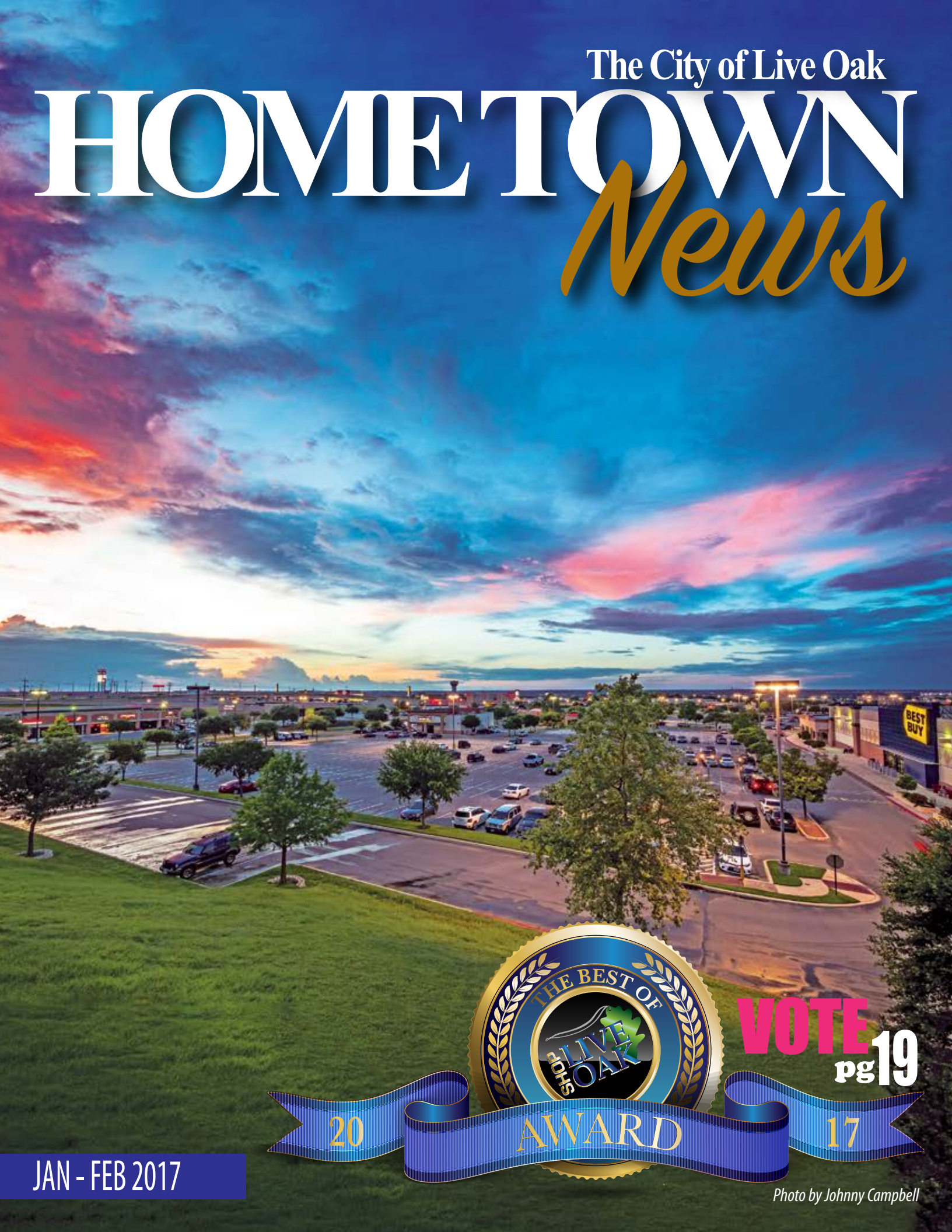


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## OFFICIAL MEETINGS

**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 1st 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 Tuesday of every month at 6pm

**Planning & Zoning Commission Meetings:** Held as necessary

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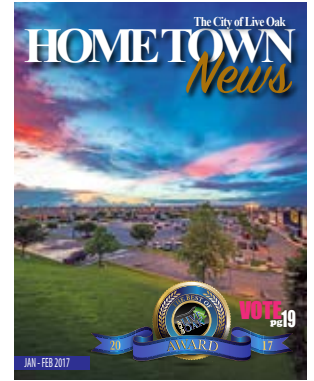
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## FUTURE EVENTS

### Daddy Daughter Dance

Feb. 18, 2017 - Hilton Garden Inn at 5pm-8pm

### Daylight Savings Time

March 12th "Spring Forward"

### E-Cycle Event

April (Date to be Announced)

### Fix Up Day, Zone 7

April 8th @ 7:30am - City Hall

### Easter Egg Hunt

April 8th @ 2:00pm - Main City Park

# The MAYOR'S Corner

Dear Residents,

As your Mayor, I would like to thank you all for your continued support to our Council and city staff over the years and a very Happy New Year! As we clear our homes of holiday décor and ready ourselves for a fruitful new year, the members of Council look forward to serving the community in every aspect possible. This year, I will have the pleasure of representing the City of Live Oak and will advocate for cities across Texas as the 2017 Texas Municipal League President. I believe government is about serving people by making City government more efficient and accessible.

As the incoming TML President, I will have many duties to accomplish during my term. Some of the added responsibilities in addition to my primary duty of “your” Mayor will include presiding over business sessions during TML regional meetings, executing resolutions and other documents on behalf of the region and coordinating educational workshops and speakers for upcoming regional meetings.

I will also continue to serve on the Judson Independent School District Bond Commission, the San Antonio Council for International Visitors, Alamo Area Council of Governments Suburban Cities and the Rotary E-Club. Needless to say, my busy year will be one of excitement, new experiences and a chance to become a stronger community leader for our residents. This is just a part of my commitment and lifetime obligation to making our city and state a better place for its residents to live, work and play.

Lastly, in the upcoming months, we will observe two national holidays, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day on January 16th and Presidents Day on February 20th. Let’s not forget to reflect in observance honoring our great leaders and the liberties that their efforts afforded us. You are always welcome to reach me or any of your Council members for comments, concerns or questions. You may reach me at 210-792-7168. Remember, the best is yet to come to our great city.

*Mayor Mary M. Dennis  
& Council*





# Community Shred Day & Holiday FoodBasket Drive



co-hosted our Fall Community Shred Day along with Mayor Mary Dennis and Councilman Ed Cimics and Live Oak Fire Department's A-Shift. A total of 14,250 lbs. of paper was recycled. By Shredding and recycling Live Oak/RBFCU was awarded the Environmental Award and saved 102 trees, 18 cubic yards of landfill, 12 barrels of oil and 42,000 gallons of water.

Thanks to all who donated can goods to the Holiday Food Basket program during the shred drop-off. With the generous donations we received 359 food items.



## OPERATION GRINCH & Blue Santa



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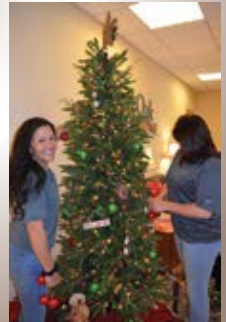


## CHRISTMAS IN THE PARK



Thanks to all the staff and volunteers who made the event successful.

Thanks to **AT HOME** for the decorating inside the lobby and outside of City Hall, Christmas inflatables at the fire station and wonderful décor at the park for Santa.



**Congratulations to Aubrey Cole, 4th Grader from Crestview Elementary, this year's winner of the Arbor Day Essay Contest.**



Thank you to Officer Mark Kroeze from Texas A&M Forest Service and Tree City USA.



TREE CITY USA



# IKEA PLANS TO OPEN A SAN ANTONIO- AREA STORE *SUMMER 2019* IN LIVE OAK, TEXAS

**IKEA** Live Oak would feature nearly 10,000 exclusively designed items, 50 inspirational room-settings, three model home interiors, a supervised children's play area, and a 325-seat restaurant serving Swedish specialties such as meatballs with lingonberries, salmon plates, as well as American dishes. Other family-friendly features include a 'Children's IKEA' area in the Showroom, baby care rooms, play areas throughout the store, and preferring parking. In addition to the more than 500 jobs that are expected during the construction phase, approximately 250 coworkers would join the IKEA family when the new store opens. IKEA Live Oak also would provide significant annual sales and property tax revenue for local governments and schools.

The 289,000-square-foot proposed IKEA store and its approximately 1,000 parking spaces would be built on 31 acres at the southwestern corner of Interstate 35 and Loop 1604. Store plans reflect the same unique architectural design for which IKEA stores are known worldwide. IKEA also will evaluate potential on-site power generation to complement its current U.S. renewable energy presence at nearly 90% of its U.S. locations.

"We are excited at the possibility of growing our U.S. and Texas presence with a San Antonio-area store," said IKEA U.S. president Lars Petersson. "This location would provide our already 180,000 San Antonio-area customers their own store and introduce the unique IKEA shopping experience to others throughout South Texas."



Source: IKEA/Corporate News

**For some of us it's HARD to image this happened in our country less than 60 years ago! For others, it's HARD to forget.**

**JOIN US FOR Events held from January 11th - 14TH**

**Dr. J.R. Bowie, III Scholarship Foundation Presents Nate Evans'**

**TEMPTATIONS REVUE honoring THE ORIGINAL Mississippi Freedom RIDERS**



Get your tickets TODAY!

**Eventbrite**

bit.ly/2grc2k0 or call 210.663.6907

**Questions?**

Contact the Bowie Foundation 210.422.0693 DrBowieFoundation.vpweb.com

Special thanks to all our sponsors with whom this event would not be possible!



**A CHRISTMAS TREE DROP OFF SITE**  
ACROSS from the **LIVE OAK CLUBHOUSE**  
until Friday, January 27, 2017 (7901 Shin Oak Dr.)



**Please remove all tinsel or other decorations before you drop off your tree.**



**PublicWorks**

# New City Staff

Mayor Mary Dennis and City Council welcomed the city's newest employees at the last October council meeting with a formal introduction from their department heads. Keeping with tradition, the Council asked Police Chief Dan Pue and Fire Chief Charles Foster to formally introduce their newest members of their departments.



Chief Dan Pue welcomed patrolmen Michael Wilson and Cesar Dehoyos by giving a brief history of both gentlemen. Officer Michael Wilson and his family are residents of Live Oak. His previous law enforcement experience was as a MP in the Army National Guard from 1999 - 2008. During which, he had active deployments in Kosovo and Operation Enduring Freedom. Officer Wilson served in civilian law enforcement in Missouri where he worked for the Cole Co. Sheriff's Department from 2005 - 2016. After moving to Texas, he underwent training to achieve his Texas Peace Officers License and joined the Live Oak Police department on October 16th.



Officer Cesar Dehoyos was hired on October 16th as well and is a native to the San Antonio area. His previous job experience was a manager of a retail auto parts store. His lifetime ambition was to become a police officer. Officer Dehoyos recently graduated from the San Antonio Law Enforcement Academy in June 2016. After successfully completing all testing and training, he received his Texas Peace Officer License and now is leaving his dream with the Live Oak Police Department.



Fire Chief Charles Foster proudly introduced Alexander Akeroyd as the newest firefighter for Live Oak. Firefighter Akeroyd originally from Schertz, Texas now lives in New Braunfels. He attended Texas A&M at College Station and began his freshman year studies in Aerospace Engineering. However, after his first year, Alex realized his heart and passion was to become a firefighter. Alex then transferred to San Antonio College to attain and complete his fire certification and then received his State Certification in December. Shortly thereafter, he completed his State EMT Certification and then joined the Live Oak Fire Department where he currently serves on A-Shift.



The newly hired Assistant Police Chief, Gary Hopper is no stranger to Live Oak. In December of 1979 he started his law enforcement career as a patrolman for the City of Live Oak. Asst. Chief Hopper left the City of Live Oak in May of 1993 to become the Chief of Police for the City of Seguin where he served for 10 years and retired from the City of Seguin in May of 2003. After teaching at Seguin High School and working for the State of Texas, Asst. Chief Hopper returned to law enforcement in February of 2008 when he was appointed Chief of Police for Texas Lutheran University. At Texas Lutheran University he was responsible for the safety of the faculty, staff and student body. Asst. Chief Hopper and his wife Christy have been married for 30 years and currently live in Seguin and are proud parents of two grown children Dallas and Ashley. Chief Pue is pleased to have Asst. Chief Hopper back on the Live Oak force and together they plan to continue the mission and vision of the Live Oak Police Department and provide exemplary service to the community.

# Meeting Legend



**Parks & Recreation**  
Meeting begins at 7pm in  
Council Chambers



**Economic Development Corporation**  
Meeting begins at 6pm in  
Council Chambers

**City Council Meeting**  
Begins at 7pm  
in Council Chambers



# Municipal Office Closures

**January 2nd**

Observance of New Year's Day

**January 16th**

Martin Luther King Jr. Day

**February 20th**

President's Day

# Event Legend



**Daddy/Daughter  
Dance**  
Saturday  
February 18th  
5-8pm  
Hilton Garden Inn

Registration starts January 3rd

# Farmers Market



Every Tuesday  
from 9am-1pm  
at Alamo Colleges  
University Center parking lot  
8300 Pat Booker Road.

# Recycle Calendar



Recycle Days are Marked by Letters "A,B,C".

- Route "A" is Wed/Sat trash routes
- Route "B" is Mon/Thu trash routes
- Route "C" is Tue/Fri trash routes

# JANUARY 2017

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
						1 Happy NEW YEAR!
2	3 FARMERS MARKET LIVE OAK	4	5	6	7	8
9 Live Oaks Parks & Rec	10 FARMERS MARKET LIVE OAK	11 A	12 B	13 C	14	15
16	17 FARMERS MARKET LIVE OAK	18	19	20	21	22
23	24 FARMERS MARKET LIVE OAK	25 A	26 B	27 C	28	29
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# City Calendar

FEBRUARY 2017						
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## LIVE OAK Civic Clubs

# Seniors of Live Oak

Check out the calendar and join us for events throughout the month!

Residents are encouraged to visit & use SOLO's "Little FREE Library" located in the Acorn Room at City Hall

For more information contact SANDRA TOWERY at 653-1387



## Live Oak League of Arts (LOLA)

For meeting information, visit us on



Search: **Live Oak League of Arts**

# L.O.C.A.P

LIVE OAK CITIZENS ASSISTING POLICE

We meet on the third Wednesday of each month at 7pm in the Justice Center Training Room

For more information contact Marie Atkinson at [LOCAP@LiveOakTx.net](mailto:LOCAP@LiveOakTx.net)

**LOCAP** is a volunteer group that was formed in 2011 to assist the Live Oak Police Department. In order to be a LOCAP member one must first attend and graduate from the Live Oak Citizens Police Academy. Once this is completed there is an application process, which includes a background check. Volunteers assist with various duties such as, filing, assisting with Municipal Court, auto auctions, calling on municipal court warrants, answering phones and driving the LOCAP vehicle around the business districts.

## General Meeting at the



## Live Oak Clubhouse

Humane Society of Live Oak



We meet on the second Monday of each month from 6:30 - 7:30

Open to the Public



For more info contact Shirely Linares at 210.551.4399

[HumaneSocietyOfLiveOak@gmail.com](mailto:HumaneSocietyOfLiveOak@gmail.com)



We meet on the third Tuesday of each month from 1pm-3pm at the Live Oak Clubhouse


For more information contact June Adair at 843.7150 or Jo Anna Wheeler at 655.1036



## Meeting Legend

 **LO.C.A.P.**  
7pm  
Justice Center

 **Humane Society of Live Oak**  
6:30p-7:30p  
Live Oak Clubhouse

 **Live Oak Village Garden Club**  
1pm-3pm  
Live Oak Clubhouse

## Activities Legend

 **SOLO**  
Tues & Thurs. Walk & Talk  
in the park at 9am

 **SOLO**  
Game Day at the Live Oak  
Clubhouse at 1pm

 **SOLO**  
Book Club & Sack Lunch  
at the Live Oak  
Clubhouse at 11am

 **SOLO**  
At the Live Oak  
Clubhouse at 11:30am

 **SOLO**  
Lunch at a local  
restaurant at 11:30am

 **SOLO**  
Soup Night  
Clubhouse at 5pm

## Helpful Websites

### PERSONAL SERVICES

Meals on Wheels  
ChristianSeniorServices.org  
GRASP

Greater Randolph Area Services  
GRASP211.org  
AACOG

Alamo Area Council/Government  
AACOG.com

### GOVERNMENT

Bexar County Appraisal District  
BCAD.org  
Bexar County  
Bexar.org

Bexar Cty Dispute Resolution Ctr.  
Home.Bexar.org/drc/

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

### Great Texas

GreatTexas.com  
State of Texas  
Texas.gov

### EDUCATION

Alamo Community College District  
Alamo.edu  
Judson ISD  
JudsonISD.org  
Northeast ISD  
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### MISCELLANEOUS










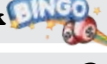






Metrocom Optomist Club  
MetrocomOptomist.org

Northeast Rotary Club  
saNortheastRotary.com

Randolph Metrocom Rotary Club  
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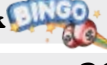

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## JANUARY 2017

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16  <b>SOLO</b> Live Oak Park	17  <b>SOLO</b> Live Oak Park <b>SOLO</b> Potluck 	18 	19  <b>SOLO</b> WoodCrest Park	20	21	22
23  <b>SOLO</b> Book Club Sack Lunch	24  <b>SOLO</b> Live Oak Park	25  <b>SOLO</b> WoodCrest Park	26 	27	28	29
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# Civic Calendar

## FEBRUARY 2017

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Check out the previous page for more information about these civic groups.



# Coffee Run Cut Short

Like most of us, our daily routines normally start with a nice cup of hot coffee to get through the day's workload. For a sweet little Chihuahua, now known as Apple, a morning visit to Starbucks on Pat Booker didn't go the way she had planned. What started as a possible attempt to satisfy her chai latte craving ended abruptly by being picked up by a concerned patron from Starbucks and transported her into our facility. Later that morning, the realization set in that the morning would not begin with a sip of coffee or the taste of a dropped sweet danish but she would receive her first visitor at the Animal care facility. An avid supporter and volunteer to our shelter, Officer Janie Caballero payed a visit to the facility to keep Apple company in hopes that her owner would soon come to take her home. Sadly, the day ended with no one looking or inquiring about little Apple. Even though by this time, Apple had adapted to her new surroundings, she kept the faith that a loving home would be in the near future for her. It wasn't long before Officer Caballero made the decision to open her heart and home to provide Apple with exactly what she was missing. . . .not the morning coffee, but a nice warm home for the holidays. Looks like Apple and Officer Janie's Christmas miracle had come a little early or some may say just in the nick of time!



**NEW YEAR. NEW FRIEND?**

**DON'T SHOP. ADOPT!**

**1 ½ years old**  
Beautiful cat and would make a great addition to your family!



*Sierra*

**6 years old/Neutered Male**  
Oscar's owner had passed away and needs a loving home asap!



*Oscar*



*Preston*

**6 months old/Neutered male**  
He has been here since he was a tiny kitten, needs a forever family!

# DADDY *Daughter* DANCE

**Cost \$15.00 per person**

Registration will take place in City Hall beginning January 3rd. Registration will be on a first come, first served basis while space allows. Please call Courtney Weese at 659-9140 ext. 235 for any questions.



**REGISTER NOW!**

**ALICE IN WONDERLAND  
MADHATTER THEME**

**February 18th, 2017**

**5-8 pm at the Hilton Garden Inn  
REGISTRATION BEGINS JANUARY 3RD**



# WORLD CLASS

## DISC GOLF COURSE NOW OPEN



### Live Oak Lake Course



The first of two new World Class Disc Golf courses is open and ready for play in Live Oak's Main Park. The pathway to the new course started with public funding by the Live Oak Economic Development Corporation and private funding from Randolph Brooks Federal Credit Union and Academy Sports and Outdoors. The plan involved redesigning the City's original 36 hole course into two separate 18 hole courses.

John Houck, former World Champion Disc Golfer was selected to design the two new courses. He just finished designing his 100th course. John's courses are found in 17 states in America and 2 provinces in Canada. In fact, Houck's Lakeside course at Selah Ranch in Mt Vernon, Texas continues to be ranked #1 in the world out of 6,500 plus courses worldwide by player reviews on DGCourseReview.com.

When the Live Oak Summer Open was hosted in July of 2016, the Lake Course in Live Oak City Park was the first of three championship courses to open. With a par of 65, the course is one of just a handful of municipal championship courses in Texas. According to course designer John Houck, "The city was fully committed to having the best courses possible, and to hosting major events. Our goal was simple: to create the premier municipal courses in Texas, and to establish one of the top five three-course complexes in the country."

Many challenges and obstacles were overcome during this process. Designer Houck tweaked the fairways, "tee" and "basket" placements numerous times to create unique and challenging holes. Course construction required regrading landscapes, removing concrete rubble, pouring concrete, moving concrete "tee" pads, clearing understory brush, identifying and protecting heritage trees all while being good stewards of wildlife habitat. Many hard working Public Works employees joined together with the Parks Division crew to complete the Lakeside course. Construction of the second course will begin soon.

Another partner instrumental in constructing the new Disc Golf Course is the Alamo Community Disc Club (formerly Live Oak Disc Golf Alliance LODGA). Representing the newly formed club, Chad Reid, would like to thank the City of Live Oak for all of their involvement with the amazing sport of disc golf and their continued support of it year after year. According to Chad, "The disc golf courses in Live Oak are some of the best in South Texas and help pave the way for the growth of disc golf in our community. We currently have over 200 active club members in the Alamo

Community Disc Club, a new club that is the product of merging The Live Oak Disc Golf Alliance with The San Antonio Disc Club. Our goal is to unite all disc golfers in the greater San Antonio area with a common goal, bring more championship courses to the area and to showcase our courses in the national spotlight by hosting large professional tournaments. The City of Live Oak is known for hosting elite level disc golf tournaments every year and they work hand-in-hand with our club officials to make sure the players get the best experience possible. The staff in charge of the Live Oak City



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PAR 3	PAR 4	PAR 3	PAR 5	PAR 3	PAR 3	PAR 4	PAR 4	PAR 3	PAR 3	PAR 4	PAR 4	PAR 4	PAR 3	PAR 5	PAR 3	PAR 3	PAR 4
210"	370"	153"	864"	202"	274"	400"	377"	183"	242"	280"	445"	393"	195"	640"	195"	187"	462"
309"	574"	200"	909"	242"	274"	545"	378"	273"	309"	655"	595"	564"	195"	933"	327"	187"	675"

Park course re-design headed by Mr. Wayne Trammell, has done an incredible job under the direction of Mr. John Houck to develop a championship course that will surely be a deciding factor in winning bids for tournaments that will attract national attention. Live Oak City Park is a very large park with a multitude of facilities which can cause scheduling conflicts when organizing a disc golf tournament. It is with the leadership and organizational skills of Ms. Courtney Weese and the complete involvement of The City of Live Oak, that every tournament in their park is respected by other park patrons and tournament players alike, so that everyone can enjoy the park safely. As a club that runs multiple events every year, we cannot express how crucial it is that we have the cooperation of the local government as we always do with The City of Live Oak. 2016 has been one of the most exciting years for disc golf in the greater San Antonio area, and 2017 is primed to be an even bigger one. We want to extend a huge thanks to everyone involved in the re-design and can't wait to see what the future holds for disc golf in the area." Bring your discs and check out the new course!

# Become a Live Oak LIFEGUARD!

*Live Oak*  
Parks & Rec



The Live Oak Pool provides a wonderful opportunity for those young adults looking for a summer job. With flexible hours, great pay and an excellent staff, lifeguarding for Live Oak is the way to go! Spring is just around the corner, and now is the time to start thinking about certification classes. Many of these classes will be held during the Spring Break timeframe, perfect for the student on break from school. The City of Live Oak will reimburse up to \$200 for those individuals that obtain their **American Red Cross Lifeguarding Certification** and successfully complete the hiring and employment process. Visit [www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org) for a list of available classes offered in this area, and check back often as the list is frequently updated. If you would like additional information regarding becoming a Live Oak lifeguard, please contact Courtney Weese at **653-9140 ext. 235**.

## easter egg SCRAMBLE at The Park!!



**SATURDAY**  
**April 8th, 2017**  
**2pm**  
**Main City Park**



**Egg hunt, music, lakeside photos with the Easter bunny, snow cones, and a special SURPRISE!!!!**

*Subject to Change*

### 2017 RECREATION and COMMUNITY EVENTS CALENDAR

- February 18th – Daddy Daughter Dance
- April 8th – Easter Egg Scramble at the Park
- April 8th – Fix Up Day
- May 27th – Memorial Day Parade
- May 29th – Pool Opens for Holiday
- June 3rd – Jr. Fishing
- July 19th – Swim-N-S'mores
- September 9th – Movie in the Park
- September 9th – Fix Up Day
- September 29th – Shindig on Shin Oak
- October 3rd – National Night Out
- October 14th – Fire Prevention Parade
- October 31st – Halloween Family Night
- November – Arbor Day (Date pending)
- November 18th – Shop Live Oak 5K / Polar Plunge
- December – Trout Fishing
- December 16th – Christmas in the Park

**Save the Dates**

*Live Oak*  
Parks & Rec

# THE 3RD ANNUAL

SHOP LIVE OAK

# POLAR PLUNGE & 5K



We had a terrific turnout for the 3rd Annual Shop Live Oak 5K & Polar Plunge. There were 80 participants that joined in the fun this year and 12 business mascots competed in the first ever "Mascot Dash." The Mascot Dash winner was Caesar with Little Caesar's Pizza. As the winner, he was awarded a medal and bragging rights for a whole year! All proceeds benefitted the Texas Tri-County Chamber of Commerce.



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Jennifer Rosemark

& Son



Our overall winner and top male winner was **Efrain Velazquez** with a winning time of 17:52 and overall female winner was **Claudia Alba** with a winning time of 24:00, **Murphy**, a Pit/Red Healer/Boxer mix and owner **Debby Goza** won the "1st Pet to finish" category and **Jennifer Rosemark and her son** won the "1st Stroller to Finish" category and **Liane Garrett** won the "Final Finisher" category! Congratulations to all the winners and participants! We had a blast and look forward to having a bigger and better turnout at next year's event so mark your calendars for **November 18, 2017**.

We would like to thank our sponsors for their continued community support: Randolph Brooks Federal Credit Union, Humana, Orange Theory, New Balance, Quartermoon Plumbing, Live Oak Family Dentistry, Madwomen Marketing, Northeast Lakeview College, Alamo College District, Promptu Immediate Care, Zoe's Kitchen, Smoothie King, Whataburger, Houlihan's, Dunkin Donuts, Starbucks and Tri-County Chamber of Commerce, Athlete Guild, Randolph Metrocom Rotary Club and Northeast Methodist Hospital.

**12 DAYS OF CHRISTMAS** was was once again a huge success and we would like to extend a big thank you to all of our wonderful business sponsors for their participation:

- Loyalti Services • James Avery Jewelry • Houlihan's
- Biff Buzby's Burgers • Mattress Firm • Expressions Dance Company
- Texas Roadhouse • Smallcakes • Gino's East
- Blondes Brunettes & Red Heads • RBCU

# New Businesses Now Open



**Zoe's Kitchen** celebrated their grand opening and ribbon cutting ceremony with Mayor Mary Dennis, Council, Board members and City Administration at 8215 Agora Parkway, Ste. 100 in the Forum Shopping Center in October. David Rodriguez, General Manager and his courteous staff were all smiles for the special occasion to show off their beautifully decorated and redesigned restaurant. Zoe's menu is filled with Mediterranean inspired culinary creations providing you with a unique dining experience. At Zoe's you will find fresh and nutritious ingredients used to prepare and meet your Mediterranean cravings. Their menu does offer vegetarian, vegan and gluten free options as well. Stop by and discover how "Mediterranean flavor makes life more delicious" at Zoe's Kitchen!



**O&A's Flaming Wok** is now serving home style Chinese cuisine located at 8142 Shin Oak Drive, Ste. 116! Oscar and Alice Gutierrez, their family members and friendly staff celebrated the grand opening with a ribbon cutting in October along with city staff, Economic Development board members, and City Council. They are known for the modern

interpretation of classic Chinese dishes with quality fresh ingredients made to order. Oscar and Alice offer a family friendly atmosphere for dine in, take out or delivery. Next time you find yourself wondering what to make for dinner, call up O&A's Flaming Wok for fabulous home style Chinese cuisine.



**Crux Barber Lounge** located at 8142 Shin Oak Drive, Ste. 102 opened their doors in October. Ron & Juan and their barbers gathered with family, friends and City staff to commemorate the

grand opening of their nostalgic "barbershop" in Live Oak. Ron, Chief and the guys are all licensed professionals, award winning Barbers who specialize in the latest styles in men's haircuts. If you want an old fashioned cut and shave while talking about last Sunday's football game, this is the place for you! The services are endless. Come visit the "2016 1st Place Box Top Champions" of the Alamo City Barber Expo & Battle at Crux Barber Lounge!



**Advanced Healthcare & Rehabilitation** is open! The long anticipated project is complete and is almost at full capacity. Facility Directors and their staff gathered to celebrate the occasion with a

grand opening/open house and ribbon cutting ceremony. The State certified skilled nursing facility is located at 8221 Palisades Drive and has the capacity of 120 bed accommodations with two high tech physical therapy exercise rooms, full service dining area, visitor and entertainment lounges and an assisted care unit. Advanced Healthcare & Rehab provides patients with skilled nursing care as well as private or shared accommodations. Friendly staff are waiting to serve all your loved ones needs. Stop by and take a tour of the facilities.

## 2016 Small Business Saturday Recognition



We congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Jose Bustos, owners of **Picosito Mexican Cuisine** located at 12107 Toepperwein, Ste. 7, as the recipient of the 2016 Small Business Saturday proclamation and

Economic Development plaque presentation. Donna Lowder presented Mr. and Mrs. Bustos with the plaque honoring Small Business Saturday, November 26, 2016. Join us in congratulating Picositos for their thirteen years of dedicated service and commitment to the city and its residents.

Mayor Mary Dennis and City Council presented the "Small Business Saturday" proclamation at the November 8th regular Council meeting.





# Local Dentist Hangs Up His Dental Pick



On December 2nd, Live Oak City administrators and City Council members joined the dental staff of Live Oak Family Dentistry, and Dr. Marisa Fox, D.D.S. to bid Dr. Stanley Coss farewell and congratulations on his retirement with a surprise celebration and special presentation. His wife, Faith, along with family members, longtime friends and special guests all gathered for light refreshments and great fellowship to celebrate his wonderful career.

At a young age of 15 years old, Dr. Coss began his college education receiving both his undergraduate and D.D.S. degrees from Ohio State University, and enlisted in the Air Force. In 1974, the Air Force moved this avid Buckeye fan to San Antonio. Upon his return to civilian life in 1977, he began practicing dentistry in Live Oak at the 7900 Shin Oak Drive location providing families with routine check-ups and cosmetic dentistry procedures. Over the years, he has served many generations of families in the Metrocom area and his practice has been recognized by city officials as one of the oldest businesses in Live Oak. Dr. Coss is very grateful and humbled for the years of loyal support received from his patients during his tenure. Dedicated to the dental health and overall well-being of others, Dr. Coss has served on several Mission boards that were responsible for establishing medical clinics, dental clinics and seminaries in third world countries. Before his retirement, he was a member of the San Antonio Dental District Society, the Texas Dental Association, and the American Dental Association. As he embarks to life as a retiree, he plans to remain an active member on all the Dental Associations and Dental Society boards.



Dr. Coss is the father of four and the grandfather of ten. He plans to spend his free time with his family, traveling with his wife to discover new places, as well as continuing to serve his church ministries at Believers Fellowship. Dr. Coss' retirement was no surprise and has been planned for a few years. Dr. Marisa Fox, D.D.S. partnered with Dr. Coss in 2012 and soon became owner of the dental practice in 2015. Dr. Fox will continue Dr. Coss' legacy of making patients feel welcome and comfortable during their visits. Dr. Fox has quickly become a staple in our community and will continue to provide affordable and gentle dental care for our residents. She has gained valuable knowledge from Dr. Coss over the years and looks forward to utilizing that knowledge in the future. We join together as a community to congratulate Dr. Stanley Coss and wish him well with this "new" chapter of his life.





# Keep SHOPPING LiveOak

**“Shop Live Oak” is not just a slogan, it’s the culture. When people shop at businesses located within the city limits of Live Oak, they are contributing to the City’s revenue that pays for services that benefit our community directly. Some of these services are police and fire protection, emergency medical services, park and recreation amenities and events, street and right-of-way maintenance and code compliance just to name a few. In fact, sales tax revenues are the #1 revenue stream for our General Fund that house all of our core services.**



So how does it all work? We know that when we spend \$10 for something at Best Buy or lunch at one of the City’s many restaurants, we typically walk out with a receipt for \$10.83 due to the 8.25% sales tax. We all know the \$0.83 goes towards sales tax, but do we know how that tax is distributed? Six and a fourth cents (6.25%) on every dollar goes directly to the Texas State comptroller who uses it to fund several state programs that benefit all of us. The remaining 2 cents (2.0%) on every dollar come to the City. Live Oak divides the revenues of these two cents the following way:

- **One penny (1.0%) goes to the General Fund to fund the many standard services provided to its citizens by the City**
- **One half penny (0.5%) goes to the Economic Development Corporation as its primary revenue source to promote economic and community development in the City.**
- **One half penny (0.5%) goes to the General Fund for the purpose of providing Ad Valorem property tax relief.**

As mentioned above, sales tax revenue is the City’s leading revenue stream. The one cent that goes to the General Fund contributes to all our General Services, to include police and fire. The half Cent that makes of the Economic Development portion pays for a great many services that promote commercial growth within the City to include the production and distribution of this Hometown News magazine. The portion that is utilized by the City to reduce the Ad Valorem property tax, provides relief that equals \$0.168724 cents per \$100 of taxable valuation or \$168.72 annually on a \$100,000 home. The revenue generated by this piece of the sales tax is directly used toward the calculation process of the City’s annual property tax rate. As a result of this sales tax collection, the City’s Property Tax rate is among the lowest in the region.

The City has seen some significant increases in sales tax revenues over the past several years. This is an indicator of the economic strength in the San Antonio area. The San Antonio area, and more importantly, the northeast region is doing extremely well and we all benefit from being a major destination of commercial and residential development. It is our hopes that this article helps with the understanding of the benefits of expanding our city’s commercial base and how it benefits the residents.

**COMPLETE THE BALLOT ON THE NEXT PAGE** and return no later than January 15th 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 utility payments drop box in front of City Hall. Plaques will be awarded to the top vote recipient in each of the categories. We will announce the winners after each business has received their plaques on Facebook and our website.



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### Best Hamburgers:

- 54th Street
- Biff Buzby's Burgers
- Buffalo Wild Wings
- Burger King
- Carl's Jr
- Dairy Queen
- Denny's
- Five Guys Burgers & Fries
- Flaco's Burgers & Tacos
- Houlihan's
- IHOP
- Red Robin
- Texas Roadhouse
- Wendy's
- Whataburger

### Best Sandwich:

- 54th Street
- Firehouse Subs
- Jimmy John's
- La Madeleine
- McAlister's Deli
- Panera Bread Café
- Potbelly Sandwich Shop
- Sandwiches
- Subway
- Williams Confectionary

### Best Pizza:

- Chuck E. Cheese
- Gino's East
- Little Caesar's
- Mod Pizza
- Noble Roman's Pizza  
(inside Laser Legend)
- Papa John's Pizza
- Red Robin
- Urban Brick Pizza

### Best Breakfast Taco:

- Donut Kolache Palace
- Flaco's Burgers & Tacos
- Las Palapas
- Nicha's Comida
- Picosito's
- Taco Bell
- Whataburger

### Best Breakfast:

- Denny's
- Donut Kolache Palace
- Dunkin Donuts
- Flaco's Burgers & Tacos
- Garden Grille – Hilton
- IHOP
- La Madeleine
- Las Palapas
- Nicha's Comida
- Panera Bread Café'
- Picosito's
- Starbucks
- Subway
- Taco Bell
- Whataburger
- William's Confectionary

### Best Steak:

- 54th Street
- Denny's
- Houlihan's
- Lion and Rose Pub
- Outback Steakhouse
- Sea Island Shrimp House
- Texas Roadhouse

### Best Sweet Treat:

- Coldstone Creamery
- Dairy Queen
- Donut Kolache Palace
- Dunkin Donuts
- La Madeleine
- Smallcakes
- Smoothie King
- Williams Confectionary

### Best Happy Hour:

- 54th Street
- Beer Googles
- Buffalo Wild Wings
- Gino's East
- Garden Grille – Hilton Inn
- Halftime Lounge
- Hooligan's Bar & Grill
- Houlihan's
- Lion & Rose Pub
- Nicha's Comida
- Outback Steakhouse
- Red Robin
- Texas Roadhouse

### Best Fast Food Restaurant:

- Burger King
- Carl's Jr
- Dairy Queen
- Firehouse Subs
- Five Guys Burgers & Fries
- Jimmy John's
- Little Caesar's
- McAlister's Deli
- O&A's Flaming Wok
- Potbelly Sandwich Shop
- Raising Cane

### Best Fast Food Restaurant <sup>Cont.</sup>

- Subway
- Taco Bell
- Wendy's
- Whataburger

### Best Chain Restaurant:

- 54th Street
- Buffalo Wild Wings
- Chuck-E-Cheese
- Denny's
- Genghis Grill
- Gino's East
- Houlihan's
- IHOP
- La Madeleine
- Las Palapas
- Lion and Rose Pub
- McAlister's Deli
- Mod Pizza
- Outback Steakhouse
- Panera Bread Café
- Red Robin
- Sea Island Shrimp House
- Texas Roadhouse
- Urban Brick Pizza
- Zoe's Kitchen

### Best Entertainment Venue:

- Big Green Gym Bus
- Chuck E. Cheese
- Game Truck
- Hooligan's Bar & Grill
- Laser Legend/Glo Golf
- Painting with a Twist
- Regal Cinema-Live Oak
- SoccerZone Live Oak

# 2017 BALLOT

## Best Local Restaurant:

- Alamo BBQ
- Biff Buzby's Burgers
- Bangkok Cuisine
- Flaco's Burgers & Tacos
- Nicha's Comida
- O&A's Flaming Wok
- Picosito's
- Williams Confectionary

## Best Place to Watch Sports:

- 54th Street
- Beer Goggles
- Buffalo Wild Wings
- Hooligan's Bar & Grill
- Lion and Rose Pub
- Texas Roadhouse

## Best Hair Salon:

- Anointed Cuts
- Blondes, Brunettes & Redheads
- Cool Cuts
- Crux Barber Lounge
- Five Star Salon
- Great Clips
- Hair Factory
- Knockouts Haircuts
- Salon Extreme
- Salons by JC
- Shear Madness Haircuts
- Supercuts
- Textures Salon & Spa
- Whitney's Family Hair Care

## Best Nail Salon:

- Angel Nails
- Express Nails
- Expression Nails & Spa
- Hair Factory
- Kathy's Nails
- Nails Care

## Best Car Dealership:

- Cavendar Cadillac
- Jordan Ford
- World Car Hyundai
- World Car Nissan
- World Car Mazda

## Best Hotel:

- Hampton Inn
- Hilton Garden Inn
- LaQuinta Inn
- Navona at Live Oak
- Value Place

## 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
- Ed Franz Elementary
- Judson Early College (JECA)
- Northeast Lakeview

## Best Apartment Community:

- Arbor at Centerbrook
- Heritage Apartments
- High Key Apartments
- Meadows Apartments
- Mira Loma
- Navona at Live Oak
- Springs at Live Oak
- Village at Mira Loma

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## Best Neighborhood:

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

## I'm Most Excited About:

- IKEA
- La Madeleine
- Mod Pizza
- Pot Belly Sandwiches
- Urban Brick Pizza

## Best Customer Service:

(Write-in Vote)

## Best Home Based Business:

(Write-in Vote)

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We're cleaning up Live Oak! Volunteer today to help clean up your community and help neighbors! Clean up efforts will include physical activities such as painting, lifting, moving and cleaning. Please bring gloves and any supplies you have or you wish to use. All volunteers must sign the Volunteer/Community Service Release. Community Service/Service Learning hours available for those eligible. **Please meet no later than 7:30 am at City Hall, 8001 Shin Oak Dr., Live Oak, TX.**

# April 8th

## Live Oak Fix Up Day

### Zone 7!

The Fix Up Day Zone 7 effort will take place on Saturday, April 8th, 7:30am to Noon! Volunteers (ages 18 and up) are needed so mark your calendars! If you would like to volunteer you may complete the Volunteer



# Live Oak

Zone 7

## FIX UP DAY



application and waivers included in this addition or download the form located on our website at [www.liveoaktx.net](http://www.liveoaktx.net) or contact **Donna Lowder at 210-653-9140, ext. 219** or via email at [dlowder@liveoaktx.net](mailto:dlowder@liveoaktx.net) for more information. Return the form to City Hall during business hours or place it in the drive through utility drop box in the parking lot. Remember, working together can make a difference in our neighborhoods and our city.

### CITY OF LIVE OAK VOLUNTEER/COMMUNITY SERVICE RELEASE

The undersigned desires to participate as a volunteer in a program operated by the City of Live Oak (City).

In consideration of the City allowing my volunteer participation, I \_\_\_\_\_, hereby release, waive, discharge and covenant not to sue the City, its officers, servants, agents, employees and insurers, including but not limited to the Texas Municipal League Intergovernmental Risk Pool (hereinafter referred to as "releasees") from any and all liability, claims, demands, actions and causes of action whatsoever arising out of or relating to any loss, damage or injury, including death, that maybe sustained by me, or to any property belonging to me, whether caused by the negligence of the releases, or otherwise, while participating in the activities, or while in, on or upon the premises where the activities are being conducted, while in transit to or from the premises, or in any place or places connected with the activities.

I understand that the volunteer work will require some physical effort (bending, lifting, walking, kneeling, etc.) and the use of small hand tools; supplies will be provided by the homeowner. I am in good health and able to acknowledge these conditions. I am fully aware of risks and hazards connected with being on the premises and participating in the activities, and I am fully aware that there may be risks and hazards unknown to me connected with being on the premises and participating in the activities, and I hereby elect to voluntarily participate in the activities, to enter upon the designated premises and engage in activities knowing that conditions may be hazardous, or may become hazardous or dangerous to me. I voluntarily assume full responsibility for any risks or loss, property damage or personal injury, that may be sustained by me, or any loss or damage to property owned by me, as a result of my being a participant in the activities, whether caused by the negligent of releasees or otherwise. I further hereby agree to indemnify and save and hold harmless the releasees and each of them, from any loss, liability, damage or costs they may incur due to my participation in the activities, whether caused by the negligence of any or all of the releasees, or otherwise. It is my express intent that this Release shall bind the members of my family and spouse, if I am alive, and my heirs, assigns and personal representative, if I am deceased, and shall be deemed as a Release, Waiver, Discharge and Covenant Not to Sue the above named releasees.

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**In signing this release, I acknowledge and represent that:**



- A. I have read the foregoing release, understand it, and sign it voluntarily as my own free act and deed;
- B. No oral representation, statements or inducements, apart from the foregoing written agreement have been made;
- C. I am at least eighteen (18) years of age and fully competent or if a minor my parent(s) or guardian(s), by their signatures below, indicate they have fully read and understand this waiver and indicate, on behalf of their minor child, their full and unqualified consent to the terms of this waiver; and
- D. I execute this Release for full, adequate and complete consideration fully intending to be bound by same.
- E. I acknowledge that I will not be entitled to any compensation for my services, I will not be an employee of the City, and I will not be entitled to any benefits from the City.
- F. I understand and agree that no particular hours of service are guaranteed for the volunteer work at with the City, that the City may determine at any time that is no longer needs such volunteer services performed, and that I may decide at any time to end my volunteer activities for the City.

It is my understanding that the City consents to having me participate in the program on public property. In the event entry is to be on private property, the City will first obtain the consent of the appropriate party to allow entry on private property.

It is my understanding that I am to provide my own transportation and supervision. In the event of any media coverage, it will be my personal responsibility to advise reporters whether or not I will agree to pictures or publication of my participation.

I agree and understand I shall receive no compensation for participating in the program, I will not receive any benefits from the City and I am not an employee of the City. I understand and agree that the work for this project will be completed under the direction of City personnel. I will be provided with a specific location or locations where work is to be done. To protect myself, my co-workers, and the public, I will follow safety precautions to the best of my ability.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Zone 7 Community Cleanup

LOCATION: Please meet at Live Oak City Hall no later than 7:30 A.M. Do not be late

PROJECT DATE: Saturday, April 8th, 2017

PARTICIPANT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

PARTICIPANT SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE#: \_\_\_\_\_





### 3 EASY STEPS TO UPDATE YOUR KITCHEN CABINETS

BEFORE



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AFTER



## Sprucing Up!

With spring on its way, with her many new beautiful colors and scenery, we begin to think about sprucing up our yards and homes. Have you ever turned on one of those fixer upper shows on television and thought “wow, I would love to do that to my home.” Sometimes the tasks they portray seem very daunting and downright impossible for the average person to accomplish! Live Oak has its own ‘fixer upper’ store – Home Depot. Did you know Home Depot offers workshops on multiple projects for your home? Just visit [homedepot.com](http://homedepot.com) and click on the DIY Projects & Ideas at the top of their site. You will find a variety of projects and ideas for your yard and home. For the gardeners they have a Garden Club option that will give you many tips for flowers, landscaping, vegetables and herbs. They even have recipes available for your home grown veggies. Home Depot also offers free workshops for all ages and experience. Another option they have is their DIY Q&A. This allows you to ask questions on subjects that might not be covered in their listed projects and ideas. Spring time is always a fresh new exciting time in our community and having a great resource to help with our upcoming projects is an added plus. You can always reference Development Services on the City of Live Oak’s website to see if your project will require a permit or feel free to call us and ask for Gayle at **210-653-9140, ext. 244.**





The Live Oak Police Department would like to wish you a Happy New Year. It is our goal to create an environment where everyone can feel safe to live, work and play. One way we do this is through education. Scammers and con artists work very hard to relieve you of your hard earned money. They will come at you through e-mail, phone and door to door solicitation.



There are many other scams out there. These all involve you sending money up front to receive a larger sum of money in return. The heir to the throne in the Cameroon will not contact you by e-mail asking you to help him regain the throne by sending him money in exchange for diamonds that he can't sell in his native country.

Your grandchild has not been kidnapped and being held for ransom in Mexico. If you have a concern about a friend or family member that could be in danger, simply call and make contact with them to verify they are safe.



Another recently discovered scam is someone contacting you asking for a cash payment to secure an appointment for a job interview. Legitimate businesses do not conduct job interviews in that manner. No matter how they contact you, never send anyone money, wire transfers or gift cards. If it sounds too good to be true, believe me, it is.

Remember if you are contacted by phone, simply hang up. If you receive unsolicited e-mails, do not respond and never open any attachments that may be included. Most importantly, if you feel you have been a victim of Fraud, Identity Theft or any other type of Theft, report it to the police immediately. These crimes often go unreported because the victim feels embarrassed and that is exactly what these thieves are counting on. Report the crime! Remember, the Live Oak Police Department is your community partner. Together we can make a difference.

Lieutenant Matt Malone



**Police Chief**  
Dan Pue

**EMERGENCY CALL 911**

8022 Shin Oak Dr  
Live Oak, TX 78233  
**Dispatch:** 210.653.0033  
**Administration:** 210.945.1700  
Fax: 210.945.1762



**Starbucks**

8151 Pat Booker Rd.  
**January 13th**  
8:30a.m - 10:00a.m  
210.945.1700

**VOLUNTEER!**  
**L.O.C.A.P.**  
LIVE OAK CITIZENS ASSISTING POLICE

One scam that has been used for a while and continues to thrive is someone calling you claiming to be from the Internal Revenue Service. The caller will threaten you with arrest if you do not make an immediate payment. These so called payments for delinquent taxes will often go to a web site that the con artist has created where they will receive all of your bank account information. Others will ask you to verify your identity by asking you to confirm your date of birth, current address and social security number. Do not give any of this information out to anyone. If it is truly a legitimate IRS contact they already have your personal information. The IRS will never contact you by phone. If there is a legitimate problem you would receive a notification through the mail.



In partnership with the community, the mission of the Live Oak Police Department is to prevent crime, preserve the peace and enforce the laws with exemplary service. Our vision of the Live Oak Police Department is to set the highest professional standard and model of policing in the State of Texas.



# Fall Class of 2016



After twelve weeks of Thursday evening training, workshops and lectures, eighteen students walked the stage on November 10, 2016 at the Justice Center, in the presence of guests, City of Live Oak dignitaries, Live Oak Police officers and members of LOCAP. During the 12-week course, participants were taught topics ranging from Municipal Court Process, Emergency Communications, Crime Prevention, Evidence Processing, Identity Theft, SWAT, Citizen Active Shooter, Use of Force, and K9 Deployment. Many came away with a better awareness of what our police officers face on a day-to-day basis. These graduates are now eligible to join the Live Oak Citizens Assisting Police Alumni Association (LOCAP). Their mission is to support the LOPD and its



officers and to enhance the Department's relationship with the community. These ambassadors of the Live Oak Police Department will join in fundraising efforts, assist with Citizens on Patrol within the community, and lend a hand during Municipal Court days, among other activities. The course is free and is held twice a year. The spring 2017 Citizens Police Academy class date will be announced soon. Visit our city website for the announcement.

***Congratulations, graduates!***

**VOLUNTEER!**  
**L.O.C.A.P.**  
— LIVE OAK CITIZENS ASSISTING POLICE —

# Happy NEW YEAR



## Furry New Year's Resolutions!

We all tend to make goals for ourselves about this time of year, but what about your pet? Here are a few New Year's Resolutions for the furry friends in your life:



**Play More!** Even the most pampered pooches & kitties can benefit from a little extra playtime with you. (Bonus, it promotes exercise and bonding for you both!)



**Portion Control!** Get into the good habit of measuring your pet's food every meal. A few extra scoops a day can add up to dangerous extra weight over time.



**Learn New Things!** Both cats & dogs benefit from keeping things fresh! Invest some time in teaching your dog a new trick, or getting a puzzle treat dispenser for your cat or dog and keep their brain active.



**Keep Healthy!** Now is the time to help your pets' practice good oral hygiene, healthy grooming habits, and schedule their annual checkup at the vet. A healthy pet is a happy pet!

**Share the Love!** Your pets know how much you love them but how about sharing that love by volunteering with or donating to the Humane Society of Live Oak? We're always happy to give you ideas on where your help would be best needed!



# SPACE HEATERS...

## When Things Get Too Toasty

## Winter weather months prompt heating and carbon monoxide safety warnings

### HEATING FIRES are a leading cause of U.S. home fire deaths

According to NFPA, half of home heating equipment fires are reported during the months of December, January, and February. More than half of the home heating fire deaths resulted from fires that started when something that could burn, like upholstered furniture, clothing, blankets and bedding, was too close to heating equipment.



**During the colder months there is also an increased risk of carbon monoxide (CO) poisoning.** Fuel-burning equipment, including vehicles and generators running in an attached garage, can produce dangerous levels of CO and should be vented to the outside to avoid it from building up in your home. In a 2012 NFPA report, U.S. fire departments responded to an estimated 80,100 non-fire CO incidents in which carbon monoxide was found, or an average of nine such calls per hour in 2010. The number of incidents jumped 96 percent from 40,900 incidents reported in 2003. This surge, according to NFPA, is most likely due to the increased use of CO detectors, which alert people to the presence of CO.

Some heating equipment requires proper installation to reduce the risk of fire injuries. When installing wood burning stoves or gas heaters, NFPA recommends following the manufacturer's instructions or having a professional perform the installation.

Installing and maintaining CO alarms can also help reduce the risk of carbon monoxide poisoning. If you smell gas in your gas heater or other appliance, do not light it. Leave the home immediately and call your local fire department or Gas Company.



#### To ensure a safe and cozy winter this year, NFPA offers some easy tips to follow:

- Use your oven to cook food only. Never use it to heat your home.
- Hire a qualified professional to clean and inspect heating equipment and chimneys every year.
- Turn portable heaters off when leaving the room or going to bed.
- Place a sturdy screen in front of your fireplace to prevent sparks from flying into the room, and burn only dry, seasoned wood. Allow ashes to cool before disposing them in a metal container, and ensure that they are kept a safe distance from the home.
- If you need to warm a vehicle, remove it from the garage immediately after starting it. Do not run a vehicle or other fueled engine or motor indoors, even if garage doors are open. Make sure the exhaust pipe of a running vehicle is not covered with snow.
- Test smoke alarms and CO alarms monthly. Properly maintained alarms can save lives in the event of a fire.

Find additional resources including tips sheets, videos, reports and more about heating safety and carbon monoxide by visiting NFPA's website.

#### About the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA)

Founded in 1896, NFPA is a global, nonprofit organization devoted to eliminating death, injury, property and economic loss due to fire, electrical and related hazards. The association delivers information and knowledge through more than 300 consensus codes and standards, research, training, education, outreach and advocacy; and by partnering with others who share an interest in furthering the NFPA mission. For more information visit [www.nfpa.org](http://www.nfpa.org). All NFPA codes and standards can be viewed online for free at [www.nfpa.org/freeaccess](http://www.nfpa.org/freeaccess).

#### Signs of carbon monoxide poisoning



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## Painting with Passion! (Beginning Acrylic Painting)

Have you ever wanted to learn how to paint but did not think you had the "gift"? In this class you will learn how to tap into the creativeness that lies deep within all of us and paint YOUR very own masterpiece. You will learn how to prepare your canvas, care for your brushes, basic color mixing, and how to just let go and paint with passion!



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Handmade Soap Making Workshop. You will learn how to mix the oils and lye and add fragrances and other additives to make your own handmade soap. Not only will you learn how to make your soap smell beautiful, but we will explore different soap art techniques that will make your soap look beautiful too! Handmade Soap is wonderful gift to give to family and friends and it's a whole lot of fun to make.



## Painting and Pizza! (Beginning Acrylic Painting for Kids Ages 9-14)

Need to run a few errands? Drop your little artist off so they can learn how to paint and let us treat them to a slice! In this class they will learn how to tap into their creativeness that lies deep within all of us and paint their very own masterpiece. We will learn basic painting skills, color mixing, different styles of painting and a little bit of art history. Most of all they will learn how to paint with confidence!



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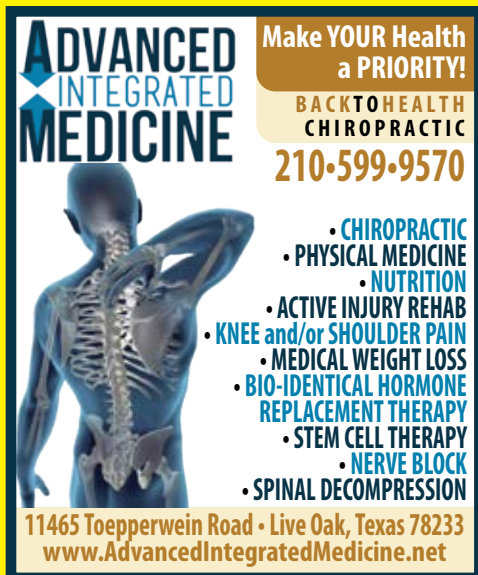
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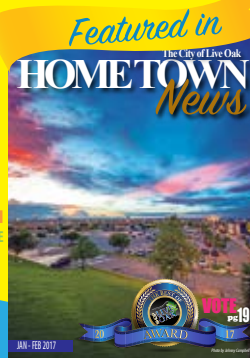
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