



# CHOCTAW CITY NEWS

“Celebrating the Past, Enjoying the Present, and Planning for the Future” December 2017

## 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
Choctaw Creek Golf	405-769-7166
Waste Connections	405-745-2942



## Recycling Pickup Schedule

Please remember that Waste Connections picks up recycling every other week. Recycling will occur on the week of **December 11th and 25th.**



## City Hall Closed for Holidays

City Hall will be closed on **Monday and Tuesday, December 25th and 26th** in observance of Christmas, trash service for the whole week will run one day behind. We will also be closed on **Monday, January 1st**, to celebrate the New Year Holiday, trash service for the whole week will run one day behind.

## J.O.Y. Christmas Dinner

Choctaw Church of the Nazarene in partnership with Harrah Church of the Nazarene will host the 3rd annual

J.O.Y. Christmas dinner for all those in the community 55 years and older. Free Food, fun, door prizes, and entertainment all start at *6pm*, **December 7th**. For more information, contact the Choctaw Church of the Nazarene at **405-390-8403**



## Christmas in Choctaw

The City presents our annual Christmas in Choctaw, Saturday, **December 2<sup>nd</sup>** from *1pm—4pm* at the Choctaw Creek Golf Course Pro Shop located at 2200 N. Hiwassee. Bring the kids to meet Santa and share in some holiday entertainment with storytellers, magic and science shows, and arts and crafts.

After your visit with Santa, head over to the corner of Main Street and Gilbert for our first Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony at 5pm. There will be Christmas music, hot chocolate and plenty of holiday spirit as we light the new Christmas tree on Main Street.

Both events are free to the public, we hope to see you there!



## Choctaw Senior Center

Don't sit at home and fall victim to the holiday blues. If you're a senior citizen age sixty (60) or older, come join us at the Choctaw Senior Center. If you need a ride, give us call. We can arrange transportation for you.

This is an excellent time to make some new friends.

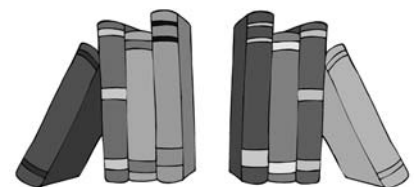
If you don't feel like cooking or you find it difficult to cook or grocery shop, come enjoy delicious and nutritious meals served **Monday thru Friday at 11:30am.** (*Prior Meal Reservation Required*)

Sheryl Presley with the Oklahoma City Police Department will talk to us about "Safety During the Holidays" **Monday, Dec. 11th at 10:45am.** Vera Meadows with Humana Care will give us some pointers on "Healthy Sleep, **Friday, Dec. 15th at 10:45am.** Sleep is a big issue for many seniors. If you're having problems sleeping, please come and get some helpful information.

The senior center will be closed **Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 25th and 26th** for Christmas break.

For more information or to sign-up for any of these events, please call the Senior Center at **(405) 390-8040**, between 9:00am and 1:00pm.

For daily menu and activities, go to [www.choctawcity.org](http://www.choctawcity.org), click on "Living in Choctaw", then click on "Choctaw Senior Center". For transportation to the Senior Center or to Wal-Mart, call **390-8040**. We are located at **14653 Dean Street**. Our hours of operation are Monday through Friday *9:00am to 1:00pm*. We serve our meals at *11:30am* each day. Please call for a meal reservation, no latter than *12:00 noon* the day before you plan to attend. *We can't wait to see you!!*



## Events at the Choctaw Library

The Choctaw branch of the Metropoli-

Visit us online at [www.choctawcity.org](http://www.choctawcity.org) for more information.

**Board / Commission Meeting Dates**

(All meetings @ City Hall unless otherwise noted)

**7 PM**

City Council Meeting followed by Choctaw Utilities Authority: **Dec 5th & 19th**

Planning Commission Meeting: **Dec 7th**

Public Recreation Board Meeting: **Dec 12th**

Board of Adjustments Meeting (as needed): **No meeting due to holiday**

**4:30 PM**

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

tan 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](http://www.metrolibrary.org)

**December 14th 4-5pm** - Selfie Portrait Art Class - Ages 5-18

**December 21st 4-7pm** - Family Holiday Make and Take - All ages



**Landmark Challenge 4 (Win \$100!!!)**

Congratulations to Chris Darrow who successfully navigated the Landmark Challenge 3, beat out 35 contestants and was the last one standing in the end to earn himself \$100 in our 3rd Challenge!

Now we begin the Landmark Challenge 4. If you would like to be in the running for this competition, answer the riddle below, submit your answer to the Parks and Recreation director at [rhill@choctawcity.org](mailto:rhill@choctawcity.org). This compe-

tion starts...NOW!

Here is your riddle:

I turn around once. What is out will not get in. I turn around again. What is in will not get out. What am I?

Submit your answer to [rhill@choctawcity.org](mailto:rhill@choctawcity.org), and receive the instructions to begin the Landmark Challenge 4! Good luck!

**City Manager Corner**

**The Golf Course:** If you are a golfer and have not been to the course in the last 2 weeks I encourage you to get out to the course. Aron Mock our superintendent and his crew have worked diligently to make much needed improvements in playability. With the cooperation from mother nature, aeration, top dressing, and over seeding, the greens are coming back. The fairways and roughs are of equal quality to any golf course in the Oklahoma City area.

Now is the time to take advantage of the City annual golf membership. I am looking forward to the Spring when the improvements in turf and overall condition of the course will show the hard work over the last year. Sign up for one of our monthly tournaments and see for yourself. We just recently adopted annual corporate memberships for those businesses interested in membership at Choctaw Creek Golf Course.

Interested in a place to hold your organizations Christmas Party, Baby Shower, Weddings, and Wedding Receptions, Jared Holden your golf course manager is eager to schedule your event in our off season. The location, space, and atmosphere make the golf course an ideal place to hold such events. If you just want to hang out and watch weekend football the upstairs lounge is available with seat-

ing for 20, ping pong, shuffle board, darts and pool table.

**Parks:** Parks Staff are diligently working parks improvement. Clean-ups at Optimist and the Caboose site are ongoing. In Optimist we took down two unsafe dugouts and are working on the bushy area beside the ball field. One of the light poles collapsed during heavy winds the other day and we are in the process of pulling all the poles out of the park. I was pleased to see some of our youngest citizens using Optimist for t-ball practice and games after we started the clean-up.

On the Caboose site we are working the removal of dead trees and pruning of the others. We removed the weed trees along 23rd Street and discovered rose bushes underneath which will bring color to the site. The Caboose is much more visible after removal of the trees. New playground equipment was installed in Bouse Park before Thanksgiving. We are in the process of getting quotes for new playground equipment for Choctaw Creek Park. If all works out with funding and installation, we look forward to enjoying the equipment by Spring next year.

The Parks team is working a variety of other improvement initiatives from fixing the Choctaw Creek fencing, bathrooms, and pavilions to installing donated exercise equipment along the trail. No timeline as of yet, however the Rotary Club graciously donated Exercise Equipment for the Choctaw Creek Park. We anticipate installing that equipment sometime this Winter.

We look forward to your reservations at the Golf Course to accommodate organizational or private seasonal parties!



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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](http://www.choctawcity.org)

**Check it out!**