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CITY OF SAN BENITO

# Calendar of Events

## 2018

This is the official City of San Benito Calendar of Events. All events are subject to change. For additions or corrections, please contact Martha McClain at the City of San Benito, 401 N. Sam Houston, by phone at 956-361-3800 or by email at [mmclain@cityofsanbenito.com](mailto:mmclain@cityofsanbenito.com).

**The City of San Benito has established a new website** dedicated to San Benito events. To sign up to receive messages about coming events, and learn how you can become involved as a vendor, volunteer or sponsor, go to [sanbenitoevents.com](http://sanbenitoevents.com).

**The San Benito Police Department** has been awarded a grant to combat drug abuse by installing a drug collection unit at the Police Station at 601 N. Oscar Williams Road. The unit provides a safe and responsible method of disposing of unwanted or expired medications, including controlled substances. Drugs can be dropped off with no questions asked.

**Free Exercise Classes are conducted** Monday and Wednesday from 5:30 -6:30 p.m., and Wednesday and Friday from 8-9 a.m. at the Community Building (210 E. Heywood) at. All are invited. For information, please contact Letty Gomez, Community Outreach Worker, for the City of San Benito at 956-357-4564.

**Museums of San Benito** at San Benito Community Building, 210 E. Heywood. Open Thursday-Saturday from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Featuring the Texas Conjunto Music Hall of Fame & Museum, the Freddy Fender Exhibit and the San Benito History Museum. Admission for adults is \$3 and \$2 for children.

**The Writers' Forum** meets every first Tuesday of the month in the San Benito Public Library, at 101 W. Rose, at 7 p.m. Aspiring and accomplished writers are welcome.

**June 1, 2018**

**San Benito CISD Graduation**

Graduation Day for San Benito CISD

**June 5, 2018**

**City Commission Meeting**

The San Benito City Commission meets the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 5:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 401 N. Sam Houston, San Benito. The meetings are open to the public.

**June 12, 2018**

**Friends of the Library Monthly Speakers Series: Words of Wisdom**

The San Benito Friends of the Library present Jenn Chavez who will speak on the subject of "Protecting Yourself from Identity Theft," from 5:30-6:15 p.m. at the Library's Meeting Room, 101 Rose Street. For more information, please call 956-361-3860.

**June 14, 2018**

**Flag Day**

**June 17, 2017**

**Fathers' Day**

**June 18, 2018**

**Chamber of Commerce**

The San Benito Chamber of Commerce meets the third Monday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at the Chamber Office, 223 S. Sam Houston. All interested are invited to attend.

**June 19, 2018**

**City Commission Meeting**

The San Benito City Commission meets the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 5:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 401 N. Sam Houston, San Benito. The meetings are open to the public.

**July 3, 2018**

**City Commission Meeting**

401 N. Sam Houston, San Benito. The meetings are open to the public.

**July 4, 2018**

**US Independence Day**

Many buildings and offices will be closed for the holiday.

**July 7, 2018**

**ResacaFest 2018**

Celebrating the Spirit of America. Sponsored by the City of San Benito's Special Events Board from 4-11 p.m. Day of live music, refreshments and performances on the Resaca at Heavin Memorial Park, 705 N. Bowie Street, capped by a fireworks display over the resaca. Arts /Crafts/Corporate & Food Vendors welcome. Please call Art Garza at 361-3830 or Luis Contreras at 956-361-3800 for information.

**July 10, 2018**

**Friends of the Library Monthly Speakers Series: Words of Wisdom**

The San Benito Friends of the Library Jennifer Herrera, speaking on the subject of "Gardening in Small Places," from 5:30-6:15 p.m. at the Library's Meeting Room, 101 Rose Street. For more information, please call 956-361-3860.

**July 14, 2018**

**Movies at the Park**

The San Benito Parks and Recreation Department will host this series of movies at Stookey Park through July 28. For more information, please email Art Garza at [agarza@cityofsanbenito.com](mailto:agarza@cityofsanbenito.com) or Sal Mendoza at [smendoza@cityofsanbenito.com](mailto:smendoza@cityofsanbenito.com)

**July 16, 2018**

**Chamber of Commerce**

The San Benito Chamber of Commerce meets the third Monday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at the Chamber Office, 223 S. Sam Houston. All interested are invited to attend.

**July 17, 2018**

**City Commission Meeting**

The San Benito City Commission meets the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 5:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 401 N. Sam Houston, San Benito. The meetings are open to the public.

**July 21, 2018**

**Movies at the Park**

The San Benito Parks and Recreation Department will host this series of movies at Stookey Park through July 28. For more information, please email Art Garza at [agarza@cityofsanbenito.com](mailto:agarza@cityofsanbenito.com) or Sal Mendoza at [smendoza@cityofsanbenito.com](mailto:smendoza@cityofsanbenito.com)

**July 28, 2018**

**Chamber of Commerce Casino Night**

Fun-filled event open to the public. Tickets available at the Chamber Office, 223 S. Sam Houston. All interested are invited to attend. Call 956-361-9111 for more information.

**July 28, 2018**

**Movies at the Park**

The San Benito Parks and Recreation Department will host this series of movies at Stookey Park through July 28. For more information, please email Art Garza at [agarza@cityofsanbenito.com](mailto:agarza@cityofsanbenito.com) or Sal Mendoza at [smendoza@cityofsanbenito.com](mailto:smendoza@cityofsanbenito.com)

**August 4, 2018**

**2nd Annual Resaca City Casino Night**

Sponsored by the San Benito Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors from 7 p.m.-11 p.m. Evening of casino games, adult beverages, food and fun at the Community Building, 210 E. Heywood St. Sponsorship Opportunities are available. Please call 956-361-9111 for information.

**August 7, 2018**

**City Commission Meeting**

The San Benito City Commission meets the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 5:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 401 N. Sam Houston, San Benito. The meetings are open to the public.

**August 14, 2018**

**Friends of the Library Monthly Speakers Series: Words of Wisdom**

The San Benito Friends of the Library present Lilian Mezquida, who will speak on the subject of "Anger Management," from 5:30-6:15 p.m. at the Library's Meeting Room, 101 Rose Street. For more information, please call 956-361-3860.

**August 21, 2018**

**City Commission Meeting**

The San Benito City Commission meets the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 5:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 401 N. Sam Houston, San Benito. The meetings are open to the public.

**August 21, 2017**

**Chamber of Commerce**

The San Benito Chamber of Commerce meets the third Monday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at the Chamber Office, 223 S. Sam Houston. All interested are invited to attend.

**September 3, 2018**

**Labor Day**

Many federal, state and local banks and government buildings will be closed.

**September 4, 2018**

**City Commission Meeting**

The San Benito City Commission meets the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 5:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 401 N. Sam Houston, San Benito. The meetings are open to the public.

**September 16, 2018**

**Mexican Independence Day**

**September 11, 2018**

**Friends of the Library Monthly Speakers Series: Words of Wisdom**

The San Benito Friends of the Library present Arcie Aguilar, who will speak on the subject of "Diabetes Education" from 5:30-6:15 p.m. at the Library's Meeting Room, 101 Rose Street. For more information, please call 956-361-3860.

**September 15, 2018**

**Cultural Indiana Pow Wow**

Event features live cultural performances by the Diamond Creek Crown Dancers and the Sahawe Dancers, as well as Gourd Dancing and the Pow Wow Dancers, at Veterans Memorial Academy, 2115 N. Oscar Williams Rd., San Benito, TX. 78586. Sponsored by Texas Historic Independence Celebration Assoc. Event runs from 10 a.m.-10 p.m. Raffles, cakewalks and food/drink vendors featured. For more information, call Ruben Cordova at 956-793-2357.

**September 17, 2018**

**Chamber of Commerce**

The San Benito Chamber of Commerce meets the third Monday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at the Chamber Office, 223 S. Sam Houston. All interested are invited to attend.

**September 18, 2018**

**City Commission Meeting**

The San Benito City Commission meets the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 5:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 401 N. Sam Houston, San Benito. The meetings are open to the public.

**October 1, 2018**

**Adult Kickball registration opens**

Registration ends November 14, and the season runs November 22-January 20 at Stookey Softball Fields. Call the San Benito Parks & Recreation office for details at 956-254-6065, or check [www.facebook.comsanbenitoparksandrecreation](http://www.facebook.comsanbenitoparksandrecreation).

**October 2, 2018**

**City Commission Meeting**

The San Benito City Commission meets the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 5:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 401 N. Sam Houston, San Benito. The meetings are open to the public.

**October 9, 2018**

**Friends of the Library Monthly Speakers Series: Words of Wisdom**

The San Benito Friends of the Library present Lilian Mezquida, who will speak on the subject of "Healthy Cooking, Part 1" from 5:30-6:15 p.m. at the Library's Meeting Room, 101 Rose Street. For more information, please call 956-361-3860.

**October 13, 2018**

**South Texas Music Festival**

South Texas Music Festival showcases the city's musical heritage in San Benito. Consists of an evening concert under the stars with some of the best regional music in South Texas, food and arts vendors, cold beverages, and activities for audiences of all ages. San Benito Fairgrounds, 551 Cesar Gonzalez Parkway, San Benito, Texas 78586. Doors open at 3:00 pm (Admission is \$5 at the gate – Children 10 and under, free.) For more information, contact Luis Contreras at 956-361-3804 Ext. 418.

**October 15, 2018**

**Chamber of Commerce**

The San Benito Chamber of Commerce meets the third Monday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at the Chamber Office, 223 S. Sam Houston. All interested are invited to attend.

**October 16, 2018**

**City Commission Meeting**

The San Benito City Commission meets the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 5:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 401 N. Sam Houston, San Benito. The meetings are open to the public.

**October 31, 2018**

**Halloween**

**November 2, 2018**

**Youth Soccer registration opens**

Registration ends December 28, and the season runs February 6-April 3 at Stookey Soccer Fields. Call the San Benito Parks & Recreation office for details at 956-254-6065, or check [www.facebook.comsanbenitoparksandrecreation](http://www.facebook.comsanbenitoparksandrecreation).

**November 4, 2018**

**Daylight Savings Time Ends**

**November 6, 2018**

**USA Election Day**

**November 6, 2018**

**City Commission Meeting**

The San Benito City Commission meets the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 5:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 401 N. Sam Houston, San Benito. The meetings are open to the public.

**November 11, 2018**

**Veterans Day March & Ceremony**

Remember our Proud Veterans on Veterans Day. The March of Veterans begins at 8:50 a.m. when Veterans and surviving family members are invited to march down Sam Houston Street with a police escort to the San Benito Veterans War Memorial site (Railroad Tracks and Rowson Street) for a patriotic ceremony paying tribute to our veterans who fought and died to keep our freedoms. Commemorative engraved bricks to honor your special veteran can be purchased by contacting Martha McClain at 95-361-3804 Ext. 301. To participate, or for more information, please call Victor Garza at 956-399-7464.

**November 13, 2018**

**Friends of the Library Monthly Speakers Series: Words of Wisdom**

The San Benito Friends of the Library present Lilian Mezquida, who will speak on the subject of "Healthy Cooking Part 2" from 5:30-6:15 p.m. at the Library's Meeting Room, 101 Rose Street. For more information, please call 956-361-3860.

**November 19, 2018**

**Chamber of Commerce**

The San Benito Chamber of Commerce meets the third Monday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at the Chamber Office, 223 S. Sam Houston. All interested are invited to attend.

**November 20, 2018**

**City Commission Meeting**

The San Benito City Commission meets the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 5:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 401 N. Sam Houston, San Benito. The meetings are open to the public.

**November 22, 2018**

**Thanksgiving Day**

**December 1, 2018**

**Community Christmas In The Park**

Enjoy the Christmas holiday season featuring perky performances by local school choirs. Do some Christmas shopping from local vendors featuring arts and crafts, and enjoy some tasty foods here. Sponsored by the San Benito Special Events Board. Call 956-361-3800 for information.

**December 4, 2018**

**City Commission Meeting**

The San Benito City Commission meets the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 5:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 401 N. Sam Houston, San Benito. The meetings are open to the public.

**December 8, 2018**

**Annual Christmas Parade**

Sponsored by the City of San Benito beginning at 6:30 p.m., featuring both novelty and religious themed lighted floats, marching bands, civic, business and school groups in the parade through downtown San Benito.

**December 11, 2018**

**Friends of the Library Monthly Speakers Series: Words of Wisdom**

The San Benito Friends of the Library present Lilian Mezquida, who will speak on the subject of "Healthy Cooking, Part 3" from 5:30-6:15 p.m. at the Library's Meeting Room, 101 Rose Street. For more information, please call 956-361-3860.

**December 17, 2018**

**Chamber of Commerce**

The San Benito Chamber of Commerce meets the third Monday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at the Chamber Office, 223 S. Sam Houston. All interested are invited to attend.

**December 18, 2018**

**City Commission Meeting**

The San Benito City Commission meets the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 5:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 401 N. Sam Houston, San Benito. The meetings are open to the public.

**Regularly Scheduled Activities, Meetings & Services**

**To have your group included here, please send all new listings, corrections, and revisions to Martha McClain at [mmclain@cityofsanbenito.com](mailto:mmclain@cityofsanbenito.com) or call 956-361-3804 Ex. 301. Thank you.**

**Historical Society:** Meetings conducted second Tuesdays of each month at the San Benito Community Building at 6 p.m., located at 225 E. Stenger. New members welcome.

**Boy Scouts of America Troop 25:** Mondays during school year at 7:00 p.m. at First United Methodist Church, 400 North Sam Houston Boulevard. For more information, contact Rey Cantu 264-3418.

**San Benito Special Events Board:** Fourth Monday of each month to plan local events, at 5:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 401 N. Sam Houston. Volunteers welcome.

**Valley Metro Bus Service:** Runs Monday-Fridays with stops at San Benito Dialysis, Lopez Food Store, Heavin Resaca Trail, Bobby Morrow Stadium, San Benito High School, Cameron County Annex, Doctors Hospital Cancer Center, Wal-Mart, HEB, Texas State Technical College, VTC Bus Station and San Benito City Hall. For more information, please visit [www.lrgvdc.org](http://www.lrgvdc.org), or call 1-800-574-8322.

**San Benito Public Library: 101 Rose Street.** Open to the public. The Library is home of great literature, and the BOOKMARK Café, where gourmet coffees and pastries are offered. 101 Rose Street. Hours of operation are Monday-Thursday from 10 a.m.-9 p.m., Friday from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday from 12:00 p.m.-5 p.m., and closed Sunday.

**City Commission:** First and third Tuesdays of each month at 5:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 401 N. Sam Houston.

**San Benito CISD Board of Trustees:** Second Tuesday of each month with meetings at 6:30 p.m. at the John Barron Administration Building, 240 E. Crockett.

**Planning & Zoning:** Third Thursday of each month at 5:30 p.m., City Annex Building, 400 N. Travis.

**Board of Adjustments:** Meets as-needed in the City Annex Building, 400 N. Travis.

**Building Standards and Renewal Board:** Meets as-needed in the City Annex Building, 400 N. Travis.

**Veterans Advisory Board:** First Monday of each month at 6 p.m. at the San Benito Municipal Building, 401 N. Sam Houston

**Parks & Recreation Board:** Second Monday of each month at City Annex Building, 400 N. Travis at 6 p.m.

**Library Board:** Second Thursday of each month at the Library, 101 W. Rose at 6:30 p.m.

**Economic Development Corporation:** Third Thursday of each month at the Municipal Building, 401 N. Sam Houston at 5:30 p.m.

**Public Housing Authority:** Third Thursday of the month at the Palmville Housing Development at 6 p.m.

**Museum Board:** Meets as-needed at a location to be announced.