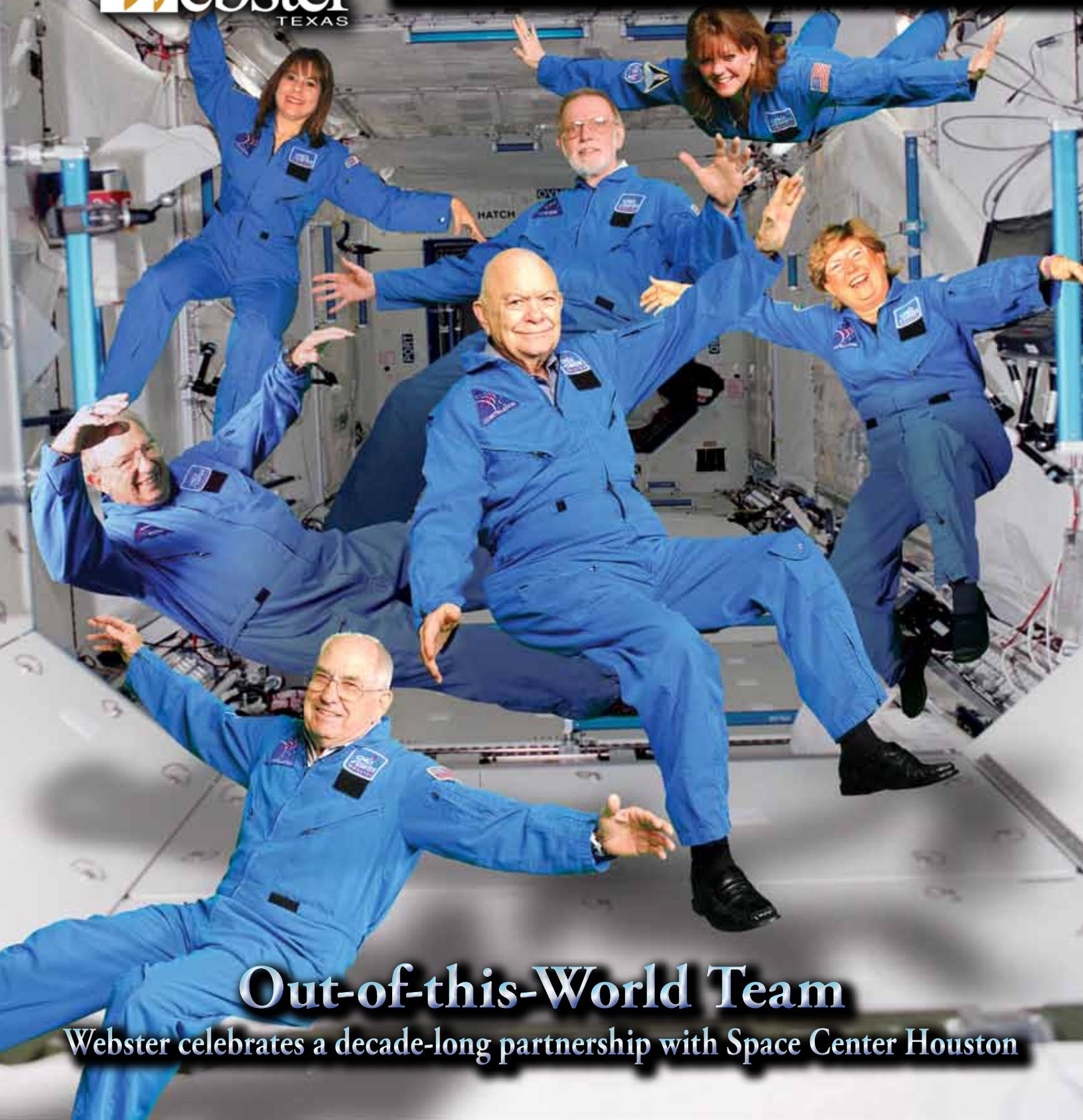


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Calendar of Events

March

1		U.S. Census begins
2	6 p.m.	City Council Meeting
3	6 p.m.	Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting (if needed)
12	6 p.m.	Senior Game Night
15-22		Spring Clean-up Week
16	6 p.m.	City Council Meeting
17	6 p.m.	Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting (if needed)
26	6 p.m.	Senior Game Night

April

3	10 a.m.	Easter Egg Hunt at Walnut Park
6	6 p.m.	City Council Meeting
7	6 p.m.	Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting (if needed)
9	6 p.m.	Senior Game Night
13	6 p.m.	Webster Economic Development Corporation Meeting
20	6 p.m.	City Council Meeting
21	6 p.m.	Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting (if needed)
23	6 p.m.	Senior Game Night

May

4	6 p.m.	City Council Meeting
5	6 p.m.	Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting (if needed)
7	6 p.m.	Senior Game Night
11	6 p.m.	Webster Economic Development Corporation Meeting
18	6 p.m.	City Council Meeting
19	6 p.m.	Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting (if needed)
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Webster's Out-Of-This-World Partnership

For the City of Webster, an exclusive partnership with Space Center Houston, the top tourist attraction in Houston, is an economic boon. This remarkable, award-winning partnership that has spanned a decade positions the municipality with a marketing giant – Space Center Houston, the official visitors center of NASA's Johnson Space Center. As Space Center Houston's sole municipal partner, Webster is aligned with Fortune 500 companies, like Pepsi, Southwest Airlines, American Automobile Association, Chevron, McDonald's, Academy Sports & Outdoors, and Discount Tire, as well as pop culture icons and productions, such as Pokémon, Super Heroes, Disney's High School Musical, Wizard of Oz, and Star Wars.

Year after year, Space Center Houston features exciting exhibits, spring break fun, seasonal events, and daily programs in its spectacular facility that drives visitors

to Webster's hotels, restaurants, retailers, and entertainment venues. In fact, according to Webster's hoteliers, Space Center Houston consistently accounts for approximately 40% of their business. Throughout Space Center Houston, the message to "keep the fun going in Webster" resonates in myriad formats on a daily basis. Not only are Webster's Dining and Entertainment Guides disseminated at the toll-plaza and inside the entrance on a prominent lighted display but also a special Webster video airs in Blast Off Theater and the tram station that promotes the City to visitors.

Exclusive Listings for Webster's 17 Hotels

Webster enjoys the marketing muscle that it receives from its Space Center Houston alliance. In addition to exclusive listings for Webster's 17 hotels, Space Center Houston's spring, summer, and fall promotion with Pepsi in the Dallas,

Ft. Worth, San Antonio, Austin, and Houston markets advertises Webster's website and toll-free tourism line on 1,000,000 cans. Broadcast and cable spots, website, promotions, and coupons that feature the City of Webster message augment the incredible number of impressions that Space Center Houston generates – over 70,000,000 annually for the City.

Spring is perennially an exciting time at Space Center Houston as the new exhibit and "Ultimate Spring Break" events, sponsored by the City of Webster,

are unveiled. The new spring exhibit is entitled "RISK" whereby visitors are treated to a fascinating, interactive set of physical, intellectual, and social activities in their exploration of risk-taking. Just as aerospace engineers, scientists, and astronauts at NASA work tirelessly to reduce risk in their missions, there are stunt actors, gamblers, and extreme sports athletes who relish "pushing the envelope" and overcoming the "odds." RISK enables participants to make decisions, take chances, and ponder life's daily choices. Whether it's walking on a narrow, high-rise building beam, reclining on a bed of nails, or spinning a wheel in a game of chance, this informative exhibit illustrates the varying degrees of risk and the ramifications of risk-taking. RISK CINEMA presents engaging interviews with famous risk takers; EXTREME GALLERY focuses on the response of science, technology, and engineering to minimize risk; YOU JUDGE THE RISK elicits participant's responses to societal risks; and DO YOU KNOW WHEN TO QUIT reinforces the highly personal nature of risk assessment.

Each year, Space Center Houston



New year-round brochure with exclusive listing for Webster hotels

New spring exhibit rack card includes invaluable Webster hotel listing on back

presents extraordinary spring break events, and 2010 is no exception. From March 13 to March 21, *Cirque Magnifique*, Jovan with special characters, and *The Snake Show* are appearing at Space Center Houston during the "Ultimate Spring Break." *Cirque Magnifique* delivers a spectacular, fast-paced show with bicycle stunts, spinning wheels, trampoline tricks, gravity-defying acrobatic feats, and much more. Jovan, along with a famous cast of cartoon characters, packages great fun with education to visitors of all ages, and *The Snake Show* features the creatures with experts.



of Blast Off Theater, the incredible exposure for the City's venues escalated. Inside Blast Off Theater where attendees receive a live, special account of current events in the space program from highly trained mission briefing officers, experience a space launch via an extra-sensory movie with special effects, and view a top-notch, compelling Webster video narrated by a former Miss Texas, Webster's opportunity to capitalize on this captive audience's staying, playing, dining, and shopping in the municipality grew multifold.

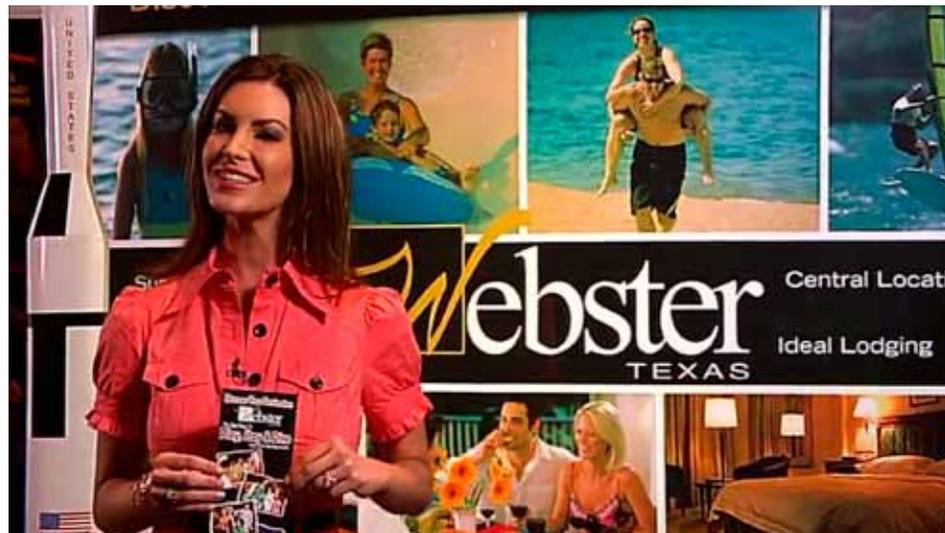
Webster's partnership with Space Center Houston was recognized as a world-wide model in 2008 by International Economic Development Council. Certainly, it stands to reason that for a small city with just 6.7 square miles, 9,000 residents, 17 hotels, over 100 restaurants and entertainment venues, and more than 30 shopping centers, an alliance between Webster

and the region's top tourist attraction makes perfect sense. Through this invaluable partnership, Webster is featured on television and radio spots, positioned with Disney's *High School Musical* and the *Wizard of Oz*, teamed with Marvel's Superheroes and Pokémon's Tenth Anniversary, pictured on Pepsi cans, and strategically placed on checkout counters in grocery stores, restaurants, and retailers throughout the State of Texas.

The City funds the Space Center Houston partnership through its hotel occupancy tax – a special revenue account with stringent statutory requirements – in that the tax can be used only to promote tourism and enhance overnight hotel stay. Not only does Space Center Houston provide

Year-Round Exposure for Webster's Venues

On a daily basis, Webster's hotels, restaurants, retailers, and entertainment venues are promoted at Space Center Houston. In 2009, when Webster became the sponsor



Webster's message is prominently displayed at the entrance to Space Center Houston, along with the City's unique Dining & Entertainment Guide.



1,000,000 Pepsi cans carry Webster's toll-free information and tourism website. This year's design and the 2009 promotional cans are shown above.



Inside Blast Off Theater, a captive audience views the Webster video.

a pilot program with special Space Center Houston commemorative/ discount room keys will be launched.

With a lineup of impressive hotels, Webster's lodging offerings fit any traveler's plans and budget. The magnificent Holiday Inn and

exclusive listings for Webster's hotels on its website, year-round brochure, and spring exhibit rack card but also Webster's *Dining and Entertainment Guide* and the Webster video augment the message that Webster is the place to stay while visiting Space Center Houston. As the municipality now showcases 17 hotels with over 1,500 guest rooms, Webster's alliance with Space Center Houston is more vital than ever. Guests staying in Webster hotels have access to Space Center Houston discount coupons, and soon

Hilton Garden Inn constitute the City's first full-service hotels. Both of these properties have restaurants, bars, meeting and special event rooms and incorporate the best of modern technologies and attractive amenities.

Additionally, Staybridge Suites, SpringHill Suites, and Holiday Inn Express are new for Webster. These hotels represent their companies' latest prototypes with many accoutrements, such as ultra-comfortable, inviting lobbies, business centers, cocktail lounges, meeting rooms, workout facilities, exquisite pools, cabanas, media rooms, outdoor kitchens, and much more.

Below: 1/2 price coupon for Risk, sponsored by the City of Webster, where participants are double dog dared to see if they have what it takes



Holiday Inn, 302 W. Bay Area Blvd.



Hilton Garden Inn, 750 W. Texas Ave.



Staybridge Suites, 501 W. Texas Ave.



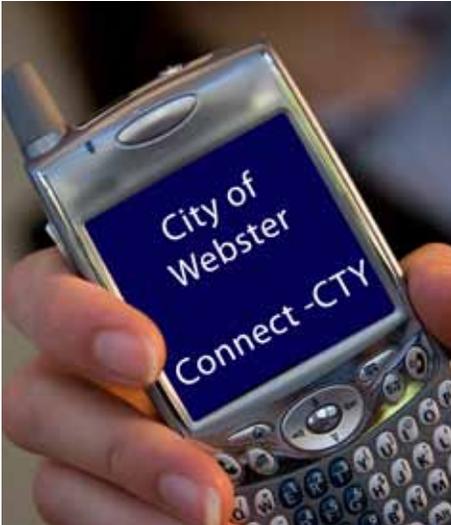
SpringHill Suites by Marriott, 1101 Magnolia Ave.



Holiday Inn Express, 900 Rogers Ct.



Connect-CTY



The City of Webster has an emergency notification service that enables officials to disseminate messages to thousands of residents and businesses rapidly – through a single telephone call, text message, or email. Not only can City officials record messages and send them out to electronic devices throughout the municipality but also specific sectors of the City can be targeted, which is helpful in the case of road or utility construction or emergencies affecting a certain area.

In the wake of a hurricane, emergency, or matter of vital public importance, Connect CTY is an invaluable communication system. Webster constituents – residents and businesses – are encouraged to register for Connect CTY by accessing the City's internet site: www.cityofwebster.com and clicking on the link "Connect-CTY sign-up." In addition, registration is available by calling 281.316.7377.

According to the City of Webster's Emergency Management Coordinator Joe Ferro, "Connect CTY is a free, invaluable service that enables constituents to receive important information in record time. Registrants can provide up to three phone numbers and two email addresses."

Emergency Planning

2-1-1 Texas Defined

Although hurricane season commences on June 1 and ends on November 30, it's not too early to have an evacuation plan and emergency supplies. Certainly, within the Gulf Coast, emergency preparedness is useful for myriad events other than high winds and flooding, such as power outages, train derailments, or chemical spills.

Within "Evacuation Zip-Zone B," which encompasses the City of Webster, evacuation plans have to be tailored for those with special needs, including the disabled who require assistance. Fortunately, "2-1-1 Texas," a service of the Health and Human Service Commission's

Texas Information and Referral Network, enables those with special needs to register for transportation assistance in advance of an emergency. The State of Texas' 2-1-1 line is operated around-the-clock and can be accessed for assistance with other programs, as well, such as food, shelter, child-care, disaster relief, and senior services. More information on 2-1-1 Texas can be found at www.211texas.org.



Sidewalk and Street Success

Improving Connectivity and Mobility

The City's Public Works and Engineering Department is committed to maintaining and enhancing the municipality's network of sidewalks and streets, which is no small task, given budget and manpower constraints, along with the sheer size and length of the corridors. In fact, Webster maintains 22.7 miles of streets and over 134,000 feet (25.3 miles) of sidewalks. As nature, soil conditions, engineering, and traffic play a role in street and sidewalk longevity, maintaining corridors in the City is a challenging duty for the small Public Works Maintenance Force who must also handle storm drainage, municipal buildings, equipment, water and sewer facilities, and much more.

Recently, Webster's Public Works Team completed extensive repairs on 100 linear feet of pavement on Walnut Street at Travis Street and partnered with Harris County in constructing continuous sidewalks on both sides of Bay Area Boulevard from Live

Oak to Interstate 45. As Bay Area Boulevard touts traffic counts of 100,000 vehicles daily, along with ten hotels, vibrant restaurants, retailers, and businesses, the new sidewalks and improved mobility along this busy artery are a boon for Webster's constituents, commuters, and visitors.

In response to a sidewalk survey conducted by Public Works and Engineering in 2009, repairs in Green Acres have been completed, and those in Webdale and Old Town Center are nearly finished. Further, new sidewalks have been constructed that link Knights Bridge and Green Acres to Edgewater, the City's newest master-planned community.

The next major project, according to Public Works Director Shannon Hicks, P.E., might be another partnership with Harris County to construct continuous sidewalks along both sides of El Camino Real between NASA Parkway and the City limits, in conjunction with the planned improvements to the roadway.

Webster's Fire Department Keeps Pace with New Growth



L to R – Patrick Shipp, Chief; David Werchan, Fire Protection Specialist; Scott LaPointe, Firefighter; Wes Dobbins, Captain; Ron Gaines, Fire Marshal; Matt McCarthy, Firefighter; Rick Vargas, Assistant Chief; Dean Spencer, Captain; Fred Spencer, Assistant Chief; Chris Barrera, Lieutenant; Warren Chappell, Assistant Fire Marshal

In an effort to provide the very best fire protection, fire prevention, and emergency medical services, Webster's Fire Department has implemented measures that have significant benefits for residential and commercial constituents. Perhaps the most impactful change occurred in September 2009, with 24-hour staffing for firefighters to enhance response times at night. Prior to around-the-clock shifts, the City relied on one staffed fire station during daylight hours with night time alarms being handled on a "call-in" basis. The implementation of 24-hour staffing reduces response time by half at night.

A welcome and much-needed addition to the Fire Department's fleet

included the 2009 Pierce Quantum Pumper, which was designed for fire fighter safety and rapid access to tools and equipment. This modern fire engine – outfitted with premier safety features, a pump capacity of 2,000 gallons per minute, and a foam option – replaced an obsolete 1979 engine.

Webster's Fire Department's scope of duties and training requirements are extensive. In addition to fighting fires, investigating the origin and cause of fires, performing inspections on new, renovated, and existing businesses and multi-family residences, permitting burglar and fire alarms, and conducting fire prevention and fire suppression training, it is the firefighters who are first responders

to all major motor vehicle accidents, lock outs with someone in the vehicle, and all emergency calls involving the unconscious or those choking or requiring CPR. Further, Webster's Fire Department renders automatic aid to neighboring Nassau Bay and Forest Bend while providing mutual aid to regional cities, counties, and the State. For this weighty responsibility, firefighters are required to spend twenty hours every month in training, in addition to their normal duties. In Webster's Fire Department, all firefighters are certified as either emergency medical technicians (EMT) or paramedics.

With an ISO rating of "2," (Insurance Services Office's rating system with "1" as the highest and "10" as the lowest), the City's constituents benefit greatly from lower insurance premiums that are the direct result of the Fire Department's firefighting capabilities. While the City's rating is very good, it is Fire Chief Patrick Shipp's goal to attain a rating of "1."

Webster City Council is most supportive of providing top-notch fire safety, as demonstrated by 24-hour staffing and acquisition of the 2009 fire truck. Recently, City Council began working with Harris County on a grant for the design of a new fire station. The new station will accommodate all of the necessary elements that are missing from Fire Station 1, such as wind-rating, sleeping quarters, and adequate room to house the fire apparatus.



As first responders, Webster's Fire Department reacts to a variety of emergencies, as shown here on-scene at a vehicle fire.

City of Webster – General Election for City Officers 2010

The City of Webster, Texas, will hold a General Election for City Officers on May 8, 2010. At this time, Council Positions No. 3, No. 4, and No. 5. will be on the May ballot. Current office holders respectively are Mel Donehue, Steve Waltz, and Natalie Dolan. Election packets for interested candidates will be available in the office of the City Secretary.

Important dates are as follows:

- **Feb. 6** First day to file an application for a place on the ballot.
- **Mar. 8** Last day to file for a place on the ballot for the General Election, 5 p.m.
- **Mar. 9** First day to apply for a mail ballot.

- **Mar. 9** Drawing for order of names on ballot 4 p.m.
- **Mar. 15** Last day for a write-in candidate to declare candidacy, 5 p.m.
- **Mar. 16** Deadline for candidate to withdraw from an election, 5 p.m.
- **Apr. 8** Last day to submit voter registration application for May Election.
- **Apr. 23** Last day to request an application for mail ballot in person.
- **Apr. 26** First day of early voting by personal appearance.
- **Apr. 30** Last day to receive an application by mail for a ballot to be voted by mail.
- **May 4** Last day of early voting by personal

appearance.

- **May 8** ELECTION DAY 7 a.m.-7 p.m.
- **May 18** Canvass of Election at a Council Meeting. (Date may change.)

The Early Voting polling place will be in City Hall, 101 Pennsylvania, Webster, Texas, in the City Secretary's office. Voting on Election Day will be in the City Hall Lobby, 101 Pennsylvania. A voting device to assist disabled voters will be available during early voting and on Election Day.

For information or questions regarding the City Election process, please contact the City Secretary's office, 101 Pennsylvania, Webster, Texas, 281.332.1826.

Elección General de Oficiales de la Ciudad de Webster de 2010

La Ciudad de Webster, Texas, celebrará una Elección General para Oficiales de la Ciudad el 8 de mayo de 2010. A este tiempo, Los Posiciones para Concejal Núm. 3, Núm. 4, y Núm. 5 aparecerán en la boleta de mayo. Los oficiales que actualmente ocupan las posiciones son respectivamente Mel Donehue, Steve Waltz, y Natalie Dolan. Los documentos de elección para candidatos interesados estarán disponibles en la oficina de la Secretaria de la Ciudad.

Las fechas importantes son las siguientes:

- **feb. 6** Primer día para someter una solicitud para una posición en la boleta. (No se puede someter la solicitud para una posición en la boleta hasta que la Elección haya sido ordenada por el Consejo.)
- **mar. 8** Último día para someter una solicitud para una posición en la boleta para la Elección

General, 5 p.m.

- **mar. 9** Primer día para solicitar una boleta por correo.
- **mar. 9** Sorteo para determinar el orden en que los nombres aparecerán en la boleta, 4 p.m.
- **mar. 15** Último día para que un candidato por inserción escrita declare su candidatura, 5 p.m.
- **mar. 16** Fecha plazo para que un candidato retire su candidatura de la elección, 5 p.m.
- **abr. 8** Último día para someter una solicitud para registro de votación para la Elección en mayo.
- **abr. 23** Último día para solicitar personalmente una aplicación para votar por correo.
- **abr. 26** Primer día para la votación temprana en persona.
- **abr. 30** Último día para recibir por correo una solicitud para votar por correo.
- **mayo 4** Último día para una votación

anticipada en persona.

- **mayo 8** DÍA DE LA ELECCIÓN 7 a.m.-7 p.m.
- **mayo 18** Escrutinio de la Elección en una reunión del Consejo de la Ciudad. (La fecha podrá cambiar.)

El Lugar de la Votación Adelantada será en la Alcaldía, 101 Pennsylvania, Webster, Texas, en la oficina de la Secretaria de la Ciudad. La votación el Día de la Elección será en el Vestíbulo de la Alcaldía, 101 Pennsylvania. Habrá un aparato especial de votación para asistir a votantes impedidos durante la Votación Adelantada y el Día de la Elección.

Para información o preguntas relacionadas con el proceso Electoral de la Ciudad, por favor comuníquese con la oficina de la Secretaria de la Ciudad, 101 Pennsylvania, Webster, Texas, 281.332.1826.

Faces Behind the City



Since 1998, Pauline Small has served as City Secretary, a demanding position that encompasses everything from elections to agendas to records to public information and so much more. Small's role requires extensive knowledge of local, county, state, and federal law, including the City Charter, Texas Election Code, Texas Local Government Code, Texas Open Meetings Act, and election law. Not only does Small

manage the City Council and Webster Economic Development Corporation agendas, prepare minutes, and maintain official documents but also Small is the "glue" that keeps information flowing from City officials to the public.

Since there are so many laws, statues, and policies governing city business, and those rules change periodically, a rigorous certification and professional development program are vital. Certainly, Small's accomplishments are noteworthy, as she recently attained the highest designation possible as a Master Municipal Clerk – an accomplishment that goes only to those who complete demanding education requirements and have a record of significant contributions to local government, the community, and the State.

Pauline Small's background reflects a commitment to lifelong learning and dedication to her post. She graduated from University of Houston in 1970 with a Bachelor of Arts; graduated as a Texas Registered Municipal Clerk in 1997; recertified in January 2002 and 2007; and completed Certified Municipal Clerk certification through the International Institute of Municipal Clerks in 1998.

Small's contribution to the Texas Municipal Clerks Association is evidenced by the fact that she is serving her seventh term as a Trustee on the Executive Board and was selected by the organization in 2007 as "Municipal Clerk of the Year."

Although Pauline Small has very little leisure time, she enjoys gardening, cooking, and family.

2009 Christmas Decoration Winners

Residential Awards – East Of Hwy. 3



Terry & Debbie Jones
18504 Anne Drive



Charles & Jeanine Thorpe
18503 Kings Row



Debbie & Klaus Oglesby
18503 Anne Drive

Residential Awards – West Of Hwy. 3



Cathy Cobb
507 Brad Court



Nick & Michelle Marcuccio
327 Linda Lane



Jackie & A.L. Whitmire & Theresa Hettich
517 & 519 S. Austin Drive

Spring Clean Up

As part of Webster's contract with Republic Services, the City offers free, heavy trash collection twice annually.

During the third week of March, from March 15 to March 19, free curbside pickup of heavy trash, such as furniture, appliances, and yard debris, will transpire in residential neighborhoods.

Rules for Curb-Side Pick-Up (March 15-19)

- No items over 250 pounds
- No vehicle engines or trailers
- No paint, paint containers, or unknown chemicals in containers

Additionally, Republic Services' roll-off containers will be available at three locations from March 12 to March 22.

Locations for Dumpsters (March 12-22)

- Fire Station 2:
18208 Egret Bay Boulevard
- Civic Center Complex:
311 Pennsylvania Avenue
- Public Works Service Center:
855 Magnolia Avenue

2010 U.S. Census

Every decade, the U.S. Census Bureau is required to collect data on residents, which determines the allocation of more than \$400 billion annually for projects and services, the number of U.S. House of Representatives seats, and the funding for infrastructure improvements and maintenance.

For 2010, the form is simplified – with a ten-question, ten-minute format. This questionnaire represents the shortest form since the Bureau standardized questions in 1830.

The forms, mailed in March, solicit data about the number of people within a household and their names, ownership or rental information, telephone number, ethnicity, sex, and age.

For more information on this vital initiative, see www.2010.census.gov.

Easter Bunny Hops To Webster



Egg-Citing fun in Walnut Park

The annual Webster Easter Egg Hunt will kick off at 10 a.m. on April 3, with "hunting areas" designated for ages 0-4, 5-7, 8-10, and senior citizens. Prize eggs will be hidden in each category.

The Easter Bunny will be available for pictures.

This **FREE** event will transpire at Walnut Park, located at 400 N. Walnut Street.

Senior Fun

Webster's Recreation Department facilitates the highly acclaimed Senior Game Night where seniors dine, socialize, and play a variety of games, like Farkle, "42," Phase 10, and Chicken Foot.

Senior Game Nights are scheduled on the following Friday evenings beginning at 6 pm: March 12, March 26, April 9, April 23, May 7, and May 21.

For more information about Senior Game Nights offered at the Webster Recreation Building, 311 Pennsylvania Avenue, contact Bryan Morgan at 281.316.4137.

Webster Police Dispatchers Deliver

The Webster Police Department Dispatchers continued their annual tradition of helping Santa deliver gifts to families in Webster. Each year, the dispatchers review information supplied by McWhirter Elementary and choose several families to “adopt.” For 2009, they visited two families, each of which had three children whose holiday season was made brighter by the delivery.

Without the support of area organizations and businesses, the program would not be possible. The Webster Citizen Police Academy and the Webster Police Officer Association joined H-Town Bail Bonds in purchasing clothing, toys, and bicycles for the children. Many of the local businesses gave discounts on the items purchased for the program.

This year, the dispatchers delivered bicycles, dolls, action figures, and apparel to the “adopted” families.



Dispatchers Tiffany Swanson, Daniel Bassett, Duane Johnson, and David Locascio are joined by Officer Ray Berryman while distributing gifts to Webster families.



Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association

an integral component of police operations

As 2010 unfolds, opportunities exist for Webster constituents to become participants in specialized training, members of a unique organization, and emissaries of the community. Not every municipality has a citizen police academy with a rigorous curriculum and an organization for graduates to practice their skills, foster relationships, support their police department, and engage in city-wide initiatives.

Webster's Police Department is most fortunate to have an active constituent force who comprises the Citizen Police Academy and Alumni Association. Since 1996, when the first Citizen Police Academy was instituted, more than 150 graduates have reaped the benefits from this program.

The Citizen Police Academy Program consists of an insightful, in-depth curriculum that enables participants to learn about all aspects of police operations. For 10-12 weeks, participants attend a weekly session led by a variety of experts from the Police Department and Municipal Court, including patrol, dispatch, administration, criminal investigation, and court.

Graduates of the Citizen Police Academy not only have specialized knowledge gleaned from the coursework but also they practice their skills and support the Police Department in myriad ways. One program, entitled “Citizen on Patrol,” enables alumni to patrol the streets

in marked patrol vehicles designed to increase visibility and deter crime, enforce handicap parking violations, and monitor vacation watch requests. Too, graduates volunteer in station-based programs, such as providing assistance in the records or dispatch divisions. Throughout the year, graduates who comprise the Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association engage in city-wide initiatives to help the Police Department and their community.

The Citizen Police Academy and Alumni Association present opportunities for residents and businesses to expand their knowledge base of police operations, engage in meaningful, altruistic activities that support the police department and community, and enjoy camaraderie with colleagues and officers.

Enroll today!

For information about enrolling in the Citizen Police Academy – a free and worthwhile course – contact Sergeant Michael Munson at 281.316.4164 or mmunson@websterpd.com. On-line applications are accepted, too, at www.websterpd.com/cpa. For those who have graduated from a previous citizen police academy and are interested in becoming involved in the alumni organization, send an email to cpa@websterpd.com, or visit the association's website at www.orgsites.com/tx/wcpaaa.



Members of Webster's Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association

Public Meeting Notes

November 3, 2009, City Council Meeting

- Approved the second reading of an ordinance that would require a Special Use Permit for bars and nightclubs on property within 200 feet of a lot which is zoned or used for residential purposes. (Unanimous)
- Held an Executive Session regarding pending litigation.
- Reconvened into Regular Session. No action was taken.
- Approved and authorized the Mayor to execute Agreements for Neel-Schaffer, primary contractor and Solid Resources, Inc., secondary contractor for monitoring of debris removal and related services. (Unanimous)
- Approved and authorized the Mayor to execute Agreements for Ceres Environmental, primary contractor and T.F.R. Enterprises, secondary contractor for debris removal services. (Unanimous)
- Appointed Art Ayala as Reserve Police Officer. (Unanimous)
- Approved a resolution casting a ballot for the election of Ed Heathcott to the Board of Directors of the Harris County Appraisal District. (Unanimous)
- Approved Mayor to draft a letter to the Legislators addressing the Clear Creek Watershed issues and notify John Tully that a letter will be sent. (Unanimous)
- Approved the minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 6, 2009, the Special Meeting of October 13, 2009, and the Special Meeting of October 27, 2009. (Unanimous)

November 17, 2009, City Council Meeting

- Police Chief Smiley recognized Lt. Daniel "Bo" Rogers for receiving a Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice and recognized Sgt. James "Rusty" Lovel for completion of the FBI Academy.
- Held a Public Hearing on a requested zoning change from Planned Development (PD) to Second Commercial (C-2) of 10 acres located at 1307 West Jasmine, further described as Webster Outlots 8, Lot 2.
- Approved the first reading of an ordinance amending a zoning change from Planned Development (PD) to Second Commercial (C-2) of 10 acres located at 1307 West Jasmine, further described as Webster

Outlots 8, Lot 2. (Myers, Gaines, Donehue, Waltz, Dolan, Rogers)

- Approved an extension and an amendment to the 2006 solid waste contract with Republic Services Inc. for a term through November 30, 2012. (Myers, Gaines, Donehue, Waltz, Dolan, Rogers)
- Approved an amendment to the Development Guidelines for Planned Area #7 of Edgewater. (Myers, Gaines, Donehue, Waltz, Dolan, Rogers)
- Received a presentation regarding status of the Fire Station.
- Approved a resolution authorizing the imposition of a 20 percent penalty on delinquent personal property taxes. (Myers, Gaines, Donehue, Waltz, Dolan, Rogers)
- Accepted the Investment Report for the quarter ended September 30, 2009. (Myers, Gaines, Donehue, Waltz, Dolan, Rogers)
- Approved the Regular Minutes of November 3, 2009. (Myers, Gaines, Donehue, Waltz, Dolan, Rogers)
- Excused the absence of Councilmember Melvin Ellis. (For: Myers, Gaines, Donehue, Dolan, Rogers. Abstain: Waltz)

December 1, 2009, City Council Meeting

- Police Chief Ray Smiley introduced Officer John Bond, newest canine officer, and the City's new canine dog, Kira.
- Approved the second reading of an ordinance amending a zoning change from Planned Development (PD) to Second Commercial (C-2) of 10 acres located at 1307 West Jasmine, further described as Webster Outlots 8, Lot 2. (Unanimous)
- Approved and authorized the Mayor to execute an agreement with Bay Area Houston Convention and Visitors Bureau for Fiscal Year 2009-2010. (Unanimous)
- Approved and authorized the Mayor to execute a contract with the Southeast Volunteer Fire Department, Inc., for dispatching services provided by the Webster Police Department. (Unanimous)
- Denied the Mayor and City Council's annual cost of living stipend increase per Section 3.03 of the City of Webster Charter. (For: Myers. Against: Ellis, Gaines, Donehue, Waltz, Dolan, Rogers)
- Appointed Donna Rogers as Chairman of the Board of Directors of the City of Webster Tax Increment Reinvestment

Zone No. 1 (TIRZ) for a term ending January 1, 2011. (Unanimous)

- Appointed Natalie Dolan to the Board of Trustees of the Fireman's Relief and Retirement Fund S.B. 411 of Webster, Texas for a term ending January 1, 2012. (Unanimous)
- Cancelled the second scheduled City Council Meeting for December 15, 2009. (Unanimous)
- Approved the minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 17, 2009. (Unanimous)

January 5, 2010, City Council Meeting

- Approved the first reading of an ordinance amending Chapter 14, Animals of the Code of Ordinances by amending Article 1, Section 14-15(c), Bird Sanctuary. (Unanimous)
- Approved and authorized the purchase of one (1) vehicle for the Public Works Department and one (1) vehicle for the Community Development Department. (Unanimous)
- Approved and authorized the Mayor to execute a revised Interlocal Agreement between the City of Webster and Harris County to provide mutual aid resulting from emergencies. (Unanimous)
- Approved an exemption for authorized personnel of CenterPoint Energy during a mandatory evacuation. (Unanimous)
- Council discussed the appointment process of the Charter Review Commission.
- Approved the minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 1, 2009. (Unanimous)

January 19, 2010, City Council Meeting

- Approved the second reading of an ordinance amending Chapter 14, Animals of the Code of Ordinances by amending Article 1, Section 14-15(c), Bird Sanctuary. (Unanimous)
- Received a report, held a discussion and gave direction to Staff regarding the construction of a fire station, the purchase of fire apparatus, and the issuance of bonds to finance said construction and equipment. Place item on February 2 agenda regarding moving forward.
- Approved the minutes of Regular Meeting of January 5, 2010. (Unanimous)



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Mayor: Floyd Myers.....	281.332.1826
Council Position No. 1: Melvin Ellis.....	281.332.1826
Council Position No. 2: Beverly Gaines.....	281.332.1826
Council Position No. 3: Mel Donehue.....	281.332.1826
Council Position No. 4: Steve Waltz.....	281.332.1826
Council Position No. 5: Natalie Dolan.....	281.332.1826
Council Position No. 6: Donna Rogers.....	281.332.1826

City Offices – 101 Pennsylvania Ave.

City Hall Main Switchboard.....	281.332.1826
EMERGENCY Ambulance-Fire-Police.....	9-1-1
Building Permits.....	281.338.2925
Chief Building Official.....	281.316.4138
City Manager.....	281.332.1826
City Secretary.....	281.332.1826
City Planner.....	281.316.4122
Code Enforcement.....	281.316.4106
Community Development Director.....	281.316.4113
Environmental Health Inspector.....	281.316.4133
Economic Development Director.....	281.316.4116
Economic Development Specialist.....	281.316.4135
Finance Director.....	281.316.4102
Fire Department (Non-Emergency).....	281.332.2711
Fire Station #1	
17100 Texas Avenue.....	281.332.2711
Fire Station #2 & Fire Marshal	
18208 Egret Bay Blvd.....	281.332.2711
Human Resources (Personnel).....	281.332.1826
Municipal Court.....	281.338.6702
Police Department (Non-Emergency)	
217 Pennsylvania Ave.....	281.332.2426
Public Works Service Center.....	281.316.3700

City Services

Animal Control.....	281.316.3700
City Trash Hauling.....	281.316.3700
Civic Center Rental.....	281.316.4114
Republic Services (residential).....	281.446.2030
Republic Services (commercial).....	713.849.0400
Tickets - To Pay By Credit Card.....	281.338.6702
Utility Billing.....	281.316.4120
Water/Sewer Line Breaks.....	281.316.3700

Telephone & Utility Services

AT&T.....	800.464.7928
CenterPoint Energy.....	281.534.4569
Comcast.....	800.776.9993
Reliant Energy.....	713.207.7777
Verizon.....	800.483.4000

Government Services

Clear Lake City Water Authority.....	281.488.1164
Clear Lake Courthouse Annex.....	281.486.7250
Harris County Tax Office.....	713.224.1919
Harris County Public Health.....	713.439.6000
Poison Control (UTMB).....	800.222.1222
Texas Dept. of Public Safety (Drivers License).....	281.486.8242
U.S. Post Office, 17077 Texas Avenue.....	281.316.0379

Community Services

Bay Area Houston Convention and Visitors Bureau.....	281.338.0333
Bay Area Turning Point Hotline.....	281.286.2525
Clear Lake Area Chamber of Commerce.....	281.488.7676
Clear Lake City-County Freeman Branch Library.....	281.488.1906
Innovative Alternatives.....	832.864.6000
Interfaith Caring Ministries.....	281.332.3881

City Council



Melvin Ellis
 Council Position 1



Beverly Gaines
 Council Position 2



Mel Donehue
 Council Position 3



Floyd H. Myers
 Mayor



Steve Waltz
 Council Position 4



Natalie Dolan
 Council Position 5



Donna Rogers
 Council Position 6