered. Impact meetings will be held the second Tuesday of every month. The next meeting will be February 14, 2017 at the Senior Citizen Center, lunch is \$7 for under age 60 and \$3 donation for ages 60+. The meetings are not a forum to air complaints, unless you have a resolution. They are informative meetings for anyone to attend, make sure citizens are "in the know" with current and possible future projects.



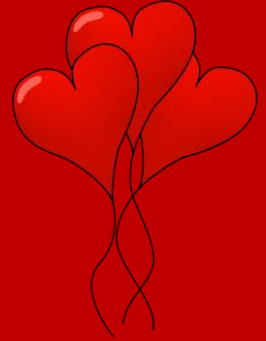
Build a voice and an opinion first, and then if it resonates with the audience, then you'll get an audience-Adam

Congressman Conaway Town Hall



Congressman Conaway fit a Town Hall Meeting for Martin County into his busy schedule. The congressman stopped at the Martin County Library on

Tuesday, January 17, 2017 from 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m to address citizens, take public comments, questions, and concerns.



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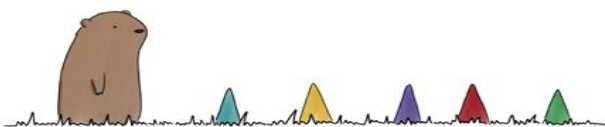
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Valentine's Day Muddy Buddies Recipe

Ingredients:

- ½ bag pink Wilton Candy Malts
- ¼ teaspoon shortening (like Crisco)
- 6 cups Chex Rice Cereal
- Gallon-sized Ziploc Bag
- 3 Cups confectioner sugar (more or less depending on your desired result)
- Various pink and red sprinkles

Directions:

1. Put Wilton Candy melts into microwave safe bowl.
2. Heat for 45 seconds, then stir. Heat an additional 30 seconds, then stir. If not completely melted, repeat in 20 second intervals until candy is completely melted.
3. Add ¼ teaspoon shortening and stir-this helps liquefy the candy melts and makes it easier to coat the rice cereal without getting too thick and lumpy.
4. In a gallon-sized Ziploc bag, pour Chex Rice Cereal and the melted candy melts.
5. Gently shake bag, rolling slowly to completely coat the rice cereal with the melted candy. Pour in the powdered sugar and shake until the cereal mixture is completely coated.
6. Pour into bowl and add sprinkles.

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