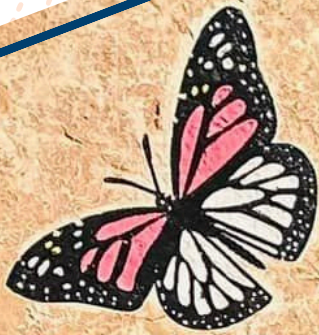


THE ITEM

The City of Nolanville's Official Newsletter



**Monarch
Park**

**SPRING
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City of Nolanville

THE COMMUNITY BLUEPRINT

With
Jennifer Shidler
Community Outreach Coordinator



As the colors of spring paint our town, it's time to gear up for an exhilarating summer ahead. We're excited to share some fantastic projects and opportunities that will bring our community together like never before.

Let's talk Monarch Park. This gem of our town is a hub for outdoor fun and relaxation. Whether you're picnicking with loved ones, enjoying a stroll around the track, or enjoying one of the many new park amenities, Monarch Park has something for everyone. We have more upgrades planned for this park and we encourage you to be a part of the planning process by taking our annual Park Priorities survey.

The City is also thrilled to announce the near completion of the newly upgraded Fox Park. Thanks to the hard work of our Public Works Crew and the team at Premier Concrete, Fox Park now boasts an exhilarating obstacle course and a state-of-the-art skate park designed to cater to skaters of all skill levels. So, whether you're a seasoned pro or just starting out, grab your board and head over for some fun!

TAKE OUR PARK PRIORITIES SURVEY



Don't forget to "Meet Us At The Corner" for our lineup of local food trucks. Let's show our support for local small businesses while indulging in some mouthwatering treats.

As you all know, April showers bring May Flowers, and while that is certainly the case this year, April showers have also caused us to reschedule the Monarch Festival to June 1st at Monarch Park. It may be later than usual, but rest assured, it will be just as festive and fun-filled as ever. Come celebrate the spirit of Nolanville with music, games, and good company.

As we bid farewell to spring and welcome the warmth of summer, let's embrace these exciting projects and opportunities as catalysts for unity and joy. let's make this summer one to remember!



Park Priorities Survey

MONARCH PARK
COMMUNITY CENTER
PRIORITIES



Your input is very
important to us!

Summer Event Planner

May 3rd: Lemonade Day Night Market 6 PM - 8PM @204 N Main Street

May 15th: Ride of Silence 7 PM @ City Hall

May 16th: City Council Meeting 6PM @ City Hall

May 18th: Carter BloodCare Blood Drive 9AM - 1PM @ City Hall

May 27th: City Holiday, Offices Closed

June 1st: Monarch Festival 9AM-12PM @ Monarch Park

June 8th: Meet Me At The Corner: Margaritavill Beach Party 5PM-8PM

*Event details, times and locations subject to change. Up to date information can always be found at www.Nolanvilletx.gov or by contacting City Hall at 254-698-6335



Contact Us to add your community event:

Nolanville City Hall

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101 N 5th Street, Nolanville TX

Do you have a photo you want to be featured in our next newsletter?

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

CITY INTRODUCES LATEST SCULPTURE AT FOX PARK

The Nolanville Public Art Program is introducing a burst of color and creativity to Fox Park during its latest upgrades.

Zorro the Fox, a 10ft tall steel sculpture arrived on the scene at Fox Park, 301 N10th St, Tuesday afternoon and was quickly placed in its permanent home at the entrance of the park. Zorro stands tall as a brightly colored beacon showcasing the changes taking place in this longstanding, but once overlooked public space. (Read more on recent updates and upgrades to Fox Park courtesy of a Texas Parks & Wildlife Grant [HERE](#))



The artist, Jeffie Brewer of Nacogdoches TX, describes the piece as a “symbol of nature’s beauty and the harmony between the urban and wildlife environments, creating a centerpiece for generations of park-goers to come”

The City of Nolanville acquired the sculpture in 2023 with the consultation of the Nolanville Economic Development Corporation, The Nolanville Public Art Committee & the Nolanville City Council.



"We are thrilled to unveil 'Zorro The Fox' as the newest addition to our public art collection, enriching the cultural landscape of Nolanville and enhancing the experience for all who visit the newly upgraded Fox Park."
- Brian O'Connor, Nolanville Public Art Program. "Let it be a reminder that Public art adds vibrancy and character to our City, transforming ordinary spaces into showcases of creativity and culture, all the while enriching the lives of residents and visitors alike."

About Jeffie Brewer-Sculpture Artist

Jeffie earned an MFA in sculpture and metals and an MA in sculpture and painting. He also holds a BFA in drawing, printmaking and jewelry making. He taught a wide range of undergraduate and graduate level art classes from 1998-2019, from sculpture to typography to expressive drawing.

More about the Nolanville Public Art Program (NPAP)

The NPAP stands as a testament to the belief that art has the power to transform spaces, inspire dialogue, and create a unique sense of identity for our community. We understand that a vibrant cultural scene enhances the overall quality of life for our residents. Join us as we embark on a journey to weave art into the fabric of our community, celebrating creativity, fostering inclusivity, and shaping a City where the arts thrive and flourish.

25 Volunteers picked up about 800 lbs of litter in 2 hours on road and Creek side in Nolanville. Additionally, volunteers spread 5 lbs of native wildflower seeds at Fox Park!



Spring CLEAN-UP Event



March 23rd 2024

KEEP NOLANVILLE BEAUTIFUL

➞ Trash Talk



25 Volunteers came together to Keep Nolanville Beautiful for Spring Clean Up

"NEVER UNDERESTIMATE THE POWER OF A SMALL GROUP OF COMMITTED PEOPLE TO CHANGE THE WORLD. IN FACT, IT IS THE ONLY THING THAT EVER HAS." — MARGARET MEAD



Keep Nolanville Beautiful is thrilled to announce the success of its annual spring Great American Clean Up and Keep Texas Waterways Clean event, which took place on Saturday, March 23rd. With the participation of 25 dedicated volunteers, the community came together to make a significant impact on the beautification of Nolanville and the preservation of Central Texas waterways.

Throughout the morning, volunteers embarked on three separate beautification projects across Nolanville. One group attended to Nolan Creek, focusing on a waterway and roadside cleanup effort. Another team concentrated their efforts on Jack Rabbit and Avenue H, clearing roadside litter. Lastly, a group gathered at Nolanville's recently upgraded Fox Park to plant native seeds around the new skate park, enhancing the area's natural beauty.

In just two hours, the collective efforts of these volunteers spread a total of 5lbs of native seeds, , and collected an impressive two truckloads of trash, contributing to the cleanliness of Nolanville's streets and waterways.

Keep Nolanville Beautiful extends its heartfelt gratitude to all 25 volunteers who dedicated their Saturday morning to this cause. Their commitment and hard work not only contributed to the beauty of Nolanville but also upheld the mission of keeping Texas beautiful for generations to come.

For more information on Keep Nolanville Beautiful and future community initiatives, please visit www.nolanvilletx.gov or Facebook at Keep Nolanville Beautiful.

Keep Nolanville Beautiful extends its thanks to all the volunteers, staff, and Keep Texas Beautiful for their contributions to this cleanup effort. Their dedication and support have impacted our local environment, ensuring that Nolanville & Nolan Creek remain a clean, vibrant, and enjoyable natural resource for generations to come.

About Keep Nolanville Beautiful: Keep Nolanville Beautiful is a community-driven organization dedicated to promoting environmental stewardship and enhancing the aesthetic appeal of Nolanville, Texas. Through collaborative efforts and volunteer engagement, Keep Nolanville Beautiful strives to create a cleaner, greener, and more vibrant community for residents and visitors alike.

SPOTLIGHT ON ART



NEW ART UNVEILED AT SMART MUSEUM

ROADSIDE ATTRACTION

The Nolanville Art Program recently installed its latest art piece....and it doesn't get more Texas than this! Located at the SMART Museum, "Roadside Attraction" by renowned Texas artist, Joe Barrington, serves as a powerful reminder of our waste habits.

Did you know that the U.S. only recycles 8% of its 290 million discarded tires annually and 44% of nearly 50 million metric tons of steel? "Roadside Attraction" prompts us to reflect on our environmental impact and rethink our consumption habits.

As you admire this piece of art, let it not only bring a smile to your face but also inspire your thoughts on the immense scale of our discarded materials has on our environment. Join us in embracing sustainable practices and making a difference for our planet!

Meet The Artist:

Joe Barrington

Joe Barrington received a BFA from Midwestern State University and has exhibited widely throughout the West. He founded the Bone Yard Art Park, a nonprofit outdoor sculpture park in Throckmorton, TX, in 2005.

His inspirations are drawn from a lifetime of living in rural Texas. The people, animals & folklore are all an integral part of the stories he shares with the viewer.

Well-known throughout the southwest, Barrington has received many commissions for public art projects. Recent ones include the Lake Ray Hubbard Transit Station for DART in Dallas; the Mesa Natural History Museum in Mesa, Arizona; the Rio Grande Zoo in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

His work is included in private and public collections, including the National Museum of Wildlife Art in Jackson Hole, Wyoming, and the Old Jail Art Center in Albany, Texas.

Did You Know.....

....The Lonestar Soccer Club is coming to Nolanville!

Attention Soccer Enthusiasts!
Get your cleats ready because Lonestar Soccer Club is kicking off a thrilling summer league right here in Nolanville!

Whether you're a seasoned pro or just looking to have some fun on the field, this is your chance to join an exciting community of soccer lovers.

Want to learn more and sign up?
Scan the QR code in the image to submit your details and get all the information you need!



....The 2024 Park Priorities Survey is Back?!

Your voice matters in shaping the future of our parks and recreational spaces! Head over to the City of Nolanville's Park and Recreation page on the City Website to explore the Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan.

Don't forget to take our 2024 Park Priorities Survey – it's your chance to influence decisions about our shared community spaces and make a real difference.

For more information, reach out to City Hall at 254-698-6335 or email us at cityhall@nolanvilletx.gov. Let's work together to create a vibrant and enjoyable environment for all!

WELCOME INTERIM CITY MANAGER

TERESA CHANDLER



The City of Nolanville is pleased to announce the appointment of Teresa Chandler as interim City Manager of Nolanville following the departure of Kara Escajeda, who served the City with distinction for nine years.

Chandler, currently serving as the City Secretary, brings a deep commitment to Nolanville's continued growth and success.

Following Kara Escajeda's departure on April 1, the City Council set out to appoint an interim City Manager who could seamlessly transition into the role and maintain the momentum of progress established under Escajeda's leadership. After careful consideration, Teresa Chandler emerged as the ideal candidate to lead Nolanville through this transitional period. Chandler has been an integral part of the Nolanville community since 2022, demonstrating exceptional leadership skills and a strong dedication to public service.

As City Secretary, she has played a vital role in ensuring the smooth operation of municipal and election affairs and has earned the trust and respect of colleagues and residents alike.

"I AM HONORED TO HAVE BEEN CHOSEN AS INTERIM CITY MANAGER FOR THE CITY OF NOLANVILLE," SAID TERESA CHANDLER. "I AM COMMITTED TO BUILDING UPON THE FOUNDATION LAID BY KARA ESCAJEDA AND WORKING COLLABORATIVELY WITH CITY STAFF, ELECTED OFFICIALS, AND THE COMMUNITY TO CONTINUE ADVANCING NOLANVILLE'S GOALS AND PRIORITIES AND ENSURING THAT NOLANVILLE REMAINS A GREAT PLACE TO LIVE."

During her tenure as City Manager, Kara Escajeda made significant contributions to Nolanville's development, leaving behind a legacy of progress and innovation. The City Council is confident that Teresa Chandler will uphold this legacy and lead Nolanville with integrity, vision, and dedication.

The City of Nolanville extends its gratitude to Kara Escajeda for her nine years of dedicated service and wishes her all the best in her future endeavors. As the city welcomes Teresa Chandler into her new role, it looks forward to a continued bright and prosperous future for Nolanville.



Meet The Members of The **NOLANVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT**

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CHRISTOPHER CAVE



24 YEARS OF
SERVICE

WHY DID I CHOOSE TO COME TO NFD?

I Felt like this was a great chance for me to use my experiences and knowledge to help build Nolanville FD into a successful paid department. I Just want to help provide the Fire/EMS services to the the citizens deserve.

CERTIFICATIONS

- Advanced Firefighter
- DPO
- Fire Instructor 1
- EMS Instructor
- Ariel Operator
- Fire Officer 1

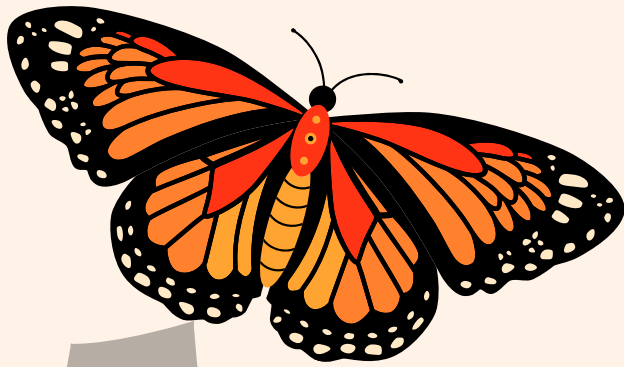
HOBBIES OUTSIDE OF WORK

- Spending time with family
- Hunting & Fishing
- Working on the Family Ranch
- Woodworking
- Camping

WHY DID I BECOME A FIREFIGHTER?

"I come from a long line of firefighters but I truly enjoy helping people, I've always known this is what I wanted to do!"





2024 MONARCH FESTIVAL

100 Gold Star Ave. Nolanville,

June 1st 2024

9 AM-12 PM

**DJ, PETTING ZOO, FACE
PAINTING, KITES, VENDORS,
GAMES, INTERACTIVE DISPLAYS
AND MORE!**

