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Arbor Day Jubilee, recycling, H2O XPO set for April 9

SACHSE (February 23, 2016) Three events on Saturday, April 9 will provide residents with a way to help clean-up litter in various parts of the City, rid themselves of unwanted trash and recyclables, and learn how they can get a handle on their water use, said Lance Whitworth, Parks and Recreation Director.

“We’ve packed the day full of ways that Sachse residents can benefit,” he said. “Volunteers will be cleaning up specific areas of the city, others can bring their recycling or unwanted materials for disposal, and everyone can become smarter water consumers.”

From 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., residents can drive over to the City Hall complex and drop off their trash, debris, brush, e-waste, hazardous household waste and documents for shredding. Trucks and collection bins from Republic Services, formerly Allied Waste, will be arranged along the driveway surrounding the complex to accept the material. The free service is reserved for Sachse residents only.

At 9 a.m., a number of Sachse volunteers will participate in the “Arbor Day Jubilee: Team Up and Cleanup” event by combing areas of the city to pick up trash and litter, including the various creek beds and waterways within the city limits. Then, from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. the volunteers will converge at City Hall to drop off their collected waste and enjoy a free lunch at the amphitheater. A group photo will be taken at 11:30 a.m. Bounce houses and live entertainment by the Daughter Judy Band will accompany their lunch. April 9 is recognized as Arbor Day in Sachse and trees will be planted on various City Hall complex sites.

And, starting at 11 a.m. and continuing until 2 p.m., the city’s inaugural Sachse Water Expo, dubbed the H2O XPO, will take place at the amphitheater. Demonstrations, exhibits and conversations with experts in water use, water conservation, drought-tolerant plants, waste water, and sprinkler systems will highlight the expo. Free hot dogs and drinks will be provided, courtesy of Atmos Energy. The event’s title sponsor is Farmers Electric Cooperative.

As an added incentive, Sachse water customers who visit the City’s water booth and register on the Water My Yard web site will get a one-time credit of \$10 on their water bill. The site, www.watermyyard.com gives visitors the most accurate information on when and how much to water yards based on local conditions. The City of Sachse has invested in its own weather station to provide Sachse customers exact and up-to-the-minute information on rain, temperature and wind conditions. This information is then used in determining when and how much to water lawns.

“Using the information on Water My Yard gives customers the information they need to make decisions regarding their watering pattern,” said Whitworth. “Lawns and landscaping do not always need constant watering. Turning off the automatic timer and operating the sprinkler system manually saves water and saves money.”

Customer using the information on Water My Yard can avoid the unexpected spikes in water usage and the accompanying increase in water costs.

Also part of the Water Expo is a presentation by Howard Garrett, The Dirt Doctor, author and radio personality.

The Sachse amphitheater is on the City Hall complex grounds, 3815 Sachse Road.

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ABOUT THE CITY OF SACHSE – Sachse is an emerging city in Collin and Dallas Counties with a population of 20,329 according to the 2010 census. Located about a mile north of the President George Bush Turnpike off State Hwy 78, the City is chartered as a Council-Manager municipality. Founded in 1845 by William Sachse, the City enjoys an eclectic mix of older, established neighborhoods and new residential and commercial developments. Proud of its history, the City is home to a strong historical restoration movement proposing to create a local history museum.