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November 4 Election

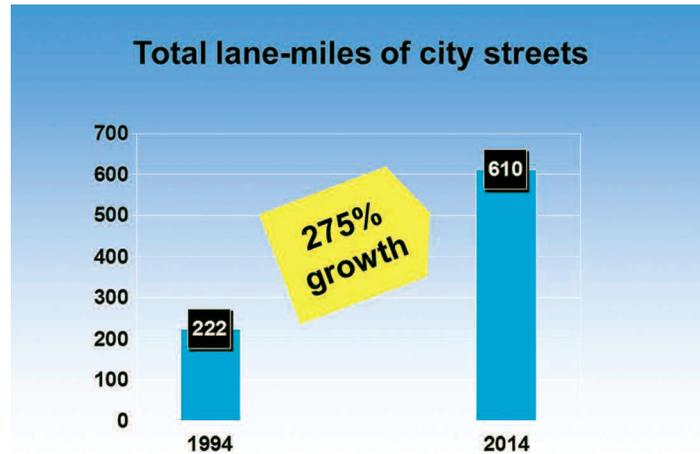
Early Voting:
October 20 – 31

Election Day:
November 4

Details at
www.georgetown.org.

In 2002, 2006, and 2010, Georgetown voters approved a quarter-of-one-cent sales tax to be used only for street maintenance. This dedicated 0.25 percent sales tax has a four year sunset provision. Reauthorization of the street maintenance sales tax is on the November 4 ballot in Georgetown.

Prop1: Street Maintenance Sales Tax



Growth of Street Network:

Since 1994, the City's street network has grown from 222 lane miles to 610 lane miles. That's 275 percent growth in 20 years.

Street Maintenance Funding:

The quarter-cent sales tax provides the majority of funding for street maintenance in Georgetown. Quarter-cent sales tax revenue of \$19.2 million has been dedicated to

street maintenance in Georgetown since it went into effect in 2003.

No Increase to Tax Rate:

This proposition does not increase the sales tax rate. The measure does generate revenue to pay for maintenance on streets all over the city.

Shoppers Pay Sales Tax:

Unlike a property tax, anyone shopping in Georgetown pays the 0.25 percent sales tax for street maintenance. This includes people shopping in stores, eating at restaurants, or making other retail purchases in Georgetown.

Voter Approval:

If approved by voters, quarter-cent sales tax revenue for streets continues until March 2019. If it is not approved, revenue stops in April 2015.



Finance and Administration employees pictured include (left to right) in front row: Jodi Levie, Micki Rundell, and Lisa Haines; second row: La'Mar Kemp, Karrie Pursley, Terry McCord, and Becky Huff; third row: Chris Foster, Danella Elliott, Amy Fancher, Susan Morgan, and Paul Diaz.

City Budget Wins Award for 25th Year

For the 25th consecutive year, the City of Georgetown was given a Distinguished Budget Presentation Award from the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA). The award was presented to the Finance and Administration

Department for the 2013/2014 budget.

GFOA rates budget documents in four categories, including how well the budget serves as a policy document, a financial plan, an operations

guide, and a communications device.

According to GFOA, "The award represents a significant achievement by the entity. It reflects the commitment of the government body and staff to meeting the highest principles of governmental budgeting."

Daylight Saving Time Ends Nov. 2

Time to change your
smoke alarm batteries.

A message from the
Georgetown Fire
Department.

Thanksgiving Holiday

City offices closed Nov. 27 – 28
No solid waste or recycling pickup
on Nov. 27. Thursday pickup slides
to Friday, Friday slides to Saturday.

Nov. 4 Election
Polling places and times:
wilco.org/elections

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.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 Best Little Whorehouse in Texas,
Oct. 3 – Nov. 2
Shrek The Musical,
Nov. 21 – Dec. 30
Details at GeorgetownPalace.com,
or call (512) 869-7469.

First Friday, November 7

Downtown live music, shops, and
restaurants are open late.
Best of Georgetown, TX winners
will be announced at 704 S.
Austin Avenue at 6:30 p.m. See
the Downtown Georgetown
Association website at
TheGeorgetownSquare.com.

Southwestern Homecoming Parade, November 7

Come and cheer for the Pirates at
the 2014 Southwestern
Homecoming Parade on Main
Street. Southwestern student
organizations, alumni, faculty, and
staff will ride through the Square
at this First Friday event starting at
5:30 p.m. A pep rally on the east
steps of the Courthouse follows
the parade.

Market Days, November 8

Handmade arts and crafts, food,
and more on the Square from 10
a.m. to 5 p.m. Details at
TheGeorgetownSquare.com.



Come out to the fifth annual AirFest
on Saturday, November 8 at the
Georgetown Municipal Airport.
Hours are 12 noon to 5 p.m. Find
all the details at
AirFest.Georgetown.org.

See the Ford Tri-Motor, a 1929
metal aircraft that was the first mass-
produced airliner. Book rides in the
Ford Tri-Motor owned by the EAA
on November 6 – 9 at the
Georgetown Municipal Airport. (Go
to caa.org to book a ride.)

Get up close to WW II-era warbirds
like the P-51 Mustang “Pecos Bill”
fighter plane, the Douglas R4D
Skytrain, and the C-47 Southern
Cross, an Army version of a DC-3.
Climb inside and tour the R4D or
C-47 for a small fee. Take a ride in a

Vietnam-era Huey helicopter or the
C-47 for a fee.

Pilot’s Choice Aviation and Genesis
Flight Academy will offer flying les-
sons for a small fee. The EAA Young
Eagles program will offer free flights
to youth ages 8 – 17 while seats are
available. (Young Eagles flights will
be 8 a.m. to noon on Nov. 8.)

Watch the precision formation flying
team Falcon Flight perform in the
air. More than 200 classic and vin-
tage cars will be on the taxiway with
the featured aircraft.

Donations to support AirFest and a
canned food donation for The
Caring Place are encouraged at the
event. Get all the details at
AirFest.Georgetown.org.

Yard Trimmings Collections



Seasonal yard trimmings collections start on
November 3 for residential customers in the City
of Georgetown. 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. Leaves or twigs can
be put in compostable kraft paper bags 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 9. Look up your
collection schedule by street address at recycle.georgetown.org

November Events

Ladies Nite Out, November 20

Kick off the Shop Small business
holiday shopping season on the
Square at the 2nd Annual Ladies
Nite Out, A Winter White Nite, a
themed retail shopping event for
women from 5 to 9 p.m.
Businesses will offer demonstra-
tions and personal services. Goody
bags will be on sale prior to the
event. Proceeds fund the Light up
the Square holiday lighting by the
Main Street Program. Go to
MainStreetGeorgetown.com for
details and tickets.

Blue Santa McDonald’s Day, November 21

Eat at a McDonald’s in
Georgetown 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and
McDonald’s will donate 10 percent
of sales to the Georgetown Blue
Santa program to provide toys for
children in need. Learn more at
BlueSanta.Georgetown.org.

Lighting of the Square, November 28

Come to the Most Beautiful Town
Square in Texas for this annual tradi-
tion on the Friday after Thanksgiving
starting at 5:30 p.m. Sing along to
Christmas carols and enjoy free
cookies and hot chocolate as
Georgetown lights up the Court-
house Square for the holiday season.

Shop Small Spree, November 29

On Small Business Saturday at 10
a.m., four local small business
names will be selected to be show-
cased from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Visit all four stores to qualify for
a drawing for a gift basket.

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