



Community News

Quarterly Newsletter

Meet New Council Member David McClure

This past May, David McClure was appointed to Place 2 on the City Council after running unopposed to fill the spot vacated by long-time Councilmember/Mayor Pro Tem Tony Haas. McClure joins council members Dr. William Chambers, Paul Crabtree, Rouel Rothenberger, Jeff Wise, along with Mayor Alan Brundrett and Mayor Pro Tem Bill Jones.



David has only lived in Azle for five years, but was quick to seek out an opportunity where his efforts could benefit the community. He found a place on the Parks and Recreation Board where he served for a little over two years. He resigned this position in May to serve as council member.

David became a Council Member to have a say in what is happening in our city. He feels it's easy for people to complain, comment and say things about how the city is being run, but if you want to make a difference then you need to become part of what is going on. Councilmember McClure is ready to work together with the citizens of Azle to have a positive impact on the future of Azle.

City Council meetings are held the first and third Tuesday of each month at 7 pm at Azle City Hall, 613 SE Parkway. Pre-Council meeting begins at 6:30 pm. Council agendas are posted on the outside bulletin board at City Hall and on the City website the Friday before the meeting. You can also sign up to receive the agenda via email by using the *Notify Me* option on the City website.



Clean It Up – Green It Up *Azle City-Wide clean up and recycling event*

Saturday, September 29, 2012
8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
City Garage, 470 Denver Trail



The City of Azle, in partnership with Community Waste Disposal (CWD), will be conducting a **FREE** city-wide clean-up. Residents can drop off brush, furniture, bulky items, appliances, metal for recycling and small amounts of construction materials from do-it-yourself projects.

CWD will be on site to collect Household Hazardous Waste (paints, chemicals, cleaners, used motor oil and batteries), E*waste (computers, printers, electronic devices, old television sets), used tires and a document shredder will be on site for any sensitive documents.

We ask that you pre-sort as much as possible; this will help keep traffic moving and allow our staff to work as efficiently as possible. This is a **free** event for Azle residents (**who reside inside the city limits**) and proof of Azle residency will be required by presenting your utility bill and drivers license.

Items Not Accepted: Ammunition, asbestos, building materials, explosives, butane cylinders, medical waste, PCBs, propane cylinders, radioactive material, smoke detectors.

In August, watch for more detailed information to be posted to the City website and in the *City Page* of the *Azle News*. If you have questions, please contact Storm Water Manager Jimmy Duvall at 817-444-4511, or Community Waste Disposal at 817-795-9300.

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WHO TO CALL

City Hall/Utilities 817-444-2541
 Police/Fire 911
 (Non-emergency) 817-444-3221
 Animal Control 817-444-8215
 Permits 817-444-4128
 Public Library 817-444-7216
 Senior Center 817-444-0070

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Public Meetings

City Council meets the first and third Tuesday of each month in the City Council Chambers at City Hall. Agendas are posted the Friday before a meeting on the website and on the bulletin board at City Hall. Agendas for upcoming meetings and minutes of previous meetings are available online at www.cityofazle.org.

Other Monthly Meetings

Planning & Zoning meets the first and third Thursday of the month

Traffic & Transportation meets the second Tuesday of each month

Crime Control & Prevention District meets the second Thursday of each month

Parks & Recreation meets the third Monday of each month

Meetings listed above are held in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 613 SE Parkway.

Library Board meets the second Tuesday of each month at 1pm in the Azle

Calling All Volunteers!

The City of Azle is currently accepting Boards and Commissions applications for the following:

- * Special Events Advisory Board - 1 place open
- * Parks & Recreation Board – 2 places open
- * Zoning Board of Adjustment – 3 Alternate places open



Please contact the City Secretary at 817-444-7101 or nzenk@ci.azle.tx.us for more information.



Traffic Accident Reports Available Online

Azle Police Department is pleased to announce a new online service providing a more convenient way to obtain traffic accident reports 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Reports generated on or after April 1, 2012 may be accessed through the following sites: www.cityofazle.org or www.azletx.policereports.us

There is a \$10 fee payable by credit card. Please allow 3-5 days after the accident before attempting to access the reports. Hit and run accidents may require additional time. Reports may still be obtained in person if preferred.

The Azle PD has partnered with PoliceReports US, LLC to implement this online program. Contact the Azle Police Department at (817) 444-3221 if you have questions.

City of Azle Offers Debit or Credit Card Payment Options with Reduced Fees

Secure Government Payment Solutions, Inc. and the City of Azle are pleased to announce new lower fees in conjunction with the use of their online payment system. City of Azle customers who choose to pay their utility bill, fines and fees online using their credit/debit card will now realize a new lower fee of 3.6% with a minimum fee of \$1.50.

As part of our continuing efforts to streamline City functions, we offer our customers the ability to make their payments securely with a MasterCard®, VISA® or Discover® debit or credit card twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week, from the convenience of your own home or from any Internet connection via the City's website, in addition to making payments in person at our office, over the phone or by postal mail. Providing this convenient payment option is in keeping with the focus of making our collection process more efficient, more effective and more customer-friendly.

Please contact Customer Service at 817-444-2541 if you have questions.

“Water Safe to Drink despite taste and odor issues”, states City of Azle Water Department. Each summer, throughout the months of July and August, lakes and other surface water suppliers experience a natural event—an “algal bloom”. Algal blooms are common to surface water supplies in warm weather climate states like Texas.



What are the conditions for an algal bloom to occur in Eagle Mountain Lake?

1. Nutrients must be present - such as nitrogen, phosphorous and calcium, which are derived from decaying vegetation in the lake.
2. Turbidity has lessened - the turbidity or cloudiness of the lake water has cleared up, allowing penetration of sunlight. This occurs due to lack of rain.
3. Temperature increase - the optimum temperature range of the lake for algal bloom is between 80-85° F. This is provided through many hot summer days.

When all conditions are met, photosynthesis will take place and the algae will grow or proliferate. Algal species, such as anabaena, secrete an “oily” substance from their cells that causes an odor in the water supply. Aquatic fungi, actinomycetes, grow on dead and decaying algae and causes an earthy taste in the water.

What steps does the City of Azle take to control the taste and odor?

The City of Azle utilizes several steps to control the taste and odor produced by the algal blooms.

Laboratory personnel, through daily analysis, perform algal counts and can determine the onset of an algal bloom.

With the onset of an algal bloom, additional chemicals are added to the treatment process.

- ✓ Potassium permanganate is added as an oxidizing agent in reducing the odor levels.
- ✓ To reduce the unpleasant taste, activated carbon is used as an absorption media.

Each of these chemicals is removed during the treatment process prior to delivery of the potable water supply. Chlorine, which is the disinfectant in the treatment process, also aids in odor reduction.

The City of Azle wants to assure its water customers the water is safe to drink with no health hazards created regardless of taste and/or odor.

If you have questions regarding the quality of your water, please contact Water Superintendent Ron Burton at 817-444-3751

2011 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report

The Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) is a regulation, passed by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) as part of the 1996 Safe Drinking Water Act Amendments, that requires all community water systems to provide their customers with an annual water quality report. With the CCR, communities benefit by acquiring a better understanding of their water suppliers and the processes involved, which allows them an opportunity to make an informed decision regarding their use of drinking water.

The CCR is a summary of the quality of the water we provide our customers. This report also provides the City of Azle with an opportunity to explain how the community's drinking water supplies are protected. To view the report, visit the City's website.

Azle Municipal Offices closed LABOR DAY, September 3

CITY HOLIDAY

Police/Fire services will be available by calling 817-444-3221, or 911 in case of emergency. For water/sewer emergencies, please call 817-444-3221. Community Waste Disposal will **NOT** run their regular trash route on this holiday.

VISIT US ONLINE AT WWW.CITYOFAZLE.ORG

Azle Memorial Library News and Events

For more information visit www.azlelibrary.org or call 817-444-7216

Craftalicious: Flip, Flop, Flip, Flop!

Calling all kids! Enjoy the final days of summer – join us on Wednesday, August 15, from 4:00-5:30 pm and customize a pair of cardstock flip flops to decorate your room or give to a friend. (come-and-go event).

Main Street Book Club

Join the library's Main Street Book Club for a rousing literary discussion on the third Tuesday of every month at 6:30 pm in the Library Community Room.

Upcoming selections:

August 21 – *The Killer Angels* by Michael Shaara

September 18– *Bel Canto* by Ann Patchett

October 16 – *The Book Thief* by Marcus Zusak

What's Cookin'?

Join us for cooking demonstrations, culinary history, recipes, samples and more on the second Monday of each month at 4:30 pm in the Library Community Room. Foodies of all ages are invited!

August 13 – Travel the World Without Leaving Your Kitchen

September 10 – Sweet and Savory Tarts

October 8 – Quick Breads

Fall Storytimes

Regular storytimes resume on September 5. We've got a terrific time planned for you and your toddler or preschooler. Please come and join the fun!

Toddler Tales – Ages 18-36 months / Wednesdays & Thursdays 10:00-10:15 am

Preschool Storytime – Ages 3-6 years / Wednesdays & Thursdays 10:45-11:15 am

Dance Workshops for Kids and Teens

TCC Northwest Mosaic Dance Group will host two special dance workshops at the Library on Thursday, September 27. The Dance Group will provide basic fun dance instruction, including hip hop dance. This is an opportunity that kids and teens won't want to miss!

Elementary Dance Workshop – Ages 7-12 / begins at 4 pm

Teen Dance Workshop - Ages 12-18 / begins at 5:15 pm

Volunteers Needed

Are you looking for a way to give back to your community? The library is seeking highly motivated volunteers with organizational skills and initiative to serve as shelvers and more. Volunteers must be 14 or older and able to commit to working at least 2 hours per week for a minimum of two months. NHS/PALS/ Scouts accepted. Questions and application information available by calling 817-444-7216. Ask to speak to the volunteer coordinator.

Fall Festival 2012: Save the Date

The 2012 Azle Memorial Library Fall Festival will take place on Saturday, October 20, from 11 am-2 pm. Look for more information on this fun event in early October!

Stay connected with the Azle Memorial Library

To sign up for the Library's monthly eNewsletter visit www.cityofazle.org, click on the "Notify Me" link and follow the on-screen instructions. Also follow our blog at: azlememoriallibrary.wordpress.com.

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Hours

Mon / Wed / Fri

9 am - 6 pm

Tues / Thurs

9 am - 8 pm

Saturdays: 9 am-2 pm

Sundays: 2 pm - 5 pm

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