



Georgetown Reporter

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City Events



Feb. 3

Cupid's Chase 5K and Fun Run Georgetown Parks and Recreation

Register now for the 23rd annual Cupid's Chase 5K and Fun Run on Saturday, Feb. 3. The chip-timed 5K run/walk begins at 8 a.m. in downtown Georgetown at Seventh and Main streets, and ends at the Bark Park on Holly Street. The Kids Fun Run for children age 8 and younger starts at 7:30 a.m. The course is a 1/4-mile loop around the Courthouse. The early registration deadline is Jan. 10, after which pricing will increase.

Participants receive a Cupid's Chase 5K T-shirt, while supplies last. Dogs on a leash are always welcome on the Cupid's Chase course.

Learn more and register online at cupid.georgetown.org.

City selects nine new sculptures for 2017-18 tour

The City has contracted with eight artists to participate in its Sculpture Tour, a juried year-long outdoor exhibit in the Georgetown Cultural District.

The City's Arts and Culture Board selected the nine 2017-18 Sculpture Tour pieces from 41 pieces submitted for consideration by 21 artists. The sculptures were installed in early November and will remain on display through October 2018. Five of the works were installed on Main Street and four are located outside the Ninth Street entrance of the Georgetown Public Library at 402 W. Eighth St. For more information, including a map of the Sculpture Tour, visit arts.georgetown.org/art/sculpture-tour.

Recycling Christmas Trees and Boxes

City of Georgetown residents are encouraged to recycle Christmas trees and gift wrap to reduce material going to the landfill. If you recycle your tree, please remove the tree stand and any garland, ornaments, or lights.

Curbside Pick-up: Texas Disposal Systems customers in the city limits of Georgetown can put Christmas trees on the curb for collection on your regular yard trimmings pickup day. Trees seven feet in length or less can be placed at the curb uncut. Longer trees should be cut into sections. No artificial trees.

Collection Day Look-up: For Georgetown city residents, your yard trimmings collection day is on your first recycling day of the month. Look it up at recycle.georgetown.org.

Gift-wrap: Cardboard boxes and wrapping paper are recyclable and can be put in a recycling cart or a larger box. Ribbons and bows are not recyclable. Cellophane wrap and plastic bags are recyclable if they are placed in a yellow bag-the-bag, tied, and placed inside the recycling cart. Note that no extra plastic bags next to your trash cart are permitted without a bag tag. Go to recycle.georgetown.org for a complete list of recyclables.

Christmas Tree Drop-off: Dec. 26 through Jan. 31 at no charge at the City of Georgetown Collection Station, 250 W.L. Walden Drive. Normal fees apply to other items. Mulch is available, year-round, free-of-charge to City residents.

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Protect Pipes

In Central Texas, overnight temperatures can dip below freezing throughout the winter months. Here are ways to prevent water pipes from freezing.

Wrap outdoor water spigots

Disconnect the garden hose and wrap outdoor spigots with a towel or old T-shirt and secure with duct tape. Or purchase faucet covers available at local hardware stores.

Outdoor pipes

Use foam pipe insulation and secure with tape. Insulate joints and fittings since they are the most susceptible to bursting if they freeze.

Irrigation backflow devices

Above-ground irrigation backflow devices can freeze, so wrap or insulate them. Turn off backflow water valves and turn off your irrigation system controller to reduce the freeze potential.

Indoor Pipes

Indoor pipes in an uninsulated exterior wall can freeze. Let hot and cold water trickle from an indoor faucet to prevent pipes from freezing.

City Events

Jan. 8 - Feb. 2

Art Exhibit

The Georgetown Public Library hosts "Extraordinary Life," an exhibit of art works by Jennifer Polnaszek from Jan. 8 through Feb. 2. Pieces on display in the second-floor exhibit space include impressionistic and representational paintings of people and objects in her life. Polnaszek works in a variety of media, including oils, watercolors, graphite and printmaking, and she is a member of several art groups, including the Taylor Art Guild and the Williamson County Art Guild. The library is located at 402 W. Eighth St.



Jan. 21

Live Music at the Library

Pianist Kiyoshi Tamagawa, along with Jessica Mathaes on violin, Blake Turner on viola, and Daniel Kopp on cello, will perform solo and chamber music of Clara Schumann, Robert Schumann and Johannes Brahms in a free concert that will be open to the public at the Georgetown Public Library on Sunday, Jan. 21, at 2 p.m. The concert is part of the Live Music at the Library series sponsored by the Friends of the Georgetown Public Library. The library is located at 402 W. Eighth St. Visit library.georgetown.org for more information.



Best of Georgetown, TX Winners

The votes are in. Below are some of the gold (first-place) winners in the 2017 Best of Georgetown, TX contest:

Best Overall Restaurant / Wildfire

Best Lunch Spot / Sweet Lemon Inn & Kitchen

Best Vegetarian / Nancy's Sky Garden

Best Dessert / Galaxy Bakery & CoffeeHouse

Best Women's Haircut / Razmataz Salon

Best Wedding Venue / The Union on 8th

Best Place to Take Kids / Georgetown Public Library

See a complete list of winners at Bestof.Georgetown.org.

Holiday Closings

City offices closed **Jan. 1** and **Jan.15**. There will be no solid waste or recycling pickup on Monday, Jan. 1. For customers with pickup days on or after these holidays, solid waste pickup will slide one day for the remainder of that week. There will be regular solid waste and recycling collection on MLK Day.