

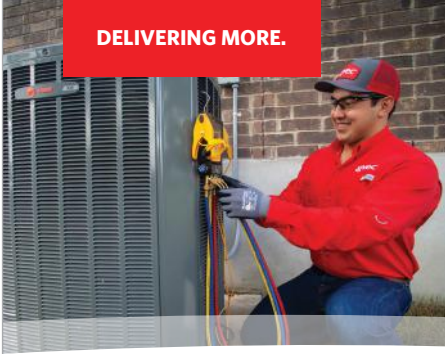
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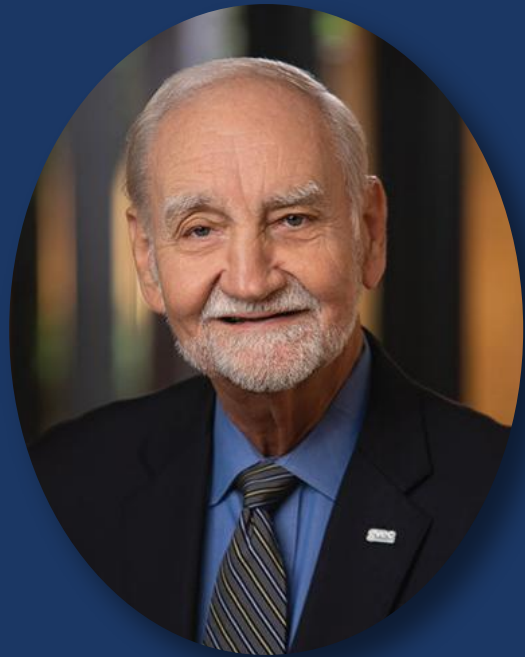
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## City Council Welcomes New Councilmembers

During the November 20 Special City Council meeting, two new Councilmembers were sworn into office for Places 3 and 5. In the November 7 general election, Paul

Macaluso was elected to Council Place 3, and Robert Westbrook was elected to Council Place 5. After the Runoff Election on December 9, Tiffany Gibson was sworn into office for Place

4 at the December 19 City Council Meeting. These councilmembers will serve a three-year term.



## 2023 – 2024 Sewer Averaging

Sewer averaging for the winter months began November 1, 2023, and will continue through March 15, 2024, for cycle billing.

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# MEET YOUR SCHERTZ CITY COUNCIL

## Ralph Gutierrez, Mayor



Mayor Ralph Gutierrez was sworn in as the Mayor of the City of Schertz in November 2019. Previously he served as a City Council

member from 2016 – 2019. Gutierrez is a native Texan and has been a Schertz resident since 1991 when he was reassigned to Randolph Air Force Base. Gutierrez graduated from the University of Maryland and earned his Bachelor of Science in Business Administration. In 1994, he retired from the U.S. Air Force, and in January 2016, retired from the U.S. Federal Courts where he held a leadership position and managed the Public Access to Court Electronic Records (PACER). He indulges in daily workouts at the local YMCA to maintain a healthy quality of life and enjoys all sports but has a special passion for football and competing in 5K or 10K races. His personal interests are a wide range, from gardening to following global and local current events. Ralph and his wife Raquel have been married for 43 years and are proud to have a daughter who graduated from Samuel Clemens High School and the University of Texas-San Antonio.

## Mark E. Davis, City Councilmember Place 1



Councilmember Mark Davis has served on City Council since 2016. He and his family have resided in Schertz since

2007. Davis earned an Associate's Degree in Security Administration from the Community College of the Air Force (CCAF) in 1995, and a subsequent Associate's Degree from CCAF in Instructor of Technology and Military Science in 1996. In 1998, he completed a Bachelor's Degree in Workforce Education and Development from Southern Illinois University – Carbondale, graduating with honors, Magna Cum Laude. In 2009, Davis completed his Master's Degree in Public Administration from Wayland Baptist University and retired from the United States Air Force as a Chief Master Sergeant. In November 2009, he returned to government employment with the United States Air Force and currently serves as the Chief of Information Protection for the 502d Air Base Wing, at Joint Base San Antonio. Davis has served on the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, Traffic Safety Advisory Commission, Schertz Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association and was the Chair of the 2015 City Charter Review Commission. He and his wife Sherry have been married since 1980 and they have three children and four grandchildren.

## Michelle Watson, City Councilmember Place 2



Councilmember Michelle Watson was sworn into office in 2022. Watson is a native Texan and longtime resident of the Texas Tri-County

area. Although this is Councilwoman Watson's first elected position, she has been an active part of the South Texas Community to include time served as an Executive Board Member on the Texas Tri-County Chamber of Commerce as well as an active member of the popular Kellum Cares Foundation. During her time working with the Kellum Cares Foundation, Watson served as an integral part of the organization's COVID-19 community vaccination program which included providing over 10,000 much-needed

vaccines to areas in need. In addition, she has spent time supporting both the Back the Blue and First Responders Appreciation Volunteer programs. Watson, a small business owner, previously served as the Director of Business Development and Community Relations for Kellum Physician Partners where she was responsible for the growth of the Schertz-based clinic patient base through grassroots community marketing programs.

## Paul Macaluso, City Councilmember Place 3



Councilmember Paul Macaluso was elected to City Council in 2023. Macaluso has resided in the Schertz area

since 2011. While born in Texas, he completed High School and College in Tucson, AZ completing his Bachelor of Science Degree in Regional Development from the University of Arizona with a minor in Southwest Commerce. Paul spent the past 17 years in Transportation Management which brought his family back to Texas in 2011. He dedicated much of his adult life to volunteer coaching youth sports including baseball, basketball, and volleyball with the Buffalo Valley Youth Association. Additionally, he has coached 11 years of Select Baseball including 7 years with the local SC Stags nonprofit organization he founded in 2016. Macaluso was appointed to the Schertz Economic Development Board in June 2015, and he would later be named the President of the Board in 2018 and he served in that capacity until November 2023. Paul has also served on the Interview Committee and on the Committee of Committees Advisory Board during the last 5 years. Macaluso was also honored as the 2017 Volunteer of the Year for the City of Schertz.

## Tiffany Gibson, City Councilmember Place 4



Councilmember Tiffany Gibson was elected to City Council in 2023. Born and raised in Muskegon, Michigan, Gibson's pursuit of

knowledge began at Central Texas College in Killeen, TX, where she earned an associate degree. She then went on to earn a bachelor's degree from Saint Martin University in Lacey, Washington, and later a master's degree in business from Wayland Baptist University in Live Oak, Texas. Gibson's spirit of service and commitment to others led her to bravely serve in the U.S. Army, where she embodied the values of honor and sacrifice as a veteran of the U.S. armed forces. Gibson has spent the greater part of her career in federal service and corporate finance. In the community Gibson has served as a volunteer, foster youth mentor, advocate, and an active member of the local Chambers of Commerce. In 2021, Gibson's entrepreneurial drive led her to establish her franchise with Anago Cleaning Systems, a commercial janitorial franchise, reflecting her innovative vision and dedication to creating opportunities in her community. Gibson has been married to her husband Travis since 2007. They have an intellectual daughter, Allayah, who is a proud student at our local high school.

## Robert Westbrook, City Councilmember Place 5



Councilmember Robert Westbrook was elected to City Council in 2023. Westbrook attended Texas State University,

where he graduated with a bachelor's degree in biology. He then went on to earn his master's degree in business administration from Webster University.

Westbrook has been a resident of Guadalupe County since 2010, and in May 2011, he was elected to the Schertz-Cibolo-Universal City ISD Board and served for 2 years as its president. He has also served on the Texas Association of School Boards Board of Directors, representing TASB Region 20, Position D, and served as its past Chair of the Legislative Committee. Westbrook was also in the Texas Association of School Boards Leadership Class of 2013 and is still serving the Texas Association of School Boards to this day. Robert's passion for his community also shows through the 22 years he has served while working for the San Antonio Fire Department, where he is currently serving as a Division Chief. He also stays involved in his community through his position on the Generations Federal Credit Union Supervisory Committee and as Chairman of the Lonestar Investment Pool.

## Allison Heyward, City Councilmember Place 6



Councilmember Allison Heyward has served on City Council since 2018. She and her family have lived in Schertz since

2011. Heyward earned a bachelor's degree in accounting from Texas Southern University in 1990. Following college graduation, Allison worked as a substitute teacher in Houston ISD before joining the Contract Department of Phillips 66 Petroleum in Houston. After the birth of her children, her primary focus was on raising them and being available during her husband's many deployments. Following the family's return from overseas, she served as the Logistics and Purchasing Coordinator for Bison Signs from 2008-2016, and from 2016-2018 she worked as a substitute teacher in Marion ISD before feeling the desire to serve on Schertz City Council. Heyward is a Certified Municipal Officer (CMO) as well as a member of

several additional boards including the TML Intergovernmental Risk Pool Board, AAMPO Emergency Resiliency Board, and the AAMPO ATAC board. In addition to her duties on Council, Heyward was elected to the Texas Municipal League (TML) Board in October 2021 as the regional director for Region 7 (Alamo Region), and in October 2023 she was named the President-Elect of TML. Following a one-year term, she will become President of TML in October 2024.

## Tim Brown, City Councilmember Place 7



Councilmember Tim Brown has served on City Council since 2018. Tim and his family have lived in Schertz since 2000. Brown earned a

Community College of the Air Force associate's degree in Air Traffic Control in 1986 and completed his Bachelor of Science in Management from Wayland Baptist University in 2001. He retired from the United States Air Force as a Chief Master Sergeant (CMSgt), in 2004 after 28 years of service. After retirement from Randolph AFB, he started a real estate business along with his wife, Nancy. In January 2011, they officially opened as the broker/owners of RE/MAX Corridor. Tim Brown has served as a Director for the San Antonio Board of Realtors and has held various committee leadership positions since 2005. He is also an active member of our local Chambers of Commerce and presides as the President of the Randolph Area Real Estate Association. Brown served on the Schertz Economic Development Corporation Board for many years and as President of the Board from 2011-2018. In 2014 he was appointed to the Mayors Advisory Committee, which has since been renamed the Committee of Committees Advisory Board. He was also appointed to serve on the 2016 Bond Committee.



# ANNUAL SPRING CLEAN-UP

March 2 - 17, 2024

## Drop Off at Republic Services Site

Items dropped off here will be free of charge to residents as a service paid for by the City of Schertz. The drop off site will be open March 2 – 17, 2024. Hazardous items and tires may only be dropped off on the weekend of March 16 – 17. Drop offs may be made at the Republic Services temporary collection point, 125 Pecan Drive, Schertz, TX 78154 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. daily. Please follow entry and exit signs, and guidance from the staff manning the event. **ENTRY TO THIS SITE IS ONLY AVAILABLE TO RESIDENTS DURING THIS CITY-SPONSORED SPRING CLEAN-UP EVENT.**

## Please Remember

Year-round, Republic Services will pick up household waste not covered under their normal collection service, such as lumber, major appliances, furniture, and other types of bulk waste. This may incur an additional fee (prices determined by Republic Services). If you have questions regarding the details, please call City of Schertz Utility Billing Department at (210) 619-1000.

Residents are able to drop off brush and limbs at 125 Pecan Drive, free of charge, **DURING THE 2 WEEK CLEAN-UP EVENT ONLY.**

## What You Need To Know

The Spring Clean-Up is restricted to Schertz residents only. Spring Clean-Up activities do not apply to commercial/rental property clean-ups, large property clean-up, lot or acreage clean-up, or lot and property land clearing. Commercial tree trimmers are not eligible for this service.

A current City of Schertz utility bill (showing that the City of Schertz is your current garbage collector) and proper identification are required when making a drop-off. Commercial waste will not be accepted.

## Limits

Household waste and yard waste only. Maximum of 2 pick-up truck loads per household or a maximum of 1 trailer load per household. Trailers are not to exceed 16' long x 4' high in size.

1. Couches, Stoves, Computers/Monitors, etc. that **ARE NOT HAZARDOUS** can be dropped off, free of charge, during the clean-up, Monday through Sunday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
2. Appliances will be **ACCEPTED FREE ONLY IF** Freon tank is removed and certified by a technician. Any questions concerning the Freon tank removal, please contact Republic Services.
3. Older big-screen TVs and tube TVs **WILL NOT** be accepted.

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1. Hazardous items and tires may be dropped off **ONLY** on the weekend of March 16 – 17, 2024.
2. Tires are limited to eight (8) per household.
3. Hazardous waste includes but is not limited to:
  - a. Insecticides, pesticides, herbicides, fertilizers, chemicals, cleaning and bleach products, swimming pool cleaners and chemicals
  - b. Enamel and latex paints in cans and aerosol dispensers, varnish and stains, paint thinners and removers, acetone, etc. These items will have a combined 20 gallon limit per household.
  - c. **TIRES** are considered hazardous.
  - d. Tires on rims, or wheels, commercial vehicle tires, tractor tires, and heavy equipment tires **WILL NOT** be accepted.
  - e. Hazardous waste such as used automotive and cooking oils, filters and batteries. Oils will have a combined 20 gallon limit per household.
  - f. Empty propane tanks up to seven (7) gallons – **VALVE MUST BE ENTIRELY REMOVED.**

Items **NOT** accepted at any time: mercury, explosives, radioactive material, medical waste, freezers, compressed gas, ammunition, PCB's or dioxins, air conditioners, gunpowder, smoke detectors, business waste.

Questions? For more information about the Spring Clean-Up and what will and will not be accepted, please call Republic Services at (210) 304-2787 or Schertz Public Works at (210) 619-1800. You may also dial 311 within the City of Schertz. The City of Schertz and Republic Services are not responsible for damage to vehicles or injury to citizens during this event. The City of Schertz and Republic Services reserve the right to refuse service to anyone for not following the rules of the clean-up.

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# Schertz Works to Build a Firm Foundation

ANY STRUCTURE NEEDS A FIRM FOUNDATION, AND THE SAME IS TRUE FOR FAST-GROWING COMMUNITIES LIKE SCHERTZ. ONE OF THE CITY'S MAJOR RESPONSIBILITIES IS TO BUILD AND MAINTAIN THAT FIRM FOUNDATION, AND TO ENSURE THAT INFRASTRUCTURE IS DESIGNED TO SUPPORT CURRENT NEEDS—AND TO PREPARE FOR AND ENCOURAGE FUTURE GROWTH.

By RICHARD ERICKSON

**T**he focus is on constructing and maintaining infrastructure to meet current needs while fostering future development, according to Larry Busch, Schertz Director of Public Works.

City Engineer Kathryn Woodlee and her team play a crucial role in maintaining this equilibrium. With input from others, her department regularly updates City Council on a multitude of projects, totaling over 35, spanning facilities, water and wastewater, drainage, streets, parks, including collaborative efforts with state agencies and neighboring communities. The estimated cost of these current initiatives exceeds \$60 million.

Some key projects include:

- The Woman Hollering Creek Wastewater Project in Southern Schertz (\$12 million) to serve sewer needs in existing subdivisions—several of which are now at capacity—and future development in that area.
- FM 1518 utility relocations (\$14.7 million) in conjunction

with the Texas Department of Transportation's \$75 million plan to widen that major road to four lanes from FM 78 to Interstate 10.

- The Corbett Ground Storage Tank (\$7 million), a 3-million-gallon facility to provide additional water storage capacity that will, along with the elevated water tank constructed a few years ago, help to ensure steady water supply and pressures to the southern part of Schertz.

To balance the projects needed for growth with the needs of maintaining existing infrastructure, City leadership's commitment to maintenance of existing roads has been instrumental, with an increased annual budget allocated for preservation. Woodlee emphasizes the significance of this philosophy in ensuring a regular repair cycle instead of allowing streets to fully deteriorate and then require complete reconstruction. That list of current projects includes this year's group of





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streets slated for preventative repair and resurfacing.

“It’s all part of the natural growth and aging of the city. Infrastructure projects are in various stages,” Woodlee said. “Some projects are intended to extend the life of existing infrastructure, and others are designed to handle increased needs of development that continues to occur.”

An ongoing challenge, she added, has been funding. Fortunately, there has been availability of new funds recently that weren’t there before. Some is coming in from the Federal American Recovery Program, some from the Federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, and our own Schertz Economic Development Corp. (EDC) which has provided quite a bit of funding in the last several years.

Funding critical infrastructure projects has become one of the major missions of the Schertz Economic Development Corporation, explained Executive Director Scott Wayman. The EDC, with a budget of nearly \$13 million, is funded by a half-cent sales tax and is traditionally tasked with attracting businesses that provide “primary jobs” to the community.

“Those are jobs that create something that is distributed regionally, statewide, nationally or internationally,” Wayman said. “As you might guess, there aren’t a lot of those businesses around, so we must find other methods by which



we can allocate this money. In recent times, infrastructure has been the way we’ve identified to do that.”

Wayman points to two major road projects his agency helped finance—the recently completed reconstruction of Tri-County Parkway and the upcoming work on Lookout Road—that will make that traditionally industrial area of



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Schertz more attractive and more accessible to businesses.

But he is particularly excited about two additional projects. The first is funding a potential wastewater system in Schertz's northern reaches. "We hope to put in a large sewer line that extends to a lift station in the far end of the city," Wayman explained.

"We funded a study that looked at the entire area to determine the capacity of the sewer lines that might be needed as this region builds out from FM 3009 to the New Braunfels city limits. That is a significant project, creating a backbone to this northern portion of Schertz along IH-35. Once other nearby developments start coming in, they'll contribute to that system. The framework is being put in place for those additional developments down the road."

Another project Wayman is proud of helping to fund is the Ripps-Kreusler Road extension near the EVO and Santikos entertainment centers on IH-35 which will be home to yet-to-be-announced large retail development.

"We can't provide direct incentives to retail," he noted, "but we can assist with infrastructure: a roadway and everything in conjunction: the water and sewer, the streetlights, the sidewalks, the curbs and gutters and improvements to nearby intersections. We haven't had a big retail win for a while, so we are excited about this one. Providing this infrastructure to make that happen will be a win-win for all of us."

Wayman also added that Embry Development is planning to construct residential single-family homes for rent behind the proposed retail center on land already zoned for that use.

While it will still seek out opportunities that provide new jobs for Schertz, Wayman said the future direction of the EDC may shift to quality-of-life projects such as parks and recreational areas—and the new infrastructure to support them.

Schertz has a lot of room to grow. Of the 27 square miles that comprises the City of Schertz, 46 percent is undeveloped. According to Wayman,

"that provides an opportunity for many projects in the future to keep us competitive and our business sectors thriving." Woodlee and her Engineering team want to make sure those infrastructure projects are well planned and well-constructed to serve the growing City for years to come.

As Schertz forges ahead with ambitious growth plans, the commitment to building a resilient foundation for the community remains unwavering. From the diligent efforts of the Public Works Department in addressing evolving citizen needs to the strategic investments by the Schertz EDC, the city is navigating the challenges of expansion with foresight and dedication. The initial metaphor of a firm foundation symbolizes the ongoing initiatives, reflecting the city's determination to maintain infrastructure, preserve existing roads, and facilitate projects that enhance both industrial and residential landscapes. With a significant portion of Schertz yet to be developed, the groundwork laid today ensures a vibrant and sustainable future for this thriving community.



# HAPPENING THIS MONTH *in Schertz*

## FEB.

### PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES

Story & Swim (Ages 7 & under)	Feb. 2 @ 10 – 11:30 a.m.	Schertz Aquatic Center
Lego Lab (Ages 5+)	Feb. 3 @ 10:15 – 11:15 a.m.	Library Program Room
Daddy Daughter Dance	Feb. 3 @ 7 – 9 p.m.	Schertz Civic Center
Mother Son Dance	Feb. 4 @ 4 – 6 p.m.	Schertz Civic Center
Schertz Area Genealogists Meeting	Feb. 6 @ 6:30 p.m.	Library Meeting Room 1
Poem in Your Pocket Poetry Workshop	Feb. 8 @ 7 p.m.	Library Meeting Room 1
Nature Discovery Series	Feb. 10 @ 9:30 a.m.	Crescent Bend Nature Park
Game On!	Feb. 10 @ 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	Library Program Room
NAMI Family & Friends Seminar	Feb. 10 @ 1 – 5 p.m.	Library Meeting Room 1
Unlimited Horizons Writing Workshop	Feb. 11 @ 3 – 5 p.m.	Library Meeting Room 2
Sunday Afternoon Meditation (Ages 18+)	Feb. 18 @ 1 p.m.	Library Program Room
Traffic Light Eating & Reading Food Labels w/Wellness by Gina	Feb. 22 @ 6 p.m.	Library Meeting Room 1
Read Before Booksale	Feb. 23 & 24 @ 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.	Library Program Room
Forever Family History Virtual Event	Feb. 24 @ 11 a.m. – 2 p.m.	Library Meeting Room 1
Paper Crafting Crop	Feb. 25 @ 12 – 5 p.m.	Library Program Room
Walk with a Naturalist	Feb. 25 @ 3:30 p.m.	Crescent Bend Nature Park
Medicare 101	Feb. 29 @ 6 p.m.	Library Meeting Room 1

### RECURRING PROGRAMS

Senior Center Tech Help**	Second Mondays @ 10 – 11 a.m.	Schertz Senior Center
Library Quilt Bee (Time varies, check online)	Second and Fourth Tuesday and Third Saturday	Library Meeting Room 1
Toddler Storytime (Ages 20 months – 3 yrs.)	Tuesdays & Wednesdays @ 10:15 – 10:45 a.m. Thursdays @ 11 – 11:30 a.m.	Library Program Room
Preschool Storytime (Ages 3 – 6 yrs.)	Tuesdays & Wednesdays, @ 11 – 11:45 a.m.	Library Program Room
Teen Tuesdays (Ages 13 – 18 yrs.)	Tuesdays @ 4:30 – 6:30 p.m.	Library Program Room
Discovery! (Ages 6 – 9 yrs.)	Wednesdays @ 4 – 4:45 p.m.	Library Program Room
Walk-in Wednesday Tech Help	Wednesdays @ 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.	Library Meeting Room 1
Baby & Me Storytime (Ages Birth – 24 months)	Thursdays @ 10:15 – 10:45 a.m.	Library Program Room
InbeTween (Ages 8 – 12 yrs.)***	Thursdays @ 4:30 – 5:30 p.m.	Library Program Room
Jugando y Aprendiendo En La Biblioteca (20 meses a 3 años)	Viernes @ 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.	Library Program Room

\* Library spice kits for adults will be available the first week of February featuring Fennel Seeds

\*\* A membership to the Schertz Senior Center is required to attend tech help at the Senior Center

\*\*\* Weekly youth programs are offered on a rotating schedule. These programs are offered for 6 weeks then pause for 3 weeks. We will pause weekly youth programs beginning the week of February 25.



### FAMILY STORYTIME

Feb. 17 | 10:15 a.m. | Library Program Room

Join us at the library for our newest storytime offering. All ages are invited to listen to stories, sing songs, and participate together.

NEXT MONTH IN SCHERTZ...

Save the Date



### EASTER EGG-STRAVAGANZA

March 15 | FREE | Schertz Aquatic Center

We are partnering with the YMCA for our annual Easter Egg Hunt at the Schertz Aquatic Center! Bring your swimsuit and towels, because this egg search is in the pool. Hunt your eggs, then turn them in for a goodie bag! In addition, local businesses will be on the splash pad for activities, food vendors will be present and so much more.

Session 1	5 p.m.
Session 2	5:45 p.m.
Session 3	6:30 p.m.

➤ Register at [ymcasatx.org/schertz](http://ymcasatx.org/schertz).

### YOUTH EXPERIENCE KITS

Youth Experience Kits will be available for checkout in the Children's Library. Each Experience Kit explores a different subject and provides a unique educational opportunity allowing you to learn and discover.

➤ Learn more at [Schertz.com/kits](http://Schertz.com/kits)

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# SCHERTZ PARKS & RECREATION FUN



## Cold for a Cause Makes a Splash

With each passing year, more courageous individuals gather to take the plunge into the chilly waters for Schertz's Polar Bear Plunge in partnership with the Schertz YMCA. This globally recognized annual event has become an eagerly awaited tradition, offering a thrilling way for residents to welcome the new year with a splash at Pickrell Park Pool. The proceeds from this event contribute to the Y Partners program, ensuring that everyone, regardless of age, income, or background, has the ability to thrive and has access to programs.

This year, 92 jumpers joined us at Pickrell Park Pool, including YMCA Staff, sponsors, and Schertz councilmember Tim Brown, who bravely took the plunge. As participants dried off in their exclusive Polar Plunge 2024 t-shirts, they were treated to fireside delights like s'mores, hot cocoa, and generously donated sandwiches from Jimmy John's. A heartfelt thank you goes out to our sponsors, the Red Hat Ladies, and Schertz Cibolo Emergency Clinic, for their support in making this event a success.

## Volunteer and be a Part of the FUN!

Volunteering time and talents is a great way to give to the community, build self-esteem, share your skills, and make a positive impact in others' lives. A variety

of opportunities are available in the local area. Visit [Schertz.com/volunteer](http://Schertz.com/volunteer) to sign up today.

### Spring Opportunities

March 2	Kick Cancer Pep Rally & 5K Run
March 23	Star Party
April 14	Movin' on Main
May 18	Dark Skies and Fireflies



## Kickball and Pickleball League Registration Now Open

The Parks & Recreation Adult Social League is excited to announce our Spring of 2024 Social Leagues! Gather your team and slide into our Kickball and Pickleball open registration February 1, 2024. Kickball games will be played on Sunday nights from 6 – 10 p.m.; April 21 – June 2. Pickleball matches will be played on Tuesday nights from 6 – 10 p.m.; April 23 – May 28. Register today at [Schertz.com/socialleague](http://Schertz.com/socialleague).



## Archery Now at Schertz Community Center

Discover the art of precision and focus as we introduce Archery with this diverse array of recreational offerings. Aimed at fostering skill and camaraderie, Archery afterschool sessions for teens will take place every Wednesday from March 6 to May 29, between 4:30 – 6 p.m. Seniors aged 50 and above can embrace the challenge every Thursday from March 7 to May 30, during the morning hours from 9 – 10:30 a.m. For adults eager to embark on an archery journey, Archery 101 awaits on Saturday, April 13, from 9 – 10:30 a.m. Join us at the Schertz Community Center and let the arrows of excitement fly! Pre-registration required. Register online at [Schertz.com/recreation](http://Schertz.com/recreation).



## Skyhawks Youth Sports Programs

This spring we are thrilled to offer a dynamic range of Skyhawks Youth Sports Camps, ensuring there's something for every age group. From the high-energy Multi-sport Camp to the strategic thrill of pickleball, the agility of soccer, and the excitement of flag football, our lineup guarantees an active and engaging experience tailored to diverse interests and skill levels. For more information and to register, go to [Schertz.com/recreation](http://Schertz.com/recreation).

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1K AND 5K

SATURDAY, MARCH 2

PICKRELL PARK

7:30 A.M. CHECK-IN  
9:00 A.M. START

Join the City of Schertz in the Kick Cancer Pep Rally and 5k Run, formally the Wilenchik Walk for Life, on Saturday, March 2 as the community comes together to rally in support of the many cancer research programs of the UT Health San Antonio MD Anderson Cancer Center.

In 2009, the city hosted the inaugural 5K event in honor of former Schertz City Councilmember, Tony Wilenchik. Tony was diagnosed in 2006 with Stage-4 Leiomyosarcoma, a rare form of cancer. Tony's determination to face the disease head-on motivated the city to create a fundraising event to help support cancer research. Since the walk began, more than \$203,000 has been raised and donated to the UT Health San Antonio MD Anderson Cancer Center to aid in their research.

Kick Cancer will allow participants to celebrate cancer research, remember family members lost to cancer, and honor those still fighting.

## LET'S KICK CANCER TOGETHER!

Registration is open now! For more information go to [Schertz.com/KickCancer](https://www.schertz.com/KickCancer) or contact the Parks & Rec Department at (210) 619-1850 or [parksandrec@schertz.com](mailto:parksandrec@schertz.com).

Check-in/Registration begins at 7:30 a.m.  
Welcome/Warm-up begins at 8:30 a.m.  
Walk/Runs begin at 9 a.m.

## PRICING & INFO

1K Run - \$20.00

5K Run - \$35.00

Signs of Love - \$20.00

Registered participants will receive an event t-shirt if registered by February 14. All runners will receive a race bib and the first 600 finishers will receive a custom race medal. Registration will remain open through March 2 (race t-shirts are not guaranteed).

Sponsors are welcome. If you are interested in sponsoring the Kick Cancer Pep Rally & Run, please call (210) 619-1850.

[Register at Schertz.com/KickCancer](https://www.schertz.com/KickCancer)

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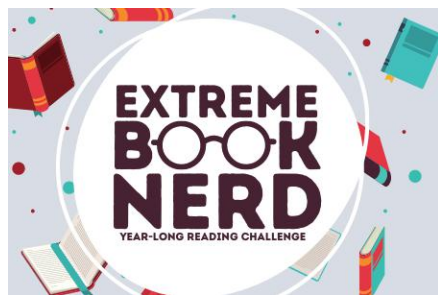
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provided at this event. Registration is available at [Schertz.com/adultcalendar](https://www.schertz.com/adultcalendar).



## Extreme Book Nerd Year-Long Reading Challenge 2024

The library's year-long Extreme Book Nerd Reading Challenge for 2024 will begin on Thursday, February 1st. The Extreme Book Nerd Challenge is a year-long reading challenge for ages 5-adult that encourages participants to read throughout the year, try new genres, and read subjects you wouldn't normally pick up on your own. For more information about the reading challenge visit [Schertz.com/booknerd](https://www.schertz.com/booknerd).

## Poem in Your Pocket: A Workshop for Reading & Writing Poetry

Our former monthly Open Mic Poetry program is moving to a new format in February of 2024. Join us the 2nd Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. for a poetry workshop that will include a writing exercise and an opportunity for reading

and sharing your work. Each workshop will have a different theme. On February 8, we will use a box of chocolates to inspire our creativity for the theme of love, romance, and admiration.



## Forever Family History Virtual Event

Join us and thousands of memory keepers to preserve & celebrate family legacies on Saturday, February 24 from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. During this event, you will learn how FOREVER Solutions are essential for saving, organizing, and sharing all your photos, videos, audio files, and documents. You will have the opportunity to attend educational sessions on how to set up and organize your account, how to digitize your old home movies, photos, and slides, how to bring your old memories into the modern era and more. Learn how FOREVER can keep those memories safe for future generations. Light refreshments will be

## Traffic Light Eating & Reading Food Labels with Wellness by Gina



Are you looking for a healthier YOU in 2024? Join us Thursday, February 22 at 6 p.m. and press the Easy Button on eating healthy with the Traffic Light Eating Model. Understand how to read food labels so you'll know exactly what is in the food you're getting at the grocery store.




## National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Family & Friends Seminar

NAMI Guadalupe County will present a Family & Friends seminar on Saturday, February 10, 2024, from 1 – 5 p.m., at the Schertz Public Library. This free program informs people who have loved ones with a mental health condition how to best support them. Registration is available at [namiguadalupecounty.org](https://www.namiguadalupecounty.org).

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Increased Risk for Dementia<sup>2</sup>



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Source:  
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# Unveiling the Hidden Gem: The Hidden Grove Bar in Downtown Schertz

TUCKED AWAY ON 539 MAIN STREET IN DOWNTOWN SCHERTZ, THE HIDDEN GROVE BAR IS EMERGING AS A HIDDEN GEM, CAPTIVATING LOCALS AND VISITORS ALIKE WITH ITS UNIQUE BLEND OF FAMILY-FRIENDLY AMBIANCE, DIVERSE DRINK OFFERINGS, AND AN EXPANSIVE OUTDOOR PATIO.

Operated by Nick Marquez, the mastermind behind other nearby hotspots like Old Main Icehouse and Bar House, Hidden Grove is not just a bar; it's a community hub where patrons of all ages can gather for a memorable experience.

## A Family-Friendly Oasis Until 8 p.m.

One of the standout features of Hidden Grove Bar is its commitment to creating a family-friendly environment. Until 8 p.m., the venue opens its doors to families, providing a comfortable setting for quality time together. The inviting atmosphere welcomes patrons of all ages, ensuring that the young and young-at-heart can revel in a laid-back and enjoyable evening.

## A Beverage Paradise

Hidden Grove Bar takes pride in its extensive drink menu, catering to beverage enthusiasts of all kinds. The full bar boasts 12 taps pouring local and regional brews, a variety of cocktails, and mouthwatering frozen drinks. Skilled bartenders craft exceptional cocktails, offering a range from Texan-twisted classics to innovative concoctions that tantalize the taste buds.

## Pet-Friendly Patio and Game Zone

The large outdoor seating areas are not just for humans; pet owners are encouraged to bring their furry friends along to enjoy the lively atmosphere.

The patio area, adorned with couches and high bar chairs, becomes a playground for both patrons and their pets. Another standout feature of Hidden Grove Bar is its Game Zone, a playground for competitors that offers unique games like soccer pool—a thrilling fusion of soccer and billiards. From larger-than-life Connect Four to a traditional pool table, the Game Zone caters to both the adventurous and classic game enthusiasts, providing a space where friends can gather, drinks in hand, ready to make memories through laughter and friendly rivalry.

## Special Events and Celebrations

Hidden Grove Bar transcends the typical bar experience by offering a versatile venue for special events. Whether it's a birthday, anniversary, office party, or even a wedding, the Hidden Grove team is equipped to make every occasion memorable. The venue's adaptability, coupled with its vibrant atmosphere, sets the stage for a diverse range of celebrations.

## The Perfect Blend of Flavors, Fun and Community

Hidden Grove Bar isn't just a place to grab a drink; it's a destination where families, friends, and even pets can



### OPERATING HOURS

Hidden Grove Bar warmly welcomes patrons four days a week:

- Thursdays & Sundays: 2 p.m. – Midnight
- Fridays & Saturdays: 2 p.m. – 2 a.m.

come together to savor a delightful array of drinks, engage in friendly competition, and celebrate special moments. The patio, with its ample seating, games, and shade from towering trees, also provides a great spot to enjoy a delicious bite from the Purple Pig BBQ next door. It's true that the Hidden Grove Bar stands out as a true hidden gem in downtown Schertz, offering a perfect blend of flavors, fun, and community spirit. So, gather your crew, grab a drink, and let the good times flow at Hidden Grove Bar in true Texas style!

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## Celebrate Life Events at the Schertz Civic Center

Did you know that the Schertz Civic Center offers a fantastic opportunity for the community to host a wide range of events? From celebrations to meetings, this versatile venue is available for rental, providing a spacious and welcoming environment for your gatherings. Whether you're planning a special occasion or a corporate meeting, the Schertz Civic Center's facilities are equipped to accommodate your needs. Take advantage of this local gem to create memorable moments and successful events for your community

➤ Learn more at [Schertz.com/CivicCenter](https://www.schertz.com/CivicCenter).

## Borrow Tools from the Community Tool Shed

Did you know that residents have access to a unique and helpful resource—the Schertz Community Tool Shed? This program gives residents access to tools they otherwise would have gone without. Inside the shed, the community will find a collection of hand and gas power tools that can be used at no cost by residents, businesses, and community groups to clean and improve their properties. Using these tools, folks can do minor home repairs and projects, improving the overall attractiveness of our neighborhoods in Schertz. This program offers the opportunity for neighbors to help neighbors, building a sense of community and togetherness.

➤ Learn more and reserve equipment at [Schertz.com/toolshed](https://www.schertz.com/toolshed).



## Give Back and Join a City Board or Commission

Did you know that joining a city board or commission can be your ticket to contributing to the success of your City? By joining a city board or commission, you become an integral part of the team working towards a better tomorrow. Whether it's planning and zoning, parks and recreation, or other key areas, your involvement helps prepare the city for the challenges and opportunities that lie ahead. It's an opportunity to bring your unique skills, ideas, and passion to the table, fostering a sense of civic pride and accomplishment. So, consider taking an active role in your community's governance—join a city board or commission today and be a driving force in building a vibrant, resilient, and successful future for your city!

➤ Learn more at [Schertz.com/boardsandcommissions](https://www.schertz.com/boardsandcommissions).



# CURBSIDE CHIPPING SERVICE

The City of Schertz provides a Curbside Chipping service during the year for Schertz residents. Chipping services will be performed on Tuesdays during normal business hours. Appointments will be scheduled according to availability.

## FEE

A fee of \$40 will appear on the customer's water bill for the pickup of a single brush pile according to the dimensions outlined in the guidelines section below.

## DELAYS

In the event of any unforeseen delays, including weather, chip jobs not done on the scheduled Tuesday will be completed on the next possible business day.

## GUIDELINES

All brush and tree limbs must be at the front of the curb of the billing address and stacked neatly for easy access (parked vehicles cleared of brush pile) with **ABSOLUTELY NO TREE STUMPS PLACED ON TOP OF LIMBS**. All brush must be curbside by 7:30 am on the date of the scheduled service.

Ideally, branches and limbs should be at least 3 – 7 ft in length but must not exceed 7 ft in length in order to be chipped. Otherwise, the limbs must be trimmed off/down to fit dimensions appropriately. Stumps must be cut 18 inches in length and less than 12 inches in diameter (or split in half) in order for pickup and **MUST** be

placed in a separate pile along the curb. Stumps will not be chipped but must be accessible and able to be lifted by a single person in order to be removed from the location. These guidelines must be followed or stumps will not be removed.

Brush piles **MUST** fall within the following dimensions: 5' in height x 20' in length x 7' in width and limbs cannot be more than 6" in diameter or more than 8' in length.

## NOT ALLOWED

The following items **WILL NOT** be picked up:

- Lumber
- Palm trees
- Cactus of any kind
- Bamboo
- Banana trees
- Palmetto bushes
- Limbs, trees, or bushes with any type of thorns attached
- Household trash, etc.

There is no lot clearing allowed. **NO EXCEPTIONS**.

## OTHER RULES

City employees will not go onto private property to drag brush and/or tree limbs

to the curb, and they will not enter alleys, easements, or undeveloped lots to chip brush. The brush must be at the curb prior to staff's arrival.

This is a residential service only and only allows one house per pile. Please do not join piles with neighbors, as each house must have their address on the list to be picked up for that date. When hiring a contractor for any tree trimming or landscaping, it then becomes the responsibility of the resident to have the contractor remove all limbs and debris. This is a brush removal service for residents who have not hired professional services to administer tree trimming. **NO EXCEPTIONS**.

Chips will not be shoveled out of the truck or shot into the resident's yard with the chipper.

Schedule an appointment at [Schertz.com/chipping](https://www.schertz.com/chipping).

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# City Street Sweeping Update

DID YOU KNOW THAT CITY STREET SWEEPERS CLEAN ABOUT 177 MILES OF ROADWAY IN THE CITY OF SCHERTZ.

The City of Schertz has recently made some changes to the sweeping program in order to accommodate for continued growth. The goal is to sweep each subdivision and other areas of the city at minimum once every three months. During the fall season, adjustments will be made to ensure streets with heavy leaf deposits are swept more often to minimize Leaf buildup. In order to provide the best level of service, the City asks that residents do not dump, push, sweep, or blow yard waste—including leaves, tree limbs, grass clippings, or brush—onto City streets or right-of-ways.



**LEAVES!**  
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# 10 MINUTES TO PREPAREDNESS

Prepare for Texas winter storms with a 10-minute checklist to ensure safety and well-being during icy conditions. The "10 Minutes to Preparedness Checklist" helps guide you through quick and practical actions to help you and your family prepare for a winter storm in Texas, where ice can be a significant threat.



## PREPAREDNESS CHECKLIST

- Check the Weather Forecast**  
Stay informed about the latest weather updates and warnings from local authorities and news outlets
- Stock Up on Supplies**  
Gather essential items like non-perishable food, water, medication, and baby supplies to last for several days.
- Winterize Your Home**  
Ensure your home is well-insulated, and make sure to seal any gaps around doors and windows.
- Prepare an Emergency Kit**  
Prepare a kit with items such as flashlights, batteries, a first-aid kit, blankets, and a battery-powered radio.
- Maintain Heating Equipment**  
Make sure heating system is working efficiently and safely. Have firewood or alternative heating sources if needed.
- Insulate Outdoor Pipes**  
Protect your outdoor water pipes by insulating them to prevent freezing and bursting.
- Stay Connected**  
Keep your phone and other electronic devices charged and have a backup power source, like a portable charger.
- Trim Trees and Clear Debris**  
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Tara Foley posed with a family of Silverback Gorillas in the mountains of Rwanda, Africa with her *Schertz Magazine*.



John Nowak visited the American Public Works Association (APWA) Conference in San Diego and brought his *Schertz Magazine*.



Marti Porter and her granddaughter Payton Quarterman took their *Schertz Magazine* to the New York Yankees vs. Boston Red Sox game in New York.



# LOOKING BACK *Schertz* TEXAS

## Something To Think About . . .

“Whether you think you can or you think you can’t, you’re right.”  
– Henry Ford

### Schertz History

The earliest settlers to occupy the northern portion of what is today Schertz and its northern extra territorial jurisdiction (ETJ) areas were mostly Catholic families who lived in Dorlyn, Texas, now known as Comal Settlement and Eight Mile Creek. On July 25, 1905, the second-generation descendants of the original settlers dedicated Saint Joseph’s Chapel as their new house of worship. The churches were the dominant influence in keeping families together and their heritage alive. The Chapel has a designation as a Schertz Historic Landmark Property and has been placed on the National Registry of Historic Places (U.S. Depart. of Interior).

### Texas History

During the early 1600s and 1700s Spanish explorers and settlers began exploring northward from Mexico City. Numerous expeditions on their way to and from the San Antonio region crossed the present-day Rio Grande from Mission San Juan Bautista, located about twenty miles south of

present day Piedras Negras, Mexico, and its American neighbor, present day Eagle Pass, Texas. This route became one of the Caminos Reales, or Royal Roads, from the Rio Grande to and through San Antonio and East Texas. Part of this road is FM2252 or Nacogdoches Road that traverses northern Guadalupe County on the way to Comal Settlement, a designated historic settlement of the Schertz Historic Preservation Committee. One of the early expeditions to this area was by Governor Martin de Alarcon, Governor of the State of Coahuila and Texas, who was directed by Spanish officials in Mexico City to establish a mission, support, and security station for the East Texas Missions. By May of 1718, the Mission of San Antonio de Valero and the Presidio of San Antonio de Bexar was established along with the evolution of one of the main trails connecting the Missions to East Texas/ Guadalupe County. This trail would later be called the Old Spanish Trail and extended north from San Antonio towards New Braunfels, passing close to Selma, Schertz, and Cibolo.

Share your memories of living in Schertz by submission to [Rozwise@aol.com](mailto:Rozwise@aol.com).  
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Library	(210) 619-1700
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## Official City Meetings and Office Closures

FEB 1 Transp Safety Adv Comm 5:30 p.m.   Council Chambers	FEB 19 President's Day (Offices Closed)
FEB 5 Library Advisory Board 6:30 p.m.   Meeting Room 1	FEB 20 City Council Meeting 6 p.m.   Council Chambers
FEB 6 City Council Meeting 6 p.m.   Council Chambers	FEB 22 CVLGC 8:30 a.m.   Email <a href="mailto:jackie.gaines@cvlgc.com">jackie.gaines@cvlgc.com</a>
FEB 7 Animal Svcs Adv Board 6 p.m.   Schertz Animal Svcs	FEB 22 Economic Dev Corp Board 6 p.m.   Council Chambers
FEB 7 Planning & Zoning Commission 6 p.m.   Council Chambers	FEB 22 Historical Preservation Comm 6 p.m.   Bob Andrews Conf Rm
FEB 15 SSLGC 1:30 p.m.   SSLGC Admin Bldg	

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