

The Sachse Scene

May/June 2016 Keeping You Informed About Your City

Events and activities provide family time

By Mayor **Mike J. Felix**



As usual, this time of year is filled with all manner of activities for residents and their families. Please review the information in this newsletter and continue to visit www.cityofsachse.com for details on the various activities and events around town.

This is also the time when we start thinking about watering our lawns and landscapes. The staff is working on putting on educational programs and informational seminars on water conservation and the wise use of water in our homes. The inaugural H2O XPO, Sachse Water Expo helped kick off this effort on April 10. Look for more of these types of activities to help us manage our water use and, of course, our budgets.

In that regard, please consider signing up on the free Water My Yard website. The site will send you e-mails or texts with the latest science-based advice on when and how much to water your lawns. The advice is based on a measuring device we have right here in Sachse. Go to www.watermyyard.org and sign up.

Finally, we thank all of the wonderful volunteers who helped with the annual Arbor Day Jubilee. Sachse is cleaner and more beautiful because of you!



City offices will be CLOSED on Monday, May 30 in observance of Memorial Day and Monday, July 4 in observation of Independence Day. If you have a water or sewer emergency, please call 972-495-2271 and choose option 2.

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

GOING DIGITAL

We will soon move toward an electronic version of this newsletter. Over the next few weeks, we will convert to a program that sends an e-mail message to people containing City news, informative links and other material of interest and importance to you. Look for an opt-in link on the City's website in the near future, then subscribe with your e-mail address.

COUNCIL ELECTION UPDATE

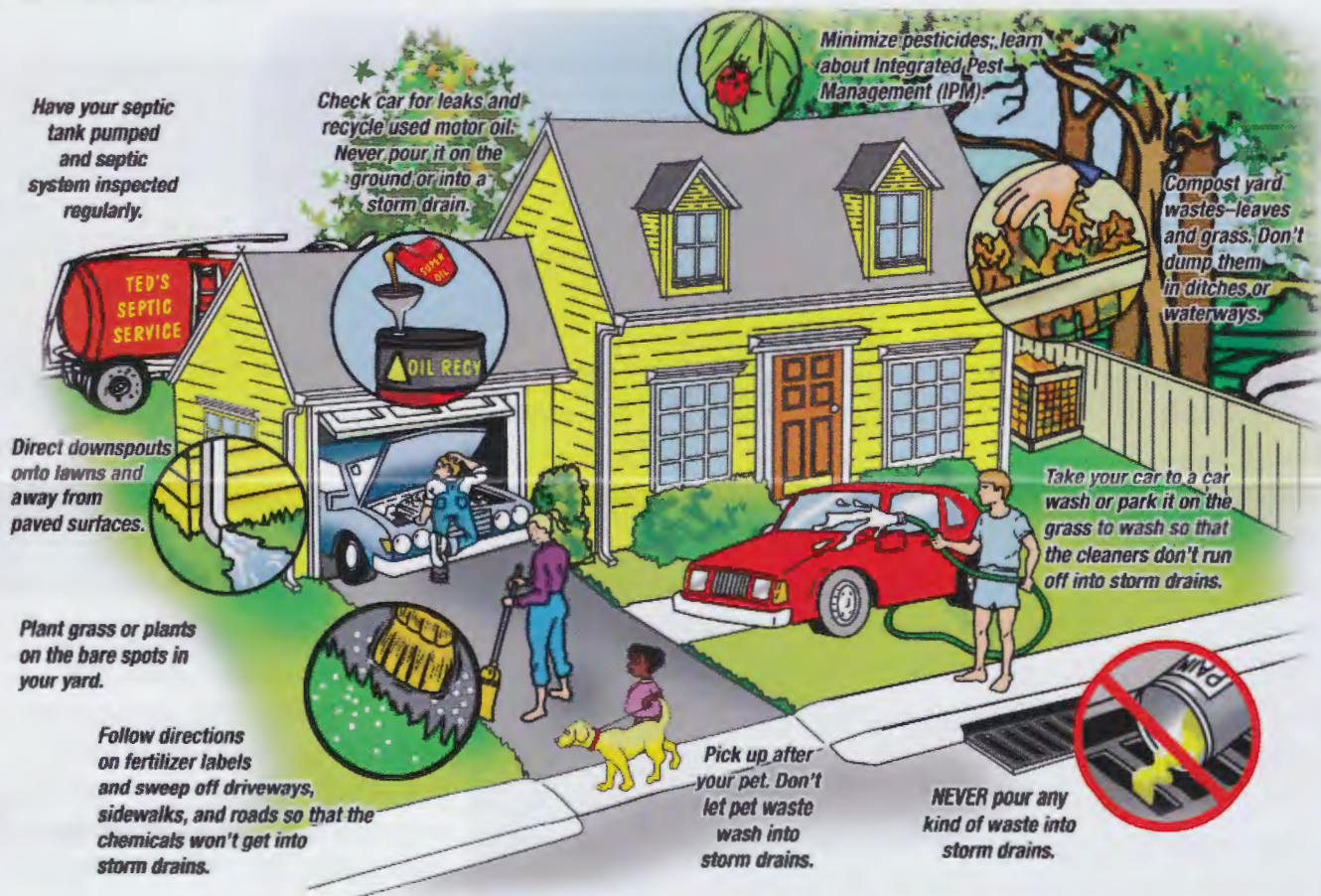
The City Council General Election for May 7 has been cancelled due to the candidates (Incumbent Mayor Mike Felix, Incumbent Cullen King, and Incumbent Jeff Bickerstaff) filing with no opposition. On March 7, the Council approved an ordinance certifying that all candidates were unopposed and cancelled the May 7 General Election. The candidates will take office after the official canvassing period, which is June 1, 2016.

City Hall will remain a voting location on election day for the GISD ballot (precinct 2941) 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.dallascountytvotes.org.

~KEEPING OUR WATER CLEAN~ Many people think that most water pollution comes from a single identifiable source - called 'point source' pollution - like large factories or sewage treatment plants for example. But the Environmental Protection Agency estimates that nonpoint source pollution is becoming the biggest factor affecting water quality today. Some examples of typical nonpoint source pollutants in suburban areas are:

- Household hazardous wastes
- Fertilizers and pesticides
- Cleaning agents & auto products
- Yard wastes and trash
- Septic systems and pet waste
- Erosion & sediment runoff

See the graphic below for specific examples and tips on how to help prevent nonpoint source pollution at home!



Clean water begins at home...

SPREAD THE WORD ABOUT PROTECTING OUR WATERWAYS FROM POLLUTED RUNOFF, 469-429-4788 TO REPORT VIOLATIONS

At the Library



■ **Manga Art Display** - May is Manga Month and we want to display your artwork!
See website for guidelines.

■ **Explore Horizons** - "Warrior Cats" Workshop - Tues., May 3, 6 p.m.

■ **Second Annual Author Con** - Sat., May 21, Noon to 4 p.m.

This event is designed to showcase local Texas authors in various genres from children's picture books to novels and more. The event is free and open to the public.

■ **Summer Reading Program** kicks off Saturday, June 4 at 10 a.m.! Register for the Summer Reading Club: read 20 hours in 8 weeks and be eligible for cool prizes!

■ Join us **Thursdays at 11 a.m.** for some very special guests:

June 9 - Juggling w/ David Slick

June 16 - Miniature Horses

June 23 - Wildlife on the Move

June 30 - Science w/ Dazzling Dave

■ **Teens/Tweens** - bring a friend and come see us **Tuesdays at 2 p.m.**-
Programs designed with you in mind! Ages 11-19 only!

June 7 - Cooking

June 14 - CROSSFIT with Ms. Jill

June 21 - Perler Bead Crafting

June 28 - Kickboxing with Ms. Rachel

Please check our website for additional information and updates.

YOU GOT A PERMIT FOR THAT?

This is a wonderful time of the year for projects! The City of Sachse reminds residents that most projects (fences, patios, pools, etc.) require a permit. If you're hiring a contractor, it is still your responsibility to make sure the job is permitted. By obtaining a permit, you can be sure that your project is compliant with code and is designed to not damage people or property. City staff is customer-service driven and is much better equipped to assist with a project before it commences.



So before diving into a long-anticipated project, call the Community Development at 469-429-4781 to learn about applicable regulations and get your permit. Additional information can also be found on our website. Happy Spring!

Celebrate Independence Day!

Join us for Sachse's Annual Independence Day Parade and Red, White and Blue Blast. This fun event will start with the parade which ends at Heritage Park where the festivities will include musical entertainment, food and a variety of family friendly activities such as games, bounce houses and more.



Of course, the evening will round out with a spectacular fireworks show that you won't want to miss!

Sat., July 2nd
4408 Hudson Dr.
Parade begins at 6pm

Fireworks at 9:30pm
See the website for details and updates!



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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, Municipal Court, Human Resources, Utility Billing)

Library	972.530.8966
Community Development	469.429.4781

(Permits, Building Inspections, Zoning)

Public Works	972.495.7600
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Parks & Recreation	469.429.0275
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Animal Control	972.675.9662
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Sachse Senior Center	972.495.6282
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Economic Development	469.429.4764
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Chamber of Commerce	972.496.1212
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City Council

Mike Felix, Mayor	214.869.1016
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Brett Franks, Mayor Pro Tem	214.869.1288
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Jeff Bickerstaff	214.869.1884
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Charlie Ross	214.869.1357
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Paul Watkins	469.628.0041
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Bill Adams	214.869.1655
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Cullen King	214.869.1083
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Movie in the Amphitheater



Bring your lawn chairs and blankets and relax in the outdoor amphitheater for our showing of **The Good Dinosaur!** Bring the whole family to enjoy this free event. Popcorn and drinks will be served.

City Hall - Amphitheater
Saturday May 7th, 8:15pm

Keeping your pets cool...

Please remember to pay special attention to your pets during the hot days of summer. Make sure dogs and cats that are left outside have access to shade and plenty of water. We recommend using ceramic or plastic bowls for outside pets, as the sun tends to cause the water in metal bowls to become too hot. You might put out a small plastic pool with fresh water so that your pets can keep cool during the hotter parts of the day. For dogs with longer hair, you might consider a shorter summer cut. Most importantly, **never**, leave your pet in a vehicle during the summer. Please call Animal Services if you have any concerns or questions regarding animals and summer temperatures.

