

June Neighborhood Association Meetings

Saturday, June 11

Brookview General Meeting, 11:00 a.m.
@ S.J. Guthrie Park Pavilion (Elections)

Thursday, June 16

North East Riverside General Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
@ Bledsoe-Miller Center (300 MLK, Jr. Blvd.)

Thursday, June 23

Alta Vista General Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
refreshments / 7 p.m. meeting
@ Family of Faith Church (3336 Garden Dr.)

Monday, June 27

Brook Oaks General Meeting, 6 p.m.
@ Sul Ross Center (15th St. and Waco Dr.)

Tuesday, June 28

Carver General Meeting, 5:30 p.m.
@ Carver Academy Library (1601 Flewellen Rd.)

Juneteenth Celebrations

Annual Juneteenth Carnival

Join the Dewey Recreation Center from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Friday, June 17 for fun, food and games as we celebrate Juneteenth. All ages are welcome, and the cost is FREE. For more information, please call 750-8677.

CENTEX Juneteenth Family Fun Day

The CenTex African American Chamber hosts its annual Juneteenth Celebration on June 18 at Brazos Park East. Participate in a FREE, festive atmosphere celebrating African American heritage and independence. There will be LIVE Music, Kid Zone, Community Zone, food, social services, health screenings and more. For information, visit www.centexchamber.com.

Wade Bowen Classic

The Wade Bowen Classic concert is Sunday, June 5 at Indian Spring Park. The concert will include some of the biggest names in Texas Country. For information, visit www.wadebowen.com.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS JUNE

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| 1 | Building Standards Commission Mtg. |
| 7 | City Council Meeting * |
| 10 | Brazos Nights Concert |
| 21 | City Council Meeting * |
| 28 | Plan Commission Meeting * |

* Carried LIVE and replayed weekly on WCCC.TV Cable Channel 10 and available for viewing on the City website. A more complete calendar is available online at www.waco-texas.com.

Texas Ranger Summer Camp

Learn what it takes to be a Texas Ranger at the Texas Ranger Hall of Fame & Museum! Texas Ranger Summer Camp is Friday, June 24 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Campers will get to step into the boots of a 19th-century Texas Ranger and learn about the skills critical to survival on the frontier. They can learn about the duties of the modern Texas Rangers, including their work as criminal investigators. For more information, call (254) 750-8631 or visit texasranger.org.

Team Waco Summer Track

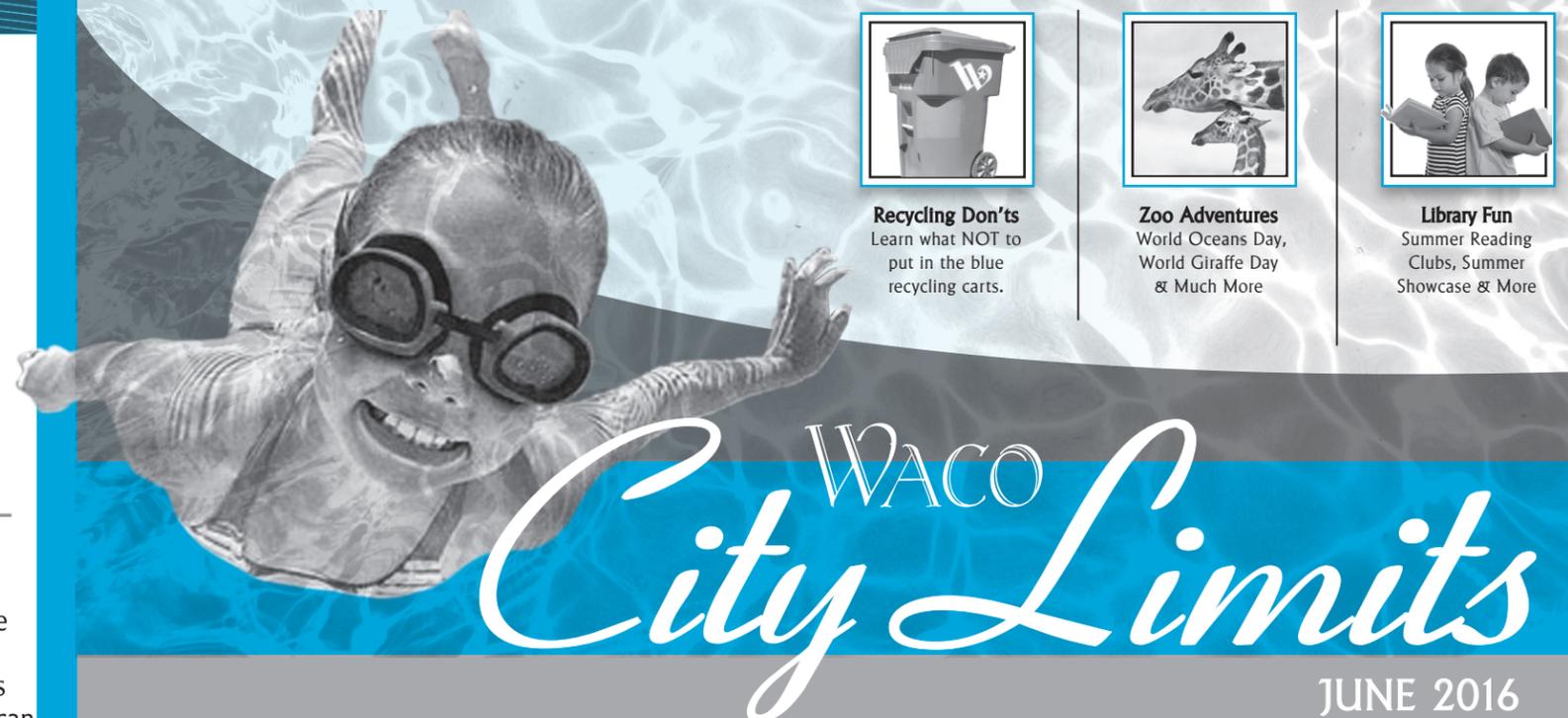
Each summer, the City of Waco registers more than 400 children for the Team Waco Summer Track program. Children practice at the Hart-Patterson Track & Field Complex, and compete at local, regional and state levels throughout the summer. Early registration is April 4 through May 20 for \$60.00 per child, and late registration will be May 23 through May 27 for \$75.00 per child. For more information or to register, call 750-5875.

Luxury Landscape Makeover: \$5,000!

You could win Keep Waco Beautiful's Annual \$5,000 Landscaping Makeover! First place will receive a \$5,000 landscape makeover provided by The Luxury Landscape partnership with Fitzgerald Landscaper, LTD. Use the \$5,000 for new grass, trees, flower gardens or almost anything you can imagine for your lawn.

Second Place will receive a years' worth of lawn service provided by Lawns of Texas. Third place will receive a basket provided by Keep Waco Beautiful and local nurseries to help with your everyday gardening. Raffle tickets are only \$5 and benefit Keep Waco Beautiful's many recycling, cleanup, education, and beautification projects.

To purchase tickets, contact 750-5728 or 254-723-5714. Drawing will be held on August 27th at Keep Waco Beautiful's Picnic in the Park Fundraiser for Miss Nellies Pretty Place. You don't need to be present to win.



Recycling Don'ts
Learn what NOT to put in the blue recycling carts.



Zoo Adventures
World Oceans Day, World Giraffe Day & Much More



Library Fun
Summer Reading Clubs, Summer Showcase & More

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

Waco Has Aquatic Fun for Everyone!

Hawaiian Falls Waco: Hawaiian Falls, Waco's first-class water adventure park, will open to the public on Saturday, May 28. Hours of operation are 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily, with extended hours on Friday nights until 8 p.m. Visit the Hawaiian Falls website at www.hfalls.com for more details, information on season passes, and to view a map of the park, located at 900 Lake Shore Dr.

Spray Parks: Waco offers six FREE spray pads in parks around Waco that shoot water in every direction. Splash pads are open during park hours from June to September. For more information on any Splash Pad call 750-5980.

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| Cameron Park (2200 Cameron Park Dr.) | Chapel Park (9420 Chapel Rd.) |
| Dewey Park (925 North 9th St.) | Kendrick Park (4011 Bagby) |
| Mountainview Park (2325 Mountainview) | Oscar duConge (1504 Flewellen) |

Swimming Programs: Swimming is an important skill to learn, and an ideal way to exercise and have fun during the summer. The City of Waco partners with the YMCA, American Red Cross and Hawaiian Falls to ensure swim lessons are available for the Waco community. Hawaiian Falls also offers swim camps and classes for all ages.

Paddling Trails: Portions of the Brazos and Bosque Rivers around Waco are designated as a Texas Paddling Trail by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, giving statewide recognition to Waco's beautiful paddling trails. For kayaks and canoes, the river trails give people a route to explore wildlife and scenery along the waterways. Access points and kiosks are located at Brazos Park East, Bledsoe-Miller and McLennan Community College. Visit Parks and Recreation online at www.waco-texas.com for more details.

Brazos Nights Concerts

The Brazos Nights concert series continues on Friday, June 10th with Austin's Shinyribs, a Texas favorite with a funky, witty mix of country, blues and soul. The Old 97s, from Dallas, will knock your socks off with their rootsy, energetic country rock.

The free show begins at 7 p.m. at Indian Spring Park in downtown Waco. The concert also includes great food and drink from a variety of food trucks and vendor booths, plus giveaways and a children's arts and crafts area.

For more information about the concert series, plus artist bios and videos of past performances, follow Brazos Nights on Facebook at facebook.com/brazosnights or visit the City of Waco website at www.waco-texas.com.

“Buzz Off” Mosquito Awareness Event & Bugfest

Mark your calendar for an educational Bugfest event for the whole family! Buzz Off 2016 is a mosquito awareness campaign hosted at the Lake Waco Wetlands on Saturday, June 25 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Bring the family for a come & go event to learn from local experts about mosquitoes, their natural predators, and how to Fight The Bite by controlling the mosquito habitat. Tour the wetlands during your visit. “Buzz Off” will feature information from City departments including Health, Solid Waste, Storm Water and the Wetlands. Other participating organizations are Baylor, Texas Tech, MCC, TSTC, McLennan County Master Gardeners, and HOT Master Naturalists. They’ll provide information on biological ways to combat mosquitoes, as well as material on bats, frogs, birds & plants that deter mosquitoes.



Summer Camps

Summer Camps at Blesdoe-Miller and Dewey community centers are June 6 to July 1. Campers ages 5 to 13 participate in recreational games and activities such as arts and crafts, gym activities, nature walks, kayaking, archery, tennis, fishing, bike riding & field trips. Call 750-8684 or 750-8650 to register.

Camp Cameron (June 6 to 17 and June 20 to July 1) is an outdoor adventure camp for ages 5 to 13 that includes environmental/recreational activities such as hiking, archery, kayaking, swimming, field trips, nature study and more. Call 750-5980 to register.

Counselor in Training Program (June 6 to August 19) lets teens assist camp counselors at Dewey Center with youth activities & programs (must apply and interview before being accepted). For information or to register, call 750-8677.



Summer Fun at the Library

Summer Reading Club registration starts June 1. Register at any library during the month of June and read all summer to earn fabulous prizes!

Summer Showcase (for ages 11 & under) at the Waco-McLennan County Library has a HUGE lineup of award-winning puppeteers, storytellers, magicians, mad scientists and more! For a calendar of dates and times, visit “Kids Services” at www.wacolibrary.org.

Other childrens’ library activities include Angel Paws Reading Buddies, LEGO Lab, Game Time, Block Party and more. Visit “Kids Services” at www.wacolibrary.org for the full calendar.

Just for Teens (Middle & High School) events will include:

- Unplugged Game Day – go “screenless” and play one of our NEW board games!
- Trading Card Game Day – Bring your own cards or play Adventure Time with other teens.
- Inside Out Movie Day – Crafts, snacks & a movie
- Field Day @ Cameron Park – disc golf, ultimate Frisbee & more
- Library Arcade Day – WiiU, Ps4 & more! Get your game on!
- CosPlay Day – Dress as your favorite character! Watch Cosplay UK the Movie!
- Wreck It Ralph Movie Day – Crafts, snacks & a movie!

Register for Summer Reading Club at June events, too! Check www.wacolibrary.org for info about dates, times & locations.

Please Keep Our Storm Drains Clean

Whatever you keep out of the storm drain, you keep out of our streams. Storm drains can get clogged with yard debris and trash and cause flooding. Protect our drains by keeping grass and leaf clippings in a green yard waste cart (no need to bag!) or by taking bagged grass to the Cobbs Recycling Center. Have you gotten your Green Yard Waste cart yet? A 35-gallon cart for all your yard waste trimmings is available at no additional charge to Waco residents who receive Solid Waste services. For details, call 299-2612.

Citizens Police Academy in Spanish

The Waco Police Department will host its 2nd Annual Spanish Speaking Citizens Police Academy (CPA) on Thursday evenings from 6 to 8:30 p.m. starting June 30. The 12-week course gives citizens an in-depth working knowledge of Waco PD’s personnel and policies regarding law enforcement. An online application is available in Spanish at www.waco-texas.com. For details, call 750-1764.

Victims Services Volunteer Academy

The Waco PD Victim Services Unit is taking applications for volunteers to provide assistance and support to victims of crime. Duties may include death notifications, assisting officers on scene, sexual assaults, family violence, homicides and many more. The 4-week academy starts July 18, and classes will be held Monday and Wednesday evenings from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. A background check will be conducted for eligibility. Call 750-7525 for more information.

Blue Recycling Cart Dos and Don’ts

The City of Waco Solid Waste Services provides blue cart recycling collection to single family homes at no extra charge. It’s easy to do! No sorting required, just place your clean recyclables in your blue cart. Blue carts are collected every other week. **What CAN I put in my blue cart?**

- Paper and cardboard, such as junk mail, magazines, cereal boxes, homework papers, and newspapers
- Plastic jugs, bottles and food containers
- Food and drink metal cans

What should NOT be put in the blue recycling cart? It is important to know what should not go in the blue recycling cart. The items below have been found in Waco curbside recycling carts, but shouldn’t have been, because they’re not recyclable in the curbside program and will go to the landfill:

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| Trash | Aluminum foil | Garden hoses | Clothes & hangers |
| Toys | Dead animals | Light bulbs | Propane tanks |
| Styrofoam | Drink box/cartons | Waxed paper | Pizza boxes |
| Glass of any kind (anyone can recycle glass at the Cobbs Recycling Center) | | | |
| Electronics (Waco residents can recycle electronics at Cobbs Recycling Center) | | | |
| Grass & leaves (Put them loose in your green cart) | | | |
| Scrap metal (Recycle scrap metal at Cobbs Recycling) | | | |

Appliances (Waco residents can recycle appliances at Cobbs Center. There is a fee for appliances containing Freon)

REMEMBER – when in doubt, leave it out! Learn more about what can be recycled or download and print a copy of our guide to recycling at Waco-texas.com.

If you’re unsure of whether to recycle or dispose of an item, you can contact Customer Service at (254) 299-2612. Para informacion en Espanol - (254) 299-2612. Thank you for recycling!



CITY NOTE:
Monday, May 30 is Memorial Day, a city holiday. Solid Waste offices and the Landfill will be closed. Monday’s trash will be picked up Wednesday, June 1.

Adventures at Cameron Park Zoo

Groovin’ With the Gibbons
Cameron Park Zoo will celebrate the gibbons on June 11 from 7 to 11 p.m. Groove to the sounds of the zoo’s gibbons singing and the Party Rewind Band playing your favorite songs from the 60s, 70s and 80s! The party (adults over 21 only) will feature zoo tours, live music, a cash bar, delicious food & desserts and more (rain or shine). Tickets are \$40 and include food and two drink tickets. Wear your “grooviest” attire & let’s get swinging!

International Ungulate Day
Celebrate the Earth’s critters that have hooves! Come to the zoo Saturday, June 4 at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. for keeper talks and meet the zoo’s hooved residents.

World Oceans Day
Make a splash and celebrate World Oceans Day with Cameron Park Zoo on Wednesday, June 8 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Participate in family-friendly and educational activities that bring recognition to ocean conservation while allowing Zoo visitors to learn how their everyday actions impact the world’s oceans and inhabitants.

Providence Family Day
On Saturday, June 18 the zoo will host Providence Family Day, bringing over 4,000 guests to the zoo. Parking will be limited, so the zoo will run shuttles to and from the entrance to off-grounds parking.

National Bird Day
Come celebrate National Bird Day on Monday, June 20 with keeper talks at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

World Giraffe Day
Come celebrate World Giraffe Day on Tuesday, June 21 (the longest day of the year) with keeper talks and activities from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.