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**Enjoy small town charm during Tioga's Western Trade Day weekends!**

(Tioga, Texas) You'll love the quaint old west charm of downtown Tioga and you can enjoy shopping without breaking your pocketbook from dozens of unique vendor booths.

The Tioga Heritage Museum hosts its fundraiser in the heart of downtown Tioga, every 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday, April through September. This month the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday is June 26th! The day begins at 8:00 AM and concludes when the last vendors pack up their merchandise and head home. So if it's a hot day, arrive early!

Better yet, make it a weekend outing and spend the night at Tioga's Spirit of the West hotel or camp at a nearby Lake Ray Roberts park so you'll have plenty of time to fill your bellies at Tioga's famous Clark's Outpost BBQ and Diverso's Italian Restaurant. We're hoping the *new* Mexican Grill will be open by our June Trade Day, too.

Admission and parking is free! Tioga's Trade Days hosts businesses and artisans selling western goods, arts and crafts, jewelry, antiques and collectibles, pecans, honey, Scentsy Candles, Homemade Gourmet and just about anything else you can think of.

Billy Holcomb will be singing, speaking and sharing a rare collection titled, "The Great Movie Cowboys & Me." The highlight of his presentation will of course be Tioga's most famous son and America's Singing Cowboy -- Gene Autry.

You'll also enjoy shopping in Tioga's newest downtown shops -- Pink Spur Trading Company and The Tioga Mercantile!

The Tioga School Band Booster Club will feed hungry appetites with their lunch menu: Grilled hot dogs and hamburgers with all the fixings, potato salad and chips, barbeque beef sandwiches, nachos and candy bars.

And if you're a morning shopper, you can enjoy the Ladies' Auxiliary Breakfast featuring their delicious homemade sausage biscuits. This month they also plan to help keep you cool with fresh fruit cups!

The Tioga Heritage Museum will have its drink station on the Museum front porch wagon with their famous fresh blueberry lemonade. They will also have orange juice, coffee, sweet tea and a selection of soft drinks and water bottles.

After shopping and eating, be sure to visit the Tioga Heritage Museum which features Gene Autry memorabilia and Tioga's mineral water history and you'll enjoy shopping in the Museum gift shop, too.

There's still room for more vendors to participate. All spaces are outdoors on roomy grassy lots, 15' x 30' and cost \$20 monthly. There are a limited number of spaces with electricity available for an additional \$10.

The Museum office will open at 6:30 AM on Trade Day Saturday and walk-in vendors are welcomed as long as we have spaces available. If you're not signed up for June, we hope you will! You can register and pay online at [www.westertradedays.com](http://www.westertradedays.com) or mail in your registration and payment. Hope to see you on June 26th!

Call the Museum phone number with any questions at 940-437-5333 and please leave a message if no one answers or email us at [info@westertradedays.com](mailto:info@westertradedays.com). More information can also be found on our website at [www.westertradedays.com](http://www.westertradedays.com).

Tioga is located in the center of north Texas horse country, on the northeast shores of Lake Ray Roberts, Highway 377 and Gene Autry Drive, about 30 minutes north of the Highway 380 corridor and 30 minutes south of the Red River. The physical address is 202 Gene Autry Drive for mapping.

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