

MESSENGER



Chamber President

Elaine Moulton:

Avinger has once again enjoyed a great **4th of July Celebration in the Park!** I hope you were able to attend this Chamber of Commerce sponsored event! The Hot Dogs were yummy, the snow cones and popcorn were a huge hit and of course, the fireworks were spectacular! We extend our sincere thanks to our own Avinger Fire Department for their assistance!

Join us on **Thursday, July 7th at noon** as we celebrate our **Featured Business Harris Mercantile** with their newest acquisition across from Family Dollar. If you haven't seen their new store, you will love this new addition to Avinger! Enjoy refreshments with us and check it out!

Noticed the American Flags flying downtown?! We're showing visitors we are a proud community! I assure you, you will see those flags flying more frequently!

1936 Study Club:

Bonnie Pace, President

The local Texas Federation Women's Club, the 1936 Study Club will begin its new year in September. The 1936 Study Club has been organized & Federated for 80 years this year. It has been active in the Avinger community since being organized.

The number one project is Avinger HS Scholarships. The other projects will be: giving books at Christmas to students, the battered women's shelter, giving stuffed animals to the police dept. to give to children going into CPS care. The biggest project for the last three years has been restoring the Avinger City Park which was renamed by the Club to Avinger Community Park. The Park is designed to accommodate the young & old! The 1936 ladies have done a lot of work thus far, but there is much more to be done. Enjoy our Park!!

City Hall:

The City Council meets on the last Monday of each month at 6:30pm at City Hall. The public is invited to attend.

Monthly Luncheons:

Quarterly luncheons are scheduled for the 3rd Tuesday of that month at 11:30. Bring a covered dish to share with others. The churches rotate as hosts. **July 19th Avinger United Methodist Church and October 18th First Baptist Church.**

Enjoy Fellowship. **Everyone is invited!**

Church Directory:

Avinger United Methodist Church

Sunday School: 10:00am

Worship: 11:00am

First Baptist Church

Sunday School: 9:45am

Worship: 11:00am

Evening: 6:00pm

Hickory Hill Baptist

Sunday School: 10:00am
Worship: 11:00am
Evening: 6:30pm

Mt. Moriah Baptist

Sunday School: 10:00am
Worship: 11:00a.m

Pruitt Lake Baptist

Women Bible Study
Tuesday 10:00am
Bible Lesson, Wed. 7:00pm
Sunday School: 10:00am
Worship: 10:50am

First Baptist Church:

FBC is excited about what GOD is doing through **Faith, Family, Food, and Fun** on Wednesday nights ***starting again in September!*** There are over fifty students who participate in fun and games with a spiritual setting centered on the scriptures. Dinner is served by community volunteers. Thank You for allowing us to Minister to your children! Remember, **no classes in July & August!**

5:00 Pre K through 4th grade

6:00 5th through High School

Pastor Robert Terry

Avinger UMC:

Welcome to new pastor, Larry Day and his wife, Frances. Pastor Larry comes in from Longview, where he currently works as manager of the Trust and Investment division of Texas Bank and Trust. He served as associate pastor at Winterfield United Methodist Church in Longview. He begins his service in Avinger on July 3rd.

The UMC is planning their annual teacher's brunch in August. Date to be announced.

Hickory Hill Baptist Church:

A Revival is planned on August 15th – 19th at 7pm. Brother E.L. Sharp will be preaching each night. Call Brother James 903-930-2867 for more information. Everyone is invited.
Come join in on Saturday, September 24th for the Fourth Saturday Singing at Hickory Hill!

Avinger ISD:

Pre K and Kindergarten registration is open now. First day for students is Monday, August 22nd!

CRESS Community Foundation:

Avinger Wine Festival:

Mark your calendars for Saturday, Sept. 17th! Spend the day shopping, browsing, tasting delicious foods and desserts. Lots of new vendors this year for a bigger and better event! Live music that will please everyone's taste!

Want to become a vendor? Contact Ronnie at 562-2222. www.avingerwinefestival.com

Treasure Trails will be set up on

October 8th at the parking lot on the corner of Hwy 49 & Church St. **If you have furniture or other items in good shape that you would like to donate, or if you would like to set up your own sale, this is the time to do it! You can contact Elaine at 562-2151.**

Miscellaneous:

Red Cross Mission Team set up for Avinger has been organized by Avinger citizen, Mike Simon. If you have an interest in supporting this effort, please contact Mike at 214-535-9112 or mikesimon@att.net Monthly meetings are set for the second Tues. of each month at #7 Main St. 6:30pm. It will be great to have a Red Cross presence right here in Avinger.

Chamber individual & family **membership** is only **\$25**. We need your support for all of the community events we put on. Please join. Contact Shelby, 562-1883.

Pray Please pray for our friends and neighbors who are going through difficult times.

Contact: Ronnie Politi 562-2222 or Anita Walker 562-1314 if you have a public event planned and would like it posted. All inclusions will be at the discretion of the Chamber Board.