

# Danube Historical Society Newsletter

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Sharing the Past, Present and Future with You

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### **From Our President .....**

The Danube Historical Society will hold its **ANNUAL MEETING** on Thursday, April 27, 2017 at 9:30 a.m. at the Danube Community Center. Rolls and coffee will be served. **Everyone is welcome to attend.** Agenda items include a review of 2016 events (concerts, fundraisers, celebrations), financial report, and problems with water in the lower level at the museum. We will also discuss ideas for 2017, including concerts, Fun Days activities, and the possibility of building a storage building/concession stand. We are trying to determine location on the grounds for this building, its size, and cost. **What do we want in it? Come with ideas!**

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## Summer Concert Series

Our Summer Concerts are pretty well set for this summer, with 5 dates and performers. We decided to cut the second August concert as it seems to conflict with other activities too often. The quantity may be fewer, but the talent will be AMAZING.

We have the **Montevideo Community Band** returning June 13; the **Dam Jammers** return for our Fun Days Concert on July 6; and the **Kingery family** will also return for our July 25 concert. All three of these performers have been highly rated by our audiences, and we try to do what we can to listen to your requests. New this year are **Church of Cash**, a Johnny Cash tribute band who will entertain us on June 27 – mark your calendar for this one – you may even get up and dance! You will definitely sing along. Another new artist this year is **Melanie Devaney** from Iowa, who brings her small-town values to her Americana and folk music. Her music is meant to inspire as well as entertain. She is a “real gem”, according to the San Diego Kensington News.

We always have the popcorn popper going, and the free will donation baskets will be passed. There is room for many in our beautiful Mueller Park, with several park benches and much more room for your lawn chair or blanket. The lawn is always nicely groomed, and mosquito beater is spread just hours before the concert. We do our best to welcome you to share these wonderful evenings of sunshine, friendly neighbors, and musical fun. We may even get a train to pass by during the concert! We are hoping to have all 5 concerts in the park this year – we had to move inside to the school auditorium (Bob Bruggers Auditorium) 3 times last year! See you there!

### **DHS Class Reunions in 2017 .....**

Will your class be having a reunion this year? Would you like to gather at the museum? We are aware of a few classes and their plans – Class of 1962 will be celebrating 55 years during Fun Days at the Olivia Legion; Class of 1952 will celebrate 65 years during Fun Days (see separate article for more); Class of 1957 will celebrate 60 years; the Class of 1967 will celebrate Sept. 9. We would like to build a comprehensive list of classes with contact information so we can be a resource in the future. Keep us informed of your plans!

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# To the Danube High School Class of 1952

It has been 65 good years since we graduated. Some of you we see every once in a while – some of you we haven't seen in a long time. This year, Saturday, July 8<sup>th</sup>, we have a gathering during Danube's Fun Days Celebration.

1. We will meet at 11:00 a.m, for Belgian Waffles at the Community Center in Danube.
2. We will ride/walk? In the Fun Days Parade at 2:00 p.m.
3. After the parade we will gather at the Depot Museum.
4. At 4:30 we will eat the Danube Lions Club meal at the Community Center.
5. You can stay for the dance or be home before dark.

Let's all make an effort to be here July 8. If you can't be here, write and tell us why! Hope to see all of you on July 8<sup>th</sup>.

--Rod Black

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We also have t-shirts that have a picture of the water tower, stating I ♥ the Danube Water Tower for \$20. They make great gifts! Soon the water tower will no longer be standing in Danube!

### MUSEUM HOURS : October to May By Request. Call:

Rod & MaryLee 320-826-2274  
 Dorothy K. 320-826-2589  
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### 2017 DATES TO SAVE

**Planning Meetings:** April to November 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays @ 9:30  
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 All members welcome to attend.

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