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City Hall News

Matthew Smith, City Manager

Celebrating 50 years of Community

The City of Live Oak is looking forward to the upcoming 50th Anniversary Celebration scheduled for April 9 & 10, 2010, to celebrate "50 years of Community." This celebration is being combined with the Annual Park Day to provide an extra evening of fun.

Friday night's activities will take place on Shin Oak Drive between City Hall and the Justice Center with formal ceremonies and a street dance. Saturday's activities will take place in the Main City Park. Please note that outside food and beverages will not be allowed either day; we ask that you support our vendors.

The Historical Committee and the Parks and Recreation Commission have been working together to schedule events over a two-day period that should satisfy every member of the family. There will be food and craft booths, games, and several headliner bands to appeal to a variety of attendees, ending with an exciting fireworks display over the lake.

Friday, April 9, 2010 Between City Hall and the Justice Center

- 6:30 p.m. Community groups showcase local talent
- 7:30 p.m. Mayor's Welcome and Recognition of Special Guests
- 8:00 p.m. Shin Oak Street Dance featuring Johnny D and the Rocket 88's

Saturday, April 10, 2010 In the Main City Park

- 9:00 a.m. City Breakfast and Car Show—Across from Basketball Court
- 12:00 p.m. Mayor's Welcome
- 12:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. Food and Craft Booths, Games and Activities
- 2:00 p.m. Chili Cook-Off Judging
- 2:00 p.m. Flood Gage Band
- 5:30 p.m. Ashley Ray Performance
- 8:00 p.m. Brandon Rhyder Performance
- 9:30 p.m. U.S. Army Medcom Band—Lake Area
- 10:00 p.m. Fireworks Over the Lake

Our special thanks to the many volunteers who have generously given of their time, serving on the Historical Committee and the Parks and Recreation Commission.

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CHIEF'S CORNER

By: Ron R. Echols, Chief of Police



In 1829, Sir Robert Peel, often referred to as the father of community policing, established the Metropolitan Police Force for London based at Scotland Yard. He developed the Peelian Principles, which defined the ethical requirements police officers must follow in order to be effective. His most memorable principle was, "Police, at all times, should maintain a relationship with the public that gives reality to the historic tradition that the police are the public and the public are the police." Peel's relationship principle holds true to this day. It is often discussed from basic police academies to academic course work related to policing.

Peel said, "The ability of the police to perform their duties is dependent upon public approval of police actions." To that end, the role of a police department and its officers has been of interest to members of a community for many, many decades. In most recent times, the television media has capitalized upon this curiosity and real police action is played out nightly in the television shows watched. It is not uncommon to find the police are often depicted opposite of real-world policing.

The City of Live Oak is no different than any other community. In our attempt to make the city a more desirable place to live, we seek your approval of our actions. And to approve of our actions you need to have a better understanding of what it is that we do and why we have to do things the way we do. One of the foremost ways to accomplish this is through a crime prevention initiative called the Citizen's Police Academy (CPA).

The cornerstone of the Live Oak Police Department is crime prevention, but its success hinges upon a partnership between the community and police. For us to be effective in preventing and solving crime depends a great deal on your assistance. The CPA is the most interactive, hands-on crime prevention program offered by the men and women of the Live Oak Police Department.

While the CPA plays an integral role in building and maintaining relationships in the community its ultimate goal is to produce better informed citizens. The curriculum is taught by practitioners - the very men and women who perform their specialty day-in and day-out for this great city. While the training is fun and friendly, you will see and learn of some of the more serious issues police face.

To tantalize your potential participation in the next Live Oak Citizen's Police Academy, citizen cadets will be exposed to many facets of the police department including but not limited to the concept of Community Policing, Patrol, Emergency Telecommunications/9-1-1, SWAT, Criminal Investigations, Firearms, and Crash Investigation. Cadets may participate in practical exercises to include shooting some of the weapons assigned to Live Oak officers, building searches, crime scene searches, and a ride-out with a patrol officer.

The CPA will be held one night a week for about three months in the training room of the new Live Oak Justice Center. Upon completion of the program, cadets become CPA graduates and will receive a certificate of completion, a Live Oak CPA shirt and spirit coin. Most

importantly, the graduate will walk away with a wealth of knowledge that will undoubtedly help you to be a partner in crime prevention in the City of Live Oak.

Soon, the police department will be accepting applications for the 2010 Live Oak Police Department Citizen's Police Academy. If you are interested in participating, please contact Sergeant Jesse Barela at 210-945-1705 or e-mail him at jbarela@liveoaktx.net.

ALARM PERMIT HOLDERS:

REMINDER...alarm permits expired on December 31, 2009. If you have not yet renewed for 2010, please make your \$5 check or money order payable to the City of Live Oak. You may mail your check to 8022 Shin Oak, or come by the Justice Center Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. to renew in person. Thank you.

DRAINAGE MODIFICATIONS

Scott Wayman

With the most recent rains in January, the San Antonio region experienced one of the wettest periods in many years. The last newsletter article presented ideas how residents could manage the flow of water around their houses and on their property. During one of the rain events in January, we had the opportunity to inspect a couple residential lots with improved drainage systems to their property and the results were pleasing.



Many of the modified channels or constructed French drains that were designed to collect water were performing very well. In every case, they served their purpose, leading water around structures and allowing water to follow its natural course. If a residence suffers damage caused by water, most homeowner's insurance will not provide any relief. Flood insurance, however, is available for residences that are not in a special flood hazard area, and can be acquired for a discounted rate. As always, the purchase of flood insurance is mandatory for federally backed mortgages on buildings located in special flood hazard areas.

If you have any questions regarding the floodplains near or around your property, please don't hesitate to contact Scott Wayman at 653-9140 ext. 261.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

In the last edition of our newsletter we noted that emergency preparedness begins at the local level and really begins at the home of every citizen. Recent surveys have shown that less than 25% of the population is really prepared to cope with a serious emergency or an actual disaster. Generally speaking those citizens who live in areas



where the threat of a disaster is ever present are more prepared than those living elsewhere.

As such the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has entered the new year with a new campaign and a slogan to increase citizen awareness. It is simply "Resolve to be Ready!" It is designed to encourage individuals, families, and the business community to make preparedness one of their New Year resolutions. The campaign is based on three simple steps. 1) Make a plan, 2) Get a supply kit, and 3) Know the types of emergencies and the appropriate response. Taking these few simple steps will better prepare all citizens should there be any type of an emergency from a simple power outage to a tornado touchdown. For information you can visit their web site www.ready.gov or locally www.readysouthtexas.gov.

In addition, the Office of Emergency Management has numerous brochures and checklists to help design an effective family or business disaster plan. For additional information you can contract Gary Woppert, the Emergency Management Coordinator at 653-9140, ext. 379, on line at gwoppert@liveoaktx.net or stop by the office in the fire station during normal business hours.

SEVERE THUNDERSTORMS

The National Weather Service recently announced a change in the criteria for issuing severe storm watches and warnings. A severe thunderstorm forecast is based on two criteria. Wind and hail! The criteria has always been wind gusts 58 MPH (50 knots) or greater and/or hail size 3/4 inch (penny size). Beginning this year, the criteria for hail has gone up to 1 inch size hail (quarter size). Research has shown that significant damage does not occur until hail reaches 1 inch in diameter. Needless to say this should reduce the number of media announcements for severe storms and hopefully more citizens will then pay closer attention when they are issued. For more information on the weather visit the National Weather Service's web site at www.weather.gov.

SHELTER VOLUNTEERS

The City of Live Oak is still looking for a few more volunteers who may be interested in becoming qualified shelter workers to open, staff, and operate a temporary shelter in the City should it ever be needed. At the present time the City works with the American Red Cross, and in the event citizens should have to be evacuated, they would be called upon to establish a suitable shelter.

The Office of Emergency Management would like to be able to establish a temporary, but suitable shelter in the event it is ever needed. As such the City is looking for volunteers who would be available and able to help on short notice. Individuals must be at least 18 years old and be willing to attend a basic shelter class that is conducted by the American Red Cross.

If you are interested, contact Gary Woppert, the Emergency Management Coordinator, at 653-9140, ext. 379, via e-mail at gwoppert@liveoaktx.net, or stop by the office in the fire station during normal business hours.

RECYCLING PROGRAM

Materials that can be recycled:

Paper: Most types of paper, such as ad circulars, catalogs, carbonless paper, dry goods packaging with liners removed (example: cereal, pasta, rice, beer/soda cartons) envelopes, file folders, flattened cardboard, junk mail, magazines, newspapers, office paper, paperback books, paper bags, paper towel/toilet paper cores, phone books, non-metallic gift wrap.

Plastics: Labeled #1 through #7. Look for the recycling symbol  on the bottom. Remove lids and rinse any remaining food or liquids from containers or trays. Examples include: beverage bottle, shampoo and lotion bottles, meat trays, condiment bottles, prescription and medicine bottles, plastic grocery bags tied together into bundle.

Glass Bottles and Jars All Colors: Remove lids and rinse all food, and liquids. Examples: beverage bottles, food and condiment bottles and jars.

Metal Cans: Aluminum, steel and tin beverage and food cans, rinse all food or liquids, aerosol cans, empty and remove nozzle, baking tins, rinse and remove remaining food.

Materials NOT included in this recycling program:

- Auto Parts and Motor Oil Containers
- Clothing and Shoes
- Coat Hangers-plastic and wire
- Diapers
- Plastic Utensils
- Tissue / Toilet Paper

Remember, all materials that are not recyclable should be placed in your normal trash/garbage container (or disposed of in accordance with law, such as batteries, tires, etc.)

Recyclable materials do not have to be sorted prior to placing them in the bins or at the curbside. Recyclable materials that will not fit into a bin may be placed beside the supplied bin as long as it is contained in some manner (tying, boxing, etc.).

Telephone Numbers: Waste Management 210-368-5000 * City of Live Oak 210-653-9140 ext. 225

2010 City of Live Oak Recycle Calendar

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2010 Holiday's observed are Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day and New Years Day
 Recycle Days are Marked by Letters " A,B,C".
 Route "A" is Wed/Sat trash routes.
 Route "B" is Mon/Thurs trash routes.
 Route "C" is Tues/Fri trash routes.
On Thanksgiving day and Christmas day recycle will run the next day



ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Carol Buttler

GETTING TO KNOW OUR BUSINESS COMMUNITY

**Meet Game-Worx-Internet Café
(Michael and David Gresham)**

12107 Toepperwein Road, Suite #8

Live Oak, Texas 78233

210-653-6635

www.game-worx.com



Game-Worx Internet Café is the current version of a video arcade where you can “work.surf.frag”. Michael Gresham always wanted to own an arcade, which led to the concept of Game Worx. Since Michael went to school in Live Oak and David, his dad, still lives here, the location provided an opportunity to open a business in their hometown. Open only a couple of months, the planning and interior finish-out took approximately three years since Michael and his dad performed all the work themselves.

Game-Worx offers a location for social networking for a wide range of ages. The youngest user was four years old and the oldest was almost 70 years old. Close enough to local schools and residential areas, students can walk to Game-Worx to do their homework with the help of Internet access from (10) high end computers, Microsoft Office software, and color LaserJet printing. When the goal is fun, there is access to Xbox 360 Elite (8), Playstation 3 (4), Wii (1) with 140 games. The game area is open seven days per week from 1 pm to midnight and a variety of inexpensive snack foods and beverages are available on site.

Game-Worx offers several other services. You can trade in old games for time credit to play games on site. Personal computer and XBox repair is available. If you want a unique party atmosphere, the entire game room may be rented for special occasions. Keep Game-Worx in mind for a gift for those who love to play video games. A first visit gets you one free hour of play time!

**Meet Henry’s Roadside Café
(Chef Miguel Cavanna)**

**(inside showroom of
Jordan Ford Dealership)**

13010 North IH 35

Live Oak, Texas 78233

210-772-0189

www.chefcavanna.com | www.salsademacho.com



Yes, anyone can visit Henry’s Roadside Café, located within the Jordan Ford Dealership. This café is not limited to Jordan Ford customers, but what a convenience if you are purchasing a vehicle or waiting on repairs! As soon as you enter the dealership showroom, the neon sign attracts you to the cozy bistro dining area with a retro look including classic car photos and vintage furnishings. With operating hours from 7 am to 8 pm Monday through Saturday, breakfast, lunch, dinner, and a variety of specials and desserts are offered for reasonable prices.

When asked why he chose the location, he indicated not only was the space already designed for restaurant use, but also the general atmosphere of Jordan Ford and its history of many repeat customers appealed to him. Miguel wanted to try a different approach to restaurant operations. This smaller café would allow him to offer a more personal touch, flexibility and creativity with the menu. He will even prepare dishes for special requests.

Miguel Cavanna is not simply the owner and operator of the café, he is an accomplished chef, which has allowed him opportunities to travel all over the world. Besides serving as Chef at The Fig Tree and Cascades on the River in San Antonio, Miguel has been fortunate to have had the freedom to enjoy other interests. He has taught many cooking classes, marketed his own “Chef Cavanna’s Salsa de Macho”, served as a radio and television personality, and acted in several movies over the years that you might recognize “Rough Riders” and “Two for Texas”.

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DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

Ken Steiner, Building Official

Did you know that if you have a lawn sprinkler/irrigation system installed on your property that an annual inspection is required?

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) requires and states that:

A customer service inspection certificate shall be completed prior to providing continuous water service to new construction, on any existing service either when the water purveyor has reason to believe that cross-connections or other potential contaminant hazards exists, or after any material improvement, correction, or addition to the private water distribution facilities., (30 Tex. Amin. Code 290.46(j)).

The purpose of such inspection is the identification and prevention of cross-connections and potential contaminant hazards, and the detection of any illegal lead materials used in plumbing installations i.e. sprinkler systems, etc.

What does all this mean? If you have a sprinkler system installed at your home, your home has a backflow device and it **MUST** be inspected annually and the report sent to this office. This is to protect you and other citizens in our community. The forms may be obtained from Development Services, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.



NEW BUSINESS

CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY

Donna Lowder

- Anointed Cuts-11495 Toepperwein, Ste. 2
- Prince of Peace Church-8310 Pat Booker
- Spec's Liquor-14623 IH 35N (Village at Forum Parkway)
- Genghis Grill – 8214 Agora Pkwy, Ste. 100 (Forum)
- Olympia Spa – 8143 Agora Pkwy Ste. 115 (Forum)
- Carl's Jr. Burgers – 12802 IH 35N
- Zipliners Restaurant – 8141 Pat Booker Ste. A
- James Avery – 7529 NE Loop 1604 Ste. 102 (Gateway Plaza)
- First United Pentecostal Church – 8141 Pat Booker, Ste. B

CODE COMPLIANCE

John Dalton

In the past few months, I have received numerous complaints concerning cars, trucks, boats and trailers parked in driveways that are blocking the sidewalk. This is not a "code violation", it is against the law.

According to the State Transportation Code Section 545.302-Stopping, Standing, and Parking Prohibited in certain places:

- A. An operator may NOT stop, stand, or park a vehicle:**
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 - On a sidewalk**
 - In an intersection**
 - On a crosswalk**

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FIRE DEPARTMENT

Gerry Galindo

FOCUS ON FIRE SAFETY

Older Adults and Preparedness for Fire



Adults age 65 and older are at a higher risk of death from fire than any other age group. According to the USFA report *Fire in the United States Fifteenth Edition*, older adults account for approximately 32 percent of all fire deaths. Fire prevention and planning are key elements in reducing the risk of deaths and injuries from fire. In the event of a fire, remember that every second counts, so you and your family must always be prepared.

Escape plans help you get out of your home quickly. In less than 30 seconds, a small flame can get completely out of control and turn into a major fire. It only takes minutes for a house to fill with thick black smoke and become engulfed in flames. Developing and practicing a fire escape plan and installing and maintaining smoke alarms are ways in which you can prepare for the possibility of a fire occurring in your home. Being prepared in the event a fire occurs may increase your chances of survival.

The growth in the number and proportion of older adults is unprecedented in the history of the United States. Two factors — longer life spans and aging baby boomers — will combine to double the population of Americans aged 65 and older to 71 million (20% of the population) by 2030 (source: [CDC](http://www.cdc.gov)), making fire prevention and education even more important for this at risk group.

WHY ARE OLDER ADULTS AT RISK?

If you are an older adult, you are at a higher risk for death and injury from fire for a number of reasons:

- You may be physically less able to take quick action in a fire emergency.
- If you are on medication, it may affect your ability to make quick decisions.
- If you live alone, others may not be around to help should an accident occur.

WHAT FIRE HAZARDS AFFECT OLDER ADULTS?

Cooking is the leading cause of fire-related injuries for older adults. The kitchen is one of the most active and potentially dangerous rooms in the home.

- The unsafe use of smoking materials is the leading cause of fire deaths among older adults.
- Heating equipment is responsible for a big share of fires in older adults' homes. Extra caution should be used with alternative heaters such as wood stoves or electric space heaters.
- Faulty wiring is another major cause of fires affecting the elderly. Older homes can have serious problems, ranging from old appliances with bad wiring to overloaded sockets.

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

Install and Maintain Smoke Alarms

- Make sure alarms are installed on each level of your home and outside all sleeping areas.
- Test your smoke alarms monthly and replace the batteries at least once a year.
- Caregivers are encouraged to check smoke alarms of those who are unable to do it themselves. The chances of surviving a home fire almost double with the initial warning from a smoke alarm.

Plan Your Escape

Planning a fire escape plan around one's capabilities is a key element to fire safety!

- Know at least two ways out from every room.
- If you use a walker or wheelchair, check all exits to be sure they can go through the door.
- Make any necessary accommodations, such as providing exit ramps and widening doorways to facilitate an emergency escape.
- Unless instructed by the fire department, never use an elevator during a fire.
- If you have any special needs, contact your local fire department.

Don't Isolate Yourself

- Speak to your family members, building manager, or neighbors about your fire safety plan and practice it with them.

- Contact your local fire department's non-emergency number and explain your special needs. The fire department will probably suggest escape plan ideas and may perform a home fire safety inspection, offering suggestions about smoke alarm placement and maintenance.
- Ask emergency providers to keep your special needs information on file.
- Wear short or tight-fitting sleeves when cooking.

Live Near an Exit

Although you have the legal right to live where you choose, you'll be safest on the ground floor if you live in an apartment building. If you live in a multi-story home, arrange to sleep on the ground floor and near an exit.

Be Fire-Safe Around the Home

- If you smoke, never smoke in bed or near an oxygen source, gas stove, or other flammable objects.
- When cooking, never approach an open flame while wearing loose clothing and don't leave cooking unattended. Use a timer to remind you of food in the oven.
- Don't overload electrical outlets or extension cords.
- Never use the oven to heat your home. Properly maintain chimneys and space heaters.
- Take special precaution if you are on medication that makes you drowsy.



This message is from the US Fire Administration. For more information please visit www.usfa.dhs.gov/

Live Oak Civic Center

8101 Pat Booker Road
(210) 653-9494
(210) 653-0158



The Live Oak Civic Center located near the intersection of Interstate 35 and Loop 1604, is the premier meeting facility in northeast Bexar County. It is the focal point for hundreds of yearly shows, such as the arts and crafts, antiques, computers, various trade shows, along with business seminars and wedding receptions.

For a schedule of upcoming events and rental information, visit the Civic Center section of the City Web Site, or contact them at the numbers listed above.

AND THE SURVEY SAYS!!!

The results of the Survey from last newsletter's Needs Assessment are in and the City is working through the process of performing their analysis. We had almost 150 responses and the results from the items specifically asked about are:

	Of No Importance	Not Very Important	Neutral	Somewhat Important	Very Important	total
Series of Concerts at the Lake	31	16	41	34	22	144
Percentage of Responses (%)	22%	11%	28%	24%	15%	
Skateboard Park	45	15	27	31	24	142
Percentage of Responses (%)	32%	11%	19%	22%	17%	
Dog Park	49	10	25	28	29	141
Percentage of Responses (%)	35%	7%	18%	20%	21%	
Market Trade Days	11	12	29	50	35	137
Percentage of Responses (%)	8%	9%	21%	36%	26%	
Restroom in Lake Portion of Park	8	11	18	41	70	148
Percentage of Responses (%)	5%	7%	12%	28%	47%	
Farmers' Market	8	4	23	52	55	142
Percentage of Responses (%)	6%	3%	16%	37%	39%	
City Parade Float	46	18	39	27	8	138
Percentage of Responses (%)	33%	13%	28%	20%	6%	

In addition, the City received multiple favorable responses for two items in the write in, "other" category. These items were 17 votes of importance for a Library and 9 for additional walking trails. Several other written in requests included:

- | | |
|---|------------------------------------|
| On line Utility Payments | Additional Sidewalks |
| Stocking the City Lake with Fish | Bathroom by pool |
| Roadwork for some privately owned streets | Home Repairs and upkeep assistance |
| Senior/Youth Activities | Bus Service |
| Senior Center | Non Smoking Restaurants |
| Arts Program | Tennis Courts |
| Post Office | Golf Course |

These items will be reviewed during the upcoming budget process and we sincerely appreciate all the residents who participated to make this survey a success.

PUBLIC WORKS

Cathi Piotrowski

Swim Lesson Registration



Mark your calendar for Swim lesson registration, Live Oak Residents only on Mondays, April 12th, 19th & 26th from 4:00-6:00 p.m. at the Live Oak Clubhouse. The schedule of lessons is as follows: Session 1 is from June 8th-17th, Session 2 June 22nd-July 1st and Session 3 from July 6th-15th. Lessons are held Tuesday, Wednesday and

Thursday for 30 minutes each. Swim Lesson programs are designed for 3-10 years of age with a special Water Babies program for children 6 months to 3 years. Please bring Driver's License or Utility Bill as proof of residency.



Senior Programs

Senior citizens of Live Oak can enjoy many interesting programs throughout the year. The next outing is a visit to the San Antonio Zoo on Tuesday, March 16th. Please register at City Hall. Contact Cathi Piotrowski at 653-9140 ext. 234 for more information.



Easter Egg Hunt

Everyone hop on down to the Live Oak Park for the annual Easter Egg Hunt on Sunday, March 28th. The hunting will begin at 1:30 p.m. in the main city park. This is a free event geared towards children 12 years and under. Remember to bring a bag or basket for your child, and don't forget the camera! **Don't be late**, once kicked off, the event is typically over in less than five minutes.

Chili Cookoff at Live Oak's 50th Anniversary Celebration



Great Cash Awards & Trophies are up for grabs at this year's chili cookoff on Saturday, April 10th. The teams will start at 9:00 a.m. with judging around 2:00 p.m. The registration forms are at City Hall in the Utilities area. The top three teams winning

the taste category will be recognized with special trophies and cash awards of \$200 -1st place, \$100 -2nd place, and \$50 -3rd place. The top three showmanship teams will be recognized with special trophies and cash awards of \$200 -1st place, \$100 -2nd place, and \$50 -3rd place. A People's Choice trophy & award will also be given. Come out and cheer your favorite chili cookoff team to victory! Don't miss out on the limited number of teams based on the first forty teams to turn in the registration forms and \$20.00 sign up fee.

Please contact Cathi at 653-9140, ext. 234 or cpiotrowski@liveoaktx.net if you are interested in having a Food, Craft or Information booth at Live Oak's 50th Anniversary Celebration on Saturday, April 10, 2010.

Clean Up Week



It is time for the bi-annual Fix-Up, Pick Up, and Clean Up Week! The week of March 21st is clean-up week. You must have all your unwanted "treasures" near the curb by Sunday, March 28th.



Stormwater Pollution Prevention

As the days are getting warmer and inviting us outside to clean and beautify our lawns, remember not to over fertilize your yard, follow the manufacturers' directions for the size of your lawn. When you over fertilize those chemicals run out of your yard and into the street. The streets are built to carry water down to the drainage channel, which leads the tainted water to the lake at the park. The chemicals are toxic to the wildlife that uses the lake to drink from. Please, be responsible with chemicals!



Water Saving Tips for Your Home

Repair leaking faucets, nozzles, pipes and toilets. When you do have to water your lawn and garden, do so in the evening or early morning. Use mulch around plants and shrubs to help retain moisture. Sweep clippings and leaves instead of using the hose. Obey all water bans and regulations.

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AN ORDINANCE BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LIVE OAK, TEXAS, CALLING FOR A JOINT, GENERAL, SPECIAL AND BOND ELECTION WITH VARIOUS ENTITIES TO BE HELD ON MAY 8, 2010 FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING A MAYOR AND TWO COUNCILMEMBERS, PLACE TWO AND PLACE FOUR

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL THE CITY OF LIVE OAK, TEXAS:

- I. An election shall be held in and throughout the City of Live Oak, Texas on May 8, 2010 for the purpose of electing a Mayor and Councilmembers to two (2) places, Place 2, and Place 4, on the Live Oak City Council for full terms of two (2) years.
- II. At said election the candidates receiving the highest number of votes for Mayor and City Council positions 2, and 4 respectively, shall be declared elected. Any candidate desiring to have his or her name on the official ballot of said election, shall at least ninety-two (92) days prior to and not less than sixty-two (62) days prior to said election day, specifically, from February 8, 2010 through March 8, 2010, file with the City Secretary an application in writing in the form prescribed by the Texas Election Code requesting that his or her name be placed on the official ballot and designating the position for which he or she is running as a candidate. That any person failing to file said written application for candidacy by the time aforesaid, shall not be entitled to have his or her name printed on the official ballot.

The names of all eligible candidates whose applications have been duly and timely filed shall be placed on the ballot pursuant to a drawing as provided by law.

- III. All qualified voters of said City shall be entitled to vote in said election.
- IV. The polling place for the holding of said election shall be at the Live Oak Civic Center, 8101 Pat Booker Road, Live Oak, Texas; and the entire City of Live Oak, Texas, for the purpose of holding said election shall be and constitute one Municipal election precinct.
- V. Early voting in said election shall be conducted at the Live Oak Civic Center, 8101 Pat Booker Road, Live Oak, Texas, commencing April 26, 2010 and ending May 4, 2010. The Bexar County Elections Administrator is hereby charged with the duty of conducting early voting in said election, as required by law. The City Secretary shall be appointed Election Officer to render oral aid to any voter desiring to vote early in said election who requests such aid.
- VI. With the exception of Saturday, May 8, 2010, and official holidays, the Live Oak Civic Center shall remain open from 8:00 o'clock a.m. to 6:00 o'clock p.m. on Monday, April 26, 2010 through Friday, April 30, 2010; 10:00 o'clock a.m. to 6:00 o'clock p.m. on Saturday, May 1, 2010; and on Sunday, May 2, 2010 from 12:00 (Noon) o'clock p.m. to 6:00 o'clock p.m. Monday, May 3, 2010 through Tuesday, May 4, 2010, 8:00 o'clock a.m. to 8:00 o'clock p.m. for the purpose of conducting early voting for said election.
- VII. The polls for said election on the day of said election shall be open from 7:00 o'clock a.m. to 7:00 o'clock p.m.
- VIII. The ballots to be used in said election shall be prepared in conformity with Texas Civil Statutes Election Code, as amended. In the holding and conducting of said election, voter forms, instructions, and other materials required therefor, including the ballots, shall be in both the English and Spanish languages.
- IX. The City Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to post notice of said election on a bulletin board used for posting notices of the City Council meetings of the City of Live Oak, Live Oak Civic Center, 8101 Pat Booker Road, Live Oak, Texas, (the polling places for the holding of said election) not later than the twenty-first (21) day before election day.
- X. The City Secretary is further authorized and directed to cause notice of said election to be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Live Oak at least once, not earlier than the thirtieth (30th) day nor later than the tenth (10th) day before election day.

APPROVED on this day of 26th January, 2010

//SIGNED//

Joseph W. Painter, Mayor

ATTEST:

//SIGNED//

Deborah L. Goza, City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

//SIGNED//

City Attorney

DECRETO NUMERO 1420

UN DECRETO DE EL CABILDO DE LA CIUDAD DE LIVE OAK, TEXAS, QUE LLAMA A UNA ELECCION GENERAL, ESPECIAL, CERTIFICADA Y CONJUNTA CON VARIAS OTRAS ENTIDADES A EFECTUARSE EL 8 DE MAYO DEL AÑO 2010, CON EL PROPOSITO DE ELEGIR ALCALDE Y DOS MIEMBROS DEL CABILDO, PARA LOS PUESTOS DOS Y CUATRO.

EL CABILDO DE LA CIUDAD DE LIVE OAK, TEXAS; ORDENA:

I. Que se efectue una elección dentro y a través de la Ciudad de Live Oak, Texas; el 8 de Mayo del año 2010, con el propósito de elegir al Alcalde y a dos Miembros del Cabildo para los puestos 2 y 4 dentro del Cabildo de la Ciudad de Live Oak, Texas para terminos completos de dos (2) años.

II. En dicha elección los candidatos que obtengan la mayor cantidad de votos para Alcalde y los puestos del Cabildo 2 y 4 respectivamente, serán declarados electos. Cualquier candidato que aspire a tener su nombre en la boleta electoral oficial de dicha elección, deberá, con una antelación de un período máximo de noventa y dos (92) y mínimo de sesenta y dos (62) días a dicha elección, específicamente del 8 de Febrero al 8 de Marzo del año 2010, presentar una solicitud por escrito ante la Secretaria de La Ciudad en la manera prescrita por el Código Electoral del Estado de Texas, requiriendo que su nombre sea incluido en la boleta electoral oficial y señalando el puesto para el que desee postularse como candidato. Y que cualquier persona que no cumpla con el requisito de presentar una solicitud por escrito para incluir su candidatura, en el tiempo antes mencionado, no será considerado con derecho a tener su nombre impreso en la boleta electoral oficial.

Los nombres de todos los candidatos elegibles, cuyas solicitudes han sido presentadas en el tiempo y en la forma prescrita por ley, serán colocadas en la boleta electoral oficial tras efectuar un sorteo tal como indicado por ley.

III. Todos los electores habilitados de dicha ciudad tendrán derecho a votar en mencionada elección.

IV. El centro electoral para efectuar dicha elección será el Centro Cívico de Live Oak con dirección en el número 8101 de la Calle Pat Booker Road de la Ciudad de Live Oak, Texas; y toda la ciudad de Live Oak, Texas, con el propósito de efectuar tal elección será y constituirá un precinto electoral municipal.

V. La votación anticipada para la mencionada elección se llevará al cabo en el Centro Cívico de Live Oak con dirección en el número 8101 de la Calle Pat Booker Road de la Ciudad de Live Oak, Texas; teniendo inicio el 26 de abril del año 2010 y finalizando el 4 de mayo del mismo año. Encargándose al Administrador Electoral del Condado de Bexar el cumplimiento y conducción de la votación anticipada para dicha elección, tal como es requerido por ley. La Secretaria de la Ciudad será nombrada como Oficial Electoral encargada de proporcionar asistencia oral a cualquier elector que decida votar anticipadamente en tal elección y que requiera esta asistencia.

VI. Con la excepción del Sábado 8 de Mayo del año 2010 y los días festivos oficiales, el Centro Cívico de Live Oak, Texas; permanecerá abierto de 8:00 am a 6:00 pm desde el Lunes 26 de Abril hasta el Viernes 30 de Abril del año 2010; de 10:00 am a 6:00 pm el Sábado 1ero de Mayo del año 2010; Domingo 2 de Mayo del año 2010 de 12:00 del mediodía a 6:00 pm; Lunes 3 de Mayo del año 2010 y Martes 4 de Mayo del año 2010 de 8:00 am a 8:00 pm con el propósito de efectuar la votación anticipada para tal elección.

VII. El Centro electoral para dicha elección el día de la misma permanecerá abierto de 7:00 am a 7:00 pm.

VIII. Las boletas electorales que se utilizaran en dicha elección serán preparadas de conformidad a los Estatutos Civiles Electorales del Código de Texas, tal como fueron enmendados. Para efectuar y conducir dicha elección las formas para votar, instructivos y demás materiales requeridos para tal efecto, incluyendo las boletas electorales, deberán estar escritas tanto en Inglés como en Español.

IX. La Secretaria de la Ciudad queda autorizada y se le instruye a publicar notificación de tal elección en el tablero de avisos que se utiliza para notificar de las sesiones del Cabildo de la Ciudad de Live Oak, Texas, en el Centro Cívico de Live Oak con dirección en el número 8101 de la Calle Pat Booker Road, Live Oak, Texas. (los lugares donde se localizaran las casillas electorales para dicha elección) dentro de un período máximo de veintiun (21) días antes del día de la elección.

X. Además se autoriza y se le instruye a la Secretaria de la Ciudad a publicar una notificación en un periódico de circulación general en la Ciudad de Live Oak, Texas por lo menos una vez a no más de treinta (30) días y no menos de diez (10) días antes del día de la elección.

APROBADO este día 26th de Enero del año 2010-01-04

//SIGNED//

Joseph W. Painter, Alcalde

DOY FE:

//SIGNED//

Deborah L. Goza, Secretaria de la Ciudad

APROBADO EN CUANTO A CAPACIDAD LEGAL:

//SIGNED//

Abogado de la Ciudad.

NOTICE OF JOINT, GENERAL AND SPECIAL

ELECTION – EARLY VOTING VOTING

(AVISO DE ELECCION CONJUNTA, GENERAL Y ESPECIAL Y LA VOTACION ANTICIPADA)

An election is hereby ordered to be held on May 8, 2010 for the purpose of electing the following officers: MAYOR AND TWO (2) COUNCIL MEMBERS, PLACES 2 AND 4.

Por la presente se ordena que se efectue una eleccion el día 10 (diez) de Mayo del presente año 2010 con el propósito de elegir a los siguiente oficiales: ALCALDE Y DOS (2) MIEMBROS DEL CABILDO, PARA LOS PUESTOS NUMERO 2 Y NUMERO 4.

THE HOURS OF EARLY VOTING WILL BE: (LAS HORAS Y FECHAS DE VOTACION ANTICIPADA SERAN:)

Monday, April 26 through Friday, April 30, 2010.....8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Desde el Lunes 26 de Abril, 2010 hasta el Viernes 30 de Abril de 8:00 a.m. a 6:00 p.m.

Saturday., May 1, 201010:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

El Sábado 1 de mayo de 2010de 10:00 a.m. a 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, May 2, 2010 12:00 noon to 6:00 p.m.

El Domingo 2 de Mayo de 2010de 12:00 mediodía a 6:00 p.m.

Monday, May 3 through Tuesday, May 4, 20108:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Del Lunes 3 de Mayo, 2010 hasta el Martes 4 de Mayo,2010de 8:00 a.m. a 8:00 p.m.

Monday, April 26, 2010 through Tuesday, May 4, 2010

Lunes Abril 26,2010 hasta el Martes Mayo 4, 2010

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
DOMINGO	LUNES	MARTES	MIERCOLES	JUEVES	VIERNES	SABADO
CLOSED	26	27	28	29	30	1
CERRA- DO	****	****	****	****	****	****
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
*****	*****	*****				Election Day Día de Elec- ción

Legend: ***** Indicates dates open for early voting

DONDE LA LEYENDA **** Significa las fechas abiertas para la votación anticipada.

Main Early Voting Location: (Lugar Principal de Votacion Anticipada:)

** BEXAR COUNTY ELECTIONS DEPARTMENT.....203 W. Nueva

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In addition to the main early polling place, early voting will be conducted at the following locations:

Además del sitio indicado se habilitaran para la votación anticipada y esta se efectuara en los siguientes lugares:

ALAMO HEIGHTS ISD ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
7101 Broadway
 BROOKHOLLOW LIBRARY.....530 Heimer Road
 CASTLE HILLS CITY HALL.....209 Lemonwood Dr
 CISNEROS COMMUNITY CENTER.....517 S.W. Military
 CLAUDE BLACK CENTER.....2805 East Commerce
 CODY LIBRARY.....11441 Vance Jackson
 CROSSROADS @ WONDERLAND OF THE AMERICAS
4522 Fredericksburg
 EAST CENTRAL ISD ADMIN BLDG (Board Room)
6634 New Sulphur Springs Road.
 ENCINO PARK COMMUNITY CENTER.....1923 Eucino Rio
 FAIR OAKS RANCH CITY HALL.....7286 Dietz Elkhorn
 GREAT NORTHWEST LIBRARY.....9050 Wellwood
 HEALTH CAREERS HIGH SCHOOL.....4646 Hamilton Wolfe
 HELOTES CITY HALL.....12951 Bandera Rd
 **HENRY A. GUERRA, JR. LIBRARY.....7978 W. Military Drive
 HOLLYWOOD PARK CITY HALL2 Mecca Dr
 JOHN JAY HIGH SCHOOL.....7611 Marbach
 ** JOHN IGO LIBRARY.....13330 Kyle Seale Parkway
 JOHNSTON LIBRARY.....6307 Sun Valley Drive
 JORDAN MIDDLE SCHOOL.....1725 Richland Hills
 KINMAN HOUSE OF LEON VALLEY.....6417 Evers Road
 **LION'S FIELD.....2809 Broadway
 LIVE OAK CIVIC CENTER.....8101 Pat Booker Road
 LUNA MIDDLE SCHOOL.....200 Grosenbacher N.
 MAURY MAVERICK, JR. LIBRARY.....8700 Mystic Park
 **MCCRELESS LIBRARY.....1023 Ada Street
 NORTHSIDE ACTIVITY CENTER.....7001 Culebra
 OLMOS PARK CITY HALL.....120 W. El Prado
 ST. BENEDICT'S CHURCH (PARISH HALL - WEST END)
4535 Lord Road
 SHAVANO PARK CITY HALL.....900 Saddletree Ct.
 SOMERSET HIGH SCHOOL (Hallway between Office & Li-
 brary).....7650 South 1604 West
 SOUTH PARK MALL.....2310 S.W. Military
 SOUTHWEST ADMIN BLDG.....11914 Dragon Ln.
 STEVENS HIGH SCHOOL.....600 Ellison N.
 STONEOAK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.....20024 Crescent Oaks
 TAFT HIGH SCHOOL.....11600 FM 471 W.
 THOUSAND OAKS LIBRARY.....4618 Thousand Oaks
 TOBIN LIBRARY @OAKWELL.....4134 Harry Wurzbach
 UNIVERSAL CITY - CITY HALL (Foyer) .2150 Universal City Blvd
 VIA.....1021 San Pedro
 WINDCREST TAKAS PARK CIVIC CENTER.....9310 Jim Seal Dr.

subject to change (sujeto a cambio).

For more information contact the office of the Bexar County Elections Administrator, Jacquelyn F. Callanen, at (210) 335-VOTE (8683)

(Para mas informacion comuniquese con la oficina del Administrador de Electoral del Condado de Bexar, Jacquelyn F. Callanen, al telefono (210) 335-VOTE (8683))

SITES SUBJECT TO CHANGE * LOS SITIOS PARA LA VOTACION ANTICIPADA ESTAN SUJETOS A CAMBIO

**Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:
 (Las solicitudes de boletas para votacion por correo deberan ser enviadas a la siguiente direccion)**

Jacque Callanen
Bexar County Elections Administrator
Administrador de Elecciones del Condado de Bexar
Secretario de la Votación Anticipada

203 W. Nueva, Suite 3.61
 Dirección

San Antonio, Texas 78207
 Ciudad

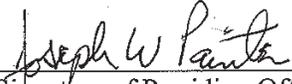
Deborah L. Goza
Election Voting Officer
 Oficial Encargada de la Votación Adelantada

8001 Shin Oak
 Dirección

Live Oak, Texas 78233
 Ciudad

**Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on April 30, 2010
 (Las solicitudes para boletas para votacion por correo deberán recibirse antes del cierre de horario de oficina el 30 de Abril, 2010)**

Issued this the 26th day of January, 2010
 Emitida este día 26th de January, 2010



 Signature of Presiding Officer/Mayor
 Firma del Oficial Que Preside/Alcalde



Community Calendar

March 2010 Community Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Parks & Recreation Meeting 7 p.m	2	3	4	5	6
7	8 Last day to file for office for May election 5 p.m. @ City Hall	9 Chamber Luncheon @ Olympia 11:30 a.m. City Council Meeting 7:00 p.m..	10	11 NE Partnership Lunch @ Olympia 11:30 a.m.	12	13
14 Daylight Saving Time Begins	15 Swim Lesson Registration @ Clubhouse 4-6 p.m.	16 Senior Trip to the San Antonio Zoo	17	18	19	20
21 Clean Up Week Begins!	22	23	24	25 P&Z / BOA Meeting (Tentative)	26	27
28 Easter Egg Hunt Park 1:30 p.m. Pick Up Week Begins!	29 Swim Lesson Registration @ Clubhouse 4-6 p.m.	30 City Council Meeting 7:00 p.m..	31			

April 2010 Community Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5 Parks & Recreation Meeting 7 p.m.	6	7	8 NE Partnership Lunch @ Olympia 11:30 a.m.	9 City of Live Oak 50th Anniversary Celebration	10 City of Live Oak 50th Anniversary Celebration / Park Day
11	12 Swim Lesson Registration @ Clubhouse 4-6 p.m.	13 Chamber Luncheon @ Olympia 11:30 a.m. City Council Meeting 7:00 p.m..	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22 P&Z / BOA Meeting (Tentative)	23	24
25	26 Swim Lesson Registration @ Clubhouse 4-6 p.m. Early Voting Begins @ L.O. Civic Center	27 City Council Meeting 7:00 p.m..	28	29	30	



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Official Meetings:

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Parks & Recreation Commission: The 1st Monday of each month at 7:00 PM.
Board of Adjustment meetings are held as necessary.
Economic Development Corporation meetings are held as necessary.
Planning & Zoning Commission meetings are held as necessary.

Future Events:

- * Memorial Day – May 31, 2010 (**Offices Closed**)
- * Independence Day Holiday – July 5, 2010 (**Offices Closed**)
- * Early Voting Begins – April 26 – Ends – May 4, 2010
- * City Election Day – May 8, 2010
- * Memorial Day Parade – May 29, 2010
- * City Pool Opens – June 8, 2010

DID YOU KNOW.....?

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