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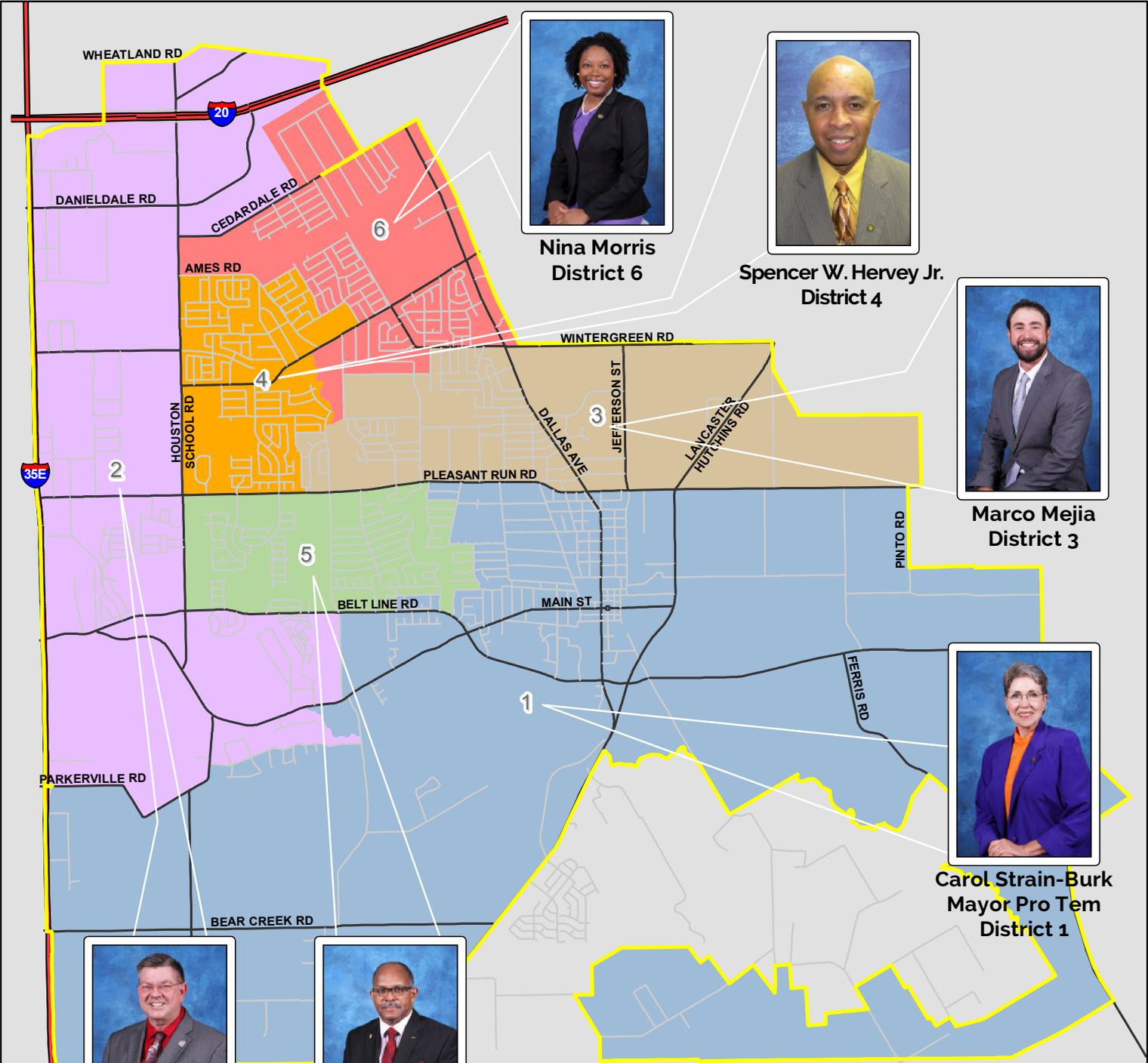
The **Lancaster Connection** is distributed throughout the City of Lancaster four times a year. This Free newsletter is available for you to be aware of the latest events in your city, plan for free events for you and your family or friends, find the nearest park and its amenities, and even register for affordable and rewarding classes and groups.

Should you have any questions or recommendations for future newsletters, feel free to contact us!

City of Lancaster
211 N. Henry Street (972) 218-1300

Cover photo credit: LISD Student Photographer Illysia Tartan

Pictured: LISD Deputy Superintendent Dr. Lamont Smith with "My Brother's Keeper" students.



Nina Morris
District 6



Spencer W. Hervey Jr.
District 4



Marco Mejia
District 3



Carol Strain-Burk
Mayor Pro Tem
District 1



Stanley Jaglowski
Deputy Mayor Pro Tem
District 2



Clyde Hairston
District 5

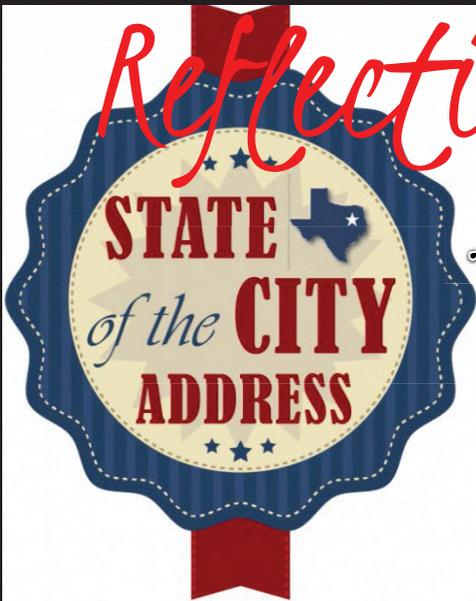


Mayor Marcus E. Knight

City of Lancaster Mayor & City Council



Reflections to Renaissance



.....what can we do today to make Lancaster better tomorrow?



On Thursday, January 12, 2017 **MAYOR MARCUS E. KNIGHT** gave his annual State of the City Address at the luncheon hosted by the Lancaster Chamber of Commerce. In his address, Mayor Knight provided a comprehensive review of 2016 accomplishments while providing a glimpse into the future of the City in the areas of fiscal management, civic engagement, economic development, infrastructure improvement and more.

Highlights:

Maintained fund balance

Maintained property tax rate

City credit rating of Aa3

Awarded Texas Comptrollers Financial Transparency Award & GFOA Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting

Over \$3 million spent on roadway repairs

Expansion of services provided by the Library

Received \$153,838 grant from North Central Texas Council of Governments that allowed the City to purchase a new Truck and trailer used for illegal dumping cleanup projects

Held 3rd Annual Educators Appreciation Breakfast

Greater presence on social media to promote the City

Participated in Statewide health competition "IT'S TIME TEXAS" Community Challenge

Confirmed first Citizen Emergency Response Team (CERT)

Established new Public Improvement District

134 new home starts with an average value of \$200,000

73 commercial building permits issued

Over 9 million square feet in new commercial development with \$1.1 billion in gross taxable value

Sidewalk Replacement Program: City shares cost 50/50 with resident of owner occupied properties to repair or replace their sidewalk. 12 residents benefited from this program

2016 crime stats: reduction in every major category

Increased community participation in National Night Out

New development projects totaling over 4 million square feet of leasable space

Hiring of retail recruitment consultant to assist in targeting key retailers, hotels, and restaurants

Enhanced community partnership efforts



Election Day – Saturday, May 6, 2017

A municipal election for the City of Lancaster will be held Saturday, May 6, 2017, for the election of a Councilmember for **DISTRICT 2**, Councilmember for **DISTRICT 4**, and Councilmember for **DISTRICT 6**.

Only legally qualified voters of Districts 2, 4, and 6 shall be entitled to vote for councilmember in their respective District. The last day to register to vote in the May 6, 2017 municipal election is April 6, 2017. On Election Day, voting will be conducted at polling locations by precinct number from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Candidate packets will be available beginning January 9, 2017. The candidate's packet is not required in order to prepare to run for municipal office and is provided as a tool to assist those interested in running for municipal office. For qualification information call 972-218.1310.



Lancaster Veterans Memorial Library at 1600 Veterans Memorial Parkway and other Dallas County branch locations on the dates and times below:

- Monday, April 24, 2017 through Friday, April 28, 2017, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
- Saturday, April 29, 2017, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
- Sunday, April 30, 2017, 1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
- Monday, May 1, 2017 through Tuesday, May 2, 2017, 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

During the early voting period, registered voters may vote at any Dallas County early voting location. A complete list of Dallas County early voting locations is available at www.dallascountyvotes.org.

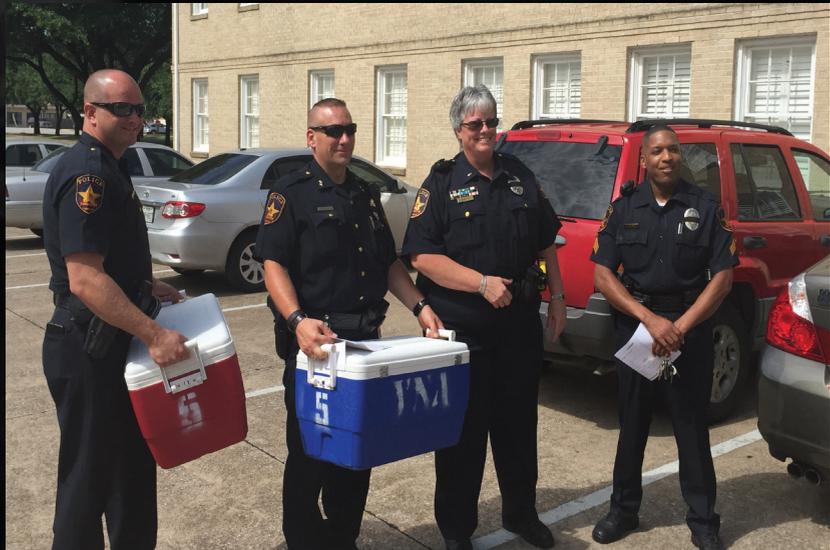
For more information regarding the municipal election, you may contact the City Secretary's office at 972.218.1310.



Meet Lancaster Police Department New Chief of Police SAM URBANSKI



Chief Urbanski is a graduate of Stephen F. Austin State University. He graduated in 2000 with a BA in Computer Art and a minor in Criminal Justice. He also graduated first in his class at the Eastfield Police Academy in 2002. Chief Urbanski started with the Lancaster Police Department after his graduation from the academy. Chief Urbanski spent 3 years as a Police Officer, 2 years as a Police Sergeant, 5 years as a Police Lieutenant and previously held the rank of Assistant Chief of Police. During his time with the Lancaster Police Department he has served as a field training officer, SWAT officer, SWAT Commander, training and recruiting officer and Internal Affairs Lieutenant. Chief Urbanski has taken a large variety of police related classes including SWAT team leader, TCOLE instructor, NAPD driving instructor, Reid investigation and a number of Internal Affairs interview classes. He is also a graduate of International Law Enforcement Academies Supervisor College and the FBI National Academy class #244. He holds a Master Peace Officer certificate and has received the Lancaster Police Department award for supervisor of the year.



Winter 2016 City Calendar

February

10th: Senior Life Center Valentine Day Social

10th: Parent/Child Valentine Dance

17th: Senior Life Center Black History Program

20th: City Council Meeting (Work Session)

20th: Presidents Day- LISD School Out

27th: City Council Meeting



Senior Life Center

Lancaster Rec Center

Senior Life Center

City Hall

City Hall

March

13th: City Council Meeting

13th-17th: LISD Spring Break

13th-17th: Spring Break Camp

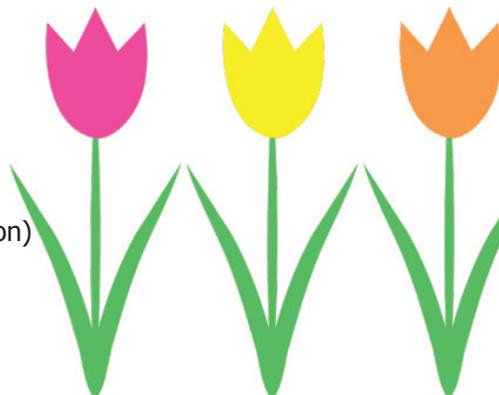
20th: City Council Meeting (Work Session)

25th: Spring TRASH-OFF

25th: Citywide "Couch to 5k" Walk

25th: Overnight Campout

27th: City Council Meeting



City Hall

Lancaster Rec Center

City Hall

1501 N. Dallas Ave.

Community Park

Bear Creek Nature Park

City Hall

April

8th: Lancaster Egg Hunt/Fun Run

10th: City Council Meeting

14th: Good Friday – City Offices CLOSED

17th: City Council Meeting (Work Session)

24th: City Council Meeting

Community Park

City Hall

City Hall

City Hall

***Meetings are subject to change or be cancelled with notice**



Lancaster Citizens' Public Safety Academy

Classes begin February 9, 2017

This academy is FREE to all participants!

Among the course subjects: organization and operations of both departments, emergency medical services, S.W.A.T., emergency communications, medical helicopter services, home safety prevention and much more! Don't miss out on this incredible opportunity. Submit your application today!

Applicants for this academy will undergo personal background checks as part of the application process.

Application and class schedule available at:
<http://www.lancaster-tx.com/DocumentCenter/View/5554>



For more information contact
Officer Paul Beck
972-218-2755



**WE NEED
YOUR HELP**



The Lancaster Fire Department is seeking information about the locations of Storm/Tornado shelters in our city. This information is voluntary and will be used in the event there is a tornado or severe weather in the City and you get trapped in the shelter. The Fire Department will know to search for you and your family not only in the home but in the shelter as well.

For more information on how to obtain a tornado/storm shelter, visit <https://saferoom.nctcog.org/>

For questions, contact Laurel Maxwell at 972-218-2742.



LANCASTER POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENT CITIZEN PUBLIC SAFETY ACADEMY



Full Name: _____

Application Date: _____

Home Address: _____

Zip Code: _____

Home Telephone: _____ Business Telephone: _____

Occupation: _____

Employer: _____ Employer Address: _____

Zip Code: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Drive's License #: _____

Social Security #: _____ Race/Sex _____

How did you hear about the Citizen Public Safety Academy?

Other Organizations you are involved with:

Have you ever been arrested or convicted of any crime? Please Circle: Y / N. If yes, please explain below:

"I hereby certify that there are no willful misrepresentations, omissions, or falsifications in the foregoing statements and answers. I understand that any omission of false statement on this application shall be sufficient cause for rejection for enrollment in or dismissal from the Lancaster Citizen's Public Safety Academy.

I further understand that the Lancaster Police Department will be conducting a thorough background investigation that may include, but is not limited to: criminal History, employment history, and person reference."

Applicant's Signature

Date

Return completed application and wavier to:



Lancaster Police Department
Public Safety Building
1650 N. Dallas Avenue
Lancaster, TX 75134



Attention: Lieutenant Hooten
Fax: 972-218-3628 or Email: khooten@lancaster-tx.com

972-218-2755

Shirt Size: M , L , XL , XXL , Other: _____

Program Facts:

- Work will be completed within 60 days of payment
- The City partners with citizens to share the cost
- A four inch thick sidewalk will cost \$8.50 per square foot with a minimum cost to the property owner of \$272
- A 10% discount will be given to senior citizens age 62 and over
- Sidewalk section to be replaced shall be a minimum of sixteen linear feet in length and be more than 1 1/2 inches out of alignment

50/50

Cost
Sharing



Resident Sidewalk

Replacement Program

You may get an application online at www.lancaster-tx.com
or at 700 E. Main St, Lancaster, TX 75146
For more information Please Call 972-218-2305 or 972-218-1752

NON-RESIDENT PROPERTY OWNERS

For Lancaster property owners not occupying their home, the City manages 40% of the cost

Non-Resident
Share Cost



Lancaster Historic Preservation Overlay District

The Historic Preservation Overlay District is governed by the Design Guidelines approved by the Lancaster City Council.

Prior to making any changes or additions to the exterior of your home, which includes all structures located on the property, that may or may not be attached to the main structure, requires a Certificate of Appropriateness be obtained from the City and the Historic Landmark Preservation Committee and the Planning and Zoning Commission.

The Historic Guidelines can be found on the City's website at www.lancaster-tx.com.

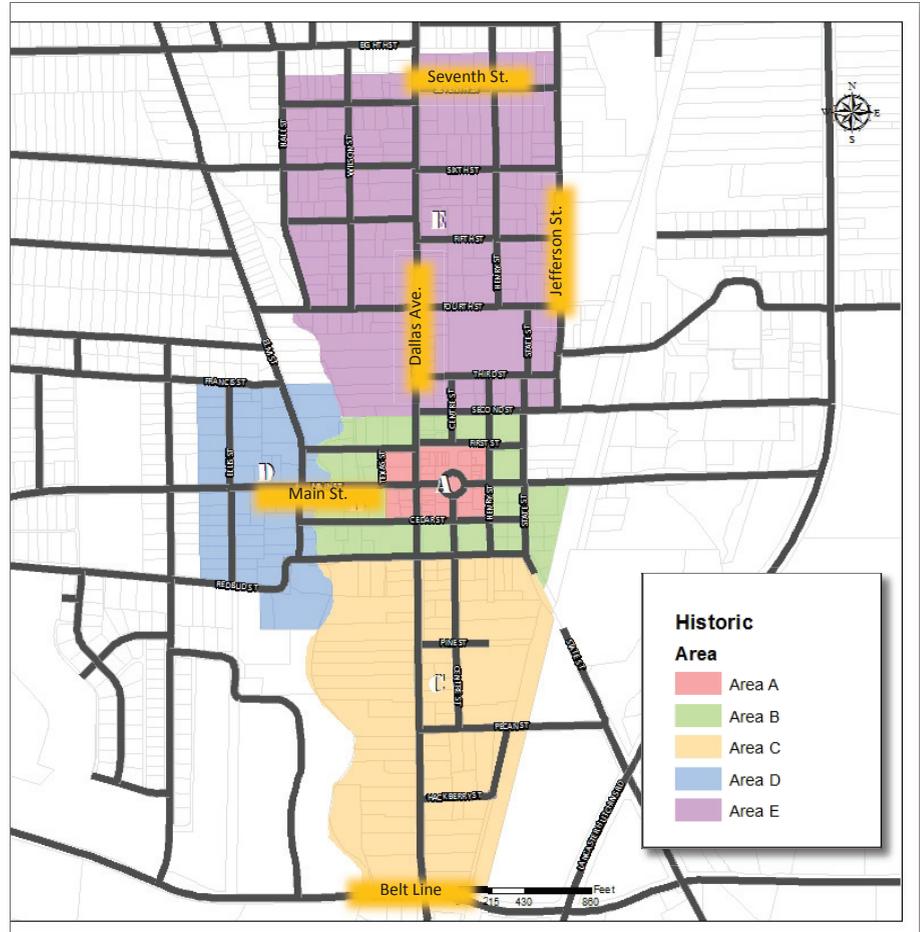


How to Obtain Certificate of Appropriateness (COA)

Steps:

- 1) File the appropriate forms and submit with fees to Planning Division at 211 N. Henry Street, Lancaster, TX 75146.
- 2) Your case will be reviewed by staff to determine if the changes meet the Historic District Guidelines.
- 3) Staff will schedule the case for Historic Landmark Preservation Committee meeting.
- 4) After the HLPC has reviewed the case they will make a recommendation and your case will be scheduled for a Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting.
- 5) Planning & Zoning Commission will take final action and if approved authorize issuance of a building permit.

The City of Lancaster's Certificate of Appropriateness forms are available by visiting the Planning Division at 211 N. Henry Street, Lancaster, TX 75146 or at www.lancaster-tx.com.



For questions or to receive additional information contact the Planning Division at 972-218-1315.

IT'S TIME TEXAS COMMUNITY CHALLENGE

Presented by 

STEP UP

to the 2017 Community Challenge
& Help Our Community WIN!

JANUARY 9 – MARCH 31, 2017

Help win an **\$1,800** health grant for our community!

- STEP 1:** Register for the IT'S TIME TEXAS Community Challenge on (or after) January 9th at: www.ittcommunitychallenge.com and select our community.
- STEP 2:** Earn points by tracking your physical activity, uploading Healthy Selfies, organizing healthy group activities, and more! There are additional ways for mayors, school leaders, educators, business leaders, and faith-based leaders to earn points, all listed on the website.
- STEP 3:** Keep it going through March 31st. If our community earns the most points in our size category, we will receive an \$1,800 grant to put toward future health-related projects. Not to mention, serious bragging rights...

Register at: www.ittcommunitychallenge.com

POWERED BY: 



This material was funded by USDA's Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program -- SNAP. This institution is an equal opportunity provider. To receive assistance purchasing healthy foods, sign up for SNAP benefits at: yourtexasbenefits.com.

HEALTHY HABITS **BINGO** CHALLENGE

Must be registered for the Community Challenge to **WIN!**

Register at www.ittcommunitychallenge.com



NAME: _____

EMAIL: _____

THE CHALLENGE is all about creating healthy lifelong habits!

Complete a BINGO card in any direction to earn an entry into the drawing. Turn in your completed Healthy Habits BINGO Cards monthly to be entered for a chance to win.

*Please write legibly.
This is how we will communicate with you if you win.*

JANUARY (due by January 30): 1 month Wellbeats® at Lancaster Rec Center (value \$25)

FEBRUARY (due by February 28): 3 months All-Access to Anytime Fitness Gym (value \$150)

MARCH (due by March 31): Advocare 24-Day Challenge® Bundle (value \$195)

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Prepare healthy lunch for next day UPLOAD SELFIE	Visit Lancaster Recreation Center to see the new equipment!	Try fitness class at the Lancaster Recreation Center UPLOAD SELFIE	While watching TV, do sit-ups during commercials! UPLOAD SELFIE	Eat at least 4 servings of fruit this week UPLOAD SELFIE
Drink 8 glasses of water! UPLOAD SELFIE	Do something physical during your lunch time UPLOAD SELFIE	Take the stairs instead of the elevator UPLOAD SELFIE	Participate in one of the Citywide boot camps (FREE) UPLOAD SELFIE	Go to www.heart.org and choose a Heart Healthy recipe to make this week
Replace your coffee or soda with green tea or water UPLOAD SELFIE	Replace beef with fish UPLOAD SELFIE	PARTICIPATE IN THE MAYOR'S "COUCH-TO-5K" EVENT UPLOAD SELFIE	Take a walk for at least 20 minutes UPLOAD SELFIE	30 minutes of moderate intensity exercise 3x a week UPLOAD SELFIE
Take a walk in the park UPLOAD SELFIE	Eat a few walnuts or almonds for a snack. UPLOAD SELFIE	Workout with a friend! UPLOAD SELFIE	Attend the Lancaster Health Fair UPLOAD SELFIE	Take a group selfie at work participating in healthy activity UPLOAD SELFIE

Drop off locations:

Lancaster Recreation Center, 1700 Veterans Memorial Pkwy

Lancaster City Hall, 211 N. Henry St.

Contact: Kay Brown, kbrown@lancaster-tx.com, 972-218-1303



Neighborhood Enhancement is **EVERYONE'S BUSINESS!**

Maintaining livable neighborhoods requires the partnership and participation of all residents. The City of Lancaster codes are intended to benefit everyone while making our neighborhoods a better place to live, work and play. The City codes are minimum standards designed to protect the health, safety and welfare of our neighborhoods. Compliance with these standards can reduce vandalism, deter crime, maintain property values and prevent deterioration of our community

One Call Does It All!

(972) 218-1200

For more information, visit
www.lancaster-tx.com

You can report code violations or any other request to City staff 24 hours a day by going to the City of Lancaster website, www.lancaster-tx.com and click "**Report A Concern**". If you would like to be contacted by City staff regarding your concern, you will need to leave your name, contact number and/or an e-mail address.

What is Illegal Dumping?

Illegal Dumping occurs when a person places, deposits, dumps or accumulates refuse on or in any public or private street, public right-of-way or easement, gutter or sidewalk within the Lancaster City limits.

Fine for Illegal Dumping

Up to \$4000.00

Why is Illegal Dumping a problem?

When illegal dumping occurs, the damage to neighborhoods and the environment can be severe:

- Property values decline.
- Illegally dumped material can become a breeding ground for vectors, such as mice, rats and mosquitoes, which can spread diseases such as encephalitis, Hantavirus pulmonary syndrome and West Nile Disease.
- Illegal dumping is hazardous to the environment. From refrigerators to tires to auto parts to televisions, many contain heavy metals and other toxins.
- Illegal dumping costs taxpayers money.

Legal Alternatives to dispose of your unwanted items:

- You may drop off your waste free of charge at the CWD transfer station located at **2010 California Crossing Dallas, TX 75220**. A copy of your water bill is required.
- Order a special pick up at 972-218-1300. This allows residents to schedule a pickup of bulky waste at a decent fee.
- You may drop off your waste at the Trash-off event on March 25th.
- Move the unwanted items away from public view until the next Bulk/brush collection.

How can You Help?

- Report it! Call 972-218-1200 and provide information that leads to a citation of the illegal dumper.

LANCASTER EYES AND EARS PROGRAM (LEEP)

The City of Lancaster Code Compliance division is seeking volunteers to join the Lancaster eyes and ears program (LEEP)

The LEEP program will primarily perform duties in the field identifying code violations for code officers to perform further investigation. The program is intended to have volunteers aid city staff in improving and preserving the quality of life in our community. These volunteers will help act as the "eyes and ears" in residential and commercial neighborhoods to staff code compliance officers. Citizens are key to identifying potentially serious problems.



Essential duties and responsibilities:

Patrol assigned areas to identify code violations such as:

- Excessive accumulation of trash and debris;
- Parking of vehicles, boats, trailers on unimproved surface
- High grass and overgrown weeds/vegetation;
- Junk vehicles;
- Illegal dumping and litter; and
- Illegal placement of signs

LEEP volunteers will be asked to take photos of the identified violation and submit with the address to the code compliance division. The volunteers would only be able to provide limited information to property owners and residents concerning the correction of violations, bulk trash pickup procedures, and adhere to the expectation of privacy and personal safety.

Qualifications:

Volunteers are requested to volunteer a minimum of 4 hours per week. Work schedules are flexible based on your availability but are limited to daytime hours. Volunteers must possess a Texas class "C" driver's license, successfully complete a background check and drug test, reside in the City of Lancaster.

Training:

The basic training includes, reviewing the relevant municipal code sections, criteria for determining if the conditions and known facts constitute an actual violation and how to work cooperatively with people to avoid confrontation and be a good ambassador for the city. The overall goal is to target, the problem not the people.

Training will include a total of five, 2 hour sessions with code officers to educate volunteers on different code violations that may occur in the field. The training session will include 1 hour inside and 1 hour in the field with a code officer. Volunteers will be trained on what violations are and what they may look like in the field as well as procedures of reporting to code office.

Benefits:

- Knowledge that you are helping to promote City Council's goal of a healthy, safe and Vibrant Community
- Knowledge that you are benefitting your neighbors with questions about code compliance matters.

How to Join:

- Contact the City of Lancaster Code Compliance Division located at 700 E. Main Street, or by phone at 972-218-1204, or by e-mail at cmiles@lancaster-tx.com
- Complete a City of Lancaster Volunteer Application



RESIDENTIAL SOLID WASTE COLLECTION

CURBSIDE BRUSH/BULKY WASTE COLLECTION

ACCEPTABLE

- Washing machines/Dryers
- Water heaters
- Kitchen appliances
- Yard tools
- Furniture
- Bundled carpet in 4 ft. lengths
- Bagged leaves
- Refrigerators/Freezers (must be tagged certifying removal of refrigerant)

PROHIBITED

- Commercial construction and remodeling debris (call CWD for estimate)
- Household hazardous waste (paint, motor oil, pool chemicals, etc.)
- Tires, batteries
- Propane tanks

REGULAR TRASH is picked up **ONCE** a week. All trash must be secured in bags within your GRAY cart.



RECYCLING is picked up **ONCE** a week with trash pickup. Everything with the **BLUE** cart must be recyclable materials.

If at any time you do not comply within the above mentioned guidelines, your address will be documented as NO PICK UP for that week's collection.

BULK TRASH or heavy trash is picked up **EVERY OTHER MONTH** on even months (February, April, June, August, October, December).

Please refer to map on the following page to find your service area and the chart to identify your bulk service week.

On odd months, residents may drop off up to 12 cubic yards at the CWD transfer station at the following address:

2010 California Crossing
Dallas, Texas 75220

A copy of your current water bill is required. Charges will apply to volumes in excess of 12 cubic yards.

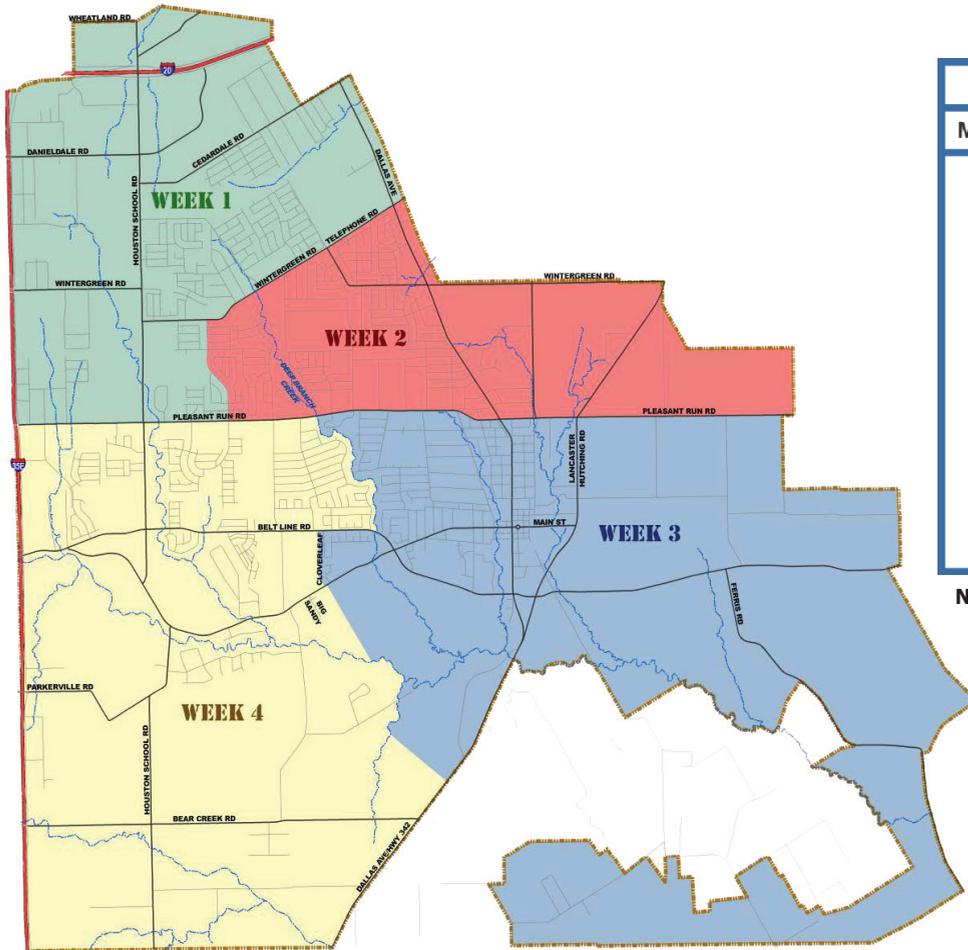
All brush and bulk materials must be set out and ready for pick up by 7:00 a.m. the Monday of your collection week.

We provide **ASSISTANCE**

If you are physically unable to roll your cart or take your recycling cart to your pick up location, help is available.

Disabled individuals may qualify for a manual trash collection by submitting a manual collection form available at City Hall along with a Doctor's note stating your need for special assistance. This special assistance program allows the driver to get out of the waste truck and pick up the trash/recycling cart from your property without it being placed by the curb.

For more information or questions please call 972-218-1324.



Bulk Trash Schedule				
Month	Area 1	Area 2	Area 3	Area 4
Jan	NO BULK TRASH COLLECTION			
Feb	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4
Mar	NO BULK TRASH COLLECTION			
Apr	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4
May	NO BULK TRASH COLLECTION			
Jun	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4
Jul	NO BULK TRASH COLLECTION			
Aug	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4
Sept	NO BULK TRASH COLLECTION			
Oct	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4
Nov	NO BULK TRASH COLLECTION			
Dec	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4

Note: Week begins on the first Monday of the month.



Spring TRASH OFF- March 25th

1501 N. Dallas Ave.

8 a.m. – 2 p.m.

- ✓ Brush
- ✓ Bulk trash
- ✓ Electronics
- ✓ Recyclables
- ✓ Scrap items
- ✓ Document shredding
- ✓ Tires (10 free, \$5 each additional tire)

Goodwill will be onsite accepting donations.

Volunteer opportunities available.
Contact the City of Lancaster at 972-218-1300.

Lancaster residents only with proof of residency.





INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS

Lancaster Water Improvements (East 2nd Street, Dallas Avenue, Main Street, Pleasant Run Road/Jefferson Avenue, and Lancaster-Hutchins Road): Estimated start date - October 4, 2016. Estimated completion date –February 28, 2017.

Street Reconstruction of Danieldale Road from Houston School Road to I-35E: Estimated start date – Monday, October 17, 2016. Estimated completion date – January 31, 2017.

The estimated start and completion dates are dependent on weather conditions and possible underground utilities. Please be assured that we will make every effort to accomplish this construction project with minimum inconvenience.

Winter Averaging and Utility Rates

Winter averaging is a practice by which water use during the winter time period is used to determine maximum sewer charges for the upcoming year. The utility bases winter average on the average water consumption during December, January, and February. Winter averaging consumptions are effective April 1st of each year.

Why does the city use winter use for averaging?

Outdoor water use (such as irrigation, car washing and recreational use) does not typically enter the city's wastewater system and using winter averaging consumption therefore, prevents the wastewater portion of your utility from spiking during the summer.

How is winter averaging calculated?

Consumption information is calculated during the three winter billing periods to arrive at the winter average. For example, if your water use for December =5,000 gallons, January = 3,000 gallons, and February =5,500 your total winter consumption would be 13,500 gallons. This consumption is divided by 3 to determine your winter average would be 4,500 gallons (13,500 gallons / 3 months = 4,500 gallons). Your winter average consumption would be 4,500 gallons. The figure of 4,500 gallons would be your maximum sewer consumptions for the next year.

What if I use less water than my winter average?

If an account uses less water than the winter averaging consumption, the sewer charges would reflect charges for the actual water use. For example, if your winter averaging rate was 4,500 gallons and your current water consumption was 3,900 gallons your sewer charges would reflect 3,900 gallons of sewer use.

What can I do to reduce my sewer charges?

Reducing overall water use during the winter averaging period is essential in cutting your sewer charges for the coming year.

- Turn off irrigation systems.
- Consider replacing old toilets with new, water-efficient models.
- Replace old shower heads and faucet aerators with new, efficient models.
- Use only the water that is needed when washing hands, dishes or brushing teeth.

Please note: If you have a water leak it is extremely important to notify the billing office at (972) 218-1328.

SENIOR CITIZEN DISCOUNT

Senior Citizens over the age of 62 qualify for a discount on their water bills.

How much is the discount?

- \$1.94 water
- \$1.76 sewer

How do I sign-up?

- Complete the form located at the utility billing desk at City Hall (211 N. Henry)

What should I bring with me?

- Bring your Driver's License for proof of identity. The water bill must be in the senior citizens name.

Winter Safety Tips

Rain, ice and snow can cause pipes.

Here are some tips for protecting your home's plumbing this winter.

Outside Plumbing

- * Caulk around pipes where they enter the home.
- * Disconnect garden hoses and drain in-ground irrigation systems.



Inside Plumbing

- * Insulate pipes in unheated areas, such as attics, crawl spaces and basements.
- * When below-freezing weather is forecasted, open cupboard doors in the kitchen and bathrooms. This allows these pipes to get more heat from inside your home.
- * If you leave home for several days, put your furnace on a low setting. This may not prevent freezing pipes but it can help.
- * Let a slight drip of water run when temperatures dip below freezing. Use cold water to avoid water heating charges.



What if pipes freeze?

Thaw plumbing lines safely with a hair dryer or heat lamp. Once the pipe has thawed, make sure to leave a little water running so the pipe doesn't freeze again.

Do not open the water meter box near the curb. It could increase the chance of freezing water at the meter.



Microchips.....



MICROCHIPPING your pet is a technology with many advantages and few perceived drawbacks. The days of "Lost Cat" posters and pounding the pavement looking for Fido are a thing of the past; nowadays, an owner whose pet is lost or stolen can rely on microchipping technology to potentially locate his or her pet.

The microchipping process is just what it sounds like. A small microchip is embedded in your dog; cat or other pet is inserted, and contains identification and contact information. If the pet is lost or stolen and ends up at an animal shelter, a scanner can be used to retrieve the information and the owner can be contacted.

- ✓ Your cat or dog's microchip implant gives your pet the best chance of returning home to you if lost.
- ✓ A microchip is registered along with your current contact information in order to identify you as your pet's parent and contact you in case it is lost.

Visit the Lancaster Animal Shelter TODAY to get your pet microchipped for only \$25.00 (690 E. Main St. Lancaster, TX 75146) or call 972-218-1210 for more information.

DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know that you can receive a citation for letting your dog run loose?

Avoid receiving a citation by taking the following precautions:

- Keep your dog and/or cat contained in your yard.
- Dogs must be held by a leash at all time in a park or public playground, except in park areas designated and posted by the parks and recreation department to be "dog friendly areas", such as City Parks across the Golf course.





Make Sure Your Pets are Prepared for Winter

KEEP PETS INDOORS

The best prescription for winter's woes is to keep your dog or cat inside with you and your family. The happiest dogs are taken out frequently for walks and exercise but kept inside the rest of the time.

Don't leave pets outdoors when the temperature drops. During walks, short-haired dogs may feel more comfortable wearing a sweater. No matter what the temperature is, windchill can threaten a pet's life. Exposed skin on noses, ears and paw pads can quickly freeze and suffer permanent damage.

TAKE PRECAUTIONS IF YOUR PET SPENDS A LOT OF TIME OUTSIDE

A dog or cat is happiest and healthiest when kept indoors. If for some reason your dog is outdoors much of the day, he or she must be protected by a dry, draft-free shelter that is large enough to allow the dog to sit and lie down comfortably but small enough to hold in his/her body heat. The floor should be raised a few inches off the ground and covered with cedar shavings or straw. The doorway should be covered with waterproof burlap or heavy plastic.

GIVE YOUR PETS PLENTY OF FOOD AND WATER

Pets who spend a lot of time outdoors need more food in the winter because keeping warm depletes energy. Routinely check your pet's water dish to make certain the water is fresh and unfrozen. Use plastic food and water bowls; when the temperature is low, your pet's tongue can stick and freeze to metal.

SIGNS THAT YOUR PET IS UNCOMFORTABLE

If your pet is whining, shivering, seems anxious, slows down or stops moving, seems weak, or starts looking for warm places to burrow, get them back inside quickly because they are showing signs of hypothermia. Frostbite is harder to detect, and may not be fully recognized until a few days after the damage is done. If you suspect your pet has hypothermia or frostbite, consult your veterinarian immediately.

LANCASTER ANIMAL SHELTER

690 E. Main St.
(972) 218-1210

Shelter Hours

Mon – Fri

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Saturday

10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Sunday

Closed

The Lancaster Animal Shelter has many **WONDERFUL** pets that are waiting for someone to bring them home and love forever.

Come and visit the Lancaster Animal Shelter and some of the wonderful pets ready for adoption.

The Animal Shelter is currently accepting applications for volunteers. If you are interested in becoming a "Star" volunteer please call 972-218-1210.

Adoption Fees:

Cats:	\$15
Small dogs & puppies	\$15
Large dogs:	\$25





“Lancaster ISD is one of the most improved districts in Texas in recent years.”

-Mike Morath, TEA Commissioner of Education

WHY LANCASTER ISD?

✓ **Lancaster ISD received a Superior Achievement Rating** from TEA on its most recent Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas.

✓ Since 2010, Lancaster ISD has been one of the **fastest improving districts in Texas** and has shown the most growth in student achievement.

✓ For **THREE** years in a row, **100%** of Lancaster ISD schools **met or exceeded the standards** set by the Texas Education Agency. In addition, the district has received **more than 60 Academic Distinctions**.

✓ **Lancaster ISD has outperformed Southwest Dallas County charter and public schools** with similar demographics in the areas of math and science for multiple consecutive years.

✓ **Lancaster ISD is one of the 23 High-Performing School Consortium Members in Texas** and is the highest-performing District in Southwest Dallas County as measured by Graduation Rates and math scores and is in the Top in Science Performance.

✓ **At 94 %**, Lancaster ISD has the **highest graduation rate** of the Southwest Dallas County Schools and has consistently remained above the state graduation rate for six consecutive years.

✓ Lancaster ISD is a **leader in Early Childhood** programs and offers a **full-day Pre-K** option for three-year-old students.

✓ Lancaster ISD is the **first district in Texas to offer a STEM curriculum** to all students.

✓ Each elementary campus is **STEM-focused** with an emphasis on **Health Science Technology, Engineering, Information Systems & Software Design or Global Arts Communications & Entrepreneurship**.

✓ Lancaster ISD offers **choices & opportunities**

- Advanced Academics
- AVID
- Dual Credit
- Early College High School
- International Baccalaureate
- Career Technical Education

- Auto Technology
- Business Administration
- Cosmetology
- Culinary Arts
- Engineering
- Graphic Communications
- Health Science Technology
- Information Technology
- Media Technology
- Veterinary Studies

✓ The Lancaster ISD Board of Trustees was recently selected as the **Most Outstanding School Board in the state of Texas** by the Texas Association of School Administrators and the Texas Association of School Boards.

OUR VISION:

“ALL STUDENTS WILL ACHIEVE SELF-SUSTAINING SUCCESS AND LEAVE A LASTING LEGACY”

MORE THAN A DIPLOMA

WWW.LANCASTERISD.ORG

972-218-1400






Save the Date & Please Join Us for Our Annual
BLACK HISTORY BOWL
 Lancaster Independent School District

Saturday, February 18, 2017
 9 AM—3 PM
 Lancaster High School
 200 E. Wintergreen Rd
 Lancaster, TX 75134

- Feb. 11** ACT at LHS
- Feb. 18** Black History Bowl
- Feb. 19-25** National Engineers Week
- Feb. 27** School Board Meeting, 7 PM
- March 2** NEHS Induction Ceremony, 6-7 PM (LHS Auditorium)
- March 6-10** Career Go Get it Week
- March 13-17** Spring Break – Campuses and District Offices Closed
- March 25** STEM Expo
- March 30** School Board Meeting, 7 PM



LANCASTER TIGER ATHLETICS

Varsity Boys Track & Field

February 18	Jerry B. Griffin Invitational	Arl. Sam Houston HS	Varsity/JV
February 25	Desoto Nike Invitational	Desoto HS	Varsity/JV
March 4	Longhorn Legacy Invitational	Cedar Hill HS	Varsity/JV
March 10	Lancaster Meet of Champions	Lancaster HS	Varsity/JV
March 18-19	TSU Relays	Houston	Varsity Only
March 24-25	Jesuit-Sheaner Relays	Dallas	Varsity Only
March 25	Eddie Payne/Carter Shootout	Jessie Owens Athletic Complex	Varsity/JV
March 29-April 1	Texas Relays	Univ. of Texas at Austin	Varsity Only

Varsity Girls Track & Field

Feb 25	Bobcat Relays	Fort Worth, Texas	Varsity /JV
Mar 5	Skyline Classic	Eagle Classic, DeSoto Texas	Varsity/JV
Mar 11	Meet of Champions	BDH Tiger Stadium, Lancaster	Varsity/JV
Mar 18 & 19	Texas Southern Relays	Houston, Texas	Varsity Only
Mar 26	Carter Shoot Out	Jesse Owens Athletic Complex	Varsity/JV
Mar 31-Apr 3	Clyde Littlefield Texas Relays	Austin, Texas	Varsity Only





1700 Veterans Memorial Parkway

Hours of Operation:
Monday -Thursday 6:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m.
Friday 6:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Saturday 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Lancaster Recreation Center **FEATURES:**

- ❖ Indoor Walking Track
- ❖ Gymnasium with two full basketball courts and bleacher seating
- ❖ Indoor Aquatic Center
- ❖ Grand Hall with catering kitchen
- ❖ Mirrored Aerobic Room
- ❖ Game room
- ❖ Classroom
- ❖ Conference Room



Fitness Atrium

The new state of the art equipment will help anyone looking to reach potential fitness goals. The facility is surrounded by windows with scenic views to inspire you during your workout. Multiple televisions and our locker rooms make it easy to fit in a workout before or after work.

Fitness Atrium Orientation/Assessments Receive a free atrium orientation and physical Assessment with a Fitness Atrium monthly or annual pass. The assessment consists of BMI, strength, flexibility, blood pressure, fat count, and weight. See the front desk for more details.

Fitness Atrium equipment:

- ❖ Elliptical
- ❖ Exercise Bikes
- ❖ Free Weights
- ❖ Treadmills
- ❖ Weight machines
- ❖ And more!

**The Fitness Atrium is open to ages 17 and older.
 Must have a Fitness Atrium Pass.**

	Resident	Non-Resident
Daily Pass	\$5	\$5
Monthly Pass	\$20	\$25
Annual Pass	\$160	\$200

Several areas of the facility are available for private rentals, including the Gymnasium, Grand Hall and Indoor Aquatic Center.

For more information call 972-218-3700 or visit the Recreation Center during hours of operation.



YOUTH WINTER SPORTS

Jr. Mavs Fundamental Basketball Program (Ages 5 – 13)

Monday and Wednesday 5:30 p.m. \$35 per month

Organized developmental basketball program designed to increase fundamental understanding of the game of basketball, while preparing players for competitive play. Registration includes uniform use.

Lancaster RBI Youth Baseball

Spring registration opens January 3, 2017

Recreation level competitive baseball program for ages 4 – 16. Players learn fundamentals skills and rules of the game competing in games, tournaments, camps and clinics.

Winter League Basketball

City of Lancaster and Metro Basketball Association presents the 2017 Winter Basketball League. Youth attending Lancaster ISD elementary will have a chance to represent their school by participating on a team with their classmates. Ages are 6U, 8U, 10U, and 12U. Registrations are open now and please visit www.leaguelineup.com/mymba to register.

Youth Soccer

Challenger Sports Soccer League is a co-ed league suitable for boys and girls of all ability levels ages 3 – 14yrs. The league will run for 6 weeks in the spring, throughout the months of March and April, 2017. Please visit www.challengersports.com to register.



AQUATIC PROGRAMS

Water Aerobics

Mon/Wed/Fri	9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	\$30/month or \$7/drop in
Monday - Thursday	6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	\$40/month or \$7/drop in
Saturdays	9:00 p.m. – 10:00 a.m.	\$7/drop in

Have you ever noticed how challenging it is to walk through a swimming pool? The resistance provided by water makes it a great course for all fitness levels. It is low-impact, yet increases stamina and strength. Register monthly, or pay \$5 per class as a drop-in.

Lifeguard Certification (Age 15+) \$65 per class

Learn basic lifesaving techniques and get certified as an American Red Cross Lifeguard. Includes CPR/First Aid/AED. Great for those seeking part-time summer jobs; or to fulfill requirements for those who work as lifeguards at Texas pools. Advance registration & swim skills are required. Please inquire at the front desk for future classes.

Dive-In Movies (All ages)

October 20th, November 17th, December 15th 7:30 p.m.

It's time to dive in to the pool! Every third Thursday, enjoy a feature film while relaxing in the water. All movies are free (w/ current Rec ID Card)

Lancaster Tiger Sharks (Ages 6 - adult) \$50/Monthly

The Lancaster Tiger Sharks is a yearly swim team. Swimmers are trained in all competitive strokes and develop endurance and strength. The swim team is a great way to increase fitness, learn a valuable skill and make friends. The Lancaster Tiger Sharks compete locally, regionally and statewide in the Texas Amateur Athletic Federation (TAAF). New swimmers are welcome. Rolling enrollment

SWIM LESSONS

All Learn-to-Swim classes provide instruction to swimmers of all ages and help them develop swimming and water safety skills in a positive learning environment. Each session includes four 45 minute classes over a two week period. Pre-requisites for each class level required.

Parent & Tot (6-48 months)

Mondays/Wednesdays 5:30 p.m. - 6:15 p.m. \$30/session

Parents learn water safety and infants develop comfort in the water. Parents must enter the water for all classes.

Youth (4-12 years)

Tuesday and Thursday 5:30 p.m. - 6:15 p.m. 6:30 p.m.- 7:15 p.m. Level I, II, III \$30/session

Learn basic strokes, floating, breathing, treading water and diving skills. Skill levels are divided into three different skill levels: Level I for New Beginners, Level II, for those with Basic Skills and Level III for Intermediate Swimmers.

Semi-Private (13+ years)

Mondays/Wednesdays 5:30 p.m. - 6:15 p.m. \$50/session

This course is designed to assist teens and adults with learning basic or advanced swim techniques. Each instructor is paired with only two students, allowing time for more individual instruction.

YOUTH PROGRAMS

After School Program



S.A.F.E Afterschool Program

The Supervised After School Fulfilling Enrichment program (S.A.F.E.) is open to students in kindergarten - eighth grade. Program hours are Monday - Friday, 3:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. The S.A.F.E. program provides transportation for youth from Lancaster Independent School District schools to the Lancaster Recreation Center during the school year. Pickup schools include:

- o Beltline Elementary
- o G.W. Carver Sixth Grade Center
- o Houston Elementary
- o Lancaster Elementary
- o Millbrook / Rosa Parks Elementary
- o Pleasant Run Elementary
- o Elsie Robertson Middle School
- o Rolling Hills Elementary
- o West Main Elementary



Join the Youth Advisory Council (YAC)

The Lancaster City Council created the Youth Advisory Council for the purpose of seeking input of its youth on municipal government issues, serving in an advisory nature to evaluate relevant issues. The mission of YAC is to provide youth with opportunities to volunteer and take the initiative on projects that will promote a positive change. These young service leaders help to develop and execute key initiatives, serve as ambassadors and take an active part in helping to build a more viable community. Get involved! Meetings are scheduled the first Monday of every month at 6:00 p.m.

For more information contact 972-218-3700.

Karate (Ages 5-15)

Tuesdays/Thursdays 5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.,
6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. \$40/Month
Youth Karate age 5-15, Martial arts are a great way to build self-confidence and character in children. Karate and self-defense techniques are for all skill levels.

Sewing For Kids and Adults

For ages 7-17

Mondays/Thursdays 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.
\$40/month

For ages 18-up.

Mondays/Thursdays 7:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.
\$40/month

This class teaches you how to operate Sewing and Serger machines. You will also be able to sketch and illustrate designs. This class reinforces focus on knit fabrics. You will learn how to make your favorite shirts, skirts and jeans!!!

Next Level Dance

Tuesdays 7:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.
Saturdays 12:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m.
Ages 4-18 \$10/month. Next Level Dance is a program that allows all interested Lancaster youth the opportunity to learn different varieties of dance.

Tutus & Tap (Ages 3-7)

Tuesdays 5:15 p.m.-6:15 p.m. \$30 Monthly
Tots love to dance! Introduce your child to ballet and tap to improve coordination and confidence.

Dancing From the Soul (Ages 4-18)

Mondays 7:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Wednesday 6 p.m.-7 p.m.
Saturdays 10 a.m.- noon. \$40 Monthly
You will dance from the soul in this Field collegiate style dance conditioning class where your child will learn Ballet, Jazz and Hip-Hop class.

Music for all Occasions

(Ages 4-Adult)

Tuesdays 6 p.m.- 6:30 p.m. Ages 4-Adult \$48/month
Saturdays (2nd & 4th) 3:45 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Ages 50+ \$15/month

This class will teach students the proper techniques of piano and keyboard. Music for all occasions also provides complete orientation to the keyboard for beginning pianists. There is a \$30 one time registration fee



ADULT FITNESS PROGRAMS

Want to be an instructor?

Do you have a special talent or skill that you'd like to share with others? Whether you teach children, adults or seniors, we would love to hear from you. For more information on how to become a contract instructor, call 972-218-3700 or visit the Recreation Center

Dancersize

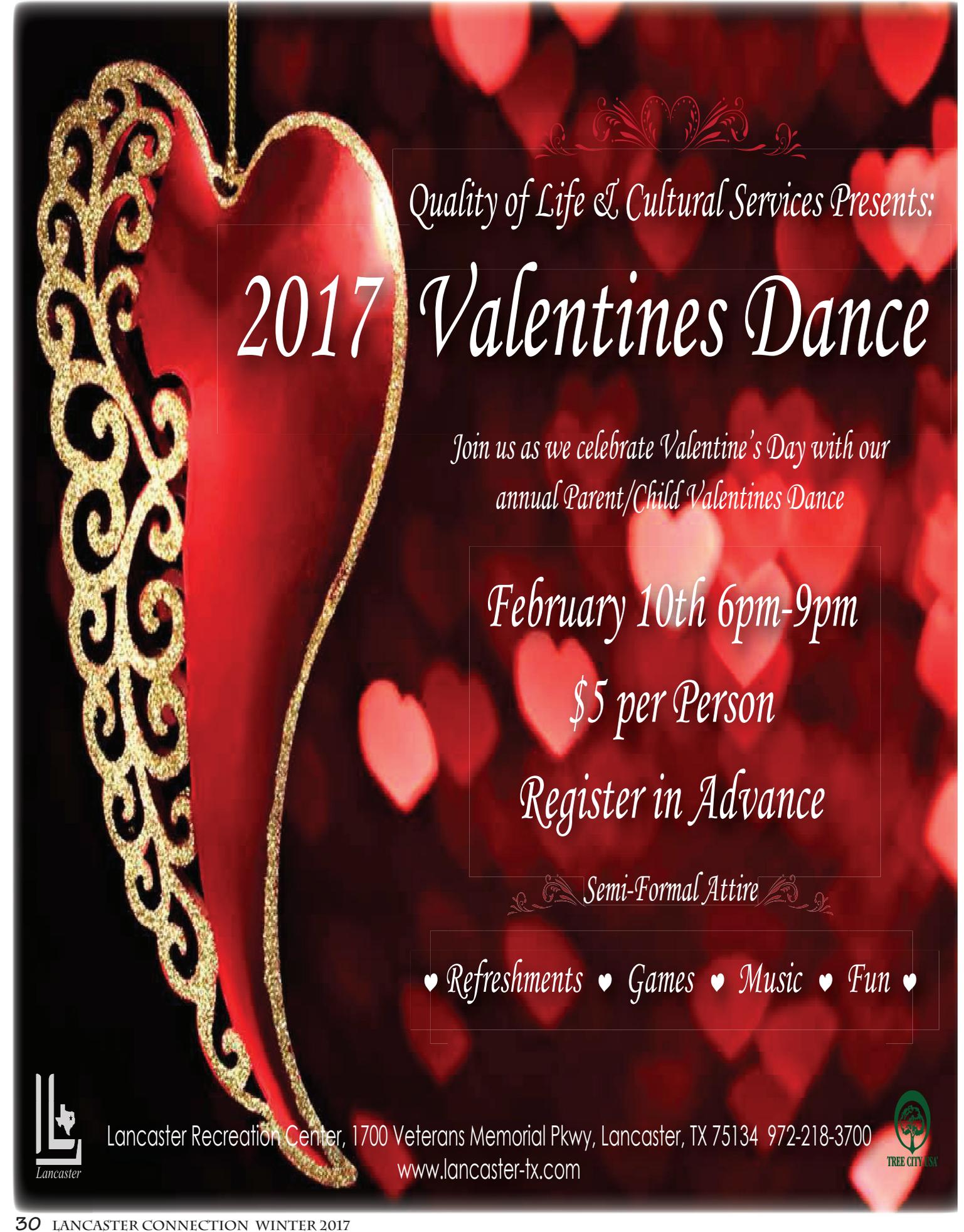
Saturday 9:15 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. \$25 / month \$8 drop-in
This is a line dance exercise which provides a fun and unique way to help you get in shape. You will learn the latest line dances while enjoying a fun and fulfilling cardio aerobic workout.



Zumba

Mon/Wed/Fri 8 a.m. - 9 a.m. \$30/month \$7 drop-in
Mon/Tue/Thurs 6 p.m. - 7 p.m. \$30/month, \$7 drop-in
Saturdays 8 a.m. - 9 a.m. \$20/month, \$7 drop-in

ZUMBA, a class that uses hip hop, weights, salsa, merengue, mambo, martial arts, squats and lunges all in one class. Come to the party and experience a full body workout in Zumba.



Quality of Life & Cultural Services Presents:

2017 Valentines Dance

*Join us as we celebrate Valentine's Day with our
annual Parent/Child Valentines Dance*

February 10th 6pm-9pm

\$5 per Person

Register in Advance

Semi-Formal Attire

♥ Refreshments ♥ Games ♥ Music ♥ Fun ♥



Lancaster Recreation Center, 1700 Veterans Memorial Pkwy, Lancaster, TX 75134 972-218-3700
www.lancaster-tx.com





Lancaster Veterans Memorial Library

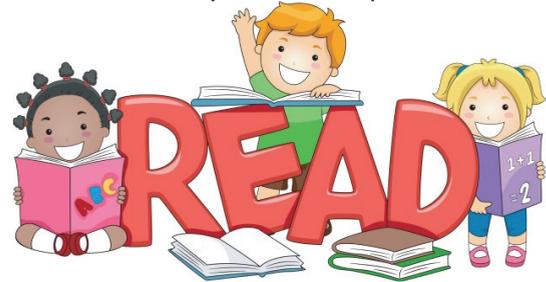
1600 Veterans Memorial Parkway

Library Hours

Monday - Thursday 10 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Friday 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Saturday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.



Programs for Children

Family Story Time: Every Wednesday at 4 p.m. and Saturday at 1 p.m. for all ages. We will have stories, songs, and a take-home craft project. The first Wednesday of each month is bilingual story time in Spanish and English.

Toddler Time: Each Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. for ages 0-4 years – stories, songs, activities and fun!

Teen Programs

Teen Club for ages 11-18 meets the first and third Thursdays of each month from 5:00-7:00 p.m. for movies, games, crafts, anime and fun!

- January 5 - Anime night
- January 19 – Popcorn celebration
- February 2 – Coloring night
- February 16 – February holidays craft night
- March 2 – Movie night
- March 16 – Games night

SPECIAL EVENT! Escape Room for Teens, Saturday, March 11, 10:30 a.m. Find your way out and win a prize

SPECIAL EVENTS – SPRING BREAK SPECIALS!

The library will offer a series of nature programs during the week of LISD's spring break. Watch for details!

Programs for All Ages

NEW! Family Games Night, the first Tuesday of each month beginning Tuesday, January 3. All ages are welcome, children 10 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Bring your sense of fun! (January 3, February 7 and March 7)

Video Editing Class, Wednesday, January 25, 6:30; Saturday, January 28, 2:30; Wednesday, February 22, 6:30; Saturday, February 25, 2:30; Wednesday, March 22, 6:30; Saturday, March 25, 2:30.

An introductory class on the fundamentals of organizing, cutting, and composing digital videos, using iMovie on the library's own computers. The class is open to all ages, but children should be accompanied by an adult.

Juggling Class will be held the third Saturday of each month at 2:30 p.m. Open to all skill levels and all ages. (January 21, February 18, March 18).

Wizards and Time Machines, Science Fiction and Fantasy Discussion Group is open to everyone. Check the library's website for the current reading list. The third Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. (January 18, February 15, March 15)

Lancaster Veterans Memorial Library

Programs for Adults

NEW! Hook, Yarn & Needle, Knit and Crochet Class, every Tuesday at 2:00 p.m. starting January 17. Bring your own supplies and patterns, get free assistance and make new friends. Beginners are welcome as well as established wool gatherers.

NEW! Tome Talkers, Book Discussion Group for Adults, meets the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. beginning January 17. The title for discussion will be *The 19th Wife: A Novel* by David Ebershoff. The group will select future readings at the meeting. (January 17, February 20 and March 20)

Adult Colorist Society – Color your stress away! Bring your creativity, everything else is provided. 2nd Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. (October 13th, November 10th and December 8th)

Anime Nights – Enjoy anime with others over age 18 on the 4th Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m. (October 27th, no meetings in November or December due to the holidays)

Computer Classes - on a beginning level for keyboarding, searching the Internet, using Microsoft Word, Excel and PowerPoint are held on a rotating basis on Wednesdays and Fridays at 10:30 a.m.

How Deep Are Your Family Roots?

Lancaster Genealogical Society meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month except December to hear speakers on related topics. Everyone with an interest in family history is welcome. (October 11th and November 8th)

Genealogical Research Assistance is available on Monday nights (except 3rd Mondays) from 6:00-7:45 p.m.

Book-a-Librarian One-on-One Tech Help available by appointment at least 72 hours in advance. Unable to make it to computer class? Schedule your own private session!



WINTER COMPUTER CLASS SCHEDULE

Class	January	February	March
Computer Basics	3 th and 5 th	2 nd	2 nd
Excel basics & Charts	10 th and 12 th	6 th and 9 th	7 th and 9 th
PowerPoint Basics	17 th and 19 th	13 th and 16 th	14 th and 16 th
Word Basics	24 th and 26 th	20 th and 23 th	21 st and 23 rd
*Classes subject to change or cancellation			

Senior Life Center

240 Veterans Memorial Parkway
972-218-3780

Hours of Operation

Monday - Friday
9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Annual Membership Dues

Lancaster Resident \$3
Non-Lancaster Resident \$5

DAILY ACTIVITIES

Coffee Served

Monday through Friday
9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Fitness Room

Monday through Friday
9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.



Congregate Meal Program

Monday – Friday, Noon to 1 p.m.

This daily lunch program ensures a nutritious meal for senior participants ages 60 years of age and older. It is FREE and Senior Participants do not have to be a member of the Lancaster Senior **LIFE** Center.

Senior participants, who are not members of the Senior **LIFE** Center, ages 50-59, can purchase the nutritious meal for an additional fee.

Sponsored in part by the Dallas Area Agency on Aging "DAAA" and the Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services.



The Lancaster Senior **LIFE** Center is a full service activity center open to adults 50 years and up, and includes several **TOP FEATURES:**

- Banquet and Dining Hall with Full Catering Kitchen, with full size stage.
- Nintendo Wii Consoles for fun, fitness and entertainment.
- Classroom for Computer Education and Training.
- Fitness Room and Croquet Course.
- Arts and Craft Rooms for Sewing, Knitting, Crochet, Quilting, and Creative Card Making.
- Bid Whiz, Spades, Chess, Chicken Foot, Dominoes.
- Reading Lounge with large selection of books.
- Well-stocked game room with billiards, poker tables and shuffle board.
- DAAA and other educational and informative presentations from community liaisons.

Available Resources....

The Senior Source

3910 Harry Hines Blvd.
Dallas, TX 75219
(214) 823-5700

www.theseniorsource.org

Dallas County Older Adult Services Program

2377 North Stemmons Freeway
Dallas, Texas 75207
214-819-1848

Dallas Area Agency on Aging

1341 W. Mockingbird Ln
Suite 1000W
Dallas, TX 75247
(214) 871-5065

www.theseniorsource.org

ACTIVITIES, CLASSES, AND PROGRAMS

Dallas County Department of Health and Human Services

Health and Wellness Clinic, Flu Shots, Blood Pressure, Blood Sugar and Weight Assessments.

First Tuesday of each month 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

BINGO

Every Friday 1:00 p.m.

Quarterly Breakfast BINGO every three months with continental breakfast included. Nominal Fee Required.

Creative Card Making

Tuesdays/Thursdays 10:00a.m.

Learn to create unique, fun and personalized greeting cards. All supplies are provided.

Senior Spiritual Harmonizers

Monday/Wednesday/Friday. 11:30 a.m.-11:45 a.m.

Wednesday 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Enjoy the majestic sound of singing seniors.

Knitting and Crochet

Tuesdays/Thursdays 10:00 a.m.

Come and enjoy the lively company of a tightly knitted group of senior participants, designing items through knitting and crochet. Class is open to all (beginners, intermediates and advanced members).

PuzzleRama

Mondays 1:00 p.m.

Everyone loves games. PuzzleRama is a wonderful way to exercise your ingenuity and your wealth of knowledge, as only seniors know. We have a variety of puzzles. PuzzleRama exercises the mind, body and soul, by challenging you to pick up the pieces and solve the problem.

Groom and Glamour Lounge 11:00 a.m.

Every first and fourth Wednesday of each month.

Who doesn't like looking good? Groom and Glamour Day is back! Senior participants (men and women), you owe it to yourself to be pampered. Must sign up early at the Senior LIFE Center. Available seating is limited.

Computer Education and Training

Tuesdays 10:30 a.m. Thursdays 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

Enjoy computer access and learn different software, programs, and navigation on the Internet. Create Facebook pages and enjoy other forms of social media.

SPECIAL Events

Senior Valentine's Social Program

February 10, 2017, 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. @ Senior Life Center

Senior Black History Program

February 17, 2017, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. @ Senior Life Center

Senior Quarterly BINGO

March 10, 2017, 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. @ Senior Life Center

Senior Older Americans Day Program

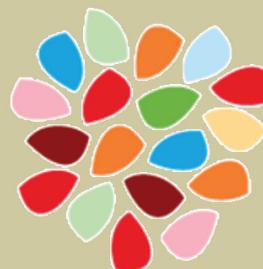
March 24, 2017, 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. @ Senior Life Center

Senior Water Fitness and Exercise

A fantastic class for all water fitness levels, with a focus on balance, and more flexibility for stressed joints. A very comfortable workout!

Transportation will be provided from the Senior LIFE Center to the Lancaster Recreation Center.

Third Wednesday of the Month
10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.





Line Dancing

Mondays/Wednesdays

1:00 p.m.

Line Dancing with Flavor! Seniors with sequences of steps showcase line dancing and swing dancing. Learn the basic steps.

Men's Power Hour

Mondays/Wednesdays

10:45 a.m.

Men Only! This is a powerful hour of empowerment. Come and fellowship with other men to discuss and engage in conversations, specifically important to men. This very popular class is open to men of all ages and distinctions. Strength is mighty. One's mind is mightier. Lively and spirited discussions are held, related to the male population of Older Americans regarding maturity, love, companionship, relationships, parenting, politics, etc. Empower your mind through conversations with men of all ages, races and nationalities.

Movie Madness

Monday – Friday

3:00 p.m.

Love Movies? Movie Marathons? Join us for the occasional popcorn and sweet tea during Movie Madness. Dramas, Action and Adventures, Thrillers, Documentaries, Romance, Westerns, you can have it all.

Reading is FUN

Tuesdays/Thursdays

1:00 p.m.

Reading is basic information before leaving earth, and essential to the livelihood of all individuals, so much so that it is the most popular program at the Senior LIFE Center. Money is fundamental. Wisdom is powerful. Knowledge is an advantage. Nothing, however, compares to the written word on paper. Engaging, energizing, informative and empowering. Re-develop your love of reading.

Sewing and Quilting

Tuesdays/Thursdays

1:00 p.m.

Bring your own materials and enjoy conversation, assistance with technique, and the company of fellow craftsmen. A quilting horse and sewing machine is provided. Participants regularly create items to be donated to area hospitals and care facilities.

The Walking Club

Mondays/Wednesdays

10:30 a.m.

We hold the hearts of our senior members in the palm of our hands. Get healthy and fit through walking and low impact exercise. Participants meet at the Senior **LIFE** Center and are transported to the Lancaster Parks and Recreation Center.

Seniors In Motion

Mondays/Tuesdays/Thursdays/Fridays

11:50 a.m.

Free. Low Impact chair exercises modified for seniors that targets the upper body muscles.

FACILITY RENTALS

Lancaster facilities are the locations of choice, having over 6,500 square feet of space for rent for your enjoyment. You can plan special events for you and your guests to remember. Not only do we offer meeting rooms, a banquet hall set up for, we also offer parks, pavilions, fields, a gymnasium and a 165,000 gallon pool that includes zero depth entry, a lazy river, two story water slide and lap lanes. For more information call 972-218-3700 or visit the Recreation Center during hours of operation.

Grand Hall Banquet Facility

1700 Veterans Memorial Parkway
(972) 218-3700

Deposit \$250 Set-up \$50 Kitchen \$30/hr.	Resident Rate	Non-Resident Rate
1,100 sq. ft. 7- 60" Rounds 1-6' Tables 56 Chairs	\$50/hr.	\$75/hr.
2,200 sq. ft. 14- 60" Rounds 2-6' Tables 112 Chairs	\$75/hr.	\$100/hr.
3,300 sq. ft. 24- 60" Rounds 3-6' Tables 192 Chairs	\$100/hr.	\$125/hr.

Community House

100 N. Henry Street
(972) 218-3700

Deposit \$150	Resident Rate	Non-Resident Rate
4 hour rental	\$200	\$225
6 hour rental	\$300	\$325



Community House

Senior Life Center

240 Veterans Memorial Pkwy
(972) 218-3700

Deposit \$250 Set-up \$50 Kitchen \$30/hr.	Resident Rate	Non-Resident Rate
4 hour rental	\$400	\$500
6 hour rental	\$600	\$750

Gymnasium

Four (4) hour minimum if outside hours of operations.

Resident / Non-Resident Deposit \$100

Half Gym Fees

Resident \$50/hour
Non-Resident \$65/hour

Full Gym Fees

Resident \$75/hour
Non-Resident \$90/hour

Full Gym-Tournament

(allows gate fees/concessions)

Resident \$100/hour
Non-Resident \$125/hour

Athletic Fields

Each field has two (2) hours minimum, lights are an additional fee of \$15.00 per hour.

Resident / Non-Resident Deposit \$100

All Fields

Resident \$25/hour
Non-Resident \$35/hour

Cedardale Park – Baseball/Softball

City Park – Softball

Royce Clayton Ball Park - Baseball

Community Park – Football/Soccer

FACILITY RENTALS

Helen Giddings Amphitheater

1700 Veterans Memorial Parkway

Deposit	Resident	Non Resident
	\$150	\$150

FEES

4 hour rental	\$200	\$325
6 hour rental	\$275	\$400

Each additional hour after 6 hours	\$50	\$75
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Parks Pavilion

Deposit	Resident	Non-Resident
	\$100	\$100

FEES

4 hours	\$75	\$100
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City Park Pavilion 1

211 W. Beltline Road Lancaster, TX 75146
(972) 218-3700

- Baseball Field
- Basketball Court
- Concession Stand

City Park Pavilion 2

211 W. Beltline Road Lancaster, TX 75146
(972) 218-3700

- Baseball Field
- Basketball Court
- Concession Stand

Community Park

200 N. Dallas Avenue Lancaster, TX 75146
(972) 218-3700

- Amphitheater
- Backstop
- Baseball Field

Meadowcreek Park

901 Meadowcreek Drive Lancaster, TX 75146
(972) 218-3700



Kids Square Pavilion

1990 W. Beltline Road Lancaster, TX 75146
(972) 218-3700

- Grill
- Pavilion
- Restrooms

Bear Creek Park

1000 Bear Creek Road Lancaster, TX 75134
(972) 218-3700

- Butterfly Garden
- Climbing Rock
- Equestrian Trail

Rocky Crest Pavilion

698 E. Main Street Lancaster, TX 75146
(972) 218-3700

- Backstop
- Baseball Field
- Basketball Court

Heritage Park

250 N. Dallas Avenue Lancaster, TX 75146
(972) 218-3700

- Gazebo

J.A. Dewberry Park

2975 Green Drive Lancaster, TX 75134
(972) 218-3700

- Basketball Court
- Grill

VISITORS CENTER AND STATE AUXILIARY MUSEUM

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Lancaster, TX 75146
972-218-3790
www.lancaster-tx.com**



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The vintage characteristics and historic décor of this wonderful facility will compliment your event and create an ambiance of long lasting memories.

Our rates are as follows:

	Resident	Non Resident
Deposit	\$250.00	\$250.00
Set-up Fee	\$50.00	\$50.00
3 Hour Rental (After hours)	\$350.00	\$400.00

3 hour minimum and maximum for after hour reservations.

Conference Room (during hours of operation only)

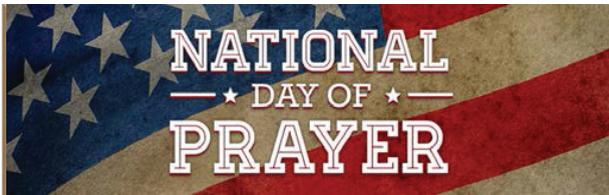
Deposit	\$100.00	\$100.00
Hourly rate (2 hour minimum)	\$50.00	\$75.00





Mark Your Calendars

EVENTS



NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

National Day Of Prayer

Thursday, May 4, 2017
Lancaster Community House/Helen
Giddings Amphitheatre



Cinco De Mayo Block Party

Friday, May 5, 2017
Helen Giddings Amphitheater,
Lancaster, Texas

Juneteenth



Best Southwest Juneteenth Celebration

Saturday, June 17, 2017
Community Park, Lancaster, Texas



American Cancer Society

Relay For Life

A Team Event to Fight Cancer

Best Southwest Cities South Dallas 2017

Friday, May 12, 2017
7 p.m.-1 a.m.

Desoto High School
600 Eagle Drive
Desoto, TX

Register at relay.acsevents.org

Team Lancaster

Desoto/Lancaster 4th of July Celebration

Saturday, July 1st, 2017
Meadow Creek Park
1400 S. Uhl Road
Desoto, Texas



City of Lancaster

P.O. Box 940

Lancaster, TX. 75146

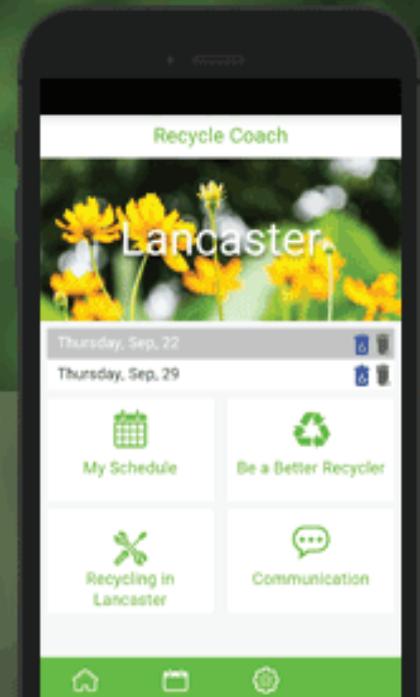
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