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Locals Beautifying Our Great Community!

The Saginaw Beautification Advisory Committee has a volunteer opportunity that involves the adoption of a specific location in Saginaw or a neighborhood entry. This program is intended to provide residents and/or groups a public way to show pride in our community and to help keep Saginaw beautiful and litter-free.

During the past month, a local family adopted a spot in our city. The **Henry Family** adopted the flower bed and sign at Brian Schwengler Memorial Park.

Also, the **Saginaw Kiwanis Club** celebrated Earth Day by planting beautiful roses in the flower beds of Kiwanis/Veteran's Park in Saginaw.

For more information about the Saginaw Adopt-A-Spot program, check out the City of Saginaw's web site at: www.saginawtx.org/831/Adopt-a-Spot-Program.

The Henry Family
Brian Schwengler Park

Saginaw Kiwanis Club
Kiwanis/Veterans Park

Sign up for E-News

The City of Saginaw strives to keep residents informed and we invite you to sign up for our e-news at **www.SaginawTx.org/list.aspx**. You can also check out our monthly newsletter posted online at **www.SaginawTx.org**. Sign up today and stay informed about your community!

KNOW YOUR WATERING SCHEDULE

MONDAY
No watering allowed

TUESDAY & FRIDAY
Non-residential sites (apartments, businesses, parks, common areas)

WEDNESDAY & SATURDAY
Residential addresses ending in 0, 2, 4, 6, 8

THURSDAY & SUNDAY
Residential addresses ending in 1, 3, 5, 7, 9

Notes from the City of Saginaw

FUN FACTS FROM SAGINAW ANIMAL SERVICES:

Did you know that during the month of April 2016, we had forty (40) animals adopted and twenty-eight (28) animals returned to their owners?

Did you know that we have an online kennel showing all animals being housed at our facility on our web site at www.SaginawAnimalServices.org?

Did you know that we also have a "Lost and Found" section on our web site? If you either lost a pet or found someone else's pet, you can post your information on this bulletin board.

CARTER BLOOD DRIVE: The City of Saginaw is hosting a Blood Drive at the Saginaw Recreation Center, 633 West McLeroy Blvd. on June 16, 2016 from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Browse www.SaginawTx.org for details.

FIREWORKS PROHIBITED IN SAGINAW: The City of Saginaw has adopted a Fire Code ordinance prohibiting the open possession, manufacture, storage, handling, sale and use of fireworks within the city limits of Saginaw. The Saginaw Fire Department aggressively seeks compliance with this ordinance with the goal of ensuring the safety of the entire community. Non-compliance may result in the confiscation of all prohibited items and can result in a fine from $200 to $2,000. This ordinance is for 365 days of every year with no exceptions for the 4th of July and New Year's Holidays.

UPCOMING HOLIDAY HOURS - JULY 4TH: The City of Saginaw Municipal Offices, the Library and the Recreation Center will be closed all day on **Monday, July 4th** to observe our country's day of independence. However, the Saginaw Aquatic Center will be open from 12:00 noon to 7:00 p.m.

Saginaw Beautification Advisory Committee Landscaping Project Completed

A few years ago, the City of Saginaw constructed a digital display sign on the east side of Business 287 between the road and the train tracks. It was discussed at a 2015 Saginaw Beautification Committee (SBC) meeting (a group of citizen volunteers) to look at installing a landscaped stone flower bed with irrigation and live plants to enhance the sign and beautify our community. Staff researched and designed a potential project to meet the requests of the committee.

At the April 4, 2016 meeting, the SBC approved a proposal/design for the project and unanimously voted to approve and recommend to the City Council the funding of $4,842.85 for Peterson's Landscaping to install a sandstone bed.

At the April 19, 2016 City Council meeting, the Council unanimously voted to approve the funding of $4,842.85 to install a sandstone bed complete with irrigation, low-maintenance shrubs and perennial flowers. The project was completed on May 9, 2016.

"Images of Saginaw" Photo Contest Winners

The Saginaw Recreation Center recently held the "3rd Annual Images of Saginaw Photo Contest" with record breaking participation. On Tuesday, May 3rd at the Saginaw City Council Meeting, Mayor Gary Brinkley presented awards to the winners of each category. The award winners are:

Saginaw Scenes:
"Blood Moon Rising Over the Silos" by Malinda Julien

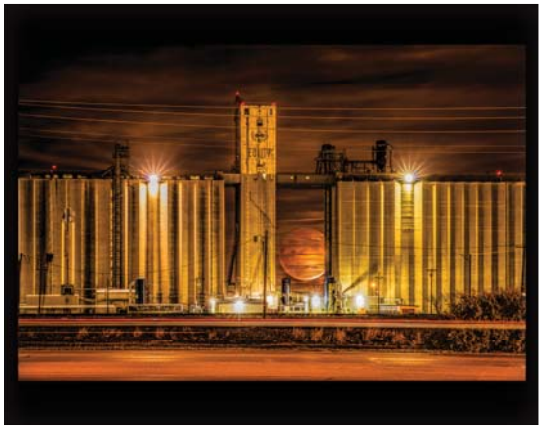
Saginaw People/Activities:
"Egg Hunt" by Malinda Julien

Saginaw Animals:
"Opossum and Baby" by Lisa Trussell

The Spirit of Saginaw:
"#14" by Malinda Julien

Best of Show:
"Blood Moon Rising Over the Silos" by Malinda Julien

For more information and to view this year's winning photos online, you can check out the following link: **www.ci.saginaw.tx.us/gallery.aspx?AID=52**. You can also view the framed photos in person which are proudly displayed at the Saginaw Recreation Center, 633 West McLeroy Blvd.



Protect Yourself & Family from Zika, West Nile

Use insect repellent whenever you spend time outdoors, day or night. Look for a repellant with DEET or another EPA-registered repellant such as Picaridin, Oil of Lemon, Eucalyptus, PMD or IR3535.

Wear long sleeves and pants to leave less of your skin exposed.

Remove stagnant water from your property. Any amount of standing water can give mosquitoes a place to lay their eggs. Standing water may be found in stagnant swimming pools, bird baths, flower pots, trash containers, children's toys, clogged rain gutters and other places. Place environmentally-friendly Bti briquets in standing water that can't be drained. Bti can be purchased at local home and garden stores.

Properly maintain your landscaping to help reduce the mosquito population. Mosquitoes go to cooler, humid, shady areas in your yard during the daytime to rest and escape hot dry summer air. Thinning shrubs and cutting down tall grass and weeds will reduce the harborage areas and number of mosquitoes in your yard.