



TRINITY TRAIL PRESERVATION ASSOCIATION TACK SALE

Come out on Saturday, June 5 from 9 am – 2 pm (rain date set for Saturday, June 12) to the Brockdale Trail Head, Trinity Trail in Lucas for the TTPA annual tack sale. Enjoy some lunch while you shop, there will be hot dogs and chili served around noon.

If you have tack that doesn't fit any of your current horses, or want to do some spring cleaning in your barn and rehome tack and other items you don't use anymore, bring it to the TTPA tack sale.

If you need horse equipment, this is a great opportunity to get lightly used horse tack and other items at great prices! Plus, you benefit a great non-profit that helps maintain the trails. If you'd like to donate, we welcome all things horsey! Western, English, Endurance, you name it. You can either donate the items or for higher priced items, split the proceeds with TTPA. TTPA is a non-profit so you can write off donations on your taxes. Visit www.TrinityTrailRiders.org for directions to the trailhead. For more information contact Amy Dickerson at 972.832.2531, Jill Monson 972.804.3412 or Sharon Berryman 972.467.8333.

DEVELOPMENT HAPPENING AROUND LUCAS

The City has some exciting new residential and commercial development coming to our community over the next few months. The second phase of Enchanted Creek Estates is underway with 84 lots proposed on 135 acres zoned Residential-1 acre, but has an average lot size of almost two acres. This new subdivision is located on Parker Road near the intersection of FM 1378 and Parker Road. Barratt Lakes Estates is a proposed 14 lot development zoned Residential-2 acre with an average lot size of almost three and a half acres. Barratt Lakes Estates is located in the reverse curve on Winningkoff Road. Wendy Farms is a proposed 11 lot development zoned Residential-2 acre with lots averaging nearly four and a half acres. This subdivision is located on Wendy Lane. Cameron Estates is a proposed 14 lot subdivision zoned Residential-2 acre averaging two acres per lot located at the northeast intersection of Shady Lane and Snider Road. New Castle Estates a nine lot subdivision zoned Residential-2 acre located on FM 1378 across from Jan Marie and should be selling lots in the next few months.

On the commercial side, Tractor Supply is proposing a new facility in the City with approximately 20,000 square feet of indoor retail space and a spacious area for exterior sales and storage located on Angel Parkway just north of Home Run Alley. O'Reilly's Auto Parts Store was approved in 2018; however, was then put on hold. They have started the process to move forward again and is expected to break ground over the next couple of weeks. O'Reilly's is located at 561 Angel Parkway.

ELECTION RESULTS

The City of Lucas held its General and Special election on May 1, 2021. Below are the official results:

Seat for Mayor :

Jim Olk 609 votes (88.13%)
Leslie Wizner 82 votes (11.87%)

City Council Seat 3:

David Keer 595 votes (86.85%)
Evelyn Molina 90 votes (13.14%)

City Council Seat 4:

Philip Lawrence 577 votes (ran unopposed)

Home Rule Charter Amendments included as part of the Special Election passed except for two items; Proposition F and Proposition P. These two Charter items will remain unchanged since the proposed amendments did not pass with a majority vote. Please refer to the updated City Charter on the website.

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Winningkoff Road

The contractor is still having difficulty finding a concrete supplier during the nationwide cement shortage. This shortage has limited the amount of pavement that can be placed along Winningkoff Road. Currently staff is assessing a balance between maintaining northbound traffic throughout the project or keeping the area closed to through traffic to assess the opportunity to finish the pavement.

West Lucas Road

Most of the surveying is complete. The consultant is starting to focus on the various design elements base on citizens' input and general engineering assumptions.

Bait Shop Waterline Relocation

The consultant is finishing up the 90% design plans for the new waterline along Prado Verde Drive, Southview Drive, and East Lucas Road. The consultant will also provide the City with an opinion of cost for the project. The amount of waterline along East Lucas Road is significantly longer than originally anticipated. Construction should start in August or September.

Estates Parkway Safety Enhancements (TxDOT)

Tentative plans are being considered by TxDOT to repair, resurface, and add two-three-foot shoulders to Estates Parkway (FM 2170) from Angel Parkway to Country Club Road. TxDOT has not given the City a schedule yet.

Angel Parkway (TxDOT)

The Texas Department of Transportation is planning to start construction of Angel Parkway (FM 2551) from Estates Parkway to Parker Road in the next 18 months. The current phase is focused on utility relocation along the corridor.

Street Maintenance

The City is looking at the benefits of repairs to Winningkoff Road, Christian Lane, and Lewis Lane. If these roadways are selected, the roadwork should be completed by the end of September.

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MAYOR'S MESSAGE

By Jim Olk

I would like to thank everyone that got out to vote this month. As you may know we elected a new City Council to Seat 3. David Keer, former Chairman of the Planning and Zoning Commission garnered the majority of the votes cast and took office at our May 6th City Council meeting. Additionally, I was reelected to my third term as Mayor along with Phillip Lawrence to City Council Seat 4 who ran unopposed.

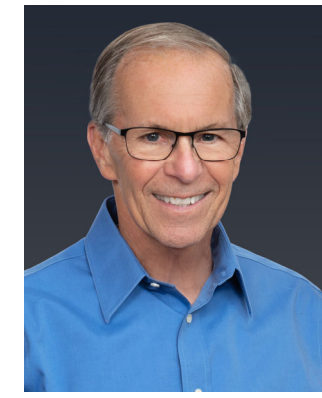
Congratulations to all.



For many of us that drive East Lucas Road or Winningkoff Road we may notice something missing. Marty and Sharon Berryman, that live at the corner of Winningkoff and East Lucas Road, lost "Luke" their beautiful Appaloosa horse with the leopard color pattern. Luke was a staple on that corner for 27 years and even got his name because he was born in Lucas. "We were fortunate to have Luke and he will be greatly missed" is what Sharon told me. I think all of us will miss seeing Luke. Thank you to the Berryman's for sharing Luke with us for all those years.

A few things going on this month... Chipotle held its grand opening on May 13. For those of you that love a big burrito, the new Chipotle is in front of Walmart across from Wendy's.

Surveying and design work have begun on the stretch of West Lucas Road from the Country Club intersection to Angel Parkway, although the actual construction work is probably still a year away. Please continue to be safe and thank you for allowing me to serve as your Mayor.



MEET YOUR NEWEST CITY COUNCILMEMBER, DAVID KEER

Councilmember Keer was born in Pennsylvania and raised in New Jersey. After earning a Political Science degree from Muhlenberg College, Councilmember Keer relocated to Texas. His late wife, Pam and David moved to Lucas from

Richardson in 1981. They had searched for a place where their family could enjoy country living and keep horses on their own land. They found that spot in Lucas. Rhonda and David married in 1994 after they each prematurely lost their spouses to terminal illnesses. They share their home with Rhonda's 90 plus year old dad, two horses and four dogs. David's blended family consists of three grown children, their spouses and five grandchildren. Rhonda's daughter Kandice, husband Jason and their two children; Kylee and Gage, live close by. David's daughter Deedee lives in Navasota and his son Matt, his wife Emily and their three teenagers, Faye, Mackenzie and Matthew live in San Antonio.

In 2018, Councilmember retired from a 39 year career in sales and management. David has worked for a global manufacturer and several global distributors of semiconductors, integrated circuits, and industrial electronics. During his career, David was trusted with P&L responsibility for regions as small as \$1 million and as large as \$190 million. Business associates know Councilmember Keer as a strategic thinker, an award winning individual contributor, and a servant leader.

Councilmember Keer was appointed to the Lucas Planning and Zoning Commission in 2010, serving in various capacities, with his final position as Chairman. David and Rhonda co-lead a Life Group at Chase Oaks Church. Councilmember Keer also mentors at risk young men at local ISDs, and is a volunteer visitor to hospice patients.



City meetings are open to the public and to protect the health of others, masks are encouraged. The City will continue with Zoom meetings to allow for public participation remotely. To download a video conferencing link, go to <https://www.lucastexas.us/zoom-link-for-city-council-board-meetings/>.

- May 31 City offices closed for Memorial Day Holiday
- June 3 City Council Meeting
City Hall | 7 pm
- June 10 Planning and Zoning Meeting
City Hall | 7 pm
- June 17 City Council Meeting
City Hall | 7 pm
- June 23 Board of Adjustment
City Hall | 6:30 pm

UPCOMING EVENTS

- June 4 Movie in the Park
Community Park | 7:30 pm
- June 12 Farmers Market
Community Park | 8 am - Noon
- June 26 Farmers Market
Community Park | 8 am - Noon

“Tony Luken gets the title of ‘Chief Goat Wrangler’ for all he did to help!” she laughs. “And Stephanie Schertz is the ‘Goat Guru Supreme!’” “It was quite an adventure,” says Kim Ezell. “I met new friends and neighbors and had a lot of laughs,” she continued. All involved had a wild and memorable time, except the horses, who are likely still grumpy about missing out on all the fun.

TALL GRASS IS NOT YOUR FRIEND

Snakes, animals, and a visit from the Code Enforcement Officer are just a few things that can happen when you have tall grass. Maintaining property values and neighborhood desirability takes an effort on the part of all residents in the City of Lucas. In that effort to maintain property values, a high quality of life, and prevent neighborhood deterioration, the City has adopted a Code of Ordinances designed to protect the integrity of the City and its neighborhoods. One of the most common complaints received is high grass and weeds. Code Section 6.03.001 states it shall be unlawful for any person owning, claiming, or occupying any real property within the City to permit weeds or grass to grow to a greater height than twelve (12) inches. To avoid a visit from the Code Enforcement Officer, be sure to cut your grass up to the pavement.



THE GREAT GOAT GETAWAY
By Katherine Walters

Tony Luken was working in his yard when he heard the unexpected sound of bleating. Living out in the country, most people wouldn't think twice about hearing goats, but the sound was coming from the creek, so Tony decided to check it out. Sure enough, when he got through the brush, he discovered about twenty female goats and babies. He immediately asked his wife to post a notice on the neighborhood website about the lost animals, and then got to work attempting to capture the runaways.

Kim Ezell was planting flowers when she heard the commotion and joined Tony as he tried to steer the herd away from the road. They got on their phones and started making calls to the City and to neighbors as they cornered the critters in the back of Keith Droge's home and waited for help. Soon Stephane Schertz, a goat owner herself, showed up with dog leashes to try to round up the group. As neighbors reached out to neighbors, phones went crazy as people did what people do in Lucas—they help each other. Soon a call was made to Paige Dunleavy, who had a good idea to whom the goats belonged. She got ahold of Brenda Rizo, asking if she was missing goats. One look out her window told the story. All of Brenda's horses were standing by the gate, clearly agitated that the goats had gone on a field trip and left them all behind.

Brenda grabbed some feed, jumped on her ATV and headed to the creek, since the road between her home and Snider Lane was blocked with construction. Zooming through the mud and water, she made it to the Droge's home and her runaway herd. By this time, Marti Luken, Kathy Phillips, as well as Mike Toomey were on the case, wrangling the unruly goats. When Brenda showed up with the feed, the goats began to follow her. She took the lead with Tony taking up the rear, as they slogged their way back through the mud and water, through Mike Toomey's pasture and finally to the safety of the Rizo's property, only to learn two were missing. A set of twins had gotten separated from the herd and were lost. Brenda and Tony went back to search for them, but Kim and Stephanie had already found them “bawling like babies” about being left behind. Stephanie got a leash around one of them, but it bucked and fought like a wild stallion. While she wrestled with one, Tony chased after the other, finally coming it and scooping it up in his arms. Once captured, the exhausted infant fell asleep. Stephanie got the other one rounded up and Tony held the troublesome twins while Brenda drove the now familiar path by the creek to get the babies back home. “I'm just so grateful for everyone's help with this! It would have been so easy for those goats to get lost back there and snatched up by coyotes!” Brenda said.



2021 FOUNDERS DAY CELEBRATION

The City held its Founders Day Celebration on Saturday, May 8. It had been two years since the event was held because of the weather cancellation in 2019 and 2020 due to the pandemic. This year's celebration featured family-friendly activities such as mini-golf, carnival games, balloon artists, stick horse rodeo, photobooth, and an interactive experience with the Blackland Prairie Raptor Center. The Lucas Farmers Market was also held at Founders Day featuring “Lucas Local” vendors and the Legacy 4-H Club held their silent auction. The Founders Day Parade kicked off with Grand Marshal Steve Duke and Mayor Jim Olk in the Lucas fire engine and the City Council float. The parade featured a variety of participants from vehicles, tractors, walkers, and equestrians. Kona Ice provided free snow cones and In-N-Out Burger provided free meals to the community. After a year of shutdowns in 2020 and the winter weather event in February, it was wonderful to finally see the Lucas community come together to celebrate Founders Day!



JUNE FARMERS MARKET SHARES BENEFITS WITH MINNIE'S FOOD PANTRY

Minnie's Food Pantry of Collin County will be the beneficiary of the June “Market Share,” a dedicated charitable donation booth hosted by the Lucas Farmers Market. Local farmers, backyard gardeners and market visitors are encouraged to donate goods from home or purchase items at the market to share with Minnie's Pantry clients.

Minnie's Food Pantry is a nonprofit organization headquartered in Plano, Texas that believes wellness begins with healthy food and financial education. Their goal is to provide programs that help families gain long-term food security and break the generational curse of people (especially children) in low-income areas not having access to fresh fruits and vegetables.

Besides fresh fruit and vegetables, Minnie's Food Pantry needs canned goods, pantry staples and cleaning supplies. To find out more, view their urgent needs list on Amazon and bring your donations and contributions to either the June 12 or June 26 Lucas Farmers Market. Visit Lucas Farmers Market at www.lucasfarmersmarket.com for more information about vendors and upcoming market dates.



ONWARD TO THE MOVIE IN THE PARK

featuring Disney Pixar's Onward

The first ever Lucas Movie in the Park event is coming to the Community Park on Friday, June 4, 2021 featuring Disney Pixar's *Onward*. *Onward* follows the adventures of two brothers as they embark on a magical journey to bring their family back together. So, come and join us for this incredible family-friendly event as our first movie in the park in the City. **Did I mention there will be free snacks and drinks, a free movie, free parking, it's all FREE!**

The Community Park is located at 665 Country Club Road. Parking will open at 7:30 pm and the movie will begin at 8:30 pm following sunset. The event is free to the public, bring your lawn chairs and blankets and enjoy some family time.



WELCOME TO OUR NEW BUSINESSES

Chipotle Grand Opening

Chipotle has opened in Lucas in front of the Walmart shopping center! Chipotle held its grand opening on May 13, 2021 and was welcomed to the community by excited residents and the City. Mayor Pro Tem Kathleen Peele, Councilmember Tim Johnson, Councilmember David Keer, and Councilmember Debbie Fisher participated in the Chipotle ribbon cutting ceremony for the grand opening. Present for the grand opening, but not featured in the picture was Mayor Olk. Welcome to Lucas, Chipotle! Other businesses in the same shopping center open on the following dates:

- Citrus Nail Bar – Now open
- Jersey Mike's Subs – Scheduled to open on May 20, 2021
- Sterling Smiles – Scheduled to open on May 20, 2021
- Palio's Pizza Café - Scheduled to open soon, but no specific date is available
- Great Clips - Scheduled to open soon, but no specific date is available