

## March Neighborhood Association Meetings

**Monday, March 14**  
Sanger Heights General Meeting, 7 p.m.  
@ Art Forum Waco (1826 Morrow Ave.)

**Thursday, March 17**  
North East Riverside Meeting, 6:30 p.m.  
@ Bledsoe-Miller Community Center  
(300 N. MLK, Jr. Blvd.)

**Tuesday, March 22**  
Carver General Meeting, 5:30 p.m.  
@ Carver Academy Library  
(1601 J.J. Flewellen Rd.)

**Thursday, March 24**  
Alta Vista General Meeting, 6:30 p.m.  
refreshments / 7 p.m. – meeting  
@ Alta Vista Elementary  
(3637 Alta Vista Dr.)

**Monday, March 28**  
Brook Oaks General Meeting, 6 p.m.  
@ Sul Ross Community Center  
(1414 Jefferson Ave.)

## Recycle Your Used Oil!

Waco Solid Waste Services urges citizens to recycle their used oil by following these tips:

- REMOVE the used oil (no spills!).
- CONTAIN the used oil. Put the oil in a clean plastic container with a tight lid.
- DO NOT MIX the oil with any other liquid such as anti-freeze or gasoline.
- RECYCLE the used oil. Take your used motor oil to: Cobbs Recycling Facility at 2021 N. 44th St. (between Cobbs Dr. and Trice Avenue). Open Tuesday through Saturday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; closed Sunday and Monday and City holidays (5 gallons per month ONLY).
- Used oil is also accepted at the annual Household Hazardous Waste Day.
- FREE for Waco households (NO business waste accepted). Please bring your Waco Utility bill as proof of residency.

For more information, please call 254-299-2612 or visit online: [waco-texas.com](http://waco-texas.com).

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS MARCH

1	City Council Meeting *
2	Building Standards Commission Mtg.
15	City Council Meeting *
17	St. Patrick's Day
22	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](http://www.waco-texas.com).

## Get Emergency Notifications

The Waco-McLennan County Office of Emergency Management has an emergency notification system for citizens to sign up for in order to be notified in case of an emergency event, such as:

- Natural disasters: fires, floods, and severe weather
- Man-made disasters: bombs, haz-mat incidents, and terrorism threats
- Evacuation notices and criminal threats
- Public health threats: boil water notices, health alerts

(Note: You'll still call 911 for your emergency requests. This notification system is for spreading critical information fast when the need arises.) To learn more and register for Emergency Notifications, please visit online at [www.waco-texas.com/emergency.asp](http://www.waco-texas.com/emergency.asp) or contact the Waco-McLennan County Office of Emergency Management at 254-750-5911.

## Relay for Life

Relay for Life takes place Saturday, March 12 from 6 p.m. to midnight at the Baylor Student Tailgate (1601 MLK, Jr. Blvd.). There's still time to grab a team and join the fun -- all for a great cause. The American Cancer Society Relay For Life is the world's largest, most impactful fundraising event to end cancer. To sign up or to learn more, visit the Relay for Life of McLennan County Facebook page, or call 254-644-0371.

## City of Waco Properties for Sale

Ready, Set, Go! Place your sealed bids for real estate properties before April 14 at 2 p.m. The City has houses and buildable lots for sale! For a complete list of bid sale properties, visit [www.CityOfWacoProperties.com](http://www.CityOfWacoProperties.com) located under the bid sale tab. Place bids at: [waco-texas.com/bids.asp](http://waco-texas.com/bids.asp). Check out buildable lots and prices at [www.CityofWacoProperties.com](http://www.CityofWacoProperties.com). Lots can be purchased Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. by emailing Kendra Anderson-Zadnik at [kendraA@wacotx.gov](mailto:kendraA@wacotx.gov), or by calling 750-5651 (there are no other additional fees or closing costs). Kendra will prepare the offer to purchase and a disclosure for signatures. Full payment is made at time of purchase and the deed is mailed to new owner within 5-6 months. The key season to buy is now!



**Spring Break Camps**  
Providing Indoor and Outdoor Adventures  
Kids Will LOVE

**Spring Forward**  
Spring Forward for Amphibians Event at Cameron Park Zoo

**Library Activities**  
Tons of FUN This Spring for Kids of All Ages

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The City of Waco wishes you a happy St. Patrick's Day, and a year overflowing with good luck.

## Summer Zoo Camp Spots Available

Cameron Park Zoo Summer Camps fill up quickly, so register soon for courses listed below. Zoo Campers will enjoy wild learning experiences and activities designed for their age groups. They'll explore zoo grounds, meet keepers, play games, do hands-on activities and go behind the scenes of Cameron Park Zoo (snacks are provided daily).

**Zoolympics:** [June 6-10/June 27-July 1] Out leap! Out pounce! Out soar! If the Olympics were held for animals, what would the events be? Who would take home the gold? Join CPZ as we learn about the amazing feats of animals. Get ready to carry the torch to world record-setting fun!

**Spots, Stripes, and Scales:** [June 13-17/July 11-15] When it comes to patterns, animals have their own style. Learn how animals use their colors to either hide from or warn other animals. Meet different camouflage experts that call our zoo their home.

**Stayin' Alive:** [June 20-24/July 18-22] From cockroach to bear, mouse to lion, or spider to elephant, there are certain things that every animal needs to survive. Campers will learn how their basic needs are the same as any other animal, we all just go about getting things in our own ways.

**Zoo Tales:** [dates to be announced] This camp is for children ages 3 to 5 years. Learn about animals through books and art activities. Kids will get to meet some of the Cameron Park Zoo education animals. This is a half-day camp.

**Down & Dirty – Keeper Shadowing:** [dates to be announced] This camp is for students 12 years and up. Go behind the scenes with Cameron Park Zookeepers and learn about a day in the life of the animals. You'll be working with zookeepers in the mammal, fish, bird and reptile departments. This is a full day camp.

## Spring Break Round Up!

On Saturday, March 12, the Texas Ranger Hall of Fame and Museum will host its annual Spring Break Round Up event.

This come and go event will showcase a 19th Century Texas Ranger camp scene, courtesy of the Texas Top Guns.

Visitors will also get to enjoy a presentation by an active-duty Texas Ranger.

The event will run from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m., and is included with a regular admission ticket.

For more information, visit [www.texasranger.org](http://www.texasranger.org).

### WATCH US LIVE!

The Waco City Cable Channel (WCCC.TV) is now offered in live streaming video on our channel's website at [www.wccc.tv](http://www.wccc.tv). Now, viewers can conveniently enjoy the same great programming offered on the cable channel on their computers, too -- in high definition.

## Mammoths On the March

On March 19, the Waco Mammoth National Monument will host its exciting annual festival, Mammoths on the March, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The event will feature spring-time activities and fun for the whole family.

Activities include spring flower plantings, fossil identification, games and crafts, live animals and more. For more information please visit [www.waco-texas.com](http://www.waco-texas.com).



## Spring Camps

Registration is open for the City of Waco Parks and Recreation Spring Break Camps. South Waco and Bledsoe-Miller Community Centers will offer Spring Break camps for kids ages 5 to 13 years from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. March 7 through March 11.

Children participate in a variety of activities including field trips, recreational games and crafts. Snacks will be provided, but campers must bring a lunch. The registration fee is \$70 per child.

For more information or to register, call the community centers: South Waco 750-8650 and Bledsoe-Miller 750-8684.

## Genealogy Events for March

### WACO DNA: WHERE GENEALOGY & GENETICS COME TOGETHER

On March 19, the Waco-McLennan County Library Genealogy Center and the Central Texas Genealogical Society will present a free, all-day workshop to answer questions that you might have about the use of DNA testing in your family history search.

If you have the results of a DNA test and want to know more about what they mean, or if you are wondering how DNA might help you in your genealogical quest, this is the workshop for you!

Space is limited, so register online at [wacolibrary.org](http://wacolibrary.org). The cost is free, and the workshop is from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The West Waco Library & Genealogy Center is located at 5301 Bosque Blvd. For more information, call 750-5945 or visit [wacolibrary.org](http://wacolibrary.org)

### BROWN BAG LUNCH - MICROFILM: A TIMELESS MEDIUM

On March 21, come to West Waco Library & Genealogy Center (5301 Bosque Blvd.) to learn about three major microfilm depositories with instruction on how to access film holdings and using the latest microfilm scanner.

Bring a lunch to enjoy while you learn. The cost is free, and the workshop starts at noon. The West Waco Library & Genealogy Center is located at 5301 Bosque Blvd. For more information, call 750-5945 or visit [wacolibrary.org](http://wacolibrary.org)



## The Great Texas Warrant Roundup

The City of Waco is participating in the Great Texas Warrant Roundup. If you have an outstanding fine with any law enforcement agency in Texas, a warrant may be pending for your arrest. The Waco Police Department will join forces with over 290 law enforcement agencies in the search for citizens who have not paid fines that are owed. To avoid arrest or Driver's License suspension, please pay fines immediately. Call the Municipal Court at 254-750-5900 to find out how, or visit the court at 201 W. Waco Dr. You will NOT be arrested when you go to the court to pay your fine. For more Warrant Roundup information, visit [www.waco-texas.com](http://www.waco-texas.com) and select "Departments," then "Municipal Court." Please act now... BEFORE the law catches up with you!

## Spring Break Library Calendar

The Waco-McLennan County Library system has tons of FUN planned for the Spring Break holiday! Kids of all ages will find something exciting going on during the month of March, like the following events:

**March 7 - Video Game Time:** Get ready for summer and show off your mad gaming skills in a Wii™ Tournament and other video game contests. Compete to win bragging rights and prizes. Cost: Free; Time: 2 p.m.; Location: Central Library (1717 Austin Ave.) For more information: Call 750-5941 or visit [wacolibrary.org](http://wacolibrary.org).

**March 8 - Ender's Game Film Screening:** A showing of the film *Ender's Game*. Get in the gaming spirit for summer. Cost: Free; Time: 2 p.m.; Location: South Waco Library (2737 S. 18th St.) For more information: Call 750-8621 or visit [wacolibrary.org](http://wacolibrary.org).

**March 9 - Storytime Theater:** "Little Red Riding Hood & The Big (Not So Bad) Wolf" - Special guest performers entertain the whole family! Cost: Free; Time: 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.; Location: **West Waco Library** (5301 Bosque Blvd.) For more information: Call 745-6018 or visit [wacolibrary.org](http://wacolibrary.org).

**March 10 - Magician John O'Bryant:** Special guest performers entertain the whole family! Cost: Free Time: 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.; Location: **Central Library** (1717 Austin Ave.) For more information: Call 750-5941 or visit [wacolibrary.org](http://wacolibrary.org).

**March 11 - Zooniversity Animal Show:** Special guest performers entertain the whole family! Cost: Free Time: 10:30 a.m. Location: **Central Library** (1717 Austin Ave.) For more information: Call 750-5941 or visit [wacolibrary.org](http://wacolibrary.org).

**March 11 - Board Game Club:** Game ON! Test your trivia! Lose yourself in role-playing! Cost: Free; Time: 2 p.m.; Location: **West Waco Library** (5301 Bosque Blvd.) For more information: Call 745-6018 or visit online at [wacolibrary.org](http://wacolibrary.org).

For monthly activities like "Block Party" (left), visit [Kids Services online at wacolibrary.org](http://Kids Services online at wacolibrary.org).



**Daylight Savings:** Remember to set your clocks ahead one hour on Sunday, March 13 before bedtime!

## Spring Forward for Amphibians & More!

"Spring into spring" at Cameron Park Zoo with these fun, FREE educational programs:

**Spring Forward for Amphibians:** Sunday, March 13 marks the day we spring forward, setting our clocks ahead for Daylight Savings Time. It is also the day that you can spring forward to learn more about amphibians. Hop on over to Cameron Park Zoo from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and enjoy some "frog-focused" activities that highlight the plight of amphibians worldwide.

**Save a Spider Day:** On Monday, March 14 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., come learn from keepers all about these creepy crawlies and why they're so important in our world.

**It's Easy Being Green:** From 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on St. Patrick's Day (Thursday, March 17) Cameron Park Zoo will be celebrating conservation and "being green." Come to the zoo and enjoy conservation activities that focus on animals, the environment and how to conserve our green spaces. The zoo sponsors this day to emphasize the need to recycle what we can and cut down on waste.

**Poison Safety Safari:** On Saturday, March 26, Cameron Park Zoo, the Scott & White Central Texas Poison Center and Humane Society of Central Texas will team up for the 2nd annual Poison Safety Safari. Bring the family to the zoo from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and learn all about poisonous plants, animals and products, while playing games and participating in activities.