



**HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!**



## **PARKS AND RECREATION**

### COMMUNITY CENTER FITNESS CENTER

The Portland Community Center, located at 2000 Billy G. Webb Drive, is a multi-use facility, featuring both fitness and facilities and rooms to rent for special occasions. The fitness center includes:

- \* Full-size basketball court
- \* Indoor walking track
- \* 2 racquetball courts
- \* Full-size locker rooms
- \* Weight room comprised free weights and weight machines (plate-loaded and selectorized)
- \* Cardio rooms featuring treadmills, stair climbers, an elliptical trainer, upright and recumbent bikes, Jacob's ladder, spin bikes, concept 2 rowing machines, and step mill
- \* Open Monday through Friday 5:30 AM to 9:30 PM
  - Saturday 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM
  - Sunday 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM
- \* Open Gym times (membership of drop-in exercise fee required):  
Open gym (general): Monday and Friday 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM  
Basketball: Tuesday and Thursday 7:00 to 9:30 PM  
Volleyball: Wednesday 7:00 PM to 9:30 PM  
*Call (361) 777-3301 for information on membership rates*

### SUMMER JOBS AT THE AQUATIC CENTER

Plan now to attend lifeguard classes, the schedules will be announced soon at [www.portlandtx.com](http://www.portlandtx.com) starting in late February. Call the Community Center at (361) 777-3301 for information.

### AQUATIC CENTER POLAR BEAR CLUB

Take the plunge! Join the Aquatic Center Polar Bear Club and track your swimming distance throughout the winter months. Receive prizes at 10, 25 and 50 miles. Miles will be tracked at the Aquatic Center. Regular admission fees apply.

- \*December 1, 2015 through February 29, 2016
- \*6:30 to 9:00 AM; 5:00 to 7:30 PM
- \*Regular admission process apply



### 7th ANNUAL FATHER/DAUGHTER DANCE

Feb. 12th, 6:30PM

Community Center

The Portland Parks & Recreation Department will be hosting the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Father/Daughter Dance. All school age girls are invited to bring their father, grandfather, uncle, brother or other father figure to the event. The Community Center will be decorated in a theme and snacks will be provided. Current pop music and Dad's favorites will be spun by a professional DJ. A photographer will be available at an additional cost. Guests are asked to wear semi-formal attire. And back by popular demand...the fun photo booth and sundae bar! Tickets can be purchased at the Portland Community Center and all Kidz Klub sites.

- When: Friday, February 12, 2016 , 6:30-9:30 PM
- Where: Portland Community Center
- Cost: \$15.00/couple, \$7.00/additional child



### School Holidays

Kidz Dayz is an all-day recreation program offered during school holidays and teacher in-service days. (Note: this program is not provided on City holidays.) Children in kindergarten through 6th grade are invited to join the fun at T.M. Clark Elementary. Activities will include arts and crafts, organized recreational play, games, prizes, and fun. Morning and afternoon snacks provided, children must bring their own lunches. Call the Community Center at (361) 777-3301 for more information

### KIDZ DAYZ

Community Center

**Register 2 weeks in advance and pay a discounted fee of \$15 per day**

## **PUBLIC WORKS**

**Spring cleaning is upon us and for many that means a garage sale! Here is a list of things you should remember when having a sale:**

- \* Each residence is allowed 2 sales per calendar year – they must be at least 90 days apart
- \* Permits are \$15.00 and obtained at the Public Works office at 1101 Moore Avenue
- \* Be sure to come into the office before your sale begins – or no later than 4:45pm on Friday
- \* 3 signs are issued with each permit – 1 must go in front of the residence and other two signs may be placed in the street right of way at adjacent intersections.
- \* Signs may be placed 24 hours in advance of the sale
- \* Signs may NOT be altered to read differently than printed
- \* All garage sales will be listed on the website at (unless otherwise requested). Visit [www.portlandtx.com](http://www.portlandtx.com) and click on Garage Sales under the Lifestyle tab
- \* Don't fill out your signs until you are sure you will be having your sale – if your sale is canceled due to rain, call Public Works the next business day and we will reschedule your sale

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### Police Department adds personnel

The City of Portland continues to grow as nearby industries expand and new businesses arrive. To meet the needs of a growing community, the police department budgeted for three additional employees for the 2015-2016 fiscal year. Those positions were filled this month with the hiring of one code enforcement officer and two communications officers. Jacob Jimenez became the City's second Code Enforcement Officer. Valerie Moreno and Nathan Sanchez were chosen to fill the additional communications officers positions created to provide the City with two 9-1-1 dispatchers on every shift. The three new employees will each be in training for approximately three months.

**San Patricio County  
Adult Literacy Council, Inc.**  
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Do you or someone you know need Literacy assistance? Call us. San Patricio County Adult Literacy offers free tutoring for reading, writing, and communicating in English. These classes are offered at no cost to adults (17 yrs. & older) living or working in San Patricio County. Additional classes offered are pre-GED and Citizenship Preparedness, as well as English classes for English as a Second Language (ESL) participants. Registration forms may be obtained at the library or by contacting the SPCALC office at (361) 364-2310 or [sanpatliteracy@yahoo.com](mailto:sanpatliteracy@yahoo.com)

Clases de Inglés. ¿Necesite ayuda en aprender a leer, escribir, o para comunicaren Inglés? Llámenos. El condado de San Patricio oferta clases para aprender leer, escribir, y comunicando en Inglés. Estas clases son ofrecidas en ningún costo a adultos (17 años. y más viejo) viviendo o trabajando San Condado de Patricio. Las clases adicionales ofrecieron son pre-GED y preparación de Ciudadanía. Los formularios de inscripción pueden ser obtenidos en la biblioteca o contactando la oficina de SPCALC - (361) 364-2310 o [sanpatliteracy@yahoo.com](mailto:sanpatliteracy@yahoo.com)

### Announcing!

San Patricio County Adult Literacy Council's  
**S C R A B B L E ©**  
**Tournament for Literacy!**

February 26, 2016  
Portland Community Center  
[www.facebook.com/SPCALC](http://www.facebook.com/SPCALC)  
Details and registration at (361) 364-2310

## SENIOR SERVICES

**February 5th, 6:30 PM SENIOR DANCE Community Center**  
Join us at the Portland Community Center for our monthly Senior Dance. Grab your dancing shoes and come out for live music, snacks, dancing, and fun! Friday, February 5th from 6:30 to 9:30 PM. Cost is \$3.00 per person.



**February 4th, 5:30 PM PORTLAND OPRY Community Center**  
Don't miss the Opry! Doors open at 5:30 PM. Join us for dinner! Hot food available at additional cost. The show starts at 7 pm, and you will be blown away by the amazing talent we have here on our Portland stage! So come on down and enjoy the show! Thursday, February 4, 6:30-9:30 PM Cost is \$7 per person.



**Tues, Thurs & Fri, 10:30 AM SILVER SNEAKERS Community Center**  
The Silver Sneakers Fitness Program is a comprehensive older-adult fitness program that addresses the needs of the Medicare population (age 65+). Silver Sneakers is a chair based fitness class focused on retraining useful movements that decline with age. This is a great class with activities paced for you, set to fun, catchy tunes. Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays, 10:30 AM.  
No cost to Silver Sneakers members; \$4 for Senior Citizens



**February 10th, 1pm GAMEDAY Senior Center**  
Games Galore! Don't want to be stuck playing the same old games? We have Game Day at the Senior Center the second Wednesday of each month (excluding holidays). Come join your friends for light refreshments, cards, dominoes, and bingo. Free for all to participate.

## BELL WHITTINGTON LIBRARY



### Come have some fun at the Library!

**Sunflower Wreath Maker Space**  
Saturday February 13 at 10 AM  
\$15 supply fee payable at the door

**Wreath Maker Space**—various supplies available to design your own wreath!  
\$15 supply fee for EACH wreath made. Help Mrs. Dorothy clean out her supply closet and make room for new crafts in 2016!

After School Program  
Toddler Time Story Hour  
Mr. Kippy Story Times  
Teen Library Lounge  
Mondays from 4-5  
Tuesdays at 10 AM  
Thursdays at 9 & 10 AM  
Thursdays 4:30 to 5:30 PM

