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THE CITY OF

LIVE OAK, TEXAS



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JANUARY - FEBRUARY 2015

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OFFICIAL MEETINGS

City Council Meetings:

2nd and last Tuesday of each month at 7 pm.

Parks & Recreation Commission Meetings:

1st Monday of each month at 7 pm unless the first Monday is a holiday, then the meeting will be held on the 2nd Monday of the month.

Board of Adjustment Meetings: Held as necessary

Economic Development Corporation Meetings:

Last Monday of every month at 6 pm

Planning & Zoning Commission Meetings:

Held as necessary

FUTURE EVENTS

Farmer's Market: Tuesday's 9am -2pm/Alamo Colleges Parking Lot/Village Oak

January 19: Best of Live Oak Ballots Due

Jan 5 - Feb 2: Registration for Daddy Daughter Dance @ City Hall

Feb 21: Daddy Daughter Dance @ Olympia Hills Golf and Event Center 5-8pm



Minute with the Mayor



Dear Citizens,

As we say goodbye to 2014 and welcome 2015, I would like to wish each and every one of you a very happy, healthy and prosperous new year! Thank you all for your trust and friendship throughout the years while serving as your mayor. All of you make Live Oak one of the warmest and friendliest communities to call home.

I would like to personally thank all of our City's boards and commission members for a job well done! These individuals volunteer their time and efforts, all for their affection and concern for our wonderful city. I would also like to thank all the city staff for insuring our safety each and every day, beautifying and maintaining our lovely parks and tending to

the day to day operations at City Hall. We are very fortunate to have so many wonderful employees who take care of all our needs.

Live Oak continues to grow by leaps and bounds! We are very excited and fortunate to welcome several new businesses to our city, including: The Hilton Garden Inn & Live Oak Conference Center, Burger King, Starbucks, 54th Street Bar and Grill and McAllister's Deli to name a few.

As we enter this new year, the City continues to be in the very best financial hands thanks to our Finance Department. We have once again received another Government Finance Officers Association Certificate of Excellence. This is the City's



Pictured left to right: Councilman Mendell D. Morgan, Police Chief Ken Evans, Mayor Mary M. Dennis, McGruff, Councilman Ed Cimics

7th consecutive year we have received this prestigious award.

In closing, I look forward to another great new year serving as your mayor. I am available for comments or concerns at 210-792-7168 or by email at yourmayormary@yahoo.com. The best is yet to come!

*Mayor Mary M. Davis
& Council*





From the Office of Economic & Community Development

Jordan Matney, Assistant City Manager
Julie Palmer, Executive Assistant



Hilton Garden Inn Breaks Ground!

As most of you have probably noticed, there is a lot of activity and dirt moving near the old Civic Center site on Pat Booker. On November 13th, Mayor Mary M. Dennis, along with the City Council, Economic Development Corporation, staff from the City of Live Oak, officials from The Phoenix Hospitality Group, Randolph Brooks Federal Credit Union, and other public and elected officials came together to celebrate this momentous occasion in breaking ground for the prestigious hotel.

San Antonio based Phoenix Hospitality Group has taken the lead in bringing in the 139 room hotel and 12,000 square foot conference center with a lineup of Hilton-class amenities to Live Oak. We are proud of the continued revitalization of Pat Booker Road with the hotel development nestled between the Live Oak Crossing Shopping Center and the new Starbucks, Burger King, McAlister's Deli and 54th Street Grill and Bar.



Live Oak's First Annual 5K!

On November 22, 2014, the Live Oak Economic Development Corporation and the Tri County Chamber of Commerce sponsored the first ever Shop Live Oak 5K. The rain couldn't keep our dedicated runners, sponsors and volunteers away. We had a great time and supported Small Business Saturday. Remember to support your local businesses and Shop Live Oak! A very special thank you to our sponsors: Humana, Leapfrog Promotions, Alamo Colleges, Forest Waters Club, Toepferwein Oral and Facial Surgery, Toepferwein Dental and Back to Health Chiropractic. The Live Oak Citizens on Patrol and Esplanade Gardens volunteered to work our water stations. We look forward to an even bigger and better 5K next year, so stay tuned!



Live Oak Welcomes The Whopper!

Burger King opened its doors December 2nd and is satisfying those cravings of delicious flame kissed burgers and more! All of us in Live Oak couldn't be more proud and excited to have them in our city! Each day, Burger King serves over 11 million hungry folks. Founded in 1954, BURGER KING® is the second largest fast food hamburger chain in the world. Their commitment to premium ingredients, signature recipes, and family-friendly dining experiences is what

has defined their brand for more than 50 successful years. Burger King has a delicious and diversified menu offering breakfast, a wide variety of salads, tasty chicken, sandwiches and yummy sweet treats. They are located at 8131 Pat Booker Road. You can visit them on the web @ www.bk.com.

Presented by the Economic Development Corporation



Awards

Complete the attached ballot and return no later than January 19th to vote for your favorite Live Oak establishment.

Ballots can also be found online at www.liveoaktx.net and Facebook. Paper ballots can be turned in at City Hall or placed in the drop box in front of City Hall.

Plaques will be awarded to the top vote recipient in each of the 23 categories.

Remember to support your local businesses and Shop Live Oak!

Make sure you support local Live Oak businesses and remember to SHOP LIVE OAK! For information on various business incentives and recognition efforts, please contact Julie Palmer, Economic and Community Development at 210-653-9140, ext. 219 or jpalmer@liveoaktx.net



BEST HAMBURGER:

- Biff Buzby's Burgers
- Bikinis Sports Bar and Grill
- Buffalo Wild Wings
- Burger King
- Carl's Jr.
- Denny's
- Five Guys Burgers & Fries
- Flaco's Burgers & Tacos
- Houlihan's
- Red Robin Gourmet Burgers
- Texas Roadhouse
- Wendy's
- Whataburger

BEST SANDWICH:

- Firehouse Subs
- Jimmy John's Gourmet Sandwiches
- Panera Bread Café
- Subway
- Williams Confectionery

BEST PIZZA:

- Chuck E. Cheese
- Little Caesar's
- Noble Roman's Pizza (inside Laser Legend)
- Papa John's Pizza
- Peter Piper Pizza
- Zio's Italian Kitchen

BEST BREAKFAST TACO:

- El Tejano Mexican Restaurant
- Flaco's Burgers & Tacos
- Las Palapas
- Picosito Mexican Restaurant
- Whataburger

BEST STEAK:

- Denny's
- Houlihan's
- Lion and the Rose
- Outback Steakhouse
- Sea Island Shrimp House
- Texas Roadhouse

BEST PLACE TO GET A SWEET TREAT:

- Coldstone Creamery
- Dairy Queen
- Williams Confectionery

BEST HAPPY HOUR:

- Beer Goggles
- Bikini's Sports Bar & Grill
- Buffalo Wild Wings
- Halftime Lounge
- Houlihan's
- Lion & Rose Pub
- Outback Steakhouse
- Red Robin
- Texas Roadhouse

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BEST FAST FOOD RESTAURANT:

- Burger King
- Carl's Junior
- Dairy Queen
- Golden Chick
- Fire House Subs
- Five Guy's
- Jimmy John's
- Little Caesar's
- Subway
- Wendy's
- Whataburger
- Wok on Wheels

BEST CHAIN RESTAURANT:

- Bikini's Sports Bar and Grill
- Buffalo Wild Wings
- Denny's
- Genghis Grill
- Houlihan's
- IHOP
- Las Palapas
- Lion and the Rose
- Outback Steakhouse
- Panera Bread
- Red Robin
- Sea Island Shrimp House
- Texas Roadhouse
- Zio's Italian Kitchen

BEST ENTERTAINMENT VENUE:

- Big Green Gym Bus
- Chuck E. Cheese
- Game Worx
- Game Truck
- Laser Legend/Glo Golf
- Regal Cinema

BEST LOCAL RESTAURANT:

- Alamo BBQ
- Biff Buzby's Burgers
- BKK Bangkok Cuisine
- El Tejano Mexican Restaurant
- Flaco's Burgers and Tacos
- Picosito Mexican Restaurant
- Williams Confectionary

BEST PLACE TO WATCH SPORTS:

- Beer Goggles
- Bikini's Sports Bar & Grill
- Buffalo Wild Wings
- Lion and the Rose

BEST HAIR SALON:

- Anointed Cuts
- Blondes, Brunettes and Redheads
- Claudia Salon and Spa
- Five Star Salon
- Great Clips
- Hair Factory
- Knockouts Haircuts for Men
- Salone Extreme
- Salons by JC
- Shear Madness Haircuts for Kids
- Supercuts
- Textures Salon and Spa
- Whitney's Family Hair Care

BEST NAIL SALON:

- Angel Nails
- Kathy's Nails
- Nails Care
- Claudia Salon and Spa

BEST CAR DEALERSHIP:

- Jordan Ford
- World Car Hyundai
- World Car Nissan

BEST HOTEL:

- Great Value Inn
- Hampton Inn
- Hawthorne Suites by Wyndham
- La Quinta Inn
- Value Place Inn

BEST SHOPPING CENTER:

- Brentwood Plaza
- The Forum
- Gateway Plaza
- I 35 Plaza
- Live Oak Crossing
- The Village Shopping Center
- The Village at Forum Parkway

BEST EDUCATIONAL FACILITY:

- Alamo Colleges University Center
- Crestview Elementary School
- Ed Franz Elementary School
- Northeast Lakeview
- Judson Early College Academy

BEST APARTMENT COMPLEX:

- Heritage Apartments at Live Oak
- High Key Apartments
- Meadows Apartments
- Mira Loma
- Village at Mira Loma
- The Springs at Live Oak

BEST NEIGHBORHOOD:

- Hidden Village
- Woodcrest
- Auburn Hills of Woodcrest
- Retama Hollow
- Mircom
- Bridlewood
- Brentwood Oaks
- Live Oak Village Estates

I'M MOST EXCITED ABOUT:

- 54th Street Bar and Grill
- Burger King
- Hilton Garden Inn and Live Oak Conference Center
- McAlister's Deli
- Starbucks

BEST CUSTOMER SERVICE:
(Write-in Vote)

BEST HOME BASED BUSINESS:
(Write-in Vote)

VOTE NOW

TEAR out this section and
TURN IT in at City Hall
OR
DROP IT in the drop box by
JANUARY 19, 2015



12 Days of Christmas



Thank You Sponsors!

Our second annual "12 Days of Christmas" was a huge success and we would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our sponsors for their participation.



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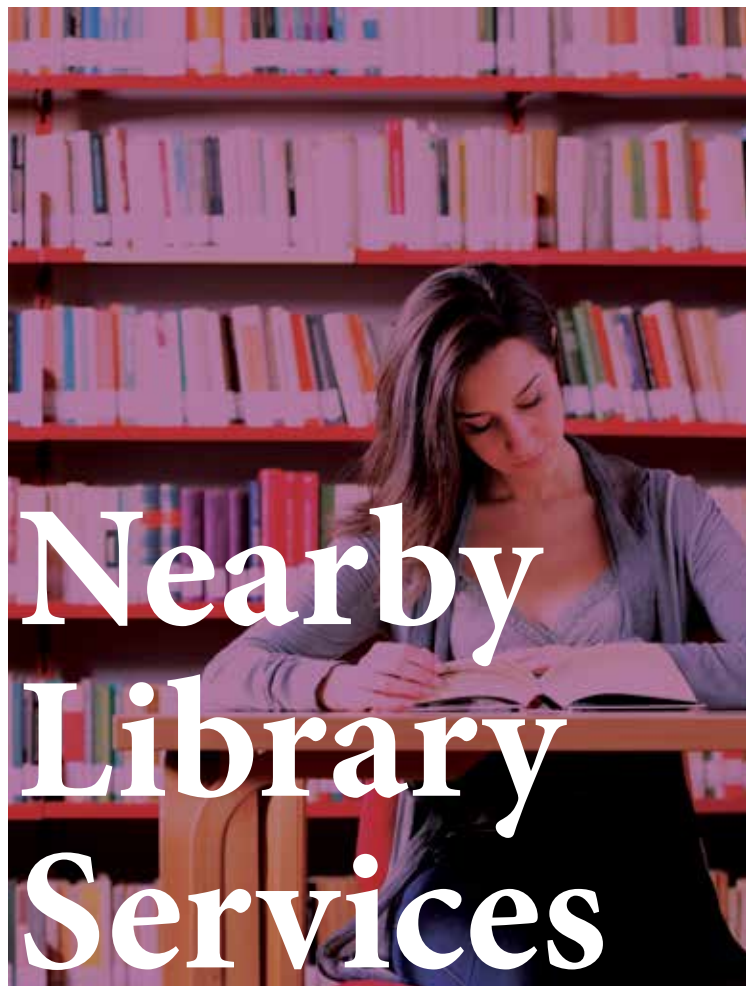
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Nearby Library Services

While the City of Live Oak does not own and operate our own public library, our residents do have access to two wonderful library options without venturing far from home. Both the City of Universal City Public Library services and the City of San Antonio Public Library System are available free of charge to Live Oak residents.

City of Universal City Library

The City of Universal City is currently in the process of building a brand new library! The library system in Universal City is available to anybody who is a resident of the state of Texas and is free of charge! The temporary location for the Universal City Public Library, which will reopen in mid-December is: 401 W. Byrd. Avenue, Universal City, TX 78148.

For more information on this wonderful resource, please visit them online at www.universalcitytexas.com, on Facebook at www.facebook.com/UniversalCityPublicLibrary, or call 210-659-7048.

City of San Antonio Library System

The City of San Antonio Public Library Systems offers a large array of services that are free of charge to any resident of Bexar County. A list of branches, services and additional information can be found at www.mysapl.com.

The closest location to Live Oak is the Semmes Library Branch located at: 15060 Judson Rd., San Antonio, TX 78247. For more information, contact the Semmes Public Library at 210-207-9110.

From the Office of Parks & Recreation

By Courtney Weese, Recreation Coordinator



Annual Daddy Daughter Dance

February 21, 2015

Come experience a magical winter wonderland at the annual Daddy Daughter Dance! Spend the evening dancing the night away with your little girl while making memories that will last a lifetime. Don't miss out, sign up early! Registration is from January 5th through February 2nd at the Live Oak City Hall, 8001 Shin Oak Drive. Contact Courtney Weese at 653-9140 ext. 235 for more information.

Interested in Becoming a Lifeguard?

Happy New Year from Parks and Recreation! There are many wonderful programs and activities that take place year round in the City of Live Oak, with one very popular attraction being the Municipal Swimming Pool.

Every year, countless young adults inquire about becoming a Live Oak lifeguard. Summer will be here before you know it, and now is the time to consider obtaining American Red Cross lifeguard certification. Potential lifeguards for the City of Live Oak must be at least 16 years old, and have a current lifeguard certification through the ARC. Job announcements, when available, will be posted on the city website, marquees and at City Hall. For further information regarding certification procedures, please contact the local branch of the ARC at (210) 224-5151 or www.redcross.org/tx/san-antonio.



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From the Office of Public Works

By Mark Wagster, Public Works Director

FREE Household Hazardous Waste DISPOSAL PICK UP

Do you have old paint, pesticides, herbicides, batteries or fluorescent light bulbs; electronic waste such as computers, monitors and laptops, that need to be disposed of? Live Oak residents please call 1-800-HHW-PKUP (1-800-449-7587).

Stormwater Pollution

Oil and antifreeze from leaking cars pollutes. When it rains, water runs over the ground and picks up oil, antifreeze, and other pollutants and carries them to our streams and lakes. Please keep your vehicle in good working condition.

Christmas Tree Drop Off Site

A Christmas tree drop off site will be available across from the Live Oak Clubhouse (7901 Shin Oak Dr.) until Friday, January 30, 2015. Please remove all tinsel or other decorations before you drop off your tree.

Free Toilet Program Has Been Extended

Apply for your free toilet today.

Are you a single family residential customer living in the City of Live Oak?

Are you on the Live Oak Water System, not SAWS (San Antonio Water System)?

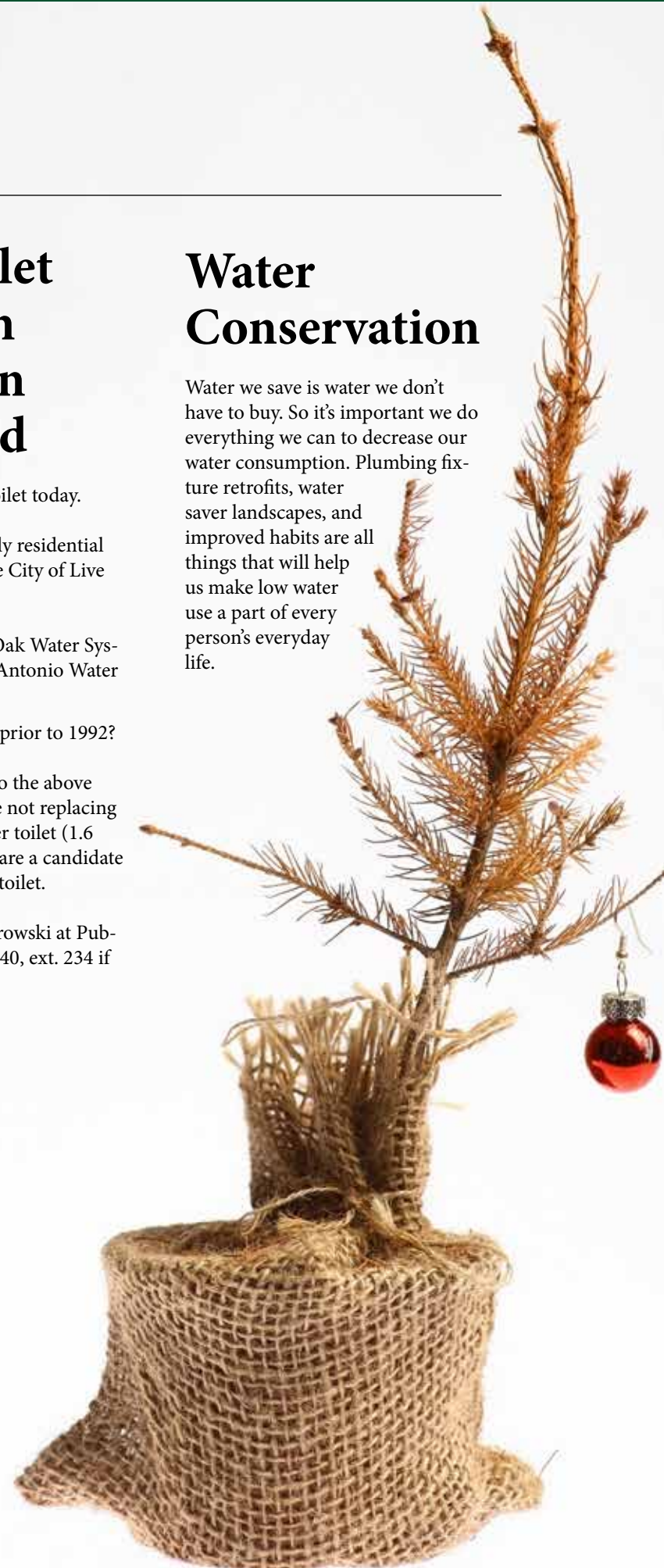
Was your home built prior to 1992?

If the answer is YES to the above questions and you are not replacing an existing water saver toilet (1.6 gallon or lower), you are a candidate for a free water saver toilet.

Please call Cathi Piotrowski at Public Works 210-653-9140, ext. 234 if you are interested.

Water Conservation

Water we save is water we don't have to buy. So it's important we do everything we can to decrease our water consumption. Plumbing fixture retrofits, water saver landscapes, and improved habits are all things that will help us make low water use a part of every person's everyday life.



From the Office of Live Oak Animal Control

Let's Take Care of Our Fur...



You Can Help!

We all love our animals here in Live Oak. Unfortunately, there are always some that get lost and can't find their way home, and there are times when their owners just aren't able to take care of them any longer.

While they are with us, we try our best to make them as comfortable and well cared for as possible. It can be very stressful on these animals. Some have never been in kennels before and it can be very traumatizing.

To make their time with us more pleasant while we attempt to find them a new home or their owners, the Live Oak Animal Control is accepting blankets, towels, dog/puppy toys (nothing stuffed or with squeakers-choking hazard), chew toys, treats, and Adult and Small Breed dog food. These items can be dropped off at our animal care facility located at 8001 Shin Oak Drive between 8:00am and 5:00pm, Monday thru Friday.

Also, as a reminder for those of you who own pets here in Live Oak, please remember there is a leash law. This City Ordinance is in place for everyone's safety. Please be responsible and in control of your pet at all times.

If you have any questions regarding this or any other animal control concern, please don't hesitate to give them a call at 210.653.9140 ext. 228.

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Live Oak Village Garden Club In Need of Pots

The Live Oak Village Garden Club is requesting donations of 1 gallon or larger pots for reuse in propagating plants. Any new or used pots that you received plants in would be greatly appreciated. Please take any donations to the Live Oak Xeriscape Park at the corner of Toepperwein/Judson and Sage Oak. Any questions please call JoAnna Wheeler (210) 655-1036.

Thank you to the community for your participation during the Texas Arbor Day Celebration. The members of LOVGC would like to express their appreciation and gratitude to Mr. Ron McFadden for all of his assistance and cooperation during his tenure at the Public Works Department and wish him a heartfelt enjoyable retirement.



Fire Department
By Gerry Galindo
Assistant Fire Chief

Fire Extinguishers

Last year our Fire Prevention Week theme was “Working Smoke Alarms Save Lives – Test Yours Every Month.” There is another safety feature that we should all have to help us if an unexpected fire occurs in our home. A fire extinguisher is a very important tool that can save our lives and homes. During the holiday and cooler months we have a higher risk of fires due to the use of space heaters, candles and extra holiday lighting. Fire extinguishers are available at most home improvement stores as well as other types of retail stores.

Flames need fuel, oxygen and heat in order to burn. Fire extinguishers are designed to remove one of these elements by applying an agent that either cools the burning fuel, or removes

or displaces the surrounding oxygen. A typical fire extinguisher contains 10 seconds of extinguishing power. Of course, before using your fire extinguisher, be sure to read the instructions before it's too late. Although there are many different types of fire extinguishers, all of them operate in a similar manner. Remember to have them checked on an annual basis.

Once the fire is out Never Turn Your Back on the Fire! Watch the area for a few minutes in case it re-ignites. Recharge the extinguisher immediately after use.

Use this acronym as a quick reference (it is a good idea to print this reference and pin it next to your fire extinguisher):

PASS

- P** **PULL THE PIN** at the top of the extinguisher. The pin releases a locking mechanism and will allow you to discharge the extinguisher.
- A** **AIM AT THE BASE OF THE FIRE, NOT THE FLAMES.** This is important – in order to put out the fire, you must extinguish the fuel.
- S** **SQUEEZE THE LEVER SLOWLY.** This will release the extinguishing agent in the extinguisher. If the handle is released, the discharge will stop.
- S** **SWEEP FROM SIDE TO SIDE.** Using a sweeping motion, move the fire extinguisher back and forth until the fire is completely out. Operate the extinguisher from a safe distance, several feet away, and then move towards the fire once it starts to diminish. Once again, be sure to read the instructions on you fire extinguisher – different fire extinguishers recommend operating them from different distances. Remember: Aim at the base of the fire, not at the flames!!!

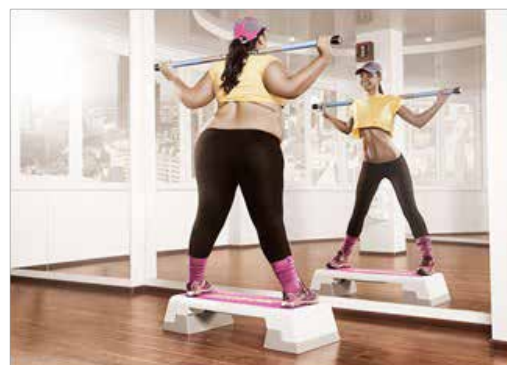
Any resident of Live Oak interested in a Fire Safety Inspection or a Smoke Alarm check for their home, please contact 210-653-9140 extension 386. These inspections are performed on a voluntary basis and are preventative in nature. The goal is to identify any potential safety hazards that can be improved to provide safety for our residents.



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From the Office of Emergency Management

By Gary L. Woppert, Emergency Manager

Emergency Preparedness

A brand New Year has arrived and so has Winter weather across the country. We already had some very cold temperatures and our first freeze came early. Looking back on 2014 it was a good year, at least from our perspective in Emergency Management. It was also a very safe year! We had very few severe weather events and hurricane season didn't pose any problems for us or the State of Texas. The drought was very persistent throughout most of the year along with the wildfire danger in many parts of the country. Fortunately there were very few fires in our region.

The weather outlook for the Winter months and into the Spring has changed several times based on an El Nino condition in the Pacific. The latest update seems to indicate temperatures may be slightly below normal and precipitation may be above normal. Needless to say this may change tomorrow if the El

Nino strengthens or weakens.

The biggest issue of the year was the Ebola outbreak. This was monitored closely by Emergency Management however it never affected the City. While Ebola is a deadly disease, the media created more concern than necessary. Flu season is upon us and sadly it will claim thousands of lives as it can be transmitted very easily. It's not too late to get a flu shot!

During 2014 the Office of Emergency Management reviewed the City's emergency plans as always and updated several to include the new Response and Recovery Plan. Numerous training programs were held within the departments and they all received monthly updates on preparedness activities. As always proclamations were issued by the Mayor for Severe Weather Awareness Week, Hurricane Preparedness Week, and National Preparedness Month. We hope all

citizens have prepared for a disaster with a family plan and you have some disaster supplies on hand. If you never got around to it in 2014 you have another chance in 2015. A good place to start is by having a family meeting. Develop your plan based on your specific family needs and then make a list of needed supplies. Don't forget to include the family pets! If you can't get all of your supplies at once, purchase a few each month and store them in a safe place.

For additional information regarding developing a family disaster plan and needed supplies you can visit these web sites. They are www.ready.gov - www.readysouthtexas.gov and www.texasprepares.org. In addition, you can also visit the Emergency Management Section on the City web site or contact Gary Woppert at 653-9140, Extension 379, via e-mail at gwoppert@liveoaktx.net, or stop by the office in the Fire Station during normal business hours.

Connect CTY Telephone Alert System

A reminder to all citizens regarding the City's telephone alerting system!

If you have changed telephone numbers, received a new cellular phone number, or changed your e-mail, make sure you update this information in the data base. All listed telephone numbers are included however those with unlisted telephone numbers are not.

All residents are encouraged to add their unlisted phone number along with cellular numbers, text messaging numbers, and even an e-mail address if you desire. If you want to update your numbers, simply go to the City web site. Under City Services, select the Connect CTY item and follow the instructions.

As a reminder there are NO individual costs for this service and the data base is secure. In addition, this telephone alerting system will be used first in the event of a City emergency. Our communications center has direct access and an emergency message can be sent out in minutes.

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Live Oak Police
Department

Live Oak Police Department Restorative Justice Program

Restorative Justice

The Live Oak Police Department is implementing a new program aimed at our youth. The program is named the Restorative Justice Program which promotes equitable justice through early intervention and non-adversarial conferencing methods with young offenders and the victims and their families, community members, and justice professionals. It is a collaborative effort between communities and justice agencies to bring harmonious resolutions to conflicts. It is our hope that using this type of program we can prevent many youth from the entering into the cycle of the judicial system by providing long term solutions. RJ is a victim-centered approach that addresses the needs of all individuals who are impacted by a criminal act and allows those affected to fully participate in the reparative process. In some cases the traditional policy responses to justice fail creating a need to focus less on retribution and punishment and concentrate more on reconciliation and repair. Justice organizations are restricted by laws and policies that prohibit flexibility when it comes to sanctions. RJ utilizes innovative non-punitive methods in holding the offender accountable for crime as well as working to repair the harm caused by the crime to the victim and the community. When a crime occurs, RJ focuses on these questions:

- Who has been hurt?
- What are their needs?
- Whose obligations are these?

Family Group Conferencing

Family group conferencing (FGC) is a dialogue driven process that includes all parties involved when a crime is committed. A facilitator helps the participants in the process and makes sure the conference remains on task. Some of the goals of the program are to give the victim and others a chance to get involved in the justice process and to have input with the sanctions. Some examples of sanctions may include letters of apology to victims and community members, restitution, or community service that is directly related to the event. Other objectives involve providing the offender an opportunity to become aware of the human impact crime has on victims and accept responsibility for their actions. At the end of the FGC a resolution may be reached and a plan to repair the harm is drafted holding the offender accountable.

The LOPDRJP is an alternative method to address crime and the needs of victims and communities. It establishes a framework for personal growth and accountability for offenders. RJ is a dialogue driven approach that allows the opportunity for victims and offenders to come together in a non-adversarial process to work on a resolution to repair the harms. Through collaborative efforts from all pertinent stakeholders, positive relationships can be developed and wrongs can be made right.

GOT WARRANTS?

Live Oak Municipal Court Amnesty Period

Tuesday, February 24, 2015

and Wednesday, February 25, 2015

Court will stay open until 6:00 pm

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Celebrating Staff!



Jordan Matney, Live Oak's New Assistant City Manager

With the vacancy of the Assistant City Manager, we took this opportunity to promote an employee within. When Jordan Matney was introduced to council as the new Assistant City Manager, it was said that she comes to work for the city with the intent to do excellent things every day.

Jordan has been with the city for 3 years, coming to us from the City of Portland, Texas. Jordan has served the City of Live Oak as the Manager of Economic and Community Development and many of the programs that the city is currently the most proud of came from or were influenced by her. The Zone Clean Ups have gained tremendous popularity, along with many of the Visual Improvement projects that the city has funded have been influenced by her, and much of the coordination of our community events have been touched by her professionalism.

It is our hopes that she has a long and successful career with the city and we are very fortunate to be able to promote and retain employees of this caliber. Please join me in welcoming Jordan Matney when you see her.

Congratulations

Vickie Steeneke Receives Certification

Vickie Steenbeke, Court Clerk recently completed training and testing for her Level II Texas Municipal League Court Clerks Certification Program. Vickie plans to continue the training, testing and requirements to receive her Level III certification as well. Vickie has done an excellent job with our Municipal Court and we would like to take this opportunity to recognize not only her desire to continue her professional development and education, but also her daily dedication to her job and the citizens of Live Oak. Thank you, Vickie!

Dee Riffle Retires after 14 Years of Dedicated Service

It is with mixed feelings that we announce the retirement of one of our employees. Dee Riffle has been with the City of Live Oak for 14 years and has decided it is time to retire. We wish her nothing but the very best. She will be dearly missed by everyone here at City Hall.

Dee began her journey with the City as a data entry clerk. Over the years she worked her way up to the position of finance clerk where she has been for the past eight years. Throughout these years Dee has been responsible for successfully processing all accounts payable and payroll. Her attention to detail and steadfast commitment is second to none. Dee has grown with the City and has become a well-loved and appreciated member of the Finance Department. Please join me in wishing her the best in the next steps of her journey.



Names left to right: Danny Klaus, Ken Smith, Lieutenant Terry Hand, Trevor Jones and Captain Robert Johnson

Live Oak F.D. Responds to Thanksgiving Day Fire

On Thanksgiving Day, the Live Oak Fire Department B-Shift responders were called out to a residential structure fire here in the City. We would like to thank each of them for their dedication and quick response to ensure the safety of the home's occupants.

Gerry Galindo, Asst. Fire Chief
Robert L. Johnson, Captain
Terry Hand, Lieutenant
Ken Smith, Firefighter/Investigator
Danny Klaus, Firefighter/Inspector
Trevor Jones, Firefighter

All personnel worked diligently to extinguish the fire. Unfortunately, the structure of origin was a total loss due to the severity of the fire. The two occupants of the structure were able to get out and only one of them required medical attention. However, the injured occupant was released from the hospital the same day.

We would also like to thank fire department units from Converse, Selma, Universal City, Schertz, Randolph AFB, Windcrest and Bracken who also responded to provide mutual-aid to the Live Oak Fire Department to assist in the extinguishment of the structure fire.



Robert L. Johnson Promoted to Fire Captain

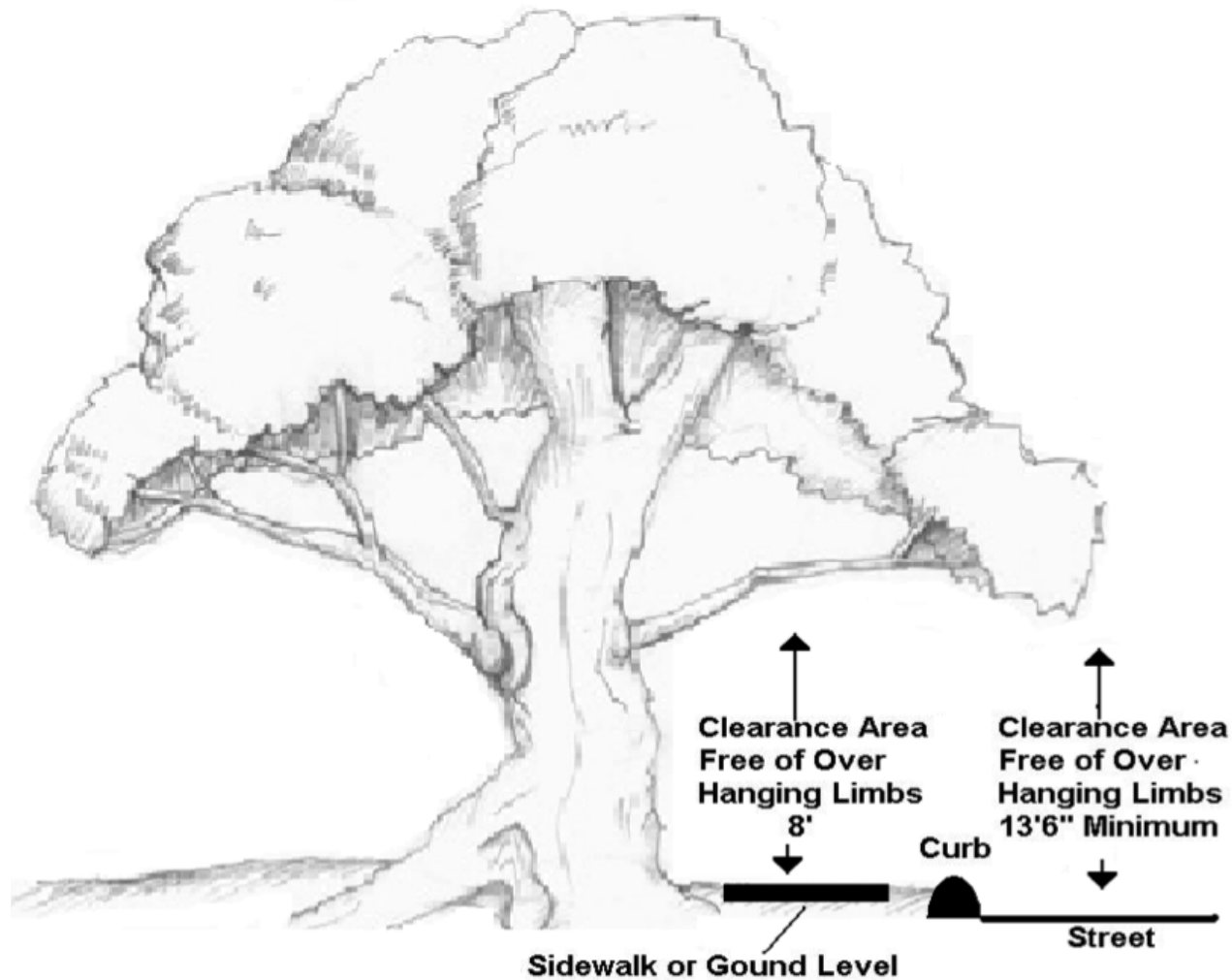
Robert L. Johnson was hired by the City of Live Oak Fire Department on the first of December, 1994. He excelled in his position and was supportive of getting tasks accomplished.

On July 2, 2008, he was promoted to Lieutenant and has continued to excel under Captain Kuhlmann. Lieutenant Johnson and Captain Kuhlman made a formidable team that instilled professionalism, discipline and pride in all A-Shift members. A-Shift has been recognized on several occasions for exceeding the call of duty. Rob and the A-Shift crew were recognized as the employee(s) of the quarter after successfully extinguishing an apartment fire in high winds before the fire broke through the roof.

Lt. Johnson was individually recognized by LOPD after extricating a person from a structure fire. The Fire Department is proud to announce the promotion of Robert L. Johnson to Fire Captain, and that he will bring professionalism, discipline and pride to B-Shift as their Captain.

From the Office of Code Compliance

John Dalton, Code Compliance Officer



Now is the time of year to trim your trees!

The City's Code of Ordinances Chapter 18 section 302.4 reads: "Limbs that extend over a sidewalk must be trimmed to a MINIMUM of 8ft above the sidewalk. All limbs that extend past the curb and over the street must be trimmed to a MINIMUM height of 13.6 feet above the curb and continuing that height out over the surface of the road."

The City does provide free brush pick up through Waste Management. Depending on where you live, it will be either on the first or third Thursday of the month. You can contact either the Water Department or the Code Compliance office at 210-653-9140 for your day of pick up.



Let's Cook, Live Oak!

Super Bowl XLIX (49) is right around the corner!

Super Bowl Party Meatballs

- (1) 14 ounce can jellied cranberry sauce
- (1) 12 ounce bottle Heinz Chili Sauce
- (1) 12 pound bag frozen, pre-cooked cocktail size meatballs

Combine sauces in large saucepan. Cook over medium-low heat, stirring until smooth. Add meatballs. Cover and cook for 15 minutes or until meatballs are heated through. Enjoy!

Pigskins in a Blanket

- Little Smokies Sausages
- 2 cans Crescent Rolls

Preheat oven according to crescent roll package. Unroll but leave intact 2 triangles of crescent rolls. Pinch seam together and cut lengthwise into 5 strips and then crosswise to make 10 strips. Roll each strip around one sausage and place in greased baking pan. Bake according to crescent roll package directions. Serve with dip of choice.

Touchdown Jalapeno Poppers

- 12 ounces cream cheese, softened
- 1 cup milk
- (1) 8 oz. package shredded cheddar cheese
- 1 cup flour
- 1 Tbls. Bacon bits (optional)
- 1 cup dry bread crumbs
- 12 ounces jalapeno peppers, seeded/halved
- oil for frying

In medium bowl, mix cream cheese, cheddar cheese and bacon bits. Spoon mixture into the jalapeno pepper halves.

Put milk and flour in two separate bowls. Dip the jalapenos first into the milk, then into the flour, making sure they are well coated.

Allow coated peppers to dry for about 10 minutes. Dip jalapenos in milk again and roll into bread crumbs.

Allow them to dry, repeat to ensure the entire surface of jalapeno is coated. Deep fry and enjoy!

Half Time Hot Pizza Dip

- (1) 8 ounce pkg. cream cheese
- 1 cup pizza sauce
- 1 Tbls. Italian seasoning
- 2 Tbls. Chopped green bell pepper
- 1 cup shredded mozzarella cheese
- 2 oz. pepperoni, chopped
- 1 cup grated parmesan cheese
- 2 Tbls. Sliced black olives

In small bowl, mix together cream cheese and Italian seasoning. Spread mixture in the bottom of 9" pie plate or shallow microwave safe dish.

Sprinkle ½ cup of mozzarella cheese and ½ cup of Parmesan cheese on top of cream cheese mixture. Spread pizza sauce over all.

Sprinkle with remaining cheese. Top with green pepper, pepperoni and olive slices. Cover and microwave for 5 minutes. Serve hot

It will be held in
Glendale, Arizona
at the University of
Phoenix Stadium on
Friday, February 1st.
Katie Perry will be the
half time entertainment.

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snacks for the big event!

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CITY MEETINGS

- City Meetings/Council Chambers
- Jan 5 Parks & Recreation Meeting: Council Chambers 7:00pm
- Jan 13 City Council Meeting: Council Chambers 7:00pm
- Jan 26 EDC Meeting: Council Chambers 6:00pm
- Jan 27 City Council Meeting: Council Chambers 7:00pm

SENIORS OF LIVE OAK (SOLO)

- Jan 8 Soup Night: L.O.Clubhouse 5:00pm
 - Jan 12 Games Day: L.O. Clubhouse 1:00pm
 - Jan 14 Lunch @ Salsalito Restaurant: 14535 Nacogdoches Rd. 11:30am
 - Jan 19 Potluck & Bingo: L.O. Clubhouse 11:30am
 - Jan 22 Trip to McNay Art Museum: Meet @ L.O. Clubhouse 4:00pm
 - Jan 26 Book Club & Sack Lunch: L.O. Clubhouse 11:00am
 - Jan 29 Games Day: L.O. Clubhouse 1:00pm
 - Tuesdays: Walk & Talk/Live Oak Park 9:00am
 - Thursdays: Walk & Talk/ Woodcrest Park 9:00am
- For more information contact Roger Knisley @ 655-4566

LIVE OAK VILLAGE GARDEN CLUB (LOVGC)

- Meet Third Tuesday of Each Month: Live Oak Clubhouse
 - Jan 20 Regular Meeting 1 - 3pm
- For more information contact June Adair @ 843-7150 or Jo Anna Wheeler @ 655-1036

LIVE OAK LEAGUE OF ARTS (LOLA)

For meeting information, Visit them on Facebook: Live Oak League of Arts

LIVE OAK HUMANE SOCIETY

- Meet 2nd Monday of Each Month: Live Oak Clubhouse/Open to Public
 - Jan 12 General Meeting 6:30-7:30pm
- For more information contact Tom Kusek @ 657-7167 or Golaunda Zoet @ 702-541-5974

SPECIAL EVENTS

- Jan 5 Registration for Daddy Daughter Dance: City Hall 8am - 5pm
- Jan 19 Best of Live Oak Ballots Due

FARMERS MARKET

Every Tuesday: Alamo Colleges parking 9am-2pm



CITY MEETINGS

- Feb 2 Parks & Recreation Meeting: Council Chambers 7:00pm
- Feb 10 City Council Meeting: Council Chambers 7:00pm
- Feb 23 EDC Meeting: Council Chambers 6:00pm
- Feb 24 City Council Meeting: Council Chambers 7:00pm

SENIORS OF LIVE OAK (SOLO)

- Feb 5 Soup Night: L.O. Clubhouse 5:00pm
 - Feb 9 Games Day: L.O. Clubhouse 1:00pm
 - Feb 11 Lunch @ Pompeii Italian Grill: 16109 Nacogdoches Rd. 11:30am
 - Feb 16 Pot Luck & Bingo: Live Oak Clubhouse 11:30am
 - Feb 17 Trip to Witte Museum: Meet @ L.O. Clubhouse 3:00pm
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- Feb 21 Daddy Daughter Dance @ Olympia Hills Golf & Event Center 5-8pm

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2015 City of Live Oak Recycle Calendar

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2015 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.
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