

August Neighborhood Association Meetings

Tuesday, August 2

National Night Out, 6 to 9 p.m.
Landon Branch, North East Riverside, Carver, Brook Oaks, Brookview, Alta Vista and many other Neighborhood Associations will be having picnics and parties to make a unified stand against crime in their communities.

Monday, August 15

Mountainview General Meeting, 6 p.m.
@ Mountainview Elem. School (5901 Bishop)

Tuesday, August 23

Brook Oaks General Meeting, 6 p.m.
@ Dewey Center (925 N. 9th)

Carver General Meeting, 6 p.m.

@ Carver Academy Library (1601 Flewellen)

Water Park Celebration

The Waco Water Park is hosting a special celebration honoring World Breastfeeding Day on August 5. From 9 to 11 a.m., families will enjoy free admission to the Water Park (901 W. Lake Shore Dr.), along with drawings for prizes and tasty refreshments for purchase at the concession stands.

The event is sponsored by the Waco-McLennan County Public Health District's WIC (Women, Infants, Children) program. Cool off and have fun at the water park while supporting a healthy cause! For more information, call 750-8603.

"To Bag or Not to Bag"

To bag or not to bag, that is the question. Solid Waste Services has the following answer: All garbage should be bagged when placed in the grey cart. Recycling (blue cart) and yard waste (green cart) should not be bagged. Remember, "Bag today if cart is grey, No bag will due if cart is blue." (Exception: please bag shredded paper before recycling.)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS AUGUST

2	City Council Meeting *
2	National Night Out
3	Building Standards Commission Mtg.
16	City Council Meeting *
23	Plan Commission Meeting *

* Replayed weekly on WCCC-TV Cable Channel 10 and available for viewing on the City Web site. A more complete calendar is available online at www.waco-texas.com

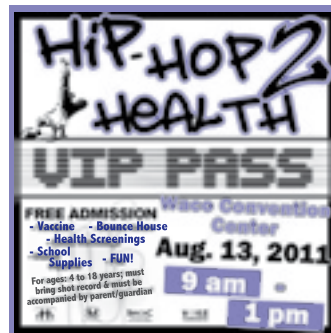
Parks and Recreation News

After School Camps: Registration is ongoing for the City of Waco Parks & Recreation after-school summer camps. South Waco, Bledsoe-Miller and Dewey Community Centers are offering after-school camps (for kids ages 5 to 13 years) from 3 to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Children take part in tutoring, afternoon snacks and recreational activities. The camps provide limited transportation from area schools. The registration fee per child is \$45 per month and space is limited. For more information or to register, contact the community centers at South Waco 750-8650, Bledsoe-Miller 750-8684, and Dewey 750-8677.

Adult Co-Ed Volleyball: Registration is underway for the Adult Co-Ed Volleyball league which begins August 22. The league is open to players 18 and older and registration is \$40 per person through August 12. All games will be played at the Dewey Community Center. For more information or to register call 750-5875.

Waco Water Park: Be sure to beat the heat this summer and make a trip to the Waco Water Park. Normal operating hours are 1 to 6 p.m. Sunday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday through August 5. Beginning August 8, daily operations will end and the Waco Water Park will be open on weekends only through Labor Day. For more information visit www.waco-texas.com or call 750-7900.

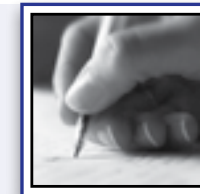
Back to School Childrens Health Fair



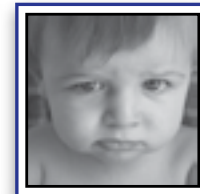
The Waco-McLennan Co. Public Health District will sponsor "Hip-Hop 2 Health," a back-to-school health fair, on August 13 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Waco Convention Center. The event offers kids ages 4 to 18 free vaccines (must bring shot record, be accompanied by parent or guardian), health screenings, school supplies, health information, a bounce house, and tons of FUN! For more information about the "Hip-Hop 2 Health" fair, contact the Health District at 750-5461.

VOLUNTEERS...

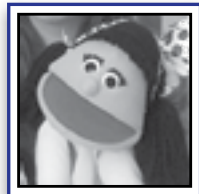
...WORKING TOGETHER TO SUPPORT OUR COMMUNITIES



Apply Today
Boards/ Commissions
Volunteer Application
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Check the Back
Safety Campaign
to Stop Car-related
Heat Stroke Fatalities



Teen Volunteers
Library Volunteers
to Perform for Last
Week of Showcase

WACO City Limits

august 2011

For more news and information, visit the City of Waco website at www.waco-texas.com.

Volunteer Board Members Needed

Q: What can I do to make a real difference in my city and community?
A: You can become a volunteer member of a board or commission!

Volunteering gives citizens the opportunity to voice their concerns and influence decisions that involve their community's future. The Waco City Council welcomes applications from Waco residents who are interested in serving as a member of a board or commission.

The role of a board or commission member for the City entails a high degree of responsibility to keep the public interest as a top priority. Active participation and regular attendance is vital to the success of the board/ commission, as well as to your community and the City of Waco.

If you are interested in volunteering to serve on a commission or board, you may complete the application form on page 2 and return with your water bill payment. Or, applications and a detailed listing are available in the City Secretary's Office or by visiting: www.waco-texas.com/boards.asp.

Whether your passion is animal care, recycling, historic preservation or transportation, there is a board or commission on which you could serve. A wide variety of service opportunities are available (see page 2). Apply today: join a team and start making a difference!



Open House

The Waco Regional Tennis and Fitness Center offers a variety of fun, affordable fitness options. Come see for yourself! Use the facility for free at the Center's Open House on September 12 from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Sample a few of these fun fitness choices:

- Group & private tennis lessons
- Competitive tennis leagues
- Personal fitness trainers
- Nutrition counseling
- Massage
- Tanning
- Sauna
- Kid's Club
- Over 20 exercise classes like:
 - Cardio Fusion
 - Cheer/ Hip-Hop
 - Strength Training
 - Body Shaping
 - 15-minute abs
 - and many more!
 - Turbo Kick
 - Cycling
 - Pilates
 - Yoga
 - Zumba

Visit www.wacotennis.com or call 753-7675 for more information.

Boards and Commissions Opportunities

Animal Control Advisory Board
Quarterly meetings

Animal Grievance Board
Called meetings

Aviation Advisory Board
Monthly - 2nd Thursday at 4 p.m.

Board of Electrical Contractors
Monthly - 2nd Wednesday at 11 a.m.

Board of Plumbing and Mechanical Contractors
Monthly - 2nd Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.

Building Board of Adjustment & Appeals Called meetings

Building Standards Commission
Monthly - 1st Wednesday at 4 p.m.

Cottonwood Creek Golf Course Advisory Board
Every other month, 3rd Thursday at noon

Equal Employment Opportunity Advisory Committee (EEO)
2nd Thursday of the 1st month of each quarter

Firefighters' & Police Officers' Civil Service Commission
Called meetings

Heart O' Texas Housing Finance Corporation Board of Directors
Called meetings

Historic Landmark Preservation Commission
Monthly - 2nd Thursdays at 5 p.m.

Housing Authority
Monthly - 3rd Thursday, Time: TBA

Lake Waco Wetlands Advisory Committee
Called as needed

Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission
Monthly - 2nd Thursday at 11:30 a.m.

Plan Commission
Monthly - 4th Tuesday at 7 p.m.

Public Arts Advisory Committee
Called meetings

Recycling Advisory Committee
Monthly - 3rd Monday at 4 p.m.

Reinvestment Zones 1, 2, & 3 for Tax Increment Financing Board of Directors
Quarterly meetings as needed

Texas Ranger Hall of Fame and Museum Advisory Committee
Quarterly - 4th Wednesday at 4 p.m.

Waco Convention & Visitors Bureau Advisory Board
Monthly - 3rd Monday at 5:30 p.m.

Waco-McLennan County Library Advisory Commission - 4th Wednesday every other month at 4 p.m.

Waco Transit Advisory Board
Quarterly or as needed

Waco Youth Council
Monthly - 1st & 3rd Monday at 5:30 p.m.

Zoning Board of Adjustment
Bi-monthly - 1st & 3rd Thursday at 7 p.m.

* Most of the boards have two year staggered terms and have regular meeting times.

Application:

Boards/Commissions Application



Name: _____

Street Address: _____ City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Preferred Mailing Address: _____ City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home phone: _____ Business phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Profession: _____ Business Name: _____

Board/Commission preference: _____

What experience do you have that may qualify you for service on a particular board or commission?

Thank you for taking the time to complete this application.
Please return with your water bill payment

Beginner's Genealogy Class

The Waco-McLennan County Library, together with the Central Texas Genealogical Society will sponsor a Beginner's Genealogy Class on Saturday, August 13 from 10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Meeting Room of the West Waco Library & Genealogy Center at 5301 Bosque Blvd.

The class is free and will cover topics such as how to use genealogy forms, an introduction to basic records, Internet sources and research, and a tour and orientation of the Genealogy Center's collection. The instructors for the class will be Norma Cannata of the Central Texas Genealogical Society and Bill Buckner, Manager of the Genealogy Center. For more information, call Bill Buckner at 750-5945.

Book Donations Needed, Please

The Friends of the Waco-McLennan County Library need your gently read books for the fall booksale. Children's books are especially needed this year. Please drop off donations at the West Waco Library & Genealogy Center. Funds raised from the booksale go to support our local libraries. For more information contact Kim at 750-5974 or email kimberlys@ci.waco.tx.us.

For updates on the closing of the Central Library for renovations and its new temporary location, plus information on activities, visit www.wacolibrary.org.

Waco Transit Hosts Free Fare Day

On August 20th, Tax Free Weekend, all bus routes in Waco will be FREE of charge for Waco Transit's third annual Free Fare Day. Come take a ride on the buses to see how you can save money and help out the environment by taking advantage of the city transit system. Service hours are from 7:15 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. on Saturday. For more information please call 750-1900.

Teen Volunteers at the Library

Teen volunteers from the Waco Public Library will perform a fun, interactive program based on the Texas Summer Reading Club theme, "Dig Up a Good Book." These free performances are geared for pre-school through fifth grade students. Dates and times are:

Tues., August 2: East Waco Library
901 Elm Ave. 9:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m.

Wed., August 3: West Waco Library,
5301 Bosque Blvd. 10:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m.

Fri., August 5: South Waco Library,
2737 S. 18th at 10:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m.

For more information, please call Stacy Phillips at 750-5956.



REMINDER:

National Night Out is Tuesday, August 2 from 6 to 9 p.m. Help keep your neighborhood safe by giving crime a going away party! Call 750-1761 to learn more about National Night Out.

Check the Back Safety Campaign

When it is 80° to 100° F. outside, temperatures inside a car can rise to 131° to 172° in as little as 10 minutes, depending on sunlight and ventilation. Those temperatures can be deadly for children, whose core body temperatures increase faster than adults. A rise in heat increases the risk of heat stroke, leading to serious permanent injury or death. When the humidity is high, it takes half as much time for a child to be overcome by heat.

Last year, 49 children ages 2 months to 6 years died in the US from heat stroke while left alone in vehicles. In 2010, Texas led the nation with 13 deaths caused by hyperthermia (extreme overheating of the body). In 2011, two out of seven reported fatalities have already occurred in Texas.

To prevent tragedies like these, the Waco Police Department and KidSafe are initiating the "CHECK THE BACK" campaign as part of the Safe Kids "Never Leave Your Child Alone in a Car" Task Force to help eliminate hyperthermia deaths of children in Texas. *You can do your part to help:*

- Dial 911 immediately if you see an unattended child in a car.
- Never leave a child unattended near or in a car, not even with the windows slightly open.
- Distractions and a break in routines have caused caretakers/parents to forget children in cars. Remember to CHECK THE BACK by doing one or all of the following:
 1. Place your cell phone, purse, briefcase or something that is needed on the floor in front of a child in the backseat.
 2. Set your cell phone reminder to drop child off at day care.
 3. Set your computer to send a reminder to ask "Did you drop your child at daycare?"
 4. Have the daycare call you if you haven't dropped your child off by a certain time.

For more information on child passenger safety, please contact KidSafe at (254) 202-8605, or call Officer Sofie Martinez at 750-1760.