

## May Neighborhood Association Meetings

### Thursday, May 5

North East Riverside General Meeting, 6 p.m.  
@ J.H. Hines Elementary (301 Garrison)  
Questions, Transportation call 744-1389.

### Monday, May 9

Sanger Heights General Meeting, 6 p.m.  
@ Provident Heights Elem. (2415 Bosque)

### Wednesday, May 11

Richland Hills General Meeting, 6:30 p.m.  
@ Knights of Columbus Hall (5515 Sanger)

### Thursday, May 12

Timbercrest General Meeting, 6 p.m.  
@ George Dixon Jr. High (4401 Orchard)

### Saturday, May 14

Heart O' Texas General Meeting, 9:30 a.m.  
Social / 10 a.m. Meeting @ Harrison Senior  
Center (1718 N. 42nd)

### Tuesday, May 24

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

Carver General Meeting, 6 p.m.

@ Carver Academy Library (1601 Flewellen)

## Women's Health Week

National Women's Health Week is May 8-14th. Join the Waco-McLennan Co. Health District for W.O.W! Week (Wealth of Wellness). Activities will include:

- FREE **W.O.W Health Seminar** on May 7, at the Texas Ranger Museum's Knox Hall from 9 a.m. to noon. The seminar will feature dynamic speakers addressing women's health issues, healthy cooking demonstrations, an exercise session and free health information and screenings on site.

- FREE **Mother-Daughter Tea** event! A panel of physicians will be on hand to discuss issues affecting women of McLennan County. Stay for the question/answer session in which doctors will answer all questions regarding women's health. Men may attend! Join the informative session at Barnes & Noble Bookstore, 4909 W. Waco Dr., on May 14 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

- **Zumba Party!** One hour, one day, one cause. Area classes will open their doors for FREE to anyone who wants to promote Women's Health awareness. Waco will Zumba together! The party will begin at 10 a.m. on May 14 at several area locations.

See the Health District's Facebook page for a list of participating locations. The location with the most participation will have a surprise in store!

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS MAY

3	City Council Meeting *
4	Building Standards Commission Mtg.
8	Mother's Day
17	City Council Meeting *
24	Plan Commission Meeting *
30	Memorial Day

\* 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](http://www.waco-texas.com)

## Women, Infants and Children Program

In partnership with Waco's Family Health Center, Women, Infants and Children (WIC) opened a part-time clinic at the S. 18th Street Community Clinic located at 1800 Gurdy. WIC services will be available every Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Call 297-8069 or 750-5474. WIC is a nutrition program that helps pregnant women, new mothers, and young children eat well, learn about nutrition, and stay healthy. Nutrition education, nutritious foods, and help accessing health care are provided to low-income women, infants, and children through the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program, popularly known as WIC. There are other WIC locations within McLennan County as well. Please call 750-5474 for more information about them.

## Beginner's Genealogy Class

The Waco-McLennan County Library and the Central Texas Genealogical Society will sponsor a Beginner's Genealogy Class on Saturday, May 14, from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the West Waco Library & Genealogy Center, 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.

## Waco Police Memorial Run

The Waco Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association will host the annual Waco Police Memorial Run on Saturday, May 7 at the Redwood Shelter in Cameron Park at 8 a.m. The run is held each year to commemorate those officers that were killed in the line of duty, and to bring much deserved recognition to our officers that put their lives on the line everyday in service for our community and nation.

A registration form may be downloaded at [www.waco-texas.com](http://www.waco-texas.com) or citizens can register online at <http://www.active.com/running/waco-tx/waco-police-memorial-run-2011>.



**Library FUN**  
Tons of Summer Fun Awaits at the Library



**Critter Activities**  
Cameron Park Zoo Camps and Lake Waco Wetlands BUGFEST



**Police Memorial Run**  
Run, have fun, and show your support on May 7 at Cameron Park

# WACO City Limits

MAY 2011

The City of Waco would like to wish our Central Texas moms a very HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY.

## Summer Activities for Kids in Waco

### Registration for Summer Camps and Programs

Take the worry out of where to send the kids for a super summer. The City of Waco Parks and Recreation summer camps kick off June 6. South Waco, Bledsoe-Miller, and Dewey Community Centers are offering summer day camps Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Children will participate in indoor and outdoor activities, arts and crafts, games, field trips and much more. Registration is underway and open to ages 5 to 13. For more information contact the community centers at South Waco 750-8650, Bledsoe-Miller 750-8684 and Dewey 750-8677.

### Camp Cameron

Camp Cameron is another exciting outdoor adventure camp that begins on June 6 from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. The registration fee is \$60 per camper and \$150 per two-week session. Registration is underway for ages 5 to 13. Camp Cameron is an exciting camp that offers campers a mix of environmental and recreational activities such as hiking, archery, kayaking, swimming, and nature studies. For more information, call 750-5980 or visit [www.waco-texas.com](http://www.waco-texas.com).

### Team Waco

Team Waco is back for another season of recreational and competitive track and field. Registration is \$50 per child, ages 5 - 18, through May 27. Team members compete in local and regional meets and have an opportunity to advance to the TAAF Games of Texas. Practices are held at the Hart-Patterson Track and Field Complex and begin in June. A parent meeting will be held on May 17. For information, call 750-5874.

## Brazos Nights

The "Good Times and Great Music" continue downtown at the City of Waco's Brazos Nights concert series.

The second free concert of the year will be Friday, May 6 in Indian Spring Park. Presented by La Ley 104.1FM, the Cinco de Mayo concert will feature the latin-funk ensemble Grupo Fantasma and special guests.

The concerts will continue on Friday, June 3 with a special performance by the Waco Symphony Orchestra and conclude on July 4 with The Fabulous Thunderbirds, Carolyn Wonderland and the H-E-B Fireworks Extravaganza.

The Brazos Nights concerts are free and will begin at 7:00 p.m. Along with great music, the event will also feature arts and crafts, children's activities and concessions. For more information and a complete schedule, call 750-5627 or visit [www.brazosnightswaco.com](http://www.brazosnightswaco.com).

(MORE SUMMER ACTIVITIES ON PAGES 3 AND 4)

## Annual Reports Are Now Available

The City of Waco's Annual Report publication, *Visions*, is now available! Read the 2010 edition to learn how City staff and volunteers worked together to provide basic services (along with some major accomplishments) that continue to shape the future of our City. This year's 20-page edition is packed with great information.

The City is again encouraging everyone to view the beautiful report online at [www.waco-texas.com](http://www.waco-texas.com), saving paper and over \$7,000 in postage costs. To receive a copy in the mail, please complete and return the order form below with your water payment. Copies are also available at City Hall, the Water Office on Franklin Ave., all four library locations, and all Community Centers. You can also call 750-5639 to leave your request and address. The award-winning Annual Report is produced totally in-house (except for printing) by city staff.



## Order Form

To have a copy of the 2010 edition of *Visions*, the City's Annual Report, mailed to you, please fill out the information on this order form and return to the City with your water bill payment.

YES! MAIL MY FREE COPY OF THE ANNUAL REPORT TO:

Name:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Address:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

## Civil War Soldier Camp

The Texas Ranger Hall of Fame & Museum and Historic Waco Foundation will host a Civil War Soldier Camp for kids ages 8 to 11 during the week of June 20 to 24, from 9 to 11 a.m. at the museum. Campers will explore Civil War history during a weeklong summer camp and learn what soldiers on both sides of the battlefield wore, ate, and did while in camp.

Curious about camels during the Civil War? Ready to learn about Robert Smalls and his ship *the Planter*? Discover how soldiers sent secret messages and signals and make a drum & marshmallow gun! You'll even get to see live camels with the Texas Camel Corps! Think you can "pass muster?" Let's find out, but hurry because only 30 spots are available! Register by June 10, 2011. Cost is \$55 per child. For details or to register, call 753-5166 or email: [hwfedu@hotmail.com](mailto:hwfedu@hotmail.com).

## Having Fun in the Kitchen

"Having Fun in the Kitchen" is a WIC sponsored program that consists of lessons developed for children ages 2 to 5 and their parents to work together in the kitchen while preparing healthy recipes using WIC approved foods. New lessons every month and classes are open to both WIC and non-WIC participants. For more information or to sign up, call 750-5475.

## Early Voting for City Elections

Early Voting for the City of Waco's May 14, 2011 election will begin Monday, May 2 and continue through Tuesday, May 10. Voting hours will be 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., May 2-6 with extended early voting hours of 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on May 7, 9 and 10. Voters will select council representatives to serve the full 2-year term for District IV. City Council Representatives for District II currently held by Alice Rodriguez and District V currently held by Malcolm Duncan, Jr. were unopposed; therefore, the City will not hold an election in single-member District II and District V on May 14, 2011. The early voting locations are:

- McLennan County Elections Office, 214 N. 4th St.
- South Waco Community Center, 2815 Speight Ave.
- First Assembly of God Church, 6701 Bosque Blvd.
- Waco-Multi-Purpose Community Center, 1020 Elm St.

For more information, call the City Secretary's Office at 750-5750 or visit [www.waco-texas.com](http://www.waco-texas.com), and click the Elections link.

{La votación temprana para las elecciones de la ciudad de Waco comenzará el lunes 2 de mayo y continuará hasta el martes, 10 de mayo. Para más información, llame a la oficina secretarial de la ciudad (City Secretary's Office): 750-5750 o visite la página web de la ciudad: [www.waco-texas.com](http://www.waco-texas.com), y haga clic en City Elections Office.}

## Tons of Summer Fun at the Library!

### Preschool Mother's Day Tea

Celebrate Mother's Day with a "special" tea party! Enjoy the Tea Exhibit and take home a "gift" for Mom at the annual preschool Mother's Day Tea, which will be held at each Waco-McLennan County Library at 10:30 a.m. during May 3 through 6. The schedule is:

- Tuesday, East Waco Library, 901 Elm St.
- Wednesday, West Waco Library, 5301 Bosque Blvd.
- Thursday, Central Library, 1717 Austin Ave.
- Friday, South Waco Library, 2737 S. 18th St.

### Library Storytimes

Storytime themes for May through summer will include fun topics including Cinco de Mayo, "Hats! Hats! Hats!," and "Let's go Fishing." The last week of 10:30 a.m. Storytimes for the spring semester will be held May 24 through 27 and will feature the Summer Reading Club theme, "Dig up a Good Book/ Reading is Mammoth Fun!" The prehistoric fun includes dinosaur and mammoth stories, crafts, treats, and more, scheduled at: (Visit [www.wacolibrary.org](http://www.wacolibrary.org) for Storytime dates.)

- Tuesday, East Waco Library, 901 Elm St.
- Wednesday, West Waco Library, 5301 Bosque Blvd.
- Thursday, Central Library, 1717 Austin Ave.
- Friday, South Waco Library, 2737 S. 18th St.

### Summer Showcase!

The Summer Showcase of Guest Performers will begin June 7 and run with free, weekly shows through August 5. Performers include Stevens Puppets, Lucas Miller "the Singing Zoologist," Magic Man, Wild Animal and Snake Programs, Storytellers, and plays by Storybook Theatre and Story Time Players. The schedule is:

- Tuesdays at 9:30 and 10:30: East Waco Library, 901 Elm St.
- Wednesdays at 10:30 and 1:30: West Waco Library, 5301 Bosque Blvd.
- Fridays at 10:30 and 1:30: South Waco Library, 2737 S. 18th St.

### Summer Reading Club

Registration for the 2011 Summer Reading Club, geared for ages 12 and under, takes place throughout June. Children who read 20 hours by August 15 will receive a book, coupon treats from merchants, and more. A ticket to the Ringling Brothers Circus is earned for reading 5 books by mid-July. Studies have shown that children who read at least 6 books during the summer maintain or improve their reading skills. Pre-Readers participate by listening to stories read to them – this is a strong motivator to encourage pre-readers to learn to read with greater ease.

For information about free children's activities, please call 750-5942 or visit the Kid's page at [www.wacolibrary.org](http://www.wacolibrary.org).

### Teen Library Crew

Teen Library Crew will kick off its summer program sign-ups on Saturday, May 14 from 1 to 3 p.m. at the West Waco Library. Teens 13-17 are eligible with ID. A notary will be on the premises during this time to assist with paperwork and required background checks. Parents with ID must be present also. Openings for the summer include summer program helpers, summer performance groups and more. Teen gaming day will take place during registration in the teen area. For more information, check the website at [www.wacolibrary.org](http://www.wacolibrary.org), or contact Kim Salome at 750-5974.

## Summer Fun: Critters & Creepy Crawlies

CAMERON PARK ZOO has designed fun and educational programs for Summer 2011. For students entering K through 6th grades, the following camps are available:

**Critter Twitter** (June 6-10 & July 11-15) teaches about the different ways animals communicate.

**Zoo Sleuths** (June 13-17 & July 25-29) will be looking for clues to solve mysteries at the Zoo.

**Paws & Pigments** (June 27-July 1 & August 1-5) focuses on art activities using patterns and colors seen on animals and in their habitats.

**Zoo Tales** (July 6-9 & July 18-22) is a half-day camp for students 3-5 years of age.

**Down & Dirty Keeper Shadowing** (July 19-22) is for students 12 years and up.

If your child loves animals and being outside, Zoo Camp is for them! Call the Education Department at 750-8467 or 750-8466 for details or visit [www.cameronparkzoo.com](http://www.cameronparkzoo.com).

On Sat., May 7, the LAKE WACO WETLANDS will present **BUGFEST**, a fun and fascinating FREE program that teaches the public all about beneficial and not-so-beneficial bugs in our area.

Experts from the City of Waco Health Department, Baylor University, Heart of Texas Master Naturalists, McLennan County Master Gardeners, and even a Bee Expert will join the educational festivities.

Come learn about "the Good, the Bad and the Ugly" in the world of creepy crawlies on Saturday, May 7 from 9 a.m. to noon. Open to the public and for all ages.

**CITY NOTE:**  
The City will not offer solid waste collection services on Memorial Day, May 30. Monday routes will be picked up Wednesday, June 1. The Landfill and Cobbs Recycling Center will be closed for the holiday. Call 299-2612 for more information.