Collectible Christmas Ornament

A limited-edition collectible brass Christmas ornament featuring the Cullen Building at Southwestern University is now on sale. The cost of the ornament is $20 plus tax. The ninth annual ornament sale is a project of the Georgetown Main Street Program. Ornaments can be purchased at the Visitors Center, 103 W. Seventh Street. All proceeds fund Main Street projects and the Façade Fund Grant Program.

Georgetown Main Street Program encourages you to Shop Small and Shop Georgetown during the holiday season.

City Boards and Commissions

The City of Georgetown is accepting applications to fill vacant or expiring terms on the City’s boards or commissions. The deadline to apply for one of these volunteer positions is January 8. Terms begin in March. Information and applications are available at www.georgetown.org.

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Beauty and the Beast,
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Christmas Stroll,
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Live Music at the Library, December 20
The Austin Flute Project is a quartet that pushes the boundaries of flute chamber music. From 2 to 4 p.m. in the lobby at the Georgetown Public Library, 402 W. Eighth Street. Free and open to the public, this performance is a gift of the Friends of the Georgetown Public Library. Details at library.georgetown.org

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