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Fayetteville Celebrates the German and Czech Cultures of the Community as they Welcome the 39th Annual Licksillet Days

Saturday, October 17 and Sunday, October 18



It comes as no surprise that this small, incredibly historic hometown community in the heart of Texas continues to successfully celebrate the cultures and history on a regular basis. Expect only the best and that includes the return of Licksillet Days for the 39th year (since 1976). Every moment of this family-fun package is a constant tribute to the heritage of this National Registry community. Packaged in pride and sponsored by The Fayetteville Chamber of Commerce, this volunteer-based hometown has set a schedule for the weekend of October 17-18, 2015 that is guaranteed to keep a smile on the face of all ages.

It wouldn't be a celebration without a BBQ cook-off steaming up and this year is no exception. The SPJSTs Bean & BBQ Cook-off will be held Saturday, October 17 at the SPJST Hall just down the road from the square. Live music by the Sidewinders

will be furnished as friends, family, and newbies compete against each other fiercely. Contact Melinda Zajicek at 979-820-8793 for information.

Get the toe tappin' boots on as the Black Cat Choir performs from 8:30-11:45 pm for a good old fashioned Street Dance on the Square. Bring a lawn chair and get an ice cold drink and a bite to eat from one of the many vendors and enjoy the unique sounds of a great group. Rain? No problem! Black Cat Choir will relocate to St. John's Pavilion just a couple of blocks off the square.

Throughout the days' activities (Saturday and Sunday) on the Historic Town Square, ice cold refreshments and food will be sold and there will be activities for children young and old. Arts and crafts vendors will be available (call 979-378-4021 for vendor space) and local businesses will be open to accommodate those special shopping needs. Save time for those special courthouse, jail and Fayetteville Heritage Museum tours that will be conducted in celebration of the array of cultures and heritage to the area.

The not-to-miss Licksillet Parade will begin at Fayetteville school and arrive on the Square around 11 am on Sunday with Grand Marshalls Jerry and Shirley Chovanec and presenting the 2016-2017 Licksillet Queen and her court, Parade participants should plan to arrive at the school on Sunday, October 18 with check in from 8-9:30 am and judging at 9:30 am. The annual Licksillet Days Parade has become a central part of the festivities with a tribute to the cultures of the area. Parade forms may be obtained by going to www.fayettevilletxchamber.org.

Get those taste buds curling as a Fried Chicken & Sausage link catered meal with sides and tea will be served up on the Square by Garland Polasek Sunday at 11:00 am. Kolaches, rolls, pies, and pastries will also be available. Put away the jogging shoes from Saturday and get the dancing boots back out as the Fayette Czech Singers and Dancers are showcased from 12-1 and Jimmy Rhode DJ graces the audience from 11:30 4 pm. Raffle drawing and silent auction winners will be announced from 2-3 pm. Don't pass up the chance to be the owner of a brand new Steering Wheel Model, CUB CADET RZT S 50 or an original piece of art by Pat Johnson. Mower chances and Meal tickets are available now at Fayetteville Bank, Jerry's General Store, Joe's Place, and Orsak's Café.

This is a free event with free parking, no admittance fee, and drinks and food will be available as well as overnight lodging for visitors wishing to stay over. Gearing up for Licksillet each year takes loads of energy and volunteers from through the community. Thank them when you see them! Additional information may be found at www.fayettevilletxchamber.org or by calling 979-378-4021. Fayetteville is located on Highway 159 a short distance from La Grange and zip code 78940 for GPS users. Great weekend getaway with dining, shopping, and lodging available for all.

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