



**And they're off**  
Riders in last year's the 45 mile race began their trek from the southeast corner of the downtown plaza. (Optic Photo by Susan Reeves '08)

## Breakfast to kick off SpringFest events

An all you can eat pancake breakfast will kick off the annual all day Cypress SpringFest event on the plaza in downtown Mount Vernon Saturday, April 26.

Fresh off the griddle pancakes, meat and a drink will be available from 7 to 9 a.m. at the Winnsboro Bakery located on the south side of the square.

Tickets for the breakfast are available in advance at a cost of \$5 for adults and \$3 for children. Tickets are available at M.L. Edwards, Saucy Ladies, the Chamber of Commerce, Parsons Parade and from individual members of the DBA.

"We are encouraging everyone to come out, partake of a great breakfast, and enjoy the events throughout the day," stated Mike Edwards, president of the Downtown Business Association (DBA).

Proceeds over expenses for both the breakfast and booth rentals will go toward support of the DBA and the organization of more downtown events.

- Susan Reeves '08

Eat pancakes before the race at Winnsboro Bakery



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# Cypress SpringFest

Mount Vernon, Texas April 25 & 26, 2008

## April Arts



Artists exhibiting, demonstrating and selling in various media at the Cultural Art Center, Old Jail Art Museum, & The Frame Up  
Wine and Cheese Reception - Friday 4-6 p.m.  
**Franklin County Arts Alliance**

[www.franklincountyarts.com](http://www.franklincountyarts.com)  
(903) 860-7557

## Cycle Blast

Fourth Annual  
Bike Race and Tour.  
Cash Prizes, Hamburgers.  
**Mount Vernon Rotary Club**  
[www.tourdecypress.com](http://www.tourdecypress.com)  
(903) 537-2228



## Chili and Bluegrass



Chili Cook off - Saturday noon to 5 p.m.  
Bluegrass Festival - Saturday 6 p.m.  
**Alamo Mission Museum**  
[www.thealamomission.com](http://www.thealamomission.com)  
(903) 588-2442

## Historic Past

Historic trolley tours, 10, 11, and 12.  
Meredith and bird egg exhibits in Fire Station  
Dupree Nature Trail and West End Preserve  
**Franklin County Historical Association**

[www.fcha-online.org](http://www.fcha-online.org)  
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