



Above, Doug Schwemm, Lois Glover and Janie Schwemm, at right, celebrate Glover's retirement after 25 years of service to Sportsman's Restaurant.

Glover Retires After 41 Years

By Doug Schwemm, Sportsman's Owner
Lois Tillman Glover is retiring from Sportsman's Restaurant after 25 years of service. In 1982 Janie and I purchased Sportsman's Restaurant. Part of the package was Lois Tillman Glover.

Lois has actually worked at this restaurant for 41 years. Lois has been a very important part of our team, helping us create and serve great food.

She worked on the day shift and helped us with large catering parties at night.

The largest party she helped us prepare was for 1000 people, which we served in 20 minutes.

During the faithful 25 years of service she was only late 4 times and was due to extremely bad weather. That's Outstanding!

Raised in a christian home, Jesus Christ became a very important part of her life.

She began serving him as a teenager, singing in the church choir.

Her love of Christ and faith in him provided her strength as a single mom raising two daughters, Kamicka and Stacy. But when the church doors were open she and her children were there.

Today Kamicka is a teacher and director of Head Start. Stacy

is an LVN at Columbus Hospital. Lois has been a member of Greater Rising Star Fellowship for 26 years.

She still sings in the choir, helps on the food committee, and is treasurer for the Belovgnce Ministry.

Janie and I will miss Lois and appreciate her dedicated 25 years of faithful service.

We ask God's Grace and Blessing upon her.

Doug and Janie Schwemm

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Tax Holiday

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Combs also said backpacks, a standard item on many kids' school supply lists, can now be purchased tax free during the sales tax holiday.

"From now on, the sales tax holiday will occur on the third Friday, Saturday and Sunday of August," Combs said.

"This year, the date is Aug. 17-19."

Since many school districts are now starting their school year later, the 80th Legislature changed the date of the sales tax holiday to move it closer to the first day of school.

During the sales tax holiday, children's and adults' clothing and shoes priced less than \$100, and now backpacks that cost less than \$100, are exempt from state and local sales taxes.

"The Legislature responded to parents' requests to add backpacks to the list of tax-exempt items," Combs said.

"Backpacks can be expensive, especially for parents who have to buy them for several children. A tax break helps."

Combs also announced that, starting in May 2008, energy-efficient appliances will be exempt from sales tax during the three-day Memorial Day weekend.

Certain appliances with a federal Energy Star rating will be tax-free, including washing machines, dishwashers, ceiling fans, dehumidifiers, programmable thermostats and incandescent fluorescent light bulbs.

Air conditioners priced at \$6,000 or less and refrigerators priced at \$2,000 or less can also be purchased tax free.

"Texas consumers will save about \$8 for every \$100 they spend on qualifying appliances," Combs said.

"Even more importantly, they will reap savings on their utility bills by purchasing energy-efficient appliances, and the demand for electricity will be reduced."

The Comptroller predicts families will save about \$52.1 million in sales taxes during the August sales tax holiday.

More information about the August sales tax holiday for clothing and shoes can be found on the Comptroller's Web site at www.window.state.tx.us.

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a.m. worship service. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to share in this experience.

RMC to hold Blood Drive

Rice Medical Center will be holding their quarterly Commit For Life blood drive, on Tuesday, July 24. The drive will be from 2 pm until 7 pm. The donor coach will be in the visitors parking lot at the hospital. You may make appointments by calling Barbara Pidgeon at 979-234-5571, ext. 5236. Walk in's are always welcome.

Red Cross swimming lessons offered

Registration for youths and adults will be held Sunday, July 22, 5 to 6:30 p.m. and Monday, July 23, 8 to 9 a.m. at the Gazebo next to Eagle Lake Swimming Pool. Course fees are \$18 per student. Children must be at least 6 years of age to register. For additional information call 979-234-5728.

WOFF is July 28-29

The Wallis Oldtime Fun Festival (WOFF) will be held July 28-29 at Guardian Angel Catholic Church, Hwy. 36 and FM 1952 in Wallis. To register for the event or more information call Margie Schuenemann at 979-232-0260 or Liz Knight at 979-227-1637.

Family and Friends Day is July 28

Old Skool Organization will hold a Family and Friends Day in the park on Saturday, July 28. This is a chance to meet, greet, and interact with Old Skool as well as having fun with the kids. There will be food and refreshments for everyone, a drawing for a bike, and T-Shirts. For additional information please contact Russell Williams at 979-234-6966 or email us at: OldSkool2007@sbcglobal.net.

Fireworks Saturday

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be "lively, loud, and long," according to the directors, adding that "it will last about 35 minutes and patriotic music will be playing before, during and after."

Spectators can get to the location by turning south on Calhoun Road at the Hwy. 90A intersection near Brookshire Brothers. There is not a parking lot, however parking is allowed on both sides of the road. "All of the fireworks will be going up, so the performance can easily be seen from over a mile away," say show officials. "We encourage everyone to load-up your family and friends, bring refreshments and lawnchairs, and plan for an inspirational patriotic celebration."

A sound-system will be used for the music and those out-of-range can listen to everything on radio station 89.9 FM. Officials indicate that the radio range is also limited but insist that the fireworks will be fascinating with or without the music.

Once again the fireworks display is free and open to the public.

Anyone wishing to contribute can contact the Eagle Lake Post Office or call 979-232-0233 for more information. Rain or shine the fireworks will still take place!



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Tue. 7-10-07	92/74	0.00
Wed. 7-11-07	93/73	0.00
Thu. 7-12-07	93/73	0.18
Fri. 7-13-07	93/75	0.00
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