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Downtown Harlingen Walking Tours on Saturdays **Throughout the Fall and Winter**

Downtown Harlingen announces free walking tours on Saturday mornings* this fall and winter, beginning November 16, 2013, and continuing through March 29, 2014. The walking tours depart from Java Café, 204 E. Jackson, at 9:00 a.m. and last approximately one hour. The tours are free and open to the public on a first-come, first-served basis. Participants should wear comfortable walking shoes, dress for the weather, and come prepared to have fun.

Tour participants will hear about frontier days, mid-century boom times, and modern Harlingen. The tour guide will provide insight on the city's past nicknames, "Rattlesnake Junction," "Six Shooter Junction," and "Howlin' Gin, and explain how ice made Harlingen famous. Participants learn which Jackson Street buildings were the mortuary, the Woolworth's store, the Piggly Wiggly, and more. The tour also includes stops at several larger-than-life-size murals and the city's smallest park. Even locals will be amazed and entertained by what they learn.

For more information, contact Cheryl LaBerge, Downtown Manager, at (956) 216-4910.

**No tours the first Saturday of each month, which is Jackson Street Market Days.*

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