



CHOCTAW CITY NEWS

“Celebrating the Past, Enjoying the Present, and Planning for the Future” **March 2022**

Contact Numbers

City Hall	405-390-8198
Public Works	405-390-1121
Code Enforcement	405-281-6869
Court Clerk	405-390-3333
Permits/Licenses	405-390-2999
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

Waste Connections picks up recycling every other week. Recycling pick-up will occur in the weeks of: **Feb. 28th, Mar. 14th & 28th.**



Bulk Trash Pickup Schedule

Bulk trash is picked up monthly *based on your regular trash day*. Find your regular trash day to see when your monthly Bulk Pick-Up occurs:

Monday=1st Thursday of the month

Tuesday=2nd Thursday

Wednesday=3rd Thursday

Thursday/Friday=4th Thursday

For more information about what can and cannot be put on the curb for bulk pickups, please see our webpage: <https://mychoctaw.org/308/Monthly-Bulk-Waste-Pickup-Service>.



Family 3D Archery Shoot

Don't miss this event at Ten Acre Lake on **Mar. 5th**. Starting at **9:00am** beginners can come enjoy an introductory archery class. For experienced archers, a 20-target course and a novelty shot competition will be set up with 3D targets. The divisions for the competition will be: Open, Unlimited, Traditional, Bow hunter, Women's, Kids, and Pee Wee. To enter the competition the cost is \$10 and \$5 for the Novelty shot. Equipment will be available for beginners and you are welcome to bring your own. For more info call Parks & Rec Director Tyler Kilmer, at 405-390-8198. See you there!



Spring Break Camps

Journey with us into the worlds of science with the Mad Science camp to be held during Spring Break. Visit our webpage for all the info and how to register: mychoctaw.org/318/Spring-Break-Youth-Camps.



Recycle the Rain Event

A rain barrel promotes conservation and saves you money on water bills by harvesting rain water for your garden. You could use the collected water to wash your car, rinse off muddy boots or wash those house windows! Collecting the rain reduces stormwater pollution and is better for your plants! For online orders and additional information, visit: www.upcycle-products.com. Pick-up event is **Apr. 29th & 30th** in Midwest City. See our website for more information.



Senior Center

The Choctaw Senior Center is located at 14653 Dean Street. The Senior Center is not open at this time. Members are receiving curbside meals by reservation only. Reservations must be made at least a day in advance, before noon. For more information contact Lorna Harper at 405-390-8040 or see the City webpage at mychoctaw.org/255/Choctaw-Senior-Citizens-Center. A helpful resource if you are moving or downsizing and thinking about storage options can be found by visiting: www.storageunits.com/senior-storage/.



Choctaw Library

The Choctaw branch of the Metropolitan Library System is located at 2525 Muzzy Street. All Metro Library locations are in the "Sit & Stay" stage. Masks are required for all staff and strongly recommended for customers. You may still pick up using curbside service beginning at *1pm* daily. Many programs are available online in addition to pre-made kits.

Stay Active & Independent for Life (SAIL), Mondays & Wednesdays, 10:00am - 11:00am, Jan. 10th - May 4th, Seniors; SAIL is designed to increase muscle strength, range of movement, and improve activities for daily living. A chair is used for seated exercises and standing support and can be modified depending on fitness levels. This class meets on Zoom. Join the library and instructors from UCO's Center for Active Living & Learning for fun & fitness! Participants should have a chair, level surface, and an area free of tripping hazards to participate. Optional equipment: hand weights, water bottle, towel. Registration required to receive Zoom link.

Visit us online at www.mychoctaw.org for even more information.

Board / Commission Meeting Dates

(All meetings @ City Hall unless otherwise noted;
NOTE: some meeting times have changed)

City Council, followed by Choctaw Utilities
Authority: **Mar. 1st & 15th, 7 PM**

Planning Commission: **Mar. 3rd, 6 PM**

Public Recreation Advisory Board:
Mar. 8th, 7 PM

Board of Adjustments (as needed):
Mar. 28th, 6 PM

4:30 PM

Choctaw Economic Development Authority
Mar. 30th

Tai Chi, Mondays, **Feb. 7th-Mar. 21st**,
1130am-12:30pm, Adults; Let's get
stronger together! Evidence suggests
Tai Chi is an effective means of im-
proving balance, strengthening mus-
cles, and building confidence to pre-
vent falls. Tai Chi is a low-impact,
dance-like exercise that can be per-
formed almost anywhere. Registra-
tion required, limited seating. Please
watch your email for updates to
change-of-venue or cancellation.

Page Turners, **Mar. 6th**, *2:00-3:00pm*,
Adults; Do you love to read and dis-
cuss books, but prefer to choose your
own titles to read? Then our club is
for you! Each month we will select a
different genre, such as mystery, ro-
mance, science fiction, and then you
choose your own title from that genre.
We won't all be reading the same
thing, so it's a great way to learn
about new books and hear what other
readers liked. Please call the library
for information on our month's read-
ing selection. This is a recurring
event and takes place on the first Sun-
day of each month. March genre:
Non-fiction. Registration required,
space limited.

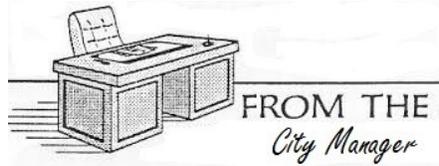
Novels at Night, **Mar. 24th**, *6:30-
7:30pm*, Adults; Calling all readers!
Looking to meet new people and dis-
cover entertaining reads from the
comfort of your couch? Then look no
further and join us for a virtual book
club. This month we are reading
Station Eleven by Emily St. John Man-
de. Registration required to receive
Zoom link.



Get Connected. Get Answers.

Resources

Need help with healthcare, housing,
food, clothing, or utility assistance?
Call 211. It's a 24-hour resource to
provide referrals to community-based
services for everyday needs or in
times of crisis or disaster. Talk to
someone who cares and knows where
to go for help - Call 2-1-1.



City Manager's Corner

There are many exciting events to be
involved with in the City of Choctaw
whether you are a resident or a busi-
ness owner. The City is hosting a
Family 3D Archery Day event at Ten
Acre Lake on **March 5th** starting at
9:00am. We are calling all levels of
experience to come out and have fun!
There will be teachers on site and we
will have equipment available or you
can bring your own. This is the first
event of the year and we are looking
forward to having a great turnout!
Each month we will be highlighting
events to get you out into our commu-
nity and enjoy our facilities.

As we are ramping up 2022, the City
will be striving to provide more activi-
ties to get our residents into the swing
of enjoying the community. In addi-
tion to the many upcoming events fea-
tured on our website, we are always
open to ideas for additional events.
This is "our" community, and we want
community input moving forward. If
you have questions, please do not hesi-
tate to reach out to our Parks & Rec-
reation Department at 405-390-8198.
Lastly, I'd like to leave you with a
quote. "Ego focuses on one's own
survival, pleasure, and enhancement to
the exclusion of others; ego is selfishly
ambitious. It sees relationships in

terms of threat or no threat, like the
children who classify all people as
"nice" or "mean." Conscience, on the
other hand, both democratizes and ele-
vates ego to a large sense of group, the
whole, the community, and the greater
good. It sees life in terms of service
and contribution, in terms of others'
security and fulfillment." —Robert K.
Greenleaf

In the Spirit of Excellence!

—Ronnie J. Guest Jr.

HELLO SPRING!



From the World Health Organization:

- FEET—Stay more than 6 feet apart
- HANDS—Wash them often
- AVOID---Crowded, enclosed areas
- MASK---Wear a mask where recommended
- FEEL sick?—Stay home

OCCHD (Oklahoma City-County Health Department) phone bank hotline, 405-425-4489, currently staffed **M-F, 8:00 am to 4:30 pm**. Outside of those hours, please call the state hotline, which is operational **24 hours a day**:

COVID-19
CALL CENTER
(877) 215-8336



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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.mychoctaw.org

Check it out and subscribe!