



The Sachse Scene



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Keeping You Informed About Your City

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARADE SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13

Calling all school bands, choirs, dance groups, scout troops, and organizations in Sachse who want to join us and march in Sachse's annual Christmas Parade. We will meet in the Hudson Middle School Parking Lot for the line-up at 8:30 a.m. with the parade starting at 9:30 a.m. To register a float call Cynthia Wiseman at 469-429-0275. There is no fee to register, but please call to register your group. We will need to know the size of the group and whether or not you will walk or ride. For more information, parade guidelines or to register go to www.cityofsachse.com/christmasparade.



City offices will be **CLOSED** on Thursday, November 27th and 28th for Thanksgiving; December 24th and 25th for Christmas; and January 1 for New Year's Day. In case of a water or sewer emergency, call 972-495-2271, option 2. Please note, trash schedules will be delayed by one day. The bulk trash pick up in December will be the week of Christmas and not the normal second Wednesday of the month. Place your bulk out that week and it will be picked up. The regular bulk pick up will resume the week of January 5, if you miss the December pick up. Republic Services is collecting used natural Christmas Trees and providing mulch again this year. Please remove all decorations from your tree, do not place the tree in a bag, and dispose of it in the dumpster provided at Salmon Park, 4302 Williford Road, from December 26 through January 4. The mulch will be available to residents at no charge on a first-come basis until the supply is gone. Watch the city's website for more information as it becomes available.



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COOKIES WITH SANTA



On Saturday, December 13 come join Santa for some cookies along with some fun activities. Kids ages 10 and under are invited to visit Santa, while others enjoy the entertainment. Adults don't forget your canned goods and non-perished food items that will be collected and donated to the Fraternal Order of Police (FOP).

Everyone will receive a raffle ticket that will be entered into a prize drawing. Festivities will begin at 10:00 a.m. with Santa arriving following the parade.



PET ADOPTIONS!!!!!!

Sunday, November 1st from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Library. Check the city website for more details.



It is unbelievable that the holiday season is just around the corner! What a festive time to gather with friends and family. We, as public servants, work diligently throughout the year to create opportunities for your families to be blessed as citizens of Sachse. I hope that you have had a chance to attend one of the many activities offered by the city this year. It is one of the goals of Council and staff to provide as many family-oriented events for the citizens of Sachse as possible. Our goal is to continue improving so that our citizens have the best of both worlds: a small-town community feel with big city amenities. Sachse truly is a great place to call home!

Over the past year we have had several projects in progress. These include the extension of Woodbridge Parkway along with other street projects, sewer and water projects, and lighting projects along some of our main corridors; One being the S.H. 78 Beautification project that is still in-progress. Staff appreciates your input and patience as the work continues.

Council and staff join me in hoping that your family is able to participate in this year's wonderful holiday events. They are featured in this newsletter and on the city's website, including the details for what, when, and where. From the Christmas Parade and Cookies with Santa to all the Library events, as well as the fun programs offered by the Parks and Recreation Department. The calendar is full of fun things to do right here in Sachse. There is also the opportunity to help those less fortunate by donating to the Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) Toy and Food Drive. This is a very successful and heart-warming program that depends on the generosity of our citizens. This will take place on Saturday, December 13 with Cookies with Santa. We thank you for helping us make this a success year after year.

Let me thank the many citizens who volunteer their time and efforts by serving on boards, commissions and/or committees. I also want to thank our city staff who continues to take pride in their work and provide outstanding service to our citizens throughout the year.

I sincerely hope that your holidays are filled with happy times spent amongst family and friends. The City Council joins me in wishing your family health, happiness, safety, and prosperity during this holiday season and throughout 2015.

*~ Mike Felix
Mayor, City of Sachse*



Veterans Day Ceremony

The Sachse Historical Society will honor our veterans on Saturday, **November 8** at 11:00 a.m. at the Sachse Historical Society Museum located at 3033 Sixth Street. Museum personnel will be at the site a week prior to the event to accept donations of military items for display. If you or your family have anything you'd like to share, please contact the Sachse Historical Society (www.sachsehistoricalsociety.org/contact).

Sachse High School Turkey Trot



Join Sachse High School for its 10th annual Turkey Trot Thanksgiving morning at 8:00 a.m. There will be a 1 mile and 5k walk/fun run. You may pre-register online at https://secure.getmeregistered.com/get_information.php?event_id=10647 or you may wait and register at the event starting at 7:00 a.m. Trophies and medals will be awarded to the top finishers from each age group by gender. Proceeds from the event will benefit the Class of 2015 senior activities. For more information, you may contact Cyndi Mitchell at cyndikm@verizon.net.

Fun at the Library

Don't miss out on Storytime with Santa on **Thursday, December 4th** at 7:00 p.m. after the Tree Lighting at City Hall. Santa will read stories to the children and photo opportunities will be available.



MAKE-AND-TAKE CRAFT BUFFET

On **Monday, November 11** from 5:00-7:30 p.m. the Library will host a craft buffet. Learn how to make creative and inexpensive gifts for your friends and family. Supplies will be provided and open to all ages.

DADDY/DAUGHTER DANCE

The Parks and Recreation Dept. invite all dads and their little girl(s) to attend this year's Daddy/Daughter Dance. All ages are welcome.

The dance will be held on **Friday, December 5**, from 7:00-9:00 p.m. at the Senior Activity Center. The cost is \$15 per couple and \$5 for each additional daughter.

Come enjoy a night out with your special gal. Photo opportunities available along with some games, refreshments, and dancing, of course.

GARLAND SYMPHONY PERFORMANCE

Join us for an evening of holiday music on **Tuesday, December 9** at 6:30 p.m. at the Library. Garland Symphony orchestra members will perform a **FREE** concert. Bring the whole family out for this event.



YULETIDE POTLUCK

The Senior Center will be hosting a holiday luncheon on **Wednesday, December 17** at 10:00 a.m., with entrée's sponsored by Garnet Hill. Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m. There will be door prizes by Stoneybrook Memory Care of Garland along with entertainment by the Classic Tap Group, and an appearance by Santa.

YOU'RE INVITED TO HAVE PANCAKES WITH SANTA

WHEN: Saturday, December 6th
TIME: 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
WHERE: Fire Station No. 1, 5805 Bryan Street

Come enjoy an all you can eat pancake breakfast hosted by the Sachse Professional Firefighters Association. Includes orange juice, milk, and coffee. A photo can be taken with Santa for \$7.00. For more information regarding the event, visit the city's website or contact Jody Krizan at jkrizan@cityofsachse.com.

Pancake
Breakfast



ANNUAL TREE LIGHTING

Join us on **Thursday, December 4th** at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall for the annual tree lighting.

The Sachse High School Madrigal Singers will be performing carols before Mayor Felix reads a Proclamation and then lights up the beautiful tree.

Storytime with Santa will follow at the Library along with photo opportunities with Santa. For more information on both events, please visit the city's website.



Let's Go To The Movies

Join the Library for movie day during the month of November/December. Bring the whole family.



Nov. 4 - *Maleficent* - Ages 12 & Up; Rated PG at 5:30 p.m.

Nov. 5 - *Lego Movie* at 4:30 p.m.

Nov. 19 - *Mary Poppins* at 4:30 p.m.

Nov. 25 - *Monsters University* at 1:00 p.m.

Dec. 6 - Saturday Morning Comics at 10:00 a.m.

HOLIDAY SHOPPING SAFETY TIPS

As you are out and about this holiday season, don't forget the following safety tips provided by the Sachse Police Department from the National Crime Prevention Council.

- Do not buy more than you can carry. Plan ahead by taking a friend with you or ask a store employee to help you carry your packages to the car.
- Save all receipts. Print and save all confirmations from your online purchases. Start a file folder to keep all receipts together and to help you verify credit card or bank statements as they come in.
- Consider alternate options to pay for your merchandise, such as one time or multiuse disposable credit cards or money orders, at online stores and auction sites.
- Wait until asked before taking out your credit card or checkbook. An enterprising thief would love to shoulder surf to get your account information.
- Tell a security guard or store employee if you see an unattended bag or package. The same applies if you are using mass transit.
- Deter pickpockets. Carry your purse close to your body or your wallet inside a coat or front trouser pocket.
- Have your keys in hand when approaching your vehicle. Check the back seat and around the car before getting in.
- Do not leave packages visible in your car windows. Lock them in the trunk or, if possible, take them directly home.
- If you are shopping with children, make a plan in case you are separated from each other. Select a central meeting place, and teach them to know they can ask mall personnel or store security employees if they need help.

To find more useful shopping tips and personal safety information, visit the National Crime Prevention Council at www.ncpc.org.

City Contact Numbers

Police/Fire/Medical	911
Police Non-Emergency	972.495.2271
Fire Non-Emergency	469.429.4791
(Code Enforcement)	
City Hall	972.495.1212
(City Manager, City Secretary, Finance, Utility Billing, Municipal Court, and Human Resources)	
Library	972.530.8966
Community Development	469.429.4781
(Permits, Building Inspections, Zoning)	
Public Works	972.495.7600
Parks & Recreation	469.429.0275
Animal Control	972.675.9662
Sachse Senior Center	972.795.6282
Economic Development	469.429.4764
Chamber of Commerce	972.496.1212
City Council	
Mike Felix, Mayor	214.869.1016
Jeff Bickerstaff, Mayor Pro Tem	214.869.1884
Brett Franks	214.869.1288
Charlie Ross	214.869.1357
Paul Watkins	469.628.0041
Bill Adams	214.869.1655
Cullen King	214.869.1083
www.cityofsachse.com/CityCouncil	

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DECORATION SAFETY

Holidays can become disastrous in the blink of an eye, so this holiday season, take precaution with these few safety tips.

1. Be sure live trees are away from heat sources and the trunk stays moist.
2. Check lights for cracked sockets, frayed or bare wires, or loose connections. Use no more than 3 standard-size sets per single extension cord.
3. Turn off lighted decorations before leaving house or going to bed.
4. Keep candles away from the tree and never leave them burning when leaving the house or going to bed.