



hello, Hillsboro! February 2010

Community Calendar

- February 2 City Council, 7 pm at the Historic City Hall, 127 East Franklin Street.
- February 6 Hillsboro Day (free until noon) at Trinity Landfill, Itasca.
- February 14 Valentines Day
- February 16 City Council, 7 pm at the Historic City Hall, 127 East Franklin Street.
- February 25 Hill College Performing Arts Series- Texas A&M University Wind Symphony 7:30 pm
- March 2 City Council, 7 pm at the Historic City Hall, 127 East Franklin Street.
- March 6 Hillsboro Day (free until noon) at Trinity Landfill, Itasca.
- March 16 City Council, 7 pm at the Historic City Hall, 127 East Franklin Street.

Hill College
Performing Arts Series
 presents the
Texas A&M University
Wind Symphony
Thursday, February 25th, 2010
 7:30 pm
 performances are held in the
Vara Martin Daniel
Performing Arts Center
<http://www.hillcollege.edu>

City Council Officers Election May 8, 2010

The City of Hillsboro elects Council members by Precinct. The City is divided into five (5) districts (precincts) and candidates must live in the precinct they serve. These precincts are designated Councilmember Places 1 through 5. The Mayor and Council Place 6 are elected At-Large which allows every registered voter to cast a vote for those positions. The Mayor and Places 1, 3, and 5 are elected in odd-numbered years and Places 2, 4, and 6 are elected in even-numbered years. All positions serve 2 year terms and there are no term limits. The current council includes:



- Mayor John P. Erwin, Jr., M.D.*
- Councilmember Jim Riggins, Place 1*
- Councilmember Edith Omberg, Place 2*
- Councilmember Dana Robinson, Place 3*
- Councilmember Frances Zarate, Place 4*
- Mayor Pro Tem John Versluis, Place 5*
- Councilmember Betty Birdwell, Place 6*



Applications will be accepted for Place 2, 4 and 6 which is Elected At-Large for the May 2010 Election. The City Council will officially call for the election at their February 2nd meeting. **The first day to file an application with the City Secretary to be a candidate is February 6, 2010 and the last day to file is 5:00 p.m. on March 8, 2010.** Information on qualifications for candidates and applications are available by contacting City Secretary, Karen S. Warren, 214 E. Elm Street, 254 582-3271 or kwarren@hillsborotx.org. A map indicating the precinct boundaries can be found on the city's website at www.hillsborotx.org. You may also check your Voter Registration Certificate which identifies your voting precinct on the right side as **HIL(1-5)**. If you have questions, please contact the City Secretary.



2010 Citizens Police Academy

The Hillsboro Police Department is accepting applications for the 2010 Citizens Police Academy, beginning Thursday, February 18th. The community outreach program gives participants the opportunity to have a better understanding of the role of the police officer and what is required of them. The program also allows for open communication between members of the community and law enforcement personnel. The meetings are held at the Police Department Training room, 303 N. Waco St. The program lasts for 12 weeks, with Thursday meetings from 6:00 pm until approximately 7:30 pm. Subjects will include patrol operation, building searches, criminal investigations and more. There will be instructors from state and federal law enforcement agencies. Students are asked to ride with a patrol officer during a weekend night shift, giving them a first hand experience of what an officer may encounter. The academy is open to anyone living or working in the Hillsboro area. Participants will be subject to a background check. For further information and applications, please contact the Hillsboro Police Department's Public Liaison, Paula Bettis, at 254-582-8406 ext. 20.

Will You be Counted for Hill County in the 2010 Census?

Every year, more than \$300 billion in federal funds is awarded to states and communities based on census data. This important data also guides local decision-makers in important community planning efforts, including where to build new roads, hospitals and schools. Census data also affects your voice in Congress.

This year, the U.S. census will define who we are as a nation. Taken every 10 years, the census affects political representation and directs the allocation of billions of dollars in government funding. As a 2010 Census partner, you can educate your community about the importance of participating in this historic event and help ensure no one is left uncounted.

Visit the Hillsboro City Library

Preschool Storytime Tuesdays at 10am
in the Children's Library

For more information, call 254-582-7385

- February 2 Squirrels Everywhere!
- February 9 Raccoon Valentines
- February 16 Is That a Porcupine?
- February 23 Watch Out for That Skunk!

Teen & Tween Chocolate Challenge Friday, February 12th from 4-5 pm in the Children's Library!

Statistics for December 2009

Hillsboro Police

911-Calls...480
ACO Calls...282
Arrests...52

Accidents...68
Other Calls for Service...2949



Hillsboro Fire and Rescue
EMS calls... 67 Fire Runs... 44
Total calls... 111

The 2010 Census questionnaire asks only a few simple questions of each person, and only takes a few minutes to complete and return by mail.

In the last census, one in six households received a long questionnaire asking for detailed socioeconomic information.



We want to be counted, and so should you!

In 2010, every residence will receive a short questionnaire that is simple and fast to complete and return. For more information on the 2010 Census, please visit www.census.gov/2010census.

- EMS/Fire/Police Emergency..... Dial 911
- Fire/Rescue Non-Emergency.... 582-2401
- Police Non-Emergency..... 582-8406
- Hillsboro Police Records..... 582-2141
- Administration..... 582-3271
- Airport..... 582-3731

CONTACTING CITY OFFICES

- Public Works..... 582-3478
- Animal Control..... 582-2381
- Cemetery..... 582-3478
- Community Development.....582-2119
- Code Enforce/Inspections.....582-3341

- Court (Municipal).....582-9634
- Crime Stoppers.....580-9120
- Library..... 582-7385
- Main Street..... 582-5499
- Economic Dev.....582-5776
- Utility Billing..... 582-2252