

# CITY DESK

City of Coppel Water Bill Insert

## Holiday Closings

City offices will be closed on Monday, January 19, 2015, in observance of the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.



## Recycle your Leaves on Wednesday Green Day!

Leaves contain 50-80% of the nutrients of a tree, so you can use them to feed your landscape through mulching mowers and composting. If you need them collected, use kraft bags or open cans for Wednesday Green Day yard trimmings recycling. Leaves prepared in plastic bags will be picked up as trash on Monday and Thursday slowing down trash collection and filling up the landfill with this valuable resource.

Leaves, yard trimmings and brush are recycled at Living Earth, the largest recycler of green materials in Texas producing compost and mulch. Properly bagging and bundling leaves and yard trimmings will ensure that this natural resource is returned to the soil.

- Place loose yard trimmings and leaves in a container (no lid) or in kraft yard bags and place at your regular collection point before 7 AM on any Wednesday.
- PLASTIC BAGS of any color WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED on Wednesday.
- Please do not put anything in with the yard trimmings that is not compostable, including plastic.
- Bundle brush and tree trimmings (less than 4 ft long).
- Tie bundles with cotton or jute string. NO WIRE, NYLON OR PLASTIC TIES.
- Bundles or containers of yard trimmings must weigh less than 40 pounds.
- Tree trimming branches must be less than 6" diameter.

If your lawn care company is setting out trash bags containing yard trimmings, please take a moment to talk to them and ask them to properly bag and/or bundle any yard trimmings and set out for pick up on Wednesday Green Day.



## Operating Sprinkler Systems in Cold Weather

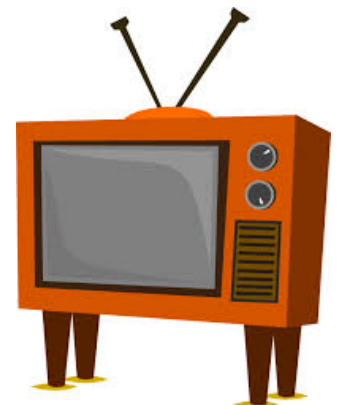
It's important to remember that not only is operating a sprinkler system during freezing temperatures unsafe and potentially damaging to your system, it's also against the law.

Municipal Ordinance states that it is unlawful for any person or organization to operate a sprinkler system or permit water to run-off from a sprinkler onto streets or sidewalks if the temperatures are at or below freezing (32°F or 0°C). (Ord # 2007-1157)

This is not only a nuisance, it may also create a hazardous situation for you and your fellow citizens, so remember to include your sprinkler system in your pre-freeze preparations.

## Electronics Recycling

Did you get a new gadget this Christmas, wondering what to do with your old one? January can be a big month for local waste haulers as folks are discarding their old electronics for the newest model. The most important thing to remember is that these items can contain potentially hazardous materials such as heavy metals and other materials that require special handling.



Sometimes you can sell these items to online or local firms that will refurbish and resell them, but if not, residents can have their Household Hazardous Waste and E-Waste collected right from their front door. Republic Services provides a waste collection kit to dispose of household hazardous waste (HHW), and e-waste (electronic waste such as TV's, computer monitors, and consumer electronics with circuit boards). For more info visit: [www.coppelltx.gov/hhw-disposal](http://www.coppelltx.gov/hhw-disposal) or call Republic Services at 972-304-3555.

## Upcoming Library Programs and Events

### WINTER READING CLUB

**January 5 to February 28**

Winter is the perfect time to curl up with a good book, so why not get prizes for it? Adults, read up to 5 books and get an entry slip for each one for a chance to win great gift cards! Visit the Info Desk to sign up.

### SPANISH STORYTIME

**Friday, January 23 • 10:30 AM**

Bring your niños to this fun and interactive storytime for preschool children! We'll sing songs and listen to stories in both Spanish and English. Space is limited, please pick up a ticket at the Info Desk on your way to storytime.

### FREE SAT/ACT ASSESSMENT

**Saturday, January 24 • 10 AM & 1:30 PM**

Would you score higher on the ACT or SAT? Come take the Princeton Review Assessment to find out! This free test will be administered by the Princeton Review at the Library at 10 AM and at 1:30 PM. We will have follow up classes on Saturday, February 14 at 11 AM and 2 PM. Space is limited and restricted to CISD sophomores and juniors. Please call 972-304-3658 or email [cozbyprograms@coppelltx.gov](mailto:cozbyprograms@coppelltx.gov) with questions or to sign up.

### READ TO ROVER

**Saturday, January 31 • 11 AM**

Improve your reading skills and make a new friend! Independent readers in grades 1-5 are invited to read to specially trained dogs. Free tickets are required, and are available at the Library starting at 10:30 AM on the day of the program. Grades 1-5.

### SOME ASSEMBLY REQUIRED

**Saturday, February 2 • 6:30 PM**

Make time for some casual crafting! Work on a simple craft with supplies and instructions provided by the library. Sign up is required. Please call 972-304-3658 or email [cozbyprograms@coppelltx.gov](mailto:cozbyprograms@coppelltx.gov)

### CUPID'S WORKSHOP

**Saturday, February 7 • 2 - 4 PM**

Looking for a sweet and original gift for your Valentine? Create a one-of-a-kind Valentine's Day card for a special friend! All ages are welcome.

### VALENTINE'S DAY FAMILY FUN NIGHT

**Tuesday, February 10 • 7 PM**

Join us for valentine stories, crafts, and fun! All ages welcome.

## Be Mine, Valentine Dance

Want to spend an afternoon making memories with your son or daughter? Ask them to be your Valentine and bring them to the Be Mine, Valentine Dance on Sunday, February, 8! Enjoy dancing, tasty refreshments, and you'll go home with a professional portrait to capture your experience! The Mother/Son Dance will be held from 1 - 2:30 PM, and the Father/Daughter Dance will be from 3:30 - 5:30 PM. Cost is \$24 per couple and \$9 per additional child. Adults with children up to age 14 are invited to attend. Pre-registration is required, register at [www.coppellactivities.com](http://www.coppellactivities.com).

Dance will be held at the Coppell Aquatic and Recreation Center, located at 234 E. Parkway Blvd. Please call the Center at 972-304-7077 with any questions.

## Farmers Market Winter Dates

Winter doesn't mean the end of Farmers Market season; you can buy locally grown and produced food throughout the year! Winter Markets offer a variety of seasonal vegetables as well as natural meats, cheeses, eggs, honey, artisan breads, and even handmade arts and crafts created by local artisans.

### Winter Market Dates:

Saturday, January 10 and 24

Saturday, February 14 and 28

Saturday, March 14 and 28

For more information, visit the Coppell Farmers Market Website at: [www.coppellfarmersmarket.org](http://www.coppellfarmersmarket.org)

## February Meetings

Park Board	2/2	6:30 PM	Town Center
Economic Development	2/4	6 PM	Town Center
Board of Adjustment	2/5	7 PM	Town Center
City Council	2/10	7:30 PM	Town Center
Library Board	2/12	7 PM	William T. Cozby Public Library
Planning & Zoning	2/19	6 PM	Town Center
City Council	2/24	7:30 PM	Town Center
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## City Facilities

- Town Center**  
255 E. Parkway Blvd.
- WT Cozby Public Library**  
177 N. Hertz Rd.
- Aquatic & Recreation Center**  
234 E. Parkway Blvd.
- Senior & Community Center**  
345 W. Bethel Rd.
- Biodiversity Education Center**  
367 Freeport Pkwy.

- Coppell Farmers Market**  
768 W. Main St
- Justice Center**  
130 Town Center Blvd.
- Wagon Wheel Tennis Center**  
950 Creekview Dr.
- Development Center**  
265 E. Parkway Blvd.