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Unofficial election results

Two Council Members elected; Runoff set for Mayor & Place 5

Preliminary, unofficial election results indicate that two council members were elected on May 4 but a runoff will be called for mayor after four candidates split the vote to a point that no candidate received the required 50.01 percent. In Place 5, a runoff will also be needed and will be set for Saturday, June 8, to be held at the Civic & Convention Center, 6901 Wichita. Early voting will take place at the Civic & Convention Center May 28-June 4.

Unofficial, preliminary totals are as follows:

<u>Mayor</u>	<u>Total Votes</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
Marcus Brookins	160	14.23
Stephanie Boardingham	261	23.22
Lyndia Thomas	308	27.22
Gerald Joubert	397	35.32
<u>Place 4</u>	<u>Total Votes</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
Ozell Birks	541	50.75
Beckie Duncan Hayes	383	35.93
Harold Franklin	142	13.32
<u>Place 5</u>	<u>Total Votes</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
Sonja S. Coleman	272	25.26
Clara Faulkner	506	46.98
S. Eric Robinson	299	27.76
<u>Place 6</u>	<u>Total Votes</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
Malinda Miller,	589	57.35
Michielle Benson	438	42.65

<u>Library Board Place 1</u>	<u>Total Votes</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
Charlotte Hogan-Price	851	79.68
Leslie Jasperson	217	20.32
Library Board Place 2 Dulani Masimini		Unopposed
Library Board Place 3 Jimmie Sanders		Unopposed

Applications for ballot by mail may be downloaded from: www.tarrantcounty.com/elections. Voters who received a mail ballot for the May 4 election will received a ballot for the June 8 runoff. Information on elections is also available at Tarrant County Elections Administration 817-831-8683.



Free Summer Lunch Program

For kids and teens 18 and under

Monday, June 10 through Friday, August 23

12 noon to 1 p.m.

At Emily Trentman Park

6340 Wanda Lane, Forest Hill, TX 76119

For more information, Please contact:

Preston Taylor at Amachi Vision Corps 817-692-2089

We look forward to seeing you there!

MONDAY, MAY 27TH
8:30 am

MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY

FOREST HILL MEMORIAL PARK
4503 Forest Hill Circle
(One half block east of Hartman Road between Forest Hill Dr. & Anglin Dr.)

Honoring those who served yesterday and today, & those who will serve our country tomorrow.


FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL 817-638-8009



Mayor's Corner

Did you know...the average person generates over four pounds of trash every day and as Americans we make more than 200 million tons of garbage each year? And did you know...estimates show that 75% of American waste is recyclable, but we only recycle about 30% of it!

You can show your support of a "greener" earth by recycling in Forest Hill! A green bin is located near the Animal Control Center at 6901 Anglin Drive and it's open weekdays between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. There is also another green drop-off bin located at 6808 Forest Hill Drive (near the Police & Fire Substation) that's available 7 days a week. Just recycling one aluminum can saves enough energy to listen to a full album on your iPod. Recycling 100 cans could light a room in your house for two whole weeks! Together we ALL can make the City of Forest Hill a much better place to live, work and play!

On another note – we've heard your concerns about animal control issues – and they are being addressed. The city has added additional manpower and patrol hours to help keep you and your family safe. From working harder to catch stray dogs and cats, to trapping wild animals, your city staff continues to strive to make improvements within this department.

As we usher out another school year and welcome the warm days of summer, our mantra to help our youth continues on. Encourage your children and grandchildren to enjoy time with their friends, playing at the park – and enjoying a free lunch - every weekday at noon at Emily Trentman Park, 6340 Wanda Lane. There's nothing better than hearing the laughs of our kids through the rustling of the leaves on the trees on a breezy afternoon.

Every day is a new beginning. Take a deep breath, smile and start again.

**Deputy Mayor Pro Tem and
Acting Mayor Clara Faulkner**

Pollution Prevention Practices for Automotive Service & Repair Shops

Stormwater pollution has many sources. One of the most common is the spilling of wastes directly into storm drains, like pouring used motor oil or paint directly into a storm drain. As part of Forest Hill's Stormwater Management Plan, one of our goals is to control pollutants discharged to storm drains from commercial and industrial businesses. These best management practices (BMPs) can help minimize the discharge of pollutants from your facility:

- Operate a Clean, Dry Shop
- Prevent Spills and Leaks
- Properly Manage Raw and Waste Materials
- Notify and Train Employees to Practice Pollution Prevention
- Practice Waste Reduction and Recycling
- Properly Manage Shop Wash-waters

For more information or to report an illegal discharge of pollutants, call the Forest Hill Public Works Department at 817-531-5700.



The Forest Hill Church of Christ recently hosted a free picnic and playday for the community featuring a bounce house, fun and food.

Forest Hill employment opportunities

There are several ways you can apply for a job with the City of Forest Hill. The website www.foresthilltx.org allows you to view current job listings as well as download an application. You can also stop by City Hall, 3219 California Parkway, Forest Hill, TX 76119, and pick up an application. Openings include:

Position: **Information Technology Specialist**

Status: Full Time

Position: **Information Technology Specialist/Intern**

Status: Part-Time

Position: **Animal Control Officer**

Status: Part Time.

Position: **Public Works Field Technician**

Status: Full Time

Jones receives award from NBC-LEO

Council Member Carlie Jones recently received a plaque from the National Black Caucus of Local Elected Officials (NBC-LEO) under National League of Cities(NLC) for her outstanding dedication and hard work as Regional Director. She is now the First Vice President of NBC-LEO. In addition she received the Bronze Certificate from NLC University for her dedicated leadership and perseverance.



Council Member Carlie Jones with Mayor Clara Faulkner

Annual Easter Egg Hunt enjoyed by crowd who braved winds and wetness

For the first time, the Forest Hill annual Easter Egg Hunt had to be rescheduled due to weather. After torrential rains were forecast for April 13, the Hunt was rescheduled for Monday, April 15, at 6:30 p.m.

A large crowd of egg hunters attended to hunt for the 2,500 filled eggs and candy which were “hidden” by firefighters and police officers who battled high winds which blew the light-weight eggs across the lawn. More than 50 prize eggs were hidden and hunters quickly picked out their prizes in spite of the high winds which blew not only the eggs but prizes, lawn chairs and other stuff around the parking lot.

The Easter Bunny (Charlotte Hogan-Price) arrived in a police vehicle and visited with the youngsters and posed for pictures while passing out treats. Organizers stated that they really appreciate the flexibility of the volunteers and city employees who went the extra mile to make this a special event. Plans are already underway for next year’s big hunt!



Easter Bunny visits with local youngsters. Below: Egg hunters.



Egg hiders: Firefighter R. Maurer, Lt. J. Wisdom, Firefighter B. Blackwelder and Police Corporal Z. Hodgson.



Juneteenth Festivities set for June 15

The 2019 Juneteenth Parade will be held Saturday, June 15, with lineup at O.D. Wyatt High School. This year, organizers have combined the Parade and Festival so that those who participate in the parade will not miss any of the festival’s Opening Ceremony.

Line-up will begin at 8 a.m. The parade will feature approximately 50 entries with kick-off promptly at 9 a.m. in front of O.D. Wyatt High School on Seminary Drive. The parade will travel south on Campus Drive, and end at the east side of Tarrant County College South Campus where the festival will take place.

More information is available on the Fort Worth Juneteenth Facebook Page.

Clara Faulkner honored by NANBPWC



City Council congratulates Clara Faulkner

The National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women’s Club recently awarded Interim Mayor Clara Faulkner the highest honor bestowed by their organization, The Sojourner Truth Award. She received this award due to her exemplary community service and her flawless advocacy & sacrificial acts for all. The mission of the National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women’s Clubs, Inc., is to promote and protect the interest of African American business and professional women; to serve as bridges for young people seeking to enter business and the professions; to improve the quality of life in the local and global communities and to foster good fellowship.

Have items you want to recycle?

Drop-off bins are available at the Animal Control Center, 6901 Anglin Drive and at PD/FD Substation, 6800 Forest Hill Drive. The gate is open on Anglin Drive from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays. The bin at the Substation is open 24/7.

Making Forest Hill a better place

Semi-annual Cleanup Day declared big success

In spite of being rained out on the scheduled date, the City of Forest Hill moved forward with the semi-annual cleanup day and received a good response from the public. Parks, Recreation and Clean City Commission Chair Pearl Jones issued a big thank you to the citizens for participating in the Spring City-Wide Cleanup on April 27.

With the help of Public Works personnel, volunteers and members of the City Council ten 30-yard dumpsters were filled and more than 200 tires were collected.

Residents are encouraged to adopt a spot to keep clean in their own neighborhood and place an emphasis on making Forest Hill a better place to live.



Public Works personnel, members of the City Council and Parks, Recreation & Clean City Commission plus volunteers at Cleanup Day.

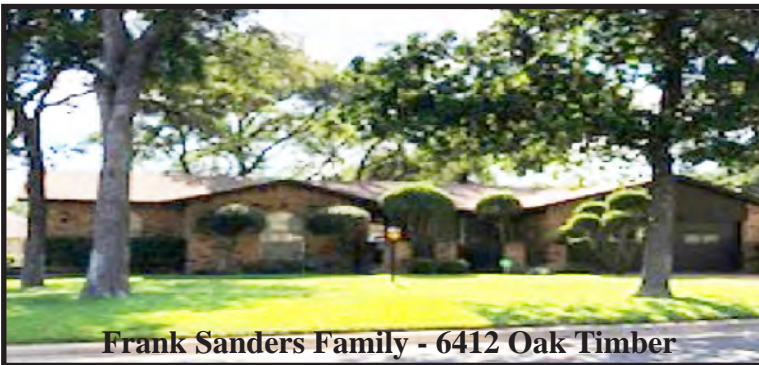
Yards of Month Recognized by City Council



Jose Liveray Family - 3304 Jamestown



Ollie Sipho Family - 3325 Old Hickory Trail



Frank Sanders Family - 6412 Oak Timber



innie HayesFamily - 3516 Alhambra

At the City Council Meeting on April 16, the Parks, Recreation and Clean City Commission along with the City Council recognized four Yards of the Month (pictured). The owner of the home at 3516 Alhambra was on hand to receive a certificate and a gift card.



City Council and Parks, Recreation and Clean City Commissioners congratulate winner.



Around Town

By Shirley Fowkes

The Forest Hill News is available on-line by the 15th of each month. You can now submit birthdays, anniversaries, birth or other special events to the email above.

City employees with May birthdays are Nicolette Brown on May 18, Jeffery Davila on May 21, Chris Ellis on May 24, Starla Gonzalez on May 20, Lee Sumpter on May 15, Venus Wehle on May 17, Richard Winters on May 23 and James Tatum on May 13.

Our deepest sympathy to Council Member Gerald Joubert whose brother passed away last month.

Longtime resident **Clifton Buffin** celebrated a birthday in May and **Clifton and Carrie Buffin** will be celebrating their wedding anniversary in June.

The Sixty & Better Center recently honored **Miguel and Adelia Meza** as King and Queen.

Harold Smith who turned 99 on April 3 passed away a few days after his birthday. He lived in Forest Hill for 61 years and was a gunner in the United States Coast Guard during World War II. We extend our sympathy to his family.



Congratulations to **Council Member Carlie Jones** (left -3rd consecutive year) and **Council Member Stephanie Boardingham**(right - 2nd conservative year) for receiving their Certified Municipal Officer Certificate (CMO) presented by Texas Municipal League. Boardingham also received a Service Award from Lions International for her work with flood victims in Forest Hill and Everman.

City notes Autism Awareness Month



In consideration of Autism Awareness Month, the City of Forest Hill placed “Autistic Child Area” sign on Nell Street near David K. Sellars Elementary School.

Nathan Fried, age 6, stands by what he now refers to as his sign. His family requested the sign since he sometimes darts into the street and they want drivers to be aware of the situation.

Senior Center offers fun, food and more



Seniors recently attended an Aging Mastery class.

Are you looking for fun, fellowship and nutritional eats? Then join the Sixty & Better group! The Sixty & Better group is right in your neighborhood located at 7004 Forest Hill Drive, next to the Library. Sixty & Better is a group of seniors, young at heart, devoted to meeting and greeting you to enhance your living to the fullest. Sixty & Better provides a variety of enriching opportunities including quilting, educational seminars, playing your favorite card or board game, outings and occasional cooking demos. Competitive BINGO is played on Mondays and Wednesdays, Tai Chi every second and fourth Friday plus Bible Study class every Friday morning. For cardio or weight loss concerns, there is exercise equipment for use during operating hours. They recently completed a six-week seminar on Aging Mastery. The Center is open 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. So, get out and get ready for fun and good fellowship. For more information, contact Director Melvina Lenton at 817-293-8319.

Community Calendar

All meetings are subject to change. City info: www.foresthilltx.org.

- May 20** - Blood pressure checks & BINGO - Senior Activity Center - 9:30 a.m.
- May 21** - City Council Meeting - 7 p.m. - City Hall
- May 22** - Lions Club - 11 a.m. - Luby's; Historical Commission Meeting - 3 p.m. - City Hall
- May 27** - Memorial Day Ceremony - 8:30 a.m. - Forest Hill Memorial Park, 4503 Forest Hill Circle. City Hall and other offices closed. Emergency personnel on duty. Call 9-1-1 for emergencies.
- June 3** - Blood pressure checks & BINGO - Senior Activity Center - 9:30 a.m.; Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting - 6 p.m.; - City Hall
- June 4** - City Council Meeting - 7 p.m. - City Hall
- June 5** - Lions Club - 11 a.m. - Luby's
- June 8** - Runoff Election - Civic & Convention Center, polls open 7 a.m. - 7 p.m.
- June 10** - Blood pressure checks & BINGO - Senior Activity Center - 9:30 a.m.; Parks, Recreation & Clean City Commission Meeting - 5 p.m. - City Hall; Police Alumni Association Meeting - 6:30 p.m. - Civic & Convention Center
- June 11** - Friends of the Library Meeting - 6 p.m. - Library Community Room. Call 817-554-5354 for info
- June 14** - Flag Day
- June 15** - Juneteenth Festival and Parade (details inside)
- June 17** - Blood pressure checks & BINGO - Senior Activity Center - 9:30 a.m.
- June 18** - City Council Meeting - 7 p.m. - City Hall
- June 19** - Juneteenth; Lions Club - 11 a.m. - Luby's; Historical Commission Meeting - 3 p.m. - City Hall
- June 24** - Blood pressure checks & BINGO - Senior Activity Center - 9:30 a.m.
- July 4 - Independence Day.** City Hall and other offices closed. Emergency personnel on duty. Call 9-1-1 for emergencies.

Warning sirens are tested at 1 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month.

FROM THE FOREST HILL LIBRARY

817-551-5354 at 6962 Forest Hill Drive

A new Library Director is now on duty. Stop by and check out the summer reading activities.

LIBRARY HOURS: Tuesday-Thursday: 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Saturday: 10 a.m.- 6 p.m.; Closed Friday, Sunday & Monday.

Studies show volunteers live longer

Want a longer life? Volunteer to do good and you might benefit at least as much. Visiting the sick, feeding the hungry and chairing that committee no one else wants to touch are morally admirable— but being selfless can also be good for both body and soul.

A recent review of the health effects of volunteering found that helping others on a regular basis — like providing food to the hungry or reading to children at the library— can reduce early mortality rates by 22%, compared to those in people who don't participate in such activities.

The City of Forest Hill has many boards, committees and commissions which rely solely on volunteers from the community. Applications for these opportunities are available on the City Website: www.foresthilltx.org. or call the City Secretary at 817-568-3040. Volunteer today!

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

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HUNGRY	CHURCH	CLUBS
SENIOR	CENTER	SCHOOLS
CLEANUP	ACTION	GROUP
PLANNING	ZONING	ADJUSTMENT
BOARD	COMMISSION	HISTORICAL
PRESERVATION	PARKS	RECREATION
CLEAN	CITY	CELEBRATION



Low cost animal vaccination clinic
ANIMAL CLINIC OF FOREST HILL
 Every 2nd Saturday of the month
 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. at 3350 Lookout Drive
 817-551-3700 for info

Volunteers are needed to serve on Forest Hill Boards, Commissions and Committees. Call City Secretary Amy Anderson at 817-568-3040 or check the website at www.foresthilltx.org for more information.