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Parks and Recreation staff members and Robin Morrow (next to word "Morrow") at the dedication of the Randy Morrow Trail.

## Trail Dedicated to Randy Morrow

The North San Gabriel River Trail was dedicated to Randy Morrow and renamed in his honor in a ceremony on April 5. Morrow was the architect of Georgetown's recreational trail system and served as parks and recreation director during his 21-year career with the City of Georgetown. Morrow retired from the City in 2011 after he was diagnosed with cancer. He passed away in November.

The Randy Morrow Trail extends more than four miles along the north fork of the San Gabriel River from Booty's Road Park to the confluence of the two forks in San Gabriel Park, where there is a new sign for the Randy Morrow Trail.

The San Gabriel River Trail system, including more than eight miles of hike and bike trails along the San Gabriel River and around San

Gabriel Park, is the result of Morrow's vision. Starting in 1994, Morrow combined more than \$2 million in grants and parkland donations to create the hike and bike trails. The San Gabriel River Trail was designated a National Recreation Trail by the U.S. Department of the Interior in 2006.



## Outdoor Water Use Limits in Effect

The following mandatory restrictions apply to outdoor water use for City of Georgetown water customers. Water no more than three times each week, and follow this schedule for irrigation systems and sprinklers, based on the last digit of your address number:

### Odd addresses

Tuesday and/or Thursday and/or Saturday

### Even addresses

Wednesday and/or Friday and/or Sunday

No sprinkler or irrigation system use on Mondays. Watering with a hand-held hose or bucket can be done any day and at any time. Washing a vehicle can be done any day at any time. Violations of these restrictions may result in fines.

### Recommended

- Water only two days per week according to the odd/even schedule
- Avoid watering from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. or in windy conditions

Water conservation rates are in effect. At 19,000 gallons of water use in a

month, the rate increases from \$2.25 to \$3.00 per thousand gallons for residents and from \$2.60 to \$3.35 for customers outside City Limits. Higher rates apply at 30,000 gallons, 40,000 gallons, and 75,000 gallons.

Water meter replacements should be completed this summer. Those with new meters are eligible for automatic emailed AquaAlerts when your monthly use exceeds a pre-set level. Sign up online at [water.georgetown.org](http://water.georgetown.org) or call Customer Care at (512) 930-3640.

## Utility Bill Payments

### You've Got Options

There are many ways to pay your City of Georgetown utility bill each month!

#### Pay online

Pay at [billing.georgetown.org/pay-your-bill](http://billing.georgetown.org/pay-your-bill) with credit or debit, Visa or MasterCard.

#### Drop boxes

City Hall, 113 E. Eighth St (Church St side)  
Municipal Complex, 300-1 Industrial Ave (at drive-through)

#### Alternate payment locations

Gus's Drugstore: 702 E. University Ave  
First Texas Bank: 900 S. Austin Ave, 480 Del Webb Blvd, 5321 Williams Dr  
HEB: 4500 Williams Dr, 1101 S. I-35

#### Automatic draft

Call (512) 930-3640 to speak with a Customer Care Rep and pay by credit card or checking account.

#### Automatic bill pay

Pay via your bank or credit union online.

#### By phone

Call a Customer Care Representative at (512) 930-3640 to pay by credit card over the phone.

#### In-person

Pay with cash, check, or credit card at Georgetown Municipal Complex, 300-1 Industrial Ave.

For more information, contact Christine Fusco, customer service supervisor with Customer Care, at (512) 931-7673.

## June Events

### Farmers Markets

**Sun City Market, Tuesdays**  
9 a.m. to Noon,  
2 Texas Drive at Social Center  
**Georgetown Market, Thursdays** 3:30 - 6:30 p.m.,  
Church of Christ,  
1525 W. University Ave.  
Details at [www.gtffma.org](http://www.gtffma.org)

### First Friday, June 7

Downtown live music, shops, and restaurants are open late. See the Downtown Georgetown Association website at [TheGeorgetownSquare.com](http://TheGeorgetownSquare.com).

### Market Days, June 8

Handmade arts and crafts, food, and more on the Square from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Details at [TheGeorgetownSquare.com](http://TheGeorgetownSquare.com).

### The Palace Theater

*Thoroughly Modern Millie*,  
May 17 – June 16  
Details at  
[GeorgetownPalace.com](http://GeorgetownPalace.com), or call  
(512) 869-7469.

### Williamson County Sheriff's Posse Rodeo,

June 28 – 29  
The 70th annual rodeo in the arena in San Gabriel Park starts at 8 p.m. both nights. Gates open at 6 p.m. Events include steer saddling, mutton bustin', girl's break-away roping, calf scramble, tie-down roping, saddle bronc, team roping, barrel racing, bull riding, the HEB Steer Saddling Challenge, and the Johnny Dudley Comedy Act. For details and tickets, go to [GeorgetownRodeo.com](http://GeorgetownRodeo.com).

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**Georgetown in the Healthiest County in Texas**

Chase the Chief 5k is one of many fitness events held in Georgetown. Photo credit: Amanda Chron, Georgetown Police Dept.

Georgetown is the county seat of the healthiest county in the state, according to a national ranking released this spring. Williamson County is the #1 healthiest county in Texas in the 2013 County Health Rankings, an annual report by the University of Wisconsin Population Health Institute and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. Williamson County was ranked the #2 healthiest county in Texas in the 2012 report.

Many organizations and businesses in the county play a role in contributing to the quality of life ranking, including schools and universities, parks and recreation programs, hospitals, health clinics, nonprofit organizations, workplace wellness programs, public safety, and economic development efforts. The rankings are available at [www.countyhealthrankings.org](http://www.countyhealthrankings.org).

## A Russian Troika

Festival of the Arts, May 30 – June 2

The ninth annual Georgetown Festival of the Arts, *A Russian Troika*, will feature the works of Russian composers Piotr Tchaikovsky, Sergei Rachmaninov, and Anton Arensky. The festival occurs in several Georgetown venues May 30 – June 2. Festival events include public talks on the composers, concerts at Southwestern University each day of the festival, a film showing of Tchaikovsky's ballet *Swan Lake* at City Lights Theatres on Friday, and large ensemble concerts on Saturday and Sunday.

The free Saturday night concert in

San Gabriel Park includes the band, choir, and orchestra from Georgetown and East View high schools performing the *1812 Overture* and the Round Rock Symphony Orchestra performing works from the three composers. A fireworks display follows the Saturday night concert. The San Gabriel Chorale, conducted by Kenny Sheppard, will conclude the Festival on Sunday with music for the Russian Orthodox liturgy. Go to [www.gtownfestival.org](http://www.gtownfestival.org) for details and tickets. The festival is supported in part by the City of Georgetown.

## Summer Reading: Kids and Teens

The summer reading program for toddlers to twelve-year-olds—**Dig into Reading**—kicks off on Friday June 7, at 10:30 a.m. at the Georgetown Public Library, 402 W. Eighth Street, with Joe McDermott, fun, food and time to register kids for the Summer Reading Club.

The Summer Reading Club is a self-paced program in which children set their own goals, choose their levels of reading, and keep records of either the books they read (or that are read to them) or the amount of time they spend reading each day. The general weekly schedule for free children's programs during June, July, and the beginning of August will be as follows:

**Tuesdays** at 10:30 a.m. – entertainment for all ages  
**Thursdays** at 10:30 a.m. – entertainment for all ages  
**Fridays** at 1 p.m. – interactive events for tweens only (ages 9-12)

The summer program is free and open to everyone. You must have a library card, however, to check out library materials. Find more information and a calendar of events at [library.georgetown.org](http://library.georgetown.org).

**Survive the Summer** is the theme of the summer program for teens. Master hypnotist Rodney Rash will be the featured entertainment at the kick off on Wednesday, June 5 at 3 p.m. along with food and drinks. Activities throughout the summer include a magic workshop, airbrush tattoos, a murder mystery, how to survive a zombie apocalypse, drummer Mark Shelton, and a teen art show. The summer program is free and open to all teens ages 12-18. You must have a library card, however, to check out library materials. Details at [teenspace.georgetown.org](http://teenspace.georgetown.org).