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Downtown cycling criterium race Georgetown Grand: May 19 – 20



Competitive cycling comes to downtown Georgetown on May 19 and 20 when hundreds of cyclists and thousands of spectators are expected for the inaugural Subaru of Georgetown Grand. Professional and Olympic cyclists will compete on the one-mile downtown course with eight high-speed turns.

A criterium, the exciting Grand Prix of cycling, is a 30- to 90-minute bike race on a closed-circuit course. Races will be held on Saturday and Sunday

with the Miller64 Twilight Criterium for the men's pro race on Saturday evening. The Subaru of Georgetown Grand, coordinated by Holland Racing, will be the state criterium championship for the Texas Bicycle Racing Association on a course

sanctioned by USA Cycling. The event also will include a non-competitive recreational ride on the morning of Saturday, May 19. For race registration, course information and more, go to GeorgetownGrand.com.

Library Summer Reading

Get a Clue... at Your Library

Your children can Get a Clue...at Your Library on June 2 when the Georgetown Public Library kicks off the Children's Summer Reading Program for kids ages 3 through 12. Each week in June and July there will be special events for little kids and bigger kids, but as always, the emphasis is on getting all of the kids to read. Children who register for the Texas Book Club can keep track online of the books they read (or have read to them) and that will qualify them for the end-of-summer prizes. All events and programs are free and open to the public, but you must have a library card to check out books. For details, contact Rosa Garcia at rosa.garcia@georgetown.org, or see the library's website at library.georgetown.org.

Summer of Awesome

The library's Teen Summer Reading Program for teens ages 12 through 18 will celebrate the Summer of Awesome. During the months of June and July there will be craft programs, video games, movies, a murder mystery, cooking programs, food, drinks and much more. Teens who read and attend events will have a chance to win prizes. In addition, teen artists should enter the fourth annual art contest. For more information visit the website at teenspace.georgetown.org or email Bethni King at bethni.king@georgetown.org.

Memorial Day Monday, May 28

City facilities closed
Normal solid waste and recycling collection

Pools Open Memorial Day Weekend

Outdoor pools open for the summer season on May 26 for the Memorial Day weekend and will be open through Labor Day on September 3. Regular summer hours begin May 29. More information and pool hours, go to aquatics.georgetown.org.

Police Officers Awarded Medals for Valor, Distinguished Service

At a city council ceremony in March, Police Chief Wayne Nero awarded medals to Sgt. Dale Duncan, Sgt. Bill Pascoe, and Sgt. Ron Price for their actions in responding to a tragic shooting last year.

In a domestic incident involving a gunman on October 31, Price quickly removed the children from the house to a position of safety and re-entered the residence to serve as a backup officer. Duncan kicked open a

bedroom door, and, with Pascoe, faced the gunman who began firing at his girlfriend. Duncan and Pascoe each returned fire at the gunman while Duncan used his body to protect the woman. When the gunman stopped shooting, the officers administered first aid to the woman and the gunman, who both died.

Duncan was awarded the Medal of Valor and Price and Pascoe were awarded the Distinguished Service Medal.



Sgt. Ron Price, Sgt. Dale Duncan, and Sgt. Bill Pascoe, left to right.

May 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.,
New location:
Church of Christ parking lot,
1525 W. University Avenue
Details at www.gtfma.com

National Day of Prayer,

May 3,
Georgetown Community-Wide
Prayer Event on the National Day
of Prayer, Thursday, May 3,
6:30 to 7:30 p.m.,
GISD Football Stadium,
2211 N. Austin Avenue

First Friday, May 4

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

Catfish Fishing Derby,

Saturday, May 5
This annual event, 7 to 10:30 a.m.,
is sponsored by Georgetown Parks
and Recreation in San Gabriel Park
near the low-water crossing.
Any catfish caught wins a prize,
including fishing rods, tackle boxes,
lures, and gift certificates.
The cost is \$3. A fishing permit is
required if 17 or older. See
parks.georgetown.org for details.

The Palace Theater

The Buddy Holly Story,
May 11 - June 10
Details at GeorgetownPalace.com,
or call (512) 869-7469.

Market Days, May 12

Handmade arts and crafts, food,
and more on the Square from
9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Details at
TheGeorgetownSquare.com

City May Acquire Chisholm Trail Water District

The City of Georgetown and the
Chisholm Trail Special Utility
District are conducting a joint feasi-
bility study to explore the possible
acquisition of Chisholm Trail water
district by the City's water utility.
The study, which will take several
months to complete, will provide a
roadmap for the potential acquisi-
tion, including a proposed gover-
nance structure, financial details,
and the status of system assets.

The City of Georgetown serves
about 22,000 water customers in a
70 square-mile service area that
includes Georgetown and surround-
ing areas. Chisholm Trail SUD
serves about 6,300 water customers
in a 377 square-mile service area in
northwest Williamson County. Most
of the current Chisholm Trail cus-
tomers are within two miles of
Georgetown.

District 1 and 5 races City Council Seats Unopposed

Patty Eason for District 1 and Jerry
Hammerlun for District 5 were
unopposed in city council elections
this year. Since there were no other
issues on the ballot, the city council
cancelled the May election. Eason,
who serves as mayor pro tem, will

begin her fourth term on the coun-
cil. Hammerlun will begin his first
term on the council. Pat Berryman,
the incumbent for District 5 who
served two terms on the council, did
not seek re-election.



Lone Star Legacy Designation for San Gabriel Park

Georgetown's San Gabriel Park was
one of nine parks in Texas designat-
ed as a Lone Star Legacy Park by
the Texas Recreation and Parks
Society in February. As the inaugu-
ral group to receive the designation,
the nine Lone Star Legacy Parks
were chosen by the society for their
iconic status in the local community
and prominence in the state of
Texas.

All the parks chosen for the Lone
Star Legacy Park designation have
unique natural or constructed fea-
tures and are associated with impor-
tant historical or community events.
Lone Star Legacy Parks will be
included in a statewide initiative by
TRAPS promoting heritage tourism.



First Electric Lineman Certified in Dept of Labor Program

Richard Pajestka is the first lineman
in the electric department to
complete and graduate from the
lineman apprenticeship training
program certified by the U.S.
Department of Labor. Pajestka
scored an overall grade point
average of 95 in the program,
which involved taking 40 tests
with nearly 1,700 questions
covering four training manuals.
In addition, Pajestka logged
2,589.5 hours of on-the-job
training and prior credit for
7,000 hours of on-the-job training.

The training certification program
was developed by Energy Services
Manager Paul Elkins, using
U.S. Department of Labor
standards. Fourteen other linemen
in the electric department also are
working to pass the certification
program.

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