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NEWS FOR THE CITIZENS OF WARR ACRES

NOVEMBER, 2022



END OF THE YEAR DATES CITY HALL WILL BE CLOSED:



THANKSGIVING November 24, 2022
THANKSGIVING November 25, 2022
CHRISTMAS December 23, 2022
CHRISTMAS December 26, 2022

Remember, NO trash will be picked up on the days City Hall will be closed. For those whose normal trash day is missed - there will be CURBSIDE ONLY pickups prior to or after the Holidays;

Wednesday, November 23, 2022
Wednesday, December 21, 2022
Wednesday, December 28, 2022

HAPPY THANSKGIVING FROM WARR ACRES
MAYOR JIM MICKLEY!!!

Happy Thanksgiving to you and your family. May you enjoy the warmth of family this Thanksgiving and the harvest of the feast. If you are traveling please have safe travels.



ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY:

This event will be Thursday December 1st, 2022 from 6 to 8. Santa and his elves will be there and we hope to see you there. The ceremony will be at City Hall at 42nd and Ann Arbor Avenue. There will be a tent for the lighting ceremony and we will have hot chocolate and goodies inside the council chambers. If the parking lot is full there will be plenty of parking at the Putnam City Church of Christ. The Putnam City strings orchestra will play at this event. We hope to see you there.

Helpful Phone Numbers

Table listing phone numbers for City Hall, Police Department, Fire Department, Animal Control, Municipal Court, Inspections & Permits, Sanitation Department, Streets & Parks, Sewer Department, and Putnam City Schools.

City Council Members

Mayor

Jim Mickley 405-651-0070

Ward 1

Jim Von Thær 405-615-7966

Ward 3

Roger Godwin 405-464-0411

Judy Myers 405-722-1324

John Knipp 405-789-4690

Ward 2

Mike Schmidt 405-323-8933

Ward 4

William Tucker 405-613-2723

Jon Evans 405-520-5820

Randy Prince 405-495-6499

Facebook

Warr Acres Social Media Accounts

- City Hall: https://www.facebook.com/WarrAcresCityHall/
Police Department: https://www.facebook.com/WarrAcresPolice/
Fire Department: https://www.facebook.com/Warr-Acres-Fire-Department-123632811077770/

Recycling

Recycling dumpsters are available at Dorothy Cavener Park, in the area of NW 52nd and Hammond Avenue. The Recycle center will be open first Saturday of the month only from 8:30am until 11:30am. The Recycle Center is not open in January or July due to the weather. Recycling includes plastic, glass, aluminum and tin cans. Closed during inclement weather. Warr Acres Recycle Committee 405-720-2949.

## Message from WARR ACRES Police Department

**Thanksgiving is almost here!** The Warr Acres Police Department would like to remind everyone to find a designated driver this Thanksgiving. In 2020, 486 crashes occurred in Oklahoma on Thanksgiving weekend (6pm Wednesday before Thanksgiving to midnight on Sunday), resulting in 5 fatalities and 196 injuries. Historically, the majority of crashes occur the Wednesday evening before Thanksgiving, but statistics show that in 2020, the majority of crashes occurred on Friday and Saturday afternoon / evening. Please plan ahead if you plan to leave your home and drink, we do not want you to become a 2022 statistic! Be safe and have a Happy Thanksgiving!

## Holiday tips from the Warr Acres Police Department

As the Holidays approach, we know criminals like to take advantage of others and steal. Here are a few tips to help you:

- Never leave items in your car. Secure them in your house and if you're out shopping, lock them in your trunk or take a blanket to cover them.
- Know when packages will be delivered. We know a lot of people purchase things online and thieves take advantage of this. If you know you're not going to be home, ask a family member or neighbor to secure your package.
- If you make a purchase and leave the empty packaging near the street for trash day, thieves may see this and come back when you're not home. Try to fit the package in your trash can without it being seen or find another way to discard it.
- Be careful leaving your blinds or front door open. If thieves look through and see a lot of gifts, they may try to break in. Consider keeping them out of sight from your front door or windows, and remember to always keep your doors / windows locked.
- Keep your house lit! Our officers always patrol and at night, it is very helpful if you keep your outside lights turned on.
- Document all of your purchases. Write down the make, model, cost, and serial number of your purchase. In the event it is stolen and we have this information, we can enter it into a database. If an officer comes across and checks the serial number or the item is pawned, it will flag it as stolen and we can conduct a further investigation.

## Winter Weather Preparedness

### Have a Plan - Make a Kit - Stay Informed

#### Have A Plan:

Discuss with your family what to do if a winter storm watch or warning is issued.

Ensure your family knows meeting places and phone numbers of other family members in case they are separated when a winter storm hits.

Know what to do if basic services such as water, gas, electricity or telephones are cut off for an extended period of time.

Understand the hazards of wind chill. Cold temperatures are even more dangerous, and potentially deadly, when combined with strong winds. The lower the temperature and stronger the wind, the more at risk you are.

Check on family, friends and neighbors, especially the elderly. Make sure they are prepared.

Install and check smoke and carbon monoxide alarms.

Let faucets drip to avoid freezing and know how to shut off water valves if necessary.

To keep pipes from freezing, wrap them in insulation or layers of old newspapers. Cover the newspapers with plastic to keep out moisture.

## SANITATION DEPARTMENT – ICE AND SNOW

The sanitation department has always attempted to provide garbage service throughout the city regardless of the weather. When the city experiences ice storms, we must alter the way we gather the garbage for the safety of our workers. For the safety of our citizens, it is suggested that they hold their trash until the next scheduled pick up day.

When there is **ICE on the ground**, garbage “will not be picked up.” When there is **SNOW on the ground**, garbage “**will be picked up Curbside only.**”