

'Treasures' for everyone

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Brady Days offers variety of activities next weekend.

There were no pirates on the Platte back in the days when the community of Brady was known as Brady Island.

That won't keep the village from pulling all hands on deck for a bevy of fun during the annual Brady Days Celebration Aug. 6-8.

This year's theme is "Hidden Treasures of Brady Island" and several activities will take on a pirate look throughout the weekend.

The celebration begins with family night on Friday, Aug. 6. The Brady Community Club will host a hotdog feed and treasure hunt at the Community Center.

The treasure hunt is new this year for teens 13-18 years old. It starts with a map and ends with a booty fit for a pirate captain.

Family night also includes entertainment by Sheltered Reality and ice cream served by the Brady United Methodist Church.

The night ends with a dance for teens at the tennis court and karaoke for adults at the Hitchin' Post.

Saturday kicks off with grub rustled up by the Brady junior class and parents. The sausage and pancake breakfast runs from 7-9 a.m.

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The annual parade lineup starts at the Methodist church at 9 a.m. following the "Hidden Treasures of Brady Island" theme. The Lions Club is hosting the parade with judging at 10 a.m. Candy will fly at 10:30 a.m.

Several activities will get under way when the parade is done.

A dunk tank hosted by the Eagle volleyball team at Roberta's Salon will be one way to cool off.

Another will be a tropical slip-n-slide paradise in the park. The oversized water slide returns to the Brady Days lineup with the Talon Power Booster Club in charge.

Other activities after the parade include a penny carnival and cookie decorating at Palmer Park and a surplus school inventory auction at the old shop building downtown.

The Svea Dal Ladies Aide will serve a sloppy joe lunch at the Community Center at noon. After a bite to eat, there's horse shoes to pitch and turtles to race.

The ever-popular turtle races will be in the street circle downtown beginning at 2 p.m. Roberta's Salon sponsors prizes for the most rapid reptile as well as the best dressed shell.

There's always plenty to chow down on during Brady Days. The volunteer firemen will serve and auction roast beef at the Community Center beginning at 5 p.m. with ice cream provided by the Red Hat Society and Rayburn Farms.

For a test of strength, kids and adults can try to hit a few long balls during the home run derby at Palmer Park. The booster club will give cash and prizes for the most homers hit.

The fire department closes out Saturday's fun with the annual street dance from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

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featuring the band County Road Five.

The fun ends on Sunday with community worship services at 8 a.m. at the Community Center followed by brunch served by the United Methodist Church.

The Brady High School class of 1980 will gather for a noon barbecue on the south side of the Community Center to finish off the Brady Days voyage.

For a complete schedule, to volunteer or for more information, contact the village office at 584-3316.