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Press Release

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175th Anniversary Opening Weekend Festivities

Fredericksburg, TX - To celebrate the opening weekend of Fredericksburg, Texas, turning 175 years old, in honor of our heritage and all those who have helped make this unique community what it is today, a year-long tribute will begin May 7, 2021, with fireworks — and you are invited to join the celebration! From arts and music, to health care and education, each month throughout the year will highlight a unique and lasting characteristic of Texas' favorite Hill Country destination.

The year-long celebration will be kicking off Friday, May 7, 2021, with an Opening Weekend Fireworks Show. The show will begin at 9:30 p.m. at Lady Bird Johnson Municipal Park located at 432 Lady Bird Drive in Fredericksburg. Viewing locations include:

- Lady Bird Johnson Municipal Park
- Oakcrest Park
- Gillespie County Fair Grounds
- Gillespie County Airport
- Hangar Hotel
- FISD Parking Lots on Highway 16 South

Those wishing to watch from the Gillespie County Airport or the Hangar Hotel should bring their own lawn chairs and view the show from the runway. At the Hangar Hotel, live music from the Shannie Band will play from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. The Tiki Hut and Airport Diner will be open serving cold drinks and food such as beer, wine, ice cream floats, and pretzels. The Airport Diner will close at 9:00 p.m.

Upon conclusion of the fireworks show, the following exit plans will be in place:

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- After the fireworks, the Fredericksburg Police Department will assist vehicles exiting Lady Bird Johnson Municipal Park, the airport, and fairgrounds parking areas.
- For those parked on Tivydale Road (FM 2093) west of Kerr Road, you will be forced to take Tivydale (FM 2093) westbound or Kerr Road northbound to exit.
- For those leaving the fairgrounds on Fair Drive at Tivydale (FM 2093), you will need to turn westbound on Tivydale or north on Kerr Road. Access to Highway 16 from this exit will not be permitted.
- For those leaving the fairgrounds on Fair Drive at Highway 16, you can turn right to access Highway 16 South or left to the inside lane of Highway 16 North.
- For those exiting Lady Bird Johnson Municipal Park, you can turn right to access Highway 16 South or left to the inside lane of Highway 16 North.
- For those leaving the parking lots at Gillespie County Airport or Hangar Hotel, please turn left onto Fair Drive to exit to Tivydale/FM 2093. Please be advised that those headed eastbound to State Highway 16 will be forced to turn on Kerr Road, headed north. You can then access State Highway 16 off Pyka Rd. or W. Live Oak St.
- We ask those exiting the Fairgrounds parking lot to exit on Fair Drive to access State Highway 16 North or South.

In addition to the fireworks show, a Gillespie Strong Lineman & First Responders Appreciation Party will be hosted by the Gillespie County Fair & Festivals Association. This event will be for all First Responders (EMS, Fire, & Law Enforcement), and all other Essential Personnel. With the recent winter weather that devastated this area we are including our Linemen and Crews in our appreciation. This event will have free admission and have live music by Crystal Peak, as well as Jake Hooker & The Outsiders. Gates open at 6:00 p.m. Crystal Peak plays 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. with Jake Hooker & The Outsiders from 8:30 p.m. - midnight.

In the event of rain, the fireworks show will be rescheduled for Saturday, May 8, 2021, at 9:30 p.m.

For more information on events planned for the year-long 175th Anniversary Celebration of Fredericksburg, Texas, please visit <https://175th.org/>.

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