

Carthage Main Street Chronicle

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2008 INCENTIVE GRANTS AWARDED

Carthage Main Street 's 2008 Incentive Grant program introduced some new features this year. The Design Committee saw the need to include roof replacement or repairs in this program to help owners and tenants keep their building sealed from water damage. They also increased the maximum award amount from \$1,200 to \$1,500 per building.

This year's recipients of grant funds were Westward Communications LLC (The Panola Watchman), The Old Jail Museum, The Hobby Horse and the Old City Hall Building and Meeting Facility. These projects are due to be completed no later than September 30, 2008 and all plans are to be submitted and approved by the Design Committee prior to commencing work.

QUILT SHOW APRIL 18-19, 2008

The 2008 Piney Woods Quilt Show will be held April 18-19, 2008 at the Texas Country Music Hall of Fame. This event has grown each year and is expected to attract a record number of entries again this year.

The event is sponsored by the Busy Quilters Guild, Panola Squares Quilt Club and Carthage Main Street. The doors open Friday from noon until 6 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. For more information contact Mary Lu Davis at 903-693-3669.

This year's financial supporters are:

- Gold —T G Davis, First State Bank, Messick Properties/McDonalds, Carthage Title Co., Panola National Bank, Energy Future Holdings (formerly TXU)
- Silver —Lacy Operations, LaGrone Cleaners
- Bronze —Bauer Furniture, LaGrone Air Conditioning, Raymond Schieffer P.C. CPA, Law Offices of Mike Parker, East Texas Veterinary Medical Center, Farmers State Bank, Panola Finance Co., LaVerne Wall,

Kiwanis will have a pancake breakfast Saturday morning beginning at 7 a.m. next door in the Hawthorne-Clabaugh-Patterson house.

MAIN STREET NEEDS YOUR HELP!

We are looking for people that can recall the history of any downtown building to help compile a historical record for future reference. Students of Carthage Junior High School and Baker-Koonce Schools will be helping with this project which will be called *Legends on Main Street*.

If you are willing to share your information, please contact Debbie Pierce at 903-693-3868. Be watching for more information on this in the coming months.

2008 DATES TO REMEMBER

- April 18-19 2008 Piney Woods Quilt Show
- April 19 Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast
- April 27-May 3 National Volunteer Week
- May Preservation Month
- October 11 East Texas Oil & Gas Blast