



Piedmont Community News & Events



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August 2015

Miss Piedmont Scholarship Pageant

August 2, 2015, at 6:00 p.m.

Piedmont Intermediate School
977 Washington Ave NW
924-0599

Admission \$15

Machine Embroidery Group

There is a new group at the library for those who do machine embroidery or are interested in learning more about it. The first meeting is Tuesday, August 4, at noon. Take your embroidery machine, if you have one. For more information, call the library at 373-9018.

Blake Bolerjack Concert

August 9, 2015, at 6:00 pm

Piedmont Church of the Nazarene
2011 Piedmont Rd N
373-2308

Chamber of Commerce Luncheon

Eric Anderson and Dr. Paul Francel will be the guest speakers at the Chamber luncheon on Thursday, August 6, at noon at city hall. They will be speaking about the Piedmont Park Project.

The meeting is free and open to the public, and an optional lunch is available for \$5. For more information, contact Lisa at 373-2234.

Piedmont Farmers Market Poker Run

Between August 4th and 7th, everyone wanting to participate in the poker run needs to personally visit the F&M Bank in Piedmont and Piedmont Pharmacy. The other five sponsors - Metro First Realty, AllStar Screen Printing, Norwex, Kid Co Theatre, and Urban Bee & Soap Co. - must be contacted by Facebook, text or email and they will reply with a photo of a card. Their contact information will be posted no later than August 4th on the Piedmont Farmers Market Facebook page.

On Saturday, August 8, at 10:30 a.m., participants need to take their 5 best cards to the farmers market at the Service Center, 415 N Piedmont Rd for the basket giveaway for best hand.

Czech Delights will serve breakfast at 8:30 a.m., and Daddy Brad's Meat Shack and Czech Delights will serve lunch from 11:00 to 1:00 p.m.

The farmers market is held on Saturdays from 8:00 to 11:00 a.m. at the Piedmont Service Center. For more information about the farmers market or the poker run, contact Mike Best at 919-6406 or mike-best@att.net.

Piedmont Gardening Club

Don't miss the meeting on Saturday, August 15, at 9:00 a.m. if you are looking forward to cooler temperatures and fall gardening. Novices and pros of all ages are welcome to attend.

For more information, call Michelle at the library at 373-9018.



How You Can Support the Piedmont Park Project in August

Outdoor Movie Night

August 28
400 Edmond Rd NW
(just west of the police station)

7:00 pm -

- * hamburgers & hot dogs
- * popcorn & concessions
- * inflatables & activities
- * photo booth
- * live music
- * and more!

at dusk -

- * movie: *Hotel Transylvania*
(bring lawn chairs & blankets)

suggested donation -

\$4 per person or \$20 per family

Note: due to limited parking, please walk or carpool to this event.

Tile Creation Workshops

You, your child, or your family can make a tile for the new park by participating in one of the following workshops:

- * Saturday, August 8, 9:00-1:00 p.m., at the Farmers Market held at the Piedmont Service Center, 415 Piedmont Rd N.
- * Thursday, August 13, 5:00-7:00 p.m., at Piedmont Middle School, 823 NW 2nd St.
- * Monday, August 17, 5:00-7:30 p.m., in front of Simpson Hall during the Meet the Teacher Night at Piedmont Elementary, 1011 Piedmont Rd N.

The cost is a \$30 donation per tile.

Freddy's Frozen Custard & Steakburgers

Eat at Freddy's, located at 7010 W. Hefner, OKC, on Friday, August 14, between 10:30 a.m. and 11:00 p.m. and Freddy's will donate 15% of the cost of your purchase (excluding sales tax) to the Piedmont Park Project.

You must print the coupon and take it with you so that it can be attached to your Freddy's receipt.

PIEDMONT PARK PROJECT



Valid on: 8/14/15

Must be attached to a valid Freddy's receipt to be honored. Donation amounts to 15% of the guest check sub-total.

Shakespeare in the Park

The performance of *Macbeth* will be the second weekend in October.

An audition workshop will be held at the library on August 22 from 10:00-noon for students in K-2nd grade, and from 12:00-2:00 p.m. for students in 3rd-6th grade. The suggested donation is \$5 or pay what you can. Preregistration is required.

Auditions are free and will be held at city hall on August 25 & 26 from 4:00-6:00 p.m. for students 15 and younger, and from 7:00-9:00 p.m. for those 16 and older. Both age groups can choose either day to audition.

For more information, or to preregister for the workshop, call Lia at 563-5437.

Historical Society's Annual Quilt Raffle

The pattern on the king size quilt is called "Lover's Knot." Tickets are just \$1 each or six for \$5, and they can be purchased at the museum any Saturday from 10-2 p.m. The drawing will be held on Founder's Day, September 12, 2015. For more information, call Evelyn at 373-2905.



Black Bears in Oklahoma

Although black bears have primarily been in southeastern and east-central Oklahoma, their range has been slowly expanding westward. In recent years, they have been seen in Broken Arrow, Tahlequah, Muskogee, Wewoka and Ada. If you are hiking, camping, or participating in other outdoor activities in the eastern half of the state, it is increasingly likely that you might encounter a female bear with cubs in tow foraging for food such as nuts, berries, grasses, insects, eggs, honey, small mammals and carrion. If you are camping, it is important to always make sure garbage is contained because bears are opportunists and can be attracted by easily accessible food sources such as unsecured garbage.

Black bears in Oklahoma are generally 2 to 3 feet tall at the shoulder, and weigh between 150 and 400 pounds. Their color can vary from black to chocolate brown to pale cinnamon. They are a regulated big game animal in Oklahoma and it is illegal to kill a bear outside of the established bear hunting seasons.

Anyone who sees a bear should remain calm. Bears are normally not aggressive toward people, and they are not active predators. Black bear attacks are very rare. However, they are wild animals and, therefore, can be unpredictable. Here are some suggestions on what to do if you see a bear.

At a Distance

- Remain calm. Bears are usually more scared of people than people are of them.
- Simply leave the area and allow the bear to move along on its own. When it discovers there are people nearby, chances are the bear will run away.

At Close Range

- Stand and face the bear, but do not approach it.
- Pick up children and restrain pets so they do not provoke the bear.
- Do not turn and run from a bear, as this might elicit a chase response. Bears can run faster than people.
- Do not try to climb a tree; bears are excellent climbers.
- Make yourself look as large as possible by spreading your arms or opening a coat toward the bear.
- Bears might stand on hind legs when curious; usually the bear is only trying to get a better view or a better smell, not preparing to attack.
- Try to retreat slowly. Do not block a bear's escape route.
- If a slow retreat is problematic, try scaring the bear away by making loud noises such as yelling, screaming, or banging pots and pans.
- If the odds are against you and a black bear charges to attack, do not play dead. Aggressively fight back against the bear.

According to The American Bear Association, a person is 160,000 times more likely to be killed in an auto accident than to be fatally attacked by a bear.

Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation



Perseid Meteor Shower

The annual Perseid meteor shower will be best after midnight and into the wee hours before dawn on August 11, 12, 13, and 14. The sky will be darker this year due to a waning crescent moon. Plan to give yourself at least an hour of watching time because it can take as long as 20 minutes for your eyes to adapt to the darkness of night, and the meteors tend to come in spurts and lulls. If you're looking for one of the best places in Oklahoma to watch the meteor shower, head to Black Mesa in the panhandle.

August Community Calendar

Where friends meet!

- 1, 8, 15, 22, 29** (8:00-11:00 am) - Farmers Market at the Service Center; on the 8th: Czech Delights breakfast at 8:30, poker run best hand basket giveaway at 10:30, Daddy Brad's and Czech Delights lunch from 11:00-1:00, 919-6406
- 1** (9:00-11:00 am) - Recycling at 115 Piedmont Rd N, 373-2905
- 1, 8, 15, 22, 29** (10:00-2:00 pm) - Historical Society Museum is open, free, 373-2905
- 2** (6:00 pm) - Miss Piedmont Scholarship Pageant at Piedmont Intermediate School, admission is \$15, 924-0599
- 4** (noon) - Machine Embroidery Group for adults, bring your machine if you have one, at the library, free, 373-9018
- 5, 19, 26** (10:00-noon) - Library Quilters for anyone interested in quilting, at the library, free, 919-0870
- 5, 12, 19, 26** (noon) - Senior Adults lunch and fellowship at the Methodist church, \$3, for reservations call 373-2905
- 5, 19** (4:00-5:00 pm) - Super Cool Cooking School at the library, for all ages, free, 373-9018
- 6** (noon) - Chamber of Commerce luncheon at city hall, Dr. Paul Francel and Eric Anderson will speak on the Piedmont Park Project, meeting is free, optional lunch is \$5, 373-2234
- 7, 14, 21, 28** (10:00 am) - Mother Goose on the Loose for ages birth to 3, at the library, free, 373-9018
- 8, 13, 17** (9-1 pm at farmers market on 8th; 5-7 pm at middle school on 13th; 5-7:30 pm at Piedmont elementary on 17th) - Tile Creation Workshops for the Piedmont Park Project, \$30 per tile, 550-2912
- 9** (6:00 pm) - Blake Bolerjack Concert at the Nazarene church, free, 373-2308
- 12** (10:00 am) - Preschool Music and Movement for ages 2 & up, at the library, free, 373-9018
- 13** (6:30-8:00 pm) - Writer's Group, no experience necessary, for all ages, at the library, free, 373-9018
- 15** (9:00 am) - Gardening Group at the library, topic is fall gardening, for all ages, free, 373-9018
- 20** (noon) - Readers Who Lunch book club at library, book is *First Frost* by Sarah Allen, free, bring your lunch, 373-9018
- 21** (6:00-9:00 pm) - Stampin' Up Card Class at city hall, \$12, bring adhesive, RSVP 535-8849
- 22** (10:00-noon for K-2nd, 12:00-2:00 for 3rd-6th) - Audition Workshops for Shakespeare in the Park, at the library, suggested donation of \$5 or pay what you can, preregistration required, 563-5437
- 25, 26** (4:00-6:00 pm for 15 and younger, 7:00-9:00 pm for 16 and older) - Auditions for Shakespeare in the Park, both age groups can chose either day to audition, at city hall, free, 563-5437
- 25** (6:30-8:00 pm) - LEGO night at the library, free, 373-9018
- 27** (6:30 pm) - Ladies' Night Paint 'n Palette at the library, cost is \$5 or a bring a snack to share, call 373-9018 for reservations
- 28** (7:00 pm food & activities; movie at dusk) - Outdoor Movie Night, *Hotel Transylvania*, west of police station, \$4 / person or \$20 / family, 550-2912

An expanded version of the calendar is online at piedmont-ok.com
A Piedmont map of community events is online at piedmont-ok.com/map.pdf