

## COMMUNITY CONNECTION



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### City of Taylor City Council

Rod Hortenstine  
Mayor  
At Large

Ella Pumphrey Jez  
Mayor Pro Tem  
District 4

Donald R. Hill  
District 1

Bernabe Gonzales  
District 2

John McDonald  
District 3

### WHO TO CALL AT CITY HALL?

General Information  
352-3675

Municipal Court  
352-5977

Street Department  
352-5818

Water Bills  
352-2066

Library  
352-3434

### Switzer Senior Center anchors Taylor Resource Center

More than 150 citizens turned out for the grand opening of the Taylor Resource Center located in the former Taylor High School/Middle School building located on Seventh Street.

Through an agreement with the Taylor Independent School District, the historic school building now houses the Switzer Senior Center, Shepherd's Heart Food Pantry, WBC Opportunities Senior Nutrition/Meals on Wheels & Emergency Assistance and the TISD Clothes Closet.

With the entrance located at the corner of Ninth Street and Hackberry, the former cafeteria area of the old school has been totally redone and is ADA accessible.

### City Council Election - May 9

The City of Taylor election day is set for May 9, 2009 to fill one city council seat.

The incumbent City Councilman John McDonald for District 3 drew no opponents in his re-election bid and will be sworn in for an additional two-year term.

Two applications were filed for the District 2 council place currently held by Benito Gonzales. The applicants are Christopher Lee Gonzales, Sr. and Donna Frazier.

Only residents of District 2 are eligible to vote for the District 2 council race. Early voting for this race will be open from April 27 through May 5.



*Fred Switzer handles community activities and recreation for City of Taylor.*

Through the leadership of Fred Switzer, for whom the Switzer Senior Center is named, and Marge Tripp, director of the Interagency Support Council of East Williamson County, the senior citizens of Taylor have a nice place to meet and socialize and the much needed services of the Food Pantry and Meals on Wheels have a permanent location.

### Information on Utility Bills

City utility bills are mailed in time to be delivered on or before the first of the month that it is due. If for whatever reason the utility bill is not received timely, citizens are encouraged to contact the City Utility Billing Department at 352-2066 to find out the amount due. Payment is due on the 10th of the month.

Callers can get their amount due with just their name and address by calling or using the drive-thru window at the Utility Billing Department at the City Annex located at Fifth and Talbot Streets.

To request a copy of the current utility bill via email, email [rosemarie.dennis@ci.taylor.tx.us](mailto:rosemarie.dennis@ci.taylor.tx.us) and request to be set up to receive email billing. Residents that pay their utility bill online can view their bill at the City website: [www.ci.taylor.tx.us](http://www.ci.taylor.tx.us).

## 2009 Citywide Trash-Off & Cleanup

Keep Taylor Beautiful and the City of Taylor encourage all Taylor residents and businesses to participate in the 2009 Citywide Trash-Off and Cleanup on Saturday, April 25 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. For a nominal fee, residents can have their trash and debris unloaded at dumpsters located at the City maintenance yard at 1424 North Main with entry on Old Thorndale Road and in the 1400 block of Welch Street at the former Hidalgo Park location.

The fee will range between \$5 and \$20, depending on the size of load. Some form of identification with customer's name and address will be required, such as a driver's license or a City of Taylor utility bill. No batteries, waste oil and oil filters, appliances with refrigerants, chemicals or other hazardous materials will be accepted at either of the dumpster locations. Passenger tires may be left at the 1424 North Main location for a fee of \$3.

Oil, oil filters, cardboard and scrap metal, as well as old computers and printers, may be disposed of at the Williamson County Recycling Center located at the entrance to the Williamson County Landfill on FM 1660 north of Hutto.

Keep Taylor Beautiful volunteers, including local civic groups, will be picking up trash throughout the city, especially along main thoroughfares, starting at 8 a.m. Anyone who would like to join the effort and pick up trash in their neighborhood is invited to do so. Bags will be available at the Taylor Chamber of Commerce location at 1519 N. Main St.

For more information, contact Ed Komandosky, 365-7396 or Fred Switzer at City Hall, 352-3463.



### *Annual Easter Egg Hunt - April 11*

The City of Taylor will sponsor its annual Easter egg hunt for Taylor youngsters, ages one through six, Saturday, April 11 in Heritage Square Park in downtown Taylor.

Children ages one through three will be in one group and children ages four through six will be in another to hunt over 2,000 colorful Easter eggs. Don't be late! The hunt begins promptly at 10 a.m. Call 352-3463 for more information.



**Saturday, May 2, 2009  
10 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
Downtown Taylor, Texas**

**Arts & crafts  
Beer garden \* Food & Drinks  
Live music all day long!**

**Children's Area - games, face  
painting, inflatables & fun for  
toddlers to teens!**

**FREE Admission to festival**

**For more information:  
512-352-5448 or  
jean.johnson@ci.taylor.tx.us**

### **TACTICS FOR TOUGH TIMES! FREE 1-Hour Workshop Series**

- 9 am - Money Matters (budgeting)
- 10 am - Keys to Preserving Homeownership  
(prevent foreclosure)
- 11 am - I have to get a job! (job search)
- 12 am - Staying Healthy During tough  
Times (stress management)

**Saturday, April 18**

**Taylor Public Library  
801 Vance. St.**

## City Calendar of Events for April

April 7	Zoning Board of Adjustments @ 6 pm
April 9	City Council meeting @ 6 pm
April 14	Planning & Zoning Commission @ 6 pm
April 15	Main Street Advisory Board @ 12 noon
April 21	Taylor Public Library Board @ 6 pm
April 21	Parks & Recreation Board @ 6 pm
April 23	Airport Advisory Board @ 6:30 pm
April 28	City Council meeting @ 6 pm

Agendas are posted at City Hall and at [www.ci.taylor.tx.us](http://www.ci.taylor.tx.us).

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