



Notes from San Augustine County Judge, Samye Johnson  
"County Courthouse Cobbler Tour"  
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Are you interested in learning more about our brand new social media sites that broadcast emergency situations throughout the county? Would you like to know more about the work we are doing to establish our Drug and DWI "Whole Person" Courts, or the proposed Vocational and Development Program? Are social service needs for the elderly, children or disabled in our county of importance to you?

We have been able to identify certain basic countywide infrastructure needs and areas of concern through our duties of the court. However, it has been very difficult to find an effective way to discuss issues that do not make it as far as the courthouse door. We are genuinely interested in knowing what is of importance to you and your neighbors.

If you would like to know what your county government is doing, or would just like to talk with us, we are proposing a series of workshops throughout the county. It would be beneficial to conduct in workshops in a public meeting place, such as a VFD building, community hall, church or school. We would like to bring an LCD projector to make a PowerPoint presentation that we think works well in providing a clear visual recap of the projects we are currently working on. Of equal or greater importance, we would like to find out what is of specific interest to you.

We are optimistic that we continue to move in the right direction for our county and are pleased with the progress we are beginning to make. However, we hope you will agree that honest, two way communications are a critical component in setting and meeting goals. Talking with one another will also help us avoid the inevitable pitfalls that come with progress and growth.

If you are not completely sold on spending a couple of hours in yet another meeting, we will tempt you further by telling you we will be bringing some really great homemade cobbler and Bluebell Vanilla Ice Cream when we come to visit! Please call Sandy, 936-275-2762 to arrange a meeting for your neighborhood.