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"THE BLUEBONNET CAPITOL OF TEXAS"



Judge John Maxwell

Interim Municipal Judge takes Oath of Office

Judge John Maxwell was sworn in as Interim Municipal Judge on October 9th, 2001. Judge Maxwell received his law degree from South Texas College of Law, graduating with honors. He worked as an attorney in private practice in Pampa, Texas. Upon his retirement in 1992, he and his wife Marian moved to Burnet County to be closer to the couple's daughter. Judge Maxwell is also the judge for Meadowlakes.

DEADLINE NEARS FOR FOOD DRIVE

The City of Burnet has joined forces with local radio Station KBAY to help provide food for the less fortunate in Burnet County. For convenience, the City offers a number of drop off locations around the city including City Hall, Burnet Fire/EMS, Burnet Police Department, Galloway-Hammond Recreation Center, and Delaware Springs Golf Course. Non-perishable items such as canned goods, rice, beans, and cereal can be donated. The drive commenced on November 5 and will continue through December 19.

Donations go directly to local food pantry's. LACARE is one of the local organizations that will benefit from the drive. Says Carole Goble of LACARE, "In the aftermath of the

September 11th tragedy, donations to the Capitol Area Food Bank have diminished and LACARE receives most of its food from them. This has resulted in rationing

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HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

City of Burnet offices will be closed the following dates:

December 24th & 25th
December 31st and January 1st

Garbage pickup will commence on the next scheduled pickup date.



COWBOY CHRISTMAS DINNER AND DANCE

Galloway Hammond Recreation Center is presenting a Cowboy Christmas Dinner and Dance featuring Kevin Fowler on December 15th. Seating is limited. Tickets are available at GHRC. Call 756-6180 for information.

NUISANCE DOG AT AIRPORT CAPTURED

With the use of the City's new live trap the stray dog that has been a nuisance at the Burnet Airport has been captured, reports animal control officer, Vickie Rhymes. The live trap captures animals without harming them.

WATER & WASTEWATER LINE PROJECT

Barry Rost reports that construction for waterlines and wastewater lines for
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BURNET CITY COUNCIL: MAYOR DENNIS KINCHELOE, COUNCILMEMEBRS CECIL HESTER, HOWARD LANGE, INA COOPER, PAT RIDDELL, KENNETH GRAHAM, A. B. DAUGERTY.

QUICK FACTS FROM THE US CENSUS BUREAU

- The City of Burnet has a population of 4,735
- Of those, 2,028 are female and 2,707 are male
- The median age is 36.6 years
- 861 people are over the age of 65
- The total number of households are 1,661
- Of those, families make up 1,115 households
- Burnet County has a population of 34,147
- The percent of change in Burnet County from 1990 to 2000 is an increase of 50.6%
- In Burnet County, persons 65 year old and older represent 17.9% of the population.

Other Facts:

- The Burnet Volunteer Fire Department services 321 square miles.
- The City of Burnet consists of 6.82 square miles. (Thanks to Alice Tippie—911 Coordinator)

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facilities in Central Texas like ours. In the face of the cutbacks, LACARE is in great need of locally donated food."

Remember to put a couple of non-perishable food items in your car and drop them off on the way to work, to the gym or to play a couple of rounds of golf. The deadline for final pickup is December 19th.

Check out our new web page at www.cityofburnet.com

LANCE PROMOTED

Steve Lance was promoted to Assistant Superintendent of the Water/Wastewater Department of the City of Burnet.

Steve has been with the City for 13 years and was formerly the Head Water Plant Operator.

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the new Highland Oaks Subdivision are scheduled to begin by the first of the new year. Highland Oaks will be located on the east side of Highway 281 north.

GARAGE SALE PERMITS REQUIRED

Garage sale permits are required to hold Garage Sales within the City Limits of Burnet. A maximum of four permits can be issued in a single year to any one person or location and are issued for two consecutive days only. Permits can be obtained at City Hall.



WISHING YOU A HAPPY AND SAFE HOLIDAY

From the Employees of the City of Burnet

2001 OWNER OCCUPIED HOUSING ASSISTANCE APPLICATION DECLINED

The Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs recently notified City of Burnet officials that the application for the 2001 HOME Investment Partnerships Program application for Owner Occupied Housing Assistance has been declined. In accordance with the State HOME rules, to be considered for a funding recommendation, each applicant must meet or exceed a minimum score requirement based on community needs. To receive funding the city must score a minimum of 180 points. The City of Burnet scored 158.

The grant is designed to help low to moderate home owners with housing needs through state supported grants, however, communities must meet the minimum criteria established by the State of Texas. The City had received several applications from low to moderate home owners in Burnet who were competing for these funds to improve their homes. All local applications will be kept on file by the City of Burnet and the City application will be resubmitted to TDHCA in the Spring or early Summer of 2002.

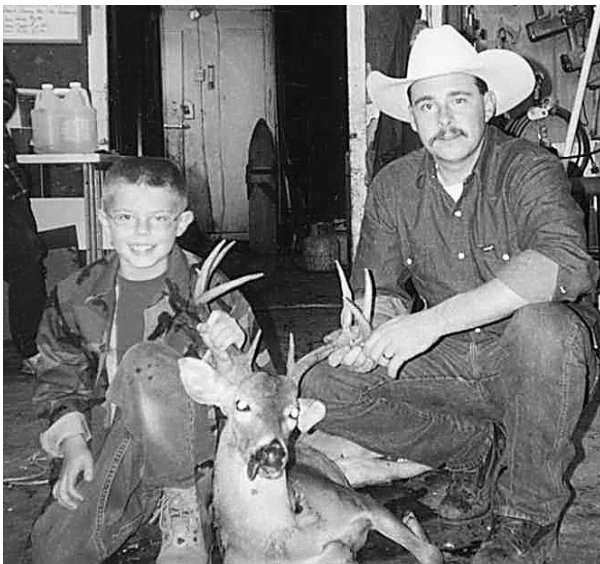


Halloween found City Hall full of cave-women. L to R, Tammy Smith (Burnet Municipal Court), Cindy Lopez and Martha Adams (Utilities), and Deb Gerow (Receptionist).

NEW FLUORIDE TREATMENT EQUIPMENT

The City of Burnet is currently installing new state-of-the-art fluoride treatment equipment at the City water treatment facility. The City was recently awarded a grant from the Texas Department of Health to update their Fluoride treatment equipment.

The grant, approximately \$13,000, was used for new pumps and tanks. The fluoride treatment process must meet specific guidelines set out by the Texas Department of Health. The installation of the new equipment will ensure the continued adherence to the guidelines by the City. "Our operators are certified by the TDH for use on this equipment," reports Barry Rost, Superintendent of the Water/Wastewater Department for the City.



Cody Smith, son of Brent and Tammy Smith shot his first deer this November on the Reed Ranch, Hwy. 29 West, Burnet County. Cody is nine years old and this is his first season for hunting. His mother, Tammy, is the Municipal Court Clerk for the City of Burnet.

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DATES TO REMEMBER

The **City Council** regularly meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at the City Council Chambers at 6:30 p.m.. Watch the web page for changes to the schedule and special meetings.

The **Burnet Tourism Committee** regularly meets the first Monday of the month at 5:00 p.m. at City Hall.

The **Planning & Zoning Commission** meets regularly the first Thursday of the Month at 7:00 p.m. at the City Council Chambers.

Deadlines for **Citizen Input** requests for the next Council Meeting is five days prior to the meeting. Request forms can be picked up at City Hall or downloaded from our web site.

For more information contact the **Deputy Clerk** at (512) 756-6093

Our Heroes

The City of Burnet boasts several family members who are currently serving in the military. We salute them and their dedication..



The Bluebonnet will be featuring the members of our armed forces throughout the year. To have your family member included, contact Crista Goble at 756-6093 or email her at cgoble@cityofburnet.com



Dustin Wade Schlichting
E3, U.S. Navy,
Dustin is currently serving on the USS Peleliu which is stationed in the Arabian Sea. He is the son of Vonnie Hargett, a driver for the Sanitation Department.



Terry Goble
Sergeant, U.S. Army
Fort Hood 27th Cavalry Mechanized Division, Bradley Gunner
Terry is the son of John and Brenda Goble. John is the superintendent of the Sanitation Department.



PRESENTS

Cowboy Christmas

Dinner and Dancing

Featuring Kevin Fowler

DECEMBER 15th

8 p.m. until Midnight

Tickets Available at Galloway Hammond Recreation Center

(512) 756-6180