

HOMETOWN NEWS

May - June 2025



THE CITY OF LIVE OAK

1960-2025
65th
Anniversary
Celebration



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City Directory



CITY SERVICES

CITY OF LIVE OAK MAIN LINE

210.653.9140

Utility Billing

210.653.9141

Animal Control

210.653.1755

Municipal Court

210.945.1799

Permitting, Inspections, Code Enforcement

210.653.1829

Dispatch/Telecommunications

210.653.0033

Police (Non-Emergency)

210.945.1700

Fire Department

210.653.9280

Public Works/Parks & Recreation

210.653.9143

City Administration, Finance, Human Resources

210.653.9142

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EMERGENCY NUMBERS

24 HOUR EMERGENCIES | 911

24 HOUR DISPATCH | 210.653.0033

SUICIDE HOTLINE | 988

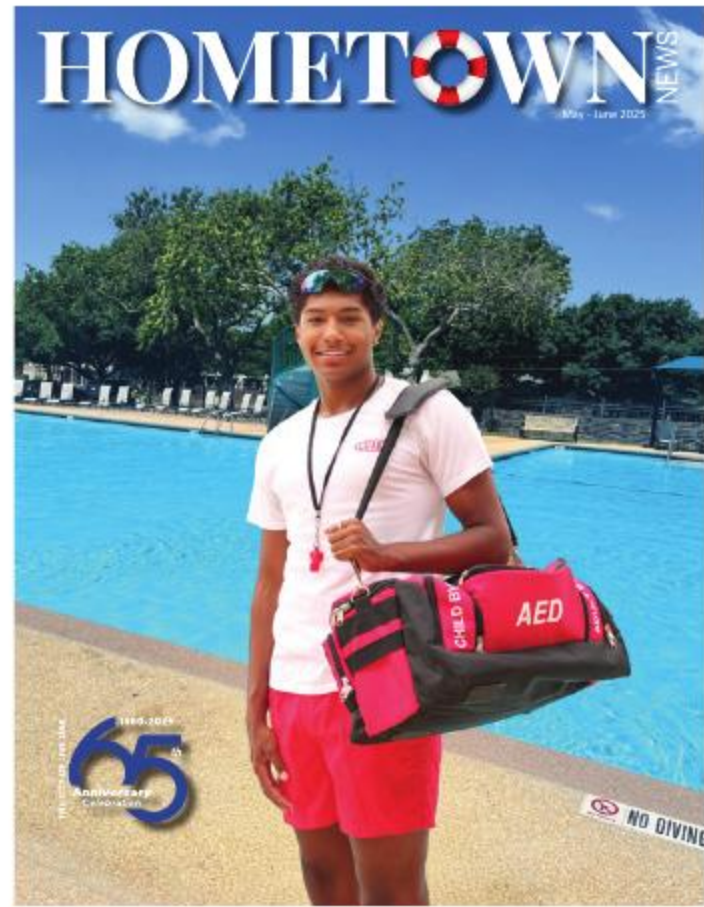
UTILITY EMERGENCIES (after hours ONLY) | 210.653.0033

SAWS (leaks/outages) | 210.704.7297

CPS (outages) | 210-353-4357

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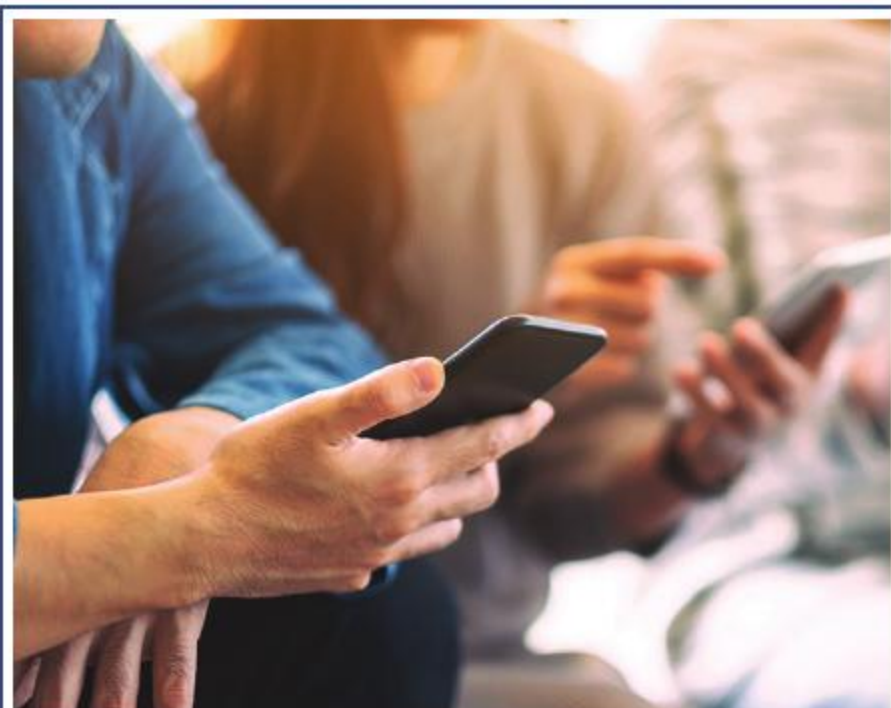
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WASTE MANAGEMENT | 210-653-9142 opt. 2

SEE NEW PHONE NUMBERS LISTED FOR CITY DEPARTMENTS ON PAGE 2!

The City has completed a major upgrade to the city's phone system.

Approved in the FY 2024/2025 budget by Mayor Mary Dennis and the City Council, the new system delivers improved efficiency, reliability, and usability. Tailored to meet the evolving communications needs of a growing city, the system introduces advanced connectivity capabilities.

The enhancement demonstrates Live Oak's dedication to providing top-notch services to its residents. Key features include an intuitive auto-attendant prompt that facilitates seamless call navigation and efficient communication. You will find the new direct phone numbers listed for city departments on page 2 (City Directory).

HELPFUL WEBSITES

EDUCATION

Judson ISD - JudsonISD.org

Northeast ISD - NEISD.org

Northeast Lakeview Collage - Alamo.edu/NLC/

Wayland Baptist University - wbu.edu/campus/san-antonio/

GOVERNMENT

Bexar Appraisal District - BCAD.org

Bexar County - Bexar.org

Bexar County Dispute Resolution Center - Home.Bexar.org/drc/

Emergency Preparedness - dhs.gov/topic/plan-and-prepare-disasters

MISCELLANEOUS

Waste Management - WM.com or 210-653-9142 opt. 2

Randolph Metrocom Rotary Club - RandolphMetrocomRotary.org

Tri-County Chamber of Commerce - TxTriCountyChamber.org

PERSONAL SERVICES

Alamo Area Council of Governments - AACOG.com

Greater Randolph Area Services Program - GRASP211.org

Meals on Wheels - ChristianSeniorServices.org

Randolph Area Christian Assistance Program - RACAP.org





MAYOR MARY M. DENNIS & COUNCIL



Budgeting for Our Priorities

As we progress through the year, we embark on one of our most critical tasks for our city, preparing the budget for the upcoming fiscal year. Budgeting is a careful balancing act that requires strategic prioritization, and long-term planning. Most importantly, it also requires input from you, our residents. The annual budget serves as a blueprint for how we allocate resources to meet both immediate needs and future goals.

Key Priorities for FY 2025/2026

Our city must continue to prioritize the safety of our residents. This includes maintaining and upgrading public safety and infrastructure (roads, drainage channels, and



public spaces) to ensure they are safe, efficient, and accessible for all. In 2024, our Public Works Department repaved 9.75 miles of residential roads, demonstrating our commitment to improving infrastructure and enhancing mobility for our community. Investments in emergency response services, law enforcement, and public works will remain at the forefront of our discussions.

The well-being of our residents remains a top priority in the upcoming budget year. A key focus for FY 2025/2026 is attracting high-quality developments that enhance our community's quality of life, including premier retail, medical facilities, diverse dining options, and recreational spaces. By investing in infrastructure and strategic partnerships, we aim to create an environment that supports economic growth while providing residents with convenient access to top-tier amenities.

Budgeting is a collaborative process, and we value your input. We encourage all residents to participate in upcoming budget workshops and City Council meetings to share their thoughts and priorities. Stay informed by checking the city's website for updates on budget workshops and regular meeting dates.

Together, we can build a budget that reflects a shared vision for a prosperous and sustainable future. Thank you for your engagement and commitment to making our city the best it can be. We invite you to join us at this year's Armed Forces Day Parade, Saturday, May 17th, for some fun, floats, and so much more. Remember, the best is yet to come for YOUR premier community to live, learn, work, and play! As your Mayor, I'm always available at 210-792-7168.

Mayor Mary M. Dennis & Council



BEST Friendliest Staff
BEST Credit Union
BEST Financial Planning/Investment Services
 1st Place - RANDOLPH-BROOKS FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

BEST Breakfast Taco
 1st Place - LAS PALAPAS

BEST Late Night Dining
 1st Place - WHATABURGER

BEST Seafood
 1st Place - SEA ISLAND SHRIMP HOUSE

BEST Hospital
 1st Place - METHODIST HOSPITAL NORTHEAST

BEST Place to Buy Furniture
 1st Place - IKEA

BEST Liquor Store
 1st Place - SPEC'S WINE, SPIRITS & FINER FOODS

BEST Local Jewelry Store
 1st Place - JAMES AVERY

BEST Mattress Store
 2nd Place - MATTRESS FIRM

BEST Burger
 2nd Place - BURGER BOY

BEST Insurance Agency
 3rd Place - RBFCU INSURANCE AGENCY

BEST Charter School
 3rd Place - GREAT HEARTS TEXAS

BEST School District
 3rd Place - JUDSON ISD

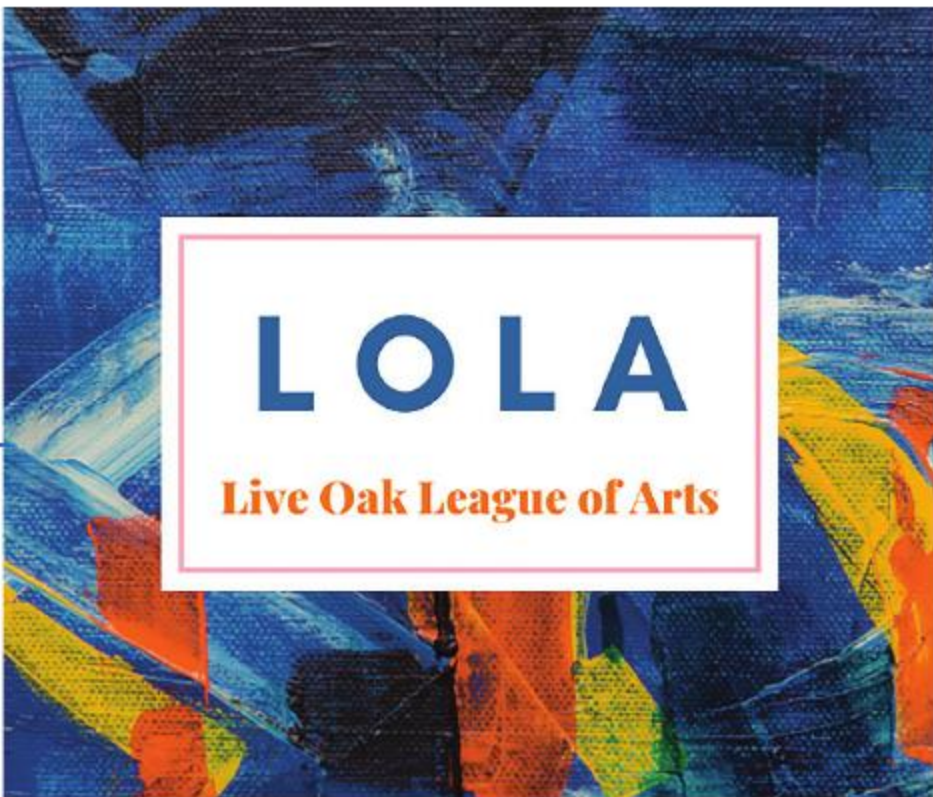
Congratulations!

Live Oak Civic Club
Meetings & Events

All events are subject to cancellation

See Pg. 14-15 for more info on CLUB EVENTS

Find a Club • Get Involved • Stay Active
Local civic clubs are a great way to get involved and meet your neighbors



LIVE OAK LEAGUE of ARTS

Promoting interest in all art mediums through education and to develop our league's artistic skills while exploring new concepts and utilizing that knowledge to promote the arts within our community.

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT US ON FACEBOOK
Search Live Oak League of Arts
or
liveoakleagueofarts@gmail.com



ADVENTURE AWAITS!

Boys and girls aged 5-17, embark on exciting journeys, learn valuable skills, and make lifelong friends.

We meet at Live Oak First Baptist Church on Monday nights
Monday Nights | 6:30pm Girls & Boys 11-17
Tuesday Nights | 6:30pm | Boys and girls age 5 to 10

JOIN US IN LIVE OAK AND DISCOVER THE THRILL OF SCOUTING!

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT
Contact Frank Herring at 210-548-2693



SUPPORT & EDUCATION FOR THE LOVE OF ALL ANIMALS

HUMANE SOCIETY of LIVE OAK MONTHLY EVENING MEETING

2nd Tuesday of the month - 6:30pm
at the Hampton Inn & Suites

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT
Brandon at 936-537-6452 | humanesocietyofliveoak@gmail.com

MAY 12th Monthly Meeting 6:30pm | Hampton Inn & Suites
JUNE 9th Monthly Meeting 6:30pm | Hampton Inn & Suites



SENIORS of LIVE OAK

For all Live Oak residents age 50 or older.
Join us for fun and fellowship at any of our events listed including:

Seniors of Live Oak WALK & TALK

- Tuesdays | 9am in Live Oak Park
• Thursdays | 9am in Woodcrest Park
Pets on a leash are welcome

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT
Sandy Towery at 210-325-5487

MAY 1st Sandwich/Salad Night
5:30pm | Live Oak Youth Bldg

JUNE 5th Sandwich/Salad Night
5:30pm | Live Oak Youth Bldg

MAY 5th Games Day
1:00pm | Live Oak Youth Bldg

JUNE 9th Games Day
1:00pm | Live Oak Youth Bldg

MAY 12th Potluck & Bingo
11:30am | Live Oak Youth Bldg

JUNE 11th Lunch
11:30am | Scisciano Italia
112311 Nacogdoches Rd

MAY 19th Book Club
1:00pm | Live Oak Youth Bldg

JUNE 16th Potluck & Bingo
11:30am | Picnic Area
Live Oak Youth Bldg

MAY 21st Lunch
11:30am | Meet at Harmons BBQ
102 S Main St

JUNE 23rd Book Club
1:00pm | Live Oak Youth Bldg

MAY 28th Ladies Breakfast
8:30pm | Meet at Denny's

JUNE 25th Ladies Breakfast
8:30am | Location To Be Determined

MAY 29th Games Day
1pm | Live Oak Youth Bldg

JUNE 26th Games Day
1:00pm | Live Oak Youth Bldg



GREATER RANDOLPH AREA KIWANIS CLUB MONTHLY LUNCH MEETING

4th Monday of the month - 12 Noon
at Biff Buzby's

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT
210-355-8562 | www.graks.org

MAY 26th Monthly Meeting
12 Noon | Biff Buzby's

JUNE 23rd Monthly Meeting
12 Noon | Biff Buzby's



LIVE OAK VILLAGE GARDEN CLUB MONTHLY AFTERNOON MEETING

3rd Tuesday of each month at 1pm - 3pm
at the Live Oak Youth Bldg.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT
Jo Anna Wheeler at 210-655-1036

MAY 20TH Monthly Meeting
1:00pm | Live Oak Youth Bldg.

JUNE 17TH Monthly Meeting
1:00pm | Live Oak Youth Bldg.

LOCAP LIVE OAK CITIZENS ASSISTING POLICE



LIVE OAK CITIZENS ASSISTING POLICE MONTHLY EVENING MEETING

3rd Wednesday at 6:30pm
at the Justice Ctr Training Room

To become a member you must first attend/graduate from Citizens Police Academy

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT
locapnews@gmail.com

MAY 21st Monthly Meeting
6:30pm | Justice Center Training Room

JUNE 18th Monthly Meeting
6:30pm | Justice Center Training Room

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SHOPPING, DINING & ENTERTAINMENT

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City of Live Oak

Meetings, Events, & Holidays

MAY 2025

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03	Election Day
05	Cinco de Mayo
10	Community Shred Day See Page 11
11	Mother's Day
17	Armed Forces Day Parade See Page 19
26	Memorial Day City Offices Closed
27	Economic Development Meeting 6pm in Council Chambers City Council Meeting 7pm in Council Chambers
31	MUNICIPAL POOL OPENS - 2025 Swim Season See Page 20

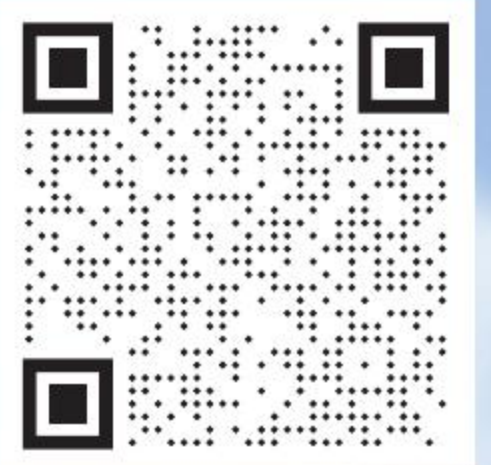
JUNE 2025

06	D-Day
07	Jr. Fishing Day See Page 21
10	City Council Meeting 7pm in Council Chambers
14	Flag Day
15	Father's Day
19	Juneteenth City Offices Closed
20	Summer Begins
24	Economic Development Meeting 6pm in Council Chambers - CANCELLED City Council Meeting 7pm in Council Chambers - CANCELLED

FUTURE DATES

July 4th	Independence Day
August 7th	Purple Heart Day
September 1st	Labor Day
September 1st	Patriot Day

ALL EVENTS ARE
SUBJECT TO
CANCELLATION



COMMUNITY ONLINE
CALENDAR



Trash, Recycling and Brush/Bulk
Collection Calendar located
on page 13.

Questions?
210-653-9142 opt. 2



You can *Livestream all regular
City Council, EDC, Planning & Zoning,
Board of Adjustments, Tree Care
Board, & Parks and Recreation
meetings from our website. The Board
of Adjustment/Planning & Zoning
meetings are held as necessary.
Please call Isa Gaytan at
210.653.9142 with any questions.



Coffee With Cops
Shoutout to the incredible team at Black Rifle Coffee Company Live Oak for hosting February's Coffee with Cops!

Events like this help build trust, strengthen relationships, and create a safer, more connected community. A huge thank you to the hardworking team at Black Rifle Coffee Co. under the leadership of General Manager Stevie Pangelinan, for bringing people together, one cup at a time!



Drive-thru customers received a special surprise as Chief Fratus and Officer Atkinson served them. What a treat!

If you're a Live Oak business and would like to host an event with LOPD, reach out to us at info@liveoaktx.net, so we can coordinate a date and time.



Wreaths Across America 2024
LOCAP Remembers and Honors

This year was truly exceptional thanks to the thousands of dedicated volunteers who made it possible, including our very own Live Oak Citizens Assisting Police (LOCAP) members! Their commitment was recognized with a certificate honoring their efforts at the cemetery.

As part of Military City USA, this mission holds a special place in our hearts. Wreaths Across America is more than just an event. It's a time for families, communities, and our nation to come together to honor those who have fought for our freedom. A huge THANK YOU to everyone who contributed! Let's continue to remember, honor, and teach. See you at the end of 2025!

- Impact:**
- 7,408 sponsorship groups brought the program to their communities. 1,169 new groups joined the mission
 - 3+ million veterans' wreaths sponsored and placed by 3+ million volunteers



Eggstravaganza & Movie in the Park 2025

An **EGGstra** big thank you to everyone who helped make this year's EGGstravaganza and Movie in the Park a hopping success! From start to finish, the event was filled with laughter, smiles, and unforgettable memories—all thanks to the incredible team behind it.

We sincerely appreciate the hard work and dedication of our amazing Parks Crew, Parks and Recreation Commissioners, the Mayor & City Council, city staff, business volunteers, and community partners who all played a role in bringing the magic to life.

A huge **EGGscclamation** of thanks goes out to the Judson ISD Chick-fil-A Leader Academy for stepping up in a big way and helping to toss over **20,000 candy- and toy-filled eggs** for the event—talk about dedication!

We'd also like to give an **EGGclusive** shout-out to Raising Cane's, Texas Roadhouse, Potbelly Sandwich Shop, and Marco's Pizza for their generous donations that helped fuel the fun. And a special thank you to Starbucks and Potbelly for keeping our hardworking staff energized with delicious food and beverages.

An **EGGcellent** time was had by all, and we can't wait to do it all again next year. Until then—thanks for making this celebration so **EGGceptional**!



Community Shred Day

SATURDAY, MAY 10TH from 9am-12noon
in the Fire Department Parking Lot

Restaurant Month

BINGO

**Restaurant Month
Bingo
July-August**

Live Oak businesses, if you are interested in participating in Restaurant Month Bingo, contact Donna Lowder at 210-653-9142

SHINDIG ON SHIN OAK

SAVE THE DATE

October 11th

FREE ADMISSION

YOU CAN'T WIN IF YOU DON'T PLAY!

SEE PAGE 34

CONGRATULATIONS TO LIVE OAK RESIDENT
Linda Andrade
The lucky winner of a \$100 GIFT CARD to
Evelyn's Mexican Restaurant

LINDA ANSWERED THESE QUESTIONS & WON!

Q1. How often do you use the Live Oak LOCAL section of the magazine?
A couple of times a month.
Supporting local businesses is important to us, so we love to reference the local section to see if there any new restaurants or stores that we want to check out.

Q2. What category in the LOCAL section do you reference the most?
Restaurants!

Q3. Where do you keep your copy of the Hometown News?
On top of my bookshelf!

Q4. What do you like best about the magazine?
Seeing pictures of the community and opportunities to join clubs here in Live Oak. I love how the magazine captures the friendly and close knit feel of Live Oak.

Q5. What is your favorite Live Oak business?
Evelyn's Mexican Restaurant.
Each time we visit we get INCREDIBLE customer service. Evelyn has even remembered my fiancés order!

Scarecrow 2025 Invasion

Scarecrow Invasion 2025 deadline for applications and designs is Thursday, September 25th by end of day.

THE HUMANE SOCIETY OF LIVE OAK PRESENTS

PET PAWLOOZA

Free Event!

VENDORS & VOLUNTEERS WANTED!
For More Information or to be a vendor or a sponsor please email us at: HumaneSocietyOfLiveOak@gmail.com

SAVE THE DATE
SATURDAY OCTOBER 18TH
10am-2pm
LIVE OAK POOL HOUSE GROUNDS • 7901 SHIN OAK DRIVE

2025

RECYCLE CALENDAR

WM

WASTE MANAGEMENT

QUESTIONS?
800.800.5804

MAY

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

JUNE

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

BRUSH & BULK PICK UP **HOLIDAY NO SERVICE**

RECYCLE DAYS ARE HIGHLIGHTED and marked by letters A - B - C
Route "A" is Wed/Sat trash routes
Route "B" is Mon/Thu trash routes
Route "C" is Tues/Fri trash routes

Who We Are

- We Are Committed To Prevent Cruelty And Suffering To Animals.
- We are a Non-Profit Made Up Of Volunteers.

What We Do

- We Host The Pet Pawlooza
- We Provide Assistance To Live Oak Animal Control
- We Are A Participant At Shindig On Shin Oak
- We Provide Education Of Humane Practices
- We Help Fund Special Veterinary Needs
- We Facilitate Community Education

What We Need

FUNDING!

Our Activities Are Financed By
Sponsors • Donations • Fundraising



Join Us
MEMBERSHIP
Is Only \$20 Per Year



SUPPORT & EDUCATION FOR THE LOVE OF ALL ANIMALS

REGISTER ONLINE TODAY! FALL 2025 FOOTBALL & CHEER

LIVE OAK JAGUARS

SPORTS TEACHES AND INSTILLS...
Skills Development • Discipline • Teamwork • Responsibility
Spirit Enthusiasm • Physical Endurance
In A Competitive-Fun Environment.

COACHES NEEDED

AGES & COST
Flag: Ages 4-5 = \$100
Tackle: Ages 6-11 = \$200
Cheer: Ages 4-13 = \$350
(Tackle Divisions: Tykes, Rookies & Juniors)
PRACTICE STARTS 21 JULY 2025
(Age as of 1 August 2025 determines division)

REGISTER ONLINE  **SCAN THE CODE**

FOR MORE INFORMATION: LIVEOAKJAGS@GMAIL.COM

YELLOW DOT PROGRAM

A FREE SERVICE THAT ALLOWS FIRST RESPONDERS TO HAVE A DETAILED MEDICAL HISTORY ON THOSE PATIENTS THAT ARE SPECIAL NEEDS AND/OR HIGH ACUITY.

WHO IS QUALIFIED:

- ✓ Deaf/Blind
- ✓ Pacemaker/ LVAD/ External Defibrillator
- ✓ Seizure Disorder
- ✓ TBI
- ✓ Special Needs: Autism, Cerebral Palsy
- ✓ Immune Compromised
- ✓ Oxygen Dependent
- ✓ Stroke History with Deficits
- ✓ Active Chemo/ Radiation
- ✓ Extensive Psych History
- ✓ Anything else that requires a higher acuity of care consciousness

TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT:

Contact Amy Anderson
(210) 619 - 1430
aanderson@schertz.com



LET'S CELEBRATE NATIONAL GARDEN WEEK



JOIN US ON SATURDAY, JUNE 7TH
at the Live Oak Xeriscape Gardens located at the
intersection of Judson Road and Toepperwein Road
FROM 10AM - 12 PM

There will be fun gardening activities, including
planting seeds, coloring papers related to gardening,
tattoos, face painting and arts & crafts.

Our goal is to encourage pride in our community, and
encourage residents to volunteer with our club.

For Your Information

For Your Information

SOLO Seniors of Live Oak

SOLO is for all Live Oak residents aged 50 or older.
Join us for fun and fellowship at any of our events
CHECK OUT THE LIVE OAK CIVIC CLUBS EVENTS ON PAGE 7
For more information Please contact Pat Knisley at 210-655-4566



FREE SMOKE DETECTORS*



RBFCU

The Live Oak Fire Department & Randolph Brooks Federal Credit Union
have teamed up to offer...

FREE SMOKE DETECTORS TO RESIDENTS OF LIVE OAK!

- YOU MUST BE A CURRENT RESIDENT OF LIVE OAK
- OWN AND LIVE IN YOUR HOME
- LIVING ON A LOW INCOME

*if you meet the criteria & wish to ask the fire department to come to your home & install a BATTERY smoke detector, call 210-653-9140, ext. 2379.

If your home has an interconnected smoke detection system, the Live Oak Fire Department will place a BATTERY smoke detector in the same area.
The Live Oak Fire Department is unable to assist with interconnected smoke detectors.

WE WILL NO LONGER OFFER SMOKE DETECTORS TO WALK IN GUESTS.



Kemeth Cole Mayfield
Carbon Monoxide Awareness Program

If you do not have a carbon monoxide detector in your home and you cannot afford to purchase one,
PLEASE CALL
the Live Oak Fire Dept. at
(210) 653-9280.



Mental Health Support Resources



24-Hour Crisis Helpline

For information regarding Mental Health
call the 24-Hour Crisis Helpline: **210-223-7233**

24-Hour Crisis Hotline

For 12-Steps Recovery
call the 24-Hour Crisis Hotline: **210-828-6235**

Texas Health and Human Services

has launched a statewide mental health support line to help Texans experiencing anxiety, stress or emotional challenges due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
People can call the Statewide COVID-19 Mental Health Support Line
24 hours a day, 7 days a week **toll-free at 833-986-1919**.

Crisis Text Line

Are you feeling anxious about COVID-19?
To get free confidential, 24/7 support for anxiety,
text "HOME" to 741741.

Suicide Prevention Life Line

Free, confidential 24/7 support for people in distress, prevention and crisis resources
for oneself and others **1-800-273-TALK**





A Trusted Voice Caring for Live Oak
Council Member Dr. Erin Pérez, Place 3

Councilwoman Dr. Erin Pérez represents Place 3. She understands the unique challenges and strengths of our community. Known for her team-centered collaborative approach and commitment to integrity, due diligence, and transparent governance, she is highly engaged with constituents, actively listening to their needs and concerns. With a background in policy and healthcare for over 20 years, the welfare of our residents is a priority at the local, state, and federal level in strategic planning for today and generations to come.

Councilwoman Pérez is dedicated to creating evidenced based policies that reflect the diverse voices of Live Oak and fostering an inclusive, forward-looking vision where all residents can have the highest quality of life and wellbeing while maintaining modernization, innovation, and sustainability.

Dr. Erin Pérez was first elected to Live Oak City Council Place 3 in May 2021. Dr. Pérez is a 12th generation Texan, descendant of one of the founding Canary Islander families of San Antonio and descendant of an Alamo defender and nurse. She is a public servant, clinician, author, and educator. She and her family have been residents of Live Oak, Texas since 2009. She is active in supporting her family and community in her parish, education, FFA, equine, music, veterans, and law enforcement organizations.

Dr. Pérez is a proud three-time alumna of the University of Texas Medical Branch (UTMB) in Galveston. She practices as a board-certified adult and geriatric nurse practitioner who is also board-certified as a subspecialist in palliative and hospice care. She is recognized as an expert and pioneer in Supportive Palliative Care. She serves Texans as a noted team-builder, effective advocate and bill drafter across the settings and roles. She is active across multiple state, national and international nursing, health care and policy organizations. She is Chair for the Texas Palliative Care Interdisciplinary Advisory Council. Currently, she leads Team Texas as one of six states selected by the National State Academy of State Health Policy (NASHP) supported by the John A. Hartford Foundation for their new national Serious

Illness Institute two-year project which was selected for extension in the spring of 2025. She was elected as President of the Texas Nurse Practitioners and leads over 50,000 nurse practitioners across Texas to name a few of her volunteer endeavors.

In her first term, Dr. Pérez has served as an appointee to the Texas Municipal League (TML) Legislative Summit and involved with the Texas Association of Hispanic Municipal Officials (AHMO). Live Oak is an active partner in the National League of Cities (NLC). Dr. Perez serves in the NLC, Women in Municipal Government (WIMG) and the Hispanic Elected Officials (HELO).

Dr. Pérez looks forward to the future with the deepest gratitude and appreciation for the Live Oak community's support. She is honored and blessed to continue her efforts in public service to improve the health and quality of life for her premier community of Live Oak and great state of Texas where the community lives, learns, works, and plays.

Q1 - If possible, what advice would you give your younger self?
Enjoy the journey. Take time to enjoy all the life experiences in good and challenging times. Even challenges serve a purpose and will be used for good. Remember there is no obstacle, challenge, or barrier that together, you and your team will and cannot overcome. God has a plan and purpose in his perfect timing for each season of your life. The prayers of today are part of his perfect plan for not only your future but those you serve. Life is too short, "Be who God meant you to be, and you will set the world on fire." - Saint Catherine of Sienna. I can reflect on the experiences of my life now and see how God's perfect timing was perfect despite my desire and concerns in that moment. All those experiences have better prepared and equipped me to serve our home in a more comprehensive skill set. I look forward to learning more in efforts to better help our residents live the best quality of life our city can provide.

Q2 - What led you to run for City Council, and how long have you served?
I have been blessed and honored to serve for two terms now. I had various community members approach me to consider serving and I prayed on it for several years. During the pandemic and severe snow and ice storm, I felt called to serve despite the chaos and uncertainties of the world. I knew

this would be a challenge but felt confident God's timing is perfect and in obedience I ran for office having faith he would provide a way. I spent four months essentially away from my family during the early time in the pandemic. Prayers kept me on track and focused on caring for the masses, pivoting quickly and make strategic plans based on fast paced data and evidence that seemed to change throughout any given day. Our sunrises in Live Oak are absolutely breath taking and kept me in the moment of gratitude to wake up each day and serve better than the day before. I felt truly called to serve in this capacity to better help in a broader breadth and depth with my health care and policy backgrounds. I wanted to help save and care for my hometown. I am humbled and so honored to be trusted with the lives of our community. It has been one of the greatest blessings of my lifetime to serve in Place 3 and see the continued evolution of Live Oak into the next chapters.

Q3 - Tell us about your hobbies or what you do in your spare time.
Really my hobbies are all working together in service for our home. As a wife, mother, caregiver, and advocate, I am able to coordinate and network with multiple hobbies. Our family is honored to serve our Veterans of Live Oak and of South Central Texas with Honor Flight San Antonio in addition to activities to support our Police officers. We have an incredible parish with an amazing priest and deacons who have so many opportunities for our family to join and give back to those in need. G.W. is my 17.1 hand Tennessee Walking horse who we board close by. Equestrian, livestock, and animal activities are near and dear to our hearts. We welcomed Miss Tinkerbell Marie to our family last year as a rescue Frenchie. She loves our parks and city. You will likely see us out and about! The music and health care organizations are improving so many lives, and I am grateful to be able to serve when and where they need me across the states. In the warmer days, I tend to my butterfly garden, welcome our hummers and birds while hoping the squirrels do not get all their food. Squirrels are so smart! Anytime we can soak up some sun, enjoy the parks or be able to give back to the community we are grateful for those precious moments. We are so blessed to live, learn, work, and play in Live Oak!

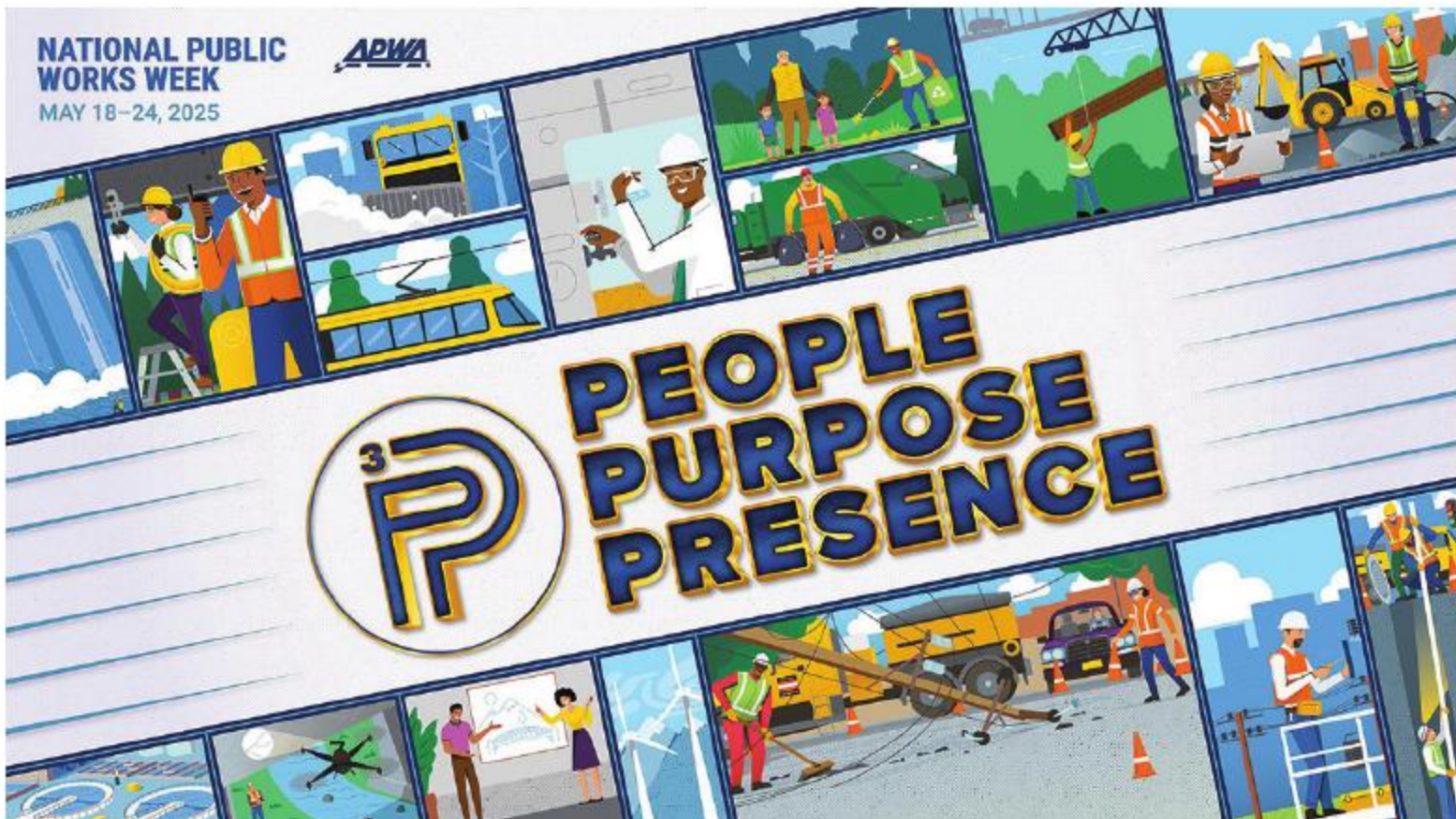
Q4 - What advice would you give someone wanting to get involved in local government?
Live Oak is a small hometown with a heart as big as Texas. We have a plethora of opportunities to get started and to start giving back. From the arts, parks, garden club, humane society, L.O.C.A.P., S.O.L.O., multiple schools or to our many City boards and commissions, there is so much to do and always room at the table to join us on so many layers of civic engagement. Through all these opportunities, we truly live, learn, work, and play as we partner and collaborate on meaningful, relevant, and impactful policy needs for our home every day of the year.

Q5 - What do you love most about serving the residents of Live Oak?
Our Live Oak team is an inspiring family of earthly angels and incredibly selfless humans. Every day I see Live Oak helping Live Oak and beyond. I see our team working together to foster and cultivate modern policies and projects across all our many layers and facets of our home. Seeing our growth, fiscal stewardship, sustainable projects, transformational and servant leadership in our locoregional and state endeavors and our generous spirit of giving makes my heart overwhelmed with pride and love. Each policy initiative and each project are time intensive with due diligence and labor of love for Live Oak and our region. Together we are able to make so many efforts for Live Oak because our teamwork makes the dream work!

Q6 - What has been the most rewarding moment while serving the premier community of Live Oak?
Hearing and seeing feedback from residents and even those from outside of Live Oak commending our team on their leadership, new policy initiative, enjoying family time with our many events and amenities and sharing they are bringing other families to experience Live Oak. Having staff share their appreciation for the culture of and support of Team Live Oak. There is so

much to be grateful for in serving our home. United together each day, in each moment to share in our Live Oak precious moments side by side. I love and appreciate each one of those precious moments. I know we are making beautiful memories for Live Oak today and look forward to making more with my Live Oak family in future endeavors. May God continue to bless us with many more precious moments together. Viva Live Oak! Adelante Juntos! Forward together!





"Public works employees go above and beyond every day, quietly supporting the systems that keep our cities running."

Learn more about APWA and National Public Works Week here



Unsung Heroes: The Vital Work of Public Works Employees

Every day, without fanfare or recognition, a dedicated team of professionals ensures our communities run smoothly and safely. Public Works employees are the backbone of our cities, maintaining everything from our streets and water supply to the beauty of our parks and public spaces.

Keeping the City Moving

Public Works employees are responsible for the care and maintenance of our streets, ensuring they remain safe and navigable. Whether patching potholes, repainting crosswalks, or responding to weather-related damage, these professionals work tirelessly to keep traffic flowing smoothly.

Green Spaces and City Beautification

Beyond infrastructure, Public Works employees play a crucial role in enhancing the aesthetic appeal of our cities. They plant and maintain trees, flowers, and other flora that make our parks and streetscapes vibrant and inviting.

Recreation for All

Public Works teams don't just maintain—they innovate. They introduce and oversee

new and exciting recreational opportunities for the public, from building playgrounds to maintaining sports fields and organizing community events. Their work ensures that families, children, and individuals of all ages have access to safe and enjoyable recreational spaces.

The Lifeline of Clean Water

Few services are as vital as the delivery of clean, safe drinking water. Public Works employees oversee water treatment facilities, manage reservoirs, and maintain pipelines that bring fresh water to our homes. Their expertise and dedication ensure that this essential resource remains available, meeting health and safety standards for the entire community.

Pool Perfection

When summer arrives, many of us flock to public pools to cool off. Behind the scenes, Public Works employees ensure that these aquatic facilities remain safe, clean, and inviting. From testing water quality to maintaining pool equipment, their work allows families to enjoy a refreshing dip without a second thought.

Stormwater and Drainage Maintenance

Proper stormwater and drainage maintenance is crucial in preventing flooding, erosion, and water contamination. Public works employees manage storm drains, culverts, and retention ponds, ensuring that rainwater is effectively channeled away from streets and properties. Their work helps protect homes, businesses, and roadways from water damage, improving overall public safety and environmental health.

Always on Call

Public works employees don't clock out when the rest of us do. They are called in at all hours

to handle emergencies, from burst water mains and fallen trees to de-icing roadways and storm cleanup. Their commitment to public safety and well-being means they often work in extreme weather conditions, ensuring our cities remain functional and secure.

Recognizing Their Dedication

Though they may not always be visible, Public Works employees are indispensable to our daily lives. Their dedication to service, often in challenging conditions, deserves our deepest gratitude. As National Public Works Week approaches, let's take a moment to acknowledge their hard work and express our appreciation.

So, the next time you drive on a freshly paved road, enjoy a stroll through a well-maintained park, or turn on your tap for a glass of clean water, remember the Public Works employees who make it all possible. They may work in the background, but their contributions are front and center in making our communities better places to live.

STAY PREPARED! #FloodInsurance. YESTERDAY FLASH FLOOD WARNING, TODAY FLASH FLOOD WARNING, TOMORROW FLASH FLOOD WARNING. Includes QR code and FEMA logo.



ARMED FORCES DAY Parade

MAY 17TH • 10 AM

The grandstand viewing area will be located at the Clubhouse parking lot, 7901 Shin Oak Drive. Make plans to join us at this location for FREE

- Hot Dogs, Games, Chips & Drinks, DJ music, Face Painting, Special Giveaways

PARADE ROUTE:

The Armed Forces Day Parade will travel down Forest Bluff, turn left on Toepperwein, right onto Leafy Hollow, left onto Welcome Dr., right onto Old Spanish Trail, and right onto Shin Oak Dr.





→ Hello SUMMER ←



Live Oak
Parks & Rec

2025 POOL SEASON

LIVE OAK POOL OPENS

May 31st at 12:00pm

SUMMER POOL HOURS

ARE AS FOLLOWS:



JUNE

Tuesday – Sunday

12pm–8pm

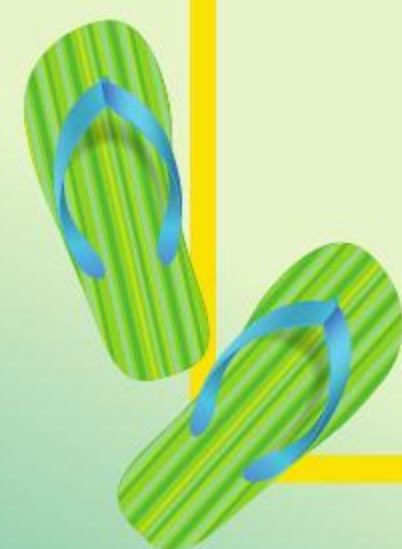
CLOSED on Mondays

JULY & AUGUST

Tuesday – Sunday

1pm–7pm

CLOSED on Mondays



LIVE OAK POOL POLICIES AND ADMISSION INFORMATION

Daily pool admission is \$3.00 for Live Oak residents. A current driver's license is required as proof of residency, and this will be the only accepted form of identification for residency verification.

Daily admission for non-residents is \$10.00 per person.

Residents may purchase a pool pass beginning May 19th at the Public Works building for \$40 per person. Proof of residency is required.

For more information about the Live Oak pool, visit www.liveoaktx.net or contact Jymie at jperna@liveoaktx.net or 210-653-9143.

JR. FISHING Day



- Anglers 13 and under ONLY!
- Bring all of your own fishing gear*.
- Adult supervision required.
- No license required for the day for any age!

*LIMITED # OF RODS/REELS ON LOAN

Lakeside at Main Park
7800 Lazy Forest Dr.
Live Oak, TX 78233



A special thank you to:





Village Florist Celebrates 20th Anniversary

Beloved local florist and shop owner April Wapniewski is celebrating a major milestone: 20 years in business. On April 1st, she hosted a special re-grand opening to commemorate the occasion. The date holds deep significance, as it marks the day she purchased the business two decades ago and her late mother’s birthday.

April’s passion for floral design began while working at Windcrest Florist through a student co-op program at Roosevelt High School. When Windcrest Florist closed in 1999, she remained dedicated to her craft, soon joining Village Florist under the mentorship of shop owner Dona Dice. After six years, when Dona decided to retire, she offered April the opportunity to take over the business. With the support of her parents, Gary and Darlene, April became the owner of Village Florist at just 27 years old, officially taking the reins on April 1, 2005.

From the beginning, Village Florist has been a family affair. April and her mother, Darlene, operated the shop while her father, Gary, managed deliveries. “I wouldn’t have the shop if it weren’t for my parents taking a chance on their daughter,” April reflected. “I imagine they’re looking down with pride and happiness as they watch my business bloom after 20 years.” Her dedicated team has also made April’s success possible, including floral designer Toni and delivery drivers Diana and Stephen.



The anniversary celebration brought together local elected officials, city administrators, staff, family, Tri-County Chamber of Commerce dignitaries, and loyal customers, all joining in honoring Village Florist’s longstanding presence in the community.

Guests received a warm and festive welcome as the shop celebrated its journey, growth, and commitment to providing beautiful floral arrangements and exceptional service.

This milestone not only honors the past 20 years but also looks ahead to a blooming future. April and her team will be further recognized in July when she is presented with a 20th-anniversary award at the annual Business Appreciation Luncheon.

Starbucks Welcomes New General Manager Jayla Washington

Live Oak and Starbucks are thrilled to introduce the new General Manager of Starbucks Live Oak #24428 on Pat Booker Road!

Jayla Washington has 7 years of experience in the coffee and hospitality industry and a deep passion for community engagement and exceptional customer service. As the leader of our local Starbucks, she is eager to build strong connections with customers, support local initiatives, and ensure Starbucks remains a welcoming space for all.

This year marks the 10th anniversary of Starbucks #24428, and with it comes an exciting, planned renovation to refresh the store’s aesthetics. Jayla will oversee this transformation, ensuring a smooth process while keeping customers happy and providing the same great service. The renovations will include upgrading the seating lounge, modernizing the



interior design, updating the store layout for efficiency, and adding an Armed Forces Military merchandise store. Please join us in giving Jayla a warm welcome. Stop by to say hello, grab your favorite coffee, and experience the outstanding service and atmosphere Starbucks is known for.



Aquarius Pediatrics Welcomes New Doctor

Dr. Shepherd was born and raised in San Antonio. What started as a dream of being a doctor as a child turned into a more serious desire to practice medicine after her experiences at Health Careers High School. She attended The University of Texas at San Antonio for her undergraduate education and obtained a degree in Kinesiology. She later attended the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston, Texas, where she fully embraced the laid-back island life. Her passion for caring for children was cemented in medical school.

She and her husband moved to Memphis, Tennessee, for her pediatric residency. After finishing her pediatric



training, Dr. Shepherd and her husband moved to Austin, Texas. She worked at a community health center and greatly enjoyed caring for many underserved communities in Austin. However, in 2025, the pull to return to her home city was too strong!

During her free time, Dr. Shepherd can be found chasing her energetic son, going on local adventures with her family, reading books, or drinking a nice cup of coffee with friends. She is so thankful to be back in San Antonio and is looking forward to serving the children of the San Antonio area in the supportive and caring environment at Aquarius Pediatrics.



Save the Date

15th Annual Business Appreciation Luncheon

Wednesday, July 9, 2025

11:15 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

**Hilton Garden Inn & Live Oak Conference Center
8101 Pat Booker Road, Live Oak, Texas 78233**

Join us for great food, networking, and a rootin'
tootin' good time! Dust off your boots and get ready to
wrangle up new opportunities.
Invitations will be mailed out in June!

Hometown News Travels ✈️

If you would like to be featured in the
Hometown News Travels section of the magazine, just submit a high-resolution photo
of you and the Hometown News at your travel location to dlowder@liveoaktx.net.
The submittal should include your name and your location.





City Seals the Past: Time Capsule to Be Opened in 2060

Did you know that on April 9-10, 2010, the city celebrated its 50th anniversary of incorporation with a two-day community event filled with live bands, local vendors, a street dance, and a spectacular fireworks display over the lake? The perfect weather brought out a large crowd, making the milestone even more memorable. One of the highlights of the festivities was the time capsule ceremony, during which a capsule was buried on the small island at the exit of City Hall's main parking lot, preserving artifacts and memories for future generations.

Among the items placed inside the capsule were local business memorabilia, a cookbook, a James Avery Live Oak Tree pendant, and a copy of the *NE Herald newspaper*, offering a snapshot of life in 2010. The event attracted a diverse group of residents, former residents, visitors, and local elected officials, all eager to be part of Live Oak's history.



For years, the location of the time capsule remained unmarked. However, it is now commemorated with a beautiful plaque, ensuring that its significance is recognized by future generations. The capsule is set to be unveiled in **April 2060**, offering a unique glimpse into the city's past as it celebrates its centennial milestone.



VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Steve Green

What Inspired Him to Volunteer?

Steve's volunteering journey began at home, inspired by his wife Angela's enthusiasm after serving at community events. Wanting to share in that joy, he joined her and found fulfillment in giving back. His favorite moments are seeing the pure joy on children's faces at the events.

How Volunteering Changed Him

Steve believes that time is the greatest gift a person can offer. "It's not about me—it's about being there for others. And in the process, I've learned that when you focus on giving, your own worries fade away." Volunteering has helped him become a more well-rounded person, teaching him the power of selflessness and gratitude.

Steve currently volunteers by assisting at City Events, is a Board Member on the Zoning Board of Adjustment, and is a Board Member on the Visit Live Oak Advisory Board.



Live Oak thrives because of passionate, community-driven individuals who make a real impact. With over 15,000 residents, Live Oak offers a vibrant environment for families, young professionals, veterans, and retirees, blending urban amenities with suburban charm. We need what makes you unique to help shape our city's future—join us as a volunteer and make a difference today!

Marie Atkinson



A Moment She'll Never Forget

During the Blue Santa program in the midst of COVID, LOCAP (Live Oak Citizens Assisting Police) received enough donations to give not only toys to children but also H-E-B gift cards to families. "I'll never forget one mother who broke down in tears, thanking us because that H-E-B gift card meant her family could have a Christmas dinner." That moment solidified why Marie keeps showing up, year after year.

The Heart of Volunteering

Marie believes that volunteering is one of the most fulfilling things a person can do. "You get out of it what you put into it," she says. "There may not be a paycheck, but the rewards are endless—friendships, purpose, and the knowledge that you're making someone's day just a little bit better."

Marie currently volunteers as President of LOCAP, assisting in police events like Jr Police Academy, is the Chairperson on the Dangerous Structure Determination Board, and is a Board Member on the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

Daniel Buntjer

What Inspired Him to Volunteer?

Daniel's frequent walks with his dog through Main Park opened his eyes to the positive changes happening around him. When he saw a call for board applications, he thought, "I love this park—why not be part of the change?" That moment sparked his journey into volunteering.

Favorite Volunteering Memory

Daniel's very first event, Live Oak Jr Fishing Day, left a lasting impression. Watching kids light up with excitement as they reeled in their first fish reminded him why community involvement is so important. "The pure joy on their faces—it was infectious. I knew right then that I wanted to do more," he recalls.



Daniel currently volunteers by assisting at City Events, is a Board Member on the Parks & Recreation Commission and Tree Care Board, and is a Board Member on the Visit Live Oak Advisory Board.



WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

- ✓ Volunteer at Police, Animal Control, Parks, Events, Boards and Commissions & More
- ✓ Opportunities for All Ages & Skill Levels
- ✓ Opportunities for Businesses, Churches, Schools & Local Clubs
- ✓ Family Friendly Opportunities
- ✓ Even a few hours can make a HUGE impact!



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FOR MORE INFO ON HOW TO VOLUNTEER



MORE INFO
LIVEOAKTX.NET/VOLUNTEER



QUESTIONS? CONTACT US AT
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Reminder from the City of Live Oak Animal Control
Flea & Tick Prevention –Protecting Pets from Pests

As temperatures rise during the summer months, fleas and ticks become more active, posing risks to pets and their owners. These pests can cause irritation, and allergic reactions. They can also transmit serious diseases like Lyme disease and tapeworm infestations, just to name a few.

TO PROTECT YOUR FURRY COMPANIONS, PET OWNERS SHOULD:

Use Preventative Treatments
Monthly flea and tick preventatives (topical, oral, or collars) are highly effective.

Check Pets Regularly
Inspect fur, especially after outdoor activities.

Maintain a Clean Environment.
Vacuum frequently, and wash pet bedding to reduce infestations.

Avoid High-Risk Areas
Be cautious in wooded or grassy areas where fleas and ticks thrive.

Consult a Veterinarian
Seek professional advice for the best prevention plan based on pet needs.

Treat Your Lawn for Infestations
Take proactive steps to control infestations from spreading throughout your property.

By staying proactive, pet owners can keep their furry companions safe and comfortable during flea and tick season.

If you have questions, contact your friendly Animal Control staff at 210-653-1755.



Live Oak Fire Department Elevates Rescue Capabilities with Elite Rope Training
A Commitment to Excellence in Technical Rescue

The Live Oak Fire Department (LOFD) continues to set the standard for technical rescue preparedness, recently completing an intensive rope rescue training program in collaboration with Texas Rescue and nationally recognized rope rescue instructor Andy Lancaster. This rigorous 40-hour course provided nine LOFD personnel with operations-level certification, further strengthening the department’s response capabilities for complex rescue incidents.

The training was designed to enhance the department’s readiness for high-angle rescues, confined space operations, and other specialized incidents requiring advanced rope techniques. Under the expert guidance of Lancaster, whose reputation as a premier instructor in the field is well known across the country, LOFD firefighters honed critical skills in mechanical advantage systems, patient packaging, and high-risk scenarios that demand precise execution and teamwork. “This training ensures that our firefighters are equipped with the knowledge and hands-on experience necessary to manage challenging rescue situations safely and effectively,” said Assistant Chief Drewry. “It’s about making sure that when the call comes in, our team has the confidence and ability to execute a successful rescue under pressure.”

The department’s ongoing commitment to technical rescue proficiency is part of a broader initiative to ensure every shift always has at least three fully technician-qualified firefighters available. The recent additions to the operations-level team will work alongside existing rope rescue technicians, bolstering LOFD’s ability to respond rapidly and efficiently to emergency situations where specialized skills are required.

By prioritizing continuous training and leveraging expertise from industry leaders like Andy Lancaster, LOFD is reinforcing its commitment to public safety and professional excellence. As the community continues to grow, the fire department remains steadfast in its mission to provide top-tier emergency response services, and ensure the highest level of preparedness for any challenge that may arise.

For more information about LOFD’s training initiatives and rescue capabilities, visit www.liveoaktx.net and find “Fire” under the Departments menu. You can also follow LOFD on the City of Live Oak on social media to stay in the know!





TxDOT's I-35 NEX Update QR for Quality Record

TxDOT-I-35 Northeast Expansion Construction News
Even Concrete Needs a Blanket When It's Cold or Hot
The bridge structures you see in the I-35 NEX construction corridor are strong, resilient giants, but it takes a little tender loving care to get them there. That's why the contractor working for TxDOT wrapped the freshly poured cap in this picture in orange insulating fabric.

Industrial blankets help large concrete structures cure correctly and achieve the desired strength, durability, and longevity by maintaining consistent temperature and moisture while the concrete dries.

In the winter, blankets protect against cold, which can slow curing and prevent concrete from reaching its full strength. In the summer, blankets protect against heat and help retain moisture loss, which also can prevent concrete from curing properly.

In conclusion, concrete curing blankets regulate temperature and moisture loss, helping freshly poured concrete cure to full strength.

I-35 NEX Central Progress Report

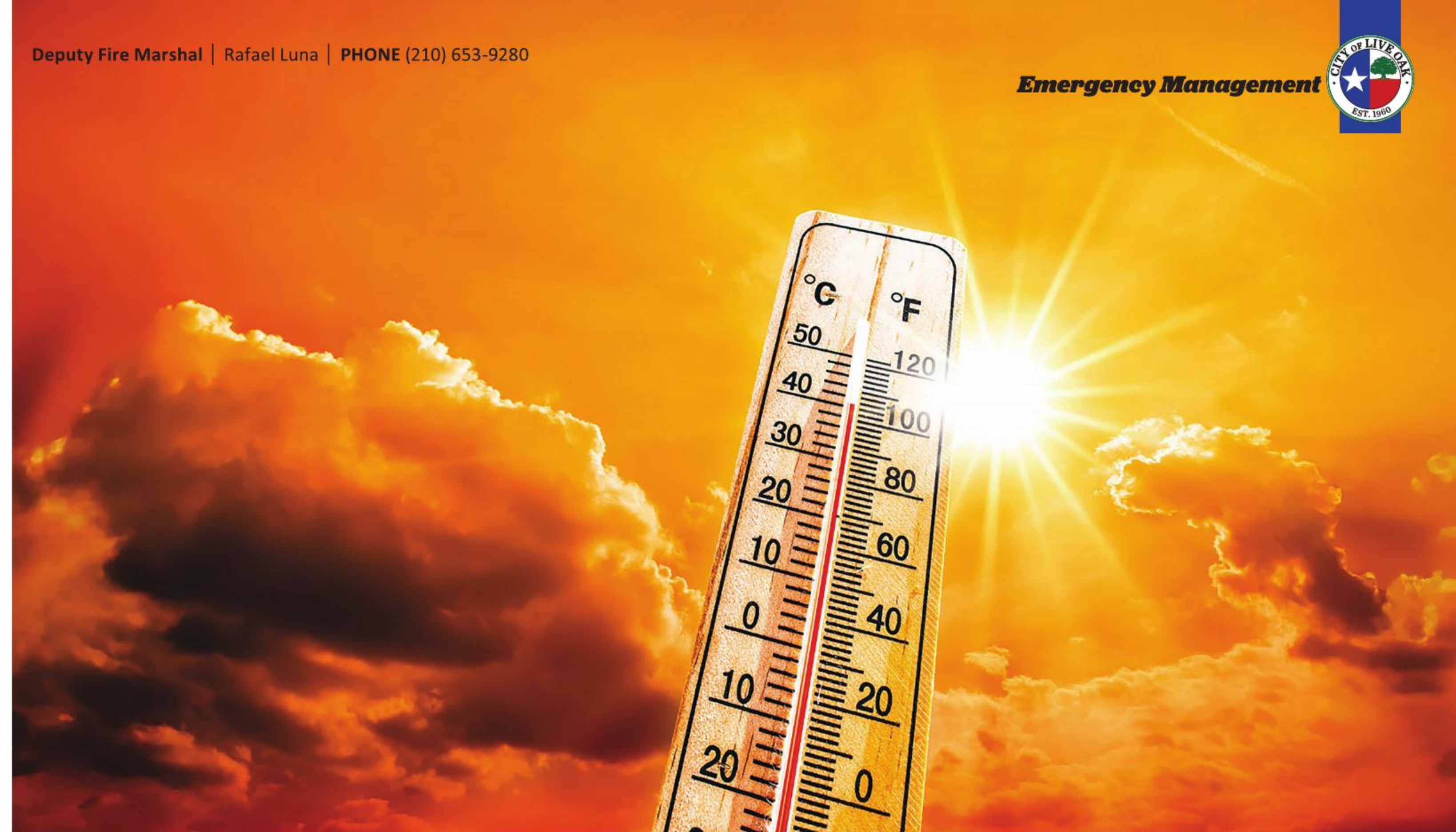
As of late February 2025, we are making significant progress on the drilled shafts for the columns along I-35, between Weidner Road and Park Booker Road. Out of a total of 257 drilled shafts in this section, 215 have been completed, which accounts for 84% of the work.

For more information or to sign up for updates, please scan the code below.



Deputy Fire Marshal | Rafael Luna | PHONE (210) 653-9280

Emergency Management



Emergency Management Heat Safety & Smoke Detector Program

During the upcoming summer months, temperatures can reach dangerous levels, especially when factoring in the heat index. Extreme heat can be particularly hazardous for children, the elderly, individuals with special needs, and pets. In addition to discomfort and fatigue, high temperatures can lead to heat cramps, heat exhaustion, and heat stroke. Stay informed, take precautions, and stay safe this summer!

Heat Safety Tips:

- Stay hydrated by drinking plenty of water.
- Avoid strenuous outdoor activities during peak heat hours.
- Wear lightweight, loose-fitting clothing and use sunscreen.
- Never leave children or pets in a parked vehicle.
- Check on elderly neighbors and those with special needs.
- Recognize the signs of heat-related illnesses and seek medical help if needed.
- Contact **210-653-9280** for a free box fan through **PROJECT COOL** (while supplies last).



Smoke Detector Program:

Live Oak residents may qualify for a free battery-operated smoke detector if they:

- Reside in the City of Live Oak.
- Own their home. **(Renters do not qualify)**

If you qualify and would like to schedule installation or if you have questions regarding the criteria, call the Live Oak Fire Department at **210-653-9280**. (Interconnected smoke detectors are not eligible.)

Tell us and you could win
\$100 gift card
to any Live Oak business



- QUESTION 1:**
*How often do you use the **LOCAL** section of the magazine?*
- QUESTION 2:**
*What category in the **LOCAL** section do you reference the most?*
- QUESTION 3:**
Where do you keep your copy of the Hometown News?
- QUESTION 4:**
What do you like best about the magazine?
- QUESTION 5:**
What is your favorite Live Oak business?

**Enter
to WIN!**
\$100 gift card



- The winner will be notified by email and will have 48 hours to claim their prize otherwise a new winner will be chosen.
- We'll meet at your favorite Live Oak business for a photo op and, to present you with your \$100 gift card.
- The photo will appear in the Jul/Aug 2025 issue of the Hometown News.
- The winner will be chosen and notified by the end of July

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- Arbor at Centerbrook
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Aspire at Live Oak
210.320.0573
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Mira Loma Apartments
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Madeira Apartments At Live Oak
210.749.8172
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210.298.5477
Auto Select
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210.538.9185
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210.424.1400
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- Angel Maids | Angel Pro
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Perilous Times Restoration
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Kobe Teppan & Sushi
210.634.9333
Sukhumvit 77 Thai Restaurant
210.314.3644
Ten Seconds Yunnan Rice Noodle
210-616-2202
Umiya Sushi & Seafood Grill
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210.867.3436
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726.262.0390
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210.653.8903
Garden Grille & Bar
210.412.5923
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Hat Creek Burger Company
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Red Robin Gourmet Burgers
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Wendy's
210.658.0386
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210.654.9405

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210.656.5225
Happy Day Café
210.462.1911
Henry's Roadside Snacks
210.653.3673 ext 362
International House of Pancakes - IHOP
210.945.0911
LaMadeleine French Bakery & Cafe
210.306.2922
Mr. C's Fried Chicken and Waffles
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EAT & DRINK - Donuts & Coffee

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Bring in this ad and receive a
\$3 medium hot or iced latte
(excludes signature lattes)

Cannot be combined with other offers. Expires 6/30/25

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Live Oak, TX 78233

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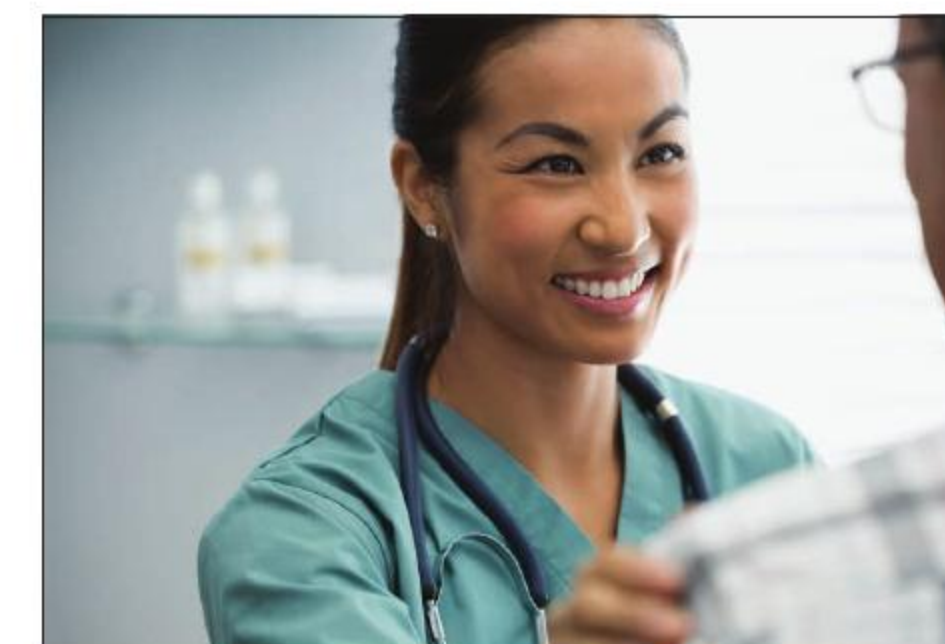
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