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JOIN US FOR YAPPY HOUR SEPT. 25



The Burleson Animal Shelter and Lost Oak Winery are teaming up for Yappy Hour on Friday, Sept. 25, 7 p.m.-10 p.m., at the winery. Shelter staff will bring adoptable pets to 2116 FM 731 for on-site adoptions. The fee to adopt is \$55. The event is open to the public. If you want to see what adoptable pets may be at Yappy Hour, check out the Burleson Animal Services page, <http://bit.ly/BASadoptablepets>, on Sept. 24.

HAVE YOU SEEN THE NEW CITY WEBSITE?

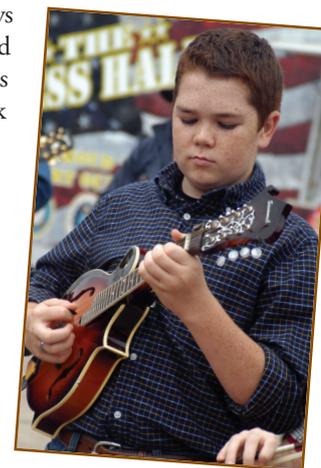
The City of Burleson website got a whole new look on July 8. The website address, www.burlesontx.com, is the same, but this new design is responsive, which means the website will optimize or adapt based on the viewing device (desktop computer, laptop computer, tablet, iPhone, Android). The City worked with website designer CivicPlus on the overall design and to reformat and shorten the content to make it more user friendly. Now that the new City website has launched, City staff and CivicPlus are working on a mobile app for your mobile devices. If there are no glitches, that free app should be ready for download by November. Read all about how to navigate the new website at <http://bit.ly/NewCitywebsite>.

GET READY FOR MOVIES IN OLD TOWN

The City is bringing outdoor movies back to Old Town Burleson. The free movie nights are three consecutive Saturdays – Sept. 26, Oct. 3, and Oct. 10. Showtime is 8 p.m. Come early and shop and eat at our Old Town stores and restaurants, or bring your own chairs, blankets, and picnic for this family fun night. The Old Town Picture Show is reminiscent of the movie nights that were popular back in the 1950s. To find out what movies will be showing, check the City website at www.burlesontx.com.

BE PART OF FOUNDERS DAY!

If you want to be part of the entertainment at the 23rd annual Founders Day celebration on Oct. 10, call 817-426-9112. You can be a vendor or, if you have musical talent, you might just get a spot on the entertainment schedule. Vendor applications are on the City website at <http://bit.ly/2015Foundersapp>. Call 817-447-1575 if you are interested in a booth. The historical celebration is 9 a.m.-5 p.m. in the original Old Town Burleson (124 W. Ellison St.). Look for strolling minstrels, fiddle players, a car show, food trucks, and more. The event kicks off just before 9 a.m. with a parade down Ellison Street. Mark your calendars now.



MAKE A STAND OCT. 10

There will be picnics, cookouts, and more in neighborhoods citywide, on Saturday, Oct. 10, 6 p.m.-9 p.m., as Burleson celebrates National Night Out. The event is designed to heighten crime and drug prevention awareness; generate support and participation in anticrime programs; strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships; and to let criminals know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back. We want to join your neighborhood parties. The deadline to request that City staff visit your party is Oct. 1. Email Officer David Wardlaw at dwardlaw@burlesontx.com or call 817-426-9958. Any neighborhoods requesting closures for their National Night Out get-togethers need to contact Rey Gonzales at 817-426-9838 or email rgonzales@burlesontx.com for barricades. Local sponsors include Target, H-E-B, and 7-Eleven. The national sponsor is ADT.

GET TRAINED IN CERT DISASTER RESPONSE

Find out how you can be part of a disaster response team. The Burleson Fire Marshal's Office is hosting CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) training this fall. You will learn how to manage utilities and put out small fires; open airways, control bleeding, and treat for shock; provide basic medical aid; search for and rescue victims safely; organize as a team; and collect disaster intelligence to support first responder efforts. CERT members are critical in giving support to their family, friends, and neighbors in their immediate area until first responders arrive. You do not have to join the CERT team to go through the training. For more information, go to the CERT page on the City website, www.burlesontx.com/CERT, or call Fire Inspector/Investigator Jessica Eiswald at 817-426-9177.

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TWO HOURS MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Your commitment of two hours, 9 a.m.-11 a.m., on Sept. 26 will make a difference. The City and Keep Burleson Beautiful are hosting the Burleson Trash Bash. Volunteers of all ages remove litter and debris from retail corridors, waterways, drainage channels, streets, parks, and other public areas. Youth participants must have adult supervision. After the cleanup, head to Warren Park for free pizza and prize drawings. Get your group leader packet and sign up online at <http://bit.ly/TrashBash92015>, or call 817-426-9842 for more details.



DON'T MISS TRICK OR TREATING IN OLD TOWN

Old Town will be taken over by superheroes, princesses, and more on Saturday, Oct. 24, 6 p.m.-8 p.m., for the City's eighth annual free Burleson Old Town Boo Bash. The fun takes place on Ellison Street, between Main Street and Johnson Avenue (124 W. Ellison St.). Children, birth-12 years old, will arrive in their favorite Halloween costumes – trick-or-treat bags in hand – for the ultimate in trick or treating. Local businesses, churches, and civic groups set up booths and decorate their vehicles for trunk-or-treat fun. Children will enjoy free candy, games, bounce houses, a pumpkin patch full of free pumpkins to decorate, and a costume parade. Booth spaces are free, but you have to fill out a booth application, which is available on the City website, <http://bit.ly/Boo2015app>. For more information, call 817-426-9112.

INSTALL SMOKE ALARMS IN EVERY BEDROOM

When it comes to smoke alarms, it's about "location, location, location." That's the message of Fire Prevention Week, Oct. 4-10. Did you know that roughly half of home fire deaths result from fires reported between 11 p.m. and 7 a.m.? That's why the key message of this year's campaign is to install smoke alarms in every bedroom, outside each separate sleeping area, and on every level of your home, including the basement. If you want to hear more about fire prevention, schedule a visit to the fire station or to your school or day care by calling 817-426-9174 or email Fire Marshal Stacy Singleton at ssingleton@burlesontx.com.



IT'S NOT OVER YET

Don't let your guard down. Mosquito season is May through October, with August as the peak month. The City has sprayed for mosquitoes this season. Ground-based spraying is done in areas where a mosquito trap tests positive for West Nile virus or where there is a confirmed human case of West Nile virus. Remember, use mosquito repellent, wear long sleeves and pants when outside, stay indoors at dusk and dawn, and drain all stagnant water. The City's neighborhood services staff is giving away mosquito larvicide or "dunks" to Burleson residents who would like to begin a personal mosquito-control program. You can pick those up at the Municipal Service Center, 725 S.E. John Jones Dr., or you can purchase them at most home improvement stores. <http://bit.ly/2015Mosquitocontrol>

WATER RESTRICTIONS ARE PERMANENT

The water restrictions enacted in 2011 are year-round. If your residential address ends in an even number (0, 2, 4, 6, 8), you can use an irrigation system to water your landscape on Wednesdays and Saturdays. If your residential address ends in an odd number (1, 3, 5, 7, 9), you can use an irrigation system to water on Thursdays and Sundays. All nonresidential water locations (apartment complexes, businesses, industries, parks, medians, etc.) may water on Tuesdays and Fridays. Monday is a no-water day. Since 2009, Burleson has banned watering with irrigation or sprinkler systems, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., year-round. Lawns and landscaping may be watered on any day with a handheld hose, drip irrigation, soaker hose, or tree bubbler. Irrigation using alternative water sources – a well or reclaimed or reused water – are excluded from the irrigation restrictions.

CHECK IT OUT ...

For City meeting times and dates, check the Public Notices page on the City website, www.burlesontx.com. Meeting times are subject to change.



Animal Shelter
775 S.E. John Jones Dr.
817-426-9283

City Hall
141 W. Renfro St.
817-426-9600

Burleson Recreation Center
550 N.W. Summercrest Blvd.
817-426-9104

Compost/Mulch/Recycle Center
620 Memorial Plaza
817-426-9830

Fire Department
Main: 828 S.W. Alsbury Blvd.
#2: 650 Memorial Plaza
#3: 245 Lakewood Dr.
817-426-9170

Burleson Visitors Center
124 W. Ellison St.
817-447-1575

Hidden Creek Golf Course
555 E. Hidden Creek Pkwy.
817-447-4444

Library
248 S.W. Johnson Ave.
817-426-9210

Municipal Court
247 Elk Dr.
817-426-9220

Municipal Service Center
725 S.E. John Jones Dr.
817-426-9830

Police Department
225 W. Renfro St.
817-426-9910

Senior Activity Center
216 S.W. Johnson Ave.
817-295-6611

For hours at each facility, go to www.burlesontx.com/facilities. Hours are listed under each entry.

EVENTS CALENDAR



SWAG Affair
Thursday, Sept. 3
4 p.m.-8 p.m.
Chisenhall Fields Sports Complex
500 W. Hidden Creek Pkwy.

www.burlesontx.com

Labor Day holiday
Monday, Sept. 7
Most City facilities close

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