

WACO CITY LIMITS NEWSLETTER

In Case You Missed It: *Stella's Story*

In case you missed our first edition of 'We Are Waco', a series about employees and residents who help make Waco, Waco, make sure you go watch Stella's Story on our YouTube Channel at youtube.com/wccctv or on the Waco City Channel's website at wcco.tv. In it, you'll meet Waco Police Officer Kaleb Ayers who answered a call on a below freezing evening about a dog who had been hit by a car. Little did he know, the dog had also been shot in the neck. He tried every-thing to get the dog into the car, sat with her in the cold until Animal Care could respond and get the dog to the emergency vet. After not being able to get her out of his mind, he and his family visited the shelter to officially adopt 'Stella' into the family.

Officer Ayers tells us they've been inseparable ever since that day. If you're considering animal adoption, visit our shelter partners, the Humane Society of Central Texas at 2032 Circle Road in Waco today! Thank you for your service, Officer Ayers! Watch for more stories like this one, coming soon!



Pet Portrait Day
 May 14, 2022
 Central Library (1717 Austin Ave)
 10 am to 1 pm

We've got amazing artists ready to make a pet portrait for you!

REGISTER ONLINE FOR THE EVENT

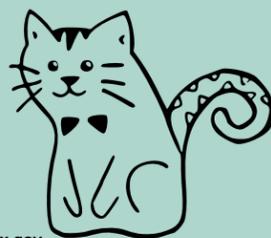
(Registration isn't required to attend—just to get a portrait made)

Send your photo via the online form and pick when you'd like to pick up your portrait

We'll contact you if the photo can't be made into a great portrait

LEAVE YOUR PETS AT HOME & ATTEND THE EVENT

- Play pet bingo
- Make some art yourself
- Meet our great partners
- Hear a pet storytime
- Sign up for a raffle



For more info: call 254-750-5974 or email WMCLCommunityServices@wacotx.gov

FIVE STARS in the app stores!

We're so happy you like the MyWaco app!

FREE to download in the Apple and Android stores, our goal with it is to improve communication with our residents! Connect with us by submitting requests to various departments. Head straight to make a request at: my-waco.com!



MONTHLY NEWS

City of Waco

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MAY 2022



Summer Fun in Waco is Coming!

Team Waco Youth Summer Track & Field

- Registration: Through May 13
- Registration Fee: \$60/individual
- Late Registration: May 16 – 20
- Late Registration Fee: \$75/individual
- Parent's Meeting: May 17 & 19
- Location: Hart-Patterson Track and Field Complex (3113 Clay Ave.)
- Age: 5 – 18
- Practice Begins: May 23
- Circuit Meets Begin: TBD
- Regional Meet: TBD
- Games of Texas State Meet: July 21 – 24 (Corpus Christi, TX)

Youth Summer Futsal League

- Registration: Through May 13
- Registration Fee: \$50/individual
- Late Registration: May 16 – 20
- Late Registration Fee: \$60/individual
- Manager's Meeting: May 25
- League Begins: June 7
- League Nights: Tuesdays, Thursdays
- Location: City of Waco community centers
- Age: 4&U, 6&U, 8&U, 10&U, 12&U, 14&U, High School Division
- Games: 8-game season

Adult Summer Softball League

- Registration: May 2 – 27
- Registration Fee: \$380/team
- Late Registration: May 30 – June 3
- Late Registration Fee: \$405/team
- Manager's Meeting: June 9
- League Begins: June 13
- League Nights: Monday - Friday
- Location: Riverbend Ballpark
- Age: 18+
- Games: 10-game season

Adult Summer Basketball League (Men, Women, Co-Rec, Company)

- Registration: May 9 – 20
- Registration Fee: \$325/team
- Late Registration: May 23 – 27
- Late Registration Fee: \$350/team
- Manager's Meeting: June 1
- League Begins: June 5
- Location: City of Waco community centers
- Age: 18+
- Games: 8-game season, plus playoffs

Registration is ongoing for Parks and Recreation summer camps at Bledsoe-Miller, Dewey and South Waco Community Centers!

Participants will enjoy a variety of fun activities including field trips, arts and crafts, games, kayaking, outdoor activities and more!

Camps will take place from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, on the dates listed below. Space is limited, so sign up today!

AGE: 5-13 years
 COST: \$75 registration fee per child
 Session #1 (June 6 - July 1): \$260
 Session #2 (July 5 -29): \$260
 Session #3 (August 1-19): \$195
 Please contact each community center directly to register.

Bledsoe-Miller: (254) 750-8684
 Dewey: (254) 750-8677
 South Waco: (254) 750-8650

SUMMER CAMPS

Sign up for eNews!



Find & Join Your Neighborhood & Council District!

waco-texas.com/neighborhoods

Contact

Phone : 254.299.CITY (2489)

Address : P. O. Box 2570 Waco, Texas 76702

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KID ZOOBILEE

SATURDAY, MAY 7 AT THE CAMERON PARK ZOO
5:30 P.M. - 8:30 P.M.

Purchase tickets online at:
cameronparkzoo.com/specialevents/kidzooobilee/

In addition to seeing Cameron Park Zoo animals, kids can enjoy tons of great activities such as zipping down the zip line, ride a trackless train around a portion of the Zoo, bounce in inflatables and much more! Purchase food from food trucks around the Zoo.

Tickets are \$20 per Adult and \$20 per Child 2-12 years old. Children must be accompanied by an adult. The first 500 registrants will receive a t-shirt! Order your tickets by April 15 to guarantee a t-shirt in your size.



Solid Waste Department

BAG YOUR TRASH!



Departamento de Residuos Sólidos

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Friendly reminder that all trash in your carts at the curb needs to be bagged for the automated trucks to pick up neatly. Please remember to tie those bags too. Our crews appreciate you! Help us keep our neighborhoods clean and green!

HELPFUL TIPS:

- Bag and tie all trash bags when you put them in your carts.
- Bagged trash keeps those carts cleaner and keeps bugs to a minimum as well.
- Most importantly, bagged trash keeps trash from blowing away.

Download the Waco Curbside app for reminders and tips on Apple or Android!

We've created an online map for area projects affecting traffic flow! We've started with the downtown area so you can plan your commute through town. We know it can be frustrating, but our city departments are working hard to coordinate with TxDOT and our other construction partners to get us to an improved downtown AND Waco! Find the map at: waco-texas.com/improvedowntown

IMPROVING WACO



WE'RE REDESIGNING THE WACO WEBSITE TO SERVE YOU BETTER.

DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHT LAKE WACO WETLANDS

(A division of the Water Utilities Department) The vision of Waco's future is how the Lake Waco Wetlands came to be. In 2000, the Waco City Council voted to increase the level of Lake Waco by seven feet providing an additional 20,000 acre-feet of water.

Over 180 acres of Lake Waco Wetlands was created to mitigate the habitat loss when Lake Waco was raised by those seven feet. With the addition of the Research and Education Center, it has grown to become an important living laboratory for research, education and recreation.

Functions of the Lake Waco Wetlands is to provide habitat for native animals and plants, to environmentally show how plants in a wetland help "clean" water and to provide educational programs and science based activities for wetland visitors.

Bledsoe-Miller Community Center (300 N. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.) will host a free Mother's Day Brunch on Saturday, May 7th. Brunch will be from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Space is limited, and advance registration is required. To reserve your spot, call (254) 750-8684.



BOOK CLUB QUICK STOP

YOUR WACO LIBRARY HAS THREE AMAZING BOOK CLUBS TO CHOOSE FROM. PICK ONE OR TRY THEM ALL! VISIT WACOLIBRARY.ORG AND CHECK OUT THE CALENDAR SO YOU DON'T MISS A THING.

BOOKS + BREWS

THE TRAVELING BOOK CLUB THAT VISITS LOCAL BUSINESSES
MAY 10 AT 6:30 AT BLUE DOG WINE + MARTINI BAR (2004 VALLEY MILLS DR)
WE'LL BE DISCUSSING THE REVOLUTION ACCORDING TO RAYMUNDO MATA BY GINA APOSTOL

MYSTERY BOOK CLUB

MAY 14 AT 10:30 AT SOUTH WACO LIBRARY
WE'LL BE DISCUSSING A STUDY IN SCARLET WOMEN BY SHERRY THOMAS

ROMANTIC READERS

MAY 26 AT 6:30 AT EAST WACO LIBRARY
WE'LL BE DISCUSSING JANE EYRE BY CHARLOTTE BRONTE

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WACO LIBRARY GENEALOGY EVENTS for May

May 2 @ noon
at WEST WACO & GENEALOGY CENTER
5301 Bosque Blvd, Waco

Finding the Stories Nested in Your Family Tree
a Brown Bag program

Embrace the stories you find as you research your family tree. Presenter, Dr. Judith Staples shares her experiences discovering hidden stories while building her family tree and her insights on finding and sharing stories from a variety of sources—oral history, newspapers, the family Bible and more.

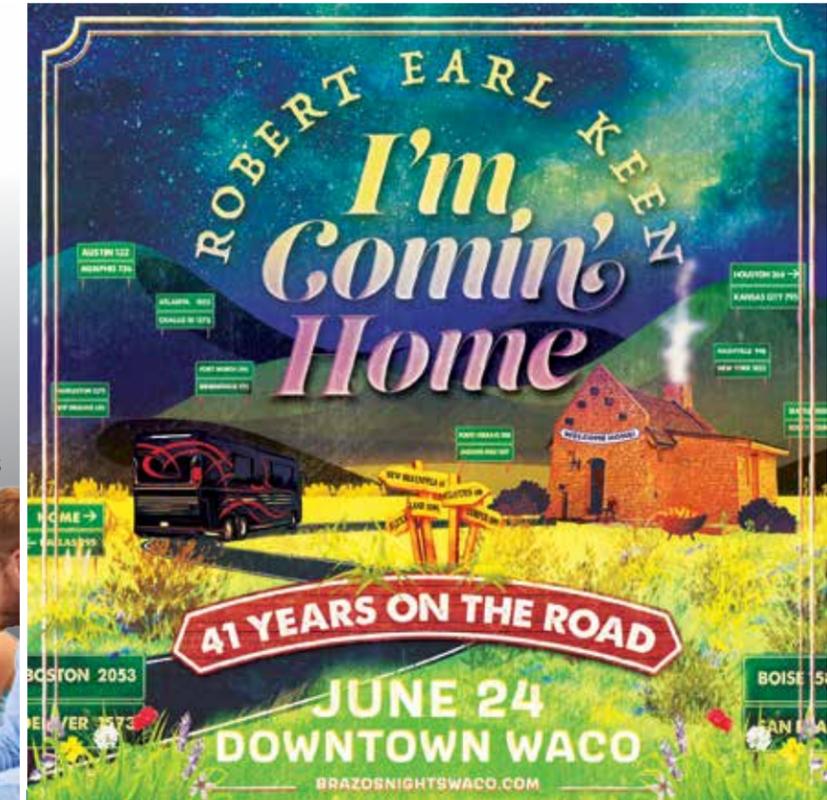
May 27 @ 10 AM
at WEST WACO & GENEALOGY CENTER
5301 Bosque Blvd, Waco

Every Fact Cited: Marking the Trail for Future Generations
a Genealogy Guidepost video program

Our own Bill Buckner and Hannah Kubacak are ready to share tips for citing sources of information and why it's so important! Learn how to decide what is the most important information to cite, how to collect citations from online databases and develop good habits to get the most from your research.

This program premieres on May 27, but is available to watch on-demand anytime after that date at YouTube.com/wacolibrary

Programs are co-sponsored by the Genealogy Center and the Central Texas Genealogical Society



Parks and Recreation is excited to announce the return of Brazos Nights to downtown Waco. Our first concert announcement is legendary Texas singer-songwriter Robert Earl Keen on Friday, June 24. (More announcements coming soon!)

With 41 years of touring and a catalog of 21 albums, it's no surprise Keen made Pollstar's Top 20 Global Concert Tours list last year. The Houston native has blazed a peer, critic and fan-lauded trail that has earned him living-legend status in the Americana music world, and we are honored to be included in his final tour.

Due to ongoing construction projects near the traditional event site, Indian Spring Park, the 2022 Brazos Nights concerts will be moved to Heritage Square in downtown Waco. Additional concerts will be announced soon, along with artist lineups and schedule. Follow the Brazos Nights Facebook page for updates or visit brazosnightswaco.com.

FROM THE HEALTH DISTRICT

According to the CDC, every 40 seconds in the United States, someone has a stroke. It is also a top cause of death or cause serious harm for adults. A stroke, also known as a brain attack, happens when blood is blocked from going to parts of the brain or when a blood vein breaks open in the brain. When this happens, a person can have lasting brain damage, long-term disability, or even die.

Knowing when someone is having a stroke and getting them help can save their life! Learn F.A.S.T. to help you remember the signs and symptoms of a stroke. If you think someone is having a stroke, look for the following:

- F- Face: Ask the person to smile. Does one side of their face droop?
- A- Arms: Have the person raise both of their arms. Does one arm drift down?
- S- Speech: Ask the person to repeat a simple phrase. Can they do so easily?
- T- Time: If you see any of these signs, call 911 right away!

Remember to act F.A.S.T. and call 911 if you notice these signs!

SOURCE: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention