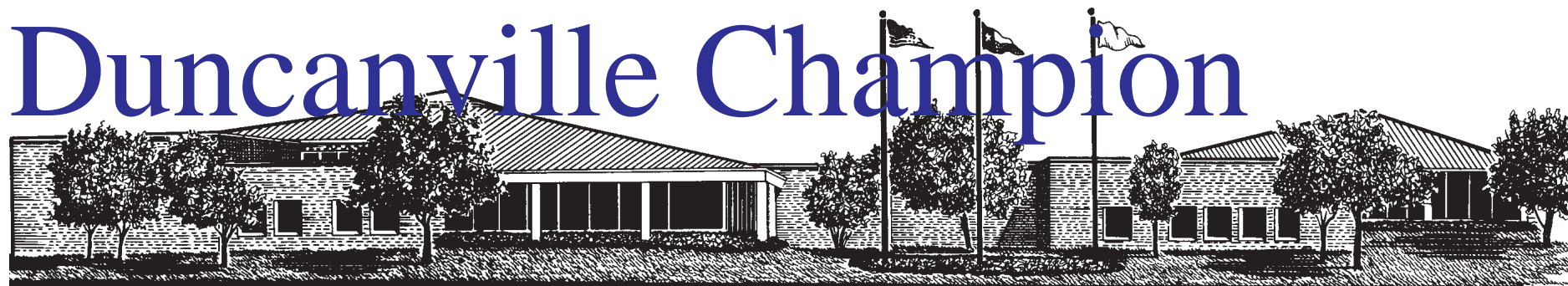


# Duncanville Champion



November 2002

## OTHER NEWS

### November 28 & 29 all city offices will be closed for the Thanksgiving Holiday

All City offices closed. No residential garbage or recycling collection on the 28th.

### Ribbon Cutting at Alexander Elementary's "Talon Town"

Alexander Elementary hosted a ribbon-cutting ceremony to commemorate the opening of a new campus feature called Talon Town on Friday, October 11.

This scaled-down replica of a town is complete with the Eagle Express Postal Service, the Talon Town Emporium, First National Nest Egg (sponsored by Wells Fargo Bank), and the KA-3 Talon Television Station. Students will use Talon Town to learn about daily activities such as shopping, banking, newscasts, and mail.

See page 3 for accompanying photo.

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## Duncanville Christmas Parade & Tree Lighting Set

Friday, December 6 the City of Duncanville will hold the annual Christmas Parade and Tree Lighting Ceremony. The parade begins at 7 p.m. and will follow the traditional Duncanville parade route. It will begin on Freeman Street at Reed Middle School, travel to Wheatland Road head west to Main Street and then north on Main Street back to Freeman.

This year's parade theme, "A Texas Glitzy Christmas," should add holiday spirit Texas style to the evening festivities. It's an easy one to implement and groups can really get creative with their floats. Man and woman of the Year, Larry Miller and Janice Savage, will lead the parade and Santa will fly in from North Pole and ride at the end of the parade on one of our very own Duncanville Fire Department engines.

The Tree Lighting Ceremony will begin right after the parade ends. The ceremony will be held at Duncanville City Hall where pictures with Santa will be taken for only \$2 per person. The ceremony will include the count down of lighting city hall by Mayor Glenn Repp.

You'll have to join us at city hall immediately following the parade to witness this spectacular light display. The Ceremony will also include musical entertainment, carolers, and coffee and hot chocolate served by the Duncanville chapter of AARP.

Applications for the parade are currently being accepted. An application can be found in this months Champion on page five (5).

For more information on the Tree Lighting Ceremony call 972-780-5074 and for more information on the parade call 972-780-5070.



## The Trout are Back!!!

Yes, the trout are back and its time to do it once again.

Join us, the City of Duncanville as we bring you the **2003 "Tos It" Trout Fish-Out**. Families residing in suburban areas, often times have never experienced the relaxation and joys of fishing. This event will present the opportunity for individuals of all ages, abilities and locations to experience these benefits. We provide, fishing poles, bait, and cleaning, therefore just bring yourself and become part of this great event.

**Event Location** – Armstrong Pool

**Date:** February 1-2, 2003

**Time:** Saturday 9:00PM – 5:00PM and Sunday 10:00AM – 3:00PM

**Registration Location:** Duncanville Recreation Center Front Desk

**Don't miss the opportunity to become a part of this great event. Cost \$7.00 per ticket (Each ticket allows 55 minutes of fishing time) Tickets go on sale starting November 18th. All persons entering the fishing area must purchase a ticket. For more information contact Jason at 972-780-4971.**



Hastings Elementary Principal Bobbie Long offered comments to the Board of Trustees following the presentation her school's Gold Performance Award for Reading. See page 4 for additional information.

[www.duncanville.com](http://www.duncanville.com)

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Duncanville JobLine	972-780-5006
After Hours Calls	972-780-4959

#### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Development Director	972-780-5090
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#### POLICE DEPARTMENT

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#### FIRE DEPARTMENT

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#### FINANCE DEPARTMENT

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Municipal Court	972-780-5055
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#### COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

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Event Rain-Out	972-949-2229

#### PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Director	972-780-5015
Building Inspections	972-780-5040
Garage Sale Permits	972-780-5040
Health Officer	972-780-4963

#### COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Radio	1250 AM
Internet	www.duncanville.com
Television	Cable Channel 26

#### SPECIAL INTEREST NUMBERS

##### License Plate Renewal

Dallas County Govt. Center 214-653-7811

##### Community Assistance

Duncanville Outreach 972-296-4986

##### Chamber of Commerce

Chamber Offices 972-780-4990

#### Mayor & City Council Phone Numbers

Mayor Glenn Repp	972-298-0213
District 1 - David Green	972-780-0348
District 2 - Steve Hamm	972-709-7267
District 3 - Marilyn Massey	972-296-5993
District 4 - Grady Smithy	972-298-2775
District 5 - Jim Pyeatt	972-296-0132

### Duncanville CHAMPION

is a monthly joint publication of the Duncanville Chamber of Commerce, Duncanville Independent School District and the City of Duncanville. For information, call the City's Community Information Office at 972-780-5043 or e-mail at kbilbrey@ci.duncanville.tx.us

## Tickets on Sale for Author Gala

Steve Blow, popular columnist for the Dallas Morning News and author of Blow by Blow, comes to the Duncanville Public Library as the honoree of the Friends of the Library's 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Author Appreciation Gala.

"We are so pleased to have Steve Blow as our honoree and presenter," said Betty Owens, President of the Friends.

Tickets are \$15 and are available at the Library. The gala will feature a catered dinner from Rose Cameron of the Barbeque Pit and will be held in the Gym in the Library/Recreation Center on November 8 at 6:30pm.

Fox 4's very own Saul Garza also returns as MC of the event.

"You'll want to buy your tickets soon, before its sold out," said Mrs. Owens.

For more information on the Gala, contact the Library at 972-780-5061.



**DID YOU KNOW...**

That the City of Duncanville Ordinance No. 581 does not allow trash to be placed out for collection prior to the scheduled day of your trash pickup?

Many residents place their trash out the night before collection as a matter of convenience. This ultimately leads to litter from stray animals searching for food. "Convenience in our lives is important," states KDB board member Barbara Detmore. "But being part of the solution to reduce litter far outweighs the convenience."

Please Help Keep Our City Litter-Free and Help

**KEEP DUNCANVILLE BEAUTIFUL**

## Recycling Statement September 2002

Commodity	Tons
Newspaper	143.94
Tin Cans	0.73
Milk Jugs (HDPE#2)	0.57
Plastic Containers	0.53
Aluminum Soda Cans	0.42
Trash	1.44
Mixed Household Paper	5.92
Total	153.54

This month your recycling saved:  
 2547.50 Trees  
 314,395.99 KWH of Energy  
 1,048,968.77 Gallons of Water  
 449.56 Cubic Yards of Landfill  
 Reduced Air Pollution by 8991.16 pounds

## DUNCANVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY Presents 2002 Fall Programming

### NURSERY RHYME TIME

*Head to Toe*  
 Every Monday,

November 4, 11, 18, 25 December 2, 9, 16 **10:15 AM**

### HOME SCHOOL VIDEOS

*Colonial Life*  
 Every Tuesday,

November 5, 12, 19, 26 December 3, 10, 17 **2:00 PM**

### SPANISH STORY TIME

**Every-first-Wednesday-of-the-month 10:15 AM**  
 Nov. 6, and Dec. 4

### STORYTIME

*Making It Special*

**Every Thursday, except Thanksgiving, 10:15 AM**  
 Nov. 7, Nov.14, Nov. 21  
 Dec. 5, Dec. 12, Dec. 19

### TOURS AND PROGRAMS FOR GROUPS

**Daily, Now- Dec. 20, 12:30-1:30 PM** (By appointment only 972-780-5044)

### STORYTIME FOR GROUPS

**Every Friday, Nov. 1, 8, 22 - Dec.6, 13, 20 10:00 AM**

### Aesop's Fables CHILDREN'S THEATER PRODUCTION

**Saturday, Nov. 2 - 11:00 AM**

### DAD'S NIGHT OUT (WITH THE KIDS) ENTERTAINMENT

**Every-first-Tuesday-of-the-month - 7 PM**  
 Nov. 5 - *Hispanic Heritage* Program  
 Dec. 3 - *Mr. Mouse's Christmas* Puppet Show  
 Jan.7 - *Louie Skips School* Puppet show

## Duncanville Digest

### Mayor's Open Line Friday

Did you know that you have an opportunity to meet with Duncanville Mayor Glenn Repp on the first Friday of each month?

Mayor Repp makes himself available on the first Friday of each month to the citizens to discuss your concerns and ideas about the direction the city is going.

You can meet with Mayor Repp on the first Friday at Duncanville City Hall in the council chambers starting at 8:00 AM. He will be available until 11:00 AM.

So come by and meet with Mayor Repp on Friday, November 1st, 2002 from 8:00 AM to 11:00 AM.

### Adjust your irrigation schedule to accommodate changes in seasonal water demand. Install an automatic timer.

For further water saving tips, please call the Duncanville Public Works Water/Wastewater Division at 972-780-4900.

## Parents and patrons are invited to participate in redrawing attendance zones for all elementary and intermediate schools.

Two new schools, James R. Bilhartz, Jr. Elementary and C.J. and Anne Hyman Elementary, will be opening in fall 2003. These schools will bring welcomed relief from overcrowded conditions in our elementary and intermediate schools. The Duncanville ISD Board of Trustees invites you to participate in the process of redrawing all elementary and intermediate attendance zones. This process is necessary to lower the enrollment at our overcrowded facilities and to plan for those who will attend the new schools.

This is an exciting time in the Duncanville Independent School District! Don't miss your opportunity to be involved in mapping the attendance zones for school children. The process for redrawing the elementary and intermediate boundaries has been discussed and reviewed for the purpose of soliciting public input. The Board heard comments on the process\* listed below:

- The Board of Trustees has hired a consultant to build a data base showing the residence of each student and to work with a committee of citizens in planning future attendance zones.
- A committee will be formed of parents and citizens selected as follows:
  - Select two parents, from a pool of volunteers, from each existing elementary at random ("pull names from a hat").
  - Board of Trustees will appoint five parents to ensure broad-based representation and diversity.
  - Board will select two teachers and two administrators from elementary/intermediate schools.
  - Board will appoint a chairperson and co-chairperson who work with groups and who can lead the committee to consensus.
- Board sets the parameters for the committee (i.e. size of each school, transportation requirements, timelines, etc). The committee will develop a plan based upon these parameters and will submit it to the Board for approval.

Student enrollment continues to grow and the trustees want to address this issue with your assistance. Communications about the attendance zone revisions will be available through additional public meetings, direct mailers from the district, and articles in the local/metroplex newspapers.

This process is necessary to enable the district to serve you and your children. We are eager to include you in decisions regarding your child's education.

If you would like to participate on the committee to redraw attendance zones, please visit the district's web site at [www.duncanvilleisd.org](http://www.duncanvilleisd.org) and complete the form on-line. All forms are due by November 6.

**\* The process will be presented for final discussion and approval at the October 14 Board of Trustees meeting. Any changes to the process for redrawing attendance zones will be reflected on the district's web site at [www.duncanvilleisd.org](http://www.duncanvilleisd.org) on Tuesday, October 15.**



Mayor Glenn Repp and DISD Superintendent Jerry Cook celebrate the opening of Alexander Elementary's Talon Town by participating in the official Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on Friday, October 11.

Favor de devolver este formato al Edificio de Administración del ISD de Duncanville, en el 802 S. Main Street, Duncanville, Texas 75137, o de completar el formato de solicitud en línea al [www.duncanvilleisd.org](http://www.duncanvilleisd.org). Un representante del distrito escolar notificará a aquellos voluntarios seleccionados para servir en el comité. Se deben de recibir las solicitudes para el día Miércoles, 6 de noviembre de 2002.

## Duncanville High School Band Named Grand Champion

The DHS Band was named Grand Champion at the Plano East Invitational Saturday in a field of 10 Finalist Bands. The Band also swept the caption awards earning Outstanding Musical Performance and Outstanding Visual Performance. Comments from the panel of adjudicators included:

"Very mature brass sound. Outstanding woodwinds. Exceptional band, Congratulations!" – **Thomas Waggoner, Director of Fine Arts, Texas Education Agency.**

"Bravo!" – **Bill Brent, Director of Performing Arts, Northwestern State University, Louisiana.**

"Super drill! Excellent velocity and visual imagery. Superior basics and strong individual fundamentals." – **Gary Wylie.**

"Very solid fundamentals! Excellent ensemble execution! Excellent individual execution!" – **Randy Vaughn, Retired Director of Bands, Klein High School.**

"We were so pleased with the performance(s) our students gave on Saturday. We've challenged them with the most difficult program we have ever presented and they've risen to the challenge in great form. Thanks, to all the Duncanville fans who were so present in the audience. It always makes a difference in the way our students respond when they know that our community is with them." – **Dr. Tom Shine, Director of Bands.**

The DHS Band will next compete at the regional UIL Marching Contest Saturday, Oct. 19<sup>th</sup> here in Duncanville at 7:00 pm. Admission is free and the public is welcome.

With a First Division at regional the Band will advance to the Area Marching Contest at Pennington Stadium in Hurst on October 26<sup>th</sup>. A schedule will be announced next week.

On November 2<sup>nd</sup>, the Band will host the annual Duncanville Marching Invitational and present an exhibition performance at 10:00 pm that evening in Panther Stadium. Admission to the DMI will be \$6.

Should the DHS Band qualify at the Area contest, it will perform at the State Marching Contest on Monday, November 4<sup>th</sup> in Waco at Floyd Casey Stadium. The DHS Band is Texas' only 5A Band to be a State Finalist in every contest since 1988.

## Winter Preparedness Safety Tips

### From the Federal Emergency Management Agency

Timely preparation, including structural and non-structural mitigation measures to avoid the impacts of severe winter weather, can avert heavy personal, business and government expenditures. Experts agree that the following measures can be effective in dealing with the challenges of severe winter weather:

#### BEFORE SEVERE WEATHER ARRIVES

- Store drinking water, first aid kit, canned/no-cook food, non-electric can opener, radio, flashlight and extra batteries where you can get them easily, even in the dark.
- Keep cars and other vehicles fueled and in good repair, with a winter emergency kit in each.
- Get a NOAA Weather Radio to monitor severe weather.
- Know how the public is warned (siren, radio, TV, etc.) and the warning terms for each kind of disaster in your community; e.g.:
- Know safe routes from home, work and school to high ground.
- Know how to contact other household members through a common out-of-state contact in the event you and have to evacuate and become separated.
- Know how to turn off gas, electric power and water before evacuating.
- Know ahead of time what you should do to help elderly or disabled friends, neighbors or employees.
- Keep plywood, plastic sheeting, lumber, sandbags and hand tools on hand and accessible.
- Winterize your house, barn, shed or any other structure that may provide shelter for your family, neighbors, livestock or equipment. Install storm shutters, doors and windows; clear rain gutters; repair roof leaks; and check the structural ability of the roof to sustain unusually heavy weight from the accumulation of snow—or water, if drains on flat roofs do not work.
- If you think you might want to volunteer in case of a disaster, now is the time to let voluntary organizations or the emergency services office know—beforehand.

#### DURING ANY STORM OR EMERGENCY

- Monitor your NOAA Weather Radio or keep a local radio and/or TV station on for information and emergency instructions.
- Have your emergency survival kit ready to go if told to evacuate.
- If you go outside for any reason, dress for the season and expected conditions:  
For cold weather, wear several layers of loose-fitting, lightweight, warm clothing rather than one layer of heavy clothing. Outer garments should be tightly woven and water-repellent. Mittens are warmer than gloves. Wear a hat. Cover your mouth with a scarf to protect your lungs from extremely cold air. Wear sturdy, waterproof boots in snow or flooding conditions.
- If advised to evacuate, tell others where you are going, turn off utilities if told to, then leave immediately, following routes designated by local officials.

#### DURING A WINTER STORM

- Conserve fuel, if necessary, by keeping your house cooler than normal. Temporarily shut off heat to less-used rooms.
- If using kerosene heaters, maintain ventilation to avoid build-up of toxic fumes. Keep heaters at least three feet from flammable objects. Refuel kerosene heaters outside.
- Avoid travel if possible. If you must travel, do so during daylight. Don't travel alone. Stay on main roads, and keep others informed of your schedule.

#### AFTER THE STORM

- Report downed power lines and broken gas lines immediately.
- After blizzards, heavy snows or extreme cold, check to see that no physical damage has occurred and that water pipes are functioning. If there are no other problems, wait for streets and roads to be opened before you attempt to drive anywhere.
- Check on neighbors, especially any who might need help.
- Beware of overexertion and exhaustion. Shoveling snow in extreme cold causes many heart attacks. Set your priorities and pace yourself after any disaster that leaves you with a mess to clean up. The natural tendency is to do too much too soon.

### The Duncanville ISD School Board recognized academic accomplishments of five campuses at the October 14 meeting.

The Texas Education Agency sponsors the Gold Performance Acknowledgment Awards and provides recognition and monetary incentives for stellar academic achievement. Campuses receiving these awards were:

Reed Middle School: Math and Algebra Awards  
Byrd Middle School, Central Elementary, Hastings Elementary, and Smith Academy received Reading Awards.



Byrd Middle School Principal Gabe Trujillo accepts the Gold Performance Award for Reading from Assistant Superintendent Ford Roberson.



**DUNCANVILLE**  
**Christmas Parade &  
 Tree Lighting 2002**  
**Friday, December 6, 2002**  
**Parade 7:00 PM**  
**Tree Lighting & Pictures with Santa 7:40 PM**

Please join us for the Duncanville 2002 Christmas Parade on Friday, December 6th. This year's parade theme is "A Glitzy Texas Christmas." Be Creative! Create a float with Texas flare. Longhorns, cowboy boots, the Texas flag and other things that represent the Lone Star State, but don't forget to add a little glitter cuz' everything in Texas is bigger and better. And remember...the parade is at night, so use spot lights and Christmas lights on your floats. **Please NO Santa's walking or riding on your float.**

There is not a parade entry fee. The parade will begin promptly at 7 PM. Line up will begin at 6 PM on Freeman street in front of Hardin Intermediate. Participants must be present by 6:30 PM to be included in the float judging. Awards will be presented for "Best Use of Lights", "Santa's Choice", "Best Representation of Parade Theme", "Grand Marshall's Choice", and "Best Overall".

The parade route begins on Freeman at Reed Middle School and follows Wheatland Road to Main Street and back over to Freeman. Your group/organization will be contacted at the number you provide below, on Tuesday, December 3 with your groups lineup number.

### PARADE ENTRY FORM

Name of Entry: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of People Marching: \_\_\_\_\_

Description of Entry (Float size, Music of any kind, Bicycles, Horses, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

Parade entries may be: Faxed to 972-780-6486  
 Delivered to 203 E. Wheatland Rd.  
 Mailed to P.O. Box 380280, Duncanville, TX 75138  
 Attention: Tammy Kuykendall

Entries due by Tuesday, November 26, 2002.  
 Questions? Call 972-780-5086.

**Application also available  
 online at [www.duncanville.com](http://www.duncanville.com)**

Presented by the City of Duncanville and the Duncanville Parks & Recreation Department

## Santa is on his way to Duncanville

Santa Claus is coming to town. During this years Snack with Santa there will be Arts & Crafts, Snacks, Story Telling, and Photographs with the man himself, Santa Claus.

Each child will be able to talk to Santa Claus and ask him for whatever it is that he/she may wish to have.

This event will allow all participants to have one of the most fun and exciting times of their lives. It will be one to remember.

**Event Location:** D.L. Hopkins Senior Center

**Date:** Tuesday, December 10, 2002

**Time:** 3:30PM – 5:00PM

**Ages:** 3 - 8

**Registration Location:** Duncanville Recreation Center front desk

**Signing up:** We have limited spacing of 15 spots and will register on a first come first serve basis. Reservations must be made by Friday, December 6, 2002.

Don't miss the opportunity for your child to become a part of this great event. Sign up today.

**Cost**

\$7.00 per child

For more information contact Jason at 972-780-4971.

## Texas Recycles Day Celebrates 10 Years of Recycling!

Friday, November 15, 2002 will mark Texas Recycles Day's 10th Anniversary!

And this year, as Texas Recycles Day celebrates 10 years of recycling, it will focus on an even better alternative for solid waste management than recycling...RE-USE!

Current trends indicate the Re-Use is a practice whose time has come. Everyday, Texans are practicing re-use, borrowing library books, attending garage sales, buying from re-sale shops, donating items to charity. The

Texas Workforce Commission projects a 35.4 percent increase in Used Merchandise Stores just between 1998 and 2008, not to mention a 39.4 percent rise in the number of Used Car Dealers in Texas, and a 26.7 percent increase



in the Reupholstery and Furniture Repair segment. Used items have clearly won acceptance in the marketplace.

Keep Duncanville Beautiful encourages Duncanville residents to think about ways to re-use items or make a commitment to recycle whenever possible. Doing so helps divert trash from our landfills.



Remember, with Re-Use... Everything

**Old is new** again.

Information found in the above article was provided by Texas Recycles Day web site

## Place Your Tin in the Bin

### Items Accepted for Recycling in Your Green Bin

- Aluminum Cans
- Tin or Steel Food and Beverage Cans
- Plastic #1 and #2 Bottles and Jugs
- Glass Jars and Bottles (any color)
- Paper Products

### Items that should NOT be Placed in Your Green Bin

- Styrofoam
- Pizza Boxes
- Plastic Bags
- Plastics that contained Household Hazardous Waste (oil, antifreeze, etc.)
- Wax Coated Containers

# Duncanville Champion

## 'Tis the season to be stealing

by Officer Eddie Edwards - Duncanville Police Department

As everyone knows the busiest shopping season is right after Thanksgiving. For some parents it is getting a hold of some of the latest and greatest toys on the market for their children. For others it is just a time to get out and enjoy the holiday season while making purchases. The holiday season is also a great time for me. I love the smell of cinnamon candles burning, while listening to Christmas music. I love watching the old Christmas cartoon and movies while baking cookies for Santa.

Believe it or not there are people out there who are a true Scrooge! I like to call them Burglars, and Thieves. Many call them flat out criminals and their right! These people like to take advantage of the holiday season to do a little free shopping for themselves. They look for packages of goodies in the front and back seats of your vehicle, while parked in parking lots or your driveway. They also look for homes that look appealing to them while out doing their residential Christmas shopping as well.

There are even criminals that actually go to stores and steal from women who leave their purses in their basket, even if the purses are just a few steps away from the owner. You can greatly reduce the opportunity to becoming a victim this holiday season by following some of these safety tips:

Park in a well-lit area-Always park where there is plenty of light, not only around your car, but from your car to the mall entrance. Once your car is parked, familiarize yourself with its location so you can find it without a hassle. Don't hesitate to ask for a security escort if you feel unsafe.

Less is more-Wear a fanny pack instead of carrying a purse. Besides allowing your hands to be free to hold onto or carry your child, you'll eliminate the possibility of leaving your purse behind or having it stolen. Only bring one or two credit cards and a limited amount of cash with you, in the case that it should get lost or stolen.

Walk and park in well-lighted areas.

Walk confidently and be aware of the people around you.

Lock your car doors after entering or leaving your car.

Have your car keys in hand so you don't have to dig in a pocket or purse for them before entering your car.

Check the back seat and under the car before you get in.

Don't leave your children alone at home, in a car or in any public place.

Teach your children to go for help if they get separated from you in a shopping mall. Teach them to go

to a cashier or other store employee and say they are lost. Don't "flash your cash." Pay by check or credit card when you can.

Don't leave packages on the

car seat. Lock them out of sight in the trunk or under a blanket if your car doesn't have an enclosed trunk.

Don't discuss high-value purchases with friends in shopping malls when strangers can listen in.

Be alert for vehicles following you home after you've made a major purchase.

Be alert for suspicious persons and vehicles in your neighborhood.

Don't display your gifts where they can be seen from a window or doorway.

Be sure to lock your home's doors and windows when you leave, even if it just for a few minutes.

I would like to encourage you all to share this information and spread this word about holiday safety to one another. You can do it in casual conversation, or over a cup of coffee. Face it! Criminals discuss making people victims with other criminals. Why can't we discuss not being victims and way we can prevent it. If you have any questions please call Officer Edwards @ 972-780-5027. I'll answer any questions or concerns over holiday safety.

## NOVEMBER

**1 • Mayor's Open Line Friday** 8 - 11 a.m. Council Chambers at City Hall. 203 E. Wheatland.

**5 • Election Day** Polls open 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. **PLEASE VOTE!** • **Duncanville City Council Meeting.** 7 p.m. at City Hall.

**7-9 & 14-16 • Duncanville Community Theatre presents "A Streetcar Named Desire".** 8 p.m. Call (972) 780-5707 for reservations.

**8 • Friends of the Duncanville Public Library.** Annual Author Appreciation Gala featuring Mr. Steve Blow. 6:30 p.m. Duncanville Community Center. Tickets: \$15. Call (972) 780-5061 for more information.

**11 • Veterans Day • DISD School Board Meeting.** 7 p.m. at DISD Administration Bldg.

**13 • Teen Court.** 5 p.m. at City Hall, 203 E. Wheatland.

**19 • Duncanville City Council Meeting.** 7 p.m. at City Hall.

**20 • Teen Court.** 5 p.m. at City Hall, 203 E. Wheatland.

**27-29 • DISD Thanksgiving Break.**

**28 & 29 • Thanksgiving Holiday.** All City offices closed. No residential garbage or recycling collection on the 28th.

**Mark Your Calendar**

**December 6**

**Christmas Parade & Tree Lighting**



## Holiday Display Contest

Lights and decorations around the holiday season don't just make a statement about your holiday spirit. They attract customers. Do something special with the decor around your business during the holiday season. You'll definitely be rewarded by your customers and you might be rewarded by the Keep Duncanville Beautiful (KDB) Board.

The KDB Board is holding the third annual Holiday Display Contest for Duncanville Businesses. To enter, call the number below, register and then decorate the exterior and/or window of your business by Friday, December 6, 2002. (Note: Duncanville Code Services asks us to remind you not to include advertising signage in your display) Judges will present two awards: Best Exterior Display and Best Window Display. The winners will each be presented with a certificate good for \$500 in advertising in any venue they choose.

**Questions? Call 972-780-5090.**

## Duncanville Recreation Center

### **SELF-DEFENSE/ANTI-KIDNAPPING**

Class meets Monday 6p - 7p, ages 4 to 7: 7p to 8p for ages 8 & up, ages 9 & up: 8p-9p

#### **Merrifield gym**

Registration Fee: \$8 on first meeting

Class Fee: \$7 each class meeting

#### **Register at class**

Instructor: Diversified Youth Services

Uniform is available but not mandatory.

Parents may wish to purchase an Alert Child of Texas T-Shirt for their child

For more info call 972/208-6697

### **TEXAS DANCE AND CHEER**

With this class the student will learn chants, jumps, dance routines and much more.

Class meets Thursday 6p - 7p, ages 4 to 7: 7p to 8p for ages 8 & up

#### **Merrifield gym**

Registration Fee: \$8 on first meeting

Class Fee: \$7 each class meeting

#### **Register at class**

Instructor: Diversified Youth Services

T-shirts, and shorts are available for order at class. Please wear T-Shirts, shorts or warm-ups and white-soled tennis shoes to class. For more info call 972/208-6697

### **BEGINNING & INTERMEDIATE BILLIARD LESSONS FOR YOUTH**

Lessons includes: Correct Shooting, Taking care of equipment, Types of shots, Practicing, Proper racking, Breaking the rack, Basic rules etc.

#### **Game Room**

**Instructor: Larry Lakin**

**Register at the class**

**For additional info on fees, class days and time call 972/780-5070**

### **TANYA FRANKLIN'S ELITE CHARM CLASS**

"Be The Best You Can Be" helps build self-confidence and self esteem in your children. This class also helps your child to overcome shyness and learn to really communicate in school and in everyday situations. Class includes improved social skills.

Class meets Sunday at 4p to 5:30p.

**Community Center – Meeting Room**

Class Fee: \$99 per session (session includes 5 weeks)

Instructor: Tanya Franklin

**Register at Center**

Registration Deadline November 8<sup>th</sup>, Minimum 5 students needed. Class begins November 10<sup>th</sup>. For questions/info please call 972/296-8409

### **RUDELYA'S MACHINE QUILTING/ SEWING**

Sewing and Quilting for people who don't have time to sew. This class is designed for people who want to learn or have some sewing experience.

Students will bring supplies (per supply list) and personal portable sewing machine! This class will enhance Sewing skills for busy people.

**Tuesday class** 6p to 7:30p for Quick Machine Quilts

#### **Center Meeting Room**

Class fee: \$35 Plus supplies

Instructor: Rudelya Porter

Minimum 5 students needed – Sign up as soon as possible to insure class minimum.

#### **Register at the center**

Registration deadline, November 4<sup>th</sup>.

Make your own special Holiday project and gifts. Classes for the crafter in you.

Some but not limited to gift in a jar, gel candles, wax candles, sewing projects, no-sew projects, table decoration, door decoration, wreaths and ornaments.

For more information call 972/329-6667

### **ADULT DANCE CLASS**

**(Beginner Swing and Ballroom)**

Classes are forming after **the Holidays**

Both forms of dance will attract all music lovers. Learn to dance to Big Band

50's Rock and Roll, Contemporary Rock, to name a few. All who are interested please

sign up on **our interest sign-up sheet** at the Center. Singles are welcome. We ask that

you bring a friend to make a couple. This will ensure you a partner. Class Minimum 6

couples needed. **For additional information call 972/780-5070**

### **K-CHAT**

**Chat** seminar with teens ten to sixteen years old, future for tomorrow. Enjoy Q & A, Goodies, and Door Prizes. Alcohol/Drugs Awareness & Driving Program

**Class meets Thursday from 4:30p-6p and Saturday 4p-5:30p**

Class Fee: \$15 Weekly

**Community Center**

Instructor: Kathryn Thompson

Register at Center

For additional information call 972/572-8262

### **PRAISE DANCING**

November Classes are forming for Praise or Liturgical Dance Workshop

All ages – Class meets Saturday from 3:45pm-5pm in the Aerobics room

**Community Center**

Class Fee: \$55 monthly

Instructor: Consuela Holmes

**Register at Center**

Registration deadline **11/8, 2002. Class begins on 11/9.** Need 5 students minimum.

Please call 972/780-5070 for additional information

### **DISTINCT DANCE**

This program is designed to give children the opportunity to participate in dance.

Class meets Friday 5:30p – 6:30p, ages 4 to 7; 6:30p – 7:30p for ages 8 & up

**Center Aerobics Room**

Registration Fee: \$8 on first meeting

Class Fee: \$7 each class meeting

**Register at class**

Instructor: Diversified Youth Services

No required uniform for the classroom.

However we offer optional uniforms for purchase through out semester. For more info call 972/208-6697



**Classes are  
available for  
all ages and  
all interests.  
Come Join  
Us.**

# Fun In Duncanville November 2002

## **ROBIX FITNESS: AEROBICS & YOGA**

Fall Back Into Fitness....

### **Duncanville Community Center Aerobics Room**

Mon/Wed- Step 'n' Motion (Step/tone) 6:15-7:30 PM

Sat.-Cardio Combo (step/hi-lo Aerobics/Kickbox/toning/stretch)9:00-10:30 am

Sat.-Yoga Fit (strength/energize/stretch/relax) 10:45-11:45am

### **Hopkins Senior Center**

Tues/Thurs-Yoga Fit (Strength/endurance/Stretch/Relax/Meditation) 5:45-6:45 PM

Tues/Thurs Cardio Moves Low-impact Aerobics 7:00-8:00pm

(Old moves are new again! Great feel-good workout!! Less joint stress!!!)

### **PLEASE ARRIVE 15-MINUTES EARLY TO REGISTER @ THE CLASS.**

For beginners, regular exercisers; 16+  
Cost: \$5.00 walk-in; \$28/8 classes; \$65/3month/unlimited classes

Materials needed: Bring exercise mat & hand/ankle weights for aerobic & toning classes;

Bring Yoga sticky mat, folded blanket, & towel for all yoga classes.

Instructor: Roseanna Needham-Dryden, B.S. Instructor Phone: 972-709-1906

Email: [fitness\\_in\\_duncanville@yahoo.com](mailto:fitness_in_duncanville@yahoo.com)

## **JAZZERCISE**

Fresh moves, new music, pure motivation. West Gym

Mon & Wed 6:30-7:30 PM

Sat 9-10 am

Aerobics Room

Tues. & Thurs. 6:25-7:05 PM

Bring your own weights & mat.

\$6 walk in. New Clients Special: Ticket available for purchase Nov. 4-9 only.

Holiday Special: \$48 for unlimited classes until Dec. 31, '02.

Certified Instructor: Sheilla (shay-la)

Instructor phone: 972-709-6441

Web site: [www.jazzforhealth.com](http://www.jazzforhealth.com)

## **STACY SANDERS' TAEBO WORKOUT**

Workout with today's Top 40 music selections (Gospel Recording Artist). This workout includes beginning taebo, step, chair exercises, and calisthenics. **Enjoy yourself while you enhance weight loss. Come on Duncanville. Lets kick it with Stacey Sanders.**

Class meets every Friday at 7:30p and Saturday from 1:30p

**Center Aerobics Room**

Class fee: \$40 monthly

Instructor: Stacey Sanders

**Register at the Center.**

Minimum 10 students needed - Registration Deadline November 8<sup>th</sup>.

For additional Info call 972/572-9887

## **AIKI JUTSU**

Samurai defense based on leverage, not strength

**Fairmeadows Elementary Gym**

Tues./Thurs. 7:30 -9PM

Age: 10+

Cost: \$20/month

Instructor: Doug Johnson

972-283-1094

## **KYUDO (Japanese Archery)**

**Alexander Elementary Gym**

Sunday's 2:00pm-5:00pm

Cost: \$18/Month

Instructor: Mark Wegmann

214-324-8906

## **KARATE**

Learn serious self-defense oriented

Matsamura Kenpo Shorn Ryu Karate.

Instructors for children & adults; family discounts available.

**Duncanville Community Center Aerobics Room**

Kids age 7+: T/TH 7:15-8:15 PM

Adults: T/TH 7:15-8:30 PM

**Central Gym**

Open: Sat 9-10:00 AM

Cost: \$25/Month-Students, \$40/Month-Adults

Instructors: Kris Howerton @ 972-393-0782/

Bob Finley @ 972-298-2021.

## **INTERMEDIATE/ADVANCE POINTE CLASS**

Designed for people who want to learn the basics and for those already on point.

**Duncanville Community Center Aerobics Room**

Class Meets: Monday's 7:45-9:00 pm

Fee: \$47/month for 1 class/wk;

Instructor: Vicki Shamburger (214) 244-8011

## **DEFENSIVE DRIVING**

Got a ticket? Or just want a discount on your auto insurance.

Class is sponsored & certified by the National Safety Council.

**November 11 & 12**

**6:00pm-9:00pm**

Registration Deadline: Thursday, November 7 @ 5:00 PM

(Must have 6 registered by deadline to have class)

**Duncanville Community Center**

201 James Collins

Cost: \$25

Instructor: Doug Rorie

**The center will be closed on November 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>.**

## **Members, did you know?**

**We still have room! November Registration for the After-school Program is still available at the center. On November 27, 28, & 29 we will observe the Duncanville ISD school holidays. The after school program will be closed on these days. The center will be closed on November 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>. For more information contact Jason at 972/780-4971**

## **CLOSING – We have a youth safety issue.**

There are still youth here at the center at closing. We close at 9pm Monday through Friday and 5pm on Saturday and Sunday. We are asking parents to please pick up your children on time so they are not left alone. **This is an automatic suspension from the center. Amount of suspension time is to be determined by Supervisor.**

## **UNATTENDED YOUTH – A number of youth**

**who have a membership are hanging out outside in front of the Library, picking City flowers, riding skate boards up to the entrance while patrons are trying to leave the Library, and littering our Library Lobby inside and out. Parents, again we are asking for your help. Please instruct your youth to stay in the Center or the Library, until you can pick them up.** The recreation center is here to provide a place for families to have fun. Youth can play game activities and hang out with their friends in the center. **Please help us to help make your visit fun.**

**YOUTH WALK - Youth ages 7 and up may walk the track without parent every Friday from 3:30p to 4:30p with staff supervision.**

**Volley Ball – Members get your teams together and lets meet at the center on Friday nights at 6:30p for a game or 2 of volleyball. If you are interested, sign up on our volleyball list. We will call you to remind you of game time. Sign up today. For more information call 972/780-5070**

## **CROP 'TIL YOU DROP**

**Monthly Crop 'Til You Drop Session**

Bring photos and work on your album.

You must pre-register and pay instructor by the Wednesday before the class is to meet. For more information call 972-298-4006.

November 15

6:00 PM –12:00 AM

Cost: \$10.00

Hopkins Senior Center

Instructor: Kim Spurlock

**LADIES! The Women Warriors Self-Defense Seminars are here.**

**D. L. Burt is the instructor for this exciting class. There is still time and room to sign up for the November Course. Call 972/780-5070 for additional information or e-mail Mr. Burt at [crusades@gte.net](mailto:crusades@gte.net).**