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City Council goals and objectives

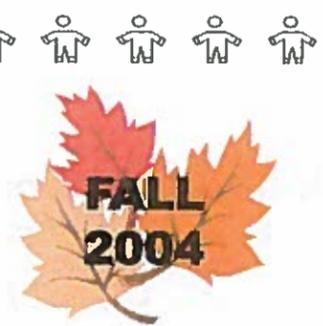
The Mayor, City Council and Executive Team met in July 2004 for the annual strategic planning session with Lyle Sumek of Lyle Sumek Associates, Inc. These sessions are designed to review, evaluate and fine-tune the vision, plan and execution of priorities, progress and goals of the council and administration.

"It is essential to periodically review the city's progress and fine-tune our priorities. This enables the city to continue to streamline operations and prepare for the future needs of our community," said Mayor Tillotson.

The priorities established this year reflect careful evaluation of a multitude of both short and long-term needs and will provide direction for city administration. The Lancaster Vision 2020 and Five Year Goals were fine-tuned but remain consistent. City Council established priorities for the Policy Agenda. Below is The Lancaster Vision 2020, Five Year Goals, the Policy Agenda and Major Projects for 2004-2005.

Policy Agenda 2004-2005
Top Priority
Economic Development Structure and Strategy Airport Master Plan I-20 Overlay Plan and District/Argent Distribution Project Bear Creek Nature Park Development and Funding Stormwater Master Plan
High Priority
Employee Compensation Policy and Plan Golf Course/Clubhouse Renovation and Improvements Airport Overlay District Zoning Ordinance Subdivision Ordinance Budget Format and Funding Priorities: Operation, Capital Improvements
Moderate Priority
I-20 Service Road Visitors Center Development Impact Fees: Water, Wastewater Multicultural Center Concept Development and Financial Strategy Streetscape Visual Improvement Projects, including Gateways and Entrances Fiscal Impact Analysis Model for New Developments Wintergreen Road Widening Project (Dallas Avenue-Jefferson Street) Diversity Training for All City Employees Downtown Beautification and Streetscape Community Events Participation and Funding Policy Bond Package and Program Houston School Road Widening

LANCASTER VISION 2020
LANCASTER IS A PROUD VIBRANT CITY. <i>We Celebrate Our Diversity and History and Preserve Our Natural Beauty. Our Citizens Take Pride in Our City.</i>
THE LANCASTER COMMUNITY <i>is the Best Place to Live with Excellent Schools and Educational Opportunities and Attractive Corridors and Neighborhoods. Our Citizens Enjoy Convenient Living.</i>
FIVE YEAR GOALS
Financially Sound, Stable City Government <hr/> Higher Quality Development: Residential and Commercial <hr/> Greater Community Unity and Pride <hr/> Becoming the Preferred Place to Live: Professionals and Families <hr/> Improved City Infrastructure and Services
Major Projects 2004-2005
Senior Center Renovation Project (Dallas County) Beltline Widening Project Visitor Center/Downtown Beautification I-20 Service Road: Construction Houston School Road Widening Project Bear Creek Nature Park Public Safety Building



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Holiday closings

City offices will be closed for the following holiday observances:



25 & 26
Thanksgiving



24 & 31
Christmas & New Years

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A message from Mayor Joe Tillotson to the citizens of Lancaster

The July 28 and 29 storms produced 13.35 inches of rain in approximately seven hours, creating flash flooding that resulted in the worst disaster Lancaster has seen since the tornado in 1994. 174 homes, 5 commercial buildings and 5 public facilities were damaged, at a total value of more than \$7.5 million. While much of the media attention focused on the worst-flooded areas along Ten Mile Creek, many homes in other parts of our community were damaged as well.

Once again, the citizens of Lancaster worked together to help their neighbors in need. The Lancaster Outreach Center, Red Cross and Salvation Army quickly responded with volunteers, food and shelter. The City Council met in emergency session on July 29, declared a disaster, and the City began the massive job of debris removal, which continues even today.

Offers of help poured in from Senator Royce West, Representative Edie Bernice Johnson, Senator John Cornyn, and Dallas County Commissioner John Wiley Price. Their assistance was invaluable in obtaining a disaster declaration. There was enough damage in the region that on August 3, Governor Rick Perry declared Dallas and four adjoining counties a disaster area due to excessive rain and flooding and requested assistance from the Small Business Administration (SBA) and from the Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) to help us begin the rebuilding process. Representatives from these agencies, FEMA, HUD, National Weather Service and the City's engineering consultants were present for the August 9 citizens' information meeting on the flood. Approximately 125 people were present and all the above-mentioned agencies were available for questions.

Since the flood, there have been many rumors claiming the City's negligence and inability to prevent the flooding. I have been often quoted as saying the flash flooding was of Noah's proportions - an extraordinary amount of rain in a short period of time that could not have been prevented - a 500 year storm we hope will never occur again.

While we could not have prevented recent storms, Lancaster has been addressing storm water issues for many years. Here are just a few of the steps that have been taken:

- 1990-initiated interlocal watershed planning program with six local governments
- 1993-citizens urged City council not to implement improvements recommended by the Corps of Engineers study of Ten Mile Creek
- 1994- adopted drainage and flood control ordinance
- 1999- adopted storm water master drainage plan
- 2001- Lancaster requested a regional Ten Mile Creek study update; other Best Southwest cities declined to participate
- 2002- completed storm water engineering study
- 2002- implemented \$5.00/month storm water utility fee fund drainage improvements and maintenance
- 2004- updated storm water ordinance and design manual
- September, 2004 - approved an emergency notification system that can be used for flood warnings

Handling storm water requires a regional approach. I have met with the mayors of Cedar Hill, DeSoto and Duncanville and all the Best Southwest cities are committed to resolving these issues. We are clear that it will take millions of dollars and many years to accomplish. In the meantime, the City will not allow homes in the flood way and flood plain to be rebuilt without raising their foundations to a level above the 100 year flood elevation, placing those families out of harm's way of another disastrous storm.

I am sure that all the citizens of Lancaster join me in expressing our deepest sympathies for those families that lost so much in the flooding. If you want to donate to the flood relief fund, please contact Ronnie Lowe at the Lancaster Outreach Center, 972- 670-7169.

NEED ASSISTANCE? DO YOU KNOW WHERE TO CALL?

Animal Control	972-227-1342
Birth Certificates	972-227-8125
Building Inspections	972-218-1101
Cable (Comcast)	972-445-5555
Chamber of Commerce	972-227-2579
City Hall	972-227-2111
City Swimming Pool	972-227-7320
Neighborhood Services (Code Compliance)	972-218-1101
Community House (Seniors)	972-227-2650
Constable Derick Evans	972-227-6015
Country View Golf Course	972-227-0995
County Health Department (Immunizations)	214-819-2100
County Tax	214-653-7811
Driver's License	469-272-9301
Economic Development Corporation	972-218-7036
Employment - City Job Line	972-218-1140
Fire (Non-emergency)	972-227-1813
Police (Non-emergency)	972-227-4006
Housing	972-227-4991
Lancaster Municipal Airport	972-227-5721
Lancaster Today (Newspaper)	972-298-4211
Library	972-227-1080
LISD Administration	972-227-4141
Medical Center at Lancaster	972-223-9600
Motor Vehicle Registration	214-653-7811
Municipal Court	972-227-4900
Outreach Center	972-227-0138
Parks & Recreation Center	972-227-1112
Planning & Zoning	972-218-1101
Post Office	972-227-6089
Public Works	972-227-6075
SBC (Telephone Service)	800-464-7928
Trinity Waste	972-225-8151
TXU (Customer Service)	800-460-3030
Utility Billing	972-227-7941
Voter Registration (County Elections Dept)	214-637-7937
Water/Sewer	972-218-5927

Federal Flood Insurance

- * Flood insurance is available to anyone that lives in the city limits of Lancaster. Availability depends on whether the community participates in the program. City of Lancaster and Dallas County both participate in the program. If an individual lives in the county then the county commissioners need to make application.
- * Lancaster joined the emergency program May 28, 1974, and joined the regular flood insurance program in August 3, 1981. (Difference being that before 1981 the city was not mapped.)
- * Lancaster's first flood insurance rate map was filed 8/3/81.
- * Currently in Lancaster there are 1,983 policies in force — \$10,976,400 worth of insurance in force as of 30 days ago.
- * Flood insurance - a resident can get up to \$250,000 for the structure and \$100,000 for contents. (Based on things like when the structure was built, elevation relationship between the lowest floor and the base flood elevation, how much insurance they want, etc.)
- * Flood insurance can be purchased through any agent that provides flood insurance. If the agent who holds your home insurance does not provide it, you can purchase a separate flood insurance policy through another agent. The rates are the same no matter what agent you use and are figured according to the different type of structure issues (mentioned above). Some agents think if an individual doesn't live in a flood plain they don't need flood insurance or can't get it. Some think the same thing about those that do live in a flood plain. Anyone that lives in the community can purchase it.
- * There is a much more information on the federal insurance program on the net at www.floodsmart.gov



Citizens Fire Academy...

The Lancaster Fire Department's Citizen's Fire Academy is a program designed for persons living or working in the City of Lancaster who wish to learn more about the Lancaster Fire Department. Included are the emergency medical service and fire operations. The Academy is taught by fire fighters from throughout the department. Academy participants are given the opportunity to participate in demonstrations of emergency operations and to ride with on-duty fire fighters on emergency calls. While designed for residents and people who work in Lancaster, non-residents are welcome as space permits.

Covered in this program are topics such as: Fire department history and organization, home fire safety, ambulance services, a live burn (including a flashover demonstration) and a CPR class and others.

The academy is offered two times a year. A spring class that is 11 weeks in length and meets on Thursday mornings at 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and a fall class that is eight weeks long and meets on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. The academy meets at the Lancaster Public Safety Building, 1501 North Dallas Avenue, Lancaster. The Citizens Fire Academy is FREE; there is no cost to the participant. To apply, complete an application form and return it to the Lancaster Fire Department. Call 972-227-1813 for academy dates and an application, or go on-line at www.ci.lancaster.tx.us/firedep.html. We accept applications year round.

"Our goal at the Lancaster Fire Department is to consistently provide the best possible service to the citizens of Lancaster. We are here to protect our community. The Fire Department exists to serve the citizens of the community."

Police Department welcomes new recruits



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Citizens police academy...

At least twice a year the Lancaster Police Department sponsors a Citizens Police Academy. This past year the department added and sponsored a Citizens Police Academy for senior citizens. The Citizens Police Academy is a nine (9) week program that highlights the major components of the police service such as patrol procedures, traffic enforcement, accident investigation, communications (E911), administration, internal affairs, narcotics, criminal investigations, tactical operations and others.

The main purpose of the Citizens Police Academy is to acclimate and inform people who live or work in Lancaster about their police department. Through this program the community as well as the department becomes better acquainted. The department plans to add another dimension to the Academy in 2005 by providing further training for academy graduates who wish to become volunteers. Anyone interested in attending an upcoming Citizens Police Academy should contact Officer John Shepperd at 972-227-4006 for an application. Future dates and times will soon be announced, however, we accept applications year round.

Alarm permits are required!



The City of Lancaster requires that all alarm systems for individuals, homeowners, businesses and corporations in the city be properly permitted. Permits are available through the Lancaster Police Department, 1501 N. Dallas Avenue, Monday thru Friday, 8am to 4:30pm.

Permit fees are subject to renewal annually and have been set at \$25.00 for residences, \$100.00 for commercial establishments and \$250.00 for financial institutions. The fees cover the cost of maintaining emergency contact numbers in the department's data base and for initial responses by law enforcement personnel.

Abuses or over use of these alarms may subject applicants to penalty fines or could result in the suspension of the alarm permit(s).

Alarm activation without a valid or current alarm permit may expose the owner to criminal penalties. Alarm systems provide an added measure of security and must be used appropriately to gain the maximum benefit. Members of YOUR Lancaster Police Department are proud to protect you and your property and we ask for your support and cooperation in making this program an ongoing success.

CITY OF LANCASTER
ALARM PERMIT

LANCASTER POLICE DEPARTMENT

OFFICE USE ONLY

Issue Date: _____ 20____ Permit No. _____ Receipt No. _____

Expiration Date: _____ 20____ Clerk _____

Original Data Charge Delete Permit Reissue Permit Supervision

ALARM PERMIT APPLICATION

NAME OF RESIDENT/BUSINESS _____

ADDRESS _____

TELEPHONE # AT ALARM SITE A/C _____ SECONDARY # A/C _____

ALARM IS: RESIDENTIAL COMMERCIAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTION

TYPE OF ALARM: AUDIBLE BURGLAR ROBBERY PANIC ALARM

SILENT SECONDARY ROBBERY PANIC ALARM

(NOTE): BUSINESS LIST HOURS IN EFFECT ON ROBBERY ALARM _____ AM / PM TO _____ AM / PM

ALARM ACTIVATED BY:

CONTACT POINTS - PERIMETER MOTION DETECTOR LIGHT BEAM SOUND

MANUALLY ACTIVATED OTHER _____

ALARM INSTALLED _____ TELEPHONE # A/C _____

PERSON OR BUSINESS RESPONSIBLE FOR MAIN TENANCE OF ALARM SYSTEM:

NAME _____ ADDRESS _____ TEL.# _____

CONTACT PERSONS: MUST HAVE ACCESS TO PREMISES AND ALARM, WITH A 30-MINUTE RESPONSE TIME TO ALARM SITE.
(MINIMUM TWO PERSONS NEEDED FOR CONTACT)

	TELEPHONE	
	HOME	WORK
1. NAME _____ ADDRESS _____		
2. NAME _____ ADDRESS _____		
3. NAME _____ ADDRESS _____		

I HAVE READ THE COMPLETED APPLICATION AND KNOW THE SAME TO BE TRUE AND CORRECT. I HEREBY AGREE THAT IF A PERMIT IS ISSUED, I WILL COMPLY WITH ALL PROVISIONS OF LANCASTER ORDINANCES AND STATE LAWS. I UNDERSTAND THAT I WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR PAYMENT OF ALL FEES AND CHARGES AND ANY CIVIL ACTION WHICH MAY ARISE FROM THE OPERATION OF THIS ALARM SYSTEM. PLEASE NOTIFY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT OF CANCELLATION OF ALARM PERMIT SOON AS POSSIBLE. CALL 972-227-4006, 8:00 AM TO 5:00 PM, MONDAY - FRIDAY.

SIGNED _____ DATE: _____



Public Safety continued...

Police Department welcomes new recruits.

The Lancaster Police Department is pleased to announce the hiring of six (6) new police officers to help protect and serve our community. Scott Chaples, James Groom, Machel McAnally, Marcus Talton and Vernon Wilson were hired as Police Officers on July 12, 2004. All five are currently attending the N.C.T.O.G. Police Academy. The five new recruits are expected to graduate from the Police Academy on November 24th. After graduation, they will begin the twenty-one week field training program.



Latisha Washington, a graduate of the Cedar Valley College Police Academy, started with the Lancaster Police Department on August 9, 2004 and is currently assigned to a field training officer in the field training program. Latisha comes to the City of Lancaster from the Hutchins State Jail, where she was employed as a corrections officer.



Marcus Talton



Vernon Wilson



James Groom



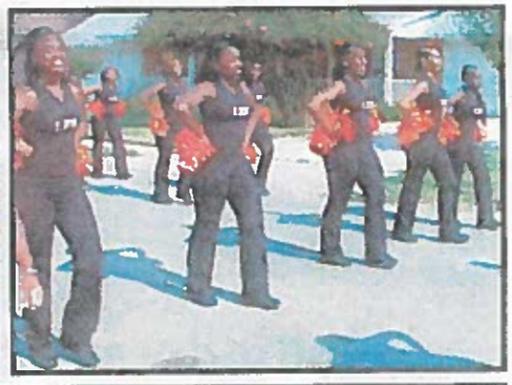
Scott Chaples



Machel McAnally



Back to school parade, health fair, bicycle rodeo & 2nd. Saturday on the Square

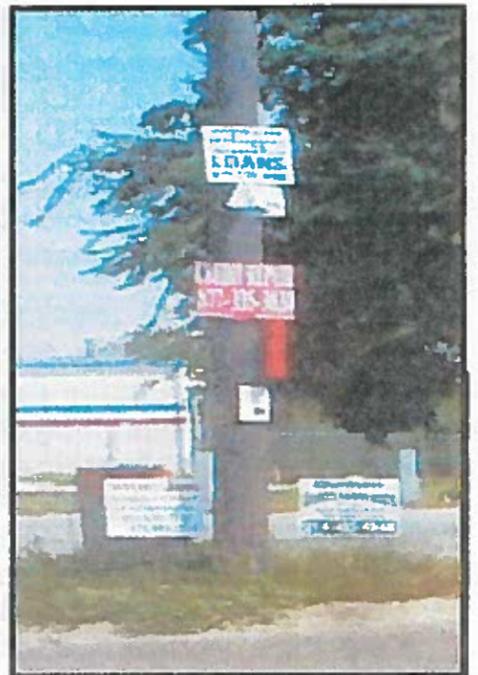




Garage Sales

Residents are allowed to have two garage sales per calendar year. A permit must first be obtained at a cost of \$5.00 prior to the garage sale. Permits are good for a ten day period. Permits may be applied for at the Community Development Building, 700 E. Main Street, Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Garage Sale Signs are only permitted to be placed on private property. You are allowed to have three (3) signs. It is illegal to erect or affix a sign in the right-of-way (the area from the curb to the sidewalk,) in the median (the area that is in the middle of any street,) on trees, public fences, buildings or utility/telephone poles. Any sign that is placed illegally will be removed and discarded by city employees. Additionally, if you do not have a permit, your sign will be removed and discarded. Please help keep our city free of illegal signs by placing your sign only on private property. For more information you may contact Community Development at (972) 218-1101.



Incorrect sign placement



Keep Lancaster Beautiful has implemented a Yard of the Month Program. Each month at their regular meeting (2nd Thursday of each month at James R Williams Pump Station), pictures of residential yards that are well manicured, have lovely landscaping and that show pride in their community, will be brought in and judged by the members of Keep Lancaster Beautiful. The yard that is selected will be notified and a sign designating that this property is the Yard of the Month will be placed on the property. Photographs will be submitted to the Lancaster Today Newspaper for publication.

July 2004
Yard of the Month

609 S. Dallas Ave.
Emily and Leslie Ray Lewis,
Owners



September 2004
Yard of the Month



August 2004
Yard of the Month
2513 Copperfield
Jennie Fuller,
Owner



220 E. 5th. Street
RJ & Grace Cummins

Keep Lancaster Beautiful wants your nomination for the Yard of the Month. You may participate by nominating properties that are clean and beautiful by e-mailing KLBYard@hotmail.com. Submissions need to be e-mailed by the first of each month. The address of the property is the only information needed on the e-mail, however if a picture is available that may be sent as well. Remember the property must be in compliance with all city codes, including the alleyway. Properties are to be maintained to the middle of the alleyway.

For more information, or if you would like to judge the submissions, please attend our regular meeting the second Thursday of each month at the James R. Williams Pump Station, 1999 Jefferson Street, Lancaster at 6:00 p.m. or you may email us at KLBYard@hotmail.com with any questions or comments.



Littering is not just a crime, it's an insult to the Lone Star State.



Visit www.dontmesswithtexas.org to learn more.

Cigarette butt, soda can, candy wrapper, lottery ticket...litter is litter. Throwing litter out of your vehicle is a Class C misdemeanor, punishable by a fine up to \$500. For a repeat offender, the penalty is increased to a Class B misdemeanor, punishable by a fine up to \$2,000 and up to 180 days in jail.

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

- Take personal responsibility for your own garbage and encourage others to do the same. Keep a litterbag in your vehicle, and use it. Set an example for your neighbors, friends and children by putting your trash where it belongs. Cover your load. Unsecured debris in the back of your own vehicle becomes litter when it blows out.



Q: True or False: men are the only ones with a nasty litter habit in Texas. A: False. According to a recent litter survey, women are just as guilty of littering as men.

Q: Why does it take a cigarette butt 25 years to decompose? A: Cigarette butts take a long time-about 25 years-to decompose because of the plastic in the filter. Cigarettes are littered more than any type of trash.



A LITTLE LITTER Q&A

Q: Everyone's heard the phrase "Don't Mess with Texas," but what does it mean? A: "Don't Mess with Texas" is the Texas Department of Transportation's litter prevention slogan developed in 1986. Today, more than 96% of Texans know the slogan which has become world famous for convincing Texans not to litter.

Q: Many of the people you see wearing orange vests and picking up trash on the side of the road are: 1) convicts? 2) fashion models? 3) nice volunteers who pick up YOUR trash? A: #3 - Volunteers from the Adopt-a-Highway program pick up your trash on more than 8,000 miles, or about 10% of state-maintained highways. The other 90% of the highways are cleaned by people paid with your state tax dollars.



Q: Name two terrible things that could result from throwing your cigarette butt out the window. A: You could be nabbed and fined by the law since littering is illegal. You could also start a fire. Neither option is worth "messing" with Texas.

Q: How many millions of your state tax dollars are spent each year picking up after Texans who trash our roadsides? A: \$24 million dollars are spent every year in Texas to pick up trash off the road sides. That's an expensive tab for maid service, so next time you're traveling the Texas highways, bag your trash and Don't Mess with Texas.



Q: Remember the "Seinfeld" episode in which Kramer was especially proud of a certain stretch of roadway somewhere near New York City? In what program was Kramer participating? A: Kramer was participating in the Adopt-a-Highway program, which got it's start in Tyler, Texas back in 1985. Today, this program has expanded to 48 states.

Q: 45% of the Texans who litter drive what kind of vehicle? A: A pickup truck. Why's that important? About half the roadside litter flies out of the back of pickup trucks. Remember that throwing trash in the back of the bed is the same as throwing it out the window. Covering your load is not only smart, it's required by law.

Animal Shelter Hours Monday-Friday 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm Saturday 11:00 am to 3:00 pm For additional information you may call 972-227-1342

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Fite the bite!!

Can you answer the questions below so you will know how to prevent bites?

True or False? An animal might bite if you:



- 1. try to play with her puppies or kittens. 2. pull his ears or tail. 3. squeeze her too hard. 4. tease him. 5. bother her while she is eating or sleeping. 6. run past her. 7. go near him when he doesn't know you.

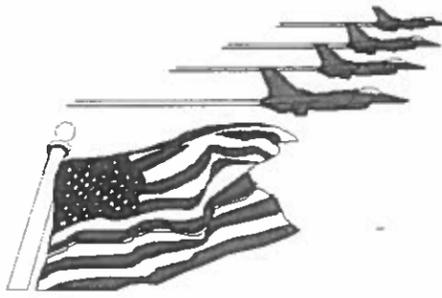


Answers: 1.T, 2.T, 3.T, 4.F, 5.T, 6.T, 7.T

Help prevent animal bites by using caution around all animals. Remember, never approach a wild animal such as skunk or raccoon; they carry many diseases including rabies that may be spread to you if you are bitten or scratched. For more information you may contact Neighborhood Services Division, Animal Control at 972-227-1342.



Freedom is not free

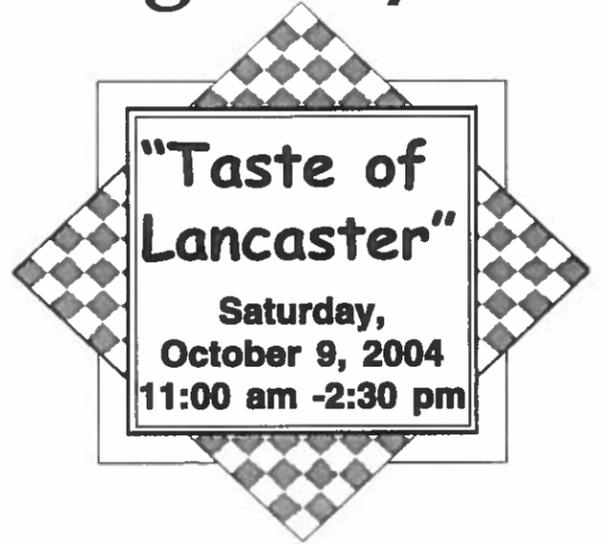


Mark your calendars now so you won't miss out on a very special event being planned as a tribute to our local veterans and active duty service personnel with special recognition to veterans of World War II. *Freedom Is Not Free* is the theme for our second annual patriotic program on Saturday, October 9th, 2:00 pm at Heritage Park near City Hall.

The day will include a full agenda of events sure to appeal to patriots of all ages. A salute to armed forces and military representatives, dramatic jet fly-over, military vehicles and antique car display, a possible showing from the Model Airplane Club with one of their remote control vehicles, LISD art & poetry winners will be announced and displayed for the first time, performances from LHS ROTC Drill Team, LHS & LJHS Choirs, LHS Band and the Southwest Children's Chorus. Taste of Lancaster and Second Saturday on the square will be going on prior to the *Freedom Is Not Free* program.

Lancaster residents who served during World War II should contact Opal Robertson or Cheryl Womble of the city of Lancaster at 972-218-1134 for more information and to be included in the special recognition.

Bring your lawn chairs and get ready for a dynamic sight and sound experience!



"Taste of Lancaster"

Saturday, October 9, 2004 11:00 am -2:30 pm

The Lancaster Chamber of Commerce is presenting their fourth annual "Taste of Lancaster" festival in association with "2nd Saturday on the Square".

Local restaurants will be selling food. The chamber will sell \$1.00 coupons to be used to purchase food from these restaurants. We will also have our regular vendors on hand. We are expecting around 45 vendors to be set up selling their arts & crafts. There will also be live entertainment during the day.

For addition information contact Ellen Clark at 972-227-7010 or Mary Kinnard at 972-227-2579.

Home Depot moves foward

Exciting times do seem to abound for Lancaster and the future bodes well for expanding retail opportunities across our community. Home Depot purchased their site in mid-August and immediately started site work that is readily visible from the I-35E service road. City Council authorized the purchase of needed public right-of-way for the collector/rear access road to be built from Beltline north and paralleling the creek. LEDC, with Council's concurrence, and street impact fees, will fund the construction. This (public works) project is being fast-tracked to ensure a rapid completion to coincide with an anticipated late February-early March 2005 store opening.

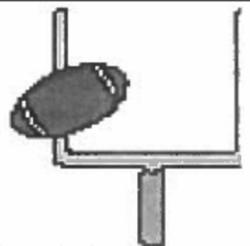
Home Depot will build a 136,000 s.f. facility (including garden center), employ upwards of 120 people with a significant (\$5 million) local payroll, AND generate an estimated \$600-\$700,000 in additional local sales tax! There will also be the much anticipated pad site development that, rumor says, will be a very recognizable sit-down restaurant with the jobs, payroll, and increased taxes it will generate. We all look forward to this announcement soon.

The rear access/collector road also opens 20+ more acres between Wal-Mart and Home Depot for future commercial/retail development. These truly are exciting times in Lancaster and many concrete measures are in place to further encourage quality growth and development. Shop, dine and buy Lancaster!



Lancaster Tigers Varsity Football Schedule

2004



Date	Teams	Time	Place
10/8	Red Oak*	7:30 PM	There
10/15	Ennis	7:30 PM	Lancaster
10/22	Athens*	7:30 PM	There
10/29	Corsicana*	7:30 PM	Lancaster
11/ 5	Mabank*	7:30 PM	There

* 14-4A District Game

Junior Varsity Schedule

10/7	Red Oak	7:00 PM
10/14	@Ennis	7:00 PM
10/21	Athens	7:00 PM
10/28	@Corsicana	7:00 PM
11/4	Mabank	7:00 PM

Seventh Grade Schedule

10/5	Red Oak	5:30/7:00	Lancaster
10/12	Ennis	5:30/7:00	There
10/19	Athens	5:30/7:00	Lancaster
10/26	Corsicana	5:30/7:00	There
11/2	Mabank	5:30/7:00	Lancaster

Eighth Grade Schedule

10/5	Red Oak	5:30/7:00	There
10/12	Ennis	5:30/7:00	Lancaster
10/19	Athens	5:30/7:00	There
10/26	Corsicana	5:30/7:00	Lancaster
11/2	Mabank	5:30/7:00	There

Freshman Schedule

10/7	Red Oak	5:30 PM
10/14	@Ennis	5:30 PM
10/21	Athens	5:30 PM
10/28	@Corsicana	5:30 PM
11/4	Mabank	5:30 PM



Support your tigers!





October

Breast Cancer Awareness Month		
4th-8th		Fire Safety Week
6th	7:30 pm	Dive-in Movie (Aquatic Center)
9th	2:00 pm	Freedom is not Free (Heritage Park)
9th	11:00-2:30 pm	Taste of Lancaster & Second Saturday on the Square
11th		Columbus Day
31st	6:00- 9:00 pm	Great Pumpkin Festival (Recreation Center)
17th-23th		Teen Read Week
28th	6:30-7:00 pm	Child Safety Event
31st		Halloween



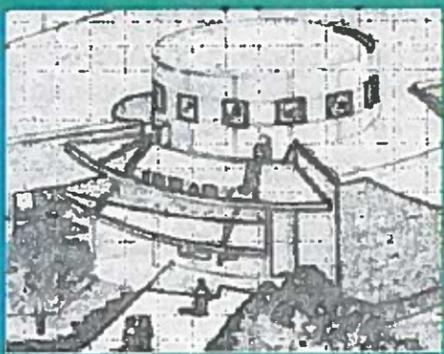
November

2nd		Election Day
11th		Veterans' Day
15th		Texas Recycles Day
20th	7:30 pm	Dive-in Movie (Aquatic Center)
25th		Thanksgiving Day

December

4th	5:00 pm	Lantern Stroll/Tree Lighting (Heritage Park)
11th	8:00 am	Breakfast with Santa (Recreation Center)
11th	7:30 pm	Dive-in Movie (Aquatic Center)
18th	2:00 - 4:00 pm	Swim with Santa (Aquatic Center)
25th		Christmas Day

Lancaster Veterans Memorial Library



1600 Veterans Memorial Parkway
Lancaster, TX 75134 * 972-227-1080

Your public library in Lancaster has:

- Homework help
- Performances/clubs
- Reading sources
- Listening sources
- Video sources
- Internet
- Job sources
- Family history sources
- Self-help classes
- ESL sources
- TexShare databases

A public library card is your most valuable school supply.

Students!
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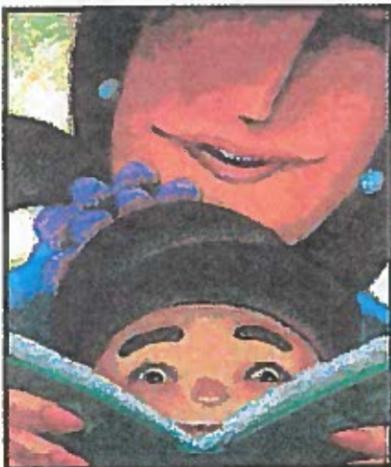
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