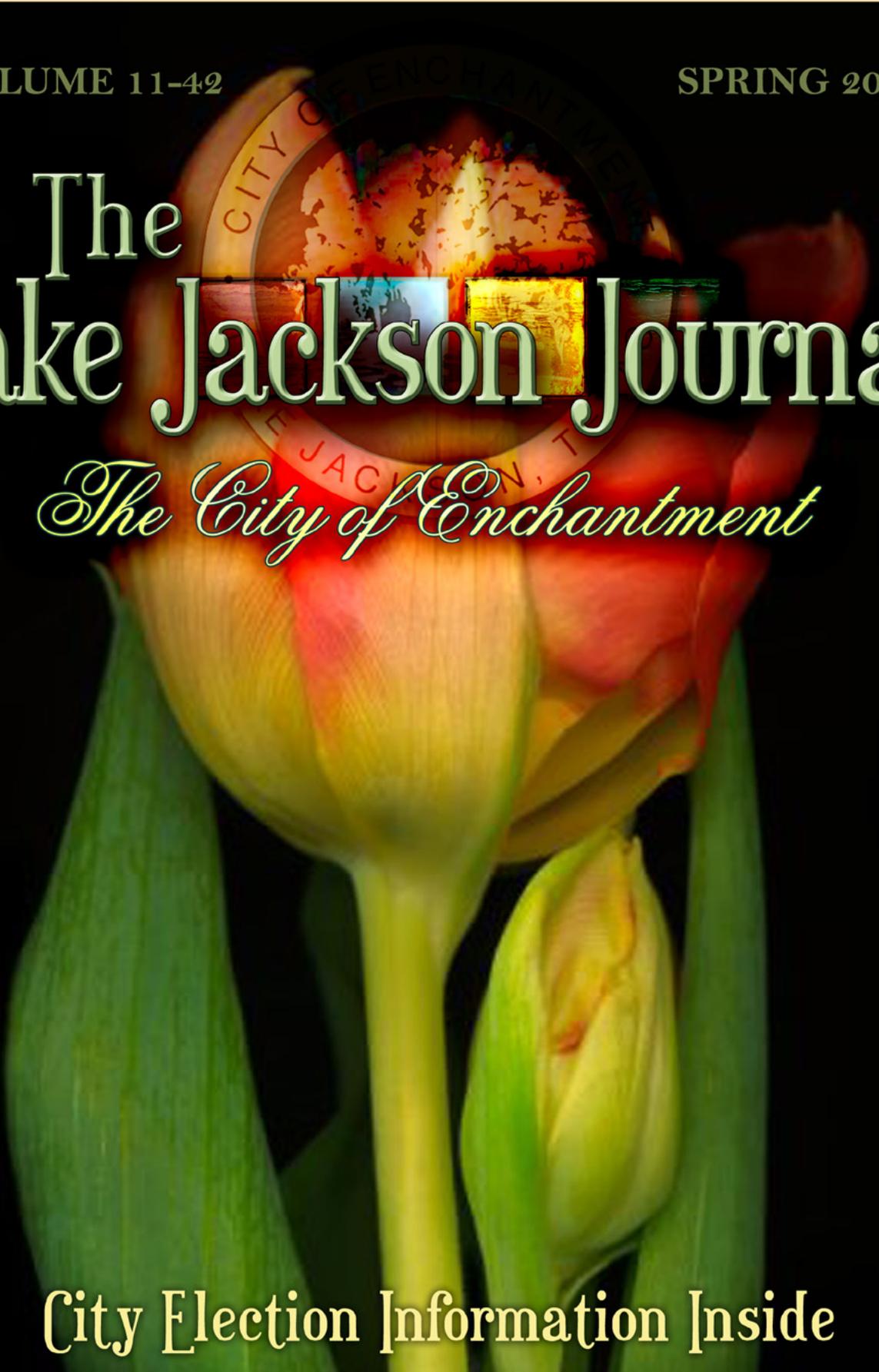


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The City of Enchantment

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A COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

published by the City of Lake Jackson

The City of  *Enchantment*
Greetings from the Mayor

Greetings fellow citizens,

The cold weather has been extensive and difficult to deal with thus far. Several of us have experienced the rolling blackouts as demand for electricity has exceeded generation capabilities. As we understand it, some generating plants were either down or on reduced capacity when the cold front hit. Relative to this issue, we just met with CenterPoint Energy to discuss a program called “The right tree at the right place program”. This relates to the planting of trees in and around power line easements. The preponderance of power outages are from trees, therefore, education on planting, type, and recognition of existing trees that are potentially hazardous to power lines is paramount to assuring minimal power outage. You will be hearing more on this in the near future.

As work continues on the Hwy 332 and 2004 road projects, you will now see activity in downtown Lake Jackson as we begin construction of phase 2 of the master plan of the revitalization of downtown. The primary streets will be This Way from Circle Way to That Way and Parking Way from Oak Drive to This Way. Our downtown businesses will need our support during this project. Routes will always be available to reach your favorite downtown destinations. Please continue to support our local businesses.

On May 14th, three city council positions, 1, 3, and 5 will be up for election. Council Gerald Roznovsky and Vinay Singhanian are term limited. Enough cannot be said about the job they have done for our City. The time, ideas, the efforts they have brought to council and to our City are absolutely invaluable. Please join me in saying a very special “Thank You” to these extraordinary gentlemen.

As we enter into the spring and summer seasons, vacations and recreation will increase. Please, in everything you do, do it with the utmost of safety in mind.

Thank you,,



Robert Sipple, Mayor

Lake Jackson Vision Statement

**It is the Vision of the City of Lake Jackson to create
an ideal community to live, work and play for all.**



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Directory

— Phone Numbers —

Emergency - Only!	911
(police, fire and ambulance)	
Police (Non-Emergency)	415-2700
Fire Marshall	415-2726
Fire Chief	415-2719
EMS Chief	415-2714
City Hall.	415-2400
Utility Billing	415-2434
Public Works	415-2430
Inspections	415-2432
Engineering	415-2413
City Manager/Administration.	415-2500
Civic Center.	415-2600
Recreation Center.	297-4533
Humane Center	415-2700
Regional Animal Shelter	285-2340
Municipal Court	297-1031
Library	415-2590

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Fire Chief	Mike harper firechief@lakejacksontx.gov
EMS Chief	Fred Ortiz fred.ortiz@ljems.org
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Police Chief	Paul Hromadka chief@lakejacksonpd.net
Public Works Director	Craig Nisbett cnisbett@lakejacksontx.gov
Personnel Director	Carmen Williams cwilliams@lakejacksontx.gov

Visit our Website at www.lakejackson-tx.gov

Boards & Commissions Meeting Schedule



City Council

6:30 p.m. • 1st & 3rd Monday

Planning Commission

6:30 p.m. • 1st Tuesday

Youth Advisory Commission

(meets at police station)

6 p.m. • 2nd Monday

Traffic Commission

7 p.m. • 2nd Tuesday

Keep Lake Jackson Beautiful

6 p.m. • 3rd Tuesday

Senior Citizen Commission

(meets at civic center)

6:30 p.m. • 4th Monday

Parks & Recreation Board

6:30 p.m. • 4th Tuesday

Library Board

(meets at library)

5:15 p.m. • Quarterly - 3rd Tuesday

As Called:

Board of Health

Hike & Bike Committee

LJ Development Corporation

Museum Board

Zoning Board of Adjustments

Charter Review Commission (Odd Years)

Dangerous Structure Determination Board

All meetings,

unless otherwise noted, are held at

Lake Jackson City Hall • 25 Oak Drive

You are cordially invited to attend.

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LAKE JACKSON, TEXAS

Tournament Directors & Coordinators, call today to schedule your next outing.

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Lake Jackson, TX 77566
979.297.GOLF (4653)
www.thewildernessgc.com

THE WILDERNESS
LAKE JACKSON, TEXAS

2010-2011 Lake Jackson Volunteers

The City of Lake Jackson wishes to thank the following volunteers for serving on one of these Boards or Commissions in the last 12 months. Our volunteers are our greatest assets.

PLANNING COMMISSION

Harry Sargent
Locke Sanders
Cotton Tyler
Jeff Gilbert
Hennie Kriel
Vicki Childress

TRAFFIC COMMISSION

Katie Ellet
Garrett Williams
Madeleine Felsted
Mark Allen
Larry Rosenbohm
Greg Geter
Robert "Bob" Nielsen

PARKS & RECREATION BOARD

Bob Pratt
Bart Squires
Sue Miller
Keith Zimmerman
Lynn Hanrahan
Gail Stoops
Scott Vardeman
Kevin Cromwell

KEEP LAKE JACKSON BEAUTIFUL

David Howarth,
Darren Merritt
Amy Tasto
Fred Diederich
Leeman Bennington
Brent Bowles
Leonard Moore
C.L. Hesselgesser
Susan D. Buell
Jeffrey Smith
Mike Kessler
Shirley Ann Miller
Amy Condon
Lori Sipple
Debby Soltesz
Sarah Castor

SENIOR CITIZENS COMMISSION

Bob Lundahl
Nancy Roman
Elaine Najvar
Linda Bruce
John Rice
Tracie McCartney
Galen Dinning
Jan Matheaus
Wilma Parkinson
Julie Geter
Thelma McDaniel
Sue Supak

LIBRARY BOARD

Wendi Stewart
Mary Meyers
Carol Bohley
Mary Ellen Thomas
Gerri Baccus
Nancy Hackney, Librarian
Cathy Threadgil, County Director

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS

Lisa Pauls
Larry Taylor
Gus Lindveit
Susan Perry
Keith Frank

DANGEROUS STRUCTURE

DETERMINATION

Ed Harrington
Dr. Sue McCourt
Ben Torres
Melanie Calvin
Sal Aguirre

LAKE JACKSON DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Bob Sipple, Mayor
Gerald Roznovsky, Council member
Scott Schwertner, Council member
David Nicks
Will Brooks
Phyllis Saathoff

MUSEUM BOARD

Gayle Driskill, President
Carl Wolfe, VP
Dolores Stovall, Secretary
Harry Sargent
Bob Sipple, Mayor
Gerald Roznovsky, Council member

BOARD OF HEALTH

Dr. Nick Giannone
Dr. John O'Leary
Fred Ortiz
Patricia Burow
William P. Yenne

YOUTH ADVISORY COMMISSION

Chase Chappell
Jessica Pham
Zac Oldham
Patrick Cantu
Blair Agan
Daniel Brannan
Andrew Calhoun
Josh Calhoun
Roy Calzadillos
Abby Campestre
Brittany Carleton
Tasia Charles
Austin Drinkard
Ashleigh Frank
Steven Isaacs
Devin Knapp
Taylor Knapp
Michelle Overman
Austin Parrish
Mariah Roberts
Jr. Roman
MacKenzie Sanders
Vivian Jones, Adult Advisor
Sharon O'Neill, Adult Advisor
Greg Pickering, Adult Advisor
Bobby Condon, Adult Advisor

Public Works

PUBLIC WORKS
415-2430



Household Garbage



Residential garbage is picked up at the curb twice weekly. If you live **North** of Oyster Creek Drive, your household garbage is picked up on **Monday and Thursday**.

If you live **South** of Oyster Creek Drive, your household garbage is picked up on **Tuesday and Friday**.

Garbage must be placed on the curb no later than 8:00 am on the days of collection in order to ensure that it will be picked up. Please do not use a garbage can for household garbage - A sticker will be placed on the container and it will not be emptied. You can purchase garbage bags at City Hall for \$6.00 (roll of 50), bags above 35 gallons will not be picked up.



Recyclables include:

Co-mingled recyclables are picked up curbside once a week and always on the second day of your household garbage pickup. Please place recyclables at the curb no later than 8:00am in order to ensure it will be picked up. When placing the blue bags for collection, be sure to keep them separate from your household garbage.

The blue bags may be purchased at City Hall for \$5.50 (roll of 50) or your local grocery store.

Recyclables include: plastics (with the recyclable symbol #1 thru #7), aluminum and tin cans, clean paper and cardboard. Place newspapers in a separate paper, white or clear plastic grocery bag.

Heavy Trash

If your household Garbage pickup is Monday and Thursday, then your Heavy Trash pickup **begins the 1st and 3rd Monday**.

If your Household Garbage pickup is Tuesday and Friday, then your Heavy Trash pickup **begins the 2nd and 4th Monday**.

Please place your heavy trash on the curb no later than Monday at 8:00am of your corresponding Heavy Trash pickup week in order to ensure that it will be picked up during your designated week. City crews will only go through your area **once during your assigned week**. Please remember that when there is a 5th week in the month, there is no heavy trash pickup service.

The City will collect yard debris and normal household discarded furniture and appliances, such as refrigerators, washers, dryers (with doors removed or chained shut), sofas, chairs, beds, hot water heaters, and similar items.

Heavy trash does not include any Electronic Waste, such as computer equipment, televisions, microwaves and similar items. They may be disposed of at the Brazoria County Environmental Center located at 10310 FM 523, Angleton, Tx. The new BCEC hours of operation are Friday & Saturday from 9:00am - 1:00pm.

Building materials, such as roofing shingles, concrete, brick and other construction debris will not be picked up. Please be sure to **separate your yard debris from your normal household heavy trash.**



Public Works



Flushing the Fire Hydrants

The City of Lake Jackson will be flushing the fire hydrants on Tuesday & Wednesday, April 5th & 6th.

Beware that there may be brown water coming from the faucets, please refrain from washing laundry that could possibly be stained. Be sure not to dry the clothing, as this could set the stains. You can use Iron Out which is available in stores.



Mulch Site

Did you know that the mulch site takes yard debris and turns it into free mulch for Lake Jackson residents? Please bring your own hand tools and containers to assist in loading the mulch. Residents may pick-up mulch once per quarter simply by showing their driver's license.

The following are items that may be brought to the mulch site for proper disposal: Food grade cooking oils, antifreeze, motor oil, tires and any recyclable material except glass and styrofoam.

If you prefer not to wait for curbside heavy trash/yard debris pickup on your designated week, you are welcome to drop it off at our Mulch site.

Please note: Household garbage nor construction/remodeling material will not be accepted.

THE MULCH SITE HOURS OF OPERATION

103 Canna Lane (next to Brazosport Memorial Hospital)
Tuesday - Friday 8:30am - 11:45am • 1:15pm - 4:30pm
Saturday 8:30am - 3:30pm • Closed Sunday & Monday

Message From the Code Enforcement Officer

Are house numbers required? Yes. In case of an urgent situation, these numbers will help emergency response vehicles locate your address promptly. Per City Ordinance Article 1. In General, Section 14-4 requires house/building numbers to be visible from the street. The numbers or letters shall be at least three and one-half (3 ½) inches high and color legible enough to be seen by the public from the street immediately in front of the house or building. The location of the numbers or letters must be placed onto the house or building, and may not be placed on your mailbox or detached garage.



If my house number is painted on the curb, do I still need a number on my house? Yes. It

is not required to have your house number painted on the curb, but per the City Ordinance it is mandatory to have the house number visible on the front of the house. If you choose to paint your house number on the curb, please be sure to familiarize yourself with Section 14-5 - Street Curb Number Signage Installed by Solicitors ordinance to ensure the city's requirements are followed.

PUBLIC WORKS - QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Q Do I need a permit to replace or add siding to my home?

A: Yes, if you are adding or replacing siding, you are required to pull a permit. If you choose to use a general contractor, we will need you to provide their company name, mailing address, contact name and phone number. We require that all contractors must be registered with the city in order to do any work. (There is no charge to register a contractor). Once you have filled out an application, it will be submitted to the Building Official for approval. You will be called to pay for and pick up your permit once approved. The contractor and/or homeowner will be required to call for an inspection at the appropriate time. The Building Official or Inspector will be glad to meet with the permit holder to discuss various inspections needed to complete your project. The Building Inspector will verify that the following are in place: clips (top and bottom), insulation, plywood and vapor barrier. You can download the permit application from our website: www.lakejackson-tx.gov by selecting City Depts/ Building Permits/Permit Applications and select the RADD application. If you have any questions, feel free to call the Public Works desk at 415-2430 for additional information.



Spring



Summer



Fire Safety Checklist

Use this checklist to help determine if you and your family are fire safe. Every unchecked box points to a fire hazard.

Housekeeping Fire Safety

- Basements, closets, and attics are cleared of old rags, papers, mattresses, broken furniture and other combustible odds and ends.
- Used oily polishing rags or waste are placed in covered metal containers.
- Paint and varnish are stored in tightly covered containers away from sources of heat.
- Matches are kept out of reach of children.
- Child safety latches are installed on all drawers and cabinets containing harmful products.
- All cleaning products are kept in their original containers with the original labels.

Smoke Alarms

- Smoke alarms are checked and cleaned monthly.
- Smoke alarm batteries are changed at least every six months, or as directed by manufacturer's recommendations.
- Smoke alarms are installed on every floor and outside all bedrooms.
- Smoke alarm batteries are never removed without being replaced - under any circumstances.

Kitchen Fire Safety

- A "safety area" is established in the kitchen to keep small children confined and away from hot surfaces, hot liquids and flames.
- Short or tight-fitting sleeves are worn during cooking as loose sleeves could catch fire easily.
- Appliances are allowed to cool before putting them away and cords are never wrapped around warm appliances.
- Only a thermostatically controlled electric deep fryer is used when deep fat frying.
- A tight fitting lid is kept nearby so it can be used to cover a pot if oil ignites.



- No food is left unattended while cooking.
- All paper and cloth materials are kept away from heat sources.
- Pot handles turned inward to prevent them from getting bumped or grabbed.
- Children are never being held while an adult is cooking.
- Exhaust filters are checked for dirt and grease build-up and the filters are cleaned regularly.
- Microwave safe dishes are always used in the microwave and metal is never used.
- Outlets and cords have been checked to make sure they are safe.
- Grease and food are cleaned off the stove after every use.

Yard and Garage Fire Safety

- Yards are cleared of leaves, debris and combustible rubbish.
- Surrounding properties that are vacant are cleared of weeds, dry leaves and rubbish.
- Mulch is at least a foot away from the house with a non-combustible barrier in between, such as rock.
- Gasoline for use in a power mower or out-board motor is stored in a strong, metal safety-type can with self-closing caps on the openings.
- Garages attached to the house are separated by a tight-fitting door which is kept closed.



Stay Fire Safe!

Fire



Grilling Fire Safety

- Grill hoses have been checked for cracking, brittleness, holes, and leaks and there are no sharp bends in the hose or tubing.
- Propane gas containers are kept upright.
- Gas containers are never stored under or near the grill or indoors.
- Flammable liquids, such as gasoline, are never stored or used near the grill.
- Filled propane containers are never stored in a hot car or a car trunk.
- Grills are never used inside homes, vehicles, tents, or campers—even if ventilation is provided. Grills are never used in garages or on wooden decks.
- Charcoal and charcoal grills are never stored inside when coals are freshly used.
- Grills are cleaned thoroughly before and after use to avoid grease buildup.
- Children are kept at least three feet away from the grilling area.
- Only proper grilling utensils and fire retardant mitts are used.
- Lighter fluid is never put directly on flames or on hot or warm coals.
- Hot grills are never left unattended.
- Loose clothing is never worn while grilling.
- A multi-purpose ABC fire extinguisher, garden hose and bucket of water or sand are kept nearby for extinguishment purposes.



- Members of the group feel safe in their surroundings and the building does not feel overcrowded.
- Heat sources such as candles burning, cigarettes or cigars burning, pyrotechnics are controlled and safety systems, like alternative exits, sprinklers and smoke alarms are in use.
- In case of emergency all members of the group immediately exit the building in an orderly fashion.
- No one goes back into the building for any reason until it is deemed safe by the emergency personnel.

Vacation Fire Safety

Before Leaving....

- Emergency contacts are set up and all travelers have their phone numbers, including work numbers.
- Stoves and electrical appliances have been turned off or disconnected and television sets and radios have been unplugged.

On Vacation.....

- Travelers with special mobility needs have requested a room on the first or second floor.
- Checked that every room has a smoke alarm and preferably a sprinkler system.
- Travelers read fire safety information provided by the hotel and an escape plan is made with at least two exits.
- Occupants count the number of doors between the room and the exit doors to help with escape in case vision is impaired during an emergency.
- Any exit doors that appear to be blocked or locked are reported to the management immediately.
- Hotel fire alarms are never ignored, even if smoke can not be seen from the room or hallway.

Fire Safety at Public Gatherings

- The building appears to be in a condition that looks safe and has a wide main entrance that opens outward to allow easy exit.
- Outside areas are free of debris and exits are not blocked.
- A communication plan has been developed where a relative or friend has been identified as a contact in case of emergency and the group is separated.
- A meeting place is established outside the building to meet family and friends who are attending the function. All know to meet there in case of an emergency.
- After entering the building at least two exits are located that are clearly lit.
- Exit paths are wide and not obstructed by chairs or furniture. Blocked exits and exit paths are reported to the management.

Safety Tips Provided By:

Lake Jackson Fire Marshal's Office and
Lake Jackson Volunteer Fire Department
10 Oak Drive
Lake Jackson, Texas 77566

Fire Marshal: 979-415-2726

Fire Chief : 979-415-2719

Emergency: 911

Recreational Events &



Easter Egg Hunt

Thursday, April 21 at MacLean Park, 5:30pm SHARP!
FREE event! Over 8,000 candy filled eggs hidden throughout the park!

Age Categories:

- Babies & Non-Walkers
 (This is the only group where the child may be assisted)
- 2yrs. & under • 3 - 5yrs.
- 6 - 8yrs. • 9 - 11yrs.



Bring your camera for photos with the Easter Bunny!

City of Lake Jackson July 4th Fireworks Display

Monday, July 4

Fireworks will be set off from Dunbar Park at dark

Gather your family to enjoy an amazing display of one of the area's largest fireworks presentations.



Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center Blood Drive



at The Recreation Center-Lake Jackson in the Aerobics Room

Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center
www.giveblood.org
Commit for Life.

Schedule an appointment online at www.giveblood.org, enter sponsor code 0201, or walk-ins are welcome!

Tuesdays, 11:30am – 4:00pm

**March 15 • April 26 • May 31 • June 28 • July 26
 August 30 • September 27 • October 25 • November 22**

Kidfish

Sunday, April 3 • 1-4 pm at Morrison Park (Shy Pond)



Children under 17 years of age may participate. You may bring your own fishing equipment, but rods, reels, bait & tackle will be provided. A special trophy will be awarded to the child who catches the longest fish in their age group and prizes will also be awarded for children who turn in sponsorship money.

Sponsorship forms available at www.kidfish.com or The Recreation Center – Lake Jackson.

Age Categories: 6 & under • 7 - 11yrs • 12 - 16yrs.

For information about Special Events, call Michelle Parrish at The Recreation Center 297-4533 or email mparrish@lakejacksontx.gov

Summer Program Registration

Saturday, May 7 from 8:00am - 1:00pm at The Recreation Center – Lake Jackson

Sign up for swim lessons, Summer Camps and Summer Daze of Fun! This Summer is packed full of can't-miss opportunities from The Recreation Center - Lake Jackson.

Summer Camps include: Soccer, Tennis, Volleyball, Tumbling, Fitkids, Houston Rockets Basketball, Crafts, Fashion, Fairy Princess Etiquette, Spanish, and SPCA Kritters & Kids.

Summer Camps



SUMMER PROGRAM SERIES

And you won't want to miss a second of **Summer Daze of Fun**, with fun-filled outings to: the Toyota Center and Discovery Green, Schlitterbahn Galveston waterpark, Space Center Houston and Main Event Entertainment, Houston Downtown Aquarium and Express Children's Theater, Texas Rock Gym and Chuck E Cheese Pearland, and the Houston Museum of Natural Science and Herman Park.



Opportunities

Watch kids' backpacks for the spring-summer issue of Fun Illustrated, or come by the Recreation Center - Lake Jackson to pick up your copy and get all the details about Lake Jackson's Recreational Opportunities.



Aquatic Opportunities

This spring at the Recreation Center – Lake Jackson

- Spring swim lessons are available
- Sign up now for summer swim lessons
- Lifeguard Certification Classes
- Re-Certification Classes for returning lifeguards
- Swim Instructor Certification Class

Call or come by The Recreation Center – Lake Jackson for dates, times, and availability.



Fitness Programs

Custom designed to boost the fitness régimes of all ages, programs include:



Tri-Sport Challenge featuring “Walk Across Texas”, “Bike the Nation” and “Swim the Coast”.

Healthy Lifestyle, includes, “Healthy Habits Newsletter”, “Fast Time Fitness”, “The Fitness Bank” and “Personal Training”.

Boot Camps, offering, “Land Boot Camp”, “Aquatic Boot Camp” and “Kid’s Bootcamp by Total Body Performance”

Kid’s Fitness with “Zumbatomic Lil’ Stars”, Zumbatomic Big Stars” and “PE Classes for Homeschoolers”



PE Class for Homeschoolers

Homeschooled children often lose the benefit of weekly physical exercise! Here, the lesson plans are full of movement, exercise, and sports participation.

Spots are limited so enroll today!

Sessions meet each Monday & Wednesday for six weeks.

Session 1: Mar. 28-May 4 **Session 2:** May 9-June 15

Session 3: July 11- Aug.17 **Session 4:** Aug. 22-Sep. 28

Time: Ages 4-7yrs., 1-2pm, Ages 8-12yrs., 2-3pm

Fee: \$40/session **Registration:** begins February 15

Group X Classes

Floor and Water Aerobics classes including:

Cardio Combo, Muscles & More, Total Body Blast, Zumba, Zumba Toning, Kickboxing, Sports Conditioning, Pilates, Yoga, Hard Core, Simply Circuit+, Deep Water Aerobics and Shallow Water Aerobics



Spin Classes

We’re Spinning at The Recreation Center - Lake Jackson! Pick up the New Spinning Schedule so you don’t miss the action! Call or come by for more information.



Cultural Recreation

Register for fun-filled, culture-enriching programs for kids and parents, at The Recreation Center - Lake Jackson.

- Baby Sitter’s Training Course
- Critter Care
- Crafts Corner for kids
- Bakin’ N’ Cakin for Kids
- Photography & Scrapbooking 101 for Kids
- Master Minds
- Mommy and Me
- Habitat for Humanity



Rec. Center 297-4533

Monday thru Friday: 5:45 am - 9 pm
Saturday: 8 am - 6 pm • Sunday: 1 - 6 pm



Museum Summer Series

June:

- 4th I Was A Male War Bride (1949)
- 11th Woman of the Year (1941)
- 18th The Black Swan (1942)
- 25th Snows of Kilimanjaro (1952)

July:

- 2nd Adams Rib (1951)
- 9th Hollywood Cavalcade (1939)
- 16th To Be Determined
- 23rd Cyrano De Bergerac (1950)
- 30th The Philadelphia Story (1940)

August:

- 6th The Last Time I Saw Paris (1954)
- 13th To Be Determined
- 20th To Be Determined
- 27th Desk Set (1957)



Civic Center Concerts on the Plaza

The following Friday's
from 7 - 9 pm

- April 29 - **KEEPERS**
- May 6 - **INTERCOASTAL PIRATES**
- May 13 - **THE JOEY MARES BAND**
- May 20 - **DOG TOWN BLUES**

Civic Center 415-2600

Monday thru Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Seniors



The Lake Jackson Senior Citizens Commission upholds their mission of "making a difference in the life of every person who is 55 and older".

—Upcoming Events— at the Civic Center

MARCH 15th

Bingo • 6-8 pm

MARCH 22nd

Games Day • 3-5 pm

MARCH 28th

Discussions with
Glenn Heath • 10 am - 12 pm

APRIL 14th

Painted Churches Trip

APRIL 25th

Discussions with
Glenn Heath • 10 am - 12 pm

APRIL 26th

Games Day - 3-5 pm

MAY 17th

Sadie Hawkins Dance • 6-9 pm

MAY 23rd

Discussions with
Glenn Heath • 10 am - 12 pm

MAY 24th

Games Day • 3-5 pm

JUNE 27th

Discussions with
Glenn Heath • 10 am - 12 pm

JUNE 28th

Games Day - 3-5 pm

JULY 19th

Summertime Dance • 6-9 pm

The Lake Jackson Senior Commission meets every 4th Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at the Civic Center. You are invited to attend!

SENIOR CITIZEN DISCOUNT ON UTILITY BILLS

Seniors 65 and older are eligible for a discount on water bills.

To start receiving the discount bring proof of age to the utility billing department at City Hall.

Keep Posted on Current Events

- Check our ad in Wednesdays' Facts
- website at www.lakejackson-tx.gov
- Channel 16 TWC
- The LJ Civic Center

CITY OF LAKE JACKSON ELECTION

The 2011 General Election for the
City of Lake Jackson will be held on
Saturday, May 14, 2011

Positions for Election:

**City Council
Positions 1, 3 and 5**

Voting Locations, Dates and Times:

**The City of Lake Jackson has contracted
with Brazoria County for election services.**

Election Day voting for all Lake Jackson
Precincts will be at:

**the Lake Jackson Civic Center
from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.**

Voter Registration:

For voter registration information, please call:

Brazoria County Voter Registration – (979) 388.1131
Voter Registration operates out of the Brazoria
County Tax Office - Ro'Vin Garrett

**The Last day to register to vote,
to vote in this election is,
April 14, 2011**

Secretary of State – Voter Registration
<https://team1.sos.state.tx.us/voterws/viw/faces/Introduction.jsp>

Secretary of State – Voter Information
<http://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/voter/index.shtml>
1.800.252.VOTE (8683) - Hours of Operation 8:00 a.m. -
5:00 p.m., Mon. through Fri.

★ **Early Voting** ★

**Vote Early
May 2nd - May 10th
at Brazosport College.**

You may also vote at any of the other early
voting locations within Brazoria County.

EARLY VOTING BY PERSONAL APPEARANCE LOCATIONS:

Angleton:	East Annex (Old Wal-Mart Building) 1524 E. Mulberry, Room 144, Angleton
Alvin:	Ryan's Center 2925 S. Bypass 35, Alvin
Brazoria:	Precinct 4 County Barn 1001 Market St., Brazoria
Clute/ Lake Jackson:	Brazosport College 500 College Drive, Lake Jackson
Freeport:	Freeport Library 410 Brazosport Blvd., Freeport
Manvel:	Courthouse North Annex 7313 Corporate Dr., Manvel
East Pearland:	Justice Of The Peace, Pct. 3/2 Courtroom 2436 S. Grand Blvd, Pearland
West Pearland:	Westside Event Center 2150 Countryplace Pkwy., Pearland
Sweeny:	Sweeny Community Center 205 W. Ashley Wilson Rd., Sweeny
West Columbia:	West Columbia City Hall 512 E. Brazos, West Columbia

EARLY VOTING BY MAIL:

Applications for voting by mail should be mailed to be
received no earlier than March 15, 2011 and no later
than the close of business (5:00 p.m.) on May 6, 2011.

Applications should be mailed to:
JOYCE HUDMAN, COUNTY CLERK
111 E. LOCUST, SUITE 200
ANGLETON, TX 77515-4654

REASONS FOR BEING QUALIFIED TO VOTE BY MAIL ARE:

- 65 years of age or older
- Confinement in jail
- Disability
- Absence from the county on Election Day
- Absence during the Early Voting period



F.Y.I.



April 2, 2011

Spring Clean-up

Lake Jackson City Hall

7:30 – 11:00 a.m.

LAKE JACKSON GARDEN CLUB

Plant & Bake Sale

LJ Civic Center Outside Plaza

8:00 – 11:30 a.m.

ONE-STEP NOTIFICATION

SIGN UP NOW

SERVICES BY

Connect-CTY®

Connect CTY service

The City of Lake Jackson would like to remind all residents to sign-up NOW for our Connect CTY service which allows city officials to communicate with residents thru home phones, cell phones and internet.

Connect-CTY allows officials to record, send and track personalized voice messages to thousands of residents, businesses, and local agencies in just minutes, through a single phone call. The city can also send text messages to cell phones, PDAs, e-mail accounts, and TTY/TDD receiving devices for the hearing impaired.

Publicly available primary residential and business phones in Lake Jackson are automatically included in the system. However, residents can add up to three phone numbers and two e-mail addresses, and indicate if they have a TTY/TDD device.

To sign-up, add or change your information, visit the City of Lake Jackson's website at www.lakejackson-tx.gov and click on the link - "One step notification SIGN UP NOW – services by Connect CTY". If you do not have internet service you may call 979-415-2407.



Tune In Channel 16

The City of Lake Jackson has Cable Channel 16 to provide a variety of information. For questions concerning information on this channel, contact Kim Knapp at 979-415-2407.

Farewell to our retiring Council members

These gentlemen have served 3 consecutive 2 year terms. The City Charter limits the terms of council members to 6 consecutive years. They will not be able to run for City Council again for 30 months. The City of Lake Jackson expresses it's thanks to these men for their service to the City and its citizens.



GERALD ROZNOVSKY

Mr. Roznovsky was elected to City Council in May 2005 and was reelected in 2007 and 2009.



VINAY SINGHANIA

Mr. Singhania was appointed to City Council in May 2006 to fill a vacant position. He was reelected in 2007 and 2009.

*Thank you. Sincerely,
The City of Lake Jackson*

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CITY OF LAKE JACKSON
25 Oak Drive-Lake Jackson, TX 77566-5289
Telephone 415-2434 Fax 297-9804
AUTHORIZATION FOR AUTOMATIC PAYMENT PLAN

Name on Your Utility Statement: _____

Utility Account Number: _____

Service Address: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Driver's License Number: _____ Social Security Number: _____

Home Phone Number: _____ Work Phone Number: _____

Financial Institution Name: _____

Financial Institution Address (City & State) _____

BANK ACCOUNT NUMBER TO BE CHARGED _____ CIRCLE ONE
checking/savings _____

PLEASE READ BEFORE SIGNING!!!!

I authorize the City of Lake Jackson to begin deductions for my monthly utility bill with the financial institution named. Enrollment in the automatic payment plan may be discontinued any time by sending a request, in writing, to the City of Lake Jackson. My authority will remain in effect until revoked by my financial institution, the City of Lake Jackson, or myself. I understand that both my financial institution and the City of Lake Jackson have the right to terminate this payment plan or my participation therein. If I have two insufficient bank drafts within a year, the City will terminate my enrollment in bank drafting.

I understand that I will be responsible for the first bill that I receive after the City obtains my application. However if my bank is currently set up in the bank drafting program my automatic payment plan will be effective with my first bill. This bill will have a message at the bottom stating: BANK DRAFT-DO NOT PAY. PAYMENT WILL BE DRAFTED ON THE DUE DATE!

Signature (Must be authorized for the account listed above) _____ Date _____

WRITE "VOID" ACROSS CHECK AND TAPE HERE
(Please tape—DO NOT STAPLE)



City of Lake Jackson
25 Oak Drive
Lake Jackson, TX 77566

The City of Enchantment



**Southern Brazoria
County
Transit**

"WHERE TEXAS BEGAN"



Southern Brazoria County Transit Service

The bus transit service has been operational since June 1, 2010.

Ridership continues to be strong. Bus shelters at specific locations will be installed in the near future.

Rides for adults are \$1.00 and seniors, students, and persons with disabilities are \$.50.

Children under the age of 5 ride free.

**NOTE: There have been modifications to bus routes
(particularly blue and green)**

You can view these changes by visiting our website at
www.lakejackson-tx.gov or

Connect Transit at http://www.gcmhmr.com/connect_transportation.aspx.