Summary of Granbury Sesquicentennial Celebration Thursday, November 4, and Saturday and Sunday, November 6 and 7, 2021

Granbury’s 150th birthday celebration will kick off **Thursday evening, November 4th** at Granbury Live on the Square with a Texas history discussion by award-winning best-selling author, playwright and lecturer, Stephen Harrigan. Mr. Harrigan will be discussing, “What I learned while researching *Big Wonderful Thing*, *a History of Texas*” This presentation is sponsored by The Bridge Street History Center and is a part of their Ramay-Macatee Lecture Series. Mr. Harrigan will be signing his book, “*Big Wonderful* *Thing* at Dub’s Place, (formerly Celebration Hall) after his presentation.

On **Saturday and Sunday, November 6th and 7th**, Dub’s Place, (formerly Celebration Hall) will also be the location of an event we are very excited to present. The first annual Dan and Judy Coates Memorial Invitational Art Show and Sale will be proudly displaying the work of nine great Western artist and sculptors. Come meet the artists and appreciate their work all day Saturday and Sunday. Perhaps you may even take a beautiful work of art with you to enjoy in your own home.

At 10:00 Saturday morning, November 6th, Mayor Jim Jarratt will open the celebration by welcoming everyone to our big weekend party and festival at Langdon Center for Cultural Arts (one block east of the courthouse square) and invite everyone to celebrate with a piece of birthday cake at 2:30pm. A birthday party isn’t really a party without a birthday cake. Since it’s Granbury’s really BIG birthday party, were celebrating in a big way with a special birthday cake.

There will be fun for the whole family at Langdon Center with our historically themed celebration. Since this is a historically themed event, period attire from the 1870’s is encouraged. There will be a period costume contest with prizes! If historic costumes aren’t your thing, you’d fit in very well with your western or cowboy look.

 At Langdon Center:

Vendors-Food, merchandise, historic displays

Contests – Prizes! Prizes! Prizes! Period costume contests Beard and moustache contests Children’s art contests Children’ s stick horse races Pie eating contests for all ages Old time games for children

 Entertainment - Wild West Shootout shows Jail wagon with the Hood County Sheriff’s Posse.

 Historic reenactments Cowboy poetry

 Music - Six different bands at Langdon Center-All day Saturday and Sunday.

Souvenirs - Beautiful family keepsake Granbury Sesquicentennial Christmas ornaments.

 Street Dance - Saturday night street dance on Bridge Street on the square. Jody Nix and his Texas Cowboys Band will entertain you and get you moving to some great music. 7:00-10:00 Saturday evening.

 Don’t miss the Magnificent Laser Light Show to top off the evening and celebrate Granbury’s 150th Birthday. 10:00 – 10:30 Saturday night, right after the street dance.

Sesquicentennial Activity Schedule

Thank you Sponsors!

**Thursday, November 4** **Friday, November 5**

6:30 pm Steve Harrigan, What I learned while researching 12 noon – Best Historic Small
*Big Wonderful Thing, a History of Texas* Town in America Award
 Announcement

Activities at Langdon Center Patio Stage Activities at Langdon Center Patio Stage

**Saturday, November 6, 2021** **Sunday, November 7, 2021**

 9:15-9:45 Triple Cross Cowboy Church Service

10:00 Introduce Mayor Jarratt 10:00 Welcome

 10:05 Mayor’s welcome

10:10-10:50 Music-Nin Hulett 10:05-1050 Music-Martin & Murray

10:50-11:05 Kids Stick Horse Race 10:50-11:10 Kids Stick Horse Race

11:05-11:45 Music-Nin Hulett 11:10-11:50 Music-Martin & Murray

11:45-11:55 History Reenactors- Crocketts 11:50-12:00 History Reenactors-Crocketts

11:55-12:15 Gunslinger Show 12:00-12:20 Gunslinger Show

 12:15-12:55 Music-James A’ Marie 12:20-12:30 History Reenactors-Nutts

12:55-1:15 Pie Eating Contest 12:30-12:50 Pie Eating Contest

1:15-1:55 Music-James A’ Marie 12:50-1:30 Music-Mysterious Scoundrels

1:55-2:05 Cowboy Poetry John Pelham 1:30-1:45 Best Costume Contest

2:05-2:15 History Reenactor Speakers-Nutts 1:45-1:55 Cowboy Poetry John Pelham

2:15-2:35 Gunslingers Show 1:55-2:40 Music – Mysterious Scoundrels

2:30 Birthday Cake Presentation

2:35-3:10 Music-Jeff Martin 2:40-3:00 Gunslingers Show

3:10—3:25 Best Costume Contest 3:00-3:45 Music-Ridge Roberts Band

 3:25-3:40 Best Beard/Moustache contest 3:45-4:05 Best beard/best vendor contests

3:40-4:00 Gunslinger Show 4:05-4:45 Music-Ridge Roberts Band

4:00-4:45 Music-Jeff Martin

Saturday Activities on the Square: Sunday Activities on the Square:

10:00-5:00 Dan and Judy Coates Memorial, Invitational 10:00-3:00 Dan and Judy Coates Memorial Art Show and Sale at Celebration Hall Art Show and Sale at Celebration Hall

7:00-10:00 Street Dance on Bridge Street with Jody Nix and his Texas Cowboys Band.

10:00-10:30 Laser Light Show by Laser Spectacles, Inc.