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FROM THE DIRECTOR



Continual growth in new facilities and renovations of existing facilities is something that staff is constantly focusing on to serve College Station citizens and to keep us recognized as one of the top parks and recreation agencies in the state and nation. Our department motto is, “We provide good things in life,” and to support that tag line, I want to update you on some major projects we’re working on.

RINGER LIBRARY EXPANSION

This expansion, currently in the design phase, is slated to increase the size of the current library facility from 16,000 square feet to 28,000 square feet. In addition to an overall renovation of the facility, the expansion includes more space for the children’s area, an identified teen area, additional study and meeting space, a large community room that can handle 100+ person activities, new technology and internet capacity, and additional parking.

LINCOLN RECREATION CENTER EXPANSION AND RENOVATION

Currently under construction, the Lincoln Recreation Center is undergoing complete renovation of the existing building. An additional building is also being constructed that will include a full gymnasium and several activity rooms. The additional gym and activity space will allow Parks and Recreation to meet the ever-increasing demands for recreation programming.

LICK CREEK PARK NATURE CENTER

The new nature center is under construction at Lick Creek Park! The facility will be a focal point for the park and will have a strong educational component. Along with the center, the park trail system will receive new signage and maps. The entry from Pebble Creek Parkway is the site of a trail head for the Lick Creek Hike and Bike Trail that winds more than five miles across town and connects to Creek View Park. This is sure to become one of College Station’s favorite parks!

VETERANS PARK AND ATHLETIC COMPLEX EXPANSION

Construction of two more artificial turf fields is underway on the University Drive side of Veterans Park. This will bring the total number of full-size athletic fields to 13. The park will also receive upgrades to the rest of the complex to include seating, shade structures, a playground, restrooms and spray park.

FUN FOR ALL PLAYGROUND AT CENTRAL PARK

This destination inclusive playground will provide a safe atmosphere for special-needs individuals. The four acres of space will serve various ability levels while incorporating educational aspects and challenges to spark imagination and enhance quality of life. Amenities include chair swings and specially designed playgrounds for persons of limited mobility; sensory areas for those with Autism; a spray park and water play area; nature trails, gardens, a pond and pier for fishing; and interactive elements to encourage social play. It also will be the home of the Carolyn & John David Crow sports field.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David J. Schmitz". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

**David Schmitz | Parks & Recreation Director
City of College Station**

REGISTRATION DETAILS

Register 24/7 at rectrac.cstx.gov

or visit Stephen C. Beachy Central Park Office, Southwood Community Center or Lincoln Recreation Center, Monday-Friday from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Cash, credit card or check accepted. Checks should be made payable to “City of College Station.” A charge will be assessed on all returned checks. Contact the Larry J. Ringer Library to register for library programs or events.

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS

We welcome people of all ability levels to enjoy and participate in our wide variety of quality programs and services. The Parks & Recreation Department complies with Title II Standards of the Americans with Disabilities Act. Questions regarding special accommodations should be directed to parks staff at 979.764.3486.

BOOKS & SUPPLIES

Books and supplies are not included as part of the class fee unless stated in the class description.

WAITING LIST

If registering for a class that has already been filled, your name can be placed on a waiting list. This does not guarantee your spot, but individuals will be contacted if one becomes available.

CANCELED CLASSES/SESSIONS

If a class/session is canceled, every effort will be made to notify parents and students by telephone prior to the first class meeting. Refunds will be processed within two weeks of cancellation by check. No cash refunds will be issued.

WITHDRAWALS & REFUNDS

Classes and programs are subject to a \$20 transfer/cancellation fee. Refunds are processed within two weeks of request by check. No cash refunds will be issued. For the complete refund policy, call 979.764.3486.

PHOTOGRAPHY

Smile, you may be captured on camera! City staff routinely takes photos and video of our programs and facilities for promotional purposes. Please be aware that by utilizing our facilities and/or programs, you are granting the City of College Station the right to use and publish your image, or your minor child’s image, and that no monetary compensation will be given.

SATISFACTION GUARANTEED

We value you as a customer. If you are not happy with the quality of a program or service, please tell staff at the facility immediately so that we have the opportunity to correct the situation.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

DREAM WORKS CONFERENCE

Jan. 14 • 9 a.m.-6 p.m.
Lincoln Recreation Center
More info on page 32.

EXPLORING HISTORY LUNCHEONS

Jan. 18, Feb. 15, March 15 & April 19 • 11:30 a.m.
Aldersgate United Methodist Church
More info on page 41.

MOVIE NIGHT

Feb. 3 • 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Lincoln Recreation Center
More info on page 33.

FEEL THE BEAT OF THE AFRICAN DRUM

Feb. 6 • 6:30 p.m.
Lincoln Recreation Center
More info on page 33.

HOMEBUYER EDUCATION

Feb. 6, 13, 20 & 27
6-7:30 p.m.
CS Fire Station #6
More info cstx.gov/homebuyer.

BICYCLE, PEDESTRIAN & GREENWAYS MASTER PLAN PUBLIC MEETING

Feb. 7 • 6-7:30 p.m.
CSU Meeting & Training Facility
More info
cstx.gov/bikepedgreenways.

RESEARCH YOUR FAMILY

Feb. 7, 14, 21 & 28 • 10 a.m.
Lincoln Recreation Center
More info on page 33.

VALENTINE'S DAY TEA AND FASHION SHOW (ages 55+)

Feb. 14 • 1:30- 3:30 p.m.
Southwood Community Center
More info on page 41.

SOUL FOOD & BLUES NIGHT

Feb. 17 • 6:30-10 p.m.
Lincoln Recreation Center
More info on page 33.

EDO DOLLS

Feb. 20 • 2:30-4:30 p.m.
Lincoln Recreation Center
More info on page 33.

NDEBELE DOLLS

Feb. 20 • 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Lincoln Recreation Center
More info on page 33.

BRAZOS VALLEY SENIOR GAMES

Feb. 24-26
Local Sporting Venues
More info on page 38.

BOOK SALE FOR YOUNG READERS

March 4 • 9/10* a.m.-2 p.m.
Larry J. Ringer Library
More info on page 37.

MOVIES IN THE PARK

March 10 • 6 p.m.
March 24 • 7:15 p.m.
April 14 • 7:15 p.m.
Wolf Pen Creek Amphitheater
More info on page 16.

W.A. TARROW SPRAY GROUND GRAND OPENING

March 11 • 9 a.m.
Lincoln Recreation Center
More info on page 19.

TINY TOT PARADE

March 21 • 10 a.m.
Larry J. Ringer Library
More info on page 37.

IMAGINATION VACATION

March 25 • 10-11 a.m.
Larry J. Ringer Library
More info on page 37.

PITCH, HIT & RUN

April 5 • 6:30-8 p.m.
Brian Bachmann Baseball Complex
More info on page 25.

STARLIGHT MUSIC SERIES

April 8, May 6, 13, 27, June 10 & 24
Wolf Pen Creek Amphitheater
More info on back cover.

ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT

April 14 • 1-3 p.m.
Lincoln Recreation Center
More info on page 31.

BOOKLOVERS' PEEP SHOW DISPLAY

April 17-22
Larry J. Ringer Library
More info on page 37.

PARKS OPEN HOUSE

April 29 • 9 a.m.-12 p.m.
Southwood Community Center
More info on page 19.

WHALE OF A TALE

April 29 • 10-11 a.m.
Larry J. Ringer Library
More info on page 38.

LOOKING FOR MORE? Visit cstx.gov/calendar to view all City of College Station events.

Make way for the Monarchs this spring

By: Hallie Kutch, Marketing Staff Assistant

Butterflies are known for one biological marvel in particular: their ability to metamorphose from caterpillars into beautiful, brightly colored, winged creatures. But monarch butterflies possess another mind-boggling skill that receives less acclaim: without any guidance, these insects inherently know how, when and where to migrate across continents. With the start of a new spring, monarchs become active again by laying their eggs, and giving rise to a new generation of caterpillars. Unlike their parents, who made the migration to the south, this generation of butterflies will make their migratory journey back north. The first warm days of late March trigger the monarchs to leave their roosts in the

Oyamel forest of Michoacán, Mexico and begin a northward flight that funnels through Texas.

These butterflies, once a familiar sight throughout the United States, are plummeting toward extinction due to landscape-scale threats from pesticides. The Mayors Monarch Pledge is in full swing to restore the declining butterfly population. The City of College Station Parks & Recreation Department, along with various community partners, have partnered to form Butterflies in the Brazos to assist in planting butterfly gardens and waystations in community and neighborhood parks to help the monarch along in its journey.

The beginning of October marked

the first planting day by Butterflies in the Brazos. Numerous community members, volunteers and school organizations attended this community effort to build a butterfly demonstration garden along the nature trail of Bee Creek Park. The College Station Parks and Recreation Department prepped 20 planting beds to begin the planting process. America's Country Store donated more than 100 seed packets for garden and community organizations, such as the A&M Garden Club, La Villita Chapter of Daughters of the American Revolution, Laureate Alpha Alpha Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi, Texas A&M's Sociohorticulture class of Dr. Charlie Hall, as well as area residents who contributed dozens of nectar and milkweed plants



Tips for Building Spring Gardens

EXPOSURE: Butterflies as well as their host plants need lots of sun. Butterfly gardens should be located in an area that receives at least six hours of sun a day.

DRAINAGE AND SOIL TYPE: Plants will grow best in low clay soils and areas with good drainage to prevent root rot.

PLANT MULTIPLE MILKWEED PLANTS: A monarch waystation requires multiple milkweed plants, preferably two or more species. Milkweeds that bloom at different times increase the chances for seeing monarchs over a longer period.

PLANT A MINIMUM OF FOUR NECTAR PLANTS: Providing nectar throughout the growing season will increase your chances of attracting monarchs, as well as other butterflies and pollinators.

MANAGEMENT PRACTICES: Add other features (e.g., fruit feeders, bee nesting boxes, other host plants, etc.). Eliminate the use of pesticides and herbicides, mulch around the base of plants to reduce the growth of weeds and retain water, and use natural compost for fertilization.

Want to build your own garden? You can start a butterfly waystation by planting milkweed and other nectar plants in your backyard or register to start a garden in your nearby neighborhood or community park. Stop by Stephen C. Beachy Central Park Office at 1000 Krenek Tap Rd. on weekdays between 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. to receive two free milkweed seed packets per household. Seed packets will cover more than 20 square feet. To register, visit cstx.gov/monarchs.

for the event. The organization plans to expand the demonstration garden beyond the trail and create a wildscape garden between the park trail and the cemetery. Community groups and volunteers may adopt sections of the wildscape to develop and maintain. In addition to the gardens, Butterflies in the Brazos also plans to include posters and exhibit boards under the Bee Creek Park pavilion to educate the community about the monarchs and the various nectar plants that are located within the garden.

This is the first of many city parks to have a butterfly garden present, but Texas Master Naturalist-Brazos Valley have collaborated with the Parks & Recreation Department to design a future waystation within Gabbard Park. The garden will be positioned on the corner of South Dexter and Haines Drive.

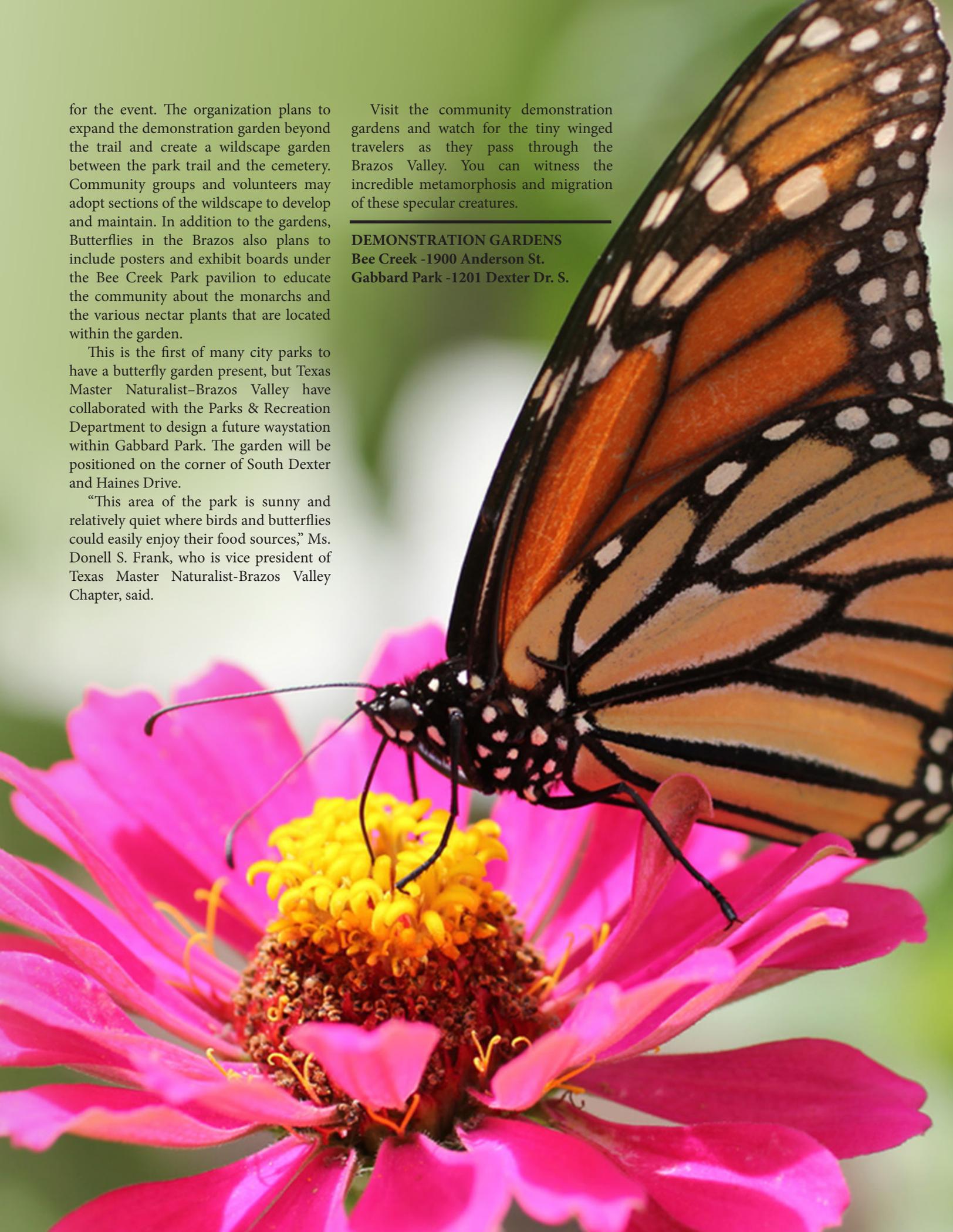
“This area of the park is sunny and relatively quiet where birds and butterflies could easily enjoy their food sources,” Ms. Donell S. Frank, who is vice president of Texas Master Naturalist-Brazos Valley Chapter, said.

Visit the community demonstration gardens and watch for the tiny winged travelers as they pass through the Brazos Valley. You can witness the incredible metamorphosis and migration of these specular creatures.

DEMONSTRATION GARDENS

Bee Creek -1900 Anderson St.

Gabbard Park -1201 Dexter Dr. S.





COMMUNITY EDUCATION



979.764.3486



1000 Krenek Tap Rd.



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REGISTER TODAY. Visit rectrac.cstx.gov or stop by the Stephen C. Beachy Central Park Office at 1000 Krenek Tap Road in College Station, Monday-Friday from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. All classes require advance registration. There are no residency restrictions.

A DOLL STORY - MIXED MEDIA FIBER ART DOLL MAKING

This workshop will be an inspirational experience that feeds your heart and soul. Participants will learn how to create a fiber art doll using a basic pattern along with a variety of thread, fabric, yarn, wire, buttons, beads and broken jewelry. Dolls will be embellished and customized with the materials on hand and your imagination. You do not have to be an expert in doll making to create a beautiful art piece.

All Ages • \$25 • Tue. • April 18 • 6:30-8:30 p.m. • Lincoln Recreation Center

AARP DRIVER SAFETY COURSE

Learn defensive driving techniques, new traffic laws and rules of the road along with proven safety strategies. To register, call 979.764.6371 or email mrodgers@cstx.gov. Pay at the door.

Ages 50+ • \$20 • Tue. • Jan. 24 & March 7 • 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. • Carter Creek Training Room

BALLROOM DANCING

Join the area's premier ballroom dance instructor, Dr. Frank Ashley, for an awesome experience. Do you want to "Dance with the Stars" or just have some fun at that upcoming wedding, formal ball or gala? Polish those dancing shoes and learn the basics of ballroom dance.

Ages 16+ • \$45 • Mon. • Feb. 13-March 6 • 6:30-8 p.m. • Southwood Community Center

BRIDGE FOR BEGINNERS

Learn to play one of the world's greatest games! Classes are designed for players with little or no previous knowledge of bridge.

Ages 55+ • \$25 • Mon. • March 6-April 3 • 9:30-11:30 a.m. • Southwood Community Center

COMPUTERS 101

Learn basic computer skills and how to use the internet and email.

Ages 55+ • \$45 • Tue./Thu. • Feb. 21-March 2 • 9-10:30 a.m. • Southwood Community Center

Ages 55+ • \$45 • Tue./Thu. • March 21-30 • 9-10:30 a.m. • Southwood Community Center

Ages 55+ • \$45 • Tue./Thu. • April 18-27 • 9-10:30 a.m. • Southwood Community Center

COMPUTERS 102

Basic computer skills are required. The class offers instruction on tool bar functions, formatting documents, use of picture tools, printers and more.

Ages 55+ • \$45 • Tue./Thu. • Feb. 21-March 2 • 10:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m. • Southwood Community Center

Ages 55+ • \$45 • Tue./Thu. • March 21-30 • 10:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m. • Southwood Community Center

Ages 55+ • \$45 • Tue./Thu. • April 18-27 • 10:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m. • Southwood Community Center

DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY

Learn how to use more of your digital camera's functions while mastering techniques for better picture taking. The class provides hints to improve composition, lighting, and dramatic impact.

Ages 55+ • \$25 • Wed. • March 8-29 • 2-3 p.m. • Southwood Community Center

DRAWING I

The beginning drawing class is designed to give students a solid foundation in the basics of drawing, including theory, perspective and principles for compositions. Basic drawing supplies are required.

Ages 18+ • \$55 • Wed. • Feb. 8-March 15 • 9-11:30 a.m. • Southwood Community Center

DRAWING II

A continuation drawing class that is designed to give students a solid foundation in the basics of drawing, including theory, perspective and principles for compositions. Basic drawing supplies are required.

Ages 18+ • \$55 • Wed. • March 22-April 26 • 9-11:30 a.m. • Southwood Community Center

DRAWING LANDSCAPES

A great opportunity to explore the art of drawing landscapes. Discover your talents while learning to draw different subjects each week. Basic drawing supplies are required.

Ages 18+ • \$55 • Thu. • Feb. 9-March 16 • 1-3:30 p.m. • Southwood Community Center

FLOW & BALANCE EXERCISE CLASS

An exercise class led by doctoral students from Texas A&M Department of Recreation, Park and Tourism Sciences. The class combines traditional Korean dance movements with music that promote physical and mental health by stimulating acupoints with pressing and tapping movements. To register, call 979.764.6351 or email mrodgers@cstx.gov.

Ages 55+ • Free • Tue. • Jan. 24-April 25 • 1-2 p.m. • Southwood Community Center

GENEALOGY CLASS 201

The class will concentrate on U.S. Census, courthouse and internet research.

Ages 18+ • \$25 • Tue. • Jan. 31-Feb. 21 • 9:30-11:30 a.m. • Carter Creek Training Room

HELP FOR IPAD USERS

Free help for iPad users. Bring your iPad and learn how to get the most out of technology. Class size is limited. To register, call 979.764.6351 or email mrodgers@cstx.gov.

Ages 55+ • Free • Thu. • Feb. 23, March 23, April 20 • 1-2 p.m. • Southwood Community Center

HIP-HOP AEROBICS

The dance-based cardio class is designed to get you moving while you learn the latest dance moves. Dancing will strengthen your body while you have lots of fun! No dance experience is necessary, and preregistration is not required.

Ages 18+ • \$3/class • Mon. • Feb. 6-April 24 • 6:30-7:15 p.m. • Lincoln Recreation Center

KINETIC BODIES KINETIC CAMP

Kinetic Camp is a program designed to enhance your aerobic and anaerobic endurance, strengthen and tone your muscles, aid in weight loss, and achieve individual fitness objectives. Outcomes are achieved through a mixture of High Intensity Interval Training (HIIT), speed and agility training, and strength and conditioning training. The goal is to burn fat in less time and boost the body's natural metabolism. If you can give all the intensity you have for a mere 30-45 minutes, Kinetic Bodies will deliver a workout that will fire up your metabolism, help you defy age and improve your overall health.

Ages 17+ • \$50 • Tue./Thu. • Feb. 7-28 • 6:30-7:30 p.m. • Lincoln Recreation Center

Ages 17+ • \$50 • Tue./Thu. • March 2-30 • 6:30-7:30 p.m. • Lincoln Recreation Center

Ages 17+ • \$50 • Tue./Thu. • April 4-27 • 6:30-7:30 p.m. • Lincoln Recreation Center

TEXAS HUNTER'S SAFETY CERTIFICATION COURSE

Completion of a hunter's safety course is required by Texas Parks & Wildlife to ensure hunters are properly prepared. Hunters over the age of 9 must have successfully completed this course to hunt in Texas. Anyone under the age of 13 must be accompanied by a parent to class.

Ages 9+ • \$10 • Sun. • Feb. 5 • 8 a.m.-5 p.m. • Southwood Community Center

Ages 9+ • \$10 • Sun. • April 23 • 8 a.m.-5 p.m. • Southwood Community Center

SEWING FOR FUN

We will sew for our homes, sew for gift giving, and sew for ourselves, but mostly we will sew for fun. We will construct accessories, handy items for home use, fun stuff to make and use, and more. Beginners to experienced sewers are welcome. Bring a sewing machine that sews zigzag as well as straight stitch and sewing tools such as scissors, pins, rotary cutter, mat, and a ruler.

Ages 55+ • \$25 • Tue. • Feb. 21-March 28 • 9-11:30 a.m. • Southwood Community Center

STAINED GLASS ART

Create beautiful stained glass artwork, windows or wall hangings. The class is geared toward individual interests and budgets. Learn glass cutting, foil wrapping and soldering. Necessary tools are available for in-class use. Each student must purchase their own project glass, foil and soldering supplies.

Ages 18+ • \$65 • Thu. • April 6-May 11 • 6-9 p.m. • Southwood Community Center

PORTRAIT DRAWING

A great opportunity to explore the art of portrait drawing. Basic drawing supplies are required.

Ages 18+ • \$55 • Thu. • March 23-April 27 • 1-3:30 p.m. • Southwood Community Center

WATERCOLOR I

Take this beginner's course and get your brush moving. Focus on basic painting tools and materials, watercolor painting techniques, composition, color theory and the art of watercolor. Supplies will be discussed during the first class meeting. Basic drawing skills are needed.

Ages 18+ • \$55 • Mon. • Feb. 6-March 13 • 2-5 p.m. • Southwood Community Center

Ages 18+ • \$55 • Mon. • Feb. 6-March 13 • 6-9 p.m. • Southwood Community Center

WATERCOLOR II

A continuation class in the study of watercolor. Be sure to bring your supplies to the first class.

Ages 18+ • \$55 • Mon. • March 20-April 24 • 2-5 p.m. • Southwood Community Center

Ages 18+ • \$55 • Mon. • March 20-April 24 • 6-9 p.m. • Southwood Community Center

WEB DESIGN FOR ADULTS

Want to create a website? Learn how in our fun and engaging web design class. No prior programming or HTML experience is needed. Learn the building blocks of web design with hands-on teaching from an experienced web designer. Finish the month with your very own website!

Ages 18+ • \$75 • Tue. • Feb. 7-March 7 • 6:30-8 p.m. • Lincoln Recreation Center

Ages 18+ • \$75 • Mon. • April 3-24 • 6:30-8 p.m. • Lincoln Recreation Center

COOK-N-GROW SERIES

Cook-n-Grow offers hands-on cooking for kids. With age-appropriate recipes, we teach kids and young adults to cook from scratch using real ingredients. Our goal is to teach the youngsters where food comes from and the not-so-young to learn their way around the kitchen so they can improve their eating habits. We are changing the way you think about "cookies," who are pint-sized foodies in our world. Classes will not meet during spring break.

TODDLER COOKIES

Classes are 100 percent hands-on -- and so much fun! We want kids to learn that the kitchen can be a safe and fun place. The recipes for this age range are simple and focus on cognitive learning. Your child will learn how to correctly measure and use cut-safe utensils, and will be guided on table manners. Kids will learn about colors, shapes, and new flavors and textures while enjoying cooking.

Ages 3-5 • \$87/month or \$25/class • Fri. • Feb. 10-May 5 • 5-6 p.m. • KOR Education School

KIDDIE COOKIES

Kids in this age range have probably already started baking at home or helping around the kitchen, so why not add to their expertise? With age-appropriate recipes and hands-on experience, kids will practice their math and reading when cooking and learning about kitchen safety and hygiene. They will even get to cook with ingredients they have never tried before. This is a great enrichment program, especially for picky eaters.

Ages 5-10 • \$105/month or \$30/class • Thu. • Feb. 9-May 4 • 5-6:30 p.m. • KOR Education School

Ages 5-10 • \$105/month or \$30/class • Sat. • Feb. 11-May 6 • 9-10:30 a.m. • KOR Education School

TWEEN COOKIES

Are your kids obsessed with cooking shows? We call them our junior chefs because they have experimented enough to be an expert at one meal or another. They have their favorites, and we want to open their eyes to new tastes and advanced recipes.

Ages 5-10 • \$105/month or \$30/class • Sat. • Feb. 11-May 6 • 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. • KOR Education School

DRAMA KIDS INTERNATIONAL SERIES

Drama Kids develops all kids. We are a place where all types of children, from the shy to the outgoing, can develop at their own pace with plenty of positive encouragement. Our specialty is using a wide range of drama activities to focus the bold, outspoken child and to draw out the quiet or inarticulate child and help them discover their full potential. Classes will not meet during spring break.

LOWER & UPPER PRIMARY CLASS

Our program helps to give students the confidence to participate in all aspects of their lives while asking questions, seeking answers and sharing information with others. Children who mix well find it easier to make friends and adjust to new situations. They find school an enjoyable adventure. Drama Kids highly trained teachers motivate and inspire students to become articulate communicators through enthusiastic participation in a wide range of creative activities such as speech, creative movement, improvisation, and a special year-end performance.

Ages 6-11 • \$58/month • Mon. • Jan. 9-May 8 • 5-6 p.m. • Southwood Community Center

DKI ACTING ACADEMY

DKI Acting Academy is for kids between the ages of 12-18 who want to explore and expand their speaking, acting and audition skills. Our acting academy is an excellent way for middle and high school students to explore and expand their acting and audition skills through drama activities and performances.

Ages 12-18 • \$58/month • Mon. • Jan. 9-May 8 • 6-7 p.m. • Southwood Community Center

BRICKS 4 KIDZ[®] SERIES

Bricks 4 Kidz[®] uses the LEGO[®] Bricks beloved by generations to deliver high quality, educational play time for children. Each class is a fun, enriching experience. Classes will not meet during spring break.

LITTLE BUILDERS (LEGO[®] DUPLO)

A parent and child class for little builders to learn interesting facts about real world objects and animals in interactive lessons. We will explore counting, patterning, spatial awareness and fine motor skills. Each week will focus on a different letter and will include lots of time for building, learning, and exploration.

Ages 3-4 • \$35 • Wed. • Feb. 1-April 26 • 6-6:45 p.m. • Bricks 4 Kidz Creativity Center

EARLY ENGINEERS (LEGO[®] TECHNIC)

An interactive class to identify and understand early engineering principals through hands-on building with our specialized technic LEGO[®] kits. Instructors will introduce architectural and engineering concepts of scale, torque, friction, and gear ratio in this fun educational class.

Ages 5-10 • \$47 • Tue. • Jan. 31-April 25 • 6-7 p.m. • Bricks 4 Kidz Creativity Center

Ages 5-10 • \$47 • Fri. • Feb. 3-April 28 • 5-6 p.m. • Bricks 4 Kidz Creativity Center

JUNIOR ROBOTICS (LEGO® WEDO)

This is an excellent introduction into the world of computer programming and robotics that will ignite their imagination. We will challenge young enthusiasts with technic building and computer programming using LEGO®'s software, sensors and remote controls to customize the building with sound and motion.

Ages 7-10 • \$70 • Mon. • Jan. 30-Feb. 20 • 6-7:30 p.m. • Bricks 4 Kidz Creativity Center

INTRO TO ANIMATION (SLOW MOTION)

In this creative class, students will plan, script, stage, shoot, and produce their own mini-movie using stop motion animation, complete with music, special effects and LEGO® mini-figure characters. Working as a team, students will use LEGO® components to build the set and props, then shoot their movie using a camera. They will use movie-making software to add special effects, titles, credits and more.

Ages 7-14 • \$70 • Mon. • Feb. 27-March 27 • 6-7:30 p.m. • Bricks 4 Kidz Creativity Center

SIMPLE BOTS: REMOTE CONTROL MANIA (LEGO® TECHNIC)

Design and build your own creations in this class aimed at controlling your motorized contraptions with a remote control. Students will learn and understand how to design and modify their bots to perform different tasks, such as running an obstacle course and battling!

Ages 7-14 • \$70 • Mon. • April 3-24 • 6-7:30 p.m. • Bricks 4 Kidz Creativity Center

ADVANCED ROBOTICS (LEGO® EV3)

Experience the cutting edge of technology with the introduction of LEGO® MINDSTORMS EV3 Robotics. Students will be captivated as they incorporate the newest generation of motors, sensors and software by programming their commands directly into the intelligent brick.

Ages 8-14 • \$75 • Thu. • March 2-30 • 6-7:30 p.m. • Bricks 4 Kidz Creativity Center

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION SERIES

This series was developed to help families in our community carry out their New Year's resolution goals. Nutrition and fitness classes will be offered through our Parks Department in conjunction with students from Texas A&M's School of Public Health and Health and Kinesiology. For your convenience, there will be two classes a week that cover the same information. Classes will not meet during spring break.

FIT FAMILY

You can come yourself or load up your whole family and participate in a fun, fat burning experience that you will be able to replicate anywhere. No equipment is necessary.

All Ages • \$35/family • Tue. • Jan. 24-April 11 • 6-7 p.m. • Wolf Pen Creek Park
All Ages • \$35/family • Sun. • Jan. 24-April 11 • 6:30-7:30 p.m. • Southwood Community Center

HEALTHY KITCHEN

This class is designed to help families learn about providing and preparing healthy, nutritious foods for the whole family. We will explore how to grocery shop for healthy food on a budget whether you're shopping for one person or a houseful. You will learn to prepare affordable, delicious, health conscious meals conveniently and quickly.

All Ages • \$35/family • Wed. • Jan. 25-April 13 • 6-7:30 p.m. • Wolf Pen Creek Green Room
All Ages • \$35/family • Sun. • Jan. 25-April 13 • 5-6:30 p.m. • Southwood Community Center

ORGANIZING YOUR LIFE SERIES

Adult learning expert and lifestyle designer Margo DeGange is passionate about helping people. She is a speaker, teacher, and certified human behavioral expert with a solid background in life coaching and the interior design industry. She will inspire, empower, and equip you to design a life of meaning and purpose while creating environments to support your success.

EMPOWER YOUR LIFE THROUGH INSPIRED ORGANIZATION & ORDER

We often dream about being organized and having things under control, but making it a reality is sometimes another story. We get overwhelmed, don't know where to start, get easily sidetracked, and procrastinate. We also feel frustrated and want help. Disorganization is often tied to circumstances and our own mindset and behavior. When we learn the simple tools and tricks to organize and move forward, we can easily make the changes we need. That's what this class is all about.

All Ages • \$45 • Wed. • Feb. 1-22 • 6-7:30 p.m. • Southwood Community Center

SPRINGBOARD FOR SUCCESS IN LIFE...YOUR HOME

Did you know your home is the key to happiness and success in every area of your life? Your friendships, work, creative endeavors, and community service are affected by your home environment, because it helps drive your behavior and affects everything you do. Your home environment, whether positive or negative, helps form and support your intentions, emotions, personal growth, relationships, and goals. It works either for you or against you. Why not gear it for happiness and success? Learn how to design a positive life by setting up a positive home that supports your goals and desires, creating what instructor Margo DeGange calls your "ideal interior environment." If you crave a full and meaningful life, then discover how your home can be a springboard to make that desire a reality.

All Ages • \$45 • Wed. • March 1-29 • 6-7:30 p.m. • Southwood Community Center

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Wolf Pen Creek Amphitheater



FRIDAY, MARCH 10
"SECRET LIFE OF PETS"
6 p.m. – Gates Open
7 p.m. – Movie Begins



FRIDAY, MARCH 24
"PAGEMASTER"
7:15 p.m. – Gates Open
8:15 p.m. – Movie Begins



FRIDAY, APRIL 14
"HOP"
7:15 p.m. – Gates Open
8:15 p.m. – Movie Begins

Free admission! Guests may bring their own refreshments. Coolers must be 48 quarts or smaller. Alcohol and glass containers are not allowed. Pets are welcome.

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UPDATES

WILL HELP MAKE PLAYGROUND VISITS SAFE, MEMORABLE

By: Hallie Kutch, Marketing Staff Assistant

When nostalgia and childhood memories stir, what comes to mind? For many of us, it's sometimes a playground where we once spent countless hours climbing the equipment or running circles in an open field. Those playgrounds allowed our imaginations to take us anywhere. Playgrounds provide the ultimate place for children to explore, exercise and develop their creative and social skills. These memorable experiences are integral to developing young minds and bodies, so it's vital for us to continue providing, safe, play-friendly spaces.

The City of College Station values the benefits and importance of playgrounds. In September, the College Station City Council unanimously approved more than \$600,000 for improvements and repairs to play areas in 15 city parks. Construction began in October and is expected to be finished by early 2017. Eco-friendly, durable rubber surfacing will be installed near swings and other play areas, and new play units, swing sets, and exercise equipment will be added. The changes and updates will enhance safety and help prevent injuries.

Here's a list of the major updates:

- CASTLEGATE:** Removal of pea gravel from swing area, installation of new rubber surfacing, the addition of swings and chains, and painting of existing swing set.
- CASTLEROCK:** Removal of pea gravel from swing area, installation of new rubber surfacing, the addition of new swings and chains, and painting of existing swing set.
- EDELWEISS:** New swings and the addition of rubber surfacing.
- GEORGIE K. FITCH:** New play units and the addition of rubber surfacing.
- JACK & DOROTHY MILLER:** New surfacing for the walking path.
- LINCOLN RECREATION CENTER:** New swings and replacement of surfacing in swing area.
- LIONS:** New play units and the addition of rubber surfacing.
- OAKS:** New play unit and relocation of existing rubber surfacing.
- SANDSTONE:** New fitness equipment.
- SOUTHERN OAKS:** New swings and replacement of surfacing in swing area.
- STEEPLECHASE:** New swing set and the addition of rubber surfacing.
- STEPHEN C. BEACHY CENTRAL:** New play unit and addition of rubber surfacing.
- THOMAS:** New fitness equipment.
- UNIVERSITY:** Removal of pea gravel in swing area, installation of a new swing set and rubber surfacing.
- WOODCREEK:** New play unit and addition of rubber surfacing.

The City of College Station Parks and Recreation Department offers 34 parks featuring play units for your kids to explore, enjoy, and make fond childhood memories they'll carry the rest of their lives.





AQUATICS



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ADAMSON LAGOON POOL

979.764.3735 | 1900 Anderson

May 27-Sept. 4*

*Open weekends ONLY after Aug. 20.

Mon.-Fri., 1-7 p.m.

Sat.-Sun., 12-7 p.m.



DAILY ADMISSION

Adamson Lagoon\$6

Cindy Hallaran.....\$3

Thomas\$3

GET YOUR SWIM PASSES TODAY!

CINDY HALLARAN POOL

979.764.3787 | 1600 Rock Prairie Rd.

May 27-Aug. 20 (closed July 4)

Mon.-Fri., 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Sat.-Sun., 12-7 p.m.



FAMILY SWIM PASS

Adamson Lagoon \$275

Cindy Hallaran..... \$200

Thomas \$200

Up to 5 family members. \$30 for each additional pass.

INDIVIDUAL PASS

Adamson Lagoon \$125

Cindy Hallaran..... \$75

Thomas \$75

DISCOUNT PASS

Adamson Lagoon \$120

Cindy Hallaran..... \$60

Thomas \$60

Includes 25 swims good for the summer season.



THOMAS POOL

979.764.3721 | 1300 James Pkwy.

May 27-Aug. 20 (closed July 4)

Mon.-Fri., 1-6 p.m.

Sat.-Sun., 12-7 p.m.



W.A. TARROW SPRAY GROUND

By: Kelly Kelbly, Assistant Director

LOCATION:
1000 Eleanor Street
Lincoln Recreation Center

HOURS OF OPERATION: March 11-Sept. 30
Mon.-Sat. 9 a.m.-8 p.m.
Sun. 12-8 p.m.

Deep in the heart of central Texas, our residents suffer from the heat. With long summer months, it's no wonder that splash playgrounds are one of the most requested amenities within our community. Unlike a swimming pool, these wet play areas have little or no depth to the water, making them perfect for anyone who doesn't swim but wants to enjoy some cool, wet fun.

After a couple of years of construction, the City of College Station is excited to announce the reopening of the W.A. Tarrow Spray Ground next to the Lincoln Recreation Center. We've added tipping buckets, which are always a kid favorite. Other new features include a starfish, toad and several directional spray areas. We'd love for you to join us on March 11 at 9 a.m. as we officially reopen the W. A. Tarrow Spray Ground.

PARKS & RECREATION

OPEN HOUSE



SATURDAY, APRIL 29
9 A.M.-12 P.M.

SOUTHWOOD COMMUNITY CENTER

You're invited to learn and ask questions about youth summer camps, senior programs, special events, employment opportunities, aquatics, athletic leagues, library activities and more!

Light refreshments and onsite registration will be available.

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AMERICAN RED CROSS LIFEGUARD TRAINING • REGISTRATION: FEB. 6 - FIRST SESSION DAY

Ages 15+ • \$150 • Course length: 25 hours and 20 minutes

Looking for a great summer job or challenging career? Get lifeguard certified! Through videos, group discussion and hands-on practice, you will learn patron rescue, surveillance skills, First Aid and CPR/AED. Participants will receive a two-year CPR/AED certification and two-year lifeguarding certification. There are five sessions to choose from. Participants must attend each class during their session at the times listed and be prepared to enter the water each day. Candidates must pass written and practical exams in order to receive certifications. You may download a lifeguard manual or purchase required books from redcrossstore.org. City of College Station lifeguard candidates must be at least 16 years old.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Must be of mature and dependable character.
- Must be able to swim 300 yards continuously in the following order with no time requirement: 100 yards of front crawl using rhythmic breathing (to the side or front) and a stabilizing, propellant kick; 100 yards of breaststroke using a pull, breath, kick and glide sequence; and 100 yards of either the front crawl, breaststroke or combination.
- Must be able to swim 20 yards using the front crawl or breaststroke (starting in the water), surface dive 7-10 feet to retrieve a 10-pound object, return to the surface, swim 20 yards back to the starting point while maintaining two hands on the object and exit the water without using a ladder or steps; within 1 minute and 40 seconds.

SESSION I

April 28	Fri.	5-10 p.m.	CSISD Natatorium
April 29	Sat.	9 a.m.-8 p.m.	Southwood Community Center
April 30	Sun.	9 a.m.-8 p.m.	CSISD Natatorium

SESSION II

May 5	Fri.	5-10 p.m.	CSISD Natatorium
May 6	Sat.	9 a.m.-8 p.m.	Southwood Community Center
May 7	Sun.	9 a.m.-8 p.m.	CSISD Natatorium

SESSION III

May 19	Fri.	5-10 p.m.	Thomas Pool
May 20	Sat.	9 a.m.-8 p.m.	Southwood Community Center
May 21	Sun.	9 a.m.-8 p.m.	Thomas Pool

SESSION IV

May 26	Fri.	5-10 p.m.	Thomas Pool
May 27	Sat.	9 a.m.-8 p.m.	Southwood Community Center
May 28	Sun.	9 a.m.-8 p.m.	Thomas Pool

SESSION V

June 9	Fri.	5-10 p.m.	Adamson Lagoon
June 10	Sat.	9 a.m.-8 p.m.	Southwood Community Center
June 11	Sun.	9 a.m.-8 p.m.	Adamson Lagoon

RECERTIFICATION: \$80 fee. Course length: 13 hours. Classes are Friday and Sunday for each session listed above. Both days must be attended. Must have a current certification to participate.

WATER SAFETY INSTRUCTOR CERTIFICATION • REGISTRATION: FEB. 6 - FIRST SESSION DAY

Ages 16+ (by April 1, 2016) • \$150 (plus class manual costs)

Become a certified Red Cross water safety instructor. Learn to teach children and adults how to swim and give water safety presentations. There are three sessions to choose from and participants must attend each class during the designated times. There are no makeup days. Be prepared to enter the water on each day during your session. Participants will need to complete an online orientation prior to the first class date. This information will be emailed once registered. Two manuals must also be purchased and brought to each class: “Water Safety Instructor” and “Swimming and Water Safety”. They are available at instructorscorner.com/wsicandidates > Participant tab > Access Digital Materials OR Purchase Print Materials.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Must pass a pre-course swimming skills test (Red Cross Level 4: front crawl, back crawl, elementary backstroke, side stroke, breaststroke and butterfly).
- Must be able to tread water for one minute and float on your back for one minute.

SESSION I

May 4	Thu.	5-10 p.m.	Southwood Community Center
May 5	Fri.	5-10 p.m.	CSISD Natatorium
May 6	Sat.	9 a.m.-8 p.m.	CSISD Natatorium
May 7	Sun.	9 a.m.-8 p.m.	CSISD Natatorium

SESSION II

May 18	Thu.	5-10 p.m.	Southwood Community Center
May 19	Fri.	5-10 p.m.	CSISD Natatorium
May 20	Sat.	9 a.m.-8 p.m.	CSISD Natatorium
May 21	Sun.	9 a.m.-8 p.m.	CSISD Natatorium

SESSION III

May 25	Thu.	5-10 p.m.	Southwood Community Center
May 26	Fri.	5-10 p.m.	CSISD Natatorium
May 27	Sat.	9 a.m.-8 p.m.	CSISD Natatorium
May 28	Sun.	9 a.m.-8 p.m.	CSISD Natatorium

TSUNAMI SWIM TEAM • REGISTRATION: FEB. 6- MAY 15

Ages 5-18 • \$125/swimmer* • May 1-June 25 • Practice times & meets vary Adamson Lagoon

Introduces participants to competitive swimming. Participants practice throughout the summer, gaining strength and stroke confidence. Swimmers are encouraged to participate in meets, which are divided by age and gender.

QUALIFICATIONS: Participants must be able to swim the length of a 25-yard pool (any stroke), and be registered in the CSISD or live in a city that does not have a swim team.

**\$10 discount for each additional sibling that is registered. Fee will be waived for ages 15-18 who compete in at least three meets. Fee will be reduced by 50 percent for parents who work as Stroke and Turn Judge/Official at least three times during the season. If four meets are worked, then there will be no associated fee.*

WATER FITNESS • PURCHASE YOUR PASS TODAY!

These classes provide enjoyable and effective exercise to increase cardiopulmonary capacity, strength and flexibility. Ages 15 and older, physically fit, pre-natal, post-natal, post-operative, those with arthritis, those with muscle injuries or sedentary individuals are invited to join. Passes are good for the 2017 season only. Participants must submit a health history form on the first day of class.

Ages 15+ • \$60 for 25 sessions • Mon.-Fri. • May 29-Aug. 18 • 9-10 a.m. • Cindy Hallaran Pool

JUNIOR LIFEGUARD • REGISTRATION: FEB. 6 - FIRST SESSION DAY

Youth will learn water rescues, non-certified CPR/First Aid, facility operations and more. Course includes a four-week pool pass and lunch for the last class.

SESSION I

Ages 9-11 • \$75 • Mon./Wed. • June 5-June 28 • 5:30-7:30 p.m. • Adamson Lagoon
Ages 12-14 • \$75 • Tue./Thu. • June 6-June 29 • 5:30-7:30 p.m. • Adamson Lagoon

SESSION II

Ages 9-11 • \$75 • Mon./Wed. • July 10-Aug. 2 • 5:30-7:30 p.m. • Adamson Lagoon
Ages 12-14 • \$75 • Tue./Thu. • July 11-Aug. 3 • 5:30-7:30 p.m. • Adamson Lagoon

TAAF SEASON TSUNAMI SWIM TEAM • REGISTRATION: MAY 15-JUNE 26

Ages 5-18 • \$65 for non-Tsunami Swimmers • June 26-July 25 • Times Vary • Adamson Lagoon

This program is a great opportunity for new swimmers and current Tsunami swim team members to maintain physical fitness. Participants can also compete in the Texas Amateur Athletic Federation (TAAF) regional swim meet. Any TAAF eligible swimmer can opt to participate in the Regional Meet. A first or second place finish at the regional meet will qualify the swimmer for the State Meet, held July 27-30 in Edinburg, TX.

There are no fees associated with this program for current Tsunami swimmers. Meet entries for new participants and current Tsunami swimmers will be provided by the City of College Station.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Participants must be able to swim the length of a 25-yard pool (any stroke).
- From Jan. 1-April 30 in the current year, individuals must follow eligibility guidelines as set forth below. Deviations from guidelines will result in disqualification of individual from TAAF swimming.
- Individuals may not compete in USA or other year-round swim meets.
- Individuals may swim only 90 minutes per week.
- Summer season workouts can begin May 1 each year.



ATHLETICS



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CHALLENGER SPORTS

In collaboration with Project Sunshine, Challenger Sports is a recreational program for special needs individuals and teaches basketball, bowling, soccer and team sports. Bowling ramps are available for children who need help rolling the ball.

BASKETBALL REGISTRATION ENDS JAN. 27

Ages 3+ • \$15 • Tue. • Jan. 24-March 7 • 6:30-7:30 p.m. • College Station ISD Gyms

BOWLING REGISTRATION: MARCH 20-JUNE 24

Ages 3+ • \$15 • Wed. • June 7-Aug. 9 • 2-4 p.m. • Grand Station Entertainment

START SMART SPORTS

Start Smart Sports introduces 3-6-year-olds to sports through a step-by-step approach that builds confidence and self-esteem in a fun, positive environment. As the program progresses and children show improvement, skills are altered so each child remains challenged. Parents get to spend quality time with their child while learning how to properly teach and support them in sports. Teams will play only scrimmages, and participants will receive a jersey.

BASKETBALL REGISTRATION ENDS JAN. 30

Ages 3-6 • \$50 • Mon. • Jan. 30-March 6 • 6-7 p.m. • College Station ISD Gyms

Ages 3-6 • \$50 • Tue. • Jan. 31-March 7 • 6-7 p.m. • College Station ISD Gyms

NEW BASEBALL REGISTRATION: FEB. 6-APRIL 3

Ages 3-6 • \$50 • Mon. • April 3-May 8 • 6-7 p.m. • Stephen C. Beachy Central Park

Ages 3-6 • \$50 • Tue. • April 4-May 9 • 6-7 p.m. • Stephen C. Beachy Central Park

ADULT SOFTBALL LEAGUE

The Men's and Co-ed Slow Pitch Softball League is offered in the spring, summer and fall. Divisions include Men's, Co-ed and Co-ed Sub 0 Homerun. Nights of play are determined by registered division. Team will play an eight-game round-robin schedule with a single-elimination tournament.

SPRING REGISTRATION ENDS FEB. 5 • Late Registration (\$20 late fee): Feb. 6-12

Ages 16+ • \$390/team • Play begins Feb. 20 • Veterans Park & Athletic Complex

SUMMER REGISTRATION: March 20-May 7 • Late Registration (\$20 late fee): May 8-14

Ages 16+ • \$390/team • Play begins May 22 • Veterans Park & Athletic Complex

ADULT KICKBALL LEAGUE

The league uses an 8 1/2-inch kickball. Teams of 8-20 players will play an eight-game, round-robin schedule with a single elimination tournament. Divisions include Co-ed Competitive and Co-ed Recreation. Nights of play are determined by registered division.

SPRING REGISTRATION ENDS FEB. 5 • Late Registration (\$20 fee): Feb. 6-12

Ages 16+ • \$390/team • Play begins Feb. 20 • Veterans Park & Athletic Complex

SUMMER REGISTRATION: March 20-May 7 • Late Registration (\$20 late fee): May 8-14

Ages 16+ • \$390/team • Play begins May 22 • Veterans Park & Athletic Complex

ADULT VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE • REGISTRATION ENDS MARCH 5 • Late Registration (\$20 fee): March 6-12

This league is offered in the spring and fall. Teams may choose either Tuesday or Thursday nights to play. Divisions include Recreational, Intermediate, and Power. Teams play an eight-game, round-robin schedule with a double-elimination tournament. No more than three males or four females can be on the court per team.

Ages 16+ • \$225/team • Play begins March 21 • CSISD Middle Schools

NEW FLAG FOOTBALL • REGISTRATION ENDS MARCH 19

Flag Football provides players a fun and exciting opportunity to engage in non-contact, continuous action while learning lessons in teamwork. The format is a round-robin schedule with a tournament at the end of the season. Each player should accumulate a minimum of two quarters of playing time for each game they attend. Practice and games run Monday through Thursday, and participants will receive a jersey.

Ages 6-12 • \$70 • Practice begins March 27 • Stephen C. Beachy Central Park

JUNIOR BEGINNER TENNIS • REGISTRATION ENDS MARCH 27

Players will learn the basics of the forehand, backhand, serve and volley in a fast-paced, interactive manner. The last session will include a game night for participants to play games and win prizes. Participants will receive a shirt.

Ages 5-9 • \$70 • Mon. • March 24-May 1 • 6-7 p.m. • Bee Creek Park

Ages 5-9 • \$70 • Wed. • March 29-May 3 • 6-7 p.m. • Bee Creek Park

Ages 10-15 • \$70 • Mon. • March 27-May 1 • 7-8 p.m. • Bee Creek Park

ADULT BEGINNER TENNIS • REGISTRATION ENDS MARCH 28

Players will learn basic tennis strokes, scoring, and strategy. Participants will also engage in fun games each session to increase their enjoyment of the sport. Participants will receive a shirt.

Ages 16+ • \$70 • Tue. • March 28-May 2 • 6-7 p.m. • Bee Creek Park

Ages 16+ • \$70 • Sun. • April 2-May 7 • 3:30-4:30 p.m. • Bee Creek Park

ADULT ULTIMATE FRISBEE LEAGUE • REGISTRATION ENDS MARCH 29

This league is offered in the spring and fall with games played on Wednesday nights. Players from novice to advanced levels participate together on balanced teams in a multi-week league. Individual registration and teams are assigned. Fundamentals, strategy, and instruction are integrated each week. The league is run by BCS Ultimate.

Ages 16+ • \$20/person • Wed. • Play begins Feb. 22 • Brian Bachmann Community Park

JUNIOR INTERMEDIATE TENNIS • REGISTRATION ENDS MARCH 30

Junior Intermediate Tennis is for players who have received prior instruction on the basics of tennis strokes by a tennis professional. Players will focus on static and live-ball drills for singles and doubles play. The last session will include a night for participants to play games and win prizes. Participants will receive a shirt.

Ages 9-15 • \$70 • Thu. • March 30-May 4 • 6-7 p.m. • Bee Creek Park

COMPETITIVE ADULT DRILL TENNIS • REGISTRATION ENDS APRIL 2

This class is for players who have received prior instruction by a tennis professional on the basics of tennis strokes and are interested in playing in tournaments or leagues. Each stroke will be covered through active, live-ball drills and match play. Strategy and on-court tactics also will be discussed and integrated into drills. Participants will receive a shirt.

Ages 16+ • \$90 • Sun. • April 2-May 7 • 2-3:30 p.m. • Bee Creek Park

PITCH, HIT & RUN *SPECIAL EVENT*

This free event is the official skills competition of Major League Baseball designed to provide kids ages 7-14 an opportunity to compete in a competition that recognizes individual excellence in core baseball/softball skills. Competitors can advance through four levels, including team championships at all 30 Major League ballparks and the national finals at the MLB All-Star Game. Registration is on-site. Participants must bring a copy of their birth certificate and a parent or guardian to sign the registration form.

Ages 7-14 • Free • Wed. • April 5 • 6:30-8 p.m. • Brian Bachmann Baseball Complex

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL • REGISTRATION ENDS APRIL 12

The Girls Volleyball League introduces players to volleyball while providing a safe, fun environment to learn the basic premises of the game through practices, fundamental skills, ethics and league competition. The format is an eight-game round-robin schedule. Players are guaranteed to play at least half of each match. The nights of play are Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday.

Ages 8-14 • \$60 • Practice begins April 17 • CSISD Middle Schools

HIGH-PERFORMANCE TENNIS ACADEMY • REGISTRATION ENDS APRIL 26

This program is for competitive players who are playing varsity high school, ZAT, Champ, and Super Champ tournaments in Texas. It's designed to enhance the technical, strategic, and physical capabilities of each player through live-ball drills, match play, and conditioning. It's overseen by a USPTA certified professional with 20 years of playing experience at the junior and collegiate levels. Participants will receive a shirt.

Ages 12-18 • \$140 • Tue.-Thu. • March 28-April 13 • 7-8:30 p.m. • Bee Creek Park

Ages 12-18 • \$140 • Tue.-Thu. • April 25-May 11 • 7-8:30 p.m. • Bee Creek Park

SUMMER YOUTH BASKETBALL • REGISTRATION: MARCH 20-MAY 7

Youth Basketball provides a fun and exciting opportunity to learn basic skills, teamwork, and training for the next level. The format is an eight-game, round-robin schedule. Each player should accumulate a minimum of two quarters of playing time for each game they attend. Practice and games run Monday through Thursday, and participants will receive a jersey.

Ages 8-16 • \$60 • Practice begins end of May • CSISD Middle Schools & Lincoln Recreation Center

ATHLETIC INFORMATION

TEAM SIDELINE

Check for schedules and results: teamsideline.com/collegestation

BE A VOLUNTEER

Coach youth and/or challenger sports: cstx.gov/sportsvolunteer

ATHLETIC FIELD STATUS

Check for closures on game day: cstx.gov/fieldstatus

ATHLETIC PARTNERS

We partner with the below organizations to provide a variety of youth athletic leagues. Please contact them directly for details and registration information:

BCS Soccer League.....	bcssoccer.com
Brazos Valley Futbol Club.....	bvfutbol.com
Brazos Valley Girls Softball.....	bvgsa.org
Brazos Valley Juniors.....	etteamz.com/brazosvalleyjuniors
Brazos Valley Tennis.....	brazosvalleytennis.org
Brazos Valley Youth Soccer Association....	brazosvalleysoccer.com
College Station Little League.....	collegestationlittleleague.com
College Station Soccer Club.....	cssoccer.com
Houston Texans Aggieland.....	texanssoccer.com
Texas Team Junior Golf.....	texasteam.org



Pictured: UCLA vs Arkansas at the Quidditch World Cup 7 on April 6, 2014 in North Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. Photo by Ben Holland Photography.

*Story by:
J.D. Wood, Tourism Manager*

This February, there's a new **QUID** in town

Ever thought of a **bludger** as something other than a fish? How about watching a **chaser** try to advance the **quaffle**, but get deterred by an opposing **beater**?

If you're a fan of Harry Potter, you know these terms refer to the wizarding sport of Quidditch. If you don't, then take note, because College Station will host the U.S. Quidditch Association's 2017 Southwest Regional Championship at Veterans Park and Athletic Complex Feb. 18-19.

Quidditch is a sport first popularized in the Harry Potter book series. To play, athletes run with a broomstick between their legs and score points by throwing "quaffles," or slightly deflated volleyballs, through one of three hoops on the opposing team's side. Game play also includes a "snitch," or tennis ball, carried by an official.

"Bryan-College Station has a long history with Quidditch."

U.S. Quidditch Events Manager
Mary Kimball

Bryan College Station Sports and Events, together with the City of College Station, met with officials from U.S. Quidditch last summer to pitch College Station as a new host site for

one of their upcoming events. With a variety of synthetic and grass fields, ample parking and lights, and a dedicated team of city staff and partners, U.S. Quidditch representatives were big fans of Veterans Park.

"Bryan-College Station has a long history with Quidditch," said U.S. Quidditch Events Manager Mary Kimball.

"In fact, the 2013 Southwest Regional Championship was held just down the road from Veterans Park at Penberthy Intramural Fields at Texas A&M University. We selected Veterans Park for our 2017 event because the facility and the staff are excellent."

To qualify for the regional championship, teams must have played in three prior tournaments. Texas A&M University will be represented by athletes from two teams: Texas A&M Quidditch and Silver Phoenix.

Quidditch is open to players of all ages and one of the fastest-growing sports in the world. For individuals not taking Quidditch seriously, just look at the United Kingdom, where an eight-team premier league just started competition on the same playing fields as the famed Manchester United and Chelsea soccer clubs.

If you have to see it to believe it, head out to Veterans Park on Feb. 18 or Feb. 19, and don't forget your broomstick!



LINCOLN RECREATION CENTER



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OFFICE HOURS: Mon.-Fri., 9 a.m.-6 p.m.

CLOSED: Jan. 16, March 17, April 14, May 22-30

SENIOR PROGRAM: Mon.-Fri., 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM: Mon.-Thu.: 3-6:30 p.m. & Fri.: 3-6 p.m.

For Lincoln Recreation Center rental information, see page 50.

FITNESS CENTER

Equipped with cardio machines, weight-training circuit, single-station machines and a complete range of free-weight equipment including benches, barbells, and dumbbells as well as pull-up bar.

MEMBERSHIP FEES

ANNUAL: Resident \$100 / Non-Resident \$120

QUARTERLY: \$30

MONTHLY: \$10

HOURS OF OPERATION

AGES 13-17: Mon.-Fri.: 3-6 p.m.

AGES 18+: Mon.-Thu.: 9 a.m.-3 p.m., 6-9 p.m.

AFTER-SCHOOL ACTIVITIES • REGISTER TODAY!

With guidance from well-trained staff, students ages 6-15 will engage in games, sports, arts/crafts and will have a chance to work on homework. Transportation is provided from South Knoll, College Hills, Rock Prairie, Southwood Valley, Oakwood Intermediate and A&M Consolidated Middle School. Participants must have a paid semester fee and transportation waiver to ride.

SPRING SEMESTER: Jan. 5-May 19, Mon.-Thu.: 3-6:30 p.m. & Fri.: 3-6 p.m.

All day program: Feb. 20, March 13-16 & April 17, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Closed: Jan. 16, March 17, April 14 & May 22-30

SEMESTER FEES

Resident & Non-Resident: \$60 per semester

Low-Income: \$45 per semester (must bring proof of eligibility)

Transportation: \$45 per semester

SPRING BREAK PROGRAM • REGISTRATION OPENS FEB. 1

This camp is a great way to keep ages 6-15 entertained and engaged the Monday-Thursday of spring break from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Participants are asked to bring a sack lunch and snacks.

FEES: Free for members; \$15 for non-members

March 13 • Gardening 101

March 14 • Hiking at Lick Creek Park

March 15 • Field Trip

March 16 • Field Day

PARENTS NIGHT OUT • REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Drop off the kids, ages 6-13 while you enjoy a night out. Youth will enjoy a night filled with games, arts/craft, movies and more. Registration ends the Wednesday before.

Ages 6-13 • \$10/members, \$15/non-members • Fri. • March 3 & May 5 • 6:30-10:30 p.m.

SUMMER CAMP • REGISTRATION OPENS APRIL 3

Full-day camps offer ages 6-15 a variety of daily, programmed activities that include: outdoor recreation, performing and creative arts, character and team building activities, local and out-of-town field trips and more. Lunch is provided but campers are asked to bring a morning and afternoon snack.

MANDATORY PARENT ORIENTATION & FIELD TRIP SIGN-UP

Choose one: April 25 or May 9 • 6:30 p.m.

SESSION I: May 31-July 1 • Mon.-Fri. • 7:45 a.m.-5 p.m.

SESSION II: July 6- Aug. 4 • Mon.-Fri. • 7:45 a.m.-5 p.m.

FEE: \$50 per session

More after-school opportunities available at the Southwood Community Center on page 40.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

SWIRL, SIP AND SHOP LADIES DAY OUT

Experience an afternoon with your sisters and friends as you sample a variety of wines and shop with local vendors. Wine tasting will include fruit-infused, dry white, smooth dry red and dessert. Must present a valid state or government issued photo ID.

Ages 21+ • \$7/wine tasting • Sat. • March 4 • 12-3 p.m.

NU' SCHOOL VS OL' SCHOOL BASKETBALL GAME

Lincoln Recreation Center past and present members and employees, ages 16+ are invited to reunite with friendly competition.

Ages 16+ • \$5/person • Sun. • March 26 • 4 p.m.

More programs for adults under Community Education starting on page 10.

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES FOR AGES 55+

A full slate of reoccurring activities are planned weekly at the Lincoln Recreation Center for senior adults. Refer to the activities calendar below for complete details.

WALKING & WEIGHTS

Walking helps the cardiovascular system remain healthy, improve blood pressure and blood sugar levels, improve the mood and mental wellbeing, lower and maintain weight. Get your steps in by walking indoors in the gym or outdoors under a covered pavilion. The weight room includes free weights and interval training machines.

Ages 55+ • Free • Daily • 9:30 a.m.

WALKING 1-2 MILES

Great workout to tone, stretch, improve heart rate, maintain a positive mental outlook and increase your chance to remain independent. Participants will follow an exercise video.

Ages 55+ • Free • Daily • 10:30 a.m.

HOT LUNCH

A healthy, well-balanced lunch is served daily. Enjoy with approved Client Intake Form.

Ages 60+ • Free • Daily • 11:30 a.m.

CHAIR EXERCISE

Participants follow an exercise video that will tone and strengthen muscles while sitting in a chair.

Ages 55+ • Free • Mon./Wed. • 9:30-10 a.m.

IMMUNIZATIONS

The Brazos County Health Department offers immunization clinics. For eligibility requirements, visit brazoshealth.org/clinics/vaccine.

Ages 55+ • Price Varies • Tue. • 9:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

HOT BREAKFAST

Sample new tasty recipes for breakfast prepared monthly.

Ages 55+ • Free • 2nd Tue. • 9:30-10 a.m.

NUTRITION EDUCATION

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension offers monthly cooking demos with new recipes and food choices for healthy living.

Ages 55+ • Free • 3rd Tue. • 10-11 a.m.

BIBLE STUDY

Weekly Bible study with a focus on serving others.

Ages 55+ • Free • Thu. • 9:15-10:15 a.m.

TABLE GAMES & DOMINOES

This is a wonderful opportunity to challenge your skills with a beloved game, learn to play a new one and meet new friends.

Ages 55+ • Free • 3rd Fri. • 10-11:30 a.m.

BINGO

Try your luck at winning prizes by playing Bingo!

Ages 55+ • Free • 3rd Fri. • 10:30 a.m.

MONTHLY BIRTHDAY PARTY

Enjoy a potluck lunch and fellowship on the last Friday of each month.

Ages 55+ • Free • Last Fri. • 11-12:30 a.m.





“A dream doesn’t become reality through magic; it takes sweat, determination and hard work.”

*- Colin Powell
Retired U.S. Army General
and former Secretary of State*

Legacy of Dreams

*By: Cheletia Johnson,
Lincoln Recreation Center Assistant Supervisor*

I was privileged to work with a woman of great character who lived by those words: the late Lillian Jean Clark Robinson, past Lincoln Recreation Center Supervisor. Otherwise known as “Ms. Jean,” she stood proudly, worked unstintingly and fought to deliver more services to the community.

Ms. Jean’s legacy of dreams set into motion a fervent of action that lives in all of us. Without her dreams, the Lincoln Center would not have started celebrating the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Without her dreams, guests of the Lincoln Recreation Center would not be able to see the beautiful mural displaying influential and prominent African American heroes such as Gen. Powell. Ms. Jean is not physically here with us, but her spirit is lives on.

Many of Ms. Jean’s great attributes have embraced her successors. The visionary and talented Lance Jackson —brother and father figure of the neighborhood, as well as Lincoln Center supervisor —continues spearheading endeavors set in motion by Ms. Jean. For more than 25 years, Lance has made a positive impact on the community. Continuing the legacy of dreams, Lance visualized a different concept to remember Dr. King by implementing the Dream Works Conference. This new format provides an opportunity for members of the public to share thoughts, ideas and resources for the betterment of the community. Dream Works develops civic responsibilities through active discussion, participation and celebration of the legacy and DREAM of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

In its third year, the Dream Works Conference will take place, Saturday, Jan. 14. We have dreamed for a better community; now it is time to WAKE UP. In the words of Dr. King, “The time is always right to do the right thing.” The time is now to find solutions for a better community. Reverend Sam Hill of North Bryan New Birth Baptist Church will be the guest speaker. From 9 a.m.-6 p.m., you can attend a variety of sessions about character, leadership, spirituality and personal and community development.

I am also a part of the legacy of the Lincoln Recreation Center. My aspiration is to be a torch bearer, lighting the path for future generations and, someday, adding a scholarship banquet to the MLK weekend. With faith, hope, and determination, I know this will come into fruition in 2018!

Saturday, Jan. 14 • 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.



Lincoln Recreation Center

Variety of sessions available for all ages!

Topics focus on character, leadership and personal development.

Keynote Speaker: Reverend Sam Hill

North Bryan New Birth Baptist Church

Keeping the Dream Alive Awards Luncheon | 11:30 a.m.

Cost: \$7/meal

Conference admission is free.

Register today!

Registration ends Jan. 4.

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LINCOLN RECREATION CENTER'S

AFRICAN AMERICAN

HISTORY MONTH

Celebrations!

MOVIE NIGHT

Friday, Feb. 3 | 6:30-8:30 p.m. | Free

Munch on popcorn and watch "Remember the Titans" on our 32-foot-high inflatable high-definition screen. "Remember the Titans" is based on the true story of coach Herman Boone – portrayed by Denzel Washington – as he molds a racially diverse high school team in Virginia in 1971. Will Patton portrays Bill Yoast, an assistant coach making a transition to help Boone. How these men overcome their differences and turn a group of hostile young men into champions plays out in a remarkable and memorable story

FEEL THE BEAT OF THE AFRICAN DRUM

Thursday, Feb. 6 | 6:30 p.m. | Free

Live drumming and teachings of West African Dance.

RESEARCH YOUR FAMILY

Tuesdays: Feb. 7, 14, 21 & 28 | 10 a.m. | Free

You're invited to learn how to research your family history, explore your roots and develop a family tree.

SOUL FOOD & BLUES NIGHT

Friday, Feb. 17 | 6:30-10 p.m. | \$10-15/plate

Sit and enjoy good food for the soul while listening to live Blues and R&B music.

The meal will be catered by Johnny Gooden of Gooden's Barbecue.

EDO DOLLS

Monday, Feb. 20 | 2:30-4:30 p.m. | \$5/person

The Edo doll is the children's interpretation of traditional ceremonial clothing worn by Edo royalty and dignitaries to the Oba, honoring the beautiful image of the Benin people of Nigeria. Participants will create an Edo doll. The class is designed for all skill levels, especially children and teens.

NDEBELE DOLLS

Monday, Feb. 20 | 6:30-8:30 p.m. | \$20/person

Linga Koba dolls are from the Ndebele people in Southern Africa. One of the smallest tribes of the region, the Ndebele are noted for their homes painted in brilliant colors that stand out in the drab countryside. Their clothing is similarly colorful and detailed, and so is the bead work on the Ndebele dolls. Participants will create Ndebele dolls from water bottles, cardboard, fabric, beads and other embellishments

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LARRY J. RINGER LIBRARY



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HOURS OF OPERATION: Mon. & Wed. 9 a.m.- 9 p.m.; Tue. & Thu. 9 a.m.- 7 p.m.;
Fri. & Sat. 9 a.m.- 5 p.m.; Sun. 1:30-5:30 p.m.

CLOSED: Jan. 1-2 & 16, April 14-16

ONE-ON-ONE COMPUTER HELP • REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Need computer help? We have 30-minute, one-on-one sessions.

Ages 18+ • Free • Mon. • 6-8 p.m.
Ages 18+ • Free • Fri. • 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

HEARTFULNESS MEDITATION

This is a silent meditation practice for the modern lifestyle to promote stress relief and wellness. Try it on your own at heartfulness.org or join us at the library to discover the joy of meditation. Each session is stand alone. For more information, visit meetup.com/Meditation-tamu.

Ages 15+ • Free • Tue. • 9:15-10 a.m.

ENGLISH CONVERSATION CIRCLE

Need help with your English? Join us each week as we practice speaking English. All levels welcome.

Ages 18+ • Free • Tue. (no meeting Jan. 3) • 3-4 p.m.

RESUME REVIEW

Drop in for a 15-minute session with a librarian who will answer your questions and give you advice on putting together a stellar resume! Please bring a paper copy of your resume!

Ages 16+ • Free • Every Wed. • January-April • 6-7 p.m.
Ages 16+ • Free • Sat. • Jan. 7 & 28, Feb. 18, March 11, April 1 • 10-11 a.m.

AFTERNOON BOOK CLUB

Ages 18+ can participate in the Afternoon Book Club that meets from 5:30-7 p.m. on the first Tuesday of the month to discuss a book. Club members also help select books for future meetings. Contact the library or visit bcslibrary.org to find out which books will be discussed and for a list of previous titles.

- Jan. 10 • *The Peach Keeper* by Sarah Addison Allen (*held on second Tuesday due to holidays*)
- Feb. 7 • *The Girl on the Train* by Paula Hawkins
- March 7 • *Mornings on Horseback* by David McCullough
- April 4 • *The Night Circus* by Erin Morgenstern

COLORING FOR ADULTS

Relax and color some pictures. No kids, no worries, just coloring (and snacks).

- Ages 18+ • Free • 2nd Thu. • Jan. 12-April 13 • 5:30-7 p.m.

CHICKEN CHIAS

Make chia pet crafts. Registration not required. Come and go event.

- All Ages • Free • Sat. • Jan. 14 • 10-11 a.m.

FAMILY MOVIES

Enjoy free, family-friendly movies and popcorn! Call to find out movie titles. Refreshments are allowed.

- All Ages • Free • Sun. • Jan. 15, Feb. 5 • 2-4 p.m.
- All Ages • Free • Wed. • March 15 • 2-4 p.m.
- All Ages • Free • Sat. • April 1 • 2-4 p.m.

FAMILY STORYTIME PARTY

Bring your family for an evening of storytime, crafts, and activities. Different theme each month.

- All Ages • Free • 3rd Thu. • Jan. 19-April 20 • 6-7 p.m.

LIBRARY READING GROUP

Ages 18+ can participate in the Library Reading Group that meets from 7-8 p.m. For a list of previous titles, visit bcslibrary.org. Doors open at 6:45 p.m. for meet and greet.

- Jan. 19 • *The Light Between Oceans* by M. L. Stedman (on DVD in January 2017)
- Feb. 16 • *The Wright Brothers* by David McCullough
- March 16 • A book by Jennifer Clement (title to be announced)
- April 20 • *Gilead* by Marilynne Robinson

TEEN ADVISORY BOARD

Interested in volunteering and planning teen events for the library? Apply to be on the Teen Advisory Board. Applications are available at the library and online.

- 7th-12th grade • Free • Sat. • Jan. 21, Feb. 4, March 25, April 8 • 1-2 p.m.

SEARCH OF THE DEATHLY HALLOWS

Harry Potter meets Mystery Clues meets Scavenger Hunt.

- 5th-12th grade • Free • Sat. • Jan. 21 • 2-4 p.m.

STORYTIME

Pick the storytime that is right for your child. Enjoy stories, songs, games, crafts, parachutes, bubbles, puppets, and more.

Wiggle Worms (babies & toddlers who can't sit still)

Free • Mon. • Jan. 23-April 10 • 9:30 & 10:30 a.m.

Free • Thu. • Jan. 26-April 13 • 10 & 11 a.m.

Toddlers (2-3 years old who are able to sit still)

Free • Wed. • Jan. 25-April 12 • 10 a.m.

Preschool (3-5 years old)

Free • Wed. • Jan. 25-April 12 • 11 a.m.

Babies & Books (newborn babies until they can't sit still)

Free • Thu. • Jan. 26-April 13 • 9:15 a.m.

SMILE (SPECIAL MOMENTS IN A LIBRARY ENVIRONMENT) • REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Storytime and support for families who have a special needs child.

Ages 2-17 • Free • 4th Tue. • Jan. 24-April 25 • 5:30-6:45 p.m.

ANIMÉ CLUB

Meets once a month to watch and discuss Japanese animation, rated PG to TV-14. Free refreshments.

Ages 13+ • Free • Thu. • Jan. 26, Feb. 23, March 30, April 27 • 4-5:30 p.m.

ADULT CRAFTS • REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Discover your hidden, crafty talents! Supplies are provided. Call to find out the monthly craft.

Ages 18+ • Free • Mon. • Jan. 30, Feb. 20, March 20, April 24 • 6-8 p.m.

FREE TAX HELP FROM AARP FOUNDATION TAX-AIDE

As part of the nation's largest volunteer-run free tax preparation program, AARP volunteers will be at the library to help people fill out their basic federal income tax forms. Volunteers will help with personal income tax forms, not with businesses. Help is intended primarily for people with low to medium incomes, but there is not a specific limit. Help is also not limited to senior citizens. Bring your ID, social security card, and any tax forms with you. If you have last year's tax return, bring it. Social security numbers are required for the taxpayer and any dependents. Tax volunteers will be in the group study rooms at the back of the library. During tax season, those rooms are reserved specifically for the tax volunteers. Ending times are when the volunteers leave the library. Arrive early and expect a wait.

All Ages • Free • Mon./Wed. • Feb. 1-April 18 • 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

All Ages • Free • Tue. • April 18 • 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

All Ages • Free • Fri. • Feb. 1-April 18 (closed April 14-16) • 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

All Ages • Free • Sat. • Feb. 4 & 11, April 8 • 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

All Ages • Free • Sat. • Feb. 18-April 1 • 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

GLITTER + WATER = SNOW GLOBE (WHAT ABOUT THE JAR?)

Have fun making snow globes. Bring a waterproof item to put in the snow globe.

5th-12th grade • Free • Sat. • Feb. 4 • 2-3:30 p.m.

LITERACY STARTS AT BIRTH FOR PARENTS AND KIDS • REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Early literacy information for children ages 5 and under with their parent.

Parent & Child (up to age 5) • Free • Tue. • Feb. 7 • 9:30-10:30 a.m.

DAN GIBSON

Banjo and storytelling. No ticket required.

All Ages • Free • Sat. • Feb. 25 • 11 a.m.-12 p.m.

BOOK SALE FOR YOUNG READERS

The Friends of the Bryan+College Station Public Library System will have their annual Book Sale for Young Readers. Proceeds benefit the library system. Gently used children's books will be available at low prices. Donations are also gladly accepted at the library. More information at bcslibrary.org.

All Ages • Sat. • March 4 • 9/10* a.m.-2 p.m.

**9 a.m. start time for members of the Friends; 10 a.m. start for the general public*

CRAZY CAT PEOPLE PARTY

Join us in celebrating the cat lover in all of us. Crafts, trivia, and surprise guests.

Ages 13+ • Free • Sat. • March 11 • 2-4 p.m.

TINY TOT PARADE

Babies and toddlers can dress in their fanciest outfits for a parade around the library. We will also play with bubbles, parachutes, and other fun items while dancing and singing.

Newborn to Age 3 • Free • Tue. • March 21 • 10 a.m.

IMAGINATION VACATION

Imagination games. Registration not required. Come and go event.

All Ages • Free • Sat. • March 25 • 10-11 a.m.

YOUR BRAIN WILL EXPLODE (WE ARE NOT RESPONSIBLE)

Brain games.

5th-12th grade • Free • Sat. • March 25 • 2-3:30 p.m.

CLAY-TATO SCULPTING

Make sculptures out of clay and potatoes.

5th-12th grade • Free • Sat. • April 8 • 2-4 p.m.

BOOKLOVERS' PEEP SHOW DISPLAY

At home, use marshmallow Peeps and other candy to make a diorama of your favorite book or movie scene. Bring your diorama to the library to display throughout the week. Prizes for each age group.

All Ages • Free • Mon.-Sat. • April 17-22 • Library Hours

MONEY SMART WEEK

Events for teens and adults centered around becoming more financially literate. Will include presentations from Texas A&M and Blinn Financial Aid offices. Visit bcslibrary.org for more information.

Ages 13+ • Free • Sat.-Sat. • April 22-29

WHALE OF A TALE

Bubbles and outside games. Registration not required. Come and go.

All Ages • Free • Sat. • April 29 • 10-11 a.m.

STAR WARS DAY

Events for all ages celebrating all things Star Wars. Crafts, trivia, door prizes and more.

All Ages • Free • Thu. • May 4 • 9 a.m.-5 p.m.



The poster features a silhouette of a person in a dynamic pose on the left, holding a ball. To the right, the year '2017' is displayed in large, colorful circles (blue, orange, green, red). Below the year, the text 'BRAZOS VALLEY SENIOR GAMES' is written in a stylized font. The background is a green and white pixelated pattern.

Feb. 24-26 Ages 50+

\$30 to register \$4 each additional event
**Includes one shirt and reception invitation*

Registration ends Feb. 13

Compete in:

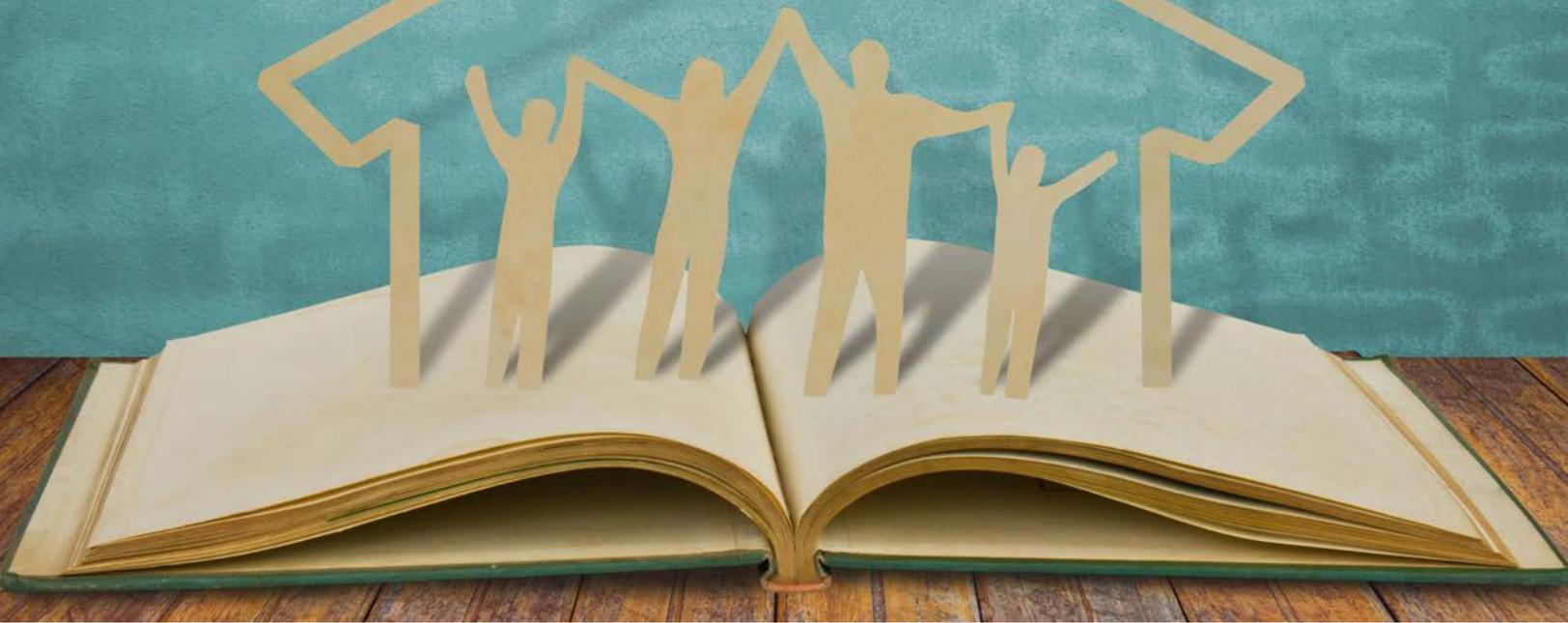
track & field, 5k, swimming, basketball,
badminton, cycling, horseshoes, bowling,
washers, tennis, table tennis, golf, disc golf,
bowling, pickleball, cornhole

cstx.gov/seniorgames 979.764.3486

THE LIBRARY'S PLACE

By: Jessica Jones

MSI – Branch Manager at the Larry J. Ringer Library



In his book *Celebrating the Third Place*, Ray Oldenburg describes the first place as home, the second place as work, and the third place as the public places on neutral ground where people can gather and interact. Third places “host the regular, voluntary, informal, and happily anticipated gatherings of individuals beyond the realms of home and work.”

While it may sound a little odd to aspire to third place (who doesn't want to be first, right?), it's something towards which we work every day.

The library can be almost anything you need it to be. It's a workspace, a study, a meeting place, a classroom and a retreat. It's a place to bring children, find a good book, settle in with your laptop or learn something new in a program. Librarians look forward to weird questions and obscure research requests, and we love recommending books and audiobooks and media. We plan programs where we discuss books, make crafts, teach and entertain children, and engage teens and tweens. And, if you have an idea for a program or have a need we are not currently meeting, we are more than happy to try and make things happen.

As your go-to third place, the library inherently requires only as much participation as you want. We welcome the people who stop by just to check their email as much as we do the families who bring their tote bags for books and stay for all the storytimes. We love watching people see their friends here – or, even better, sometimes we get to see new friendships being made. We have programs to facilitate engagement as much as we have books to facilitate escape from the outside world.

Third place is what we strive to be for you, your children, your neighbors and our community. We have so many programs and new books that await you this spring, and we look forward to seeing you in College Station's third place: the library!

For more information about Larry J. Ringer Library, visit bcslibrary.org.



SOUTHWOOD COMMUNITY CENTER



979.764.6351



1520 Rock Prairie Rd.



cstx.gov/southwood

OFFICE HOURS: Mon.-Fri., 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

CLOSED: Jan. 16, April 14

AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM: Mon.-Fri., 3:45-6 p.m.

SENIOR PROGRAM: Mon.-Fri., 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

For Southwood Community Center rental information, see page 50.

TEEN AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM • REGISTER TODAY!

We offer a supervised, engaging experience for 6th-8th graders every day after school. The center is a great place to meet up with friends to socialize, and participate in age appropriate activities and to work on homework. On CSISD early release days we will offer great escape field trips! Transportation is provided from Oakwood Intermediate, Cypress Grove and A&M Consolidated Middle School. Participants must have a paid semester fee and transportation waiver to ride.

SPRING SEMESTER: Jan. 5-May 19 • Mon.-Fri. • 3:45-6 p.m.

All Day Program: Feb. 20 & April 17 • 8 a.m.-6 p.m.

Closed: Jan. 16, March 13-17, April 14, May 22-30

SEMESTER FEES

Resident & Non-Resident: \$30 per semester

Bus Pass (25 Rides): \$50 Resident / \$60 Non-Resident

DAILY ENTRY FEES: Resident: \$2 / Non-Resident: \$3

More after-school opportunities available at the Lincoln Recreation Center on page 28.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS FOR AGES 55+

STRICTLY BUSINESS: LOCAL BUSINESSES: WHO THEY ARE AND WHAT THEY DO

Ages 55+ are invited to free, monthly presentations to learn about research and products occurring in the Brazos Valley. Sessions are the second Wednesday of each month from 11 a.m.-12 p.m.

- Jan. 11 • Brown's Shoe Fit Co.
- Feb. 8 • What's Coming to College Station
- March 8 • Brazos County Crime Stoppers
- April 12 • Dispute Resolution Center

NATIONAL ISSUES FORUM: HEALTHCARE - HOW CAN WE REDUCE THE COSTS AND STILL GET THE CARE WE NEED? • REGISTRATION REQUIRED

National Issues Forums (NIF) is about encouraging public deliberation around national issues of concern. NIF will provide guides that may be picked up in advance of forum. Register by calling 979.764.6351 or emailing mrodgers@cstx.gov.

- Ages 55+ • Free • Wed. • Jan. 25 • 1:30-3 p.m.

VALENTINE'S DAY TEA AND FASHION SHOW • REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Senior adults are invited to join us for afternoon tea, fashion show and sweetheart bingo. Enjoy a cup of tea and delicious healthy finger foods. A reservation is necessary as seating is limited. Register by calling 979.764.6351 or emailing mrodgers@cstx.gov.

- Ages 55+ • Free • Tue. • Feb. 14 • 1:30-3:30 p.m.

SPRING DANCES

Enjoy an evening of dancing with a live DJ. Door prizes! Light refreshments served.

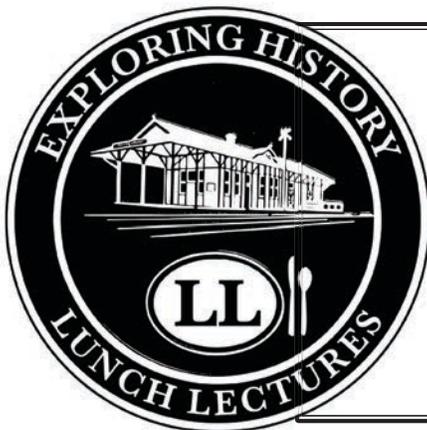
- Ages 55+ • Free • Thu. • Feb. 14 & April 20 • 7-9 p.m.

WORLD PASSPORT PROGRAM

Join us as we travel the world this spring! Learn about different world cultures. We will sample foods, learn interesting facts and places to visit when in the country. Countries and dates will be listed on monthly calendar.

- Ages 55+ • Free • Thu. • TBA

More senior adult programs available under Community Education starting on page 10.



- Jan. 18 – To Bataan and Back
- Feb. 15 – African American Museum
- March 15 – Engineering Agriculture
- April 19 – Bernardo Galvez

Enjoy lunch while learning about our community's history! Cost is \$7 per person. Luncheons begin at 11:30 a.m. in Aldersgate United Methodist Church, located at 2201 Earl Rudder Fwy. S. Please RSVP the Friday prior by calling 979.764.6371 or mrodgers@cstx.gov.

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES FOR AGES 55+

We have a variety of weekly activities for seniors. Activities are free to those with a membership.

DAILY ADMISSION: Resident: \$2; Non-Resident : \$4

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP: Resident: \$25; Non-Resident: \$30

OPEN COMPUTER LAB

Those with a senior annual membership are welcome to utilize the computer lab whenever a computer class isn't in session.

Ages 55+ • Free • Mon./Wed. • 12:30-3 p.m.
Ages 55+ • Free • Tue./Thu./Fri. • 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

SIT & FIT

A gentle exercise that features fat-burning aerobics and weight lifting while using a chair for support.

Ages 55+ • Free • Mon./Tue./Thu. • 12-1 p.m.

FOREVERSIZE

Foreversize encourages individuals to adopt healthy, lifestyle practices with helpful tips on nutrition and exercise. Class is held three times a week.

Ages 55+ • Free • Mon./Wed./Fri. • 1:30-3 p.m.

BEGINNING LINE DANCE WORKSHOP

Learn the steps and terminology. Workshop is designed for beginners and is held the first three Mondays of the month.

Ages 55+ • Free • 1st-3rd Mon. • 10:30-11:30 a.m.

LINE DANCING

Looking for a fun way to exercise? Try line dancing! Dance to the hottest tunes and enjoy a low-impact, aerobic workout.

Ages 55+ • Free • Tue./Fri. • 10:30-11:30 a.m.

CLASSIC COUNTRY AND BLUEGRASS JAM SESSION

Like to listen to Bluegrass or play a string instrument? This jam session is for you! All levels welcome.

Ages 55+ • Free • Tue. • 1:30-3:30 p.m.

GAME NIGHT

Enjoy an evening of dominoes, cards, Mah Jongg and a variety of other games.

Ages 55+ • Free • Tue. • 7-9 p.m.

LEARN TO PLAY 42

Become a pro at playing 42 with dominoes during these weekly, educational sessions.

Ages 55+ • Free • Wed. • 9-11:30 a.m.

42 DOMINOES

42 is often referred to as the "National Game of Texas". Beginner and experienced players are welcome.

Ages 55+ • Free • Thu. • 9:30-11:30 a.m.

MAH JONGG

Class designed for beginners. Learn how to play Mah Jongg, a game of skill, strategy and calculation.

Ages 55+ • Free • Thu. • 9-11:30 a.m.

MOVIE & POPCORN

Enjoy newly released films and popcorn with friends for free.

Ages 55+ • Free • 3rd Thu. • 1-3 p.m.

BRIDGE

Beginners and experienced players are invited to play! No partner needed.

Ages 55+ • Free • Fri. • 9-11:30 a.m.

SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The committee's purpose is to address the needs of older adults living in College Station, and offers program and activity suggestions to the College Station Parks and Recreation Department. The Senior Advisory Committee meets the last Monday of each month. Members are 55+ and residents of College Station. Visitors are welcome.

Ages 55+ • Free • Last Mon. • 10-11:30 a.m.

BINGO & BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

Celebrate birthdays for the month with cake and bingo. Prizes awarded.

Ages 55+ • Free • Last Fri. • 1:30-3 p.m.

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COMPUTER CLUB FOR SENIORS

First Wednesday of the month from 9:30-11:30 a.m.

FAMILY HISTORY COMPUTER USERS GROUP

Third Wednesday of each month from 9:30-11 a.m.

Jan. 18: Who Said We Don't Think Ahead. New Tools for 2017

Feb. 15: Keeping up with all the new family history sites

Classes are held in the Carter Creek Training Room (2200 N. Forest Pkwy). Registration not required.
For more details, contact Marci Rodgers at mrodgers@cstx.gov or 979.764.6371.



THE GREAT

Skateboarding has been among the world's fastest-growing recreational sports for much of the last decade. In fact, skateboarding has become so popular that it will become an Olympic sport in 2020.

Live video feeds and instant upload technology have helped fuel the increased interest in skateboarding and other extreme sports. The exhilarating sport provides recreation, entertainment, and exercise and appeals to a melting pot of ages, abilities, and backgrounds.

Consequently, College Station's challenging G. Hysmith Skate Park has become a popular venue for local skateboarders of all skill levels. Located on the eastern edge of Brian

Bachmann Community Park, the lighted skate facility features a covered spectator area, a large pro-style flow bowl, a pool-type bowl, and a long, linear street course that includes hundreds of feet of varying terrain and scalable elements.

Garrett Hysmith was an energetic, ambitious, College Station middle schooler who was passionate about skateboarding. In 2005, the 13-year-old passed away after a courageous nine-year battle with cancer.

Garrett's closest friends responded with Operation Garrett to convince the College Station City Council to include a skate park as part of the 2008 bond election. Voters overwhelming approved the \$920,000 park,

G. Hysmith Skate Park is a competition-quality site with a large pro-style flow bowl, a pool bowl with tile and pool coping, and a long linear street course with hundreds of feet of unique terrain and scalable elements. Located in Brian Bachmann Community Park at 1520 Rock Prairie Road.

*Story by:
Hallie Kutch, Marketing Staff Assistant*



SKATE ESCAPE

which opened in 2011. Local skaters even provided input on the layout and design.

The park was designed by Bleyl & Associates of Bryan in conjunction with Grindline, Inc., a specialty design firm in Seattle, Wash. Construction was performed by JaCody, Inc. of College Station in association with SPA Skateparks of Austin.

G. Hysmith Skate Park has created an ideal venue for skateboarders to hone their skills and enjoy their sport safely. College Station may even be the starting point for a future Olympic skateboarder.

Share your skills with us using [#CSTXparks](#).

Skate Park Rules

- Skate at your own risk and know your limits. You are responsible for your safety.
- Proper safety equipment is recommended at all times, including helmets, knee pads, elbow pads and wrist guards.
- No bicycles or personal ramps allowed in the skating area.
- No alcohol, tobacco products, or illegal substances are allowed.
- No graffiti allowed. The park will be closed until graffiti is removed.
- Dispose of trash properly.
- No glass containers or bottles allowed.
- All other park rules and ordinances apply.
- Have fun, and respect your fellow skaters!

Dog Parks

Barracks Park

205 Capps Drive

- .38 acres
- Fenced, off-leash
- Hydration station

Nearby amenities:

- Volleyball Court
- Horseshoes/washers
- Picnic Shelter

University Park

300 Park Road

- 4 acres
- Fenced, off-leash park with small and large dog areas
- Swimming ponds
- Agility obstacle course
- Wash and hydration station

Nearby amenities:

- Playground
- Jogging / walking loop
- Picnic shelter



Steeplechase Park

301 Westridge Drive

- 1.5 acres
- Fenced, off-leash park
- Wash and hydration station

Nearby amenities:

- Playground
- Basketball court
- Picnic shelter

Lick Creek Park

13600 East Rock Prairie Road

- 515.5 acres
- Off-leash park, but your dog is required to be under voice control
- 3.5 miles of marked nature / bike trails
- Great for hiking, bird watching, equestrian activities and nature study



ANIMAL CONTROL ORDINANCES

The following City of College Station ordinances are to be observed by all pet owners and are enforceable through the courts. All breaches are subject to fines not to exceed \$500.

1. Any dog, cat or ferret over four months of age must be rabies vaccinated and registered with Brazos County. Registration tags can be purchased through your veterinarian or the Aggieland Humane Society. The animal must wear its current county and rabies vaccination tags.

2. Registration shall cover a period of one year from date of issuance, in conjunction with the date of rabies vaccination.

3. It is an offense to have pets at large. At large means to be free of physical restraint beyond the boundaries of the owner's premises.

4. It is an offense to allow an animal to make excessive noise by barking, howling, screeching, etc.

5. When not on your property, clean up after your pet.

6. Any animal impounded will be held for a minimum of 72 hours. All fees (impound fee, county registration and rabies shot fee, if needed) must be paid before an animal can leave the humane society.

7. A permit is required for more than four dogs and/or cats. Contact CSPD Animal Control.

8. It is an offense to keep or harbor any wild animal within city limits without a state permit.

9. It's unlawful to leave an animal enclosed in a parked vehicle or enclosed trailer in a manner that subjects the animal to extreme temperatures that could adversely affect the animal's health, safety and welfare.

10. It's unlawful for a person to transport an animal in an open bed pickup or flatbed truck on a public street or highway, unless the animal is secured in a kennel or restrained using a tether that is cross-tied to prevent the animal from falling or jumping from the vehicle or strangling on a single leash.



HELPFUL TIPS

- Register your pet. A county tag provides a 24-hour hotline for lost and found pets.
- Notify the Aggieland Humane Society if your pet changes owners or if you've changed addresses or phone numbers. Don't forget to give them your cell or work numbers too.
- Humane, live traps for skunks,

- raccoons, opossums, cats and dogs are available from CSPD Animal Control.
- If you are scratched or bitten by an animal, report it to CSPD at 979.764.3600.
- If a stray animal enters your property, you may contact CSPD Animal Control to have it removed.

- Supervise children and pets playing together.
- Consult with your veterinarian about needed vaccinations and heart worm/flea/tick preventions.
- Ensure that your pet is properly cared for when you have to leave town.

For a complete list of animal control ordinances, visit cstx.gov/animalcontrol.

PAVILION RENTALS

HOST A PARTY! RENT A PARK/POOL PAVILION BY CALLING 979.764.3486.

Pavilions are rated per day. Reservations are all-day and on a first-come, first-served basis. Fees must be paid in full at the time of reservation. Deposits will be refunded if facilities are left clean and free of damage. Reservations canceled within seven days prior to the rental date will incur a \$20 cancellation fee.

PAVILION RENTALS	MAX OCCUPANCY	PARKING SPACES	MONDAY - THURSDAY	FRIDAY - SUNDAY, HOLIDAYS	MONDAY - THURSDAY	FRIDAY - SUNDAY, HOLIDAYS	AMENITIES	NEARBY
NAME, LOCATION			NONRESIDENT		RESIDENT			
Bee Creek <i>Bee Creek Park 1900 Anderson Street</i>	100	100	\$180	\$240	\$150	\$200	Electricity, Water, BBQ pit, Picnic tables (12)	Playground, Pool, Tennis, Restrooms, Softball
			\$200 deposit		\$200 deposit			
W.A. Tarrow <i>Lincoln Recreation Cntr 107 Holleman Drive</i>	100	319	\$180	\$240	\$150	\$200	Basketball court	Playground, Sidewalks, Spray park
			\$200 deposit		\$200 deposit			
Oaks <i>Oaks Park 1601 Stallings Drive</i>	40	25-30	\$180	\$240	\$150	\$200	Electricity, Water, Restrooms, BBQ pit, Picnic tables (5)	Playground, Basketball, Volleyball
			\$200 deposit		\$200 deposit			
Crompton <i>Crompton Park 201 Holleman Drive W.</i>	100	49	\$210	\$270	\$175	\$225	Electricity, Water, Restrooms, BBQ pit, Picnic tables (10)	Pond, Jog/Walk Trails, Basketball
			\$200 deposit		\$200 deposit			
Central <i>S.C. Beachy Central Park 1000 Krenek Tap Road</i>	200	100	\$300	\$360	\$250	\$300	Electricity, Water, Restrooms, Kitchen, BBQ pit, Picnic tables (21)	Playground, Nature Trails, Pond, Softball, Volleyball, Tennis, Basketball
			\$200 deposit		\$200 deposit			
Bachmann <i>B.B. Community Park 1600 Rock Prairie Road</i>	300	200	\$300	\$360	\$250	\$300	Electricity, Water, Restrooms, Kitchen, BBQ pit, Picnic tables (24)	Playground, Volleyball, Baseball, Horseshoe pits, Tennis, Pool
			\$200 deposit		\$200 deposit			
American <i>Veterans Park & Cmplx 3101 Harvey Road</i>	500	423	\$420	\$480	\$350	\$400	Electricity, Water, Stage, Restrooms, Kitchen, BBQ pit, Picnic tables (48)	Playground, Trails, Softball, Athletic Fields
			\$400 deposit		\$400 deposit			

FACILITY RENTALS

RENTAL INFORMATION

Looking for the perfect place to have your next gathering or athletic event? We have a variety of recreation centers, meeting rooms, park pavilions, pools, athletic fields and many other facilities available for rent.

FACILITY RENTALS

Rentals are on a first-come, first-served basis. Facilities will not be held without proper documentation and deposit.

PAVILION RENTALS

Pavilions may be used if they are not rented, but no access will be allowed to kitchens or restrooms. Reservations can be made by visiting the Stephen C. Beachy Central Park Office on weekdays from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

FIELD & PAVILION RENTAL DEADLINES

Monday-Thursday rentals must be made no later than 12 p.m. one business day prior to the desired reservation date. Friday-Sunday rentals must be made no later than 3 p.m. on the Thursday prior to the desired reservation date.

DEPOSITS

A security deposit is required for rentals. Portions or all of the deposit will be forfeited if damage, extra maintenance, or extraordinary cleanup occurs as a result of rental. Deposits will be refunded on the following conditions:
(1) Terms of your rental have been met,
(2) Facilities are left in good condition, or
(3) Cancellation procedures have been followed.

CANCELLATION & REFUNDS

Customers must cancel three days prior to the rental date to be eligible for a refund. If a cancellation is made fewer than three days prior to rental date, deposits will be forfeited. Refunds are processed within two weeks of request by check. No cash refunds will be issued. For more information, call 979.764.3486.

ATHLETIC FIELDS

979.764.3486 | cstx.gov/rentals

Brian Bachmann Community Park	6 baseball & 2 athletic fields
Wayne Smith Athletic Complex	3 baseball fields
Stephen C. Beachy Central Park	3 athletic & 4 softball fields
Veterans Park & Athletic Complex	11 athletic & 5 softball fields
Bee Creek Park	2 softball fields
Lemontree Park	1 softball field
Luther Jones Park	1 softball field
TOTAL available fields to rent	16 athletic, 9 baseball & 13 softball

NON-RESIDENT & RESIDENT RATES

Field Rental ~ one field, all day	\$200
Field Rental ~ one field, up to 5 hours	.. \$40/ hour
Field Rental ~ deposit	Varies
Lights for Field Rental ~ one field	..... \$30 / hour
Game Prep Fee ~ one field	..... \$100

In addition to rental fees, a deposit will be charged and paid by the renter in advance of tournaments. The deposit is \$500 per complex.

Additional fees may be assessed to the renter, depending on the length and type of tournament, to cover expenses for the city to facilitate the tournament.

Game field prep and light fees are included in all-day rentals but not in hourly rentals.

LINCOLN RECREATION CENTER

979.764.3779 | cstx.gov/lincolncenter

The Lincoln Recreation Center is located on the corner of Holleman Drive and Eleanor Street near College Station's Historic Southside District. It can accommodate indoor and outdoor social gatherings, volleyball and basketball competitions, and small to large meetings. A community room, multi-purpose room, game room and gymnasium are also available to rent. The outdoor area is perfect for special events and includes a seasonal spray ground, bench tables and playground. Parking lot has 120 spaces and five handicap spots.

RENTAL RATES:

Gym ~ per day, 8-hour block (deposit)	
Non-Resident	\$360
Resident	\$300
Half Court ~ per hour, 4-hour max	
Non-Resident	\$60
Resident	\$50
Full Court ~ per hour, 4-hour max	
Non-Resident	\$90
Resident	\$75
Gym Event ~ per chair	
Non-Resident	\$1.00
Resident	\$0.50
All Day Usage ~ 4+ hours	
Non-Resident	\$420
Resident	\$350
Concession Usage	
Non-Resident	\$36
Resident	\$30
Game / Multi-purpose Room ~ 4-hr. min (Deposit)	
Non-Resident	\$60/hr (\$200)
Resident	\$50/hr (\$200)
Community Room ~ per hour, 3-hr. max (Deposit)	
Non-Resident	\$60 (\$200)
Resident	\$50 (\$200)
Kitchen Fee	
Non-Resident	\$30
Resident	\$25

Special Event Fee (funerals, weddings, parties)	
Non-Resident	\$425
Resident	\$350

Gym or Room Transfer / Cancellation Fee	
Non-Resident & Resident	1/3 of Rental Fee

Rooms are subject to an after-hour charge of \$20 per hour. The after-hour charge is based on any request to use facilities beyond normal operating hours. The special event fee includes the rental of the gym, community room, sound system and 450 chairs.

SOUTHWOOD COMMUNITY CENTER

979.764.6351 | cstx.gov/southwood

The Southwood Community Center is conveniently located in the Brian Bachmann Community Park at 1520 Rock Prairie Rd. The center is a great choice for your next birthday party, dance, family reunion or corporate meeting. It includes a meeting room, game room, and a kitchen with an ice machine.

RENTAL RATES:

Meeting Room ~ per hour (deposit)	
Non-Resident	\$60 (\$200)
Resident	\$50 (\$200)
Game/Dance Room ~ per hour (deposit)	
Non-Resident	\$90 (\$200)
Resident	\$75 (\$200)

WOLF PEN CREEK PARK

979.764.3408 | cstx.gov/wolfpen

The premier concert venue in the Brazos Valley, the Wolf Pen Creek Amphitheater located at 1015 Colgate Dr., is capable of hosting more than 7,500 patrons and boasts quality shows, beautiful grounds and down-home hospitality. The Green Room features a balcony overlooking Wolf Pen Creek, space for formal catering preparations, a full-sized refrigerator and an ice machine.

Amphitheater ~ per day	
Private (Mon.-Thu.)	\$500
Private (Fri.-Sun.)	\$600
Non-commercial - benefit (Mon.-Thu.)	\$750

Non-commercial - benefit (Fri.-Sun.)	..... \$900
Professional/Commercial (Mon.-Thu.)	..... \$1,000
Professional/Commercial (Fri.-Sun.)	..... \$1,200

Green Room

Non-commercial	
0-4 hrs. (5-12 hrs.) (Mon.-Thu.)	.... \$150 (\$300)
Non-commercial	
0-4 hrs. (5-12 hrs.) (Fri.-Sun.)	..... \$200 (\$400)
Commercial	
0-4 hrs. (5-12 hrs.) (Mon.-Thu.)	.... \$200 (\$400)
Commercial	
0-4 hrs. (5-12 hrs.) (Fri.-Sun.)	..... \$250 (\$500)

The Plaza

Mon.-Thu.	..... \$150
Fri.-Sun.	..... \$200

Festival Site

Private (Mon.-Thu.)	..... \$200
Private (Fri.-Sun.)	..... \$300
Non-commercial - benefit (Mon.-Thu.)	..... \$400
Non-commercial - benefit (Fri.-Sun.)	..... \$500
Professional/Commercial (Mon.-Thu.)	..... \$600
Professional/Commercial (Fri.-Sun.)	..... \$700

Deposit	..... \$200-\$600
Other Non-Typical Events ...	Rate based on event
Alcohol Surcharge for any Function	..... \$55

A percentage of ticketing and fees for service personnel and vending charges will be added for Wolf Pen Creek Park rentals. A percentage of the gate will be negotiated for commercial events. Non-commercial is defined as nonprofit, student, civic or private. Security deposits are based upon participants/attendees.

ADAMSON LAGOON POOL
 979.764.3735 | cstx.gov/pools

Adamson Lagoon Pool is an Olympic-sized swimming pool, located at 1900 Anderson, with two large water slides and a separate baby pool. Facilities include aquatic offices, bathhouse and concessions. The tropical atmosphere in this mini-water park provides a pleasant and safe environment.

Pool Reservations (Two Hours)	
Non-Resident	..... \$420-\$960
Resident	..... \$350-\$800

Pavilion/Table Reservations

Limit 3 tables per pavilion party: \$20 per table. Must pay fee and admission.

CINDY HALLARAN POOL
 979.764.3787 | cstx.gov/pools

Cindy Hallaran Pool is a 25-yard, zero-depth swimming pool, located 1600 Rock Prairie Rd., with a beach entry in the shallow end that gently slopes to an overall depth of 4 feet in the deep end. The shallow pool provides a pleasant and safe environment, especially for families with younger children.

Pool Reservations (Two Hours)	
Non-Resident	..... \$300
Resident	..... \$250

Pavilion/Table Reservations

Limit 3 tables per pavilion party: \$20 per table. Must pay fee and admission.

THOMAS POOL
 979.764.3721 | cstx.gov/pools

Thomas Pool is a 25-meter swimming pool, located at 1300 James Pkwy., that includes a small tube slide and deep end. Tucked into a quiet neighborhood park, the pool provides a pleasant and safe environment.

Pool Reservations (Two Hours)	
Non-Resident	..... \$300
Resident	..... \$250

Pavilion/Table Reservations

Limit 3 tables per pavilion party: \$20 per table. Must pay fee and admission.



"Let us hold our lives to the light of those who walked before us, remembering the footprints they left behind and preserving the pathways they created." -Jack Fritts '53

"Once an Aggie, always an Aggie," is a motto that transcends death and highlights the importance of being a member of the Aggie family. For more than 30 years, former students of Texas A&M envisioned a final resting place that would honor the extraordinary bonds formed by Aggies. As a result, the City of College Station collaborated with Texas A&M to build the Aggie Field of Honor and Memorial Cemetery to commemorate fallen Aggies and their loved ones.

The beautifully landscaped Memorial Cemetery covers 56 acres and features a committal shelter, information center, columbarium, and standard burial plots. Another 20 acres are dedicated to the Aggie Field of Honor to reflect the greatness, loyalty, and the connection that binds Aggies together.

The Field of Honor features the Spirit Gate, which is oriented toward Kyle Field to honor the life and spirit of those who have passed. The Spirit of Aggieland travels in a ceremonial way from campus to the Aggie Field of Honor through this final gateway.

You only need to be an Aggie in heart and spirit to purchase a plot in the Aggie Field of Honor and Memorial Cemetery. Anyone who has a love for the university, its traditions, and our community is welcome. For more information, visit fieldofhonor.cstx.gov or call 979.764.5049.

PRICING & REGULATIONS

To purchase a space or plot at the Memorial Cemetery or in the Aggie Field of Honor, contact Administrative Support Supervisor Andrea Lauer at 979.764.5049 for an appointment. Paperwork will need to be finalized at the Parks & Recreation Office after the lot or space is selected.

MUNICIPAL SECTIONS

- Standard Space (4' x 9') | \$1,450
- Columbaria Niche (12" x 12" x 12") \$825
- Infant Space (4' x 5') | \$220

AGGIE FIELD OF HONOR

- Standard Space (4' x 9') | \$3,000
- Columbaria Niche (12" x 12" x 12") | \$1,650

PARK RULES

Community park curfews are 1-5 a.m.
Neighborhood park curfews are 11 p.m.-5 a.m.

No campfires, dunking booths, hot air balloons, pony rides, or livestock without prior approval.

Tents must be pre-approved and location coordinated with Parks staff.

Pavilions may be used if they are not rented; however, no access will be allowed into kitchen or restroom facilities.

Athletic Fields must be reserved separately from Pavilion Rentals. Refer to page 49.

Dogs are to be kept under restraint at all times unless at a designated dog park. Dog park locations are on pages 46.

All wildlife in city parks is protected.

It is unlawful to:

- cut or destroy vegetation.
- to wade or swim in park ponds.
- litter in city parks.
- fail to clean up after your pet on public property.

All vehicles must park in designated areas on pavement only.

Non-city-related advertising in city parks is prohibited.

Any person wishing to sell any items (food, drinks, shirts, caps, etc.) in a park must apply for a Park Vendor's Permit at the Parks and Recreation Office 979.764.3486 and possibly a Health Permit from the Brazos County Health Department 979.361.4450.

All gyms, boot camps, and fitness groups must purchase a Park Vendor Permit through the Stephen C. Beachy Central Park office (1000 Krenek Tap Road) or 979.764.3486 to host workout sessions at city parks.

Off-road vehicles are not allowed in city parks.

Golfing or (practice) driving of golf balls in the parks is prohibited.

Please obey all "FIELDS CLOSED" signs.

Glass bottles and containers are prohibited.

Alcohol may be consumed in city parks by adults 21 years of age or older. If you have a function where alcohol is served, neither the alcohol nor anything else can be sold without a TABC license.

Fishing in park ponds is free and open to the public. Texas Community Fishing Lake special regulations, as well as statewide regulations, apply to all city ponds. For special and statewide regulations, fishing license information, and daily bag limits, contact Texas Parks and Wildlife.

Dogs while in heat shall not be permitted to use designated dog parks.

Dogs younger than four months of age are not allowed in off-leash parks.

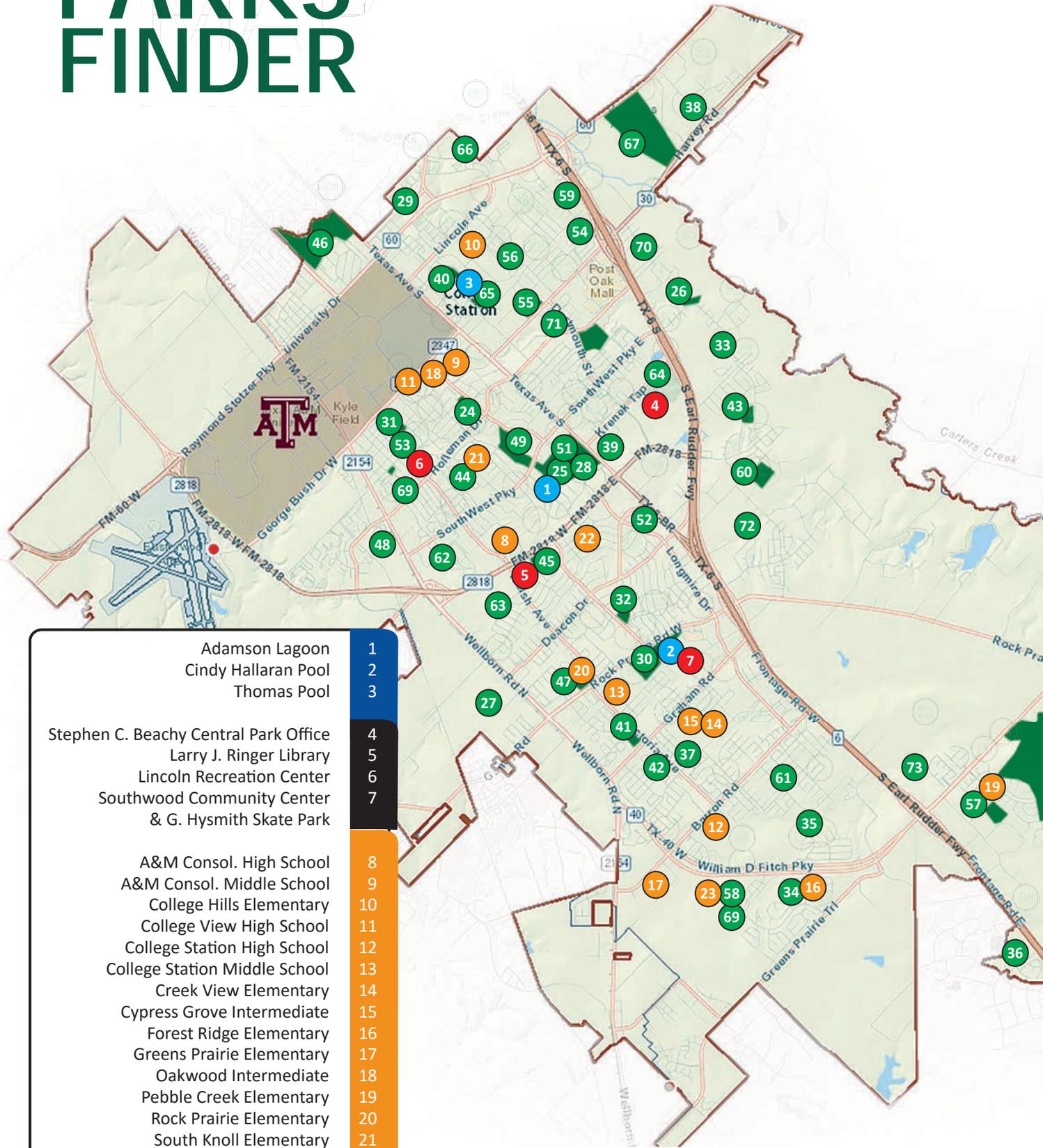
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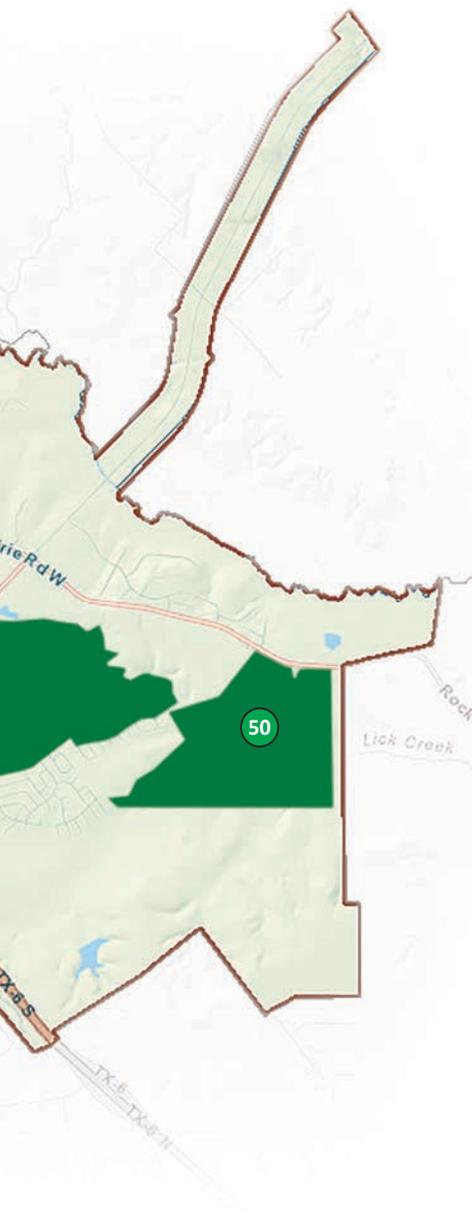
Acts of aggression against other dogs are prohibited. Dogs must be removed if uncontrollable.

Handlers must stop dogs from digging holes in a park and cover up any holes created by their dogs.

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		ACREAGE	RESTROOMS	SHELTER	PAVILION	PICNIC UNIT	PLAY UNIT	OPEN PLAY AREA	POND	NATURE TRAIL	JOG / WALK TRAIL	EXERCISE STATION	BASKETBALL	SOCCER FIELD	SOFTBALL FIELD	BASEBALL FIELD	TENNIS COURT	VOLLEYBALL	POOL / SPLASH PAD	BACKSTOPS	PARKING SPACES
24	Anderson	8.94	•	•	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	30
25	Arboretum (Bee Creek)	17.00	•	•	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	•	∅	•	∅	•	∅	∅	237
26	Art & Myra Bright	13.00	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅
27	Barracks Park	7.32	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	6
28	Bee Creek	26.50	•	•	•	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	•	∅	•	∅	•	∅	∅	∅
29	Billie Madeley	5.14	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	2
30	Brian Bachmann	44.70	•	∅	•	∅	•	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	•	•	∅	•	∅	•	∅	∅	544
31	Brison	9.20	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	10
32	Brothers Pond	16.12	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	•	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅
33	Carter's Crossing	7.34	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅
34	Castlegate	8.26	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	•	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	•	∅	∅	∅	∅
35	Castlerock	5.86	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	•	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅
36	Cove of Nantucket	3.92	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅
37	Creek View	14.01	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	•	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	7
38	Crescent Pointe	5.00	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅
39	Cy Miller	2.50	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅
40	Eastgate	1.80	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅
41	Edelweiss	12.30	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	10
42	Edelweiss Gartens	13.60	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	•	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅
43	Emerald Forest	4.59	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	•	∅	•	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅
44	Gabbard	10.67	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	•	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅
45	Georgie K. Fitch	11.30	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	•	∅	•	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅
46	Hensel (TAMU)	29.70	•	∅	•	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	70
47	Jack & Dorothy Miller	10.00	•	•	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅
48	John Crompton	15.26	•	•	•	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	50
49	Lemontree	15.40	•	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	•	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	37
50	Lick Creek	515.54	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	60
51	Lions	1.50	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	•	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	10
52	Longmire	4.16	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅
53	Luther Jones	1.80	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅
54	Merry Oaks	4.60	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	•	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅
55	Oaks	7.50	•	•	•	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	•	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅
56	Parkway	1.90	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅
57	Pebble Creek	10.20	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	•	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅
58	Phillips Park	3.76	•	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅
59	Richard Carter	7.14	•	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅
60	Sandstone	15.21	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	48
61	Southern Oaks	14.49	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅
62	Southwest	9.42	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	•	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅
63	Steeplechase	9.00	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	•	∅	•	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅
64	S.C. Beachy Central	47.20	•	•	•	∅	•	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	•	•	•	•	•	∅	∅	∅	297
65	Thomas	16.10	•	•	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	•	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	•	∅	•	∅	27
66	University	10.20	∅	∅	∅	•	∅	∅	∅	∅	•	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	22
67	Veterans Athletic	150.00	•	•	•	∅	•	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	•	•	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	1,269
68	W.A.Tarrow (Lincoln Cnt)	21.26	•	•	•	∅	•	∅	∅	∅	•	∅	•	∅	∅	•	∅	∅	∅	∅	319
69	Wallace Lake	2.6	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	•	•	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	20
70	Windwood	1.37	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	•	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅
71	Wolf Pen Creek	47.14	•	•	∅	∅	•	∅	∅	∅	•	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	66
72	Woodcreek	6.60	∅	∅	∅	•	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	•	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	•	∅	∅	∅
73	Woodland Hills	14.40	∅	∅	∅	•	∅	∅	∅	∅	•	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅	∅

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