

# COMMUNITY UPDATE

## CITY OF PILOT POINT, TEXAS

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#### MAIN STREET

##### YOU CAN BE IN BONNIE & CLYDE

In 1967 Hollywood came to Pilot Point when 28 year old Warren Beatty shot a scene from his seminal film Bonnie and Clyde right on our square. Mr. Beatty got the people of Pilot Point involved by casting them in the movie. It must have been quite a thrill to be in Pilot Point back then.

On October 9<sup>th</sup> Bonnie and Clyde return to Pilot Point with *Bonnie & Clyde Days*. And just like back then you can play a role in *Bonnie & Clyde Days*. Here's how:

1. **Become a 4Square Volunteer** – Pilot Point is truly hosting this event. We need people who like to organize, can direct traffic, and just lend a hand. Just go to [www.cityofpilotpoint.org](http://www.cityofpilotpoint.org) and click on the red, white and blue 4Square logo to sign up.
2. **Send us your old pictures** – Were you there in 1967? If you were, lend us the pictures that you took. In some shoe box up in the attic is a piece of living history. We'd love to see it and maybe use it for the festival.
3. **Become a Cast Member** - Exactly as in 1967 we need cast members. The University of North Texas Film and Television Department will be conducting a casting call to cast the roles which were in the movie.
4. **Become part of the Homemade Market** - Our Farmers Market will reflect the "make do with what you have" attitude of the 30's. We call it the Homemade Market. We are looking for people who bake, or know how to make sweet pickles from scratch, or candy apples or who enjoy quilting. Know someone who makes homemade birdhouses? Or maybe you make preserves, mustards, bake, or sew or are into jewelry or homemade crafts of any kind? If so, sign up to participate in the Market or get a group of people and all come down together and share a space; all you need is a folding table. Be sure to dress like the "Great Depression" to add to the fun.

5. **Become a Cotton Picker** – If you haven't been by the field next to the old Massey Cotton Gin lately you'll be surprised. It's full of cotton and peanuts. Jim Strittmatter is going to harvest those peanuts on Bonnie & Clyde Days with a 1923 peanut thresher. But the cotton? We want cotton pickers! If you want to be the Champion Cotton Picker of Bonnie & Clyde Days let us know.

6. **Become Bonnie & Clyde!** - That's right. We are having a Bonnie & Clyde Look-Alike Contest ---- starring you. Whether you look like the real Bonnie Parker or Faye Dunaway we want you to grab you beret and come on down to the square.

*Bonnie & Clyde Days* celebrates the Great Depression, the values which came from those times and the excitement that was felt when Hollywood came to a small Texas town. It will be a great event to watch. It will be even more memorable if you play a role. Come on – become a part of Bonnie & Clyde Days. Just go to [www.cityofpilotpoint.org](http://www.cityofpilotpoint.org) and click the Bonnie and Clyde logo on the right.

#### LABOR DAY HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

##### City Hall – Water Bills

As a reminder, water bills are due on or before the 5<sup>th</sup> of each month. Payments received after 5:00 p.m. on the 5<sup>th</sup> will be considered late and incur a 10% late fee. For your convenience, a payment drop box is located on the North West side of the City Hall building off Jefferson Street.

##### Trash Service:

Trash service will run as regularly scheduled; collecting trash for residents NORTH of Main Street on Monday, September 6<sup>th</sup> and residents SOUTH of Main Street on Tuesday, September 7<sup>th</sup>. IESI begins servicing routes at 7AM and typically finishes by 7PM. All household waste must be placed in the 96 gallon cart provided to you by IESI. Carts must be placed at the curb prior to collection.

DO NOT PLACE HOT ASHES, LIQUIDS SUCH AS MOTOR OILS OR GREASE, OR HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SUCH AS CAR BATTERIES OR LEAD BASED PAINTS INSIDE THE CARTS. Rinsing carts frequently with water will help prevent foul odors and reduce insect problems.

**Recycle Service:**

Recycling is provided to each resident and collected on Wednesday's for residents NORTH of MAIN and on Thursday's for residents SOUTH of MAIN. Items accepted include paper, cardboard, #1-5 & #7 plastics, glass, aluminum and tin. Steel products are not accepted for recycling. As with normal trash pickup, recycling carts should be placed out at the curb by 7AM. Recycling may be picked up anytime from 7AM to 7PM. Recycling carts must be loaded to weigh no more than fifty (50) pounds.

**Acceptable Recycle Items are:**

- Metal cans
- Chipboard (cereal boxes, soda boxes, etc.)
- Glass bottles or jars
- Newspaper
- Magazines
- Phone books
- Junk mail advertisements
- Plastics # 1 - #7 (milk jugs, juice jugs, laundry detergent, jugs, etc.)



**Bulk Trash:**

Bulk Trash service is provided twice a month on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month. For the month of September, Bulk Trash will be picked up on Saturday, September 4<sup>th</sup> and again on September 18<sup>th</sup>. Brush will be picked up at the curb if it is **cut into four-foot lengths and tied and bundled**. Bundles should **not exceed 50 pounds** in weight. Bulk is limited to what two men can pick up in a 5 minute period or 2 yards. Removal of large items such as furniture, stoves, and water heaters, heating units and any other appliances or similar bulky items from residential properties will normally occur on the first and third Saturday. Refrigerators, freezers, and air conditional units will only be picked up if the resident supplies a certificate from a certified technician that CFCs (chlorinated fluorocarbons) have been properly removed.

Please call customer service at **903-564-9252** if you have any questions on recyclable material, trash collection and bulk or yard waste collection, or you can e-mail them at

[iesipilotpoint@iesi.com](mailto:iesipilotpoint@iesi.com)

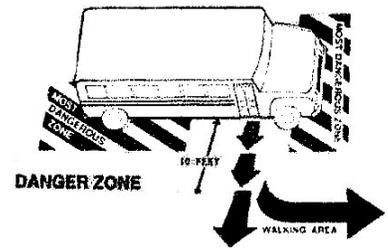
**POLICE DEPARTMENT  
SCHOOL BUS SAFETY TIPS**

School buses are one of the safest forms of transportation in the nation; nearly 2,000 times safer than the family car. Accidents are rare because school districts and the school bus

contractors who serve them work hard to train drivers to avoid getting into accidents. Additionally, buses are designed to withstand all but the most serious crashes without death or serious injury.

Surprisingly, more children are hurt outside a bus than inside one. Children must be alerted to the danger zone around every yellow school bus, especially if they bend over to retrieve a dropped school paper, or walk too closely to the bus while crossing the street.

Many school districts teach children to take five giant steps as soon as they leave the bus to escape that danger zone. If children need to cross the street after exiting the bus, schools teach them to cross in front of the bus and to be sure they are able to maintain eye contact with the driver.



Perhaps the most difficult thing to teach children, especially young children, is to not go back and pick up items they've dropped near the bus or left on the bus.

Please work with your children on these issues. Safety is everyone's concern.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT / EMS  
CROSSWALK SAFETY ESSENTIALS**

It seems every day there has been another person hit by a car. Far too often these are children on their way to and from school or extra-curricular activities. Many times the outcome is not good, ending in a funeral of a life lost too young.



There are times when the driver runs, a hit-and-run, that the car vs. pedestrian incident makes the news nationwide. However when the driver stops, the accident is generally only reported locally, and briefly.

So, you may wonder what can be done to protect our youth in route to school. There are a few key tools to help today's children avoid auto vs. person accidents.

- Always cross at the crosswalk.
- Look both ways.
- Keep looking while crossing.
- Take out the ear buds and listen to the traffic.

## LIBRARY LINKS

With the new school year under way, our staff would like to remind students and parents that the library is here to provide a helping hand and assist parents and students with an array of resources. Parents and students will find tutorial materials covering all levels of mathematics, reading comprehension, classroom report resources as well as support for learning disorders and differences. Information is available in print, online and in audiovisual formats and best of all, it's free.

Students and parents are also encouraged to visit our newly updated computer area which offers the new Office 2010 productivity software as well as verifiable databases specifically designed to help Texas students. Among those databases, students will find Ebsco Kids Search (primary & middle school), ProQuest eLibrary Curriculum (grades K – 12), Ebsco Student Research Center (grades 6 – 12), as well as several other literature-based databases (grades 6 through college).

For more information about library resources and to find out how to get a library card, call us at 940 686-5004 or visit us at [www.pilotpointlibrary.org](http://www.pilotpointlibrary.org). Opened Tues. – Fri. 8:30 am to 5:30 pm, Saturday 9 am to 2 pm ~ Closed Sunday & Monday.

## ANIMAL CONTROL

### ANIMAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The City of Pilot Point is looking for citizens to serve on the Animal Advisory Committee.

The committee meets three (3) times a year. This committee adopts procedural rules, as it shall deem necessary to govern its meetings and works effectively to review, revise, and recommend that the appropriate animal shelter laws approved are implemented pursuant to the Texas Health and Safety Code Section 823.005.

If you are interested in applying stop by City Hall or contact Lisa Rose at 940-686-2165 x 14, or complete an application online at [www.cityofpilotpoint.org](http://www.cityofpilotpoint.org). (See *City Government/Boards & Commissions/Application*)

## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

### American Red Cross Blood Drive

On Thursday, September 2, 2010, from 11:00 am – 2:00 pm the City of Pilot Point will be hosting a blood drive.



Types O and B are often in high demand and are the first to run out during a shortage. Help save lives by donating blood. The lives you help save may be those of your family, friends or someone across the street or across the nation. Giving blood takes about 45 minutes to an hour. Please be sure to bring a blood donor card, driver's license, or two other forms of identification (required at check-in).

To schedule your time please contact Karen Schoonover @ 940-686-2165 x 19 or visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) and enter sponsor code: *pilotpoint*. As a way of thanking donors, the American Red Cross will be giving away a \$100 gas card each day from August 1 – September 15. You can enter the gas card drawing when you sign-in at the blood drive.

### Façade Removal – Pilot Point Opera House

The Pilot Point Opera House is looking for volunteers for the removal of their facade. Join them on Saturday, September 4<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 pm *sharp* as they unveil the old front of their building. If you are interested in participating please contact David Delcourt at [ddelcourt@ymail.com](mailto:ddelcourt@ymail.com), 214-724-2222 or just show up to lend a hand.

### Pilot Point Chamber of Commerce

#### Roaring Twenties Speakeasy & Gaming Club

Pilot Point, Texas – The Pilot Point Chamber of Commerce will be hosting an old fashioned Speakeasy & Casino on Saturday, September 25, 2010, 6:30 pm – 1:00 am at the Pilot Point Opera House.

This fun filled night of gambling, and entertainment, dancing to the live band called Alleykat's, food and drinks plus a silent and live auction, will have a 1920's theme. The Pilot Point Opera House is the perfect venue for it all.

Everyone is invited; ticket prices are \$25 per person or \$40.00 per couple and include \$10,000 in chips and two drink tickets. There will be a cash bar as well.

Sponsorships are available for \$100 to support this fundraising event. Auction items and Jackpot donations are also needed.

Bring your friends, neighbors, and family to this community event and kick off the fall season in style. Dress is casual cocktail or dress up in 1920's attire for fun.

For more information, contact Karen Walterscheid, at the Pilot Point Chamber, 940-686-5385.

### National Night Out

#### America's Night Out Against Crime

On Tuesday, October 12<sup>th</sup> at the Alco parking lot from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm, neighborhoods throughout Pilot Point are being invited to join forces with thousands of communities statewide for the 27<sup>th</sup> Annual National Night Out crime and drug prevention event. National Night Out is sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch (NATW) and co-sponsored by the Pilot Point Police Department.

Any persons or organizations that would be interested in participating in this year's event are encouraged to do so by contacting the Pilot Point Police Department at 940-686-2969 or by email at [rpowell153@cityofpilotpoint.org](mailto:rpowell153@cityofpilotpoint.org).

"This is a night for America to stand together to promote awareness, safety and neighborhood unity. National Night Out showcases the vital importance of *police-community partnerships* and citizen involvement in our fight to build a safer nation."

*Matt Peskin, National Project Coordinator*

### Keep Pilot Point Beautiful

Keep Pilot Point Beautiful (KPPB), an affiliate of Keep Texas Beautiful and Keep America Beautiful, provides environmental education in our community. KPPB works on various projects focusing on litter prevention, beautification, recycling, and water pollution prevention. KPPB participates in festivals and community cleanups, recycling events and awareness contests throughout the year. KPPB relies upon private contributions, corporate sponsorships, volunteer participation and grant funding.

If you are interested in joining KPPB please contact Karen Schoonover at City Hall or contact her by email at [kschoonover@cityofpilotpoint.org](mailto:kschoonover@cityofpilotpoint.org). Membership is open to all citizens and businesses. All membership fees and donations are tax deductible.

### City Council Meetings

City Council meetings are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays of the month in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 102 E. Main Street at 6:30 pm. Citizens are encouraged to attend. Time is allotted for public comments at the beginning of regular meetings and during public hearing items.

### Community Update

Non-Profit Organizations are encouraged to list their upcoming events in our Community Newsletter. Please call Karen at **940-686-2165 ext. 19** or email [kschoonover@cityofpilotpoint.org](mailto:kschoonover@cityofpilotpoint.org) to list your upcoming events or activities or to add your email address to the distribution list to receive an email reminder.

### e-News

Would you like to receive this community update via mail? Subscribe now – it's quick & easy. Just go to: [www.cityofpilotpoint.org](http://www.cityofpilotpoint.org) – click on **Join e-list updates**. Individuals that are registered will receive an email with a link to the update up to two (2) weeks before you receive it in your water bill.

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<b>Mon.</b>	<b>August 23</b>	
	First Day of PPISD School Year	
<b>Mon.</b>	<b>August 23</b>	<b>6:30 pm</b>
	City Council Meeting/Budget Hearing Council Chambers – City Hall	
<b>Thur.</b>	<b>September 2</b>	<b>11:00 am – 2:00 pm</b>
	Blood Drive City Hall – Council Chambers	
<b>Sat.</b>	<b>September 4</b>	<b>7:00 am</b>
	Bulk Trash Pickup	
<b>Sat.</b>	<b>September 4</b>	<b>12:00 pm</b>
	Removal of Façade Pilot Point Opera House	
<b>Mon.</b>	<b>September 6</b>	<b>CLOSED</b>
	Labor Day - <u>City Hall Offices Closed</u>	
<b>Mon.</b>	<b>September 6</b>	<b>7:00 am</b>
	Trash Pickup – Residents <u>North</u> of Main	
<b>Tues.</b>	<b>September 7</b>	<b>7:00 am</b>
	Trash Pickup – Residents <u>South</u> of Main	
<b>Sat.</b>	<b>September 11</b>	<b>8:00 am – 12:00 pm</b>
	Farmer's Market	
<b>Thu.</b>	<b>September 16</b>	<b>11:30 am</b>
	Chamber Luncheon ~ Location TBD	
<b>Sat.</b>	<b>September 18</b>	<b>7:00 am</b>
	Bulk Trash Pickup	
<b>Sat.</b>	<b>September 25</b>	<b>6:30 pm</b>
	Speakeasy & Casino Night Pilot Point Opera House	
<b>Mon.</b>	<b>September 27</b>	<b>6:30 pm</b>
	City Council Meeting Council Chambers – City Hall	
<b>Sat.</b>	<b>October 2</b>	<b>7:00 am</b>
	Bulk Trash Pickup	
<b>Sat.</b>	<b>October 9</b>	<b>9:30 am – 4:00 pm</b>
	Bonnie & Clyde Days	
<b>Sat.</b>	<b>October 9</b>	<b>8:00 am – 12:00 pm</b>
	Farmer's Market	
<b>Mon.</b>	<b>October 11</b>	<b>6:30 pm</b>
	City Council Meeting Council Chambers – City Hall	
<b>Tues.</b>	<b>October 12</b>	<b>6:00 pm – 9:00 pm</b>
	National Night Out ALCO Shopping Center	
<b>Sat.</b>	<b>October 16</b>	<b>7:00 am</b>
	Bulk Trash Pickup	