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Joe Haynes returns to work

BY DIANE ADAMS Editor

Joe Haynes, Pastor of Leaday Baptist Church and the voice of KSTA 1000 AM radio station in Coleman, is making a rapid recovery from a severe accident which took place on February 3, 2018. The accident resulted in the amputation of his right leg above the knee. Haynes returned to work on Monday, March 19 for the first time since being injured. "Today makes 40 days since the accident", Haynes said this past Thursday. "I would say my recovery is much faster than anyone expected".

Haynes has had to make adaptations in order to return to work, including driving using hand controls and modifications to his radio studio. "Phantom pains are really significant," he stated. "But I feel good.

I feel strong. I'm ready to go back to

The Coleman community has rallied around Joe during this time, setting up a GoFundMe page in his name where people can donate to help him meet his medical costs. The website for donations is www. gofundme.com/joe-haynes-medical-assistance. Donations are also being received through the Ray E. Martin Memorial Fund. Go to www. RayEMartin.org and click on donate. Under the special instructions, type JOE, or mail a check to the Ray E. Martin Memorial Fund

Krishelle Hicks, Board of Directors, 23019 Treemont Park, San Antonio, Texas 78261. Donations can also be made in person at the Coleman Chronicle

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Fort Worth District rangers conduct firefighting training during the 2018 Park Ranger Appreciation and Annual Refresher Training at Hordes Creek Lake facility, in Coleman, Texas. Courtesy Photo

Coleman hosted Ranger training exercises at Hords Creek Lake

BY DIANE ADAMS Editor

The Fort Worth District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers held its annual training event at Hords Creek Lake on March 6, 2018. Rang ers and other personnel from inside the Fort Worth District of the Corps met to practice responses to various emergency scenarios and safety procedures necessary for the Rangers to perform their duties. "We picked Coleman because of the remoteness of Coleman itself," said Tim MacAllister, Chief of Operations for the District. The relative seclusion of Hords Creek Lake provided an enjoyable setting for rangers to train and appreciate the great outdoors at the same time. "I attended the event as well and felt the training was a great success. Yes, my Rangers and local lake staff did a tremendous job, but the local Fire and EMS personnel, the

Sheriff's Office, Police Department and game wardens were phenomenal and instrumental to the success of the training," MacAllister stated. The City of Coleman's involve-

ment with the event was approved by Coleman Assistant City Manager, David Martinez. Coleman Police Department K9 Officer Trebor Moore provided a class on drug awareness, and Officer Josh Carlock provided assistance during a practice scenario for an active shooter.

Duston Crawford, Captain of the Coleman Fire Department, and Firefighter Jerod Roberts instructed Wildland Fire Training, while Assistant Chief Jim Watson, Captain Cory Robinson and the Heart of Texas EMS participated in a drowning simulation. Game Warden Lee Morrison taught a partnership class. MacAllister wants to express his thanks to everyone who made the training event successful.



The Fort Worth District Commander, Colonel Calvin C. Hudson, II, poses with park rangers on March 6 during the 2018 Park Ranger Appreciation and Annual Refresher Training at the Hordes Creek Lake facility, in Coleman, Texas. Courtesy

5K rACE on the Green finishes well

BY DIANE ADAMS

The rACE on the Green, a production of Coleman ISD's after school program, took place on Saturday, March 9th. Adults and children both participated in the 5k run. In honor of Saint Patrick's Day, participants and staff were dressed in green, with many sporting green hair and skin.

"It's a beautiful day for a race,' said ACE Elementary Coordinator Heather Guijosa. Approximately 100 people came out to run. The top male finisher overall was Domanic Enriquez with a time of 18:35.3. Hannah Parson was the top female competitor, with a time of 23:02.4. The race was held on the grounds of the Coleman Country Club, and was free to all participants.



A participant reaches the finish line at the 5k rACE on the Green, held at Coleman **Country Club.** Courtesy Photo



Coleman Evening Lions Club members (L-R) Keith Phillips, Bryan Claywell, Pat Henderson, Bob Martin, and Phil Chambers met on Sunday, March 18, to unload food donated to Coleman County youth. Trena Claywell | CCDV Photo

Evening Lions fight childhood poverty

BY TRENA CLAYWELL

The Coleman Evening Lions are geared up to begin distribution of donated food items to Coleman County youth in need. People Feeding People, Inc. recently began receiving shelf stable goods that were packaged with upcoming expiration dates. The inflow was more than the organization could distribute before the expiration dates and upon hearing about a need

in Coleman, the decision was made to

donate the overflow to the Lions for distribution to the youth of Coleman County. People Feeding People, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) charity that was formed by Parker County musician, Sunshine Emery and friends as a way to serve the homeless of Fort Worth, Texas.

The Evening Lions will be able to serve more than 100 Coleman County youth a week with two days worth of meals with distribution points already in place. Pat Henderson, Evening Li-

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Coleman Weather Your 7-Day Forecast

Friday



78° RealFeel 77° Partly sunny and

delightful

80° RealFeel 78°

Breezy with clouds

Thursday

87° 64° RealFeel 85° Partly sunny and **Saturday** 88° 61°

RealFeel 88°

Partly sunny and

88° 58°

A strong t-storm

Sunday

69° RealFeel 86° RealFeel 69°

50°

Cooler with t-storms

Monday

Tuesday

75° 54° RealFeel 75°

Clouds, a t-storm



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