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## STRAIGHT TALK FROM THE MAYOR

I am proud to say that the Founder's Day celebrations held on Oct. 24th and 25th were huge successes. The weekend events, jointly held with Lovejoy ISD, were kicked off by a Friday night football game. The Lovejoy Leopards beat Princeton with a score of 27-0. The game was followed by a phenomenal fireworks display sponsored by Alvin Lafon of Lafon's Fireworks (\$2500 donation) and Mr. Big's Discount Fireworks (\$1000 donation). The Saturday parade and other events were top-notch and early estimates indicate somewhere around 2000 people attended throughout the day. Photos of the participants and events are on page 2 of this newsletter. Both personally and on behalf of the residents of Lucas I want to offer sincere thanks to the following persons who worked so hard to make this event celebrating our 50th anniversary as a City such a success:

**Organization:** Lucas City Councilmembers, City Secretary Kathy Wingo, Asst. City Secretary Jennifer Faircloth, Lovejoy School Board & Administrators (for providing use of their facilities to us), Grace Evangelical Church Members (for cooking food for the crowds), Lovejoy School Administration (for also cooking food for everyone), Tracy Matern (on behalf of Trinity Trails) and Jeanice Haas (for coordinating the booths).

**Working the Saturday Events:** Jeremy Bogle and Marco Ramirez (City of Lucas employees), Tammy Turner, Tony Turner, Dennis Womack, Donna Washburn, James Nix, Bob Jones (Lovejoy ISD), Frank Morgan, Jr. and Jason Evans of the Collin County Sheriff's Office. A very special thanks is owed to the aforementioned persons as they came early and stayed late to help with everything including set up of facilities, and cleaning up after the events were over. Thanks also go to Donna Bradshaw who brought members of the Allen FFA to help with the Stick Horse Rodeo.

**Donations:** Hank Moore (Lighting Retrofit & Maintenance Specialists) \$750., Mike Burge (BW2 Engineers, Inc. ) \$750., K. Holloway (Holloway Welding & Piping, LP) \$750., Stacy Barnes (Barnes Waste & Disposal Service) \$500., and Don Dillard (Hunt Properties) \$500. There were also numerous other volunteers who also helped make this event an outstanding success, and many thanks also go to them. We appreciate all the organizations that sponsored booths on Saturday.

## MEETING SCHEDULE

ALL MEETINGS BEGIN AT 7:00 IN THE CITY ANNEX UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED.

### CITY COUNCIL REGULAR

THURS., NOV 6

### PLANNING & ZONING

THURS., NOV 13

### CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP

THURS., NOV 20

### MUNICIPAL COURT

WED., NOV 19, 4:00PM

# Founder's Day Photos



Emily Bowman



Classic Car Fun



Mayor Bill Carmickle



Deputy Jason Evans & Donna Carmickle



Tracy Matern



Brenda Rios



Mayor Bill Carmickle



Lovejoy High School Band



Lainey Peele



Brenda & Emily Bowman



Trinity Trails Preservation Association

# October City Council Report

## Oct. 2 Regular City Council Meeting

- Approved the minutes from the Sept 4<sup>th</sup> Regular, Sept 8<sup>th</sup> Special, Sept 13<sup>th</sup> Special, Sept 16<sup>th</sup> Special and Sept 18<sup>th</sup> Workshop meetings.
- Approved Resolution # R-2008-10-00319 designating the *McKinney Courier Gazette* the official newspaper of the City of Lucas.
- Discussed and Considered the agreement between the City of Lucas and Pingleton, Howard & Company, P.C. to conduct the City's audit for 2008.
- Approved Resolution # R-2008-10-00320 renewing a policy governing investment of the City Funds.
- Approved Ordinance # 2008-10-00630 establishing a Compensation Plan for the Mayor and City Council Members.
- Removed an item discussing drainage issues with the HOA of Austin Trails. This item will be back in a future agenda.
- Discussed Founder's Day events activities.

## Oct. 6 Special City Council Meeting

- Authorized the Mayor to enter an employment contract with Robert Patrick to become the City of Lucas' City Manager.

## Oct. 16 City Council Workshop Meeting

- Reports from Finance, Municipal Court, Collin County Sheriff, Fire Department, Building Department, Public Works, City Manager, City Secretary, City Council, Board & Commission Liaison Report, Miscellaneous
- Public Hearing on Zoning code modifications.
  - o There was no one present to speak for or against.
  - o The changes were approved 5-0
- Approved a Letter of Agreement approving Pingleton, Howard & Company, P.C. to conduct the City's audit for 2008.
- Approved a motion cleaning up language in the Municipal Clerk ordinance.

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## **Water Management Program**

The City of Lucas is required by federal and state guidelines to develop, establish, and advertise a storm water reporting line to solicit information related to illicit discharges and illegal dumping; complaints, and general comments regarding Lucas storm water management program. If you have an opportunity, please read the enclosed flyer with the monthly newsletter it gives more detailed information on what the community can do to help improve water quality through very minor changes in general daily activities. The Number for the hot line is 214-644-0779.



## City Engineer Marathon Magic

I am now a "Finisher" in the 50 States Marathon Club. I completed a 26.2 mile marathon in my 50th state last Sunday in

Portland, Maine.

I had just been a casual 5K & 10K weekend runner when some friends challenged me to try a marathon. That was the Smoky Mountain Marathon in Townsend, TN in 1992. I only wanted to improve on my time after the first one. I had no idea it would lead to doing all 50 States.

I just ran the ones that I thought would be special. The Marine Corps in Washington D.C. was very special. The course went by all the monuments in our Capital. Chicago was my fastest at 3 hours 14 minutes. I qualified for Boston and ran it in 1996, the 100th anniversary. There were about 36,000 finishers that day.

In 1997 my wife and I moved from Gainesville, GA to Phoenix, AZ. There I started running the western states and, when I got to 20 states, I qualified to join the Club. From that point it became an obsession to finish all the states. The biggest obstacle in my way was the cost and time to travel - in addition to the training to stay in marathon shape during the summer heat in Phoenix. Many days I would come home from work and do an 8 mile run in 100+ degree heat.

Each state has memories attached: Starting after a moment of silence by the Oklahoma City Memorial; running by the lava fields on the Ironman course in Kona, HI; starting with a low level Blue Angle fly-over in Pensacola; being cheered by a reported million fans lining the roads into Boston; running at 8,000' in the Colorado Rockies; finishing at the goal line at Marshall University's football field; running through the infield of Churchill Downs in Louisville; along the Jersey Shore north from Cape May; through downtown Chicago, and the list goes on.

Now I will have to find another challenge to keep running. Some of our club members become hooked and try for multiple finishes. I will not be able to afford that cost. But, maybe I will shoot for a hundred. I am at 68 total marathons.

Just a little bio; we moved to Texas in 2005 and I am the City Engineer at Lucas. My wife, Kathy is also a runner. We met at the Gainesville Running Club in 1990 and have been running together ever since. We have no children other than our Yorkie, Gina.

Stacy Caudell

# E-Waste Computer Recycling Day



**E-Waste Collections** will provide a “**Computer Collection Event**”  
**At Lovejoy High School**

**Look for the truck in the Parking Area in front of the Athletic Facility**

*Our team will be there to collect and load your old electronic waste.*

**Saturday - December 6, 2008**

**9:00 a.m – 12:00 p.m.**

**2350 Estates Parkway, Lucas, Tx 75002**

**Don't Put Your Old Electronics In The Landfill**

**Recycle Them!**

Materials Recovered: copper, aluminum, steel, lead, plastics, glass, parts, chips, etc.



**Sponsored by:**

**Lovejoy H.S. PTSA**

**&**

**E-Waste Collections!**

Items that can be brought:

Personal Computer, Laptops,  
Networking Equipment, CRT  
Monitors (\$5 charge), Flat  
Screens, Keyboards & Mice,  
Printers & Copiers, Printer  
Cartirdges, Fax Machines, Phone  
Systems, Cell Phones & PDAs,  
Cables & Wire, Hard Drives,  
CDs and Video Tapes, TVs (\$30  
charge), Media Equipment, Video  
Game Equipment, Scrap Metals,  
Scrap Plastic

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