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Upcoming Events

July 28 - August 10 - Scholastic Book Fair at the Library
 August 5 - Summer Reading Program Closing Ceremony
 August 10 - Regular City Commission Meeting
 August 13 - Free Swim Day at the Rec Center
 August 18 - Alamogordo Disability Council
 August 24 - Regular City Commission Meeting
 August 27 - 4th Friday Event at the Zoo
 See our events calendar on our website at:
<http://ci.alamogordo.nm.us>

CITY PROFILE

Meals on Wheels Needs Your Help

Meals on Wheels is available to our senior community, 60 years of age or older, living in the local area that are in need of a hot, nutritious meal during their “homebound” status. A senior must be 60 & “homebound” in order to receive the meal... meaning that they are incapable of attending the congregate setting in our dining room due to any physical or mental disabilities. These disabilities may be long term or even short term due to an unfortunate setback in your lives (surgery, hospitalization due to an illness, etc). A breakfast is also available for those in need. The suggested

donation for the breakfast is \$1.25 & \$2.50 for lunch.

Volunteers are also needed to deliver these meals to our senior community. If you are interested in providing a valuable service to those in need which only requires about an hour of your time, one day a week then this is the volunteer opportunity for you. Volunteers report to the senior center on a daily basis at 10:30 a.m. The packing is already done for you. All you have to do is take your containers with you and deliver to those clients on your route. Mileage reimbursement is also

available for those interested.

If you are in need of a meal, considering the eligibility requirements, or would like to become a volunteer, please contact the Meals on Wheels Program here at the Alamo Senior Center @ 439-4150, ask for Meals on Wheels and we will be happy to assist!



Get Involved with the City

The City of Alamogordo currently has ten active Boards and Committees which are all comprised of volunteer members from our community. Each Board and Committee acts in an advisory capacity to the City Commission; and the input received from each of them can be very essential to decisions made by the City

Commission. We currently have vacancies for each of the following: Airport Zoning Board, Alamogordo Disability Council, Alamogordo Promotion Board, Community Development Advisory Committee, Parks and Recreation Board, and Senior Volunteer Programs Advisory Council. If you think you might be inter-

ested in voluntary service to any of these Boards or Committees, please call the City Clerk's office at 439-4205 for further information.



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Become a Foster Grandparent

For 45 years, Foster Grandparents have been helping young people increase their self-confidence and achieve personal independence so that they can learn to overcome their problems and become productive members of society.

Our Foster Grandparents work with children who have physical, mental and emotional disabilities, illiteracy, learning and developmental disabilities, abuse and neglect. They do this through tutoring, motivating, socializing and talking, mentoring listening, counseling, serving as role models, reading aloud, and much, much more!

You can find most of our Foster Grandparents volunteering at many of the area elementary schools and HELP HeadStart. The teachers, principals and administrators love our Foster

Grandparents because they help the classrooms and schools so much. Many times, a teacher must spend much of the time working with a learning challenged student which takes away class time from other students. Foster Grandparents alleviate much of this time by working one on one with the student(s). This helps the teacher tremendously!

We will be honoring our Foster Grandparents with a special tea in September. It will be held on Friday, September 10th. This is National Foster Grandparents Day. This special tea is called Red Rose Tea Day. It is to celebrate a national day of recognition for our Foster Grandparents. Traditionally, a Red Rose tea bag is used. The red rose is a symbol of the love and nurturing our Foster Grandparents give so willingly to our chil-

dren who have special and/or exceptional needs. It also represents the roses we would love to give each and every one of our Foster Grandparents to recognize the wonderful work they do with our children!

In order to become a Foster Grandparent, you must meet the following criteria:

- Must love children,
- Be 55 or older,
- Meet income eligibility requirements
- Be willing to serve at least 20 hours a week.

For more information call Foster Grandparent Coordinator, Monica Steeby at 439-4154 or msteeby@ci.alamogordo.nm.us.

August Events at the Public Library

This August, two Automotive 'How To' classes are scheduled. These programs will teach you how to change a flat tire, check hoses and belts, change the oil, change the air filter, and check the fluid level in a radiator. They are sponsored by The Mustang Club. If you are interested in attending, call or come by the refer-

ence desk (439-4148) to sign up as space is limited. These classes are ideal for single ladies and teenagers.



The Alamogordo Public Library will be hosting a Scholastic Book Fair July 28 to August 10, 9AM-6PM, in the Library Multipurpose Room.

The Library will receive an in-kind donation based on the number of books sold. Books, software, posters, and other items for all ages will be available.



Pull Your Weeds!

During the month of June 2010, Code Enforcement investigated 598 violations based on 408 complaints called in by citizens and calls initiated by Code Enforcement Officers. The majority of the violations came into compliance within 15 days, however 9 criminal charges/water violation penalties were issued and 12 properties abated for the violations that did not come into compliance. There are currently 286 cases open pending re-inspection or enforcement/abatement actions.

In June, the five largest sources of violations were weeds with 245 violations, overfilled dumpsters with 96 violations, growth or blockages on sidewalks with 68 violations, outdoor storage/automotive storage with 51 viola-

tions and trash/garbage with 49 violations. This is the time of year that weeds make up the largest source of the violations that we encounter.

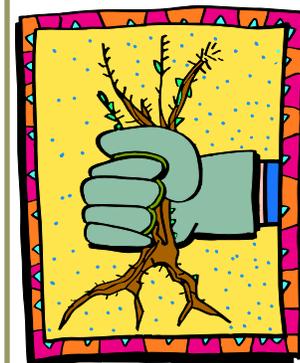
Our weed ordinance prohibits the growth of weeds in excess of 6 inches in height and requires that residents maintain their property as well as the sidewalk along their property line and to the middle of the alley next to their property, free of these weeds. Compliance with this ordinance helps to make Alamogordo a safer and more attractive place to live in.

Code Enforcement can also be reached in person at 619 Texas, by phone at 439-4375, or e-mail at jbaker@ci.alamogordo.nm.us

Additional information on the ordinances that are enforced by the code enforcement division and a link to properties that have citations/ summons or abatement action pending can be accessed at

<http://ci.alamogordo.nm.us/coa/>
[Department of Public Safety/Code enforcement Revision.htm](#)

The Code Enforcement Division of the Department of Public Safety is located at Fire Station #1, 619 Texas with office hours of 8:00-5:00 Monday through Friday.



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Exciting Events at the Recreation Center

Pee Wee Soccer is open to boys and girls who are looking for a non-competitive activity. The program will stress soccer fundamentals with the emphasis on FUN and participation.

Registration July 28, 2010 at am UNTIL FULL Fee: \$35.25 (includes T-shirt) Practice: August 30, 2010

After School Frenzy

The Alamogordo Family Recreation Center offers an after school program for children grades kinder through fifth grade. The program is available after school, on half days and no school days. Children may walk or ride a van

to the Recreation Center. Children need to be picked up by 6pm. Children will participate in various educational and recreational activities such as: outdoor games, sports, fitness and exercise, nature hikes, movies, swimming, talent shows and dances. There are also some short, in town field trips. Lets make this program fun and exciting and educational for your child. We look forward to making this year of "After School FRENZY" the best yet!

Registration: August 4, 2010
Program available August 16, 2010-May 27, 2011

Van Rider \$34.50 per week*

Walker \$30.75 per week*

*additional fees charged when children are out of school half days or full days

Forth Friday Event at the Zoo!!

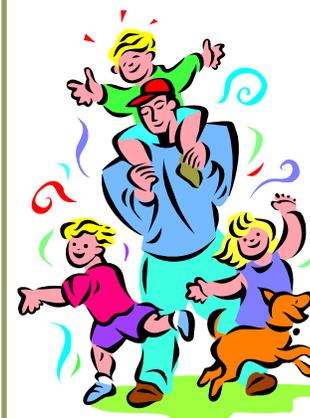
Musical Performance by Slippery Jack

August 27, 2010

\$1 admin fee

5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

FREE SWIM DAY at the Alamogordo Family Recreation Center August 13, 2010. 1pm-5pm public swim!!!



Current Outdoor Watering Schedule

Odd numbered addresses (street number ends in 1,3,5,7,9)
may only water on: SUNDAYS, WEDNESDAYS, & FRIDAYS

Even numbered addresses (street number ends in 0,2,4,6,8)
may only water on: TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS & SATURDAYS

Reminder: All outdoor watering must take place BEFORE 9 am and AFTER 6pm. This saves water by preventing excessive evaporation.

WATERING IS NOT PERMITTED ON MONDAYS.

Wasting water, such as allowing it to flow down a street or alley, is prohibited.
Please remember to keep covers on your swimming pools, watch for leaks on your swamp coolers, and check your sprinklers for proper aim.



Airport Appreciation

Special Thanks to Jeff Rabon and Mesa Verde, Inc. They cleared an extra 300 feet of clear-zone at the end of runway 3 at no charge.



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Coming Soon

Watch for information regarding the Community Wide Clean-Up on Saturday, October 2, 2010. More information to follow in next month's newsletter.

This newsletter is a publication of the City of Alamogordo and is provided as a community service to City residents.

Comments or suggestions may be sent to:

1376 E. 9th St. Alamogordo, NM 88310, Attention: City Profile

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