



Christmas Yard Judging Contest

**THE EVENING OF
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17**

Judges will make their rounds to the Webster neighborhoods on the evening of Thursday, December 17, for the Christmas Yard Judging Contest. A first, second, third, and honorable mention will be chosen

for both the east and west side of Highway 3. Yards are judged based on color creativity, beauty, and the variety of decorations used. The winners will be featured on Facebook on Friday, December 18, and will be in the January newsletter. Good luck!

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Donna Rogers
Mayor

Jennifer Heidt
Council Member Position 1

Andrea Wilson
Council Member Position 2

Larry Tosto
Council Member Position 3

Beverly Gaines
Council Member Position 4

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Council Member Position 5

Martin Graves
Mayor Pro Tem
Council Member Position 6

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CITY OF WEBSTER, TEXAS GOVERNMENT

CITY COUNCIL ELECTION RESULTS

Council Member Martin "Marty" Graves re-elected



On Election Day, Tuesday, November 3, Webster residents voted for Council Position 6. The election resulted in Council Member Martin "Marty" Graves being re-elected to his position. During the November 17 City Council meeting, City Council also elected Council Member Graves to be Mayor Pro-Tem.

A resolution was then approved for a Special Municipal Election to be held on Tuesday, January 19, 2021, to elect a Mayor. The election will take place at Webster City Hall, 101 Pennsylvania Ave. The deadline to apply for a place on the ballot is Thursday, December 10.

Contact the City Secretary's office at 281.332.1826 for more information.



Mayor Donna Rogers swears in Council Member Graves during the November 17 meeting.

HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS

City offices will close at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, December 23. Offices will remain closed on Thursday, December 24 and Friday, December 25. Offices will reopen on Monday, December 28.



SPACE CENTER HOUSTON GALAXY LIGHTS

Webster Mayor Donna Rogers, Council Member Beverly Gaines, and City staff had the opportunity to tour the Space Center Houston Galaxy Lights in November. This is an interactive and technologically advanced light display right outside our City!

According to Space Center Houston, there are two kinetic light shows, including a new show, where dozens of suspended lights move in precise choreographed sequences to music in the main plaza.

During your visit, you can also watch the original film "Holidays in Space," which includes real footage of astronauts celebrating the holidays and interviews with retired astronauts about what it was like celebrating in space.

Take a stroll through a 200- foot LED light tunnel made of more than 250,000 lights synchronized to festive holiday music, explore the solar system through massive models of each planet along the path, and more!

Grab dinner in Webster, and head over to the Space Center Houston Galaxy Lights this holiday season!

VISIT THE Frosty Bench AT CITY HALL!

Next time you stop by Webster City Hall, get a picture on the Frosty Bench!

The bench will be outside City Hall, 101 Pennsylvania Ave., for the rest of the holiday season.

Please remember to practice social distancing guidelines when visiting.

Don't forget to tag us on social media so we can share your pictures!



WEBSTER FIRE DEPARTMENT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Fire Department Shift Commander Curtis Johnson recently completed training and received the Fire Service Chief Executive Officer Certificate from TEEEX Emergency Services Training and the Texas A&M Mays Business School.

This is a highly sought after course, designed to provide advanced level professional development to sharpen the leadership skills of executives within the fire service.

Fire Chief Dean Spencer also received his Fire Service Chief Executive Officer Certificate in 2018.



Seven Webster Fire Department employees were honored during a Pinning Ceremony in November.

Chief Dean Spencer pinned Probationary Firefighter David Byerly, Shift Commander Marshall Boyd, Lieutenant Zachary Thorpe, Lieutenant Anthony Pearson, Deputy Fire Marshal Rick Vargas, Assistant Fire Chief Shane Martin, and Driver-Operator Chad Jones.



DON'T BE A VICTIM
LOCK YOUR CAR TAKE YOUR KEYS REMOVE YOUR VALUABLES

MEET POLICE CHIEF PETE BACON

On October 20, Pete Bacon was sworn in as the Webster Chief of Police. Chief Bacon has spent nearly 22 years serving the City and has been in law enforcement for more than 27 years.

It started when Pete was in the Marine Corps Reserves. He was looking for a new career path when he focused on law enforcement. He decided to go through the Galveston College Police Academy and accepted his first position as an officer for the City of Columbus in 1993, where he worked for a year and a half. Pete then spent four years working as a Harris County Deputy Constable before joining the Webster Police Department.

"My wife is originally from Galveston, and she wanted to go back to Galveston to be a teacher," Pete explained. "So, I saw Webster was hiring, and I applied and started with the City on January 2, 1999."

He started as a night shift patrol officer and was promoted to sergeant in 2004. He served as a sergeant for ten years, and in 2015 was promoted to Lieutenant. Pete then became Assistant Police Chief in March 2018.

The law enforcement field has changed tremendously since Pete first began. The most significant change is in technology.

"The leaps and bounds in technology are amazing, but really the profession has also changed a lot in other ways, too," he explained. "We are now more accountable and more transparent, and we have to be flexible to meet ever-changing societal demands. We are public servants first, and we have to be well versed in emerging issues that affect our communities, such as mental health and procedural justice."

As the Webster Chief of Police, he hopes to deliver more efficient police services using data to analyze crime trends. Problems should be responded to proactively, rather than reactively. Continued education is also crucial.

Pete has an Associates Degree in Criminal Justice, a Bachelors Degree in Criminal Justice Administration and is currently completing his Masters Degree in Public Administration. He is also a Certified Public Manager.

"One thing in police work that people don't realize is that we constantly train and educate



ourselves," he explained. "You're never going to reach the point where you know everything. We constantly go to school; we constantly educate ourselves, and we constantly change to meet service demands."

Although Pete has received several promotions, degrees, and accolades, he says his most meaningful accomplishment has been maintaining a healthy marriage and raising a family during his career.

"Being a full-time working adult and going to school isn't easy for anyone, and it is even harder in this profession," he revealed. "When you work in patrol, there are a lot of missed holidays, birthdays, and anniversaries. Maintaining the family and getting them through those hurdles is an accomplishment itself."

Chief of Police Pete Bacon's message to the community is this: The Webster Police Department cares, and they are committed to supporting the City of Webster and its citizens. "We recognize our role in the community and our responsibility in helping this City grow and prosper. Many exciting things are happening in the City of Webster, and we are want to have a safe and healthy community".

"I am honored to serve alongside the men and women of the Webster Police Department," he stated. "We aren't going to be perfect, but I promise the community that we are going to come out every single day with the mission to serve with honor, integrity, and service- this is our obligation."



A CLOSER LOOK INSIDE BAYBROOK GATEWAY



Bay Area Boulevard is bustling with holiday shoppers, and the Baybrook Gateway retail center, located at the corner of Bay Area Boulevard and IH-45, has just what you need for a one-stop-shop.

The center is home to some of the region's top-performing retailers in their chains. Baybrook Gateway features the nation's top-performing la Madeleine **1**, and Texas' top-performing James Avery Artisan Jewelry **21**.

Other Baybrook Gateway gems include Pokéworks **22**, which opened in 2019 as a fast-casual poké restaurant serving fresh and delicious Hawaiian-inspired poké. BB's Tex-Orleans Café **20** also opened in 2019, featuring authentic New Orleans-style po'boys and Tex-Orleans cooking with a distinct menu.

Escalante's **25** serves traditional, flavorful Tex-Mex food and handcrafted margaritas daily. Jersey Mike's Subs **3** is a delicious fast-casual sandwich shop, and LA Crawfish **7** specializes in crawfish and Vietnamese pho.

Smoothie King **23** and the Jenny Craig Weightloss Center **4** are also located within Baybrook Gateway for healthier options.

Pamper yourself at Citris Nail Spa **5**, specializing in manicures, pedicures, waxing, and artificial nails. Or, visit Massage Envy **9** for a massage or facial. European Wax Center **8** is also an excellent option for facials and waxing for both men and women. Blue Lion Salon Studios **14** is ready to pamper, with more than 60 chic salon suites offering various services.

When preparing for the holidays and get-togethers, Party City **10** and Michaels **16** have you covered. Cost Plus World Market **12** is

an excellent option for home decor and unique gifts. Ashley HomeStore **11** has quality furniture and home decor for great prices.

iTile **13** is a family-owned business that opened this year, selling ceramic and porcelain tile, stone, vinyl, and wood products.

Plato's Closet and Once Upon a Child **15** are positioned side by side and are renowned for buying high quality and designer merchandise from clients on the spot, no appointment necessary.

For those in the medical field, Scrubs & Beyond **17** has nursing uniforms, scrubs, and more.

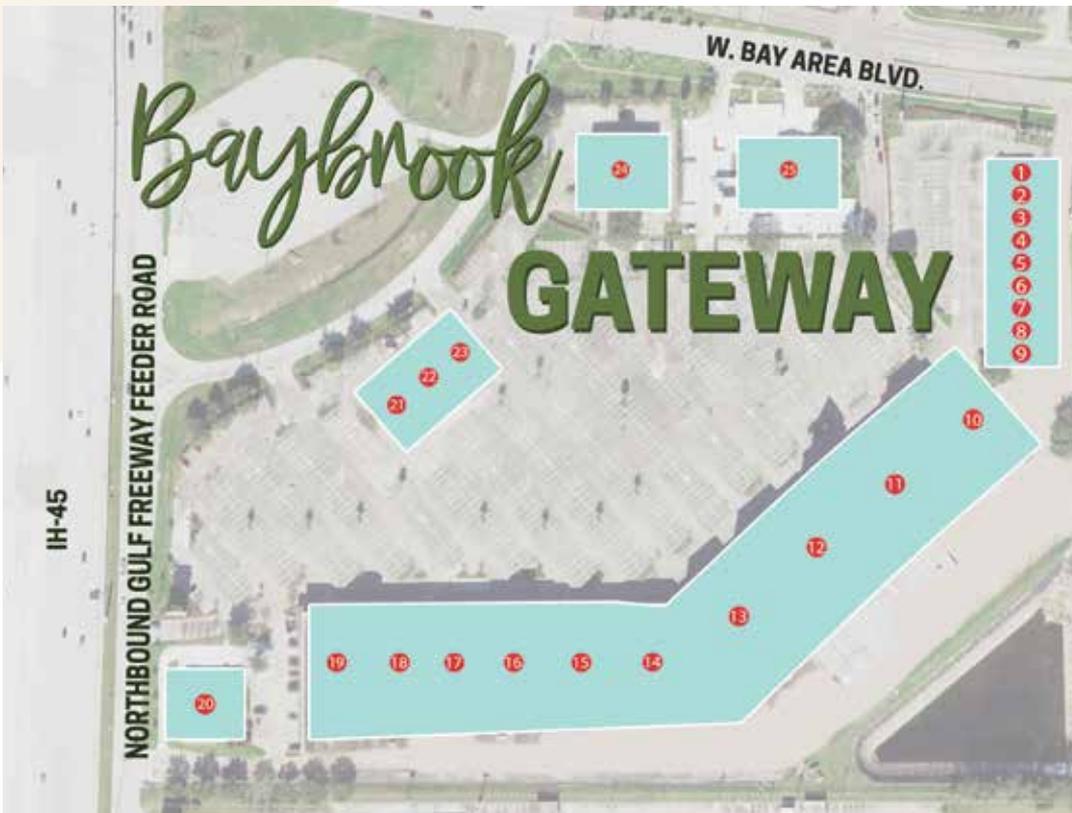
The ultimate stop for gift-giving this holiday season would be Jared **24**, which carries a vast selection of jewelry for gifts. Barnes & Noble **19** also has a broad selection of books and toys to give.

Newcomers to the center add an additional layer of excellence. Ohayo Sushi **18** opened for business in October, with a unique Japanese-inspired menu. The all-you-can-eat sushi restaurant features a lunch and dinner menu, with fresh-to-order food produced by highly skilled sushi chefs.

The Salad Station **2** is opening soon. Customers can enjoy a gourmet salad bar with more than 100 items. There is also a hot bar that includes baked potatoes, soups, baked chicken, and more.

Scoop Craft Creamery **6** is expected to open by January. All of Scoop's ice cream is made in-house, and the flavor creations are inspired by the owner's travels, family recipes, and childhood memories.

Baybrook Gateway has an expansive list of tenants in an ideal location, perfect for fulfilling your holiday shopping list this year.



Brooks Bassler brings his recipes and unique brand to BB's Café Webster.

20 1039 West Bay Area Blvd.



Kofi Vogiatizis launched his 7th Escalante's location in Webster.

25 1043 West Bay Area Blvd.





SUPPORT WEBSTER BUSINESSES CUT FOIL WINE BAR + BISTRO

Cut Foil Wine Bar and Bistro originally opened in Webster in June of 2019, but new owners took over the restaurant in April 2020, right at the start of the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Cut Foil has an expansive wine list, as well as a full food menu.

"The favorite wines are the Dark Lady Pinotage from South Africa and the Fiorellino Moscato from Italy. Our top-selling food is a tie between the Citrus Glazed Salmon and our Charcuterie Board," explained Owner/Partner Tracy Miller. "I would highly recommend the Braised Short Ribs and the Cooper and Thief Red Blend aged in bourbon barrels. To finish off the evening, I would highly suggest our Wine Float; it is delightful!"

Cut Foil is owned by four partners who have a passion for wine and food. They strive to create an inclusive, intimate, and friendly atmosphere, with great music to boot.

"We are new to the community," Tracy added. "We would enjoy meeting our neighbors, community, and be a place for everyone to gather, relax, and become part of the Webster family."

Visit Cut Foil Wine Bar + Bistro located at 20801 Gulf Fwy.



FAREWELL, DOME HOME!

After more than 40 years in the Green Acres neighborhood, the dome home was finally demolished over the weekend.

The home, which has become somewhat of a landmark in the neighborhood, was originally built by a NASA engineer in the 1970s. However, the house faced structural damage over the years and deteriorated before becoming unlivable.

Tony Pham, who grew up living next door to the dome house, purchased the house in 2016 and began saving to demolish and build a new home. He does not plan on making the new house similar in any way.

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DECEMBER



MEETINGS AND EVENTS

- 01 CITY COUNCIL MEETING***
6 p.m. at City Hall
- 08 WEBSTER ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MEETING***
6 p.m. at City Hall
- 15 CITY COUNCIL MEETING***
6 p.m. at City Hall
- 23 CHRISTMAS HOURS**
City offices close at 12:30 p.m. on Dec. 23, and remain closed until Dec.28
- 25 CHRISTMAS DAY**
We wish you a very merry Christmas!
- 31 NEW YEAR'S EVE**
City offices close at 12:30 p.m. on Dec. 31 and remain closed on Jan. 1

*Special meetings may be added, and meetings may be canceled if there are no agenda items. Check the City website at cityofwebster.com for meeting information.

COMING UP...

JANUARY HOURS

NEW YEAR'S DAY

City offices will close at 12:30 p.m. on Thursday, December 31 and will remain closed on Friday, January 1. Offices will reopen on Monday, January 4.

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY

City offices will be closed on Monday, January 18. Offices will reopen on Tuesday, January 19.

PET HEALTH SAFETY DRIVE-THRU



Saturday, January 9

From 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.
At Webster Humane Services
855 Magnolia Ave.

