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The former Visitors Center will become Grape Creek winery. In January, the City's Visitor Center relocated next door to 103 W. Seventh Street.

Getting Ready for a Winery

The City started construction work this summer to make room for Grape Creek Vineyards winery on the Square at the corner of Main and Seventh streets. In June, a contractor demolished a small City building at 614 S. Main Street that has previously housed offices for the Economic Development Department and the Georgetown

Police Department. The area where the building stood will become a patio for the winery.

Interior walls and the first floor of the former Visitor Center at 101 W. Seventh Street were removed in June. A new concrete slab floor will

be poured to provide a stable base for wine tanks and other heavy equipment.

The City has a lease-purchase agreement with Grape Creek, which plans to open later this year.

Demolition of the City building at 614 S. Main Street happened in June. Photo credit: Lucas Adams.



Interior walls and floor joists were removed from the former Visitors Center at 101 E. Main Street. A new concrete floor will be poured for the winery. Photo credit: Lucas Adams.

HOT Grant Applications

The Convention and Visitors Bureau Board is accepting applications for Hotel Occupancy Tax grants for the 2013 fiscal year, which starts on October 1. The deadline is September 14 for applications for events that occur from October 1, 2012 through September 30, 2013.

Each year, the CVB board gives HOT grants to events that bring overnight guests to Georgetown hotels or B&Bs. This year the board is requesting applications for all eligible events in 2013 by the September 14 deadline. For an application, go to <http://files.georgetown.org/2009/04/hot-funds-reimbursement-grant-application>.

Most Beautiful Town Square in Texas



Blue and red coffee mugs from the Most Beautiful Town Square in Texas are on sale for \$15 at the Visitors Center, 103 W. Seventh Street. Shopping bags are on sale for \$2.



September 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

The Palace Theater

A Chorus Line,
August 10 – September 9

You Can't Do That, Dan Moody,
September 14 – 30,
This special production is held in
the historic 26th District
Courtroom at the Williamson
County Courthouse. There will
be a special dress rehearsal
performance benefiting the
Williamson Museum on
Thursday, September 13.
Details at GeorgetownPalace.com,
or call (512) 869-7469.

First Friday, September 7

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

Market Days, September 8

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

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Pictured with TAMIO awards are Michael Cox, designer for the *City Reporter*, Keith Hutchinson, editor for the *City Reporter*, Michele Harber, WOW Bookmobile librarian, Eric Lashley, library director, and Lt. Todd Terbush, coordinator for Georgetown Blue Santa. Not pictured is Nick Ramos, graphic designer for the WOW Bookmobile, Blue Santa, and AirFest.

City Wins Awards for Events and Marketing

City of Georgetown departments won top statewide awards for special events, communications, and marketing efforts at the Texas Association of Municipal Information Officers conference in June.

Georgetown won the first-place award in three categories. The Georgetown Public Library's WOW Bookmobile won for the best use of

a promotional item; the Georgetown Police Department's Blue Santa program won for the best recurring special event; and the Public Communications Department's *Georgetown City Reporter* won for the best external newsletter for cities under 50,000 population. Georgetown AirFest was a second-place finisher in the posters, brochures, and flyers category.



What's
your
favorite
restaurant
in Georgetown?
The best clothing
store? The best live
entertainment?

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

September Events

An Afternoon of Tchaikovsky,

September 16
The Georgetown Symphony Society presents the Temple Symphony Orchestra in "An Afternoon of Tchaikovsky," 4 p.m. at the GHS Klett Center for the Performing Arts. Joining the orchestra will be Pianist Michelle Schumann, artist-in-residence at the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor and artistic director of the Austin Music Center. There will be a free pre-concert lecture by Dr. Ellsworth Peterson at 3:15 p.m. in the Little Theatre. Tickets available at both Georgetown HEB stores, the Sun City CA office, and at the door the afternoon of the concert. For details, or purchase of season tickets (seven concerts), go to www.gsstx.org. Phone: (512) 864-9591.

Williamson County Wine and Food Festival, September 21

Ten central Texas wineries and several local restaurants will be at this festival from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Community Center, 445 E. Morrow Drive. Tickets are \$25 per person available at LocalWineEvents.com (must be 21 older). The event is a fundraiser for the Downtown Georgetown Association.

Labor Day, September 3

- City offices and facilities are closed.
- Williams Drive Pool is open, other outdoor pools closed.
- Regular solid waste and recycling collection.