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New Playscape Opens

The City of Georgetown Parks and Recreation Department celebrated the new, expanded playscape at a grand opening on July 2. The new playscape is located in San Gabriel Park next to the Recreation Center at 1003 N. Austin Avenue.



The new playscape includes a picnic pavilion, tall tower, nine slides, and elevated walkways with art panels from the original 1993 wooden playscape. Photo by Rudy Ximenez.

Inside the arched entryway to the playscape is an eight-foot-tall climbing boulder that resembles the limestone cliffs along the San Gabriel Rivers.



What's the best ethnic food in Georgetown? Where is the best date spot? The best live entertainment?

Tell us your favorites. Vote in the Best of Georgetown, TX contest online at shop.georgetown.org from September 1 to 30. Check out all the categories at Bestof.Georgetown.org.

Sidewalk Master Plan and Public Facility Access Audit

The City has begun a process to create a Sidewalk Master Plan and conduct an audit of the accessibility of public facilities. This effort to take a city-wide approach to improving pedestrian and ADA accessibility started this year in March.

The purpose of the 2014 Sidewalk Master Plan and Public Facility Access Audit is to inventory existing public infrastructure, identify design and universal public access deficiencies, evaluate future program requirements, and develop a ten-year implementation plan.

The 2014 Sidewalk Master Plan will serve as an update to a previous sidewalk study in 2001, reflecting additions to the City's sidewalk network and changes to land use and transportation needs, as well as ADA regulations. The Plan also will highlight

needed public access improvements. Findings from the Public Facilities Access Audit will be reflected in the City's ADA Transition Plan and provide a capital planning framework for public accessibility improvements.

Outreach efforts for the master plan will include meetings, open houses, and media to promote project collaboration. The first of two open houses is scheduled for the week of September 22. Project updates, open house times and locations can be found on the City's project website at SidewalksandFacilities.georgetown.org.

Georgetown Public Library

Sculpture Show

Bugs playing chess, a racing armadillo, and a floppy disk mosaic are among the 74 sculptures you'll see at the seventh annual juried show by the Texas Society of Sculptors. The sculpture show is at the Georgetown Public Library through September 26. The sculptures, most of which are for sale, can be found in the lobby and on the second floor of the library at 402 W. Eighth Street. For



Wanna Race sculpture
by Marla Ripperda

information on special demonstrations and events related to the sculpture show, go to library.georgetown.org.

Labor Day Monday, Sept. 1

City offices/facilities are closed. Williams Dr. Pool is open, other outdoor pools are closed. Regular solid waste and recycling collection on Monday.

Sept. 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.gtfma.org
Wolf Ranch Farmers Market,
Saturdays 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.,
Wolf Ranch Town Center,
1015 W. University Avenue,
WolfRanchFarmersMarket.com.

The Palace Theater

The Full Monty,
August 22 – Sept. 21
Details at GeorgetownPalace.com,
or call (512) 869-7469.

First Friday, Sept. 5

Downtown live music, shops, and
restaurants are open late. See the
DGA website at
TheGeorgetownSquare.com.

Senior Adult Dance, Sept. 12

At the Community Center 6 to 9
p.m. \$5 per person at the door.
Music includes Big Band, Classic
Country, Doo-Wop, and the 40's,
50's, 60's and 70's. Light refresh-
ments served. RSVP by Sept. 8
(appreciated, but not required) to
(512) 930-1367 or robert.station@georgetown.org.

Market Days, Sept. 13

Handmade arts and crafts, food,
and more on the Square from 9
a.m. to 5 p.m. Details at
TheGeorgetownSquare.com.

Georgetown Symphony Society Concert, Sept. 14

GSS launches its 15th season with
a concert by the Temple
Symphony Orchestra and Pianist
Frances Renzi at 4 p.m. at GHS
Klett Center for the Performing
Arts. Season tickets (six concerts
for the price of five) are \$150 or
\$125 depending on seating. For a
brochure or individual ticket pric-
ing, contact (512) 864-9591 or
GSSTX.07@gmail.com or go to
www.gsstx.org.



Radiation Detection Company officially opened their new 16,600 square foot building on Snead Drive in Georgetown earlier this summer. The 50-employee company that makes occupational radiation monitoring devices recently moved to Georgetown from California. Mayor Dale Ross welcomed the company and their employees at a ribbon cutting on July 2. Pictured (left to right) are RDC Vice President Dave Holden, Mayor Dale Ross, RDC President Barrie Laing, RDC Owner Richard Holden, and RDC Vice President Ron Smith.

Cart-and-0-Bags Starts Oct. 1

Starting on October 1, material for solid waste collection needs to fit into your solid waste cart. The new cart-and-0-bags limit for trash items is part of the City's solid waste contract. Until Oct. 1, there is a cart-plus-1-bag limit for the solid waste cart. The new cart-only limit for solid waste is part of the City's effort to increase recycling.

Pickup of recycling carts will con-

tinue on the every-other-week schedule. For more information about solid waste or recycling, go to recycle.georgetown.org.

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Fire Operations 101

A Georgetown firefighter uses a hydraulic rescue tool to remove a door from a vehicle in a training demonstration for the City Council called Fire Operations 101 that was held in June.

Sept. Events

Maketember, Sept. 20

Maketember is a month-long celebration of the do-it-yourself spirit. During the month of September, the Georgetown Public Library will host maker-themed events for children, teens, and adults. A special all-ages Maker Day featuring GirlStart, cool experiments, activities, and demonstrations will take place on September 20 from 2 to 4 p.m. Check the library website library.georgetown.org or the library Facebook page GeorgetownTexasLibrary or call (512) 930-3551 for details.

Antiques for Animals, Sept. 20 – 21

This sale of antiques, collectibles, and vintage items to benefit the Georgetown Animal Shelter is at the Community Center, 445 E. Morrow Street in San Gabriel Park. Hours: Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission: \$5. Details at FriendsofGtownShelter.org.

Georgetown Art and Wine on The Square, Sept. 26 – 28

This fall festival on the Georgetown Courthouse Square is the perfect blend of juried artwork and fine wine. View and shop for artwork in a wide range of media including clay, drawing, sculpture, painting, jewelry, fiber, and metal. Ten wineries will offer tastings in the Art and Wine pavilion tent with live music sponsored by the Downtown Georgetown Assoc.. Hours are Friday: 3 to 8 p.m., Saturday: 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. (wine tasting starts at 12 p.m.), and Sunday: 12 to 5 p.m. Tickets for the wine tasting pavilion are \$30 available June 20 at www.LocalWineEvents.com (must be 21 or older). No entry fee or age limit to view or shop for art. Details: TheGeorgetownSquare.com and at ArtInSquare.com.