



Remember Those Who Served

Memorial Day ceremonies will not be held at Municipal Park this year. Because of construction, we will celebrate our veterans and honor our fallen heroes at a special dedication and unveiling of our new Veterans' Memorial at the Community Center Complex in late September. Watch for further information.



BOND 2016

On Saturday, May 7th, voters will consider a bond issue that would improve and expand the Community Center and City sports complexes. More information about the bond issue can be found at www.portlandtx.com.

THE ISSUANCE OF \$25,200,000 OF BONDS BY CITY OF PORTLAND, TEXAS FOR THE PURPOSE OF ACQUIRING, CONSTRUCTING, IMPROVING, RENOVATING AND EQUIPPING PARK AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES IN THE CITY INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO IMPROVEMENTS TO THE CITY'S SPORTS COMPLEX, MUNICIPAL PARK AND COMMUNITY CENTER, AND LEVYING THE TAX IN PAYMENT THEREOF

[] FOR
[] AGAINST

All voting at the Community Center,
2000 Billy G. Webb Drive
Early Voting

Monday	4/25/2016	7am-7pm
Tuesday	4/26/2016	8am-5pm
Wednesday	4/27/2016	8am-5pm
Thursday	4/28/2016	8am-5pm
Friday	4/29/2016	8am-5pm
Monday	5/2/2016	7am-7pm
Tuesday	5/3/2016	8am-5pm

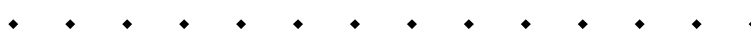
PARKS AND RECREATION

Portland Aquatic Center will be open on Saturdays, May 7-21.
The pool will open for summer hours beginning Saturday, May 28!
Summer Hours are: Tuesday-Saturday Noon-6pm

April 25th Summer Kidz Camp Community Center
The City of Portland Parks and Recreation Department is proud to offer its Summer Kidz Kamp program, co-sponsored by Gregory-Portland ISD. The program is offered to children 5-12 years of age who will be entering kindergarten through 6th grade for the 2016-2017 school year. The City of Portland provides two different payment options:

- ◆ Complete 10 week Kidz Kamp, including \$60 registration fee:
June 6-August 12 Mon through Fri 7am-6 pm \$860
- ◆ Weekly drop-in Kidz Kamp
\$95 per week plus one-time \$60 registration fee
- ◆ Camp begins in June and continues into August.

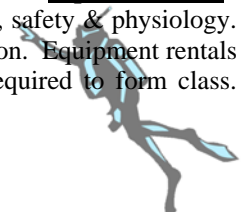
Children must bring their own lunches. A morning and afternoon snack will be provided.



May 7th Mother's Day Swim Aquatic Center
Mothers are really important! Please join us and swim for FREE with your family, as a token of our appreciation for Mothers!



May 14th Scuba Lessons Aquatic Center
A Scuba Adventures teaching basics of scuba, safety & physiology. Class is online with pool hours upon completion. Equipment rentals available starting at \$40. Six participants required to form class. Register at Portland Community Center.



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☆☆ **City Offices will be CLOSED on** ☆☆☆
☆☆ **Monday, May 30th in observance** ☆☆☆
☆☆ **of Memorial Day** ☆☆☆
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AQUATIC CENTER

- ◆ Contact Portland Aquatic Center to plan ahead for a private party or rent an umbrella. Dates available May –August. Call for details, cost and registrations starting March 28 at 5:30 AM.
- ◆ After hours rentals for entire Aquatic Center and lifeguards! Dates available May-August. Costs, details when you call. Reservations begin Monday March 28 at 5 AM.
- ◆ Big Screen Movie Party—Reserve the Aquatic Center big screen movie screen, popcorn and lifeguards! Summer ON-LY. Hurry and reserve now! Details and costs when you call.
- ◆ Swim and Skate—an after hour pool party, plus the skate park, too! Saturdays and Sundays only through summer. Call for pricing and reservations
- ◆ Portland AquaCats—Portland's Swim Team! May-July. Register starting March 28. Costs and details when you call.

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SPECIAL MOTHERS DAY BREAKFAST!!

May 6th, 9am

Treat your Mom and celebrate motherhood and the joys of family over a delicious, home-cooked breakfast, compliments of the Senior Services Division. Great company, great food, great times! This event is FREE, doors open at 8:45am; please pre-register.

Senior Center

SENIOR SERVICES



May 6th, 6:30PM

SENIOR DANCE

Community Center

Join us at the Portland Community Center for our monthly Senior Dances. Grab your dancing shoes and come out for live music, snacks, dancing and lot of fun! Every first Friday of the month, except holidays from 6:30 to 9:30 PM. Cost is \$3 per person.

May 11th, 1pm

GAME DAY

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.

May 12th, 5:30 PM

PORTLAND OPRY

Community Center

Did you know there's an Opry in Portland? We have joined the Opry circuit of the Coastal Bend to bring you evenings filled with entertainment and fun! Come on down and enjoy the show. We will have some special treats to celebrate 2 years of the Portland Opry! Don't miss the May show—it will be super! Cost is \$7 per person.

May 19th, 6:30PM

SENIOR LUAU

Community Center

The City of Portland and our area businesses are proud to sponsor the 13th Annual Senior Luau, in celebration of summer! All senior citizens are invited to enjoy live music, food, door prizes and a lot of fun!

SILVER SNEAKERS

Tues, Thurs & Fri, 10:30 AM

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**

BELL WHITTINGTON LIBRARY SUMMER READING IS COMING!

It begins May 26th

This year's theme: Exercise Your Mind. Read!"

Pick up a reading log at the Library and start your summer reading! This year we have a reading program for everyone:

Babies, kids, teens and adults!

Join us every Friday in June for family programs!



We will have special entertainers, crafts, movies and activities—
Love Your Library!!!

May 25th, 2PM

Genealogy Workshop

Library

Join us on Wednesday, May 25th for a Genealogy Workshop on topic is to be determined. There is no fee, but space is limited. Please pre-register at the Library.

Library Programs

After school program Mondays from 4-5
Toddler Time story hour Tuesdays at 10 AM
Mr. Kippy story times Thursdays at 9 & 10 AM

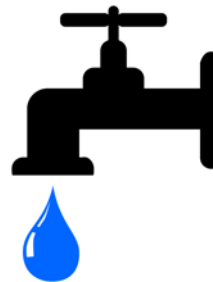
PUBLIC WORKS

2015 Phase 9 Street Overlay & Reconstruction Program

The Phase 9 Street Overlay & Reconstruction Program began in March, 2016. Residents are reminded that when they are notified, they will not be allowed to park on the street from 8am – 6pm on days that their streets will be affected; any cars on left on the street will be towed at the owner's expense. The contractors will leave flyers advising of the specific day(s). For more information on affected streets and schedules, visit our website at:

<http://www.portlandtx.com/index.aspx?nid=251>

Watering Restrictions



As a reminder, the City of Portland is still under Stage 2 watering restrictions. There should be no watering between the hours of 10am – 6pm unless it is by an approved hand watering method. For any other method you may only water on your trash day (unless you have a Water Use Permit). For a complete listing of restrictions, please visit:

<http://www.portlandtx.com/index.aspx?nid=399>

Play It Safe

Splash Course in Water Safety

Free swim day at the Portland Aquatic Center. Learn about water safety, requirements for your backyard pool, and how to be safe in and around the water on Saturday, May 7th, 12-2 PM. This event is FREE—
Children must be accompanied by an adult.