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AirFest

Saturday,
November 2



The fourth annual AirFest takes off at the Georgetown Municipal Airport on Saturday, November 2. Hours are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. There is no admission fee.

See a Douglas R4D Skytrain, the Navy version of a DC-3, and a C-

47, which is the Army version of a DC-3. Both WWII-era planes will offer tours for a small fee. Other aircraft include Georgetown's Devil Dog B-25 bomber as well as a Vietnam-era Huey helicopter and

R4D Skytrain

an MI-24 Hind Soviet attack helicopter. Many of the vintage and modern aircraft will offer rides for a fee, including the Huey and a Bell JetRanger helicopter. Attendees are encouraged to bring a canned food donation for The Caring Place.

Get all the details at airfest.georgetown.org.

District 2 Election Nov. 5

Election Day for city council District 2 is November 5. District 2 includes west and southwest areas of Georgetown. Bonnie Stump and Keith Brainard are candidates for the open seat.

According to the Texas Secretary of State, a photo ID will be required

for voting in the November 5 election. For details, go to votetexas.gov. Early in-person voting is Oct. 21 – 26 and Oct. 28 – Nov. 1. For early voting times and locations and vote center locations on Election Day, go to wilco.org/elections.

Electric Rate Changes

Changes to electric rates were approved by the city council in September and followed a ratemaking methodology established by the council in July. The changes were to re-balance the true fixed and variable costs to provide service, not to generate more revenue.

The residential monthly charge increased from \$6 to \$20 and recovers the fixed costs to provide service, such as electric lines, transformers, equipment, and staffing. The energy charge, which recovers the cost of electricity used, decreased from 10.46 cents per kilowatt-hour to 9.39 cents. A low-income discount was added to provide assistance to participants in the Medicaid program.

Electric rates will go into effect on October 1 and will be included on all bills generated after November 1.

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Yard Trimmings Collections

Seasonal yard trimmings collections start on November 4. Collections are every-other-week and alternate with recycling collection days on your regular solid waste collection day.

Branches should be tied in bundles no more than four feet long or 35 pounds. Material such as leaves or twigs also can be put in compostable kraft paper bags that are available at local hardware stores. There is a limit of 20 bags or bundles per collection day. Material in plastic bags will be disposed as solid waste and landfilled.

Yard trimmings collections continue through January 10. Look up your yard trimmings and recycling collection schedule by street address at recycle.georgetown.org.



Fire Dept Training at Playscape

The Georgetown Fire Department conducted a survival training exercise at the playscape in September before the parks department began to dismantle the structure. The confined spaces and walkways of the playscape simulated a collapsed

building. With breathing masks covered in translucent wrap to simulate smoke, firefighters crawled along 200-feet of fire hose snaked through the structure to get out. Construction on the new playscape is set to begin in early 2014.

November 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.gtforma.org

The Palace Theater

Peter Pan, The Musical,
Nov. 15 - Dec. 29
Details at
GeorgetownPalace.com, or call
(512) 869-7469.

Southwestern Homecoming Parade, November 1

Come and cheer for Southwestern students, alumni, faculty, staff, and partnering community benefactor businesses as the Pirates swashbuckle their way down Main Street in the 2013 Homecoming Parade. This First Friday event starts at 6:30 p.m. An annual campus tradition is being held on the Square this year to honor Southwestern's first football season in 63 years. A pep rally for the football team on the east steps of the Courthouse will follow the parade.

First Friday, November 1

Downtown live music, shops, and restaurants are open late. Best of Georgetown, TX winners will be announced at the Visitors Center at 5:30 p.m. See the Downtown Georgetown Association website at TheGeorgetownSquare.com.

Market Days, November 9

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



Main Street 2014 Calendar

The Georgetown Main Street program's 2014 Most Beautiful Town Square in Texas Calendar is now on sale at the Visitors Center, 103 W. Seventh Street (cash or check). The cost is \$10 each.

Photos for each month feature Georgetown downtowners in iconic downtown settings. The wall calendar includes an events listing for each month from December 2013 through December 2014. Proceeds from calendar sales benefit the Light

Up the Square holiday lighting campaign.

Calendars can be purchased via credit card at MainStreetGeorgetown.com and picked up at the Visitors Center, 103 W. Seventh Street. Bring your online purchase receipt for pickup. (Shipping is not available for online calendar sales.) Calendars also can be purchased with cash, check, or credit at All Things Kids, 703 S. Main Street.

Animal Shelter Garage Sale

The fall Georgetown Animal Shelter Garage Sale will be on Friday, November 8 and Saturday, November 9 at the Community Center at 445 E. Morrow Street in San Gabriel Park. Due to the success of the sale held each spring, the Animal Shelter has added a fall sale to the calendar.

Sale hours are 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. each day. Proceeds benefit animals at the Georgetown Animal Shelter at 110 W.L. Walden Drive.

Daylight Saving Time Ends Nov. 3
Time to change your smoke alarm batteries!
A message from the Georgetown Fire Department

Thanksgiving Holiday

City offices closed Nov. 28-29
No solid waste or recycling pickup on Nov. 28.
Thursday pickup slides to Friday, Friday slides to Saturday.

November Events

Blue Santa McDonald's Day, November 15

Eat at McDonald's between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. and help Blue Santa. McDonald's will donate 10 percent of sales to the Georgetown Blue Santa program to provide toys for children in need.

Round Rock Symphony Orchestra, November 18

The Georgetown Symphony Society is pleased to present, for the first time, the Round Rock Symphony Orchestra. Held at the GHS Klett Center for the Performing Arts at 4 p.m., the concert will be preceded by a free lecture at 3:15 p.m. in the Little Theatre. Tickets available at the door. Information and ticket pricing at www.gsstx.org or at (512) 864-9591.

Ladies Nite Out, November 21

Kick off the holiday shopping season on the Square at this Prohibition-era speakeasy-themed event for ladies from 5 to 9 p.m. Participating businesses will offer demonstrations and personal services. Goody bags with special gifts will be on sale prior to the event. Proceeds to the Light up the Square holiday lighting campaign. Go to MainStreetGeorgetown.com for details.

Lighting of the Square, November 29

Come to the Most Beautiful Town Square in Texas for this annual tradition on the Friday after Thanksgiving starting at 5:30 p.m. Listen to carolers and enjoy free cookies and hot chocolate as Georgetown lights the historic Courthouse Square for the holiday season.