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HOME TOWN NEWS



THE CITY OF

LIVE OAK TEXAS

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Lazy Days of Summer



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PICNIC & FAMILY GAMES

In the Main City Park May 7, 2011 11am - 4pm

FREE Hot Dog Lunch (while supplies last) served at 12 PM

Decorated Bike Contest = PRIZES

BADMINTON

TUG-O-WAR

SNOW CONES

KITES

VOLLEYBALL

HORSESHOES

WASHERS

CROQUET





Picnic & Family Games Schedule of Events

11:00 a.m. Kickoff

11:30 a.m. Bike Bash

12:00 p.m. Hot Dog Lunch is served (while supplies last)

12:15 Police vs. Fire Softball Game.

1:45 p.m. Family Field Games

2:00 p.m. Chili Cook-off People's Choice Judging

3:00 p.m. Snow Cones and Kites

4:00 p.m. Conclusion

There are several exciting ways to participate in this fun filled event!!

Everyone is invited to decorate their bike and bring it out to the park on this day. We will have a showoff and mini bike parade on the basketball court, with prizes being awarded to our participants.

Field games will include all the traditional favorites such as the infamous tug-o-war, but a brand new obstacle course will prove to be quite a challenge! Whether you participate or not, these games are sure to bring a smile to your face.

Throughout the day there will be plenty of games that you and your family can participate in. We will have Frisbees, horseshoes, croquet, volleyball, badminton, kites and washers just to name a few. You are welcome to play these games at your leisure, or just enjoy a lazy day at the park!



Minute with the Mayor



Dear Citizens,

Spring is in the air, flowers are blooming and the birds are singing. Although it was a cold winter here in South Texas, it was mild compared to most of the country. The Spring temperatures have been very warm which has motivated us to go outside, water our lawns, plant flowers, and start vegetable gardens and such. However, due to the lack of rain, we must be conservative in our water usage, so please observe all water restriction guidelines.

Based on the latest financial report given to City Council, the City's financial report card is very good. Overall revenues are at 57% of the budgeted amount at this time. Contributing to this are property taxes, with a majority being collected between December and February. Overall, General Fund expenditures are right at expected levels through this period as well. City departments are managing their budgets appropriately and the condition of the City's financial outlook continues to be stable in these changing economic times.

The Crestview Elementary School Drainage project is nearly complete and has gone very well. The Judson Independent School District contributed \$90,000 for work done on their property and continues to be a very strong partner with the City. We are very pleased to have a great working relationship with Dr. Mackey and the Judson School Board.

Be sure to mark your calendars for a day of fun and fellowship at the Live Oak Main Park on May 7th. There will be lots of games and activities for everyone.

Mayor Mary M. Dennis



ShopsQA is Active for Local Businesses!

If you recall from the January/February 2011 issue of Home-Town News, the Live Oak Economic Development Corporation (EDC) contracted with WebQA to offer the ShopsQA program. ShopsQA will enable visitors to the City's web site to select the shopping cart icon to view businesses in Live Oak and information connected to the business.

The EDC's goal is to help every Live Oak business use ShopsQA to add contact information, link to the businesses' own web site, offer discount coupons, and provide job announcements, etc. Please contact Carol Buttler at cbuttler@liveoaktx.net to learn how you can access and utilize this marketing tool at no cost to you or your business. Once you participate in the initial webinar, you will be able to access refresher webinars, at any time, through an icon on your business site.

ShopsQA is offering the Business Owner Webinar to all businesses that are ready to begin using this marketing tool. On Tuesday, May 10, 2011, a morning session will begin at 10:00 am. On Wednesday, May 11, 2011, a late afternoon session will begin at 4:30 pm. To participate in either training session, you do not have to leave your office-- just have a phone available and a connection to the internet. Then follow the directions below :

Tuesday, May 10 at 10:00 AM Central Daylight Time.

<https://www1.gotomeeting.com/join/497332889>

To join the conference call:

Dial +1 (914) 339-0027

Access Code: 497-332-889

Audio PIN: Shown after joining the meeting

Meeting ID: 497-332-889

Wednesday, May 11 at 4:30 PM Central Daylight Time.

<https://www1.gotomeeting.com/join/939448241>

To join the conference call:

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Access Code: 939-448-241

Audio PIN: Shown after joining the meeting

Meeting ID: 939-448-241

MEMORIAL DAY PARADE COMING TO LIVE OAK!



Live Oak is once again hosting a Memorial Day Parade on Saturday, May 28, 2011. The parade kicks off at 10:00 a.m. in the Woodcrest Subdivision on Forest Bluff turns left onto Toepperwein, right onto Leafy Hollow, left onto Welcome, right onto Old Spanish Trail and right onto Shin Oak. The parade ends at City Hall with complimentary refreshments.

MEMORIAL DAY LUAU AT THE POOL!



Bring out the whole family for a fun day in the sun Monday, May 30th, at the Live Oak Pool. The pool will open for Memorial Day at 1:00 p.m., and the Luau party starts at 3:00 p.m. with food, drinks, music and plenty of giveaways. Regular admission rates apply.

The NEW pool hours are 1:00 to 8:00 p.m. for the month of June, with the regular season getting underway on, June 4th. During the month of July, the regular pool hours will be from 1:00 to 6:45 p.m., and the pool will be available for private party rentals. The pool is closed on all Mondays except holidays.



SENIOR WATER AEROBICS AT THE POOL!

This is a great way to exercise without placing undue stress on your joints. All you need is your bathing suit, and we provide an entertaining workout!

Wednesdays in May: 11th and 25th at 12 Noon

Fridays in June: 3rd, 10th, 17th, and 24th at 12 Noon

For additional information on recreation activities in Live Oak, contact Courtney Weese at 653-9140, ext. 235, or cweese@liveoaktx.net.

JUNIOR FISHING DAY



Junior Fishing Day is Saturday, June 4th, from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at the Live Oak Park Lakeside for ages 13 and younger. For a \$2 entry fee participants will receive a "T" shirt, the opportunity to catch a few catfish and a chance for prize giveaways. Adult supervision is required for young children. Please bring your own fishing

equipment. Children without a fishing rod may check out a fishing rod on site on a first-come, first-served basis. Adults may assist, but not fish until the event ends. Since June 4th, 2011, is National Fishing Day, a fishing license is not required for anyone on this day only.

For additional information on recreation activities in Live Oak, contact Courtney Weese at 653-9140, ext. 235, or cweese@liveoaktx.net.

Code Compliance Keeps Community Standards High

by John Dalton

At some point in time, Live Oak homeowners may have contact with the Code Compliance Department, a part of the Development Services Department. While the City's Development Services Department deals with home building, remodeling and repair issues, Code Compliance handles homestead related code violations.

The following items describe the process which the Code Compliance Officer (CCO) must undertake each time a code compliance concern is reported or discovered:

Reporting/Discovering Violations: When reports of suspected code violations are turned into the Code Compliance Department, or when the (CCO) finds violations while on routine patrol, residents often look forward to the problem being fixed overnight. Yet the behind-the-scenes activities of the department may not be immediately visible. Understanding the legal processes that the department uses will help you understand the time it takes to resolve issues.

Investigation: The CCO must investigate all reports. If the Officer finds a violation, the property owner will be issued a notice (door hanger or letter) to bring his/her property back into compliance.

Time to Comply: The City aims for each citizen in Live Oak to voluntarily comply with City codes. Code Compliance strives to immediately abate violations that are threats to public health. Some common violations take longer to resolve. Property owners typically receive the following windows of compliance for common violations:

- Parking on grass 1 day
- High grass and weeds 7 days
- Trash and debris 7 days
- Junk vehicles 7 days
- Property maintenance issues up to 30 days or more depending on the situation

What next? When a property owner fails to bring a property into compliance during the time allotted, the Department can enforce compliance through various legal options, including issuing a citation. In specific cases, the City may enter a property and fix a problem without the permission of the property owner. When this happens, the property owner holds the responsibility of paying for all costs involved. If the property owner(s) fails to pay for these costs, a lien may be filed against the property.

Summons to Appear: If a notice of violation and citation do not gain compliance from the property owner, Code Compliance will use more forceful tools to obtain compliance. Following these legal processes increases the time between the initial compliant and compliance.

A Matter of Time: When residents do not comply with City Ordinances and Codes, enforcing compliance via legal avenues requires more time and resources. The Code Compliance Department uses preventative, proactive, measures to prevent matters from escalating. Please be patient: your complaint is not being ignored.

You may download a Code Violation Report form located on the Code Compliance website. The form can be filled out and emailed to John Dalton at jdalton@liveoaktx.net or call 210-653-9140 Ext. 245.

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DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

Ken Steiner, Building Official



Do you have a Lawn Irrigation system?

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Their primary function is to prevent cross contamination of the city's potable water system. National water codes and guidelines call for approved backflow protection on all lawn sprinkler systems and the backflow protection be tested yearly and maintained in working condition. At installation, it is the property owner's responsibility to provide the proper Live Oak Backflow Test & Maintenance (T&M) form with the test results for recording purposes. Each year a letter and Backflow T&M report form will be mailed to the property owner as a reminder to provide the City with the annual test results.

This is required by Texas Commission of Environmental Quality (TECQ) and the following adopted Plumbing Code:

International Plumbing Code

608.16.5 Connections to lawn irrigation systems. The potable water supply to lawn irrigation systems shall be protected against backflow by an atmospheric-type vacuum breaker, a pressure-type vacuum breaker or a reduced pressure principle backflow preventer.

30 TAC 290 Subchapter D: Rules and Regulations for public water systems 290.44(h) (1) No water connection from any public drinking water system shall be allowed to any residence or establishment where an actual or potential contamination hazard exists unless the public water facilities are protected from contamination.

Contact Ken Steiner at 210-653-9140, ext. 250, for additional information on this subject.

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Banks and companies make every effort to unite these assets with their owners, but, if they cannot after a one to five year period, State law requires the assets to be turned over to the Comptroller's Office. Then, the Comptroller's Unclaimed Property Division works diligently to give Texas citizens back what is rightfully theirs.

"Many folks could use some extra cash right now, and we want to give Texans back their property, whether it is personal property or money that could save taxpayer dollars by going back to city and county treasuries," says Comptroller Susan Combs.

In fiscal 2010, the Comptroller's office returned more than \$163 million, about \$16 million more than in 2009. We want that figure to continue to rise, and we're working harder than ever to reunite Texans with their unclaimed property. Visit unclaimed.property@cpa.state.tx.us for more information.

Information provided by Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts

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WHEN: First Tuesday of each month - 6:30pm; Free

May 3rd

Hitchcock's Most Entertaining

North by Northwest (1959)

WHY: In the lifespan of motion picture history many viewers have responded to films because of the director. We hear "a John Ford, Alfred Hitchcock, Steven Spielberg film," which builds in the expectation of certain cinematic elements, a world view, and a promise of excellence. The Spring 2011 series will feature four milestone films from two great directors: John Ford and Alfred Hitchcock. Please join Dr. Eric Reno and a cross-section of our communities in viewing, then discussing the relative merits of each film and each director's reputation. Dr. Reno, President of Northeast Lakeview College, taught film studies BEFORE there was video and has been a passionate filmgoer his whole life. .

WHERE: 1201 Kitty Hawk Rd. [Performing Arts Center]

WHO IS INVITED: Everyone

The Alamo Colleges are an EOE; for any special accommodations issue or an alternate format, contact the Title IX Coordinator, 210-485-0200



Northeast Lakeview College Announces \$599K Grant to Provide Scholarships for Mathematics Majors

(March 24, 2011) Northeast Lakeview College, the newest of the five Alamo Colleges, announces that it has been awarded a \$599,098 grant from the National Science Foundation (NSF) to fund Mathematics Scholars 2015 (MS 2015)-- a five-year project to increase the number of achieving, but financially-needy scholars who will enter the workforce following completion of their degree in mathematics. Through a collaboration with San Antonio College, the project will provide up to \$10,000 per year in scholarships for qualifying students.

The official grant announcement and check presentation by Congressman Lamar Smith, 21st District of Texas, was held on March 24th in the College's Performing Arts Center.

"We are delighted to receive this award from the National Science Foundation," says Dr. Eric Reno, Northeast Lakeview College President. "It will allow us to increase the number of Mathematics competent professionals in our community for the next generation and supports our mission of '...providing educational opportunities.'"

The project will substantially increase the number of American scientists and engineers and include enrichment activities like group study sessions, faculty mentors, internships, field trips and university partnerships. MS 2015 scholars will be encouraged to transfer to Texas universities which offer the same NSF scholarship opportunity, and have offered to give Northeast Lakeview College mathematics scholars preference over other applicants. These institutions include Texas A&M Corpus Christi, Texas Tech, UT Arlington, and University of the Incarnate Word. In addition, the University of Houston and Rice University will welcome applications for their Mathematics Research Experiences for Undergraduates summer programs.

For more information or to apply for the scholarship, contact NLC-Scholarships@alamo.edu and reference MS 2015. Application Deadline is April 15.



Pictured (L to R) Dr. Eric Reno, NLC President; Dr. Beth Lewis, Vice President of Academic Affairs; Jin Ha, Assistant Professor of Mathematics and Co-Project Manager; Congressman Lamar Smith, 21st District of Texas; Dr. Martha Trevino, Dean of Community Development; Dr. Frank Maldonado, Assistant Professor of Mathematics and Assistant Chair of Mathematics & Computer Science.

Lakeview College Financial Aid Made Simple Saturdays

Attend a Session! Complete the FAFSA! Learn About Financial Aid Opportunities!

When: Saturday, May 7, 2011

Between 9am – 12 noon

Where: Northeast Lakeview College

Student Commons Building

1201 Kitty Hawk Rd. Universal City, TX

Why: Financial assistance in the form of grants, scholarships, and loans is available to help students pay for college. This college financial aid workshop will include sessions on understanding the types of financial aid available, scholarship information, and assistance with completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

One \$250 bookstore scholarship will be awarded at each NLC session.

Bring the following items with you:

Copies of signed 2009 and/or 2010 tax returns

W-2 forms

Verification of untaxed income (may include Social Security benefits, veteran benefits, child support, employment paid in cash, worker's compensation, etc.)

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SENATOR JUDITH ZAFFIRINI greets Live Oak resident Byron Hildebrand at the Texas Capitol. Hildebrand is a longtime educator and a member of the Association of Texas Professional Educators.



SENATOR JUDITH ZAFFIRINI, Chair of the Senate Higher Education Committee, welcomes Zaira I. Rodriguez of Live Oak to the Texas Capitol. Rodriguez is president of the Student Government Association at Texas A&M University-San Antonio. Zaffirini, D-Laredo, represents Live Oak and other Northeast Bexar County communities in the Texas Senate.
Will Krueger, Public Information Aide
Office of Senator Judith Zaffirini

Crestview Elementary Student Council Awarded \$20,000 Grant "From Spurs Team-Up Challenge"



Members of the Crestview Elementary Student Council have been getting their hands dirty at school as they paint on the walls, and that's just fine. Working Saturdays after school, they have added a garden and a colorful mural to the campus. It all started with a \$2500 grant from the Spurs Foundation's "Team-Up Challenge" for a schoolyard garden. "We wanted it to be like an outdoor classroom," said Mrs. Sprouse, who co-sponsors the council. Members of the Live Oak Village Garden Club helped with planting tips.

Meanwhile, the art teacher and other sponsor, Mrs. Carreon and students worked on a mural to complement the garden. Upon completion, students from every grade visited the garden for on-site science classes, sometimes with community master gardeners teaching the classes.

Recently, Crestview's Student Council was named as a finalist in the "Team Up Challenge" and won \$20,000 to turn the schoolyard garden into an outdoor classroom. "This is a dream come true!" said fifth grader and Student Council president, Faith Lawler.

Additional photos can be viewed at www.spurs.com/teamup

FREE TOILETS ARE STILL AVAILABLE

The Edwards Aquifer Authority recently awarded a matching fund grant to the City of Live Oak of \$20,000 for a water efficient toilet program. The program is limited to 400 water efficient toilets. The program is for single family residential customers on the Live Oak Water System with homes built prior to 1992 (other restrictions apply). Please call Cathi Piotrowski at Public Works at 210-653-9140 ext. 234.



WATER CONSERVATION

Remember to follow the rules of Landscape-Water Conservation (Ordinance 1255) when watering your lawn and plants. If the Aquifer level is above 660 feet, only water with a sprinkler between the hours of 8:00 p.m. to 10:00 a.m.; be careful not to water the sidewalk or the street. The City of Live Oak follows San Antonio Water Systems' (SAWS) water restriction rules and their critical periods of water reduction. Stage One goes into effect when the Aquifer level reaches 660 feet.



STORMWATER POLLUTION

Prevention Tip: avoid sweeping, blowing, or washing lawn cuttings and other debris onto the street or drainage channels. Debris from the street travels to drainage channels and eventually to the lake. Help us keep our lake clean! (City Ordinance 165)



HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

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 1-800-HHW-PKUP (1-800-449-7587).

SERVICES AVAILABLE FOR OUR SENIORS AND CITIZENS

MEALS ON WHEELS: Delivers hot meals to the homes of the elderly and sick Monday thru Friday. Please call 735-5115 and ask for "Outreach Department" for more information

TRANSPORTATION: Methodist Hospital System provides free pick up and return to your home for citizens on the "Health Bus" and "Well Waldo Wheels for Children" having appointments at Methodist Hospital or Methodist affiliated physician's offices. Call: MHS-Ride (647-7433) 48 hours in advance of your appointment to schedule transportation.

FOOD BANK: R.A.C.A.P. (Randolph Area Christian Assistance Program) Operates a Food Bank available to Live Oak residents. Located at 307 Pfeil, Schertz, Texas. Call: 658-1613

ANGEL FOOD MINISTRIES: www.angelfoodministries.com By having food from first rate suppliers at substantial volume discount, Angel Food Ministries is able to provide families with approximately \$65 worth of quality nutritious food for \$30.

GRASP: (Greater Randolph Area Services Program, Inc.) Call: 658-6351, 250 Donalan, Converse, TX 78109

- **Client Social Services:** Senior Services, Congregate Meals, Transportation and other activities. A monthly flyer of events and menu is available at the center.

- **Lunch:** They provide lunches at the Community Center Monday thru Friday at 11:30 am. Donations are accepted for lunch.
- **Daily activities:** The Community Center has daily activities and has a monthly program that also lists additional community center sponsored activities, trips, etc.
- **Transportation:** Is offered to and from the center for Live Oak residents. Call one day in advance @ 658-6351. They begin picking up at 8:00 am and return you home starting at 1:30.
- **Food Pantry:** Is available at the Community Center. Citizens can use it two times a year and need to call to set up an appointment.

ASC ALAMO SERVICE CONNECTION: www.alamoservice-connection.org (210) 477-3275 ASC links seniors and people with disabilities to information about long-term services and support, both public and private. Get Answers, Find Services, Obtain Benefits.

AACOG ALAMO AREA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS: This organization, a resource to regional cities offers many programs for our citizens. To learn more about services, call or check their website @ www.aacog.org Call (210) 362-5200

OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT



Gary Woppert

Hurricane Season



The first day of June marks the beginning of the 2011 Atlantic Hurricane Season and another active one is forecast. As such the week of May 22 – 28, 2011, has been designated Hurricane Awareness Week by the National Weather Service. Their official forecast is due out later this month; however, other hurricane experts have come out with their predictions. They are forecasting 17 named storms; 9 hurricanes, with 5 of them being major hurricanes – category 3 or above. Needless to say, the hundreds of miles of Texas Coastline are a prime target for landfall and all Gulf Coast residents need to be prepared.

Jurisdictions further inland are not out of danger should a major hurricane make landfall along the coast. We can receive tropical storm force winds – over 40 MPH here and we could actually see hurricane force winds (74 MPH) this far inland along with very heavy rainfall which will lead to flash flooding. In addition, once a hurricane makes landfall, tornadoes are a real threat.

If a hurricane is projected to make landfall on the coast the San Antonio/Bexar County area becomes a shelter hub and thousands of coastal residents may be evacuated to the area. In an emergency, the State may change the traffic flow on the interstate highways, making all lanes heading towards San Antonio. Needless to say, things can get very busy in and around the area.

For additional information, visit the National Hurricane Center's web site at www.nhc.noaa.gov and monitor the storm tracks and get the latest forecast. You can also download hurricane tracking charts for both the Atlantic and the Pacific.

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Connect CTY Telephone Alert System

Just a reminder! Citizens – Have you signed up for the Connect CTY telephone alert system? All residents with a listed telephone numbers should already be included; however, if you have an unlisted telephone number you are not included.

In addition, if you would like to add cellular numbers, text messaging or e-mails, you may do so by simply going to the City web site. Under City Services, click on Connect CTY item for a direct portal to the system along with some additional information on it. Just follow the simple instructions. As a reminder, there are NO individual costs for this service.

FEMA

Tips for Reducing the Risk of Flooding

Several of the City's efforts to prevent flooding depend on your cooperation and assistance. Here are some things you can do to help.

1. Do not dump or throw anything into the City's drainage channels. Even grass clippings and branches can accumulate and plug channels. A plugged channel cannot convey water appropriately when it rains, and, eventually, every piece of trash and debris takes away from the beauty of our City Lake. Please report illegal dumping to our Development Services department at 210-653-9140, ext. 244.
2. If you are planning on changing the landscape around your property, please take into consideration the natural drainage swales that each residence has to allow drainage. The placement of a tree or storage shed can considerably stop or divert water causing flooding problems to residences.
3. When replacing fences, please leave an inch or more to allow for water to pass beneath. Many times sediment and leaves can block this area and divert drainage directly towards your residential structures.

If you have any questions about these or other flooding concerns, please contact City Hall at 210-653-9140, ext. 261.

Scott Wayman

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FIRE DEPARTMENT



National EMS week is May 15th thru May 22nd



Please attend the FREE EMS Extravaganza and Health Fair held on May 21st, from 10am-4pm, near Border's and Old Navy stores within the Forum Shopping Center.

This FREE event brings together Schertz EMS, area First Responder Organizations and other public safety/healthcare providers who will display equipment, capabilities and perform educational demonstrations about injury and illness prevention, healthy living and safety practices. In addition, we will honor all the providers who selflessly serve the residents, businesses and visitors in the region we serve.

Some of the activities featured at the EMS Extravaganza are:

- Take advantage of FREE Health Screenings: blood pressure and blood glucose checks
- Participate in the Community Blood Drive
- Explore the Emergency Response vehicles provided by surrounding communities. Area First Responders will be available to answer questions
- Free goodies for the kids!
- Observe the Extrication Demonstration featuring various rescue techniques
- Watch Air Life and Air Evac perform emergency landings (weather permitting)

It's a great family day to get to know your First Responders, Fire, EMS and Police Departments!



Risk of Death or Injury in a Fire

Nearly 4,000 deaths and 17,675 injuries in the United States were caused by fires in 2007. Unfortunately, the risk of death or injury from fire is more severe for some individuals than for others.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) U.S. Fire Administration has issued three reports, titled "Fire Risk", "Fire Risk to Children" and "Fire Risk to Older Adults", which examine these risk levels.

A few statistics from these reports highlight the heightened risk for different segments of society:

- Adults ages 50 and older have a greater risk of dying in fires.
- Adults ages 30 to 34 have the highest risk of fire injury.
- Men are 1.5 times more likely to die in fires than women.
- African-Americans and American Indians/Alaska Natives are at much greater risk of death in a fire.
- The risk of dying in a fire in the South is higher than other regions of the United States.
- Populations at the lowest income levels are at a greater risk of dying in fires than those with higher incomes.

Please visit the Fire Department webpage for the full version of each report to better understand why the risk levels vary throughout society.

POLICE DEPARTMENT



The Live Oak Police Department is accepting applications for the next Citizens Police Academy. The first class is scheduled for Thursday, May 12, 2011, at 7:00 pm in the Alfredo F. Araiza Training Room located at the Live Oak Police Department. The classes will be held each Thursday for a period of 12 weeks. The Live Oak Citizens Police Academy is a community-oriented policing initiative that allows citizens the opportunity to learn about the issues that face law enforcement efforts in the community. The program helps local residents better understand police work and strengthens the relationship between the community and police department. Classes are instructed by civilian and sworn members of the Live Oak Police Department. Some of the subjects covered in the classes are, City Governance, police emergency communication, Texas Crime Information Center, crime prevention, criminal investigations, patrol tactics, traffic stops, use of force, SWAT, drug enforcement, and firearms.

National Police Week is May 15-21, 2011. Please join us on Wednesday May 18th, 2011, at 7:00 pm at the Live Oak Justice Center for a candlelight vigil to honor Officer Alfredo F. Araiza who was killed in the line of duty, as well as all fallen police officers.

Just a reminder: the police department has introduced a Crime Tip e-mail system. The public can e-mail crime tips directly to the department via: TipLine@liveoaktx.net.

Thanks

Jesse Barela, Sergeant

Live Oak Police Blotter



International Visitors from Albania

The Live Oak Police Department hosted visitors from Albania on March 9th: Mr. Albert Bishaj, Director of Investigation, Internal Control Service, Ministry of Interior; Mr. Muhamet Rrumbullaku, Deputy General Director, Albanian State Police; Mr. Herai Saraci, Director of Inspections, Internal Control Service, Ministry of Interior; accompanied by Mr. Suleyman Gashi, interpreter. Chief Echols escorted the participants on a tour of the Justice Center and shared the police department's role in the City of Live Oak. The U.S. Department of State sponsored the visit to enhance understanding of ethical systems and accountability in government in the United and States; examine how government entities identify, implement and promote core values and ethical standards for public servants; analyze how law enforcement agencies and executive and legislative branches monitor compliance and report, detect and discipline wrongdoing; discuss methods of police training and best practices; and address international efforts to strengthen the integrity of governments worldwide.

Kohl's Department Store Donates Child Safety Seats



Ms. Brandi Paxton, Kohl's Store Manager and Ms. Norma Jimenez-Chavez, Loss Prevention Manager donated child safety seats to the Live Oak Police Department. The seats will be

used to safely transport children in patrol vehicles. The police department appreciates Kohl's donation and the partnership with the retail community. Chief Echols, Assistant Chief Pue, Officers Caballero and Ferguson are pictured receiving the car safety seats.

Officers Plano and Hermosillo Appreciated by Municipal Court-Court Clerk Vickie Steenbeke sent Chief Echols an appreciation note recognizing the help provided to Municipal Court during the last several months. Officer Joseph Plano was helpful with the computer to include Skype, and Officer Curtis Hermosillo assisted by making telephone calls for outstanding warrants.

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Sergeant Anita Seamans Graduates from FBI National Academy



Congratulations to Sgt. Anita Seamans upon her graduation from the 244th Session of the Federal Bureau of Investigation National Academy. Sergeant Anita Seamans returned to her duties at the police department after graduating from the FBI National Academy on March 18, 2011. The National Academy is

a ten-week leadership development program taught at the FBI Academy at the Marine Corps Base in Quantico, Virginia. In addition to her many academic accomplishments and the mere fact that she now holds the honor as an alumni, Sgt. Seamans was awarded the prestigious "yellow brick" for completing the rigorous physical fitness requirement placed on all graduates during the academy.

Lt. Malone Locked Up for MDA Benefit

Lt. Matt Malone raised \$747 in bail money after being locked up for MDA. The March 24th Lock Up held at Texas Roadhouse raised funds for the Muscular Dystrophy Association. The volunteers included Sgt. Jesse Barela, Officers Casey Ferguson, David Wall, Kevin Oates, and David Prieto. The Greater Randolph Lock-Up raised \$28,161 which will send 35 children to summer camp. MDA would like to be able to send 50 children to camp and is anxious to meet their goal of \$40,000.



Live Oak Police Department Color Guard Recognized for City Hall Dedication Ceremony



Mayor Mary Dennis sent a thank you letter in appreciation for the Live Oak Police Department Color Guard presenting the Colors at the dedication ceremony

for the renovated City Hall on February 26th. The department also received a thank you note from Julie Palmer, Executive Assistant to City Manager Matt Smith. Color guard members included Sgt. John Alonzo, Officers Rebecca Mireles, Kevin Jacobs, and Jason Andrada. The members of the color guard represented the City well and contributed to making the dedication ceremony a great success.

Corporal William Feldtmose Appreciated by Citizens



Chief Echols received a note from a couple who were involved in an auto accident on February 28th who expressed their appreciation for the service provided to them by Corporal Feldtmose.

They stated the service provided to them was among the best they have ever encountered. Officer David Wall was at the scene of the accident as well and assisted the injured passenger.



Assistant Chief Pue Invited Guest for 50th Anniversary of T-38



Assistant Chief Pue as Honorary Commander of the 902 SFS/CC, was an invited guest of General Edward Rice, Commander, Air Education and Training Command, Randolph Air Force Base for the March 17th ceremony commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the first T-38 arriving at Randolph Air Force Base. The T-38, used primarily by Air Education and Training Command as a jet trainer to prepare pilots for front-line fighter and bomber aircraft, was originally built in 1961 by Northrup Corporation. The T-38 has forged a legacy of reliable performance and cost efficiency over the years and is still reliable, still viable, and still serving.



Randolph Air Force Base Marks 38th Anniversary of "Freedom Flyers"

Assistant Chief Dan Pue attended a Freedom Flyer Reunion and POW/MIA Symposium at Randolph Air Force Base on March 25th. The symposium, offered for the 14th year, featured Freedom Flyers and the grim, but inspiring stories of their experiences in the POW camps in North Vietnam.

Sgt. McGuire, Officer Tucker, and Officer Rodriguez Receive Accolades



Councilman Ed Cimics sent Chief Echols an e-mail message relaying a conversation he had with Brad, owner of Live Oak Wine & Spirits. Brad reported that Sgt. McGuire, visited the businesses in the Brentwood Plaza Shopping Center and introduced Officer Stephen Tucker to the businesses. Mr. Cimics spoke of the "Community Policing Initiative" and the visibility the Live Oak Police Department has with the businesses. Mr. Cimics observed a gentleman on a motorized wheelchair traveling near

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Corporal Kent Iglesias and Sgt. Jesse Barela Speakers at DAR Luncheon



On Thursday March 3, 2011, Sgt. Jesse Barela and Cpl. Kent Iglesias were invited to a luncheon at the Army Retirement Residence at 7400 Crestway. They spoke to the Daughters of the American Revolution about personal safety. The officers gave a brief

presentation to the group of ladies, which was very informative. Afterwards the officers answered questions from the group. The President, Delia M. Brister, presented Sgt. Barela and Corporal Iglesias with a Certificate of Appreciation.



MAKE SURE HE REMAINS "MAN'S BEST FRIEND"

Did you know that a major public health problem in children is preventable? If adults, children, and dogs would all work together, many of the 400,000 animal bites that occur each year in Texas simply would not happen. That is the goal of Bite Prevention Week, May 15-21, 2011, sponsored by the Texas Department of Health and the Humane Society of the United States.

Most bites to children are caused by dogs the children know and trust. These are dogs the owner thought would never bite. Do not let your dog give you an unpleasant surprise. Here is what you can do to minimize the chances that your dog will bite.

B - I - T - E PREVENTION

B - Baby-sit your child. Bites to infants are usually from the family pooch. Never leave infants unsupervised with any dog.

I - Introduce your dog to your infant.

T - Train and socialize your dog.

E - Express extra attention toward your dog.

S - Spay or neuter your dog. It will reduce aggression, but not protectiveness. Dogs who have not been spayed or neutered are up to 3 times more likely to bite as those who have been sterilized.

For more information, contact Animal Control at (210) 653-9140, ext. 228, the Humane Society of the United States Southwest regional office at (972) 488-2964, or the Texas Department of Health at (512) 458-7255.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

MAY



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>1</p> <p>National Drinking Water Week (May 1-7)</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Parks & Recreation Meeting Council Chambers 7:00 pm</p> <p>Early Voting Begins Civic Center-8 am-6 pm</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Farmer's Market Civic Center 9 am- 2 pm</p> <p>Early Voting Begins Civic Center-8 am-6 pm</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Early Voting Begins Civic Center-8 am-6 pm</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Early Voting Begins Civic Center-8 am-6 pm</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Early Voting Begins Civic Center-8 am-6 pm</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Picnic & Family Games in Main Park 11 am—4 pm</p> <p>Early Voting Begins Civic Center-8 am-6 pm</p>
<p>8</p> <p>MOTHER'S DAY POLLS CLOSED</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Early Voting Begins Civic Center-8 am-6 pm</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Chamber Lunch Olympia Hills 11:30 am</p> <p>City Council Meeting Council Chambers 7 pm</p> <p>Early Voting Begins Civic Center-8 am-6 pm</p> <p>Farmer's Market Civic Center 9 am -2 pm</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Senior Water Aerobics 12 noon</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Citizens Police Acad. Justice Center 7 pm</p> <p>NE Partnership Lunch Olympia Hills 11:30 am</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Election Day: Civic Center 7 am—7 pm</p>
<p>15</p> <p>National Public Works Week (May 15-21)</p> <p>National EMS Week (May 15-22)</p> <p>National Dog Bite Prevention Week (May 15-21)</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Farmer's Market Civic Center 9 am - 2 pm</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Peace Officer Memorial/Candlelight Vigil: Justice Center 7 pm</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Citizens Police Acad. Justice Center 7 pm</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21</p> <p>EMS Extravaganza: The Forum, 10 am-4 pm</p>
<p>22</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Farmer's Market Civic Center 9 am - 2 pm</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Senior Water Aerobics 12 noon</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Citizens Police Acad. Justice Center 7 pm</p> <p>P&Z Meeting Council Chambers 7 pm</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p> <p>MEMORIAL DAY PARADE 10 am</p>
<p>29</p>	<p>30</p> <p>MEMORIAL DAY CITY HOLIDAY</p> <p>Pool Opens at 1 pm Luau Event Starts at 3 pm</p>	<p>31</p> <p>Farmer's Market Civic Center 9 am - 2 pm</p> <p>City Council Meeting Council Chambers 7 pm</p>				

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

JUNE



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2 Citizens Police Acad. Justice Center 7 pm	3 Senior Water Aerobics 12 noon	4 Junior Fishing Day 7-11 am Ages 13 & under Pool Opens New Pool Hours for June 4th—30th
5	6 Parks & Recreation Meeting Council Chambers 7:00 pm Pool Closed on Mondays	7	8	9 Citizens Police Acad. Justice Center 7 pm NE Partnership Lunch Olympia Hills 11:30 am	10 Senior Water Aerobics 12 noon	11
12	13 Pool Closed on Mondays	14 Chamber Lunch Olympia Hills 11:30 am City Council Meeting Council Chambers 7 pm	15	16 Citizens Police Acad. Justice Center 7 pm	17 Senior Water Aerobics 12 noon	18 EMS Extravaganza: The Forum, 10 am-4 pm
19 FATHER'S DAY	20 Pool Closed on Mondays	21	22	23 Citizens Police Acad. Justice Center 7 pm P&Z Meeting Council Chambers 7 pm	24 Senior Water Aerobics 12 noon	25
26	27 EDC Meeting Council Chambers 6 pm Pool Closed on Mondays	28 City Council Meeting Council Chambers 7 pm	29	30 Citizens Police Acad. Justice Center 7 pm		



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2011 City of Live Oak Recycle Calendar

JANUARY							FEBRUARY							MARCH						
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2010 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.
On Thanksgiving day and Christmas day recycle will run the next day



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The Live Oak Civic Center located near the intersection of Interstate 35 and Loop 1604, is the premier meeting facility in northeast Bexar County. It is the focal point for hundreds of yearly shows, such as arts and crafts, antiques, computers, various trade shows, along with business seminars and wedding receptions.

For a schedule of upcoming events and rental information, visit the Civic Center section of the City Web Site, or contact staff at the numbers listed above.

OFFICIAL MEETINGS

City Council Meetings:

2nd and last Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM.

Parks & Recreation Commission Meetings:

1st Monday of each month at 7:00 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:

(held as necessary)

Planning & Zoning Commission Meetings:

(held as necessary)

FUTURE EVENTS

Farmers Market

Tuesday’s 9 am - 2 pm

Picnic & Family Games in the Park

May 7 - 11am - 4pm

Early Voting

Live Oak Civic Center

May 2nd—May 10th

Election Day

Live Oak Civic Center - May 14th

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