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Come honor our local military heroes and their families with the Town at our Annual Memorial Day Ceremony on Monday, May 25th at 7:00pm in Bicentennial Park. Marine Sergeant Major Nicks will be our guest speaker, the colors will be presented and the essay contest winners will read their essays on “Why Is it Important to Celebrate Memorial Day?” If you would like to recognize a veteran at the event, living or passed, please contact Town Hall with their name, rank and branch of service at info@townofpantego.com no later than Thursday, May 21st.

CONGRATULATIONS!

- Officer Meinke received a commendation by Chief Griffith for his alertness in investigating suspicious behavior that resulted in preventing a potential burglary of a Town business or residence.
- Sergeant Moore and Officer Meinke received a commendation from the City of Arlington for their assistance with an officer in distress call originating from a routine traffic stop.
- Officer Alexander and Officer Hopkins achieved their Court Security Specialist Certificate from the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement. Way to go guys!



The Community Relations Board needs volunteers for each of their upcoming events: Memorial Day, Movies in the Park, Halloween, and Christmas.

The Town is accepting applications for volunteers for the different Boards & Commissions. The application can be downloaded from the Town's website or picked up at Town Hall.

To volunteer and help out the community, please contact Town Hall at info@townofpantego.com.

**** NOTICE: The Town Elections for May 9th have been cancelled due to a lack of contested races ****
The School Board Elections will still be held May 9th from 7am to 7pm at Bailey Jr. High.

EASTER EGG HUNT EVENT

Families turned out in record number for the Annual Easter Egg event this year on an absolutely gorgeous Saturday, April 25th. Thanks to all the volunteers and organizations who helped make this day a success!



SPRING CLEAN-UP EVENT

On Saturday, April 11th, the Town sponsored the annual spring clean-up event, welcoming 208 separate loads from residents with 180 cubic yards of garbage, household hazardous waste and brush collected. Staff would like to thank all of our residents that participated in this extremely successful event, which helps keep the Town of Pantego beautiful.

Upcoming Meetings:

(Check website for times and locations)

Town Hall will be closed on

Monday, May 25th in

observance of Memorial Day

Planning and Zoning:

May 4th

Community Relations Board:

May 5th

Town Council:

May 11th and 18th

Economic Development:

May 13th and 27th

Youth Leadership Council:

May 19th



Did You Know ... Pet Waste Pollutes Our Watersheds!

Pet waste left on the street or lawn does not just go away or fertilize the grass. The bacteria in dog waste is often washed down storm drains and into ditches, streams, lakes, and inlets, and can travel for miles in the water. Kitty litter dumped outside can also be washed into streams. The bacteria in pet waste can make streams and rivers unsafe.

A little pet waste goes a long way...a day's waste from one large dog can contain 7.8 billion fecal coliform bacteria!

Notice for Our Community

W. Park Row Waterline Replacement and Pavement Repairs. Underground infrastructure must be maintained and replaced as they age past their designed life. This project is intended to replace a 1960's era water main, increasing the current water main size from a 6 inch to a 10 inch, thus providing sufficient water quality, pressure and volume for fire fighting. Following the waterline replacement, sections of the concrete pavement will be replaced along with new striping and buttons for divided lanes and crosswalks. The Town understands that this project will cause inconveniences and would like to thank business owners, neighbors and motorists in advance for your patience and assistance in making this project as smooth as possible.



Location: Beginning at Bowen & Park Row in the intersection, continuing to the east approximately 2500 ft., ending at 2200 W. Park Row.

Schedule: Anticipated to begin in May 2015, waterline replacement completion within 150 days of starting and pavement repairs to follow.

Maintenance & Traffic: The existing waterline is planned to remain active until the new line is in place; however, temporary water connections may be necessary to avoid service interruptions. Local vehicular and pedestrian traffic should be maintained throughout the construction activities, with the expectation of single lane closures throughout the duration of the project. The contractor will work closely with the Public Works staff to coordinate and minimize any inconvenience and some work may be scheduled for night operations to minimize impact.

Project Updates: Public Works will post weekly updates on the Town Website so our community can stay informed.

Projects Under Design. The Town is working with an engineering firm to design the replacement of the waterline and wastewater line on Wagon Wheel Trail between Park Row and Peach Tree Lane. The engineering firm is also designing the rehabilitation of the Wagon Wheel Bridge. Further scheduling will be posted in the upcoming newsletters and website as the information becomes available.

Mosquito Spraying

The Town Council will proactively spray on a monthly basis to curb the amount of mosquitoes in the area. The next round of spraying will be on May 28th at 9:30pm. The treatment will take approximately 2 hours and will be applied throughout the Town. It is recommended that residents stay inside during this time frame. In the event of rain, spraying will be postponed to May 29th at 9:30 p.m. Continue to check the newsletter and Town website for future application dates.

Mosquito Control

The most important and effective form of mosquito/West Nile Virus control is to take a personal stake in the process. To prevent the breeding of mosquitoes, ensure that the areas on your property have no standing water. Check your buckets, flower pots, trash containers, or other likely collection areas and dump them out on a regular basis. When going outside, especially from dusk to dawn, wear clothes that cover as much of your skin as possible and use insect repellent.

Mosquito dunks are available to residents at Town Hall to treat standing/stagnant water that cannot be emptied (i.e. ponds, fountains, etc.)

