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MEETING DATES

City Council

Second and Fourth Monday of the month at 5:30 p.m.

Parks and Recreation Commission

Fourth Thursday of the month at 5:30 p.m.

Planning and Zoning Commission

Second Tuesday of the month at 5:30 p.m.

Woodway Beautiful Commission

Third Thursday of the month at 5:30 p.m.

Youth Commission

First Thursday of the month at 5:30 p.m.

NUMBERS TO KNOW

Emergency9-1-1
 Carleen Bright Arboretum.....399-9204
 City Hall772-4480
 Code Enforcement.....772-4470
 Community Services & Development.....772-4050
 Public Safety.....772-4470
 Water and Trash Inquiries.....772-4480
 Woodway Family Center.....772-7491

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THIS EDITION IS DEDICATED IN LOVING MEMORY TO ASSISTANT CHIEF MAGGIE BECKER



Margaret C. Becker

April 5, 1950 - November 20, 2013

Served 1975 - 2001

Margaret “Maggie” C. Becker started her law enforcement career in Woodway on July 28, 1975, when females rarely entered law enforcement. Maggie was the first female ever hired by Woodway Public Safety Department. She started as a patrol officer, quickly rising through the ranks. She served in many roles in the department, promoting to Sergeant in 1981 and then serving as Lieutenant, Captain, Detective, and finally Assistant Chief until she retired in August of 2001. As Assistant Chief, she oversaw day-to-day operations, personnel, training, and often filled in as Chief. She was selected to and attended the FBI National Academy in 1991. Maggie served with great distinction throughout her career, always exceeding expectations and excelling. She authored the City’s first complete City of Woodway and Woodway Public Safety Department personnel policy and procedure manuals. She then personally trained every employee on them, even after her retirement in 2001 until her health began to fail. She was instrumental in the hiring and training of the entire current command staff team. She was known for her loyalty, dedication, teamwork, and “tender loving care” of volunteers, sworn and non-sworn personnel alike. We deeply miss Maggie, her friendship, and her leadership.

Woodway Youth Commission

This January, a group of teenagers came together and collected over \$5,000 for the families of police officers killed in the line of duty in the state of Texas. In the two years prior, many of these same kids raised more than \$21,000 for this same cause. This was accomplished by holding an annual 5K run, named “Bound for the Brave”. All proceeds from the Bound for the Brave go to the Texas Police Chiefs’ Association Foundation, helping out the families of officers who have died in the line of duty. These are just a few of the many great accomplishments that are a part of the resume of the Woodway Youth Commission.

The Youth Commission has given young residents of Woodway, from 7th to 12th grades, the opportunity to serve their community through volunteering at city events. Many of those events are sponsored and organized by the members of the Youth Commission. The Commission usually volunteers and/or organizes around 10 events each year, along with holding monthly meetings to discuss and act on important business regarding the Commission.

Woodway Public Safety Department’s Corporal William Dudley, the Commission’s liaison to the City Council, works with the Commission to meet its goals of helping the community. In six years of holding this position, he has seen many young members come and go and fostered their yearning to help the city in any way possible. Under his supervision, the Bound for the Brave has become an annual 5K race. The Youth Commission also helps with such city events as the Original Family Movie Night, the Public Safety Association Barbecue and the Gardeners Gathering.

But the achievements listed here are not only space fillers on a resume or a community service sheet, they are lasting memories and opportunities for the city of Woodway’s youth to make their city better and to grow into productive leaders. In a time where people seem to have grown so involved in their own lives and forgotten the held beliefs of communal brotherhood and sanctimonious neighborhood or city partnership, the Youth Commission provides that rare environment. These kids can come together each month, forgetting about issues of their own, and instead, help others as one productive society striving for a common cause.



Woodway Youth Commission helps out at the Annual Public Safety Association Bar-b-que



Woodway Youth Commission members help out at the Original Family Movie Night



City of Woodway Yard of the Month Winners



June 2014 Yard of the Month

- Area 1
Bane Family, 9910 Sandalwood
- Area 2
Ross Family, 8602 Gladedale
- Area 3
Nicholas Family, 11002 Ridgpoint
- Area 4
Wells Family, 14043 Hoseshoe Circle



July 2014 Yard of the Month

- Area 1
Esquivel Family, 1008 Wedgewood
- Area 2
Fielder Family, 1001 Sugar Creek
- Area 3
Campbell Family, 408 Shadow Mountain
- Area 4
Cannon Family, 14000 Horseshoe Circle

Tips to Make Halloween Safer for Your Pet

1. Don't feed your pets Halloween candy.
2. Keep lit candles and jack-o'-lanterns out of reach.
3. If you plan to put a costume on your pet, make sure it fits properly.
4. Keep glow sticks and glow jewelry away from your pets.
5. If your pet is wary of strangers or has a tendency to bite, put him in another room during trick-or-treating hours or provide him with a safe hiding place.
6. Keep your pet inside.
7. Make sure your pet is properly identified in case he escapes through the open door while you're distracted with trick-or-treaters.



If you have questions, please feel free to contact me.

A Helpful Hint
Albert Lopez, Woodway Animal Control
254.772.4470



The Arts

Whitehall Center at the Carleen Bright Arboretum serves as an Art Center for Central Texas artists. Every year the Arboretum hosts eight different art exhibitions, each running approximately six weeks beginning in January and ending mid November. The Art Center highlights both individual artists and group displays. Each new art opening hosts a reception to kick-off the exhibit. The public is encouraged to attend and help celebrate our local artists.

Featured Artist

September 2 - October 15
George Boutwell

Born in East Hartford, Connecticut in 1943, George Boutwell traveled around the country with his father. George had lived in nine different states by the time he started 1st grade in San Antonio. George and his wife Martha live on a ranch near Clifton and have two daughters and two grandsons.

George worked as Art Director for Texas Highways Magazine from 1966 to 1972. During that time he became aware of the diversity of Texas and has made this the focus of his life's work.

George's hobbies and interests include historic preservation, old cars, fossil hunting and observation of wildlife and Longhorn cattle.

For more information about George and his work, please visit:

www.gboutwell.com



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CITY OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED

LABOR DAY - MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

ALL COLLECTIONS FOR THE WEEK RUN 1 DAY LATE THRU SATURDAY

COLUMBUS DAY - MONDAY, OCTOBER 13

TRASH COLLECTION ON REGULAR SCHEDULE

Brush Pickup Reminder

Curbside brush pickup is every Wednesday. Limbs should not exceed 4 inches in diameter and no longer than 5 feet in length.

Brush and limbs should be neatly stacked at the curb. "Bundling" is not required, but appreciated.

Each household is allowed one regular sized pickup load per week at no additional charge. For additional brush pickup, please contact Customer Services for more information at 772.4480.

Mark Your Calendar

Woodway Public Safety Association's 41st Annual Barbecue

Police and Firefighter Fundraiser

*Saturday, September 20, 11 am - 7 pm
Woodway Elementary School, Estates Drive
772-4470 for more information*

Children's Garden Fair & Scarecrow Contest

*Sunday, October 12
2 pm - 5 pm
Carleen Bright Arboretum
9001 Bosque Blvd
399-9204*

Thanksgiving Holidays

*Thursday, November 27
Friday, November 28*