



CHOCTAW CITY NEWS

"Celebrating the Past, Enjoying the Present, and Planning for the Future"

April 2016

Contact Numbers

City Hall	405-390-8198
Public Works	405-390-8276
Code Enforcement	405-281-6869
Court Clerk	405-390-3333
Police (non-emergency)	405-769-3821
Fire (non-emergency)	405-390-8300
Police/Fire Emergency	911

Community Bulletin Board

If you have an event or item of community-wide interest occurring in **May**, please submit it to citymanager@choctawcity.org before **May 10th** and, if there is space available, we will include it in the next newsletter. Please limit your submission to 200 words.

Recycling Pickup Schedule

Please remember that Waste Connections picks up recycling every other week. Recycling will occur on the week of **April 4th and 18th**.



Choctaw Frontier Days

The 13th Annual Choctaw Frontier Days will be running **Thursday and Friday, April 21st and 22nd** at Choctaw Creek Park from **9 am to 2 pm**. Come join us as we celebrate Oklahoma history with historical presentations, re-enactments and encampments, dancers, storytellers and much more.

The event is free of charge and food and merchandise vendors are present. If you will be bringing a homeschooling or school group, please pre-register online at our website at <http://choctawcity.org/land-run/> or by

calling **405-390-8198**. Come experience living history in the oldest chartered city in the State of Oklahoma!

Changes to Trash Pickup Route Schedules

Waste Connections will be reassigning their trash pickup route schedules, to be effective **July 1st**. The route changes will affect approximately 1200 households in Choctaw. Households affected will be notified by Waste Connections via a flyer attached to their polycarts in the coming months. A new route map will also be mailed out with utility bills prior to the changes taking effect.



Household Hazardous Waste Event

The City of Choctaw will be holding a Household Hazardous Waste Pick up event at the **Choctaw Creek Park** on **May 14th** from **9am to 12pm** under the large pavilion. **There will only be 50 slots available** and items must be residential waste and **you must pre-register online** at <http://choctawcity.org/hazardous-waste-disposal/> or by calling **405-390-8198**. You will need to bring your utility bill with you to the event. For a list of items accepted, please visit <http://midwestcityok.org/household-hazardous-waste-fact-sheet>. Please direct questions to **Chad Denson** at **405-390-8198**.

Citywide Garage Sale

City Wide Garage Sale will be held on **Saturday, May 7th**. Permit fees are waived for the day of the City Wide Garage Sale, come to City Hall and pre-register. Fees apply for permits for additional days and the purchase of signs. Maps and lists of sale address-

es will be available at City Hall on **May 4th**, or online at our website.

Citywide Bulk Waste Pickup

Choctaw's curbside Bulk Waste Pickup will occur **Monday through Friday the week of May 9th through May 13th**. Waste Connections will pick up bulky waste on the same schedule as daily trash pickup, so please have your items at the curb no later than **6 AM the morning of your regular trash pickup day**.

Items **must be within 2 feet of the curb** and should be set at least 5 feet from other items such as mailboxes, cars, shrubs, or anything else that could interfere with the mechanical lifting arm. Waste Connections will pick up as much as 4 cubic yards of bulky waste (about the size of two refrigerators). A complete list of items that can and cannot be picked up can be found on our webpage at www.choctawcity.org. A hand out is also available at City Hall.

Waste Connections will also be accepting bulk waste drop offs at **10 Acre Lake Park** on **Saturday, May 14th**, from **8 am to 2 pm**. This service is for residential customers only, proof of residency will be required. 10 Acre Lake Park is located on NE 10th between Choctaw Road and Indian Meridian.

2014 Water Quality Reports Online

The 2014 Water Quality Reports are available for viewing at City Hall or online at www.choctawcity.org/utility-billing.

CHS Drama to perform Hamlet

(Community Submission)

After winning their 11th OSSAA 6A One Act Play State Championship with their production of *The Miracle Worker*, the Choctaw High School Performing Arts program is looking forward to closing their theatre season with a production of *HAMLET* by William Shakespeare! Competitive drama and

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Board / Commission Meeting Dates

(All meetings @ City Hall unless otherwise noted)

7 PM

City Council Meeting followed by Choctaw Utilities Authority: Apr 6th & 19th

Planning Commission Meeting: Apr 7th

Public Recreation Board Meeting: Apr 12th

Board of Adjustments Meeting (as needed): Apr 25th

4:30 PM

Choctaw Economic Development Authority (at Old Germany Restaurant): Apr 27th

Stagecraft students will embark on an exciting journey as they work under the direction of CHS Drama alumnus, Heath Jones Jr., who received his BFA in Acting with a minor in Directing from OCU in 2014. Heath has studied Shakespeare at Kingston University in England, as well as worked as a directing intern at the Shakespeare Theatre of New Jersey. He looks forward to bringing his vision and experiences to his alma mater as he directs Shakespeare's most produced play this spring.

HAMLET runs **April 29 & 30** at 7:30pm in the **Choctaw High School's Performing Arts Center**. Tickets prices are \$7.00 for adults and \$5.00 for students; drama alum and seniors 65+ with the box office opening at 6:30pm. To reserve tickets or additional information, contact **Maryjane**



Burton at (405)-390-6143.
911 Addresses

Properly displaying your address will help emergency responders locate your house quickly and reduce response times. Help responders locate

your house by using the following tips to properly display your address. Use large numbers and make sure the numbers are visible in the dark by placing numbers on your house under a light and making sure numbers on your mailbox are reflective or on a highly contrasting background and posted on both sides. If your house is not visible from the street, post numbers so they are clearly visible on the road either on a pole, sign, post or mailbox and be sure to remove any brush, vines, flowers, etc. that might obstruct the visibility of your address. Remember, if your 911 address is not posted, emergency personnel may not find you in time!

Choctaw Senior Center

The Senior Center is open **Monday through Friday 9:00am to 1:00pm**. Lunch is served at 11:30. **Reservations are required for lunch.** We offer many wonderful services and opportunities on a daily basis. We have internet, free Wi-Fi, copier services, Panera Bread pastries, coffee, cards, dominos, board games, nutrition services, Metropolitan Library books, music to take you down memory lane and lots of conversation. If you're not one for conversation, have some coffee and work on a puzzle. The Center frames and sells puzzles as a fundraiser. Look for our booth at the Pioneer Market on the first Saturday of the month.

Upcoming Events

Tai Chi - Tue. & Thur. @ 12:00 (Hurry, Space is Limited!)
Hearing Tests
Shriner's Circus - April 8th (Free Performance for Senior Citizens)

For daily menu and activities, go to www.choctawcity.org/senior-center. For transportation services call the Senior Center at (405) 390-8040.

Choctaw Senior Center is located at **14653 Dean Street**.

Events at the Choctaw Library

The Choctaw branch of the Metropolitan Library System, located at **2525 Muzzy St.**, offers many excellent programs for patrons of all ages. You may register at the library or by calling **390-8418 ext 3**. For more information visit www.metrolibrary.org

Toddlers (ages 1-3):

Toddler time **Apr 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th** @ 9:30am—10am
Playtime **Apr 9th** @ 10:00am—11am

PreSchoolers (ages 3-5):

Storytime **Apr 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th** @ 10:30am—11am
Playtime **Apr 7th** @ 10:30am—11am

Gradeschoolers (ages 5-12):

Book Club **Apr 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th** @ 10am—10:30am
Art Class **Apr 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th** @ 9:30am—10:30am
Children Reading to Dogs **Apr 9th** @ 3pm—4pm & **Apr 20th** @ 4pm—5pm

PreTeen (ages 9-12):

LEGO Robotics **Apr 4th** @ 4pm—5:30pm

Teen (ages 12-18):

Teen Service Team **Apr 3rd** @ 3pm—5pm & **Apr 28th** @ 5pm—7pm
Teen Book Club **Apr 6th, 20th** @ 11am—12pm
Gamefest **Apr 14th** @ 5pm—7pm
Pixel Art **Apr 21st** @ 5pm—6:30pm

Adults

Knitting Club **Apr 2nd** @ 10am—12pm
Beginning Crochet **Apr 2nd** @ 1pm—3pm
Yoga **Apr 6th** @ 6:15pm—7:15pm
Poetry Night **Apr 19th** @ 6pm—7:30pm
Tai Chi **Apr 13th, 20th, 27th** @ 6:15pm—7:15pm
Acrylic Painting **Apr 16th** @ 9:30am—12:30pm

All Ages:

LEGO Club **Apr 27th** @ 4pm—5:30pm



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Did you know?

The City Council agendas as well as all of the back-up information is available on the City's website at: www.choctawcity.org

Check it out!