

BROKEN ARROW CITY COUNCIL HIRES NEW CITY MANAGER



The Broken Arrow City Council unanimously voted to hire Michael Spurgeon as the next City Manager. Spurgeon will begin work with the City on September 21. The City Manager is responsible for supervising the day-to-day operations of Broken Arrow, as well as preparing a fiscally responsible budget and carrying out the Council's policies.

"Being selected by the Mayor and City Council to serve as Broken Arrow's next City Manager is an honor for which I am truly humbled and grateful," said Spurgeon. "I look forward to working with the Council, the City's leadership team and employees, along with the vast number of community partners in the support and ongoing promotion of the great quality of life that exists in Broken Arrow. It is my belief the City has an amazing future ahead, and I can't wait to start meeting with folks to effectively determine how I can personally and professionally contribute in making a difference."

Spurgeon most recently served as the Director of Administration for the City of St. Charles, MO. Previously, he served as City Manager for the City of Miami, OK; Township Business Administrator for Pemberton Township, NJ; and, Township Manager for Easthampton, NJ. Spurgeon holds a Master of Public Administration degree from Rutgers University and Bachelor's degree in Business Administration from Edison State College. He has received numerous awards and recognitions during his career, including the Don Rider Award for Oklahoma Outstanding Municipal Official of the Year, 2005.

Prior to working in municipal government, Spurgeon served in the U.S. Army and the New Jersey Army National Guard Reserves as an Infantry Officer. While in the Reserves, he earned the rank of U.S. Army Commissioned Officer.

Spurgeon grew up in Tulsa, where his father was a Captain of the Tulsa Fire Department, and his mother worked for the Tulsa Police Department.

Recycle Your Used Cooking Oil at the New Drive-Up Bin in Reasor's Parking Lot, 101st and Elm

The City of Broken Arrow is teaming up with Reasor's to make it easier for residents to recycle used cooking oil, by offering a drive-up recycling bin in the Reasor's parking lot at 3701 S. Elm Place (101st and Elm).

"The City of Broken Arrow is thrilled to be working with Reasor's on this project to setup a drive-through cooking oil recycle station," said Lauren Wilson, Pretreatment Coordinator. "We want people to get into the habit of recycling their used cooking oil at the same time they're buying milk at the grocery store."

Residents can collect their used cooking oil in a jug, jar, or bottle, drive right up to the bin, and simply pour it in. Additional locations will be considered, depending on demand and usage.

Cooking oil should NOT be poured down the kitchen sink. This causes residential grease blockages, which is one of the main causes of sewer overflows and backups. Cleaning up the environment and homes after sewer overflows and backups is very costly for taxpayers.

If you need to report a sewer backup or overflow, please call 918-259-7000 during normal working hours. For after-hours emergencies, call 918-259-8400.



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October Special Events

BAPS Presents Annual Homecoming Parade Oct. 29

Broken Arrow's football team is back in action and fall weather is starting to fill the air, which means only one thing—Homecoming 2015 is right around the corner. In keeping with tradition, the Homecoming Parade takes place on Thursday, October 29 at 5:00 p.m., beginning at the intersection of College and Main and concluding at the Education Service Center. The excitement continues at Memorial Stadium on Friday when community members don their black and gold in support of the Broken Arrow Tigers football game against Edmond Santa Fe at 7:30 p.m.

“We are excited to welcome our alumni back to the place we all call home,” said Jason Jedamski, Broken Arrow High School (BAHS) Director of Student Life and Activities.

For more information on this year's Homecoming events, please visit www.baschools.org/Homecoming2015 or contact Broken Arrow High School at 918-259-4310.

Make Plans to Attend Night Out Against Crime with Fun & Games on Main Street



The Broken Arrow Police Department along with the Main Street Merchants will host the annual Night Out Against Crime and Fun & Games on Main Street from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 31. Main Street businesses will be handing out candy, while the community can meet the City's police officers and other public safety personnel at the Farmers Market pavilion, 418 S. Main Street.

This fun fall event heightens crime and drug prevention awareness, as well as strengthen neighborhood spirit and police/community partnerships. Residents can learn more about police operations, such as animal control, the K-9 unit, bike patrol, and crime scene investigations. Fire fighters will also be on hand to

talk about fire prevention and safety tips. Special guests will include Vince and Larry, Crash Test Dummies and McGruff the Crime Fighting Dog.

Reasor's and Ferguson Pontiac will be serving free hot dogs and drinks; and, of course, there will be plenty of candy!

Free Dump Day Set for October 17

Residents will have the opportunity to dispose of unwanted items at the City's annual Fall Clean-Up on Saturday, October 17 from 7:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. at the Waste Management Quarry Landfill, 13720 E. 46th St. North. This is easily accessible by traveling north on U.S. Highway 169 to the Eastbound exit at 46th St. North.

Residents may dump free by presenting a driver's license with a Broken Arrow address or a recent utility bill. City employees will be on site to verify residency.

Any household waste can be dropped off except for the following items: Hazardous materials, liquids (such as paint in liquid form, gasoline, used oil, etc.), batteries, fluorescent light bulbs, untreated medical waste and compressed gas cylinders. Refrigerators/air conditioners/freezers/or Freon containing items will be accepted with the proper documentation that the refrigerant has been properly removed by a licensed CFC technician. There will be a \$2 fee for each car tire, \$4 fee for each truck tire.

Motor oil, batteries, antifreeze, steel cans and scrap metal are accepted year-round at the Metropolitan Environmental Trust (MET) recycling facility located at 302 North Elm Place. The facility also accepts plastic bottles, glass bottles, newspaper, office paper, aluminum cans, cardboard and paperboard.

For additional information about eligible items, please contact the landfill at 918-439-7835.

What is the Curfew on Halloween?

The curfew for individuals under 18 years of age is between 11:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. on Sunday through Thursday, and between the hours of midnight and 6:00 a.m. on Friday and Saturday. Children accompanied by an adult are not in violation of the ordinance.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- October 3 — Fall Fun Fair**, 3 - 6 p.m., Central Park, 1500 S. Main St. Carnival games & prizes! Call 918-259-8437 for details.
- October 4 — Dogtoberfest** 1 - 5 p.m., 2026 W. Houston. Call 918-258-0040 for more information.
- October 5-11 — Fire Prevention Week**
- October 6 — Broken Arrow City Council** 6:30 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, 220 S. First St.
- October 8 — Planning Commission** 5 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, 220 S. First St.
- October 16 — Broken Arrow's Birthday!**
- October 17 — Annual Fall Clean-Up (Free Dump Day)** See related story for details.
- October 20 — Broken Arrow City Council** 6:30 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, 220 S. First St.
- October 22 — Planning Commission** 5 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, 220 S. First St.
- October 24 — ESA 43rd Annual Benefit Craft Show** 9:00 a.m. to 4 p.m., Oliver Middle School. Call 918-251-0617 for details.
- October 29 — BAPS Homecoming.** See related story for details.
- October 31 — Night Out Against Crime with Fun & Games on Main.** See related story for details.
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- November 5 — Planning Commission** 5 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, 220 S. First St.
- November 11 — City offices closed for Veterans Day Holiday.**
- November 12 — Annual Holiday Tea Off**
- November 12 — Spotlight Series: Liza Minnelli** 7:30 p.m., BAPAC, 701 S. Main Street. Call 918-259-5778 for details.