



The Sachse Scene

May/June 2015

Keeping You Informed About Your City

Spring and Summer months are finally here! Thus bringing many activities and events within and around the city to keep you busy and having fun.

The Parks and Recreation Department will be offering numerous summer youth camps including Art Camp, Cooking Camp, Performing Arts Camp, Cheer Camp, Keyboard Camp, and more. Camp dates, times, and locations vary, so check out the latest Parks and Recreation Guide and register today. The guide is available through the city's website or you may call the Parks and Recreation Department at 469-429-0275.



The Library will kick off their Summer Children's Programs on Saturday, June 6. There will be face painting, bounce houses, miniature horses, and more! You will also be able to sign up for the Summer Reading Program, which is great for all ages. Don't miss out on this fun-filled day.

If you are just into having a good time, I invite you to join us on July 3rd for the annual Red, White & Blue Blast: Sachse's Independence Day Celebration. The evening begins at 5:30 p.m. with pre-events at Heritage Park followed by a parade at 6:00 p.m. and live entertainment. This fun event will also include food, vendors, games, bounce houses, family fun, and of course, a spectacular Firework Show at 9:30 p.m. We invite all to come out and celebrate.

With so much going on these upcoming months, stay up to date and take time to check everything the city has to offer by visiting the city's website or liking the various Sachse Facebook Pages to stay informed. We look forward to seeing everyone out and about and having a great time at all the fun events and programs that the city has to offer. Be sure to say 'hello' while you're out!

~Mayor Felix

HOLIDAY REMINDERS

City offices will be closed Monday, May 25 for Memorial Day and Friday, July 3 for Independence Day. If you have a water or sewer emergency, please call 972-495-2271, option 2.

Trash service will NOT run on Memorial Day and service will be delayed by one day the remainder of the week. There will be no interruption or delay of trash service for the Independence Day Holiday.

CITY COUNCIL MAY 9 GENERAL ELECTION

The City Council General Election for May 9 has been cancelled due to the candidates (Incumbent Brett Franks and Incumbent Charlie Ross) filing with no opposition. On March 16, the Council approved an ordinance certifying that both candidates were unopposed and cancelled the May 9 General Election. The candidates will take office after the official canvassing period, which is June 1, 2015.

City Hall will remain a voting location on Election Day only (May 9) from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Election information can be found on the city's website or on the Dallas County website at www.dallascountyvotes.org.



ANNUAL RED, WHITE & BLUE BLAST

Mark your calendar now for the July 3 Independence Day celebration at the Red, White and Blue Blast.

The fun begins at 6:00 p.m. with the annual parade, which will end at Heritage Park, where trophies will be awarded for best entry in several different categories. Entertainment will begin at 5:30 p.m. Don't miss out on the other fun activities including bounce houses, vendor booths, food booths, and games. Fireworks will light up the sky at 9:30 p.m.

Watch the city's website and Facebook pages for more information. www.cityofsachse.com/redwhiteandblue

Sachse Public Library Sponsors Authorcon

Tuesday, May 19 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Perhaps you've heard of ComicCon, a favorite of teenagers and people who love comics. The Sachse Public Library will sponsor Authorcon, offering a haven for booklovers of all ages, whether you like to read fiction or non-fiction, historical novels or Sci-Fi.

Come early. Visit with our vampire writers and cookbook creators, mystery authors and others. Meet members of the Friends of the Library and the Sachse/Wylie Authors Group. Learn what's hot for the summer besides Texas. Refreshments and fun for all. The authors remain in the selection process, but we know you'll want to mark your calendar to see what's new for you. What more could you want on a breezy Texas evening in May?

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	972.495.6282
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

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SACHSE ANIMAL CONTROL HOSTS PET SHOT CLINIC

SATURDAY, MAY 2 FROM 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.



Sachse Animal Control is hosting a low cost pet shot clinic at the Sachse Animal Shelter located at 6436 Sachse Road on Saturday, May 2.

Animal Allies will offer shot packages, puppy shot packages, heartworm tests, feline leukemia vaccines and tests, as well as microchipping. City registrations/tags will also be available for \$2 if your pet is spayed or neutered, and \$7 if they are not. Replacement tags are \$1. Please bring proof of spay/neuter. Registration is **FREE** with a can of pet food. Payments may be made by **cash or check only** and no bills larger than a \$20 bill please.

The City of Sachse requires that all dogs and cats be registered with the city on an annual basis. Residents may do so by bringing proof of rabies vaccinations and/or that the animal is spayed or neutered. Dogs and cats must be vaccinated against rabies by four months of age and get a booster one year later. After that, animals may be vaccinated for rabies every three years. For more information, please contact the Animal Shelter during business hours Monday through Sunday, 8 am to 6 pm at 972-675-9662. **Remember dogs must be on leashes and cats in carriers.**



Kickoff Party

Summer Children's Programs

JUNE 6 - 10:00 am

Sachse Public Library

Kickoff the summer fun by stopping by the Amphitheater for face painting, games, bounce houses, plus music and miniature horses! Sign up for the Reading Program and find out what the summer has in store.

Ms. Lake Cities Senior Pageant

The Senior Center is changing the image of aging on Saturday, May 16 at 1:30 p.m. for Ladies 60+. Call the Senior Center at 972-495-6282 to register or for any questions.

Dazzling Dave's Science Spectacular



June 11 at 11:00 a.m. in the Library



You don't need to know a lot of big words or complicated formulae to get interested in science. Instead, start from a spectacular end result and work backwards to how and why it happened!



Summer Youth Camps

Sign up now for a summer youth camp hosted by our Parks and Recreation Department. These camps will keep the kids busy and active as they also learn a new skill or just have some fun during the summer months.

There are many camps to choose from including: Art Camp, Cheer Camp, Keyboard Camp, Performing Arts Camp, Cooking Camp and more. Camp dates, times, and locations vary.

Check out the city's class brochure, which is available online under the "Parks and Recreation Department" or you may call Cynthia Wiseman, Activity Coordinator at 469-429-0275 to check on class status or registration.

You may also register online at www.cityofsachse.com/parks and click on the class registration tab.

Saturday, May 2

@ 8:15 p.m. FREE - FOR ALL AGES



Bring your lawn chairs and blankets and relax as we watch a movie in the outdoor Amphitheater. Popcorn and drinks will be served.



Sachse and Dallas County Prepare for West Nile Virus

City staff and Dallas County HHS are again coordinating our planning efforts to make a collective impact on this year's West Nile virus season, and urging our residents to get ready as well. There was a significant decrease in WNV cases in 2014 due in part to citizen awareness and early preparation. The fight against West Nile virus is a joint effort. Everyone plays a role in making sure their homes and communities are safe.

Nothing changes in regards to detection, prevention, and control methods. Sachse and DCHHS will continue to implement the Integrated Mosquito Management program with four mosquito traps in multiple fixed areas in both counties (Dallas and Collin) of Sachse. The traps are collected and tested weekly. If a mosquito is found positive for WNV, Dallas County responds by ground spraying the targeted area within 48 hours. City staff will issue notifications in advance of spraying. In addition, DCHHS has expanded its efforts to include trapping the mosquitoes that carry Chikungunya virus (CHIKV).

West Nile virus is spread by the bite of an infected mosquito. Diagnosis of WNV requires a special blood test. Anyone who experiences symptoms of WNV illness should see a physician as soon as possible. Most infected people will show no symptoms. Symptoms typically develop between 3 to 14 days after a mosquito bite.

Resident's requests to investigate an area of concern are welcome. Visit the city's website under the "Residents/ Mosquito Control" tab for trap locations, an online complaint form, and more information.



Sachse and Dallas County HHS use an Integrated Mosquito Management program to control the mosquito population:

SURVEILLANCE

Mosquitoes are collected and examined to determine their population density, species and infection status. Water sources that support mosquito breeding habitats are investigated and removed.

LARVICIDE

Mosquito eater fish and EPA-approved products are used to kill mosquito larvae in standing water at its source.

ADULTICIDE

Insecticide is 'ground' sprayed to reduce adult mosquito populations.

PERSONAL

The public is encouraged through awareness campaigns to practice behaviors to reduce mosquito bites.

WHAT CAN I DO?

Mosquito season in Texas typically runs from May to November. Defend against West Nile using the 4 Ds:

DEET

- Whenever you're outside, use insect repellents that contain DEET, picaridin or oil of lemon eucalyptus.

DRAIN

- Remove all areas of standing water in and around your home.
- Change water in wading pools, pet dishes, and birdbaths several times per week.

DRESS

- Wear long, loose and light-colored clothing outside.

DUSK & DAWN

- Stay indoors during dusk and dawn hours when mosquitoes are most active.