2021
SAFETY CALENDAR
Texas City, Texas...What a home town should be
HOW TO RESPOND TO EMERGENCY SIREN SYSTEM

When the siren system is activated with the high - low - high - low - high - low - high - low - high – low signal you should:

- Go indoors; shut all windows and doors; turn off the air conditioning.
- Stay off the telephone.
- Please monitor Texas City Emergency Management Facebook Page for further instructions.
- Tune into any major television station in the Houston area for updates. The situation is often fluid and up-to-date information can be obtained by using these stations as they often have live broadcasts of the event.
- Cars will be prevented from entering any area affected by the situation through the use of police road blocks or barricades.
### NOTE:
Texas City Through the Decades Exhibit
January 1-25
Texas City Museum

### LEGEND
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AVOID TEXTING WHILE DRIVING

• Make a habit of thinking about what calls or texts you need to send before you begin your trip. Before you start the car, take a moment to think about what information you might need during your trip.

• The idea of a designated driver has caught on for drunk driving, and choosing a substitute can be just as useful for distracted driving. Select a friend to be your designated texter while you’re behind the wheel.

• Place your phone somewhere you can’t peek at it. Try putting it in the glove compartment (lock it if you must) or inside a purse in the back seat.

• Silence notifications that tempt you to check your phone.

• Investigate apps that will help boost your willpower. There are several types of apps on the market, some of them free, that allow you to block incoming messages or send automatic responses to let your friends know you’re driving.

• Practice patience. Consider whether it’s worth risking your safety—and that of others in your car and on the road—to read a text while driving. Wait until you’ve reached your destination.

• Make a promise. If you are a person of your word, consider signing the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration’s pledge against distracted driving. Seeing your name on the pledge could help you keep your thumbs off the phone.

• If you absolutely cannot wait, pull over when you can do so safely because swerving to the side of a busy highway is never a good option. If you are driving on a road with safe places to pull over, use them to stop and text.
**February 2021**

**Sunday**

1. Presidents’ Day

2. AARP Foundation Tax Aid  Carver Center 10 AM – 2 PM

3. Groundhog Day

**Monday**

4. AARP Foundation Tax Aid  Carver Center 10 AM – 2 PM

5. AARP Foundation Tax Aid  Carver Center 10 AM – 2 PM

**Tuesday**

6. AARP Foundation Tax Aid  Carver Center 10 AM – 2 PM

7. Nessler Senior Program Valentine’s Dance

8. AARP Foundation Tax Aid  Carver Center 10 AM – 2 PM

9. Valentine’s Dance

**Wednesday**

10. Ash Wednesday

11. Spring Swim Lessons Session I  Registration Begins February 15

12. AARP Foundation Tax Aid  Carver Center 10 AM – 2 PM

**Thursday**

13. Father/Daughter Dance  Doyle Convention Center 6 PM – 9:30 PM

14. AARP Foundation Tax Aid  Carver Center 10 AM – 2 PM

**Friday**

15. Youth Basketball City Tournament

16. AARP Foundation Tax Aid  Carver Center 10 AM – 2 PM

17. AARP Foundation Tax Aid  Carver Center 10 AM – 2 PM

**Saturday**

18. AARP Foundation Tax Aid  Carver Center 10 AM – 2 PM

19. AARP Foundation Tax Aid  Carver Center 10 AM – 2 PM

20. Bell House Open 1 PM – 3 PM

**NOTES:**

Black History Exhibit  
February 6-27  
Texas City Museum

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SPRING BREAK SAFETY

• **Be active.** You've probably been sitting most of the year working at the computer, studying, or in class. During the break, take the opportunity to start a fitness program. Do a variety of fun activities like walking, dancing, playing volleyball, swimming, and more. It doesn't need to be rigorous to be beneficial. Avoid injury by starting any new activity slowly. Be active for at least 2½ hours a week. Include activities that raise your breathing and heart rates and that strengthen your muscles.

• **Plan a successful trip.** If you are going on a trip, be prepared. Are vaccinations required? Are there special food, destination, or other things you need to consider ahead of time? If you are taking medications, do you have enough for the trip? Know what's happening en route or at your travel destination.

• **Watch your step.** There may be temptations on your break that involve different or high-risk activities. Think twice before putting yourself at risk for injury. Be sure to use appropriate safety gear such as seat belts, life vests, or knee pads before venturing out.

• **If you wear contact lenses, practice healthy wear and care when you're on vacation.** Carry a spare pair of glasses and contact lens supplies with you so you can take out your contacts safely. Remove contacts before swimming, as exposing contact lenses to water can lead to painful, sometimes blinding eye infections. Always take your contacts out before bed, even if you're up late or traveling. Sleeping in contact lenses has been linked to serious eye infections.

• **Protect yourself from the sun.** After a cold winter, it's tempting to stay in the hot sun all day. Although getting a little sun can have some benefits, excessive and unprotected sun exposure can result in premature aging, changes in skin texture, and skin cancer. Always wear sunscreen with at least SPF 15. For eye protection, wear wraparound sunglasses that provide 100 percent UV ray protection.

• **Eat healthy.** Having fun takes energy and fuel. Be sure to eat a variety of foods, including plenty of vegetables, fruits, and whole grain products. Also include low-fat dairy products, lean meats, poultry, fish, and legumes. Drink lots of water and go easy on the salt, sugar, alcohol, and saturated fat. Good nutrition should be part of an overall healthy lifestyle, including regular physical activity, not smoking, and stress management.
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**Special Events:**
- **March 20:** Davison Home at Heritage Square Open 2 PM– 4 PM
- **March 14:** Spring Swim Lessons Session I Begins at Matthew T. Doyle Natatorium
- **March 16:** AARP Foundation Tax Aid at Carver Center 10 AM – 2 PM
- **March 17:** St. Patrick’s Day
- **March 28:** Summer Swim Lessons Session II Begins at Matthew T. Doyle Natatorium
- **March 30:** City Wide Easter Egg Hunt at Carlos Garza Park
- **March 31:** State Wide Easter Egg Hunt at Carlos Garza Park

**Calendar Key:**
- **AARP Foundation Tax Aid:** Carver Center 10 AM – 2 PM
- **Spring Break Camp:**
- **TAAF Youth Basketball Tournament:**

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BICYCLE SAFETY

• A helmet protects your child from serious injury and should always be worn. Remember, wearing a helmet at all times helps children develop the habit of safety.

• Your child needs to wear a helmet on every bike ride, no matter how short or how close to home. Many injuries happen in driveways, on sidewalks, and on bike paths, not just on streets. Children learn best by observing you. Set the example: Whenever you ride, put on your helmet.

• When purchasing a helmet, look for a label or sticker that says the helmet meets the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) safety standard.

• A helmet should be worn so that it is level on the head and covers the forehead, not tipped forward or backwards. The strap should be securely fastened with about 2 fingers able to fit between chin and strap. The helmet should be snug on the head, but not overly tight. Skin should move with the helmet when moved side to side. If needed, the helmet's sizing pads can help improve the fit.

• Do not push your child to ride a 2-wheeled bike without training wheels until he or she is ready. Consider the child's coordination and desire to learn to ride. Stick with coaster (foot) brakes until your child is older and more experienced for hand brakes. Consider a balance bike with no pedals for young children to learn riding skills.

• Take your child with you when you shop for the bike so that he or she can try it out. The value of a properly-fitted bike far outweighs the value of surprising your child with a new one. Buy a bike that is the right size, not one your child has to “grow into.” Oversized bikes are especially dangerous.
NOTES:
Nessler Pool Reservations Begin April 5
Summer Swim Team Try Out Begins April 5
Summer Youth Track & Youth Tennis Registration Begins April 5

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AARP Foundation Tax Aid
Carver Center 10 AM – 2 PM

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City Offices Biosphere
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Shooting Range
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Easter Sunday

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NOTE:
1947 Disaster Exhibit
April 3 - May 29
Texas City Museum
Hurricane Safety

Before the Hurricane Hits

- Keep photos and/or videos of your home, its content and other personal property in a separate location, such as a safe deposit box
- Photocopy personal IDs, credit cards, insurance policies and other important documents and keep them in a watertight container with your emergency supplies
- Fuel and service family vehicles and consider investing in a fuel transfer tank
- Prepare to cover all windows and doors with shutters or plywood
- Secure any outside items which may become projectiles and damage you and/or your neighbors’ homes.
- Keep extra cash on hand for emergency purposes
- Develop a family emergency plan, detailing how family members are to evacuate the house and where to meet
- Prepare a survival kit for 10 days or longer. Items should include:  
  - Water (1 gallon per person per day)
  - Include food and water for pets
  - Non-Perishable food for 14 days
  - First Aid Kit
  - Medicine with 14 days’ worth of prescriptions
  - Cash
  - Matches, batteries, flashlights, hand tools
  - Identification, personal papers, important documents
  - Safety equipment (fire extinguisher, whistle, hand crank radio)
  - Personal Protective Equipment
- Sign up on County or City mass notification system if you need assistance evacuating,
  - Register at: Mytcalerts.com
  - Manual sign-up materials are at City Hall

During the Hurricane Storm

- Listen closely to a radio tuned to NOAA Weather Radio or to official bulletins for hurricane information
- Evacuate to a safe location when instructed by officials
- Notify family members and neighbors about your evacuation plans and where you will be going
- If an evacuation is necessary, unplug all appliances, TV’s and computers before leaving your home. If possible, move important items to a higher floor or surface such as a counter or shelf to protect expensive equipment from flooding
- If you have NOT been ordered to leave and decide to remain in your home:
  - Turn refrigerator to its coldest setting and keep it closed
  - Turn off propane tanks and unplug small appliances
  - Fill bathtub and large containers with water for sanitary purposes
  - Stay in a small interior room or closet, ideally without windows

After the Hurricane Storm

- Listen to authorities for information on weather, road conditions, updates and special instructions
- Return to your home ONLY when instructed to do so by authorities
- Save phone calls for emergencies. Phone systems are often down or busy after a disaster. Use text messages or social media to communicate with family and friends.
- Do not attempt to drive through or across flowing water, or cross areas where water is flowing (moving water as little as 6” deep can sweep you away)
- Stay away from standing water (It may be electrically charged from downed power lines)
- Be careful during clean-up. Wear protective clothing and work with someone else
- Take pictures of the damage to your property and notify your insurance company
WATER SAFETY

- Teach children water safety and swimming skills as early as possible.
- Always brief babysitters on water safety and emphasize the need for constant supervision.
- Appoint a “designated watcher” to monitor children during social gatherings at or near pools.
- Equip doors and windows that exit to a pool area with alarms.
- Install a poolside phone, preferably a cordless model, with emergency numbers programmed into speed-dial.
- Post CPR instructions, learn the procedures or become certified if possible.
- Keep rescue equipment poolside. Don’t wait for the paramedics to arrive because you will lose valuable life-saving seconds. Four to six minutes without oxygen can cause permanent brain damage or death.
- Keep a first aid kit poolside.
- Maintain constant visual contact with children in a pool or pool area. If a child is missing, check the pool first; seconds count in preventing death or disability.
- Don’t use flotation devices as a substitute for supervision. Never allow a young child in a pool without an adult.
- Don’t leave objects such as toys that might attract a child in the pool and pool area.
- Never prop the gate to a pool area open.
- Don’t rely on swimming lessons, life preservers, or other equipment to make a child “water safe.”
- Never assume someone else is watching a child in a pool area.
- Don’t leave chairs or other items of furniture where a child could use them to climb into a fenced pool area.
- Don’t assume you’ll hear a child who’s in trouble in the water; children drowning can be a silent death and they might not splash to alert you or other bystanders.
### June 2021 Calendar

#### Sunday
- **1**: Father's Day
- **8**: Davison Home at Heritage Square Open, 2 PM- 4 PM
- **15**: Flag Day
- **22**: Texas City Museum Appreciation Day

#### Monday
- **1**: CHARLES BROWN & 1867 SETTLEMENT EXHIBIT, June 5-26, Texas City Museum
- **6**: Charles Brown & 1867 Settlement Exhibit
- **7**: Davison Home at Heritage Square Open
- **8**: Davison Home at Heritage Square Open
- **13**: Juneteenth Golf Tournament, Bayou Golf Course
- **20**: Father's Day
- **27**: Tackle Time Fishing Tournament

#### Tuesday
- **2**: Summer Swim Lessons, Session 1 Begins June 7
- **3**: Last Day of TCISD School
- **10**: Juneteenth Gospel Festival
- **17**: Movie in the Park, Rotary Pavilion

#### Wednesday
- **4**: Father's Day
- **11**: Juneteenth Parade & Festivities, 3 PM
- **18**: Juneteenth Gospel Festival

#### Thursday
- **5**: Nessler Park Family Aquatics Opens (Daily)
- **12**: Parks Department Kid Fish Event, Bell House Open, 1-3 PM
- **19**: Juneteenth Parade & Festivities, 3 PM

#### Friday
- **16**: Juneteenth Poetry Slam, 7 PM
- **23**: Movie in the Park, Rotary Pavilion

#### Saturday
- **13**: Juneteenth Golf Tournament, Bayou Golf Course
- **20**: Father's Day
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### Notes:
- Youth Summer Tennis Begins June 7
- Summer Swim Lessons Session 1 Begins June 7
- Summer Swim Lessons Session 2 Begins June 21
- Summer Swim Lessons Session 1 Begins June 7
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Stay Cool in Hot Weather

- **Drink plenty of water.** Avoid drinks with caffeine, alcohol and large amounts of sugar because they can actually dehydrate your body.
- Have a beverage with you at all times, and sip or drink frequently. **Don't wait until you're thirsty to drink.**
- If you go outside, limit the time you are in direct sunlight.
- Do not leave infants, children, people with mobility challenges and pets in a parked car, even with the window rolled down.
- Avoid or reduce doing activities that are tiring, or take a lot of energy.
- Do outdoor activities in the cooler morning and evening hours.
- **Avoid sunburn.** Use a sunscreen lotion with a high SPF (sun protection factor) rating.
- Some people turn to local rivers to cool off, but drowning is a real concern. Please use caution and wear a personal flotation device (PFD) on the water. If you want to swim, **choose a safer location**—visit a local pool or lifeguarded beach instead.
- **Recognizing heat exhaustion and heat stroke.** When your body can't cool itself quickly enough it can cause heat exhaustion. Symptoms of heat exhaustion include: muscle cramps, weakness, dizziness, headache, nausea and vomiting. If you see someone with signs of overheating, move the person to a cooler location, have them rest for a few minutes and then slowly drink a cool beverage. Get medical attention for them immediately if they do not feel better.
- Spend more time in air conditioned places. If you don't have air conditioning, consider visiting a mall, movie theater or other air conditioned place.
- **Cover windows** that receive morning or afternoon sun.
- **Dress in lightweight clothing.**
- Take a cool shower or bath, or place cool washcloths on your skin.
- Check up on your **older neighbors and relatives** to ensure they take these precautions too.
- Certain medications may increase sensitivity to the heat. If you are concerned about the heat and the medications you are taking, check with your doctor. Do not take salt tablets unless your doctor tells you to.
### Independence Day Parade

- **Independence Day Parade**
- **Independence Day**
- **Concert - 7-9 PM**
- **Fireworks** at Dusk
- **Movie in the Park**
- **Rotary Pavilion**
- **Concert in the Park**
- **Bay Street Park**

### Tackle Time Fishing Tournament

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### Summer Camp Sessions

#### Summer Camp Session 4 - Nessler, Lowry, Carver and Sanders Centers

1. Independence Day
2. Concert - 7-9 PM
3. Independence Day (Observed)
4. Independence Day

#### Summer Camp Session 5 - Nessler, Lowry, Carver and Sanders Centers

1. Summer Swim Lessons Session 3 Begins
2. Matthews T. Doyle Natatorium

#### Summer Camp Session 6 - Nessler, Lowry, Carver and Sanders Centers

1. Movie in the Park
2. Rotary Pavilion

#### Summer Camp Session 7 - Nessler, Lowry, Carver and Sanders Centers

1. Concert in the Park
2. Bay Street Park
BACK TO SCHOOL SAFETY TIPS

- **Learn the school's emergency procedures.** Emergency plans and phone numbers are usually included in school handbooks and posted in classrooms. Taking a few extra minutes to familiarize yourself and your child with emergency information can give them the confidence they need to act quickly in emergency situations.

- **Know travel routes to and from the school.** Make sure you and your child know both primary and alternate routes. In an emergency, roads can be blocked and it’s important to have a backup plan.

- **Know and follow school security and safety measures.** These might include signing in when visiting the school, being escorted when walking through the building, or wearing a visitor pass. Following these procedures also set a great example for your kids.

- **Talk with your child about safety and be specific.** Talk about instinct and paying attention to funny feelings or fear. Explain what to do if they don’t feel safe (find a teacher, call 911, etc.). Make sure they know how to contact you or a trusted neighbor or friend who is likely to be at home.

- **Inform school staff about health and emotional concerns.** Whether your child has a food allergy, a physical disability, or has been subject to bullying, make sure to keep your child's teachers and principal in the loop.

- **Get involved.** Talk with the principal about what you can do to increase school safety, such as organizing parents to form a neighborhood watch before and after school. Sometimes parent groups are highly successful in making improvements in traffic safety during drop off and pick up times.
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**NOTE:** Youth Volleyball Registration Begins August 2
SENIOR LIVING SAFETY

- **Get to know your neighbors.** While you may not be best friends, you should get to know your neighbors. Your neighbors are most likely to notice when something is wrong. Include neighbors on your emergency contact list.

- **Pay attention to and remove tripping hazards.** Stray electrical cords, rugs that don’t lie flat, low furniture, and poor lighting are common causes of falls within your home. Make sure your bulbs are the proper wattage and install nightlights to illuminate your floors at night.

- **Use a medical alert system.** Medical alert systems provide very affordable access to emergency personnel at the push of a button. Often, during an emergency, finding a phone and dialing a number simply isn’t an option.

- **Avoid slippery conditions.** This one may seem obvious, but it is often overlooked. Take care to make sure floors aren’t slippery. Use non-slip floor mats in your bathrooms and install safety bars (sometimes known as ‘grab bars’) in bath tubs and showers, and next to toilets. Install mats at the entry points to your house so floors don’t get wet on rainy and snowy days.

- **Test smoke alarms weekly.** You know to install smoke alarms, but your alarms only protect you if they have fresh batteries and are operating properly. Even if they aren’t dead, change batteries every six months when you reset your clocks for daylight savings.

- **The daily check-in.** Ask a loved-one, neighbor, or friend to call each day just to make sure everything is okay. Offer to do the same for them. Spend a minute or two on the phone just for the conversation. This is also a great way to remind yourself to take any medications you might need.

- **Put a lock box on your door.** A lock box allows family members, friends, trusted neighbors and emergency personnel to access your home when you’re unable to get to the door.

- **Keep lists of medications and allergies in your wallet or purse.** If you have a specific condition, wear a medical ID bracelet. This information can be invaluable to emergency medical personnel when they come to your home, especially if you’re unconscious or unable to communicate.
September 2021

- **1**: Shooting Range Starts Regular Hours
- **2**: Nessler Preschool Begins
- **3**: Senior Citizen Program Meet & Greet Carver Center
- **5**: City Offices Biosphere CLOSED No trash collection
- **6**: Nessler Family Aquatics Center Last Day of the Season Labor Day
- **7**: Nessler Preschool Begins
- **8**: Senior Citizen Program Meet & Greet Carver Center
- **10**: Nessler Senior Program Dance Doyle Convention Center
- **12**: Labor Day
- **13**: Grandparent's Day
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**NOTE:**
- Fall Swim Lessons Registration Begins September 20
SKATEBOARD, SCOOTER, IN-LINE SKATING AND HEELYS SAFETY

• All skateboarders and scooter-riders should wear protective gear. Helmets are particularly important for preventing and minimizing head injuries. Riders should wear helmets that meet American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) or other approved safety standards and that are specifically designed to reduce the effects of skating hazards.

• Communities should continue to develop skateboard parks, which are more likely to be monitored for safety than ramps and jumps constructed by children at home.

• While in-line skating or using Heelys, only skate on designated paths or rinks and not in the street.

• Most injuries occur due to falls. Inexperienced riders should only ride as fast as they can comfortably slow down, and they should practice falling on grass or other soft surfaces. Before riding, skateboarders should survey the riding terrain for obstacles such as potholes, rocks, or any debris. Protective wrist, elbow and kneepads should be worn.

• Children should never ride skateboards or scooters in or near moving traffic.

• Riders should never skate alone. Children under the age of eight should be closely supervised at all times.
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**FIRE PREVENTION WEEK**

- Columbus Day

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1867 Settlement Celebration
Carver Park

- Breast Cancer Awareness 5K & Kids K Walk/Run
- Rotary Pavilion

Legends:
- Davison Home at Heritage Square Open 2 PM - 4 PM
- Touch-A-Truck & Train Festival Downtown 6th Street
- Nessler Senior Program Meet & Greet Carver Center - 10 AM
- Hallowpalooza Festival Nessler Center Complex 1-5 PM
Holiday Cooking Safety

- **Stay in the kitchen while food is cooking.** Most fires in the kitchen occur because food is left unattended.

- **Keep the cooking range free of clutter.** Even though you have dishes to prepare, don’t overload a cook top with too many pots and pans. Trying to cook all your dishes at once could cause grease to accidentally spill onto a range top and cause a fire.

- **Always keep a potholder, oven mitt and lid handy while cooking.** If a small fire starts in a pan on the stove, put on a flame-resistant oven mitt and smother the flames by carefully sliding the lid over the pan. Turn off the burner and don’t remove the lid until the food has cooled.

- When removing lids on hot pans, **tilt them away from you** to protect your face and hands from steam. If there is an oven fire, turn off the heat and keep the door closed to prevent flames from burning you or your clothing.

- **Never wear loose fitting clothing when cooking.** Long, open sleeves could ignite and catch fire from a gas flame or a hot burner. Wear short, close fitting or tightly rolled sleeves when cooking. If you have long hair, be sure to tie it back.

- **Keep smoke alarms connected** while cooking. Smoke alarms can save lives. Make sure smoke alarms are installed and working.

- **Unplug small appliances that aren’t in use.** Not only will you save the energy, but you will also avoid the potential dangers if they were to be turned on accidentally.

- **Keep a fire extinguisher in the kitchen** in case of an emergency and know how to use it. Make sure the fire extinguisher is UL listed and rated for grease and electrical fires.

- If using a turkey fryer, place fryer in an open area **AWAY** from all walls, fences, or other structures. Keep fryer in **FULL VIEW** while burner is on.

- Raise and lower food **SLOWLY** to reduce splatter and avoid burns.

- **COVER** bare skin when adding or removing food.

- Check the **oil temperature** frequently.

- If oil begins to smoke, immediately turn gas supply **OFF**.

- Never use gas grills **IN, ON, or UNDER** a garage, breezeway, carport, porch, or any structure that can catch fire.

- If a fire occurs, immediately call 911. **DO NOT** attempt to extinguish fire with water.
**NOTE:**
- **Quilt Exhibit**  
  November 6-27  
  Texas City Museum
- **Davison Home at Heritage Square Open**  
  2 PM - 4 PM  
  Veterans Day Salute  
  Doyle Convention Center  
  Daylight Saving Time Ends
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**NOTE:**
- **Fall Swim Lessons Session 3**  
  Begins November 8
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**NOTE:**
- **Election Day**
- **Veterans Day**
- **Thanksgiving Day**
- **Small Business Saturday**
HOLIDAY SHOPPING SAFETY

• **Parking Lot Safety.** Lock your vehicle and hide valuables, preferably in the trunk or a locked compartment. Before sunrise and after sunset, park and walk in well-lit areas and carry keys in your hand. Stay alert to your surroundings and take a moment to glance around for possible suspicious persons, vehicles, and/or situations. Prior to getting into your vehicle take a look inside and around before entering. If you observe evidence of a possible burglary, call your local law enforcement agency.

• **When you’re out shopping for the holidays, stay alert to surroundings.** When in crowded places, be alert for potential thieves. Don’t overload yourself with packages. Maintain visibility and mobility to avoid potential threats. Be wary of strangers approaching you for any reason. The holiday season is notorious for “con-artists” who may attempt to distract you with the intention of taking your money or belongings.

• **Shop with friends.** There is safety in numbers. Arrange to shop with friends and relatives instead of going out alone. Make sure everyone remains vigilant and looks out for each other.

• **Holiday shopping with children.** When shopping with children, keep a close eye on them at all times. Consider coaching them to go to a store clerk or security guard if they become separated and be sure they know their first and last name so they can advise someone who they are. Give children a contact phone number that they can carry on themselves in case they do become lost.

• **Online Shoppers.** Online shopping is becoming increasingly popular. The Internet does have risks so it is important to take steps to protect yourself when shopping online. The National Cyber Security Alliance recommends that you make sure you have a security suite (firewall, anti-virus and anti-spyware) installed and updated with the most current information before shopping online.
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- Museum & Davison Home: Celebrate the Season
  2 PM- 4 PM

- Nessler Senior Program Meet & Greet
  Carver Center - 10 AM

- City Offices CLOSED

- City Offices Biosphere Shooting Range Bayou Golf Course CLOSED Christmas Day

- Youth Basketball Practice Begins December 6

**NOTE:**

- Museum Appreciation Day Christmas Day (observed)

- New Year's Eve
PHONE NUMBERS
(Area Code 409)

EMERGENCY 911
Mayor's office 643-5902
Accounts Payable 643-5910
Bayou Golf Club 739-9622
City Attorney 643-5926
City Secretary 643-5916
Community Development 643-5730
Economic Development Corporation 643-5927
Emergency Management 643-5880
Fire Department 643-5701
Foreign Trade Zone Corporation 643-5927
Human Resources 643-5930
Inspections 643-5946
Moore Memorial Library 643-5975
Municipal Court 643-5800
Police Department 643-5760
Texas City Police Department Non-Emergency 643-5720
Texas City Police Academy 643-5738
Citizens Alumni Association 643-5738
Public Works 643-5810
Purchasing 643-5950
Recreation & Tourism 643-5990
Administrative Office 949-3034
Athletics/Gyms 643-5994
Carver Center 229-1277
Charles T. Doyle Convention Center 643-5990
Facility Rentals & Reservations 643-5990
Lowry Fitness Center 643-5984
Matthew T. Doyle Natatorium 643-5989
Texas City Museum 229-1660
Nessler Park Family Aquatic Center 643-5710
Nessler Senior Center 643-5877
Shooting Range 948-4291
Sanders/Vincent Center 655-5573

Street & Bridge Repairs 643-5810
Tax Department 643-5906
Utilities 359-5505 x1
Water & Sewer Repairs 643-5860
After Hours/Holidays/Weekends 682-6846

CITY OF TEXAS CITY EMERGENCY ALERTS

Register at: Mytcalerts.com
Emergency Alert Program

Get alerts about emergencies and other important community news by signing up for our Emergency Alert Program. This system enables us to provide you with critical information quickly in a variety of situations, such as severe weather, unexpected road closures, missing persons and evacuations of buildings or neighborhoods.

You will receive time-sensitive messages wherever you specify, such as your home, mobile or business phones, email address, text messages and more. You pick where, you pick how.

When you receive a call from 409-908-4779, this is a call with important information from the Texas City Notification System. Please add this number as a contact in your phone.

When you receive a text from 893-61, this is a text message with important information from the Texas City Notification System.

SCHOOL DISTRICTS
Texas City ISD 409-916-0800
Dickinson ISD 281-229-6000
Dear Citizens and Friends of Texas City:

I have been a part of many Texas City calendars and publications in the past, but I am happy to be a part of this 2021 calendar as the new mayor of Texas City, Texas! Let me start of by extending a huge THANK YOU to the citizens of Texas City for entrusting me with this privilege to serve you as the chief executive officer of the city.

In fact, as we embark upon another year, our local leadership has changed quite a bit as a result of the recent election. Congratulations to the newly elected commissioners as well as the returning incumbents.

The year 2020 presented many challenges across our nation. News headlines were full of stories of protests, racial reconciliation, social justice movements and of course the global coronavirus pandemic. While this nation may seem divided, as a result our difference in views, I want to challenge the citizens of Texas City to stand united on all fronts. Of course, this doesn’t mean we will all agree on everything, but that we work towards creating an environment of unity that makes our city a great place to live, work, and play.

We have much work to do in Texas City. I am committed to rolling up my sleeves and working with you to find solutions to the challenges we face in this city. Oftentimes the things going on across the nation do not necessarily define who we are. We are, and have always been, a resilient citizenry that overcomes whatever disastrous situations that may arise... pandemic included.

We will continue to err on the side of safety as experts work to discover as much as possible about this deadly virus. We will assist our police and fire departments with whatever support we can give as they work to not only solve crimes and handle disasters, but prevent them from happening in the first place.

We hope to return to celebrating life as we once knew it with the many celebrations and special events that we’ve all grown to love. As your new mayor, I want to encourage each of us to always strive to be a part of the SOLUTION.

Let me personally invite you to be my guest at our bi-monthly city commission meetings. They are held on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month in the city hall chambers. Stay informed by following us on social media, visiting our website, texascitytx.gov, and watching our local cable access channels 16 and 17.

To our local school district, the TC/LM Chamber of Commerce, and our many other business partners, thank you for helping make this city the best around. When we all work together, I truly believe “Texas City Can’t Lose!” Happy New Year to each of you from the Johnson family. May God bless you all, and may God Bless Texas City!

Sincerely,

Dedrick D. Johnson, Sr., Mayor

Wishing you and your family a safe and happy 2021

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