

# LiveOak

★ HOME TOWN NEWS ★

THE CITY OF

LIVE OAK, TEXAS

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CITY BOND  
PROJECTS

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JULY - AUGUST 2014

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## OFFICIAL MEETINGS

### City Council Meetings:

2nd and last Tuesday of each month at 7 pm.

### Parks & Recreation Commission Meetings:

1st Monday of each month at 7 pm unless the first Monday is a holiday, then the meeting will be held on the 2nd Monday of the month.

### Board of Adjustment Meetings:

Held as necessary

### Economic Development Corporation Meetings:

Last Monday of every month at 6 pm

### Planning & Zoning Commission Meetings:

Held as necessary

## FUTURE EVENTS

### Farmer's Market:

Tuesday's 9am-2pm / Alamo Colleges overflow parking lot next to Dairy Queen on Village Oak

### Annual Live Oak Economic Development Corporation's Business Appreciation Luncheon:

July 31st at 12 noon

### Labor Day Luau:

September 1st, Pool opens at 1pm, Luau from 3-6pm



# Minute with the Mayor

## Dear Citizens,



I would like to start off by saying how honored I am for you allowing me to continue to serve as your mayor. I would also like to thank all of you who came out to the polls and partook in the election process. Your voice was your vote! Congratulations to Bob Tullgren for retaining his Place 2 Council seat and to Ed Cimics for retaining Place 4. I would also like to congratulate Aaron Dahl, your new Mayor Pro Tem.

Summer is officially here! Please be sure to enjoy our beautiful parks; picnic with your family, feed the ducks, fish or play some disc golf. Don't forget to stop by the Live Oak Clubhouse and cool off in the crystal clear swimming pool! The kids love our state of the art slide! There's plenty of seating, shade and even a canopied baby pool for your little ones. Don't forget our fantastic movie theatre, shopping and fabulous restaurants too! We are so fortunate to have so many wonderful places to take our families and friends.

I would like to thank everyone who participated in the Live Oak Clean Up Day. It was heartwarming to see so many who volunteered in making a difference in the community. The Shindig on Shin Oak was a huge success! It was so nice seeing so many families enjoy the food, music and fun! I was so happy to see everyone



out for the Memorial Day parade. What a nice way to honor our fallen men and women.

As a result of the bond election, the City will also be undergoing some much needed improvements which will enhance our already beautiful city and also aid with some traffic difficulties we've been experiencing. Propositions 1, 2 and 3 passed and will be explained to you in this edition.

I am available for comments or concerns at 210.792.7168 or by email at yourmayormary@yahoo.com. And yes, the best is yet to come!



*Mayor Mary M. Dennis*

# Clean Up Week a Big Success!



In conjunction with Paint Up, Fix Up, Clean Up week, the City started a new initiative in an effort to help beautify

our residential areas called Fix Up Live Oak. A total of eight zones have been identified throughout the City. During the month of April, Code Enforcement focused on identifying code violations in Zone 1, which is one of the original Live Oak subdivisions.

Once violations were identified, homeowners were invited to a public meeting to better understand their violations and the work that needed to be completed. One Saturday, May 3, a group of volunteers headed out into the zone to assist those who were unable to complete the repairs. The dedicated volunteers from the surrounding communities assisted a total of seven homeowners with painting, debris removal, landscaping and mowing. City crews from Public

Works, the Fire Department, the Police Department and Code Enforcement worked diligently to clean up the area as well. In addition to the homes, City crews replaced old and missing street signs, covered graffiti, performed fire hydrant maintenance and answered homeowner questions.

All volunteers left with full hearts and a good day's work. A very special thank you goes out to Valspar Paint and Lowe's for their very generous donation of paint. The next Live Oak Fix Up Day will take place in early fall. Individuals interested in volunteering can contact Jordan Matney at 210-653-9140, ext. 286 or jmatney@liveoaktx.net.

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By Scott Wayman  
Assistant City Manager

# UPCOMING CITY BOND PROJECTS

With the recent passage of three bond proposals, it is a great time to remind everyone that there will be a great many construction projects in the near future. Citizens should start to see city crews in the works, preparing for the advent of these projects with the hopes to head off some of the inconveniences that are bound to occur.

The largest bond item, Proposition 1, is for city-wide street repairs; most notably Dry Canyon, Hunters Oaks and various streets in the Bridlewood Subdivision. We have hosted a number of meetings in order to address issues that might arise from the construction. With little doubt, residents and travelers will be inconvenienced in some way and it is our hope that such inconveniences can be

minimized while improving the driving conditions of the various roadways.

In addition to the street improvements passed in Proposition 1, a traffic signal is planned for the intersection of O'Connor Road and Forest Bluff. This item had been an area of concern for many residents and with the passing of that portion of the bond, we are in the process of proceeding with the placement of the light. The result will be safer and more convenient for residents and commuters to get in and out of the Woodcrest and Auburn Hills subdivisions.

With the approval of Proposition 2, the residents voted to fund the widening of Toepperwein Road between IH 35 and Judson Road. The small section of roadway by

Northeast Methodist Hospital is heavily travelled, especially during the morning and evening commute. Construction will include an additional of lane and improved turning.

Park improvements that were provided for in the bond will be underway in the near future as well. Proposition 4 included a walking trail that will circle the lake and join with the existing trails at City Park and at Northeast Lakeview College. Our engineers have been working with the college to survey the best possible location of the sidewalk to insure ease of access and handicapped accessibility. Without a doubt, this is project that will be enjoyed by many current and future residents for years to come.

Along with the walking trails, the citizens voted to light sports fields at the Main City Park. This project will be contracted out to a company who specializes in this type of lighting to insure that it is professionally completed. This should allow for the sports programs that currently use our parks to stretch their hours, increasing play hours and hopefully alleviating some of the congestion in the park that was the result of compressing the hours of play.

The City has chosen to try to get as many projects underway at one time as quickly as possible. If you have any questions on these bond projects, or any other project that is going on in the city, please visit us on Facebook or contact Scott Wayman at 210-653-9140 ext. 261.





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# Budgeting for Back-to-School

Ah, back-to-school time: the smell of newly sharpened pencils, fresh crayons and flowing cash. While families spend on what they need, parents must also work with their children to determine what they really don't need. Get the kids involved. And not just with the shopping. Have them join in as you prepare; they'll learn great lessons about budgeting, finding a good deal, and the difference between wants and needs.

Back to school means expenses! Clothes, shoes and school supplies can drain a budget quickly. According to The National Retail Federation, the average family with school-aged children spends \$606 on back-to-school items – clothes, shoes, supplies and electronics – each year. It's no wonder setting a budget is essential for all parents with school-bound youngsters. To avoid falling into debt at back-to-school time, plan ahead for how much you want to spend. When you have a list of anticipated expenses, you

can better plan to buy a little at a time. Research when back to school sales will start. Go to your school website and print the list yourself rather than waiting for it to be posted at the store. Donate your gently worn clothes and don't be afraid to shop for bargains while you are there. You also may want to budget for changing technology of school supplies. More classrooms are using computers and computer-related study materials. And with many electronics now somewhat affordable to most families, classrooms may be requiring or recommending tech-smart supplies and materials. Also, don't forget about doctor checkups, school fees, and athletics or other extracurricular fees, which often overlooked when setting a back-to-school budget. Shop at home – Older brothers and sisters may already have the items needed or leftover school supplies.

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## From the Office of Emergency Management

By Gary L. Woppert,  
Emergency Manager

# HURRICANE SEASON

The 2014 Atlantic Hurricane Season began on June 1st, 2014 and continues until the end of November. While the experts are predicting a less active season, it only takes one storm to cause major destruction along the coast. A good tropical storm may bring an end to our drought but I'm not sure we should wish for one.

As a reminder if a tropical system should threaten the Texas Coast, the City of San Antonio and Bexar County play a vital role in hurricane evacuations, and thousands of coastal residents may come to the area. In addition, if a major storm does make landfall the effects can reach all the way to San Antonio. We can experience high winds and heavy rainfall that can cause flooding. Also tropical systems making landfall can spawn tornadoes further inland. This occurred back in 1988 when Hurricane Gilbert made landfall on the Coast and heavy storms moved inland and over Bexar County.

For additional information regarding hurricane season visit the National Hurricane Center's web site at [www.nhc.noaa.gov](http://www.nhc.noaa.gov). It contains a lot of information regarding hurricanes and you can track any storms that form in both the Atlantic and the Pacific.

## Connect CTY Telephone Alert System

The Connect CTY telephone alerting system is probably the most important tool the City has to communicate with our citizens. In an emergency we can send out potentially life-saving messages and other important information like a water outage. In addition, we can also provide our citizens useful information regarding upcoming meetings, city events, and election information.

If you have a listed telephone number you should be included, however if you have an unlisted number you are NOT. In addition, citizens are encouraged to include cellular numbers and text messaging numbers. In the event of a serious emergency this may be the only way the City can provide you lifesaving information, especially in the middle of the night.

If you are away from home you can still receive important information on your cell phone if something is happening in the City. In the aftermath of a serious incident messages will continue to be sent out however, if your cellular number is not included you may not receive these important calls if you have evacuated your home. The bottom line - ensure ALL of your numbers are included and make sure they are up-to-date.

To add numbers or update them, simply go to the City Web Site. Under City Services - click on Connect CTY for a direct portal to the system. Then follow the simple instructions. As a reminder there is NO individual cost for this service and if you don't want to listen to a particular call - simply hang up. We also try to send the calls out at considerate times like mid-day or in the early evening.



## Development Services

By Ken Steiner, Building Official

# Property Maintenance: Sanitation

Maintaining your properties can be one of the more stressful parts of owning a property. Keeping up with improvements around your property is important to maintaining the value of your property. That is why the City has adopted a Property Maintenance Ordinance to ensure a beautiful living environment for our citizens.

One of the sections we would like to highlight of the City's code for this newsletter is Sanitation. In Section 302.1 and 302.1.1, the code identifies exterior property maintenance and outside barbeque grills.

Section 302.1 - All exterior property and premises shall be maintained in a clean, safe and sanitary condition. The occupant shall keep that part of the exterior property which such occupant occupies or controls in a clean and sanitary condition. There shall be no visible outside storage of any building material (except where an "open building permit" has been issued), garden tools, firewood, newspapers, indoor furniture, lawn mowers, coolers, and any other discarded or worn out manufactured materials and machinery which shall include but is not limited to motor vehicles and parts of motor vehicles, tires, aircraft, farm implements, appliances and scrap metal. These items shall not be visible from the front, back or side yards from any public place including carports, patios, balconies, front and side porches or driveways.

Section 302.1.1 Barbeque grills not in use shall be stored on the side or in the rear of the property. Barbeque pits and grills that are permanently mounted to trailers or vehicles are exempt from this section of the ordinance, as long as the trailer or vehicle meets all licensing and registration requirements of the state.

If you have any questions regarding this or any ordinance, please contact my office at 210-653-9140 extension 245, Monday through Friday 8am - 5pm.



## From the Office of Economic & Community Development

By Jordan Matney, Manager

### Attention Live Oak Business Owners & Representatives!!

The annual Live Oak Economic Development Corporation Business Appreciation Luncheon will be held Thursday, July 31st at 12:00 noon. If you are interested in attending this wonderful FREE networking and education lunch, please contact Julie Palmer at 210-653-9140, ext. 219 or [jpalm@liveoaktx.net](mailto:jpalm@liveoaktx.net).

## Farmers' Market

**Don't forget!**

The Farmer's Market is open every Tuesday from 9:00 AM-2:00 PM in the Alamo Colleges Parking lot. Get your fresh, locally grown fruits, vegetables and jams!



## Fire Department

By Gerry Galindo  
Assistant Fire Chief

## Hotel & Motel Fire Safety

As we approach the summer we often need the shelter of a good hotel/motel for one or many nights. Vacations and business travel make hotels and motels our home away from home. It is just as important to be prepared and know what you would do in a hotel/motel emergency as it is in your own home.

### Be Safe When Traveling

- Choose a hotel/motel that is protected by both smoke alarms and a fire sprinkler system. Don't be too shy to ask if a facility is equipped properly.
- When you check in, ask the front desk what their fire alarm sounds like.
- When you enter the room, review the escape plan posted in your room.
- Take the time to find the exits and count the number of doors between your room and the exit. Make sure the exits are unlocked. If they are locked, report it to management right away. You should feel safe in your room. Ask the management for clarification on your concerns. If you do not feel safe ask for another room.
- Keep your room key by your bed and take it with you if there is a fire.
- If the alarm sounds, leave right away, closing all doors behind you. Use the stairs -- never use elevators during a fire.
- Plan a meeting place outside to meet family or friends. If there is an emergency, be sure to meet them there.
- If you must escape through smoke, get low and go under the smoke to your exit.

### If You Can't Escape...

- Shut off fans and air conditioners.
- Stuff wet towels in the crack around the doors.
- Call the fire department and let them know your location.
- Wait at the window and signal with a flashlight or light colored cloth.

## Annual Fire Prevention Parade

This past fall our computer system was compromised and we lost our contacts for the annual Fire Prevention Parade. We don't wish to overlook any of our parade participants. If you would like to join us in this year's Parade (October 11, 2014) or if you know of any establishment, civic groups or people that would like to participate please feel free to contact me Gayle Wilkinson @ [gwilkinson@liveoaktx.net](mailto:gwilkinson@liveoaktx.net) or 210-653-9140 ext. 386.



# From the Office of Parks & Recreation

By Courtney Weese,  
Recreation Coordinator

## BE WISE AROUND WATER!

Every summer, families flock to local swimming pools, vacation at beaches and spend weekends at the lake. Even if you don't leave home, a backyard swimming pool can be potentially fatal to persons of all ages. Here at the City of Live Oak community swimming pool, the lifeguards stand ready and alert to assist in water safety and rescue. If you will be venturing out to other sources of water, please make note of the following safety tips. As always, remember your sunscreen! Even a mild sun burn can turn a fun day into a very painful experience, as well as create lifelong complications.

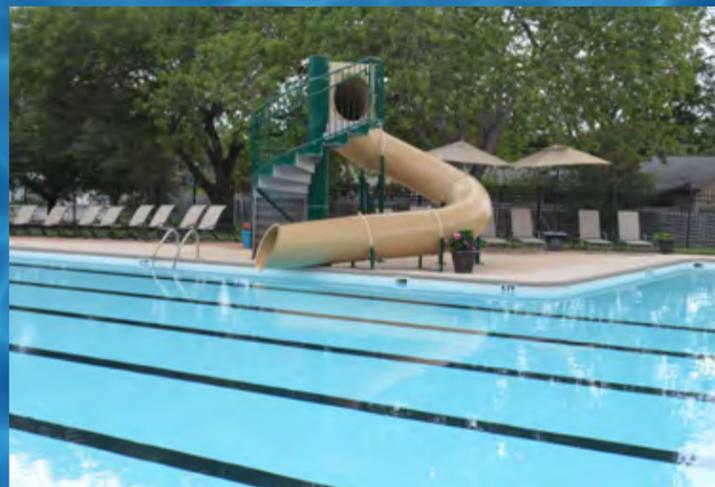
If you are going to be visiting a beach this summer, the American Red Cross has a few safety reminders.

1. Have young children and inexperienced swimmers wear a US Coast Guard approved life jacket in and around the water. No one should use any other type of flotation device unless they are able to swim.
2. Don't dive headfirst-protect your neck. Check for depth and obstructions before diving, and go in feet first the first time.
3. Pay especially close attention to children and elderly persons when at the beach. Even in shallow water, wave action can cause a loss of footing.
4. While you're enjoying the water, keep alert and check the local weather conditions. Make sure you swim sober and that you never swim alone. And even if you're confident in your swimming skills, make sure you have enough energy to swim back to the shore.

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department has specific guidelines to be followed when it comes to life jackets. Below are two very important rules to remember, not just in the summer but year round.

1. All children under 13 years of age must be wearing a US Coast Guard approved life jacket in or on vessels under 26 feet.
2. All vessels including canoes and kayaks must be equipped with one wearable Personal Flotation Device (PFD) for each person on board.

The CDC states that drowning ranks 5th among leading causes of unintentional injury death in the United States, with 80% of people who die from drowning being male. Children ages 1-4 have the highest drowning rates. Research has found that taking formal swimming lessons and wearing life jackets will reduce the risk of drowning.



## POOL NEWS

The weather is getting hotter, and the pool is the place to be! In July and August, the pool hours decrease slightly to allow for private pool parties. The whole family can still enjoy the water Tuesday – Sunday from 1:00-6:45 p.m. If you have not yet registered for a Resident Splash Card, make sure to fill out the paperwork the next time you visit the pool. This card will allow you to gain entry to the pool for \$2.00, and non-residents may visit for \$5.00



## LABOR DAY LUAU

The pool will be open weekends only beginning August 25th. Regular hours will be in effect on August 30th and 31st. The last day the pool is open will be Labor Day, September 1st.

Make sure to join us for a splashin' good time. There will be music, food and some special giveaways. The pool will open at 1:00 p.m. and the Luau will be from 3:00-6:45 p.m. Don't miss this one last day to enjoy the pool!

### 2014 City of Live Oak Recycle Calendar

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2014 Holiday's observed are Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day and New Years Day  
Recycle Days are Marked by Letters " A,B,C".  
Route "A" is Wed/Sat trash routes.  
Route "B" is Mon/Thurs trash routes.  
Route "C" is Tues/Fri trash routes.



# From the Office of Public Works

By Mark Wagster,  
Public Works Director

## REDUCE STORM WATER POLLUTION

Everyone can help to reduce pollution levels in our creeks and streams. Here is a tip that you can use for Lawn Care. Excess fertilizers and pesticides applied to lawns and gardens wash off and pollute streams. In addition, yard clippings and leaves can wash into storm drains and contribute nutrients and organic matter to streams.

- Use pesticides and fertilizers sparingly. When use is necessary, use these chemicals in the recommended amounts. Use organic mulch or safer pest control methods whenever possible.
- Compost or mulch yard waste. Don't leave it in the street or sweep it into storm drains or streams.

## OUTDOOR WATER SAVING TIPS

Here are some great outdoor water saving tips to help you conserve water and lower your water bill:

- Water only when needed. Look at the grass, feel the soil, or use a soil moisture meter to determine when to water.
- Do not over-water. Water needs vary greatly by season, grass species and amount of shade, so keeping the same settings year-round will result in over-watering. As a general rule, three-fourths of an inch of water per week on St. Augustine or Zoysia grasses that are in full sun is sufficient for the summer. In the shade, these species only need one-half of an inch of water per week. Bermuda grass and buffalo grass, both of which can only grow in full sun, require one-half of an inch per week. In the fall, spring and winter, these recommendations can be reduced or eliminated, depending on the weather.
- Water lawns early in the morning during the hotter summer months. Otherwise, much of the water used can simply evaporate. Watering by hand-held hose or with a 5-gallon bucket is allowed any time, but water waste is prohibited at all times. Water waste occurs when: watering outside of approved time periods and allowing water to run onto the pavement.
- To avoid excessive evaporation, use a sprinkler that produces large drops of water, rather than a fine mist. Sprinklers that send droplets out on a low angle also help control evaporation.
- Set automatic sprinkler systems to provide thorough but infrequent watering. Rain shut-off devices can prevent watering in the rain.
- Use drip-irrigation systems for bedded plants, trees and shrubs, or turn the flat, green soaking hoses upside down so the holes are on the bottom. This will help prevent evaporation.
- Be careful not to water the streets, sidewalks or driveways.

# HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DISPOSAL

Do you have old paint, pesticides, herbicides, batteries or fluorescent light bulbs; electronic waste such as computers, monitors and laptops, that need to be disposed of?

Live Oak residents please call  
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(1-800-449-7587).

## What is Krav Maga

The Hebrew term literally means "Contact Combat." Originally developed for the Israeli Defense Forces (IDF) in 1948, Krav Maga is a hard-hitting, simple to use system of advanced conflict resolution methods and several fighting techniques including Western-style boxing, Thai-boxing, grappling, and wrestling that continues to evolve to meet the ever-changing needs of its practitioners.

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# Live Oak Police Department

By Sgt. K. Iglesias

## CELEBRATING STAFF!



### Congratulations Chief Evans and Lieutenant Malone!

The Live Oak Police Department is pleased to announce the recent graduation of Chief Ken Evans and Lieutenant Matt Malone from the School of Police Staff and Command, Class 356, at Northwestern University. They both successfully completed the ten week Staff and Command program held in New Braunfels, Texas.



The School of Police Staff and Command provides upper-level college instruction in a total of twenty-seven core blocks of instruction and additional optional blocks during each session. The major topics of study included: Leadership, Human Resources, Employee Relations, Organizational Behavior, Applied Statistics, Planning and Policy Development, Budgeting and Resource Allocation. The students were academically challenged through written examinations, projects, presentations and a staff study paper that are all required parts of the curriculum.

## LIVE OAK POLICE DEPARTMENT SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAM

After school is finished for the summer, children from grades 4th to 8th are encouraged to participate in the summer youth program sponsored by the Live Oak Police Department. Crestview Elementary School gym is where the summer youth program is held. It's on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1 P.M. to 4 P.M.

The youth program will start on June 24th and end on July 31st. Flyers were given to the children at Crestview and Ed Franz Elementary during the last week of school detailing the start and ending dates with the specific times. This is a free program and requires no registration or set participation.

Activities include: games, basketball, air hockey, ping pong etc. Sodas and candy are provided at no charge. This program is conducted with the focus on self-esteem, decision making and problem solving.

A Live Oak Police Officer is assigned to this program and will be in attendance at all times. On the last day of the program, pizza is provided for the children at no cost. This program gives children a safe place to have fun during the summer months.

## Corporal Lara Receives ASIS International Law Enforcement Award

Corporal Frank Lara was nominated for the ASIS International Law Enforcement Award for Bexar County 2014. Corporal Lara responded to a family disturbance and officer involved shooting in which two fellow officers were critically wounded by a suspect in the City of Selma, Texas on September 19, 2013. Upon arrival, Corporal Lara immediately placed the suspect, who was also wounded, in full custody. Cpl. Lara then immediately provided assistance to the severely wounded officers at the scene until backup officers arrived. Corporal Lara was instrumental in ensuring that the active crime scene was preserved and secured for further investigative purposes. Corporal Lara further ensured that medical emergency personnel had the ability to get the wounded officers to the hospital without delay from the active crime scene.



ASIS International sponsors this award annually and locally seeks nominees from Law Enforcement agencies across Bexar County to recognize them for



## Employee of the Quarter: Jordan Matney

Employees of the Quarter are often recognized by their peers for doing work that is outside the scope of their typical duties. For this quarter, Ms. Matney has initiated and been engaged in three programs that are outside of the scope of her official duties and was unanimously voted on by the department heads.

Web Site. Jordan had taken on a majority of the responsibility in terms of working on the City's web site conversion to a new operating system. Wickley Interactive is the company responsible for changing the image and Content Management System for the web site, but the back end and information from each department, are to be maintained and kept current by departments. Jordan has taken it upon herself to help departments understand this process and in many instances, done a majority of the work for them.

Bond election. Jordan took it upon herself to create the "professional looking" bond information flyer, stewarded the process in

which the copies were made and coordinated with printers, and even attached labels and delivered them to the post office herself. Again, something that has little to do with her actual job function.

Code Enforcement Zone #1 clean-up. Jordan has taken it upon herself to coordinate the development of this first ever Zone based clean-up effort for an aging portion of the City. She has developed the concept, coordinated with supervisors and other departments, and even recruited volunteers that will participate in the event. She has coordinated with the Municipal Court to determine if there are community service workers who could help with the efforts and has offered her own department's funding to help feed volunteers on the day of the event.

Efforts like these described above, exemplify the notion in which employees are presented with this award each quarter. Jordan is a tremendous team player and works well with every department.

actions in the line of duty that go above and beyond their duties that save lives and clear major criminal cases.



# Let's Cook, Live Oak!

## Delicious Summertime Desserts!



### No-Bake Key Lime Pie

- Graham cracker pie crust
- 1 (14 oz.) Eagle Brand sweetened condensed milk
- 1 (8 oz.) Philadelphia Cream Cheese, softened
- 1/3 cup Lime Juice
- 2-3 drops green food coloring
- Whipped Cream

Beat cream cheese and condensed milk together on low until blended. Gradually add in lime juice and continue to beat until well blended. Drop in a little green food coloring. Pour into pie shell and chill until firm enough to slice. Serve with whipped cream.

### Easy Summertime Peach Cobbler

- 1 cup flour
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 cup milk
- 2 (16 oz.) cans sliced peaches in heavy syrup
- 1/2 cup butter

Melt butter or margarine in 13x9 pan. Mix together the flour, sugar and milk. Pour mixture into the pan. Spread peaches, including syrup, evenly around the pan. Bake at 350° for 30-45 minutes, until crust turns golden brown. Let cool for 10 minutes before serving.

### Heavenly Jello Fluff

- 1 (3 oz.) pkg. Jello, any flavor
- 1 (1 lb.) carton cottage cheese
- 1 can (lg.) crushed pineapple
- 1 (8 oz.) carton Cool Whip

Mix first 3 ingredients in large bowl. Stir in Cool Whip (thawed). For lighter version, use sugar free Jello, lite Cool Whip and low fat cottage cheese. Nuts, mandarin oranges and bananas may also be added.



## A Big Thanks from the Live Oak Village Garden Club!

The Live Oak Village Garden Club would like to express their sincere gratitude and appreciation to the City of Live Oak for their support and cooperation with the Xeriscape Garden project. Thank you to the community for the overwhelming level of participation in our Spring Semi-Annual Plant sale.

The nurses from Northeast Methodist Hospital demonstrated their continuing dedication to the Xeriscape Garden during National Nurses Week by volunteering and assisting us with maintenance and beautification.

A special acknowledgement of thanks to Williams Bakery, Whataburger, Starbucks and HEB for their donation of food and drinks for the nurses and the Garden Club.



### CITY MEETINGS

- July 7 Parks & Recreation Meeting 7:00pm
- July 8 City Council Meeting 7:00pm
- July 28 EDC Meeting 6:00pm
- July 29 City Council Meeting 7:00pm

### SENIORS OF LIVE OAK (SOLO)

- July 10 Walk & Talk Meet @ Woodcrest -Walk Comanche Park 8:00am
  - July 14 Games Day: Live Oak Clubhouse 1:00pm
  - July 16 Lunch @ Denny's 11:30am
  - July 21 Pot Luck: Live Oak Clubhouse 11:30am
  - July 28 Book Club: Live Oak Clubhouse 11:00am
  - July 31 Games Day: Live Oak Clubhouse 1:00pm
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- For more information contact Scott McKenna @ 599-9052

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- Meet Third Tuesday of Each Month: Live Oak Clubhouse
  - July 15 Regular Meeting 1:00pm - 3:00pm
- For more information contact June Adair @843-7150 or Jo Anna Wheeler @ 655-1036

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For information contact Laura Rhodes @ liveoakleagueofarts@gmail.com

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### FARMERS MARKET

Every Tuesday: Alamo Colleges overflow parking/next to Dairy Queen 9:00am - 2:00pm

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- Aug 4 Parks & Recreation Meeting: Council Chambers 7:00pm
- Aug 12 City Council Meeting: Council Chambers 7:00pm
- Aug 25 EDC Meeting: Council Chambers 6:00pm
- Aug 26 City Council Meeting: Council Chambers 7:00pm

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