



## CITY EVENTS



### Blue Santa

#### TOYS FOR KIDS

Bring a toy for Blue Santa to the Stroll Parade at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 1. New, unwrapped toys will be collected by Blue Santa Elves

along the parade route, which travels along Austin Avenue through the downtown Square. Blue Santa is a program of the Georgetown Police Department to provide toys to children in need in Georgetown. New, unwrapped toys also can be brought to donation barrels at many Georgetown locations.

Checks to "CPAAA Blue Santa" should be sent to the Georgetown Police Department, c/o CPAAA Programs, 3500 DB Wood Road, Georgetown, TX, 78628. Donate \$10 or more to Georgetown Blue Santa and you'll receive a collectable Blue Santa Elf lapel pin. For application information, donation events, and barrel locations, go to [BlueSanta.Georgetown.org](http://BlueSanta.Georgetown.org).

### Christmas Party

**DEC. 7**

The Georgetown Public Library will host a family-friendly Christmas party on Dec. 7 at 6:30 p.m. Bring the kids and enjoy a winter wonderland of penguin-themed games for all ages, treats, and a visit from Santa! (No sign-ups required.)

## City boards and commissions

The City of Georgetown is accepting applications for volunteers to serve on the City's boards or commissions. The deadline to apply is Jan. 4. Terms begin in March and are for two years on most boards. Information and an online application are available at [georgetown.org/council-boards-agendas](http://georgetown.org/council-boards-agendas).

## Sign up for emergency alerts

Residents can register mobile or landline phones to receive emergency alerts from the City or Williamson County at [WarnCentralTexas.org](http://WarnCentralTexas.org), which is a regionwide emergency alert system. Alerts about flooding, tornadoes, or other life-threatening emergencies are sent by text message or by voicemail. The system also can be used for citywide or regional alerts.



## Collectible Christmas Ornament

A limited-edition collectible brass Christmas ornament featuring the old Post Office building at 113 E. Eighth St. is now on sale for \$20 plus tax. The building currently serves as City Hall. Ornaments may be purchased at the Visitors Center, 103 W. Seventh St.

The 12th annual ornament sale is a project of the Georgetown Main Street Program and all proceeds fund Main Street projects and the Façade Fund Grant Program.

## Irrigation Systems

### SEASONAL CHECK

During the winter months when grasses are dormant, Georgetown Utility Systems encourages you to turn off your irrigation system. You'll save on water and lower your utility bill. When you turn off your system for winter, it's also a good time to replace the battery on the controller. For tips on conservation and optimizing your irrigation system, go to [gus.georgetown.org/conservation-programs](http://gus.georgetown.org/conservation-programs).

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### Christmas Stroll

**NOV. 30 – DEC. 1**

Come to the 38th annual downtown Christmas Stroll with more than 200 artisan, craft, and food vendors, as well as Bethlehem Village, Santa's Village, Everest Mountain Climb-N-Slide, children's karaoke, live music on two stages, and free activities for children. The Stroll parade starts at 10 a.m. on Saturday. Festival hours are Friday from 5 to 9 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. See details at [thegeorgetownsquare.com](http://thegeorgetownsquare.com). The Stroll is brought to you by the Downtown Georgetown Association with support of the City of Georgetown.

### Youth Fishing Derby

**NOV. 30 – DEC. 1**

Georgetown Parks and Recreation sponsors this annual fishing fest at Garey Park, 6450 RM 2243, from 8 to 11 a.m. Participation is open to children age 12 and younger. All children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Entry is \$3 per child, and Garey Park admission fees will be waived during the event. Any fish caught wins a prize. (Prizes are first-come, first-served, and only registered participants wearing a wristband are eligible to win.) Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. A limited amount of bait will be available for sale. For more info, visit [parks.georgetown.org/fishing-derby](http://parks.georgetown.org/fishing-derby).

### Adultish Craft Crawl

**DEC. 14**

Join neighbors age 18 and older at the Georgetown Public Library on Dec. 14 at 6:30 p.m. to make some DIY holiday gifts, such as holiday bookmarks and hot chocolate kits. Event details can be found at [library.georgetown.org](http://library.georgetown.org).

### Holiday Closings

City offices closed **Dec. 24-25** and **Jan. 1**. No solid waste and recycling pickup on **Dec. 25**, and **Jan. 1**. Collection days will slide one day for both weeks. Tuesday collection will slide to Wednesday, Wednesday to Thursday, and so on.



### Swim with Santa

**DEC. 14**

Join Georgetown Parks and Recreation as they dive into the holiday season with Santa at the Georgetown Recreation Center Indoor Pool. All ages are welcome, but children ages 1-6 must be accompanied by a chaperone age 16 and older in the water at all times; children ages 7-11 must be accompanied in the pool area at all times by a chaperone age 16 or older. The event is from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. and is free for members. For more information, visit [parks.georgetown.org/swim-with-santa](http://parks.georgetown.org/swim-with-santa).

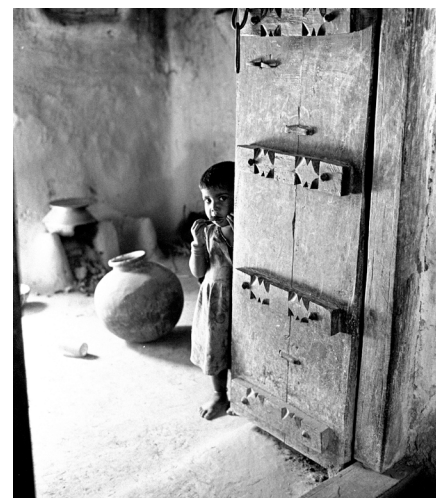
### Breakfast with Santa

**DEC. 15**

The 18th annual Breakfast with Santa is from 7:30 to 11 a.m. at the Community Center, 445 E. Morrow St. Enjoy pancakes and sausage made by Georgetown firefighters while children have a picture taken with Santa and get up close to a fire truck. Tickets are \$6 at the door or in advance at Fire Administration at the Public Safety Operations and Training Center, 3500 D.B. Wood Road. Tickets for children age 12 and younger are free with an adult. Breakfast is sponsored by the Sun City Rotary, Extended School Enrichment Program, and the Georgetown Fire Department. Proceeds benefit needy families in Georgetown during the holidays.

### New sculptures installed throughout town

New sculptures were installed in November as part of the City of Georgetown's Sculpture Tour, which includes sculptures outside the library, around the Square, by the Art Center, at Founder's Park and the Georgetown Recreation Center. The 2018-19 tour features several animal sculptures as well as two interactive sculptures at Founders Park and the library. The sculptures will be on display until November 2019. More information, including artist information, is at [arts.georgetown.org/art/sculpture-tour](http://arts.georgetown.org/art/sculpture-tour).



### Art at the Library

The Georgetown Public Library, 402 W. Eighth St., is hosting an art exhibit featuring photography and a 16 mm film from Dale Illig from his time in the Peace Corps from 1969-1972. The show will run Nov. 20-Dec. 6. There will be an artist reception Dec. 2 from 3 to 6 p.m., including a film screening at 4:30 p.m. An exhibit featuring fiber artist Susan Hoppenworth will be from Dec. 3-28 with an artist reception Dec. 9 from 2 to 4 p.m. A third exhibit of work from the Central Texas Pastel Society will run Dec. 3-28 with an artist reception Dec. 7 from 4 to 6 p.m. The receptions and exhibits are free and open to the public. For more information, visit [library.georgetown.org](http://library.georgetown.org).