



DEEP IN THE HEART OF BANDERA



Finally, the Texas Hill country has received the heavy rains we have been praying for and just in time to fill up the Medina River for Riverfest!

Bandera has many monthly events that you may want to check out. Of Course the first Tuesday of each month we get a kick start with the Cowboy Capital Opry. Got to go, at least once. We have Bingo at several locations in the County. On the first Friday night of each month is a great Classic Car Show that gathers at Fat Boyz Sandwich Shop or you can eat your fill of fried fish at the Knights of Columbus Fish Fry at St. Joseph's Hall. For specific times and locations go to www.banderacowboycapital.com and click on Events.

Every Saturday, for great family entertainment, visit the Cowboys on Main program hosted by the Bandera Business Association featuring chuck wagons, horses, strolling singers and the gunfights

presented by the Bandera Cattle Company. In the evening you can sign up for the Flying L Chuck Wagon Dinner. Time: 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM Bar-B-Q, Wagon Rides, Roping Lessons, Hat and Pistol Branding, Archery, Old Tyme Photos, Cowboy Stage Show, Gunslingers, Line Dancing. Entertainment & Dinner from 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM. 566 Flying L Dr. Bandera, TX 78003 800-292-5134 .

On the first Saturday of each month you can purchase some great books at the Bandera Library starting at 10 am and visit the downtown Market Days sponsored by the Bandera Business Association and on the second Saturday you can join in some fun music at the Frontier Times Museum's Cowboy Camp at 1 pm to 5pm. Cost is free. Enjoy traditional cowboy music. You are welcome to bring your guitar and join in the song circle. Bring your own refreshments and chair.

Bandera is the Cowboy Capital of the World so of course we have rodeos quite often. We have a couple of Buckle Series you can catch on Friday or Saturday nights depending on which end of the County you're visiting. Starting Friday June 6th and every Friday through the summer, you can catch the BR Lightning Ranch Cowboy Capital Series Rodeo Time: 8:00 PM Cost: \$7.00, free for kids 5 and under. This weekly rodeo features bull riding, steer riding, team roping, barrel racing, mutton busting, and more.

If you are in Bandera you can catch the Cross P Rodeo Buckle Series starting June 6th and every Saturday during the summer. Time: 8:00 PM Cost: \$10 Adults, Children 5 and under FREE Come watch the hill country's area cowboys and cowgirls compete in bull riding, team roping, barrel racing, tie-down roping, break-away roping and mutton bustin, followed by a good old country dance at the pavilion. Mansfield Park 2886 Hwy 16 N Bandera, TX 78003 830-221-6511

Starting on Saturday June 13th and every Saturday night through August, catch



the buckle series at Twin Elm Guest Ranch Summer Buckle Series Time: Rodeo begins 8:00pm Cost: \$7.00 a person (kids 5 & under are free) with bull riding, steer riding, barrel racing, Team Roping and mutton bustin'. To participate, sign up at the arena. Bring your chairs, sit in the bleachers or back in your truck and tailgate. Coolers with refreshments/ adult beverages welcomed just no glass bottles or purchase a snack and cold soda from the concession stand. 810 FM 470 Bandera, TX 78003 830-535-4096

June 19th – the 21st Equestrian Trail Ride Association is hosting a weekend of riding, camping and cooking at Chapas Group Area. A benefit silent auction and a star party are additional fun activities for Saturday evening 10600 Bandera Creek Rd. Bandera, TX 78003 830-796-4413 -Time: 2PM Cost: Adults \$6; Children 12 and under free or annual pass All to benefit the Hill country State Natural Area.

If you have never visited Bandera City Park choose June 27th and help us kick off summer at Bandera Riverfest! – The Ultimate Riverside Picnic! You will make this a summer ritual! Arts & Crafts, an Open Car show, a sanctioned Lone Star BBQ Cook-off, Bandera Idol competition, kayak races, river rodeo, watermelon eating contest, hotdog eating contest, The Anything That Floats Regatta, giant slip n slide and well, summer was never so much fun in just one day! Check it out at www.BanderaRiverfest.com.

Bandera gets Patriotic with a special concert Friday July 3rd at the Western Heritage Cowboy Church in Pipe Creek. From Sea to Shining Sea: Proud Songs of America begins at 6:30 PM Cost: \$12.00 Enjoy an evening of the proud music of America and the stories behind the music with Bandera's own Almost

Patsy Cline Band. Doors open at 6:00 PM. Advance tickets available for \$10.00 at Shoe Biz in Bandera or at the Western Heritage Cowboy Church. Sponsored by the Bandera Community Foundation. Western Heritage Cowboy Church on Hwy 1283

On the Fourth of July run to the City Park in Bandera for the Annual Pet Parade Sponsored by Cowboy Capital Pet Assistance League. Registration at 9:00 AM, Judging at 10:00 AM, Parade at 10:30 AM. Enter anything you can lead, ride or carry! If you don't have a pet - get creative - make up or dress like your ideal pet. Contest entry fee \$2.00. Categories are Star Spangled Honors (Most Patriotic Costume), Best of the West (Cowboy/Western Costume), Look Alike Award (Pet and Owner Resemblance), Most Talented, Most Original, and Favorite Storybook Character. Judges Pick for Best of Show & Most Creative. City Park Bandera, TX –

Later in the month, join the Frontier Times Museum as they celebrate The National Day of the American Cowboy. Texas Hero's Hall of Fame induction on Friday July 24th at 6pm at the Museum. Then hold on to your hats for the National Day of The American Cowboy Ranch Rodeo at Mansfield Park Saturday July 25th. Check out all the detail at www.FrontierTimesMuseum.org.

Of course you can still catch the rodeos every Friday and Saturday nights in and around Bandera. The area dance halls are always jumping during the summer.

Whew! You can't be bored in Bandera! Be sure to visit our music venues too! For more information, dates, times, exact locations, visit www.banderacowboycapital.com and click on events. You never know, we may even add a few by the time you check it out! Yee-haw, Y'all!

