

COMMUNITY UPDATE

CITY OF PILOT POINT, TEXAS

102 East Main Street – Pilot Point, Texas

www.cityofpilotpoint.org 940-686-2165

FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2009 (Volume 1, Issue 3)

VOTE ON HOME RULE CHARTER SET FOR NOVEMBER 3RD, 2009

On Tuesday, November 3rd, qualified registered voters in the City of Pilot Point will have an opportunity to vote on a Home Rule Charter and determine our future method of governance. On Tuesday, September 29th, a copy of the Proposed Home Rule Charter was mailed to all qualified registered voters in the City of Pilot Point as required by state law. Residents or interested parties may secure a printed copy of the Proposed Home Rule Charter from the Lobby of City Hall – 102 East Main Street, or at the Pilot Point Public Library – 324 South Washington. You may also print a copy off our city webpage:

www.cityofpilotpoint.org

The Home Rule Charter ballot shall read:

“The City of Pilot Point shall adopt the proposed Home Rule Charter.”

For ____

Against ____

Early Election Dates and Times:

October 19 - 23 Mon. - Fri. 8 am – 5 pm

October 26 - 28 Mon. – Wed. 8 am – 5 pm

October 29 - 30 Thur. – Fri. 7 am – 7 pm

*The nearest early voting location is the Steven Everett Copeland Government Center, 1400 FM-424, Crossroads. For other early voting location, times, and information, contact the Denton County Elections Office at 940-320-VOTE or check their elections website at:

<http://elections.dentoncounty.com/go.asp?Dept=82>

November 3rd - Election Day Polling Place

7 am till 7 pm: Pilot Point Senior Citizen Center, 310 South Washington Street in Pilot Point, Texas 76258.

SOLID WASTE, BULK & RECYCLING - F Y I

IESI Customer Service: 903-564-9252

IESI webpage: www.iesinorthtexas.com

BLUE carts – RECYCLING ONLY RECYCLING – every THURSDAY

GREEN carts – TRASH ONLY

MONDAY – residential TRASH

(Main Street and all areas North)

TUESDAY – residential TRASH

(All areas South of Main Street)

BULK SERVICE – 1ST AND 3RD SATURDAYS

For bulk service guidelines - please call

Customer Service @ 903-564-9252 or email

iesipilotpoint@iesi.com 24 hours in advance.

Guidelines also available on the City of Pilot Point webpage under the Welcome - New Residents section: www.cityofpilotpoint.org or call 940-686-2165.

***Oct - Nov - Dec - Residential Service Schedule:**

Oct 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 – Recycling (citywide)

Oct 3 and Oct 17 – Bulk Service (citywide)

Oct 5, 12, 19, 26 – Solid Waste (city north half)

Oct 6, 13, 20, 27 – Solid Waste (city south half)

Nov 5, 12, 19, **27** – Recycling (citywide)

Nov 7 and Nov 21 – Bulk Service (citywide)

Nov 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 – Solid Waste (city north half)

Nov 3, 10, 17, 24 – Solid Waste (city south half)

Dec 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 – Recycling (citywide)

Dec 5 and Nov 19 – Bulk Service (citywide)

Dec 7, 14, 21, 28 – Solid Waste (city north half)

Dec 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 – Solid Waste (city south half)

An added benefit of the rolling cart service is an approximate 11% reduction in monthly cost to our city residential customers; additional carts are available for just \$4.50 a month, plus tax.

PUBLIC NOTICE
SALE OF REAL PROPERTY
OLD CITY LAUNDRY BUILDING FOR SALE

The City of Pilot Point announces a Request for Sealed Proposals (RFP) from persons interested in purchasing the following property:

OT Pilot Point, Block 18, Lot 1, and more commonly known as 201 South Jefferson, Pilot Point, TX 76258, and generally described as approximately a 2,160 sq. ft. historic commercial building built in approximately 1901.

Sealed proposals will be accepted only at:
City of Pilot Point - 102 East Main Street
Pilot Point, Texas 76258

until 2:00 pm, local time, Monday, October 26, 2009, at which time the proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud. All RFP submittals must be received in a sealed envelope or package with the RFP No. RFP-2009-6 and the opening date and time noted in the lower right hand corner of the envelope. Submitting parties are expected to become familiar with the site, local conditions, limitations, and operations of the City of Pilot Point that may have a material impact on their response.

Contact: For a detailed RFP package, information, questions, or gain access to the building, contact:

J. C. Hughes, City Manager
jchughes@cityofpilotpoint.org
940-395-1898

MONTHLY \$\$ CASH \$\$ DRAWING ON
THE SQUARE

In addition to the Chamber of Commerce program asking residents to spend at least \$20 on the 20th of each month in Pilot Point to help support the local economy, the Chamber previously announced the recent return of the Merchant Gift Drawing on the Square on the 2nd Saturday of each month.

The next drawing will be held Saturday, November 14, at 7 pm on the Square. Live music will be provided at 8 pm by Gary Kyle & Tommy Alverson.

As a reminder, you must visit and qualify at participating stores in town each month. For detailed rules on how to qualify, and a list of the participating business locations, please call the Chamber at **940-686-5385** or by emailing chamber.ofcommerce@cebridge.net

YOU MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN!

CHAMBER RAFFLE TICKETS
ARE STILL AVAILABLE

Raffle tickets are available from the Chamber of Commerce as a Chamber Fund Raiser! 1st prize will be \$500 cash donated by Northstar Bank and Point Bank. The 2nd prize is a \$300.00 gift certificate donated by The Purple Door Day Spa. The 3rd prize is \$200.00 cash donated by Dr. Rene Scott. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00 and you do not have to be present to win. Proceeds will help support community activities of your local Chamber of Commerce.

*Please contact the Chamber of Commerce for list of locations or contacts to purchase tickets or call:

940-686-5385

or email chamber.ofcommerce@cebridge.net

CODE ENFORCEMENT CORNER

Did you know???

Illegal Residential Parking

Code Enforcement investigates any and all complaints concerning possible violations of nuisance ordinances, including Parking in the Yard:

It shall be illegal for any person to park or allow to be parked on any property under his control any automobile, truck, motorcycle, motor home, camper, trailer, boat or any vehicle on any portion of a front or side yard of any area which is residentially zoned under the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance.

Our stated goals are to enhance the level of public safety, improve city aesthetics, and protect property values through effective enforcement of city ordinances and to ensure due process for each

resident of Pilot Point. The Code Enforcement Officer routinely patrols your neighborhood for code violations and investigates complaints with a mission of abating issues and educating residents.

If you notice a violation of the Parking in Yard ordinance, or any other unsightly location, a location with high weeds, or unhealthy condition, you are encouraged to contact the City Code Enforcement Office at:

940-686-2165

Ask for Code Enforcement

** Please do your part to clean up Pilot Point!*

LIBRARY LINKS

In addition to the many library resources available to local residents, the Pilot Point Community Library is excited to offer these new community-based services:

- **Little Listeners Storytime:** A new weekly program held every Wednesday morning from 11:00 am to 11:25 am and geared toward pre-school children ages 3 and up. Children participate in fun, age-appropriate stories and take home kindergarten-readiness activities. No sign-up is required and all programs are free.

*Note: The Library will host a special Halloween *Little Listeners Storytime* on Wednesday, October 28th at 11 a.m. Pre-schoolers are urged to come dressed in costume and enjoy stories, crafts and other trick-or-treat fun.

- **Public Fax Service:** Now available in the library's copy center, with equipment funded through a donation from Atmos Energy Corporation. The fee-based service is only for outgoing Domestic (no International) faxes, and is only accessible during regular library hours. A copier is also available at 15 cents a copy.

***For more information about our other library services, call 940 686-5004 or visit our new Library website at:**

www.pilotpointlibrary.org

PUBLIC SAFETY TIPS

FIRE/EMS/AMBULANCE:

Weather Call and Weather Alerts Available

ABC Channel 8 – WFAA DFW

The Channel 8 *WeatherCall*TM system continuously monitors the National Weather Service's NOAA weatherwire. When a severe weather warning includes your location, you (and up to two more phones) will receive a phone call, 24 hours a day. You (and up to two more emails) can also receive a warning by email with a detailed map of the threat area; provide an email address when you register. This is a subscriber based alert system through WFAA–Dallas at \$9.95 a year.

www.wfaa.com/weather/weathercall

CBS Channel 11 –TXA Channel 21 DFW

Through CBS 11's WeatherWarn alerts, you can have National Weather Service watches and warnings sent to your wireless phone, pager or e-mail account as they are issued! Sign Up Now! This is a **FREE** subscriber based alert system through CBS Channel 11 –TXA Channel 21 DFW.

<http://central.weatherwarn.net/wxwarn/index.asp?Stn=CBS-11>

***The City of Pilot Point does not endorse either of the TV weather service warning systems; both systems use a GIS mapping system to compare your specific location to the location of the warning area - this information is provided as a Public Service by the City of Pilot Point, Texas.**

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Nixle Community Information Service Activated

The Pilot Point Police Department is excited to announce that it has launched a new Community Notification Service called “Nixle” to improve communication with people who live, work, and visit our area. The system provides a quick, efficient, and secure way to get emergency or non-emergency neighborhood-level information out to community members who subscribe to the system. Through **www.nixle.com**, the department will be able to send text message (SMS) and e-mail alerts to subscribers in a specific area, down to .25 miles. Through Nixle, we will also deliver non-emergency messages or announcements, securely to citizens by

e-mail and cell phone, supporting and expanding our community outreach efforts. Nixle is a secure communications service available to municipal, county, and state government agencies. There is NO spam or advertising associated with Nixle Municipal Wire messages. The system is free (standard text message rates apply for subscribers who do not have text plans with their cell phone providers). If you have suggestions for potential Nixle publications that might interest citizens, please share them with the Police Department.

**YOU MUST REGISTER ONLINE TO
RECEIVE THE NOTICES at www.nixle.com**

For additional information, contact the Pilot Point Police Department non-emergency number at:

940-686-2969

**VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED
FOR CITY BOARDS**

The City of Pilot Point needs volunteers on numerous Advisory Boards. We have positions available immediately for appointment by the City Council for the following boards:

- **Parks Board**
- **Planning and Zoning Commission** (Dec 31st)
- **Economic Development Board**
- **Board of Adjustment and Appeals**
- **Main Street Board** (Dec, 31st)
- **Historic Review Board**

For application forms and instructions visit:
www.cityofpilotpoint.org/images/Application_Form.pdf
under the Welcome - Volunteer Opportunity section or call Lisa Henderson @ **940-686-2165**.

UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

OCTOBER 23rd (Friday) @ 7:30 pm (Away)
Pilot Point Bearcats –vs- Valley View Eagles

OCTOBER 26th (Monday)
Pilot Point EDC Board Meeting – City Hall
5:30 pm to 6:30 pm
Pilot Point City Council Meeting – City Hall
Starts at 6:30 pm

OCTOBER 30th (Friday) @ 7:30 pm (Away)
Pilot Point Bearcats –vs- Callisburg Wildcats

OCTOBER 31th (Saturday * New date!)

Trunk or Treat

Starts @ 5pm - Sonic Drive-in on Highway 377

NOVEMBER 3rd (Tuesday) 7 am till 7 pm

Home Rule Charter Election

Pilot Point Senior Citizen Center, 310 South Washington Street in Pilot Point, Texas 76258.

NOVEMBER 6th (Friday) @ 7:30 pm (Home)

Pilot Point Bearcats –vs- Aubrey Chaparrals

NOVEMBER 9th (Monday)

Pilot Point City Council Meeting – City Hall

Starts at 6:30 pm

NOVEMBER 14th (Saturday)

Drawing on the Square - Downtown

Starts at 7 pm; music at 8 pm

NOVEMBER 19th (Thursday) @ 11:30 am

Monthly Chamber Luncheon

Point Bank Community Building

NOVEMBER 23rd (Monday)

Pilot Point City Council Meeting – City Hall

Starts at 6:30 pm

NOVEMBER 26th and 27th (Thursday and Friday)

Thanksgiving Holiday – City Hall Closed

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pilot Point Band Boosters - Help support your award-winning Pilot Point Bearcat Band. For information regarding their specific needs and scholarship funding: Contact Shannon Slater at **940-597-3533** or shannon@dwslaterco.com

Pilot Point Opera House Singers

Meets every Thursday at 7:00 pm for rehearsal.

If interested in joining call **940-686-2454**.

Pilot Point Opera House

XCW Wrestling

Proceeds to benefit restoration of the Historic Opera House Building at 110 South Washington.

Call **940-891-3283** for more information.

*Non-Profit Organizations are encouraged to list their upcoming events in our Community Newsletter. Please call City Hall at **940-686-2165** or email jchughes@cityofpilotpoint.org to list your community activities.