



December 2004

Duncanville Digest

There are no trash holidays during December. Garbage & recycling will be running as normal.

Community Service Hours

are available for students who need community service hours for school, church, or teen court. For additional information on how to sign-up for community service hours, please call the Center front desk at 972/780-5070.

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Senior Center Grand Opening Set

We've waited a long time for this, but it has been worth the wait! The Grand Opening for the newly renovated and expanded D. L. Hopkins, Jr. Senior Center is finally here!

The new addition, "Parkview Room" is a beautiful dining and banquet facility overlooking Armstrong Park that can seat up to 150 people. Parkview has a large kitchen, a stage area for entertainment and ADA accessible restrooms. The existing building, "Northside", has been fully renovated with a large class area, game room, and a parlor area. It also houses a large/dividable multi-purpose area, library/computer room, arts and crafts room with kiln, snack area, and offices.

By Elaine Ham
 Senior Activities Supervisor

The senior participants are so proud of their new Senior Center and invite you to join them for the Grand Opening on Thursday, December 16th. The schedule begins at 9:30 am with the dedication of the Rotary Club Centennial Garden Area. The Rotary Club of Duncanville provided the funds for this beautiful garden area at the entrance to the new building. City Officials and guests will be at the 10:00 am ribbon cutting to officially "open" the new Senior Center. All are welcome to enjoy tours of the building, punch and cookies, demonstrations by our creative arts classes, and Christmas music and dancing with our performing groups. And a special Christmas Dance with the music of "The Nobles of Note", big-band music at 7:30 pm will top off the day. All are welcome to come to this exciting Grand Opening event.

Nutcracker in a Nutshell

Duncanville Public Library presents *Nutcracker in a Nutshell* (a puppet show) staged by Puppeteers: Sandy MacLean and Sandy Shroud of North Texas.

This 30-minute performance features Clara, Godfather Drosselmeier, the Nutcracker Prince and 4 musical dances from the Tchaikovsky ballet suite.

The after-show event features a "Meet & Greet" the puppet and puppeteers' time.

Everyone is invited to attend this free program Tuesday, December 7th at 7 pm in the library's programming room.

This puppet show is part of the-first-Tuesday-of-every-month *Dad's Night Out Series* provided by the *Friends of the Duncanville Public Library*.

The **Me and My World Music Show** is on the schedule for the January 4th, 7 pm program. Families are invited to participate with trumpeter, Jake Stephenson, as he blows his horn while his wife, Teresa, involves children in singing songs they know.

For more information call Children's Librarian, Urla Morgan at 972-780-5044.

Christmas Parade set for December 3rd
Santa Express
 Parade starts at 7:00 pm
 Route begins on Freeman and follows Wheatland road to Main Street and back over to Freeman
 7:40 pm Tree Lighting and Pictures with Santa in City Hall, horse and surrey rides, Train rides, Ice carver, Donuts and apple cider, Live entertainment.

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Duncanville City Offices

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City Secretary	972-780-5004
Community Information	972-780-5043
Duncanville JobLine	972-780-5006
After Hours Calls	972-780-4959

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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Special Events Coordinator	972-780-5086

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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	Charter Comm. Cable Channel 26

SPECIAL INTEREST NUMBERS

License Plate Renewal

Dallas County Govt. Center	214-653-7811
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Community Assistance

Duncanville Outreach	972-296-4986
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Chamber of Commerce

Chamber Offices	972-780-4990
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Mayor & City Council Phone Numbers

Mayor - David Green	972-780-0348
Mayor Pro-Tem- Dorothy Burton	972-296-8844
District 1 - Ken Weaver	972-780-9810
District 2 - Scott Cannon III	972-298-8098
District 3 - Marilyn Massey	972-296-5993
District 4 - Grady Smithey	972-298-2775
District 5 - Jim Pyeatt	972-296-0132

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is a monthly publication of 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

Before Severe Weather Arrives

From the Federal Emergency Management Agency

- Store drinking water, first aid kit, canned/no-cook food, non-electric can opener, radio, flashlight and extra batteries where you can get to 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.:
 - "winter storm watch" — Be alert, a storm is likely
 - "winter storm warning" — Take action, the storm is in or entering the area
 - "blizzard warning" — Snow and strong winds combined will produce blinding snow, near zero visibility, deep drifts, and life-threatening wind chill—seek refuge immediately!
 - "winter weather advisory" — Winter weather conditions are expected to cause significant inconveniences and may be hazardous, especially to motorists
 - "frost/freeze warning" — Below freezing temperatures are expected and may cause damage to plants, crops, or fruit trees
- 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 ahead of time what you should do to help elderly or disabled friends, neighbors or employees.

For more information you can go to the FEMA website at <http://www.fema.gov/hazards/winterstorms/>



DID YOU KNOW...

It takes lots of volunteers to Keep Duncanville Beautiful?

Individuals or organizations looking for volunteer service opportunities are encouraged to contact Keep Duncanville Beautiful. Keep Duncanville Beautiful will help find the perfect project for you or your group. Need ideas?

Go to www.duncanville.com/greencity or contact Angie Henley at (972) 780-5086.

Please Help Keep Our City Litter-Free
KEEP DUNCANVILLE BEAUTIFUL

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Mayor's Open Line Friday

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

The schedule for December:
December 3, 2004 - 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. at City Hall.

Water Conservation Information

Never pour water down the drain when there may be another use for it such as watering a plant or garden, or for cleaning around your home.

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

Safety All Year Round

How many people out there think that they are safe from crime? I'm hoping that a majority, if not all think the possibility of being a victim is there? By thinking that way, you are a step ahead of those who think they are safe from being a victim of a crime. Fact of the matter is that, crimes happen to the rich and poor, in newer neighborhoods and older ones, big cities and small towns, and they even happen to all races. So it is safe to say that criminals are no respecter of persons.

During the holiday season we hope and wish that all was peaceful and calm, but that is not always the case. There are those who prowl day and night to hunt for people who have their guard down. I have made a simple list of safety tips to help you through not only the holiday season, but hopefully carry on into the New Year.

**By Officer Eddie Edwards
Duncanville Police Department**

SHOPPING

1. Be aware of your surroundings.
2. Park in well lighted areas with other vehicles near by.
3. Keep windows rolled up and doors locked.
4. Keep valuables out of sight inside your vehicle.
5. Have keys in hand while returning to vehicle.
6. Keep purse close to your body and in your possession at all time.

HOME

1. Keep windows and doors locked-even if you are at home.
2. Place lights on timers.
3. Close blinds or curtains when you are away.
4. Do not overload electrical circuits-anytime!
5. Do not place your empty TV, game consoles, DVD/VCR boxes outside for trash pick-up, that's just free advertising!
6. Invest in secondary locking devices for windows and doors.

Deterring crime or preventing crime is a community issue and doesn't rest solely in the hands of the police department. It would be a great joy if an officer can catch the bad guys committing their criminal act, but they often see our black and white squad cars before we even see them. To prove what I'm saying, as I was writing this article. A resident called in on a couple of young men who broke into a car. We were able to locate and catch the suspects. This was accomplished because a concerned citizen who was aware of their surroundings and proud of their community called the police.

For more crime deterrent information please call the Duncanville Police Departments Crime Prevention Office at 972-780-5027.

Snack With Santa

Location: D.L. Hopkins Center
 Date: Tuesday, December 7, 2004
 Time: 3:30PM - 5:00PM
 Ages: 3-8
 Cost: \$7.00
 Registration: Duncanville Recreation Center Front Counter.
 For More Information Contact Dwalan at 972-780-4971.



Santa is coming to Duncanville and children will have the opportunity to enjoy a snack with Santa, arts and crafts, story telling, face painting, and photographs with the man himself. Each child will be able to talk to Santa Claus and ask him for whatever it is he/she may wish to have. This event will allow all participants to have one of the most memorable times of their lives. We have limited space and will register on a first come first serve basis.

Reservations must be made by Friday, December 3, 2004.

Please come and join the...

Duncanville Senior Dance Club

7:00pm-9:30pm

December 17	Charlie Patterson (Ballroom)
January 21	Gary Lee (Variety)
February 18	Ronnie Martin Orchestra (Ballroom)
March 18	Dick Hammonnds and The Hammers (C&W)

(3rd Friday of the month)

\$4.00 admission
 Duncanville Senior Center
 201 James Collins Blvd
 972-780-5073

***Admission open only to persons age 50 or more unless special permission has been granted in advance.*

Fun In Duncanville

KIDZART CAMPS

Creating confidence through drawing!!!

Gain valuable drawing skills in a fun, safe comfortable environment & learn to draw naturally. Children leave with artwork. Plus have a great time!!!

Sign up at the center for this great class.

Class meets Mondays, Dec. 6-13-20 from 4-5pm

Fees: \$45 includes all supplies and cost for 3 days.

Ages: k-6th grade

Where: Duncanville Community Center

Instructor: Laura Brooks

For more info: 214-683-2939

Email: kidzartdfw@yahoo.com

Website: www.kidzart.com

KIDZART HOLIDAYZ MINI-CAMP

Creating confidence through drawing!!! Gain valuable drawing skills in a fun, safe comfortable environment & learn to draw naturally. Children leave with artwork. Plus have a great time!!!

Sign up at the center for this great class. Class meets Monday, Dec 20 and Tuesday, Dec 21 from 10am to 12noon

Fees: \$45 includes all supplies and cost for both days.

Ages: k-6th grade

Where: Duncanville Community Center

Instructor: Laura Brooks

For more info: 214-683-2939

Email: kidzartdfw@yahoo.com

Website: www.kidzart.com

SHINING STARS AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM

Parents are you looking for a safe and well-structured environment for your child after school? If your answer is yes, then look no further, because the Shining Star After School Program is here for you.

When: Monday - Friday

Time: 3:15p - 6:00p

Cost: \$60 per child/ per month

Where: Duncanville Community Center

Ages: Children entering the 1st - 6th Grade Fall 04

We offer homework assistance, tutoring, special activities, and much more! For more info on how to register your child please call Dwalan at 972-780-4971.

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DISTINCT DANCE

Class meets Friday 5:30p - 6:30p, For ages 4 to 7; 1st session. 2nd session meets at 6:30p - 7:30p for ages 8 & up

Special Dance Group 7:30p-8:30p
Recreation 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. We offer optional uniforms for purchase.

For more info call 972/208-6697.

MORNING YOGA

Learn basic yoga postures designed to celebrate the spine. Class meets Tuesday, Wednesday, & Friday from 10a - 11:30a.

A class for Restorative Yoga will be taught on the last Wednesday of every month.

Recreation Center - Aerobics Room

Class Fee: \$7 per class

Register at Center - Front Desk

Instructor: Carolyn Smith

Attire: Comfortable clothes & tennis shoes.

Bring a towel and sticky mat.

For more info call 972/780-5070.

SELF-DEFENSE/ANTI-KIDNAPPING

For ages 4 to 7: 1st session, ages 8 and up 2nd session

Class meets every Tuesday & Friday from 6p to 8p in the Recreation Center West Gym

Registration Fee: \$8 on first meeting

Class Fee: \$7 each class meeting

Register at class

Instructor: Diversified Youth Services

An Alert Child of Texas T-Shirt is available for purchase.

For more info call 972/208-6697.

TEXAS DANCE AND CHEER

Learn chants, jumps, dance routines & more. For ages 4 to 7: 1st

session, ages 8 & up: 2nd session

Class meets every Thursday from 6:00p to 8:30p

Saturday class meets from 1p-3p

Location -West Gym on Thursday and Aerobics room on Saturday

Registration Fee: \$8 on first meeting

Class Fee: \$7 each class meeting

Register at class

Instructor: Diversified Youth Services

Attire: T-Shirts, shorts or warm-ups and white-soled tennis - For more

info call 972/208-6697.

KNIT N' KNEEDLES CLASS

Pre-teens, teen, and students of all ages! Are you

interested in a class that teaches how to knit or

cross stitching? Sign-up at the front desk for this

upcoming class in 2005. Let's start stitching Duncanville!

For more information, please call 972/780-5070.

KARATE SCHOOL

Learn serious self-defense oriented Shorin Ryu Matsamura Kenpo Karate.

Instructors for children & adults; Duncanville Community Center

Aerobics Room/East gym

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

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

Open: Sat 9-10:30 AM

Cost: \$30/Month-Students, \$45/Month-Adults. Family discounts are available.

Instructors: Kris Howerton, & Brady Cooper. For Additional info: 972-

393-0782 or 214-789-3433.

Email: krishowerton@comcast.net

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BRIGHTER FUTURES PRESENTS:

One to One Learning Program
Student Testing in December 2004
New classes forming in this month
This program is for Pre-K to Adults.
Assessment testing is included in Learning program. Register for this class and schedule-testing day by calling Ms. Logan at 214/597-0101.
Program Fee: \$28/class meeting
Class meets: Tuesdays and Thursdays with a special Saturday Session from 10a-1p arranged by Ms Logan.
Time: 4p to 7p in the Center Meeting room
Instructor: Donya Logan
For additional information and concerns, please call 214/597-0101.

ROBIX FITNESS: AEROBICS & YOGA

Fall Back Into Fitness ... Ages 16+
Duncanville Community Center
Aerobics Room
Mon/Wed: Muscles 'n' Motion 5:45p-6:30p
Mon/Wed: Step 'n' Motion 6:30p-7:30p
Mon/Wed: Yoga Fit 7:45p-8:45p
Sat.: Yoga-On-The-Ball 9:15a-10:15a
Sat.: Cardio-Challenge-Mix 10:30-12:00p
SENIOR CENTER
Classes at Sr. Center will start in January, 2005.

Tues/Thurs: Intro-Yoga-Fit 5:45p-6:45p

Tues/Thurs: Cardio-Quick 7:00p-7:45p

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

For beginners, regular exercisers; 16+

Cost: \$7.00 walk-in; \$20/4 classes; \$30/8 classes; \$70/3-month unlimited classes;
Cardio/toning classes: Bring exercise mat/hand/ankle weights/towel/aerobic shoes/socks
Yoga classes: Bring Yoga sticky mat, small blanket, towel & no shoes.

Classes are geared for most fitness levels....

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

Email: fit_in_duncanville@yahoo.com

FITNESS TRAINING CLASS FOR WOMEN

Course: "Studio 7 Muscle Building and Fat Burning" The class will focus on weight loss through resistance exercises that builds muscle strength, burn fat, and more. Class meets: Tuesday & Thursday from 6:30p-7:30p
Recreation Center - Teen Activity Room
Register at the Center Front Desk
Fee: \$16/weekly
Instructor: Jean Bush
Attire: Comfortable clothes and tennis shoes. Bring a towel and 2 weights 2, 3, or 5 pounds.
For more information call Jean at 972/230-2352

JAZZERCISE

Aerobics, Tone, Stretch
Mon/Wed/Thu Jazzercise Lite 8:45-9:45 a.m.
Mon & Wed Jazzercise Step 6:30-7:30 p.m.
Tue & Thu Jazzercise 6:20-7:05 p.m.
Sat Jazzercise 9:15a.-10:15 a.m.
Mon/Wed/Thu a.m.: Aerobics Room
Mon pm/Wed pm/Sat am in West Gym
Tue/Thu in Aerobics Room
All classes emphasize low impact, high energy moves. Tuesdays and Thursdays classes are great for beginners. On Mon/Wed/Sat we strengthen and tone our muscles. Bring your weights and mat. Tube, step and stability ball provided.
Newcomer's 35th anniversary Special: 5 weeks at \$35 \$8 walk-in.
Certified instructor: Sheilla (SHAYla)
Instructor Phone: 972-709-6441
Need More Info? Go to www.jazzforhealth.com

DEFENSIVE DRIVING

Got a ticket? Or just want a discount on your auto insurance. Class is sponsored & certified by the National Safety Council.
December 18 from 9am-3:30 pm
Registration Deadline: Thursday, December 16 @ 9:00 PM
(Must have 6 registered by deadline to have class)

Duncanville Community Center
201 James Collins
Cost: \$25

Instructor: Doug Rorie

CROP 'TIL YOU DROP

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.

Saturday December 4 from 5:00pm-11pm

Cost: \$10.00

Hopkins Senior Center

Instructor: Kim Spurlock

DRUG & ALCOHOL DRIVING AWARENESS PROGRAM

Approved for 5% Insurance Discount for Texas drivers 18 and up. Court Approved referrals from Municipal and JP Courts will be honored.

Program Targets: Youthful Drivers & Zero Tolerance Laws & more

Class meets Saturdays - 10am - 4pm in the Recreation Center - Conference Room. Each class session is for 6 hours. Senior

Insurance Discount Class Fee: \$35/class. Insurance Discount Class

Fee: \$40/class. Court Ordered

Class Fee: \$60/class

Instructor: Kathryn Thompson

Register at Recreation Center - Front Desk. For additional

information call 972/572-8262.

DUNCANVILLE YOUTH SPORTS ASSOCIATIONS

Duncanville Girls Softball Association- 214-728-2465

www.eteamz.com/duncanvillegirlssoftball

email contact: dgsa_fastpitch@hotmail.com

Duncanville Youth Soccer Association- 972-709-9007 or

www.eteamz.com/duncanvillesoccer

email contact: dsakicks@swbell.net

Duncanville Boys Baseball, Inc. 972-738-9322 or www.dbbi.net

Email Contact: president@dbbi.net

Duncanville Youth Basketball Association 972-738-9008 or

www.eteamz.com/dyba

Winter/Holiday Safety

The winter holidays are a time for celebration, and that means more cooking, home decorating, entertaining, and an increased risk of fire due to heating equipment.

From the National Fire Prevention Association

Facts & figures

- In 1999, there were 370 Christmas tree fires in U.S. homes, resulting in 5 deaths, 60 injuries and \$15.7 million in direct property damage.
- During 1999, candles in U.S. homes caused an estimated 15,040 fires, 102 civilian deaths, 1,473 civilian injuries and \$278 million in direct property damage.
- Fourteen percent of the candle fires occurred in December, this is almost twice the 8% monthly average.
- In 11% of the December candle fires, the fires began when a decoration caught fire. This was true in only 2% of the fires during the rest of the year.

Source: NFPA's One-Stop Data Shop

Safety tips:

Holiday decorating & lighting

- Use caution with holiday decorations and whenever possible, choose those made with flame-resistant, flame-retardant or non-combustible materials.
- Keep candles away from decorations and other combustible materials, and do not use candles to decorate Christmas trees.
- Purchase only lights and electrical decorations bearing the name of an independent testing lab, and follow the manufacturer's instructions for installation and maintenance.
- Carefully inspect new and previously used light strings and replace damaged items before plugging lights in. Do not overload extension cords.
- Always unplug lights before replacing light bulbs or fuses.
- Don't mount lights in any way that can damage the cord's wire insulation (i.e., using clips, not nails).
- Keep children and pets away from light strings and electrical decorations.
- Turn off all light strings and decorations before leaving the house or going to bed.

Holiday entertaining

- Unattended cooking is the leading cause of home fires in the U.S. When cooking for holiday visitors, remember to keep an eye on the range.
- Provide plenty of large, deep ashtrays and check them frequently. Cigarette butts can smolder in the trash and cause a fire, so completely douse cigarette butts with water before discarding.
- After a party, always check on, between and under upholstery and cushions and inside trash cans for cigarette butts that may be smoldering.
- Keep matches and lighters up high, out of sight and reach of children (preferably in a locked cabinet). When smokers visit your home, ask them to keep their smoking materials with them so young children do not touch them.
- Test your smoke alarms, and let guests know what your fire escape plan is.

DUNCANVILLE LIBRARY

2004 Fall Programming

NURSERY RHYME TIME

Head to Toe. Every Monday, 10:15-10:45AM

Dec. 6, 13

HOME SCHOOL VIDEOS

Space Science in Action/Weather. Every Tuesday, 2:00-2:23PM

Dec. 7, 14

STORYTIME

The Olympics! Every Thursday, except Thanksgiving, 10:15-10:45AM

Dec. 2, 9, 16

SPANISH STORYTIME

Every-First-Thursday-of-the-month, 2:00-2:30PM

Dec. 2

TOURS AND PROGRAMS FOR GROUPS. Week Days, 12:30-1:30PM

Thru Dec.17, (*By appointment only 972-780-5044*)

And Every Friday, 10:00-10:30AM

Dec. 3, 10, 17

DAD'S NIGHT OUT WITH THE FAMILY! . *Entertainment provided by Friends of the Library*

Every-first-Tuesday-of-the-month, 7:00-7:45PM

Dec. 7 – Nutcracker in a Nutshell



Duncanville Public Library Hosts *The Human Rights Video Series*

Duncanville Public Library will host 6 free film viewings, as part of "The Human Rights Video Project." The library is one of 50 libraries nationwide selected to participate in the program organized by National Video Resources in partnership with the American Library Association (ALA). The project is supported by a major grant from the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation and the Ford Foundation, and locally by Duncanville High School and the American Legion 5th District Dallas, Texas.

"The Human Rights Video Project" aims to increase the public's understanding of the meaning of human rights on an international as well as domestic level.

Additional films will be presented on the second Tuesday of the month at the library throughout the school year. Listings of other titles in this series with their show dates and running times can be found on the "About Us" page of the Library's website. Go to www.youseemore.com/duncanville. Click on the tab "About Us." Scroll down to Library Programming. Click on "Human Rights Video Project."

"We are delighted to have been chosen as one of the libraries for this unique program focusing on one of the most important topics facing world citizens today," said Urla Morgan. "This program allows students and community members to use in-depth information from documentaries to explore the human rights issues. A public library is the perfect backdrop for this discussion because we can offer a full selection of resources for further study of any of these topics."

December 14 Going to School: Disability Rights (running time - 64 minutes)

January 11 State of Denial: Aids in Africa (running time - 83 minutes)

February 15 Behind the Labels: Globalization & Labor Rights (running time - 46 minutes)

March 8 Life and Debt: Globalization & IMF (running time 86-minutes)

April 12 Long Night's Journey into Day: South Africa Post Apartheid (running time - 95 minutes)

May 12 Promises: Israel/Palestine (running time - 102 minutes)

All programs are free and open to the public.

For more information call Youth Services Librarian Urla Morgan at 972-780-5044.



Don't forget about the parade and tree lighting on Friday, December 3rd, 2004 at 7:00 PM.

December 2004

December 1 - Teen Court.

5:00 p.m. at City Hall

December 3 - Mayor's Open

Line. 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. at City Hall. 203 E. Wheatland Rd.

December 3 - Christmas

Parade and Tree Lighting

Ceremony. 7:00 p.m.

December 7 - Duncanville City

Council Meeting. 7:00 p.m. at City Hall. 203 E. Wheatland Rd.

December 13 - Planning &

Zoning Commission. 7:00 p.m.

at City Hall. 203 E. Wheatland Rd.

December 13 - DISD Board

Meeting. 7:00 p.m. at DISD

Technology Center

December 20 - 31 - DISD

Winter break. No classes

December 24 - Christmas

Holiday. City offices closed

December 27 - Planning &

Zoning Commission. 7:00 p.m.

at City Hall. 203 E. Wheatland Rd.

**HAPPY
HOLIDAYS!**

Keep Duncanville Beautiful

presents

Rudi the Recycling Reindeer



Help Rudi the Recycling Reindeer collect gently-used toys this holiday season.

How YOU can help: Donate a gently-used toy.

When: November 12th – December 3rd.

Where: Place in Rudi's collection boxes at all Duncanville I.S.D. elementary and intermediate school campuses.

