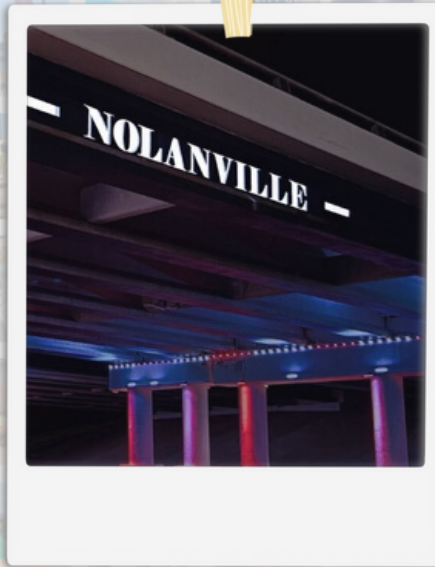


THE ITEM

The City of Nolanville's Official Newsletter



A LOOK BACK AT THE END OF 2022 AND A PEAK AHEAD TO

2023

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City of Nolanville

MAYOR'S CORNER

Andy Williams

FROM THE DESK OF THE MAYOR



Andy Williams

MAYOR'S CORNER

Nolanville Blue Christmas activities were a great time this year, and I hope you were able to join us for the fun.

This year, stability in the housing market came to the forefront. We saw median average home prices skyrocket, and available inventory became practically non-existent. It made us assess where we stand on ensuring that our community members don't become homeless because of unforeseen circumstances. That is why the stable home advisory committee was formed, and we consult with the council on various objectives to prevent homelessness. We will keep a pulse on actions taken within the region on this topic and intend to collaborate on these efforts.

We have heard testimonies during Council meetings over rental conditions in one of our neighborhoods. Council and Staff were able to formulate a plan quickly to prevent the future abuse of rent-to-own properties through required inspections during all future transactions. Thank you to the brave residents that were willing to express the hardships that they were experiencing so we could better understand.

We should all be thankful for warm houses and the ability to take care of family. Additionally, when we are blessed in this way, it is appropriate to check on our neighbors and ensure that we have each other's back during hard times. Happy Holidays and a Happy New Year!

4 WAYS TO GET INVOLVED IN NOLANVILLE

1. Attend a City Council meeting
2. Attend one of our upcoming events
3. Join the Citizen Advisory Committee
4. Download our new application and stay connected

Annual Special Events Calendar

February

- 2/11/23 Carter BloodCare Blood Drive 9 AM - 1 PM
- 2/25/23 Meet Us At The Corner

March

- 3/4/23 Keep Nolanville Beautiful Spring Trash Off

April

- 4/1/23 Meet Us At The Corner
- 4/22/23 Monarch Festival 9 AM - 12 PM

May

- 5/5/23 Lemonade Day & Cinco De Mayo 6 PM - 8 PM
- 5/17/23 Ride of Silence 6 PM
- 5/26/23 End of School Splash 6 PM - 8 PM

June

- 6/3/23 Keep Nolanville Beautiful Summer Trash off
- 6/3/23 Carter BloodCare Blood Drive 9 AM - 1 PM
- 6/30/23 Meet Us At The Corner 6 PM-8 PM

August

- 8/5/23 Carter BloodCare Blood Drive 9 AM - 1 PM
- 8/25/23 Meet Us At The Corner 6 PM - 8 PM

September

- 9/9/11 National Day of Service
- 9/30/23 Fox Trot 5k
- 9/30/23 Train Whistle Jamboree

October

- 10/3/23 National Night Out 5 PM - 7 PM
- 10/27/23 Meet Us At The Corner 6 PM - 8 PM

November

- 11/4/23 Make A Difference Day
- 11/17/23 Meet Us At The Corner 6 PM - 8 PM
- 11/25/23 Carter BloodCare Blood Drive 9 AM - 1 PM

December

- 12/1/23 Meet Us At The Corner 6 PM - 8 PM
- 12/9/23 First Responder Parade

Nolanville January Monthly Planner

January 2, 2023 - Holiday- City Offices Closed

January 5th, 2023 - City Council Meeting 6 PM

January 7th, 2023 Habitat For Humanity New Home Dedication

January 12, 2023- Planning & Zoning Meeting 6 PM

January 16, 2023- Holiday-City Offices Closed

January 19th, 2023 - City Council Meeting 6 PM

January 26th, 2023 - NEDC Meeting 6 PM

January 28th, 2023- Craft Corner 12:30 PM

NOLANVILLE MUNICIPAL BUILDING

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want to be featured in our
next newsletter?

Send it to us, and you may
see it in a future edition!

Mayor Proclamation

NOVEMBER PROCLAIMED AS DIABETES AWARENESS MONTH

At the November 3rd City Council Meeting, Nolanville Mayor Andy Williams signed a proclamation joining recognizing November 2022 as Diabetes Awareness Month and, by doing so, extended their most profound respect for those who are battling this disease that nearly half of the U.S. population has.

The proclamation reminds residents of Nolanville that diabetes affects 29.1 million people and is the seventh leading cause of death in the United States. This disease leads to damage of the heart, eyes, kidneys and limbs if untreated. Furthermore, another 86 million Americans have pre-diabetes.

"Awareness is key and taking action is crucial," said Nolanville Mayor Andy Williams. "We all know someone we love who suffers from either type 1 or type 2 diabetes, this disease has many faces."

With the end of the upcoming holidays being the biggest time of the year to indulge on foods, the American Diabetes Association offers food and recipe options that help those who struggle with insulin production.

For November, the lights at the Main Street underpass were switched to blue in honor of those who fight this disease and those who work tirelessly to provide support and cures for it.



Community Spotlight:

CORPORAL JAMES JONES NOLANVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT



For over 20 years, Sergeant Jones has served the Nolanville Community through the Nolanville Police Department. The past 11 of those years have been reserve status, which means that year after year, weekend after weekend, his services to the community have been voluntary and unpaid.

“A lot of people do not realize that Sergeant Jones donates his time to the City, to help keep our residents protected and safe,” Said Nolanville Police Chief Michael Hatton. “It’s great to have someone who cares as much about the community as he does.”

In a certificate signed and presented by the Mayor, City staff thanked Sergeant Jones for his continued dedication to the City of Nolanville and the Nolanville Police Department. His service and leadership skills show just how much he cares about our community.

“He has truly been a great asset to the team,” Said Mayor Andy Williams. “We are glad to have you here with us.”

Thank you again, Sargent Jones. You are one of the many reasons why Nolanville is a “Great Place to Live.”

NOLANVILLE PD OFFICER & ROOKIE OF THE YEAR

2022

Corporal Jason Geddis & Officer Edward Carr

Every year, the Nolanville Police department chooses two officers for rookie and officer of the year.



This year, Nolanville Police Department has selected Corporal Jason Geddis as their officer of the year.

As a code enforcement officer, Corporal Geddis spends 30 hours a week patrolling the community for safety measures and then takes two more shifts of patrol work. He has been an instrumental part in getting the City involved with areas that are experiencing substandard housing issues so further assistance could be given to them. He has been a great help and has recently stepped up to assist in a supervisory role and does just about everything that is asked of him.

Corporal Geddis, Chief of Police Michael Hatton, says, "he has done a great job during his time with the City, and we hope to keep him a great while longer!"

For Rookie of the Year, The Nolanville Police Department has selected Officer Edward Carr, who has been with the department for just a little over a year.

Officer Carr came to the City of Nolanville in October of 21' as a recent graduate of the Central Texas College Police Academy and was Officially sworn into service in February of 22'.

"He is the first person we have ever put in and paid for while in the academy," Said Chief Hatton. "We saw the potential in him back then, and we are so glad we did. He has been wonderful for this department and this community."



The City wishes to thank both Corporal Geddis and Officer Carr for their efforts and ongoing performance for the Nolanville Police Department and our community. Your loyalty and dedication to this community have been proven time and time again. May you continue to make a difference in the lives of our residents.

2022 Make A Difference Day

Event Recap



On November 5th, the City of Nolanville held its annual Make A Difference Day which is celebrated annually in the fall and is planned to coincide with our yearly fall clean-up.

This year, a group of area students from the Upward Bound Program in Killeen joined the City of Nolanville for various service projects along Avenue H and at the sensory garden in Monarch Park. The 30-plus volunteers in attendance planted more than 15 trees and over 30 plants to help beautify the landscape of well-traveled and frequently populated community areas. Thank you to this group of hard-working teens for your help and selfless service toward our goal of Keeping Nolanville Beautiful!

Want to know how to make a difference all year round? Contact the City of Nolanville's Community Outreach Coordinator, Jennifer Shidler, for more information on how you can be a volunteer for upcoming activities or how you can make a difference even in your backyard!

On a National level, Make A Difference Day was created in 1992 to offer community support and encourage volunteerism across the country. Make A Difference Day has been shared in over 30 countries and has achieved over 30 million volunteer hours.

Election Brings Changes To City Council



During the November 17th City Council Meeting city, the City said goodbye to Councilmember Joan Hinshaw, who has served as council member seat one for six years, and welcomed her replacement.

Mayor Andy Williams presented Hinshaw with a plaque for her dedicated years of service and expert “Eagle Eyes” over the years. The Plaque, which was read allowed by Williams, said, “In recognition and appreciation for your years of outstanding leadership and dedicated service. Your efforts demonstrated how much you care about the community and add to the many reasons that Nolanville is a “Great Place To Live”

Councilmembers, City staff, and the family of Hinshaw took turns taking group photos and thanking Hinshaw for her years of work and service, as well as commenting on her passion for the position.

Irene Andrews, Councilmember Hinshaw’s Wife, spoke of Hinshaw’s dedication to the City of Nolanville. “My heart is full, and I’m so proud of the work that my wife has done over the years. When you see someone behind the scenes working, you really have an appreciation of what all of you are expected to do, and that is a lot.” Says Andrews. “It is a large commitment of time, energy, and heart to be a council member, so I thank all of you. The both of us will continue to support all your efforts, and we are proud to be citizens of Nolanville.”

City Council Changes Continued

Taking over her position as Councilmember seat one is newly elected councilmember Karishma Talbott. Talbott, who took her oath of office at the same council meeting, did so with her daughter at her side and her family in attendance. Talbott thanked her family for supporting her through the election process and expressed her readiness for the tasks as she began to serve the Community of Nolanville.

Nolanville City Council wasted no time helping Councilmember Talbott get connected with the community and has appointed her as the council advisor for the Nolanville Citizen Advisory Committee and the Nolanville Stable Housing committee.



The City of Nolanville Brings Home Grant for Their Nolan Creek Matters Project

News Release

City of Nolanville Awarded The TCEQ Nonpoint Source Program Grant for Their "Nolan Creek Matters" Project



The City of Nolanville has been awarded the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) Clean Water Act 319 (h) grant. It will help to provide funding to support the City's "Nolan Creek Matters" program. The grant total is \$581, 221.55 which is broken down into \$346,423.00 federal and a \$234, 798.55 match.

Program goals are to help promote the health and well-being of Nolan Creek by adding a watershed coordinator.

The watershed coordinator's role in the community will reach beyond the limits of the City of Nolanville to assist in the execution of a Watershed Action Plan (WAP) and ensure the continued cooperation and needed measures to improve water quality conditions at South Nolan Creek.

The coordinator hired with the help of this grant will be instrumental in preparing programming and educational activities for visitors to the City of Nolanville's upcoming SMART Museum. Programming at the SMART Museum will bring attention to how different actions and activities can impact the various environments at the creek and will also provide citizen scientists the opportunity to participate in water labs where sampling and other research can be done.

This grant will also help to fund enhancements on the 10th street channel, such as removing culverts and replacing them with baffles, and adding a bioswale. These improvements will go a long way towards improving the treatment of stormwater runoff and will add visual appeal and long-term sustainability.

Finally, the grant will help Nolanville enhance its promotion of Nolan Creek and the opportunities for recreation the City hopes to provide soon.

The TCEQ Nonpoint Source (NPS) Program plans and implements activities that prevent or reduce urban and non-agricultural nonpoint source pollution in Texas waters. The grants are made available through a federal program authorized under Section 319 (h) of the CWA.

Winter Events Wrap Up

December is always such a magical and fun-filled time in the City of Nolanville, and this year was no exception. Let's look back at the sites and events that made this past holiday season magical.

Grinch Fest and Night Market

A live band, 25 vendors, three food trucks, a petting zoo, and 600 community members came together for yet another Grinch Fest! The guest of honor, the Grinch, was brought in personally by the Central Bell Fire and Rescue Department after locating the Grinch interfering with the lights on the main street. Volunteers from area high schools and City staff joined to make the event as fun as possible, providing free hot chocolate and smores for all to enjoy.

Light it Up: First Responder Parade

This year, the Nolanville Police Department's annual First Responder Parade lit up the night sky for a fun tribute fit for all. The parade will take place on Saturday, December 10, and featured all local first responders, military personnel, local organizations, equestrian clubs, and car groups.

The parade route lined Avenue H to 10th Street, ending at the Richard E Cavaso Elementary school. Holiday music and commentary were featured for those in attendance at the community center and attending live on Facebook.

Santa's Mailbox

Once again, the Nolanville Police Department has placed its magical mailbox to the North Pole outside City Hall doors. Kids were encouraged by the PD to write letters to the big man up North, and then, on authority from Santa himself, the Police station opens the letters and does their best to fulfill the requests. Then, PD, City Staff, and volunteers deliver toys to all the homes on one special night. This year we had a record number of letters, over 160. This would not be possible without all those who volunteered time, energy, and of course, toys for this special project!

