

Georgetown—

## This is Your New Power Plant.



The 97 wind turbines at Spinning Spur 3 are on leased land that remains in use for agriculture.

## Spinning Spur Three Wind Project

Earlier this year the City of Georgetown announced that our municipal electric utility will be powered by 100 percent renewable energy by 2017.

The first step in the City's 100 percent renewable plan starts this fall when the Spinning Spur Three wind farm comes online. The wind farm will provide most of Georgetown's

power needs in 2016. When a solar farm near Fort Stockton comes online at the end of 2016, Georgetown will be completely powered by the wind and the sun.



All the power at the wind farm is fed to a substation where it is sent to transmission lines that reach to Georgetown.

In September, Mayor Dale Ross and City staff toured the Spinning Spur Three wind farm during the final stages of testing. The wind farm is located 50 miles west of Amarillo along Interstate 40 and the historic Route 66.

**Owner:** EDF Renewable Energy  
**Location:** Adrian, Texas (pop. 167)  
**Acres:** 18,000  
**Total megawatts:** 194 (58,200 homes)  
**Georgetown megawatts:** 144 (43,000 homes)  
**Turbines:** 97 Vestas V100, 2.0 model  
**Turbine output:** 2 megawatts (600 homes)  
**Turbine blade length:** 161 feet



The wind farm is located at the midpoint of the historic Route 66, which spanned from Chicago to Los Angeles. Pictured (left to right) are Mayor Dale Ross, Lee Connor with EDF Renewable Energy, and Jim Briggs and Chris Foster with Georgetown Utility Systems.

## Daylight Saving Time Ends Nov. 1

Time to change your smoke alarm batteries.

A message from the Georgetown Fire Department.

## Thanksgiving Holiday

City offices closed Nov. 26 - 27  
 No solid waste or recycling pickup on Nov. 26.  
 Thursday pickup slides to Friday,  
 Friday slides to Saturday.

## November Events

### Downtown Weekend Hours

Many downtown shops, restaurants, and businesses are extending their weekend hours during the months of October, November, and December. On Fridays and Saturdays downtown retailers are staying open until 8 p.m. On Sundays, many shops will be open from 1 to 5 p.m. The extended holiday hours campaign is sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce, Downtown Georgetown Association and Georgetown Main Street Program.

### The Palace Theater

*Young Frankenstein*,  
Oct. 9 – Nov. 8  
*Beauty and the Beast*,  
Nov. 20 – Dec. 30  
Details at [GeorgetownPalace.com](http://GeorgetownPalace.com), or call (512) 869-7469.

### First Friday, Nov. 6

Downtown live music, shops, and restaurants are open late. Best of Georgetown, TX winners will be announced at 6:30 p.m. at Union on Eighth Street at 224 E. Eighth Street.

### Market Days, Nov. 14

Handmade arts and crafts, food, and more on the Square from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Details at [TheGeorgetownSquare.com](http://TheGeorgetownSquare.com).

### Georgetown Symphony Society, Nov. 15

GSS presents a concert by the Round Rock Symphony, *Sound the Horn!*, with guest artist Jacek Muzyk, 4 p.m., Klett Center for the Performing Arts, 2211 N. Austin Avenue. Details and tickets at [gsstx.org](http://gsstx.org) or call (512) 864-9591.

## Emergency Notices on Your Phone

If a tornado or wildfire was approaching your neighborhood, could the City's 9-1-1 center contact you? Register your mobile phone to receive emergency alerts.

If you only have a mobile phone, or if your home phone service is with Suddenlink or another voice-over-IP provider, your phone number may not be in the 9-1-1 database.

Register your phone numbers at [wireless.capcog.org](http://wireless.capcog.org). The cell phone registry and the 9-1-1 emergency communications database are provided by the Capital Area Council of Governments or CAPCOG. If you have questions or want to register a number by phone, call the CAPCOG Homeland Security Division at (866) 939-0911.



## Arts & Culture Guide

The *Georgetown Arts & Culture Guide 2015 & 2016* is now available. This 40-page booklet is a comprehensive guide to performances, art and museum exhibits, and festivals in the downtown Cultural District, at Southwestern University, and other locations. Pick up a copy of the Guide at the Visitors Center, Georgetown Art Center, or Georgetown Public Library, or view it online at [Arts.Georgetown.org](http://Arts.Georgetown.org).

## Georgetown Public Library

### Live Music at the Library, Nov. 15

Matt Graves performs soulful vocals and acoustic guitar 2 to 4 p.m. in the lobby at the Georgetown Public Library, 402 W. Eighth Street. Free and open to the public, this performance is a gift of the Friends of the Georgetown Public Library. Details at [library.georgetown.org](http://library.georgetown.org).

### November kids' events:

Gobble! Gobble! Fall is in full swing at the Georgetown Public Library, and there's so much to be thankful for. Visit [library.georgetown.org](http://library.georgetown.org)

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[town.org](http://town.org) to learn about festivities for kids of all ages!

### November art: "It's Wild!!!"

Solo exhibit by Julie Arnold. Oil and acrylic paintings of wildlife. Nov. 3 – 28.

## November Events



### Ladies Nite Out, Nov. 19

Kick off the Shop Small business holiday shopping season on the Square at the third annual Ladies Nite Out, Paint the Town Red, a themed retail shopping event for women from 5 to 9 p.m. Businesses will offer demonstrations and personal services. Goody bags will be on sale prior to the event. Go to [MainStreetGeorgetown.com](http://MainStreetGeorgetown.com) for details and tickets.

### Blue Santa McDonald's Day, Nov. 20

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](http://BlueSanta.Georgetown.org).

### Lighting of the Square, Nov. 27

Come to the Most Beautiful Town Square in Texas for this annual tradition 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 Courthouse Square for the holiday season.

### Shop Small Spree, Nov. 29

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