

JUNE 2017 CHAMPION

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The Official Newsletter for the City of **Duncanville.**

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About Duncanville

Situated just minutes from both downtown Dallas and downtown Fort Worth, Duncanville offers the repose of a small town, while maintaining vital access to everything that makes DFW what it is today. With a reputation for excellence in both education and athletics, Duncanville is also committed to recruiting top businesses to provide first-rate services. For more information, visit:

www.duncanville.com.

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The perfect blend of **family,**
community and **business!**
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Fourth of July Fireworks Show Returns to
Duncanville! See page 12 for more details.
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June Calendar

- 2: Keep Duncanville Beautiful Board Meeting
8:30 am - 10 am, City Hall Briefing Room
- 2: Summer Reading Club Begins
- 5: Fieldhouse Metro S.A.F.E. Camp Begins
6:30 am - 9 am drop off, Duncanville Fieldhouse
- 5: Summer Camp: Find Your Adventure Begins
7:30 am, Recreation Center Gym
- 6: City Council Regular Meeting
Briefing Session - 6 pm, City Hall Briefing Room
Regular Session - 7 pm, City Hall Council Chambers
- 6: CPS Foster/Adopt Meeting
6:30 pm - 7 pm, Library Programming Room
- 8: DCEDC Regular Meeting
6:30 pm - City Hall Briefing Room
- 12: Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting
6:30 pm - 8 pm, City Hall Briefing Room
- 13: Rotary Club of Duncanville Meeting
7 am, D.L. Hopkins Senior Center Northside Room
- 15: Duncanville Community Multicultural Commission Meeting
6:30 pm - 8 pm, City Hall Briefing Room
- 15: Sports Legacy Commission Meeting
7 pm - 8 pm, City Hall Conference Room 2
- 15: Social Engagement Partnership Meeting
7 pm - 8:30 pm, City Hall Conference Room B
- 17: DuncanSwitch Street Market
8 am - 2 pm, DuncanSwitch
- 17: Best Southwest Juneteenth Celebration
4:30 pm - 10 pm, Lancaster
- 19: Duncanville Senior Advocacy Commission Meeting
7 pm - 9 pm, D.L. Hopkins Senior Center Northside Room
- 20: City Council Regular Meeting
Briefing Session - 6 pm, City Hall Briefing Room
Regular Session - 7 pm, City Hall Council Chambers
- 21: City Council Budget Workshop
- 21: Comprehensive Plan Town Hall Meeting
6:30 pm, D.L. Hopkins Senior Center
- 27: TIF Board Meeting
6 pm - 8 pm, City Hall Briefing Room

Get In Touch

After Hours Water Emergency
972.780.4959

Animal Control
972.223.6111

Auto Impoundment
972.227.5188

City Hall
972-780-5000

Code Services
972.780.5040

Crime Victim Advocate
972.780.5037 ext. 0

Fire Administration
972.780.4920

Hopkins Senior Center
972.780.5073

Jail
972.780.5039

Municipal Court
972.780.5055

Non-Emergency Dispatch
972.223.6111

Personnel
972.780.5095

Police Administration
972.780.5038

Public Library
972.780.5050

Public Information
972.780.5043

Recreation Center
972.780.5070

Utility Billing
972.780.5010

Warrants
972.780.5092

City Hall

203 East Wheatland Road
PO Box 380280
Duncanville, Texas 75138-0280

For updates to the city event calendar or to learn more about the city of Duncanville, visit: www.duncanville.com.

Registration starts April 15, 2017

Summer Camp

DFH Metro S.A.F.E. Camp

A blend of two types of summer camp experiences

Traditional Camp

Campers participate in various camps of their interest. The focus here is to allow campers to try different camps so they can gain experience, knowledge and new skills.

- 6:30-9am Drop off – 5pm-6pm Pickup
- Boys & Girls ages 5-9 (JV), 10-14 (Varsity)
- Weekly Field Trips
- 2 Meals served daily: Breakfast & Lunch
- Discounts: Siblings, Cities, ISD Employees

Elite Camp

Elite camps offer instruction and training for campers who are already participating in a sport or activity but want to compete and perform at a higher level.

Summer Camp Dates:

JUNE 5th – AUGUST 18TH

Registration
\$75

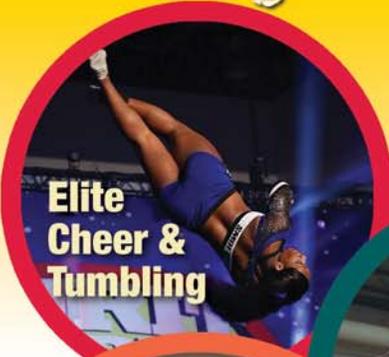
**LOW, LOW
Weekly / Monthly
payments!**

Register Online:

www.duncanvillefieldhouse.com

Coach Pearson - Camp Director

Featuring Elite Camps



FIELDHOUSE

1700 S Main St, Duncanville TX 75137 - (972) 331-8868 - www.duncanvillefieldhouse.com

La inscripción comienza el 15 de abril de 2017

Summer Camp

DFH Metro S.A.F.E. Camp

Una mezcla de dos tipos de experiencias de campamento de verano

Campamento Tradicional

Los niños participan en varios campamentos de su interés. El objetivo aquí es permitir a los niños probar diferentes campamentos para que puedan adquirir experiencia, conocimientos y nuevas habilidades.

- 6:30-9am Llegada – 5pm-6pm Recogida
- Para niños y niñas de 5-14 años (JV, Varsity)
- Excursiones semanales
- 2 Comidas diarias: desayuno y almuerzo
- Descuentos para Hermanos, Ciudades, y para Empleados de ISD

Campamento Elite

Campamentos de élite ofrecen instrucción y entrenamiento para niños que ya están participando en un deporte o actividad, pero quieren competir y realizar a un nivel superior.

Fechas del campamento de verano:

5 DE JUNIO - 18 DE AGOSTO

**Inscripción
\$75**

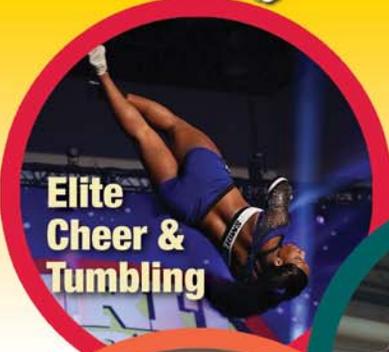
**BAJOS PAGOS
Semanales o
Mensuales!**

Hay registro electrónico:

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Tips on Choosing Safe Fireworks

FIREWORKS ARE ILLEGAL IN DUNCANVILLE - UP TO \$2,000.00 FINE

It is important to know the difference between a legal consumer firework and a dangerous explosive device. Items such as M-80s, M-100s and blockbusters are not fireworks, they are federally banned explosives. They can cause serious injury or death. Stay away from anything that is not clearly labeled with the item and manufacturer's name and instructions for proper use.

Fireworks are not toys. Fireworks, complying with strict regulations enacted by the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission in 1976, function primarily by burning to produce motion and visible or audible effects. They are burning at approximately the same temperature as a household match and can cause burn injuries and ignite clothing if used improperly.

NEVER allow young children to ignite fireworks. Close adult supervision of all fireworks activities is mandatory. Sparklers can be unsafe if used improperly.

Select and use only legal devices. If you choose to celebrate the Fourth of July with fireworks, check with your local police or fire department to determine what fireworks can be legally discharged in your area (**fireworks are illegal in Duncanville and most incorporated cities**).

Stay away from illegal explosives. Illegal explosive devices continue to cause serious injuries around the Fourth of July holiday. These devices are commonly known as M-80s, M-100s, blockbusters or quarter-pounders. Federally banned since 1966, these items will not contain the manufacturer's name and are usually unlabeled. Do not purchase or use unlabeled fireworks. If you are aware of anyone selling such devices, contact your local police department.

If you are going to use fireworks, follow these safety tips.

- Have a water source nearby such as a garden hose or bucket of water – fires can easily be started by fireworks
- Keep all spectators a safe distance from fireworks after ignition, especially small children
- Never use fireworks on or near dry vegetation or structures
- Fireworks such as bottle rockets should NEVER be used around structures or where the unit cannot be followed after ignition-airborne fireworks account for the majority of fires
- NEVER hold fireworks in your hand during ignition and always maintain a safe distance
- Always allow plenty of time for a delayed explosion from a possible dud – do not approach any unexploded firework for at least 10 minutes and apply water when you do. NEVER ATTEMPT TO RE-IGNITE A DUD!

For additional information, visit www.duncanville.com or call the Duncanville Fire Prevention Office at 972-780-5049 or 5047.



Duncanville Fire Department Has Heart

Duncanville, May 19, 2017 – The Duncanville Fire Department was named a Mission: Lifeline® Emergency Medical System (EMS) Recognition recipient and honored with a Bronze Award by the American Heart Association on May 15.

The Mission: Lifeline® EMS Recognition acknowledges the work, training and commitment of EMS agencies and Medical First Responders to ensure rapid treatment for ST Elevation Myocardial Infarction (STEMI) patients by directly influencing the STEMI system of care.

The goal of Mission: Lifeline® is to ensure rapid and appropriate treatment for every heart attack patient through a cohesive and coordinated system of care. Three levels of recognition are awarded: Bronze designates performance for a calendar quarter; Silver for a full calendar year; and Gold for two or more consecutive calendar years.

“The quality of care our patients receive has been and always will be a top priority for the Duncanville Fire Department,” said Assistant Fire Chief, Greg Chase. “This award is a reflection of the hard work and dedication displayed by our paramedics.”

The Fire Department serves a population of 39,000 in Duncanville and covers over 11 square miles, and the automatic aid agreements with DeSoto, Cedar Hill and Dallas increase the response area to over 85 square miles with a population of 166,000.

For more information about Mission: Lifeline®, visit www.heart.org/missionlifeline. For more information about Duncanville’s Fire Department, visit www.duncanville.com, or contact EMS Division Chief, Mike Ryan, at 972-780-4920.



A Proclamation recognizing the week of May 21-27, 2017, as Emergency Medical Services Week, with May 24 being Emergency Medical Services for Children (EMSC) Day was presented to the Duncanville Fire Department by Mayor Green at the City Council Meeting held on May 16.

Duncanville Fire Department Honored at the CareFlite Awards Ceremony



L to R: FF/EMT-P Pat Stubbs, FF/EMT-P Micah Shaw, Captain/EMT-P Jason Wigginton, Engineer/EMT-P James Leary, and FF/EMT-P Brent Nabors.

Duncanville, May 30, 2017 – Duncanville firefighters were awarded Great First Responders Awards at the CareFlite Awards ceremony on Monday, May 22 in Arlington.

Great First Responders Awards are honored: for going above and beyond the call of duty as a first responder; for commitment to the highest level of emergency care in the field; for demonstrating professionalism and setting the standard for peers in life threatening situations; and for putting service above self and making communities better places to live.

The ambulance and Quint 272 Crew who was nominated by EMS Division Chief, Mike Ryan, consists of FF/EMT-P Pat Stubbs, FF/EMT-P Micah Shaw, Captain/EMT-P Jason Wigginton, Engineer/EMT-P James Leary and FF/EMT-P Brent Nabors. The crew responded to a call and performed CPR on a 13-year-old boy at the Duncanville Fieldhouse. The patient was resuscitated and has since visited the Fire Department.

“These five men did an excellent job reviving this young man,” Ryan said. “That comes as no surprise to us. They always do an excellent job, and their excellence comes about as a result of habit. Every member of the Duncanville Fire Department is not your status quo type of person – they train, make mistakes, but strive to never make the mistake twice. They devote themselves to where what they do and what they expect of themselves rises above the normal call of duty. In this case, our ambulance and quint crew were in the fire station three blocks from the incident, and in these times with our call volume on the rise, it was lucky for this young man and his outcome.”

Stubbs has been with the Duncanville Fire Department for 18 years, Shaw 1.6 years, Wigginton 11.5 years, Leary 12.7 years and Nabors almost 3.5 years.

“One of the most stressful calls is CPR on a kid,” Stubbs said. “Much too often the outcome is not good. When a person walks in the fire station who was dead, and you helped save them, that is the best feeling in the world.”

Nabors is a Duncanville native and said it is an added bonus getting to work for the city he grew up in.

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For more information about Great First Responders Awards, visit www.careflite.org. For more information about Duncanville’s Fire Department, visit www.duncanville.com.

Service Awards

Thank you for your years of service to the city of Duncanville! It is with grateful appreciation you are recognized for your commitment to excellence.

Brian Heard

Police Department
30 Years

John Borchardt

Public Works
15 Years

Terry Kelly

Parks & Recreation
15 Years

James Shires

Public Works
5 Years



Top photo:
Assistant Chief of Police, Brian Heard

Middle Photo:
Traffic Operations Superintendent, John Borchardt

Bottom Photo:
Equipment Services Mechanic, James Shires



For questions or career opportunities with the city of Duncanville, visit:
www.duncanville.com.

SUMMER READING CLUB 2017

June 2 - July 31

Duncanville Public Library is a great place to be this summer! Come to the library to get a **Summer Reading Club Log** and track the time you spend reading/listening from June 2 - July 31. After you complete the 25-hour reading log, come to the library with your parent or adult caregiver to turn in your log and receive a **Prize Packet**. Prizes include a free book, reading certificate, and coupons to local businesses!

Limit one prize packet per participant. Prizes can be claimed June 16 - July 31 and cannot be claimed less than 30 minutes before closing.



Kids and teens who complete the 25-hour reading log will be entered in the grand prize drawing for a free Kindle!
(courtesy of the Friends of the Library)

TUESDAYS

KEVA PLANKtastics

*Build structures by stacking planks
For Kindergarten - 6th graders
Limited to 45, no daycare groups*

10:15 a.m.

Library Program Room

Performers' Showcase

A variety of programs for all ages

3:00 p.m.

Library Lobby
Meeting Rooms

June 6

Percussion Things
Drums & Stories Show

June 13

How to Catch a Mouse
Balloon Show

June 20

Professor Pop's
Bubble Show

June 27

The Professor Brainius
Science Show

July 4 LIBRARY IS CLOSED

July 11

Dallas Zoo
Animal Adventures

July 18

Circus Chickendog
Dog Tricks Circus Show

July 25

Whirled on a String
Yo-Yo Show

WEDNESDAYS

LEGO Maniacs

*For Kindergarten - 6th graders
Limited to 45, no daycare groups*

10:15 a.m.

Library Program Room

Elementary Crafts

*For 1st - 6th graders only
Limited to 35 participants
No daycare groups*

2:00 p.m.

Library Program Room

June 7 - 3-D Houses

June 14 - Treasure Boxes

June 21 - Friendship Bands

June 28 - Pop-up City

July 5 - Rainbow Mobile

July 12 - BFF Giant Drawings

July 19 - Friendship Message

July 26 - Paint the Town

Family Night

A variety of programs for all ages

7:00 p.m.

Library Lobby
Meeting Rooms

June 21 - Percussion Things
Drums & Stories Show

June 28 - Professor Pop's
Bubble Show

July 12 - Whirled on a String
Yo-Yo Show

July 19 - How to Catch a
Mouse Balloon Show

THURSDAYS

Preschool Story Time & Crafts

*For ages 3-6 years and a caregiver
Limited to 45*

10:15 a.m.

Library Program Room

Nursery Rhyme Time

*For ages 0-3 years and a caregiver
Limited to 45*

11:15 a.m.

Library Program Room

Spanish Story Time

*For all ages
Limited to 45*

5:30 p.m.

Library Program Room

Manga Toshokan

For teens 13+

7:00 p.m.

Library Program Room

June 8 & July 13



FRIDAYS

Board Games or Movie

For all ages

2:00 p.m.

Board Games - Program Room
Movies - Lobby Meeting Rooms

June 2 - Board Games

June 9 - Board Games

June 16 - Board Games

June 23 - Moana

June 30 - Middle
School

July 7 - Board Games

July 14 - Monster
Trucks

July 21 - Lego Batman

July 28 - Board Games



SATURDAYS

Tail Waggin' Tutors

*Children practice reading to dogs
Limited to 45*

2:00 p.m.

Library Program Room

June 24 & July 22

**BUILD A BETTER
WORLD**



**Duncanville
Public Library**
Inform, Inspire, Imagine

Club de Lectura Verano 2017 2 de Junio - 31 de Julio

¡La Biblioteca Pública de Duncanville es un gran lugar para estar este verano! Ven a la biblioteca y obtén un registro para el club de lectura de verano y registra el tiempo que estuviste leyendo/escuchando desde el 2 de Junio - el 31 de Julio. Después de completar las 25 horas en el registro de lectura, ven a la biblioteca con uno de tus padres o el adulto responsable por ti para devolver el registro y recibir el paquete de premios. Los premios incluyen un libro gratis, certificado de lectura, y cupones para establecimientos locales!

Limitado a un paquete de premios por participante. Los premios pueden reclamarse desde el 16 de Junio hasta el 31 de Julio y no podrán reclamarse 30 minutos antes de cerrar.



Los niños y adolescentes que completen su registro de lectura de 25 horas se introducirán a una rifa para ganar el premio mayor, un Kindle! (cortesía de los Amigos de la Biblioteca)

MARTES

KEVA PLANKtastics

Construyendo estructuras apilando tabloncillos

Para Kindergarten - 6to grado
Limitado a 45, no grupos de guardería

10:15 a.m.

Cuarto de Programación de la Biblioteca

Presentación de Funciones

Una variedad de programas para todas las edades

3:00 p.m.

Cuartos de Reunion en el Vestíbulo

6 de Junio

Show de Historias y Tambores y Cosas de Percusión

13 de Junio

Como Atrapar un Ratón Show de Globos

20 de Junio

Profesor Pop Show de Burbujas

27 de Junio

El Profesor Cerebro Show de Ciencia

4 de Julio CERRADO

11 de Julio

Zoológico de Dallas Aventura de Animales

18 de Julio Circo Polloperro

25 de Julio

Giro en Cuerda Show de Yo-Yo

MIÉRCOLES

LEGO Maniáticos

Para Kindergarten - 6to grado
Limitado a 45, no grupos de guardería

10:15 a.m.

Cuarto de Programación de la Biblioteca

Arte Elemental

Sólo para 1ro - 6to grado
Limitado a 35 participantes
No grupos de guardería

2:00 p.m.

Cuarto de Programación de la Biblioteca

7 de Junio - Casas en 3D

14 de Junio - Cajas de Tesoro

21 de Junio - Pulseras de Amistad

28 de Junio - Ciudad Desplegable

5 de Julio - Arco Iris Móvil

12 de Julio - BFF Dibujos Gigantes

19 de Julio - Mensaje de Amistad

26 de Julio - Pinta el Pueblo

Noche de la Familia

Una variedad de programas para todas las edades

7:00 p.m.

Cuartos de Reunion en el Vestíbulo

21 de Junio Show de Historias y Tambores y Cosas de Percusión

28 de Junio Profesor Pop Show de Burbujas

12 de Julio Giro en Cuerda Show de Yo-Yo

19 de Julio Como Atrapar un Ratón Show de Globos

JUEVES

Tiempo de historias pre-escolar y artes

Edades 3-6 años y la persona encargada
Limitado a 45

10:15 a.m.

Cuarto de Programación de la Biblioteca

Tiempo de rima infantil

Edades 0-3 años y la persona encargada
Limitado a 45

11:15 a.m.

Cuarto de Programación de la Biblioteca

Tiempo de historias en Español

Todas las edades
Limitado a 45

5:30 p.m.

Cuarto de Programación de la Biblioteca

Manga Toshokan

Adolescentes 13+

7:00 p.m.

Cuarto de Programación de la Biblioteca
8 de Junio & 13 de Julio



VIERNES

Juegos de Mesa o Pelicula

Todas las edades

2:00 p.m.

Cuarto de Programación de la Biblioteca o Cuartos de Reunion en el Vestíbulo

2 de Junio - Juegos de Mesa

9 de Junio - Juegos de Mesa

16 de Junio - Juegos de Mesa

23 de Junio - Moana Película

30 de Junio - Middle School Película

7 de Julio - Juegos de Mesa

14 de Julio - Monster Trucks Película

21 de Julio - Lego Batman Película

28 de Julio - Juegos de Mesa



SÁBADOS

Tutores que mueven la cola

Los niños leen a los perros
Limitado a 45

2:00 p.m.

Cuarto de Programación de la Biblioteca
24 de Junio & 22 de Julio

CONSTRUYE UN MUNDO MEJOR



Summer Reading Club is Here!



 Kids and teens who complete the 25-hour reading log will be entered in the grand prize drawing for a free **Kindle!**
(courtesy of the Friends of the Library)



Adults pick up a Bingo sheet & cover all the squares to be entered for the **Grand Prize!** A brand-new **Echo Show!**



"Alexa, play The Beatles."

The fun begins June 2nd! Adults come in for a movie night, 7 p.m. featuring *Passengers* starring Jennifer Lawrence and Chris Pratt. Kids come in for a fun board game afternoon at 2 p.m. Attached are flyers listing all the amazing free programs going on this summer.

Spanish Story Time
THURSDAYS 5:30 PM.
IN THE PROGRAM ROOM

 And/or a **LAPTOP**

Borrow the INTERNET



call the library at 972-780-5052 for details

JOIN US THIS SUMMER, AND...



BUILD A BETTER WORLD

What test do you want to pass?

ACT
achieve more

GED
TESTING SERVICE

SAT

June 10 at 1 p.m.
Registration required by June 5.
Space is limited.

Sign up at the Information Desk.

American Red Cross
Give blood. Help save lives.



Blood Drive
Duncanville Public Library
Meeting Room
201 James Collins Blvd.
Duncanville, TX 75116
Thursday, June 8, 2017
10:00 AM to 4:00 pm

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit redcrossblood.org and enter: duncanvillelibrary to schedule an appointment.

Notes from Jane

It's June, June, June! School is out and the summer reading program at the Library has begun. In celebration of all that is good about summer reading, all children and young readers books on our sale carts are **HALF PRICE!!** What a great time to build a personal library for your young reader.

Also, **SAVE THE DATE** - the 1st ever \$5 Book Bag Sale is set for the last Saturday in July - July 29th from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. We will furnish the bags and you can browse our boxes and shelves for your favorites at bargain prices. You won't want to miss it!

See you at the Library.



Duncanville Fourth of July Celebration

HAPPY Fourth of July



The city of Duncanville invites you, your family and friends to its annual Independence Day Celebration! Admission is FREE and open to the public, though wristbands will be required for entry into the evening activities.

The celebration begins at 9 am with a parade sponsored by the Duncanville Lions Club with the theme "Liberty and 100 Years of Lionism." Events for the evening include food, fun and

fireworks at Armstrong Park where you will enjoy LIVE music, delicious food from local vendors, bounce houses for the kids and the return of Duncanville's traditional Fourth of July Fireworks Extravaganza! The evening theme is "Hats off to America," and it is encouraged you wear your patriotic hat the whole day.

Parade

WHEN

Tuesday, July 4, 2017, from 9 am to 10 am

WHERE

The parade route will start at Reed Middle School and travel west on Wheatland turning north on Main Street to downtown Duncanville.

ROAD CLOSURES

Various closures will affect the Wheatland and Main areas beginning at 7 am.

PARADE ENTRIES

To participate in the parade, submit a completed application to: Duncanville Lions Club, Parade Entry, PO Box 381055, Duncanville, Texas 75138 or in person at one of the following locations:

- Chamber of Commerce, 300 East Wheatland Road
- Red Bird Bowling Lanes, 1114 South Main
- Ben Franklin Apothecary, 302 North Main

CONTACT

For further information regarding the parade, visit:

www.duncanvillelionsclub.com/parade

or call the Lions Parade Chairpersons - Don McBurnett at 214.918.9981 or Kasey Cheshier at 972.298.1147



Food, Fun & Fireworks



WHEN

Tuesday, July 4, 2017

Gates open at 6 pm and the fireworks show at 9:30 pm



WHERE

Armstrong Park, 100 James Collins Boulevard

ADMISSION

Wristbands will be required for entrance to the evening events. Wristbands (limit of five) will be available starting Monday, June 12 at the Duncanville Recreation Center (201 James Collins Boulevard). Must be 18 or older to pick up wristbands, and if quantities remain, wristbands will be available at the event.

WHERE

Armstrong Park, 100 James Collins Boulevard

SAFETY

Guests under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult. All bags and coolers will be subject to search upon entry. The following items will not be permitted inside the park:

- alcohol
- glass containers
- tents

ACCESSIBILITY

ADA-accessible parking will be located in the parking lot west of City Hall (203 East Wheatland Road).

PARK CLOSURE

Armstrong Park will be closed to the public in advance of the event, starting at 11:30 pm on July 3. Normal park hours will resume following the event.

SHUTTLE SERVICE

Due to various street closures and limited parking, the City of Duncanville will offer a free shuttle service to and from designated remote parking locations before, during and after the evening festivities. Two shuttle routes will be available:

- A North route will pick up attendees from the Duncanville High School parking lot (900 West Camp Wisdom Road) and drop off at Efurd Properties (202 South Santa Fe Trail)
- A South route will pick up attendees from the Costco parking lot (250 West Highway 67) and drop off at the former Duncanville ISD Administration building (802 South Main Street).

SPONSORS/ VENDORS

Sponsors and vendors are invited to register with the Department of Parks & Recreation at 201 James Collins Boulevard or by calling 972.780.5070.

CONTACT

For any questions regarding the Independence Day Celebration, contact the Department of Parks & Recreation at 972.780.5070.

Keep Duncanville Beautiful 2017 Operation Clean Duncanville

As staff liaison for Keep Duncanville Beautiful and on behalf of the KDB board, I would like to personally thank all of the volunteers, city staff and citizens who made the 2017 Operation Clean Duncanville event a success. During this Don't Mess with Texas event, Duncanville residents joined forces to make a positive mark in their community. Approximately 515 community participants dropped off, collected and/or removed over 60,200 pounds of debris and trash resulting in a greener, cleaner safer Duncanville. Each volunteer should be proud and know the City of Duncanville thanks you for those efforts. We look forward to working with all the volunteers again in community-wide efforts to cleanup areas in need. For more information on future KDB events, please contact Timothy Hamilton at thamilton@ci.duncanville.tx.us or call 972-780-5072.



Park Master Plan

The Park Master Plan is on its way to completion with the first of two phases recently completed including data collection and initial citizen input. Dunaway and Associates, the consultant for the master plan project, reported their progress to the Park Board at the May 8 meeting. Dunaway anticipates the master plan to be finalized by late summer/early fall.

Significant citizen feedback was obtained from two public meetings held in January, and a comprehensive online survey resulted in 483 responses from residents. This data has been compiled into a preliminary report that was distributed to the Park Board and City Council and will be used by the consultants in drafting the master plan recommendations. The following are highlights of the input received from citizens:

Biggest Needs/Vision for the Current Park System:

1. Bike, walking and natural trails
2. Workout stations in parks and along trails
3. Splash pad
4. Upgrade the senior center
5. Dog park

Top Programs and Activities of Interest:

1. Walking/hiking
2. Festivals/concerts/events
3. Fitness classes
4. Arts and crafts
5. Swimming/aquatics

Most Needed Athletic Facilities:

1. Outdoor basketball courts
2. Soccer fields
3. Tennis courts
4. Baseball/softball fields
5. Football fields

The second phase includes assimilating the information and data collected from the first phase and presenting recommendations. Once approved, the park master plan will be utilized by City leaders in guiding development and expansion of the parks and recreation system over the next ten years. For questions, contact Bart Stevenson, Director of Parks and Recreation, at: bstevenson@ci.duncanville.tx.us or 972-780-5076.

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Lone Star Park

June 15, 2017

4:45 pm.

Cost: \$12.00

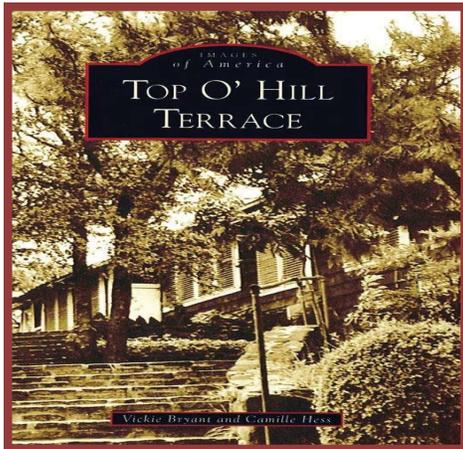


Rockett Cafe

June 22, 2017

4:30 pm.

Cost: \$3.00 + meal



Top O' Hill

June 26, 2017

11:00 am.

Cost: \$13.00 + meal



The Coaches Box

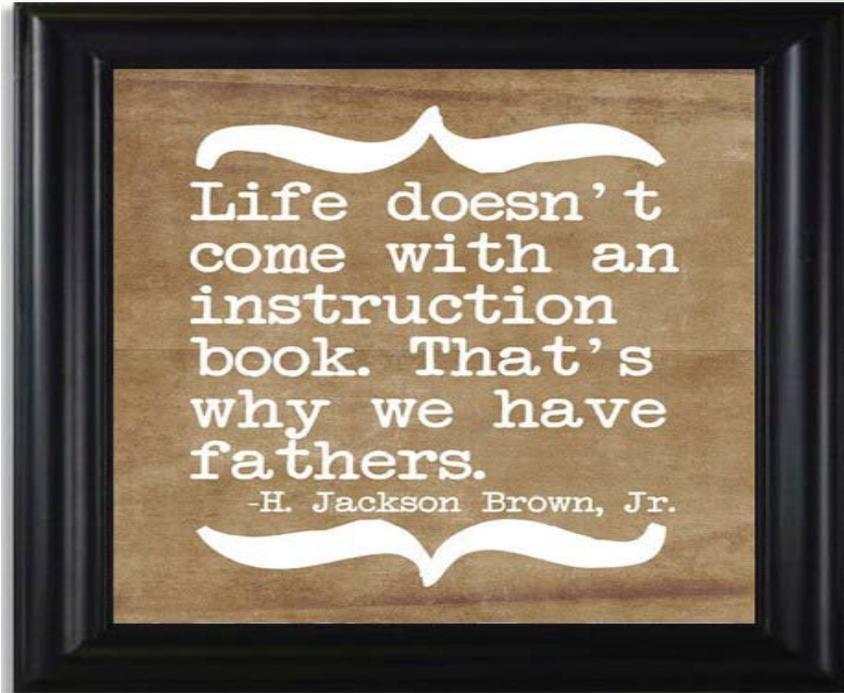
June 27, 2017

4:30 pm.

Cost of meal

Membership Required: For Further Information Call 972)780-5073

Father's Day Breakfast



Please Join Us for A Father's Day Celebration

Event Date: Friday June 16 2017

Time: 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 am

Place: D. L . Hopkins, Jr. Senior Center

206 James Collins Blvd, Duncanville, 75116

- Assorted Fresh Fruit & Dessert
- Biscuits
- Breakfast Sausage
- Eggs

PLEASE RSVP BY: 06/08/17



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**Every Monday Beginning
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For information Call 972 780-5073



Swing Out *with* *Timothy Ellington*

**D.L. Hopkins Jr. Senior Center
206 James Collins Blvd, Duncanville, 75116**

Duncanville Open Storage Ordinance

As summer approaches, people will spend more time outdoors. There are some items that should not be left outdoors.

Article VIII-B of Chapter 12 of Duncanville’s Code of Ordinances regulates what may be kept outside on residential property in the City.

The most important definition associated with this ordinance is found in Section 12-91. “Open storage” is defined as the outside placement of any article for a continuous period in excess of 24 hours, other than those objects described in Section 12-92(3).

Section 12-92 specifies a number of conditions considered a public nuisance and are subject to abatement by the City:

1. Keeping junk, trash, or debris, or abandoned, discarded or unused objects or equipment. A few items include (but not limited to): furniture; appliances; cans; containers; discarded and/or inoperable motor vehicles; any item which is not customarily used or stored out side on property used for residential purposes; and any item which is not made of a material that is resistant to damage or deterioration from exposure to the outside environment.
2. Parking of any vehicle over 1½ tons capacity for any purpose other than supervised loading or unloading of goods or passengers. This applies to all areas of residential property, including in driveways, and prohibits such vehicles as buses, trucks and tractors.
3. Objects that may be stored outdoors would include: decorative or landscaping elements; one barbecue grill or smoker; lawn furniture made for outdoor use; motor homes or recreational vehicles (on paved surfaces only); camper trailers or boat trailers (with boat) are the only trailers that may be parked in a front or side yard (on a paved surface); motor vehicles of capacity of 1½ tons or less; and remember ALL vehicles and trailers parked on a front yard driveway must display a current registration.

Notices of violation may be issued verbally, by mail or by leaving a door hanger. The notice will describe the violation and specify a time by which it must be corrected.

If the violation is not corrected within the time allowed, a citation may be issued.

The City may also take action to abate the violation by sending a contractor to remove junk, trash or other illegally stored objects. An invoice is sent to the property owner and if not paid, a lien is placed against the property.

Copies of the complete ordinance are available at City Hall or online: www.municode.com/library/tx/duncanville/codes/code_of_ordinances

Code enforcement officers are available Monday-Friday from 8 am to 5 pm. To speak with a code enforcement officer, call 972.780.5040.

Upcoming Comprehensive Plan Community Meeting



Development of Destination Duncanville, the Comprehensive Plan, is nearing completion! The Steering Committee has been meeting since December 2015 to assist in guiding the plan creation. Public input was received through a variety of efforts, which generated the basis of the plan. Input included: the Community Meeting in August 2016 and online survey; various stakeholder

and staff meetings; Planning and Zoning Commission; and City Council input.

Another community meeting will be held to share a summary of the input received, elements of the draft plan, proposed recommendations and strategies to implement the vision set out by the public. The meeting will be an opportunity for citizens to participate in interactive exercises and discussion facilitated by the consultant, Freese and Nichols, Inc. **The community meeting will be held Wednesday, June 21, 2017, at the D.L. Hopkins, Jr. Senior Center, located at 206 James Collins Blvd, Duncanville, TX 75116.** Check-in begins at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting begins at 7 p.m.

For progress updates on the plan and information on opportunities for public input, visit www.duncanville.com, www.DestinationDuncanville.com, or sign up for the city's newsletters, the Spotlight Duncanville and the Champion.

Home Security & Your Doors

DEADBOLT LOCKS

A deadbolt lock can provide good protection. When turning the key, the lock mechanism slides a strong metal bolt from the door into the frame. With buying a deadbolt lock, make sure the bolt extends at least one inch from the edge of the door, the connecting screws holding the lock together are on the inside of the door, the strike plate is attached to the door frame with screws measuring at least three inches in length; and the cylinder has a steel guard around the key section. The cylinder guard should be tapered or rotate freely around the key section to prevent wrenching if it is twisted.

SINGLE CYLINDER DEADBOLT

A solid bolt, activated by a key from the outside or a knob on the inside, slides into the door frame. The lock cannot be slipped or easily pried. Deadbolt locks are only as good as the door and frame they are installed in.

DOUBLE CYLINDER DEADBOLT

This lock is basically the same as the single cylinder deadbolt, except it requires a key to be used from either side to function.

PADLOCKS

When selecting padlocks to secure your garage door, storage shed, fence gate or toolbox, do not economize. Low-priced locks are made from low quality materials and easily pried open or cut with bolt cutters. Look for these features when purchasing a padlock:

- Double locking shackle at the toe and heel
- Hardened steel shackle (larger is best)
- Five pin tumbler
- Key retention feature
- A strong steel hasp should be used with the padlock

EXTERIOR DOORS

Many residential doors feature hollow-core construction and poor locks, which are easily forced or kicked open. For additional protection, you need solid core doors, quality deadbolt locks and security strike plates installed using four inch screws.

SLIDING DOORS

Many burglars enter homes through improperly secured arcadia doors. Additional locks and security measures will prevent the door from being opened or lifted out of the track. Screws installed in the track above the sliding door frame will prevent the door from being lifted out of the track. Drill a pilot hole in the top track above and slightly in from each corner of the sliding doorframe section and install a screw into each hole. Adjust the screws so the head of the screw just barely clears the frame when it is moved back and forth.

DOUBLE DOORS

Double doors need solid security as they are easily jimmed or forced open. Flush lever bolts installed at the top and bottom of the doors are recommended. Make sure the bolt is long, sturdy and mounted into a solid door frame. These are often referred to as header and footer bolts.

Home Security & Your Doors Continued

DOORS WITH WINDOWS

Doors with glass windows or glass ornamentation require double key deadbolt locks. This prevents the burglar from breaking the glass and reaching inside to unlock the door. The key to a double key deadbolt lock should be left in the lock at all times when someone is home to ensure easy exit in the event of a fire or other emergency (check with your local fire department to ensure this lock is not prohibited by the fire code before installing). Glass within 40 inches of a locking device should be evaluated. If removal of the glass cannot be done, consider installing security laminate on the glass to help prevent it from being easily broken to access the lock.

GARAGE DOORS

Standard locks on garage doors are easily pried, allowing a burglar access to your home without detection. Cane bolts and hasps provide more protection. Make certain each side of the garage door is secured to prevent prying open a crawl space. Remove the emergency release cord to prevent a burglar from accessing it from outside and easily opening the door. Any entry doors leading from the garage to the house should be solid core exterior doors and secured with a deadbolt lock. This door should also be equipped with a 190* viewer. The more barriers you provide against the burglar, the better protected you are.

HINGES

Many homes have doors that open to the outside, exposing the hinge pins. Despite a good strong lock, the burglar can remove the pins and lift the door from the frame. To prevent this, remove two opposing screws from each leaf of the hinge. Screw a long lag bolt into the frame side of the hinge leaf and saw off the head leaving about 1/2 inch protruding. Drill out the opposite hole to allow the bolt to enter when the door is closed. Do this to the top and bottom hinge plates. The burglar can remove the hinge pins, but the door will remain firmly in place. This technique is good for any door, no matter how the hinges have been placed.

DOOR VIEWERS

To avoid opening your door without knowing who is there, install a door viewer. This device has a wide-angle lens to let you see someone standing outside your door without opening it.

LATCHES/LOCKS SPRING LATCH

Some homes come equipped with this lock. It offers very little protection since the bolt can be slipped with a credit card or knife. This same lock with a deadbolt latch, provides more protection, but it too can be forced open.

Home Security & Your Windows

SLIDING WINDOWS

Sliding glass windows should be given the same security treatment as arcadia doors. Use the same supplementary locks or screws in the frame. Screws installed in the track above the sliding window frame will prevent the window from being lifted out of the track. Drill a pilot hole in the top track above each corner of the window frame and install a screw into each hole. Adjust the screws so the head of the screw just barely clears the frame when it is moved back and forth.

CASEMENT - CRANK WINDOWS

These windows are easily secured. The latch should close properly with the window tight. With the latch in a closed position, drill a small hole through the latch frame and handle. Insert a metal pin through the hole to lock the window. For additional security, a small padlock can be used in place of the pin. Key operated replacement latches are also available from a locksmith or hardware store. Keep the key handy in case of an emergency.

DOUBLE HUNG WINDOWS

An easy, inexpensive way to secure your windows is to use the "pin" trick. Drill an angled hole through the top frame of the lower window partially into the frame of the upper window. Then insert the pin (a nail or an eyebolt that is slightly smaller in diameter than the hole). The window cannot be opened until the pin is removed. Make a second set of holes with windows partially open so one can have ventilation without inviting intruders. This cannot be done on windows insulated with gases.

THUMB SCREW LOCKS

This type of auxiliary locking device can be easily installed easily in the track above the lower portion of windows that raise and lower or in the track securing the active side of sliding windows. They can be installed in minutes and can be found at most local hardware stores, normally at a very low cost. They come in several styles, and they can be easily removed in case of an emergency.

There are options available to help secure windows without resorting to bars. For more information, contact the Duncanville Police Department Crime Prevention Officer, Doug Sisk, 972.780.5027 or dsisk@duncanvillepd.com. The Duncanville Police Department offers home security assessments as a free service to the Duncanville residents.

Internet Safety - Protecting Your Child Against the Internet

PRIVACY

How much privacy do you allow your child?

How much do you respect your child's privacy?

Do you allow your child to have a lock on their bedroom door?

Do you allow your child to have a secure telephone line, one you cannot monitor?

Does your child have their own computer in their room?

Do you monitor the HISTORY of searched/accessed web sites on your child's computer?

As a parent, you decide the level of privacy your child has in your home. Allowing a child too much privacy without sufficient boundaries can lead them to tread on dangerous ground.

INVOLVEMENT

Do you spend time with your child when on the Internet?

Do you have a Guardian Program on your child's computer?

Do you have a Computer Virus Protection Program on your child's computer?

Spending time with your child while they are searching the Internet gives you the opportunity to correct any improper searches that they may encounter.

SCREENING

Do you screen your child's activities in Chat Rooms, Bulletin Boards, etc.?

Do you allow your child to meet new friends in Chat Rooms, Instant Messenger, etc.?

Many predators pose as children similar in age and socio-economical status. Predators will work to earn the friendship of your child slowly, until they gain sufficient confidence to ask for explicit information or photos. Eventually predators will want a face to face meeting to discuss their friendship, why your child is upset with you, problems at school, etc. Some predators will set up and make travel arrangements for your child.

COMMUNICATION

Do you and your child talk enough?

Can they come to you with questions or to talk about what's bothering them?

Are you too busy to spend time with your child on the computer?

Do you trust your child to make decisions about Internet activities you just don't understand? Is your child more computer literate than you?

Predators will befriend your child by any means they can. Remember the predator is mature, skilled in inter-personal techniques, financially capable and may have been successful in the past with other victim children. The bottom line is "get involved with your children, communicate, show care, concern and love."

Sources of Information for Cyber - Safety for Children

USEFUL LINKS

NCMEC – www.missingkids.com. Click on “Resources for Parents & Guardians”

FBI – <http://www.fbi-sos.org>. FBI Safe Online Surfing site

FOR PARENTS

www.netsmartz.org - Resources for Parents, Kids, Teens and Law Enforcement

www.aPlatformForGood.org - Resources and up-to-date information

www.safekids.com - Articles, information and links to resources

www.safeteens.com - Articles, information and links to resources

www.NeedHelpNow.ca - Canadian site on tips about removing pictures from the Internet

www.snapchat.com/static_files/parents.pdf - Snapchat guide for parents

www.openDNS.com - Web filtering at the router level

Type “Kik Guide for Parents” into Google

OTHER RESOURCES

www.kidzui.com - Safe Browser for Kids

<http://www.xbox.com/en-US/support/familysettings> XBOX360 - Parental Controls

<http://www.us.playstation.com/PS3/Features/ParentalControls> - PS3 Parental Controls

http://www.nintendo.com/consumer/systems/wiiu/en_na/system_settings.jsp?menu=parental_controlsfaq&submenu=wup-pc-ht-setup - Nintendo Wii U Parental

Controls

<http://www.netbullies.org> - Information and resources about cyber bullying

www.OnGuardOnline.gov - Federal Trade Commission (FTC) website for cyber safety resources

For more Internet Safety Tips, contact Officer Doug Sisk at 972.780.5027 or dsisk@duncanvillepd.com.

Leaving Law Enforcement: By Lieutenant Gene Kropff

I won't miss call outs in the middle of the night or in the middle of my wife's birthday celebration (and neither will she, although she has never complained about it).

I won't miss working accident after accident in the snow and ice or directing traffic at an intersection for a couple hours in the bitter cold or pouring down rain.

I won't miss wearing body armor and a 25 pound belt for 12 hours a day in the hot Texas summers.

I won't miss the six or seven hours of redundantly redundant paperwork following a 40 second incident in which every ounce of adrenaline your body possessed was dumped into your system (I'll miss the 40 seconds though).

I won't miss being spit on, or cleaning up vomit, urine, and/or fecal matter out of the back seat of a squad car or off the jail floor.

I won't miss sitting for hours on end at the hospital with a prisoner who is ultimately declared perfectly healthy and was just trying to avoid being held accountable for their criminal activity.

I won't miss being second guessed and arm chair quarterbacked by politicians, administrators, and/or the general public who are armed with very little knowledge of the facts and circumstances of the incident, yet rush to conclusions about the officers' actions and subsequently attribute their thoughts on that incident to all members of the law enforcement profession.

I won't miss working a 12 hour shift, then heading to court or a training class for 5 hours, and returning to the station to sleep in the SWAT room for 3 or 4 hours before working another 12 hour shift.

I won't miss bearing witness to death and injury, and the lack of respect for human life displayed by people who are evil to their core.

Working nights, weekends, holidays, and missing my child's baseball games for years on end - I won't miss any of that.

What I will miss are the dedicated men and women who remain behind and continue to perform all the items listed above. Over the course of my 19 years in civilian law enforcement, police officers have been asked to do more and more. We are no longer just enforcers of the law tasked with subduing criminals and delivering them to the criminal justice system for disposition. We still have to do that, but we are now asked to be teachers, marriage counselors, parents, animal control officers, mental health professionals and crime scene investigators - as seen on TV - just to name a few.

As each new hot topic of the day is assigned out to law enforcement, I am constantly reminded of the old saying 'Jack of all trades but Master of none.'

The issues law enforcement officers are tasked with handling are symptoms of larger issues which we have no ability or authority to intervene. For instance, law enforcement officers have no ability to positively impact the education system in our country or

Leaving Law Enforcement: By Lieutenant Gene Kropff

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the unemployment rate. People smarter than me have written extensively on this topic for many years, but I do feel comfortable stating law enforcement officers are quite often faced with odds that seem insurmountable and circumstances that feel extraordinarily difficult to overcome.

My definition of a hero is a person who, when faced with insurmountable odds or extremely difficult circumstances, willingly drives forward and accomplishes the necessary task at hand not for their own benefit or gain, but for the betterment of others with no regard for their own personal safety or agenda. For the last 19 years, I have had the great privilege of working alongside numerous men and women who have done just that on a daily basis. A lot of people grow old wondering if they've made a difference in the world or in people's lives. The men and women of the Duncanville Police Department do not have that problem. They can rest easy knowing they have. I will definitely miss working alongside my family of heroes.

Note from Assistant Chief Brian Heard - *Lieutenant Gene Kropff retired from the Duncanville Police Department on February 3, 2017 to accept a position in the private sector. He served the citizens of Duncanville with dedication for 19 years. He is a veteran of the United State Marine Corps and worked for the Grapevine Police Department as a Dispatcher before becoming a police officer in Duncanville. During his career in Duncanville, he worked as a Patrol Officer, Patrol Sergeant, Patrol Lieutenant, Administrative Lieutenant and Criminal Investigations Division Lieutenant. He was a member of the Honor Guard and a 12 year member of the SWAT Team, including six years as SWAT Commander. He is the recipient of two Meritorious Conduct bars, three Police Commendation bars, nine Certificates of Merit, five Civic Achievement bars, a 15 year Safe Driver bar, a five year Perfect Attendance bar and 54 departmental commendations. He will be sorely missed.*

QUALITY OF LIFE ISSUES AND OFFENSES

Everyone deserves to have a peaceful, safe and secure neighborhood. Duncanville has several ordinances that cover these quality of life issues. Some of the common violations the police, animal control officers and code enforcement officials respond to in an attempt to provide citizens with a positive environment are listed below.

Enforcing municipal ordinances aimed at controlling physical disorder (i.e. dilapidated houses, abandoned vehicles, trash and graffiti, etc.) and nuisances is often used as a quality-of-life policing strategy. If left unchecked, visible social (i.e. panhandling, loitering and prostitution, etc.) and physical disorders lead to increased fear of crime, and residents come to believe their neighborhood is unsafe leading to physical withdrawal and withdrawal from neighborhood social networks. Additionally, there is negative impact on economic development in the city. All city departments will continue to work hard at addressing these quality-of-life issues.

ABANDONED VEHICLES

City Ord Sec 12-35 addresses the Abandoned and Junked vehicles. It specifically states: For the purposes of this article, a motor vehicle, watercraft, or outboard motor is abandoned if it: is inoperable, is more than five years old, and has been left unattended on public property for more than 48 hours; has remained illegally on public property for more than 48 hours; has remained on private property without the consent of the owner or person in charge of the property for more than 48 hours; has been left unattended on the right-of-way of a designated county, state or federal highway for more than 48 hours; or has been left unattended for more than 24 hours on the right-of-way of a turnpike project constructed and maintained by the Texas Turnpike Authority division of the Texas Department of Transportation or a controlled access highway.

A “junked vehicle” is defined as a vehicle that is self-propelled and does not have lawfully attached to it either an unexpired license plate, registration insignia or a valid motor vehicle inspection certificate and is wrecked, dismantled or partially dismantled, or discarded; or, inoperable and has remained inoperable for more than 72 consecutive hours if the vehicle is on public property, or 30 consecutive days if the vehicle is on private property.

ANIMAL NUISANCE

City Ord Sec 4-17 requires: The keeping of any animal which causes loud and unusual or frequent barking, howling or other noise that disturbs the peace and quiet of any person of ordinary sensibility. The keeping of any animal in such a manner as to endanger the public health; to annoy neighbors by the accumulation of animal wastes which cause foul and offensive odors, or is considered to be a hazard to any other animal or human being. The keeping of bees in such a manner as to deny the lawful use of adjacent property or endanger personal health and welfare or the keeping of any animal in such a manner to deny the lawful use of adjacent property, public property, or to endanger personal health and welfare. Any animal pens, stables or enclosures and property not kept free from carrion or any putrescible material. It shall be unlawful and an offense for any person controlling to permit, either willfully or through failure to exercise due care or control, any dog or animal to defecate upon any private property other than the premises of the owner, handler or controller of such animal. It shall also be unlawful and an offense for any person to fail to promptly remove and dispose of, in a sanitary manner, feces left by a dog or cat or other animal being handled or controlled by that person upon any property other than the premises of the owner, handler or controller of such animal. Any house, building, business, lot, yard, pen, enclosure or ground in which an animal is kept that is unsanitary or offensive to a person of ordinary sensibility residing in the vicinity thereof, or to the public at large.

QUALITY OF LIFE ISSUES AND OFFENSES CONTINUED

CURFEW

City Ord Sec 12-95 addresses the curfew. While there are exceptions and emergency exemptions for this ordinance it also details the violations that include: a minor means any person under 17 years of age. Curfew hours are 11 pm on any Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday until 6 am of the following day and 12:01 am until 6 am on any Saturday or Sunday. A minor commits an offense if s/he remains in any public place or on the premises of any establishment within the city during curfew hours. A parent or guardian of a minor commits an offense if s/he knowingly permits, or by insufficient control allows the minor to remain in any public place or on the premises of any establishment within the city during curfew hours. The owner, operator or any employee of an establishment commits an offense if s/he knowingly allows a minor to remain upon the premises of the establishment during curfew hours.

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GRAFFITI OR VANDALISM

City Ord Sec 12-115 addresses Graffiti and Vandalism. It states: Graffiti means markings, initials, slogans, or drawings, written or sketched with crayon, chalk, spray paint, engraving, or by some other means, on a sidewalk, wall of a building or public restroom, fence or structure, public or private real or personal property, without the approval of the owner.

LOUD AND RAUCOUS NOISE

City Ord Sec 12-3 addresses this issue in detail specifically stating no person shall make, cause, or allow to be made any unreasonable loud or raucous noise within the city which may be offensive to a reasonable person of normal sensitivity within the areas of audibility. Including: "To create, make, cause or allow to be made by any means any loud and disturbing noise which may disturb a reasonable person of normal sensitivity in the vicinity of any public or private place after 10 pm and before 7 am."

PEDDLERS, SOLICITORS AND ITINERANT VENDORS

City Ord Sec 13 covers peddlers and vendors including the facts that: It shall be unlawful for any person to peddle, hawk, sell, solicit, take orders for, or offer to take orders for, any services, wares, merchandise, or goods, including magazines or photographs, from door to door within the city without having first obtained a permit therefor from the chief of police or his designated representative. It shall be unlawful for any person to peddle, hawk, sell, solicit, take orders for, or offer to take orders for, the sale of ice cream from a motor vehicle within the city without having first obtained a permit therefor from the chief of police or his designated representative. It shall be unlawful for any person to solicit or distribute products, solicit business or contributions or distribute literature or disseminate material while standing in any public street or highway.

QUALITY OF LIFE ISSUES AND OFFENSES CONTINUED

RUNNING AT LARGE (ANIMALS)

City Ord 4-12 states It shall be unlawful for an owner or person who possesses, keeps or harbors any dog or other animal other than a cat, to fail to keep such dog or animal from running at large, as defined herein, within the limits of the city. Proof of a culpable mental state is not required for conviction of an offense under this section. It is the intent of the city to dispense with the requirement of any culpable mental state in prosecutions filed hereunder. The local health authority is authorized to impound such animals running at large. It shall be unlawful for any person to tie or tether a dog or other animal to a stationary object for a period of time or in a location so as to create an unhealthy situation for the animal or potentially dangerous situation for a pedestrian as determined by the animal control officer. The term "unhealthy situation" shall include, but not be limited to the following:

- To tether any animal in such a manner as to permit the animal access upon any public right-of-way;
- To tether any animal in such a manner as to cause the animal injury or pain or not to permit the animal to reach shelter, food and/or water;
- To tether any animal in such a manner as to permit the animal to leave the owner's property; and
- To use choke-type collars to tether any animal.

It shall be unlawful to tether any animal in the front yard. On corner lots, both sides shall be considered a front yard.

For more city ordinance information and descriptions, visit: www.municode.com/library.

Council Seeks Citizens to Serve on City Boards & Commissions

The Duncanville City Council is currently accepting applications from citizens interested in volunteering their service on one of the City's boards or commissions. To be eligible to serve, one must be a resident of the City of Duncanville and not be in arrears on City of Duncanville ad valorem taxes or fines or fees.

Applications are being accepted for the following Boards and Commissions:

- City Planning & Zoning Commission
- Zoning Board of Adjustment
- Parks & Recreation Advisory Board
- Library Advisory Board
- Sign Control Board
- Duncanville Community & Economic Development Corporation (DCEDC)
- Keep Duncanville Beautiful Board
- Duncanville Community Multicultural Commission
- Senior Advocacy Commission
- Civil Service (Term beginning October 1, 2017)

Applications will be accepted from June 1, 2017, thru July 14, 2017. Following the application deadline, each applicant will be contacted to schedule a brief interview with the City Council. Appointments to the Boards and Commissions will be made by City Council during their August 15, 2017, regular meeting with new appointments beginning on September 1, 2017, with the exception of Civil Service Commission which will begin on October 1, 2017.

Anyone interested in serving is encouraged to forward a completed application **no later than July 14, 2017**. Materials can be sent: Mary E. Jones, City Secretary, P.O. Box 380280, Duncanville, Texas, 75138-0280; mjones@ci.duncanville.tx.us; or in person to City Hall, 203 East Wheatland Road. An application may be obtained at City Hall or by visiting the City's website: www.duncanville.com. For more information, call 972.780.5017.



BUILDING VS. CONTENTS COVERAGE

OVERVIEW

In 1968, Congress created the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) to help provide a means for property owners to financially protect themselves. The NFIP offers flood insurance to homeowners, renters and business owners if their community participates in the NFIP. Since standard homeowners insurance does not cover flooding, it is important to have protection from the floods associated with hurricanes, tropical storms, heavy rains and other conditions that impact the U.S. The City of Duncanville is a participating community, which allows residents to obtain reduced rates for flood insurance through the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). The City can assist you in determining if your property is in or affected by a floodplain area.

BUILDING VS. CONTENTS COVERAGE

Flood insurance protects two types of insurable property: building and contents. The first covers your building, the latter covers your possessions – neither covers the land they occupy.

Building coverage includes:

- The insured building and its foundation
- The electrical and plumbing system
- Central air conditioning equipment, furnaces, and water heaters
- Refrigerators, cooking stoves, and built-in appliances such as dishwashers
- Permanently installed carpeting over unfinished flooring

Contents coverage includes:

- Clothing, furniture, and electronic equipment
- Curtains
- Portable and window air conditioners
- Portable microwaves and dishwashers
- Carpeting that is not already included in property coverage
- Clothing washers and dryers

For more information about coverage and the NFIP, visit: www.fema.gov.

PROTECT YOURSELF

In high-risk areas, there is at least a one in four chance of flooding during a 30-year mortgage.

HELPFUL NUMBERS

CITY OF DUNCANVILLE

EMERGENCY

Fire, Police, Ambulance.....	911
Water.....	972.780.5010
After Hrs Water Emerg.....	972.780.4959
FBI.....	972.559.5000
Poison Control.....	1.800.222.1222
Suicide Crisis Center.....	214.828.1000
Domestic Violence Hotline.....	1.800.799.7233

NEWCOMER INFORMATION

Atmos Gas.....	972.934.9227
Auto Tags/Titles.....	214.653.7811
Chamber of Commerce.....	972.780.4990
Spectrum Cable.....	1.888.438.2427
DPS: Driver's License.....	469.272.9301
Republic.....	972.225.4207
Property Tax.....	214.653.7811
ONCOR Electric.....	1.888.313.4747
US Post Office.....	972.780.1695
Passport Information.....	972.780.1438
Voter Registration *.....	214.637.7937
Water/Trash/Sewer Setup.....	972.780.5010

Newspapers:

DMN.....	214.745.8383
Focus.....	972.223.9175
Suburban.....	972.296.8600

Duncanville ISD:

710 S. Cedar Ridge, 75137	
Administration.....	972.708.2000
Natatorium.....	972.708.2370
School Board:	
Carla Fahey.....	972.296.3452
Tom Kennedy.....	972.709.0015
Philip McNeely.....	972.709.7824
Joe Veracruz.....	972.965.7809
Janice Savage-Martin.....	972.709.0777
Elijah Granger.....	972.567.9982
Renee McNeely.....	972.709.7824

Tourism:

Duncanville Fieldhouse.....	972.331.8868
Cedar Hill State Park.....	972.291.3900
Community Theatre.....	972.780.5707
Cedar Ridge Preserve.....	972.709.7784
Internat'l Museum of Cultures...	972.572.0462
Lynn Creek Marina.....	817.640.4200
Red Bird Lanes.....	972.298.7143
Red Bird Skateland.....	972.298.7400

Hospitals:

Charlton Methodist Hospital.....	214.947.7777
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CITY OFFICES

City Hall.....	972.780.5000
City Manager.....	972.780.5003
Assistant City Manager.....	972.780.5004
City Secretary.....	972.780.5017
Building Inspections.....	972.780.5041
Bldg & Sign Permits, Certificate of Occupancy	
Code Services.....	972.780.5040
Code Enf., Garage Sale Permit	
Economic Development.....	972.780.5090
Finance.....	972.780.5094
Health Inspector.....	972.780.4963
Hopkins Senior Center.....	972.780.5073
Municipal Court.....	972.780.5055
Parks/Athletics.....	972.780.5072
Personnel.....	972.780.5095
Planning & Zoning.....	972.780.5016
Public Library.....	972.780.5050
Public Relations.....	972.780.5043
Public Works.....	972.780.5015
Recreation Center.....	972.780.5070
Service Center.....	972.780.4900
Special Events.....	972.780.5074
Utility Billing.....	972.780.5010
After Hrs Water Emerg.....	972.780.4959

Police:

Administration.....	972.780.5038
Animal Control.....	972.223.6111
Auto Pound.....	972.227.5188
Crime Prevention.....	972.780.5027
Crime Victim Advocate (ext 0)	972.780.5037
Internal Affairs.....	972.780.4905
Jail.....	972.780.5039
Non-Emergency Dispatch.....	972.223.6111
Records.....	972.780.5024
Tri-Cities Animal Shelter.....	972.291.5335
Warrants.....	972.780.5092
Or.....	972.780.5068

Fire:

Administration.....	972.780.4920
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City Council (May 7, 2016): **

Mayor - David Green.....	972.780.0348
At-Large - Patrick Harvey.....	972.296.5031
District 1 - Dennis Schwartz.....	469.567.0780
District 2 - Steven Rutherford.....	972.296.2669
District 3 - Leslie Thomas.....	214.773.2682
District 4 - Ron Dotson, MD....	972.298.2120
District 5 - Johnette Jameson.....	972.780.8887

**Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month.

OTHER HELPFUL NUMBERS

AARP.....	1.888.687.2277
Better Business Bureau.....	214.220.2000
Dallas Central Appraisal Dist.....	214.631.0910
Dallas County:	
General (Including DBA's).....	214.653.7099
Health & Human Services.....	214.819.2000
MY RIDE-Dallas.....	972.855.8084
Records.....	214.653.7131
Section 8 Housing.....	214.819.1871
Tax Office (Property/Vehicle)....	214.653.7811
Duncanville Outreach Ministries....	972.296.4986
Evictions.....	214.589.7000
Home Instead-Rides for Shut-Ins....	972.262.7787
HUD.....	214.767.8300
MADD.....	214.744.6233
Meals on Wheels.....	214.689.2639
Project Duncanville.....	214.206.0198
American Red Cross.....	469.261.5614
Red Cross.....	214.678.4800
Salvation Army.....	214.630.5611
Social Security.....	1.800.772.1213
State Comptroller's Office	
Tax ID & Sales Tax Permit.....	972.709.4357
On-line: www.window.state.tx.us/taxpermit	
Texas Dept of Human Services:	
Food Stamps/Medicaid.....	972.709.8075
WIC.....	214.670.6875
Texas Workforce Commission:	
Dallas.....	972.709.5377
Grand Prairie.....	972.264.5881
United Way.....	214.978.0000
Vital Statistics:	
Birth/Death Certificates:	
Dallas (City).....	214.653.7099
Grand Prairie (State).....	214.751.4040
On-line: http://dshs.texas.gov/	
Marriage License:	
Downtown Dallas- 8-4 M-F...	214.653.7559
East Dallas***.....	214.321.3182
North Dallas***.....	214.904.3032
Justice of the Peace Offices:***	
7201 S. Polk, Dallas.....	972.228.0280
106 Church St., Grand Prairie.	214.751.4040
1411 W. Beltline, Richardson	214.904.3042
841 W Irving Blvd, Irving....	214.589.7000
***Call for office hours	
Local Rental Facilities:	
Best Western.....	972.283.3000
City Parks and Facilities.....	972.780.5070
Duncanville Fieldhouse.....	972.331.8868
Hilton Garden Inn.....	972.283.9777
Holiday Inn Express.....	972.298.8000
Lion's Club Center.....	214.557.1581
Motel 6.....	972.296.0345

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