

**SPRINKLER SYSTEM CHECKUP***{Details on reverse}***Hot tips to keep cool**

Did you know that you use three to five percent more energy for each degree that your air conditioner is set below 75 degrees Fahrenheit?

**HERE ARE SOME WAYS TO KEEP COOL THIS SUMMER WITHOUT BOOSTING YOUR UTILITY BILL:**

- A programmable thermostat saves energy and money by running a scheduled program and allows you to avoid manual changes.
- Turn off your air conditioner before you leave home for an extended period of time. Or at least turn up the thermostat.
- Ceiling fans use less electricity than air conditioners or furnaces. Turn off ceiling fans when you're not in the room. Remember, fans cool people, not rooms.
- Opening windows in the summer mornings and evenings costs nothing, but it can save on energy.
- Heat up the food, not the house. A microwave is much more efficient at heating things up than an oven.
- Engage a qualified HVAC firm in a maintenance contract with seasonal tune-ups. During these tune-ups, a technician should check combustion efficiency, refrigerant charge, and belt tension as applicable.
- Replace air filters regularly. Accumulated dirt and dust make your fans work harder. Clean or replace filters as recommended by your system's manufacturer.

For more tips on energy conservation, go to [conservation.georgetown.org](http://conservation.georgetown.org).

**Braun water tower under construction**

The City is replacing the existing water tower with a 3 million gallon water tower to better serve and meet customer demand along west Hwy. 29 in the Liberty Hill area. The \$3.5 million water tower is expected to be complete in September 2020.

**Art in the Library****TEXAS SOCIETY OF SCULPTORS SHOW**

The Texas Society of Sculptors is back with their 12th annual sculpture exhibit at the Georgetown Public Library, 402 W. Eighth St. Prizes, funded by the City of Georgetown Arts and Culture Board, are awarded for first, second, and third place in addition to three honorable mentions. There will also be special *Librarians' Choice* and *People's Choice* awards given. Library visitors can vote for their favorite sculptures in the People's Choice Award from June 23–July 16. Ballots will be available in the library lobby, as well as the reference and circulation desks. Be sure to turn your ballot in no later than 8 p.m. on Tuesday, July 16.

## CITY EVENTS



### Sertoma July 4 celebration

**JULY 4**

The annual Independence Day celebration sponsored by the Georgetown Sertoma Club in San Gabriel Park is Thursday, July 4. A children's parade with decorated bikes and wagons starts at 11 a.m. by the low-water crossing. Lineup starts at 10:30 a.m. Entertainment at the gazebo starts at noon and lasts until the fireworks begin after dark. Visit craft vendors, the children's area, and food vendors. Admission is free.

### Library hosts mobile planetarium

**JULY 10**

Stars and Science Austin will bring an indoor mobile planetarium complete with a half hour show about our galaxy on July 10 at 6:30 p.m. This event is part of the Adult Summer Reading Program, *A Universe of Stories*. This event is free and open to adults age 18 and older. For more information, call (512) 930-3551 or email [library@georgetown.org](mailto:library@georgetown.org).

### 'Incredibles 2'

**JULY 19**

The movie "Incredibles 2" (PG) will be shown at a free family event on July 19. This mid-summer installment of the Sunset Movie Series will be in San Gabriel Park near the soccer fields. Bring blankets, camp chairs, and snacks for this event by Georgetown Parks and Recreation. For details, visit [parks.georgetown.org/sunset-movie-series](http://parks.georgetown.org/sunset-movie-series).



### Music on the Square

**SUMMER CONCERTS**

Friday night Music on the Square concerts will continue in July. The free outdoor concerts on the Courthouse lawn are 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Note that there is no concert on First Friday in July.

**July 12:** Mike Hamilton

**July 19:** Megatunes

**July 26:** Wayward Travelers

Concerts are sponsored by the Georgetown Convention and Visitors Bureau and The Williamson Museum. To see the complete summer lineup, go to [VisitGeorgetown.com](http://VisitGeorgetown.com).

### Independence Day holiday

City offices are closed on Thursday, July 4.

There is regular solid waste and recycling collection July 4.



### Sprinkler system checkup

During the summer, sprinkler systems are used more often, which increases the risk for failures in the different components. A broken nozzle, sprinkler head, or underground pipe could waste thousands of gallons of water in one month.

To make sure you're not wasting water, perform a visual inspection of all irrigation zones on a regular basis. Run each irrigation zone for three to five minutes to make sure the equipment is operating properly and to adjust the spray areas. And remember to replace your controller battery regularly to ensure your irrigation cycles continue to run smoothly.

For customers with an underground irrigation system, the City offers a \$75 rebate to help offset the cost of having their controller box inspected and set to the recommended specifications by a licensed irrigator. The City also offers three rebates for customers to improve the efficiency of their irrigation systems. Customers can receive up to \$150 in rebates for each of the following programs: changing their irrigation system from a spray system to a drip system, converting spray nozzles to multi-stream nozzles, or installing a wi-fi enabled "smart" controller to help irrigation systems run more efficiently.

As a reminder to all customers, Monday is **#NoWateringMonday**, a recovery day for the water treatment, storage, and distribution system.

For information about irrigation rebates and watering schedules, visit [gus.georgetown.org/water](http://gus.georgetown.org/water).