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Mark Your Calendar

Summer Movie Series

- ★ COCO— Friday, July 20 starting at 8pm @ the Alvin Memorial Stadium

Teen Game Afternoon

- ★ Tuesday, July 31 from 2pm-4pm @ the Alvin Library

Operation Recreation

- ★ Thursday, August 9 from 11am-2pm @ National Oak Park

For more information regarding summer events, see the Alvin Adventure Guide on the Parks & Recreation page at www.alvintx.gov.

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6 New Volunteers Earn the Title of Firefighter

The Alvin Volunteer Fire Department’s 2018 Recruit Academy has completed its 224 hours of required recruit training and testing. This class consisted of a diverse group of six exceptional people, including 1 woman and 5 men with one recruit being only 19 years old. These new firefighters have been trained in basic firefighting, salvage and overhaul, rescue operations, first aid, and more. They are now ready and willing to respond to your calls for emergency service.



Pictured above (left to right): Fire Chief Rex Klesel, Brandon Cuddihy, Jason Wanat, Jimmy Padilla, Mark Knapp, Avery Truksa, Tonia Hunter, and Assistant Fire Chief Kendall Hunting

Going on Vacation? Let the Right People Know



There are a few people that need to know when you are going on vacation. Let the Alvin Police Department be on that list. Simply call (281) 388-4370, request a “vacation watch,” and give them the details. Officers will be glad to help keep an eye on your property while you’re gone.

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Holiday Garbage Collection

When a holiday occurs on any weekday, from the day of the Holiday forward, the scheduled collection day will shift to the next day. All routes will run one day behind with Friday's collection being done on Saturday. Routes will return to their normal collection date the following week.

The following Holiday schedule will be followed by Waste Connections for the remainder of 2018:

- ★ Independence Day
- ★ Labor Day
- ★ Thanksgiving Day
- ★ Christmas Day

The City of Alvin apologizes for any inconvenience customers experienced due to inaccurate information displayed on the City's website. It has been corrected.

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Looking to Honor a Loved One? Why not Plant a Tree?

Are you looking for a way to honor a loved one? Do you want it to last for years down the road? The City of Alvin Parks and Recreation Department may have just the thing for you!



Through the Parks and Recreation Department's Tree Donation Program, you can dedicate a tree to a loved one or to memorialize a special occasion. For a \$250 donation, the Parks Department will plant one tree in honor of that special someone or occasion in one of Alvin's parks. The donation cost covers the selection, transportation, a watering bag, and planting of the tree. Donors

will also receive a certificate bearing the name of the honored individual or occasion.

Types of trees that may be planted include: Drake Elm, Live Oak, Bur Oak, Red Maple, Shumard or Nuttall Red Oak, Water Oak, and Chinquapin. The exact type of tree to be planted, however, will be determined by the Director of Parks and Recreation with consideration on the type of tree that is in need and location it is to be planted.

Trees are planted between October and March, so now is the time to consider donating a tree! For more information about the Tree Donation Program, contact the Alvin Parks and Recreation Department at (281) 388-4299.

Staff Spotlight

Ron Schmitz

Director

EMS/Emergency Management

Length of time working for the City of Alvin:

22 Years this month

What was your most unusual/interesting job before the City of Alvin?: *I worked as a Surgery/Perfusion Technician for 2 weeks*

What are 3 things most people don't know about you?:
1) I don't like needles (receiving), 2) As a teenager, I would pass out at the sight of blood, and 3) I was the youngest paramedic in my class

What is your personal motto?: *"Everything is fine, God is good"*

What have you always wanted to try but never have?:
Get my pilots license...still on the list

