



COMMISSIONER'S CORNER



What an interesting election year 2016 is turning out to be! The "Super Tuesday" Primary Election just concluded and the Northeast Tarrant Courthouse was happy to host voters as an early polling place for Tarrant County. The polls had record traffic, and I was pleased to see so many folks out exercising their right to vote. Stay tuned to the many twists and turns of the campaign process leading up to the November General Election!

Our 7th Annual Northeast Tarrant Transportation Summit on Friday, February 19th was a resounding success with over 550 attendees! Informative sessions included "Will Transportation Funding Measures Deliver on Their Promise", "The Impact of the Panama Canal on Our State's Economy and Mobility" and "The Status of Transportation Projects in Northeast Tarrant County and What is Our Next Big Challenge". Keynote speaker and notable economist, Dr. Ray Perryman, spoke on the external challenges that could curb our future mobility.

The success of this event is not

possible without our sponsors and the help of our chambers, cities and volunteers who continue to make this the premier area transportation summit!

With the mild winter, we are moving right along into Spring. Area schools will be on Spring Break next week, March 14-18. While school zone traffic will be down, remain mindful of the increased daily activity in our communities with students out of school. Make this year's vacation memorable by having fun and helping your family, friends and others stay safe and healthy!

Join me this Friday, March 11 for Coffee with the Commissioner at the Northeast Tarrant Courthouse from 7:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Enjoy coffee and conversation with me, my staff, and other guests!

Enjoy other highlights in this month's newsletter including a spotlight on Tarrant County's new Mobility Coordinator, area economic development growth following transportation infrastructure improvements, Texas' 180th Birthday, The Center for Transforming Lives, Town of Trophy Club parks, and Senior News including local transportation agency information.

Gary Fickes



COFFEE WITH THE COMMISSIONER

Friday, March 11, 2016

7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.
Start your day with us!

Northeast Courthouse
645 Grapevine Hwy., Ste. 200
Hurst, Texas 76054



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Question of the Month

Nacogdoches, the oldest town in Texas, is nestled deep in the woodlands of East Texas and is home to Stephen F. Austin University. Named for the Caddo family of Indians who once lived in that area, Nacogdoches has a twin city--Natchitoches in Louisiana. Among the many legends in Texas, one tells of a Caddo chief who had twin sons. Determined that his sons should become leaders of their own tribes, the chief sent them off for three days in different directions. One went toward the rising sun, the other toward the setting sun. The twin who went west settled in Nacogdoches; the twin who went toward the rising sun, made his home in Natchitoches, Louisiana.

From the time Spain established a mission in 1716, Nacogdoches was no longer a Caddo Indian settlement. Spanish trader Antonia Gil Y'Barbo became the leader of the settlers and received a grant from Mexico making Nacogdoches the first town in Texas. Over the next four decades, Nacogdoches played a vital role in Texas history.

Question: Nine flags flew over Nacogdoches, the oldest town in Texas. Six of those same flags flew over Texas. Can you name the other three flags?

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Welcome Russell Schaffner



Tarrant County
Mobility
Coordinator

I grew up in Henrietta, Texas, a small community twenty minutes west of Wichita Falls. I was the fifth generation to grow up and “get an education” on the same ranch. After graduating with a B.A.

from Midwestern State University, I moved to Dallas for graduate school, and started consulting with a transportation and infrastructure policy firm.

In January 2016, I joined the Tarrant County team as the county’s Mobility Coordinator. My responsibilities include developing strategies for meeting the county’s long-term transportation and mobility needs.

My wife and I have three children, Anna, Larsen and Everett.

On a more personal note -

What do you do for fun? *Whatever my kids are doing, running, and film.*

Favorite Movie? *“Band of Outsiders”*

Favorite Restaurant? *Bonnie Ruth’s*

Favorite vacation spot? *Anywhere with mountains!*

Last book read? *“The Art of Power” by Jon Meacham*

People would be surprised to know...
I really enjoy cooking French food in my spare time.



Love Local History? Discover the Tarrant County Archives!



internships and volunteer positions. Devoted members of the community participate by performing activities ranging from transcription of diaries to categorizing newspaper clippings for our subject and biographical files. Another way you can participate is to donate items of local historical interest. What

kinds of materials do the Archives collect? Photographs, scrapbooks, historic newspapers, documents, maps, oral histories, and thousands of subject and biographical files are among the items preserved. The Archives houses more than 600 named collections as well as historical County records.

Since the Archives is served by only one full-time staff member, while dropping in is fine, for your convenience it is always a good idea to call or email prior to visiting. The Archives is located on the 5th Floor of the Plaza Building, 200 Taylor Street, Fort Worth, Texas 76196-0226. Contact: Dr. Dawn Youngblood, Tarrant County Archivist at 817-884-3272. For a closer look, see the Archives website by visiting www.tarrantcounty.com and selecting Archives under the Government tab.



In the 1870s, Sarah Gray Jennings acquired a land grant that laid the foundation for sponsorship of the first park and library in Fort Worth. Through their work with historic preservation of the Van Zandt Cottage and generous donations of valuable family materials to the Tarrant County Archives, the descendants of the Jennings family today remain committed to honoring the community-minded spirit of their forebears. Pictured are: Alex Denny, Gretchen Denny, Ann Kinscherff, and Hal Jennings.

Article courtesy of Dawn Youngblood, Tarrant County Archivist

The Tarrant County Archives is an integral part of our local community and is on a mission to collect, preserve and offer for research documents which are a record of Tarrant County history. Tarrant County Archivist Dr. Dawn Youngblood welcomes both groups and individuals to the Archives for tours. The newest exhibit being put in place now will feature the 100th Anniversary of World War I. Activities of the Archives extends beyond its walls as Dr. Youngblood often speaks to groups interested in preserving local history, and advises local historical societies, museums, businesses, and non-profits as well as other institutions and individuals interested in preserving our past. If you or your group is interested in a tour or talk, simply call to arrange a time. If you have time on your hands, the Archives offers opportunities for those interested in the preservation of our past to become involved through



Openings available on the Tarrant County Historical Commission.

For more information, please call 817-581-3600.



Northeast Tarrant Transportation Summit



Tarrant County Commissioner Gary Fickes · Precinct 3



We had a great day and a fantastic turnout for the 7th Annual Northeast Tarrant Transportation Summit with over 550 guests. A special “thank you” to our sponsors, cities, speakers, chambers of commerce, and volunteers who made this one of our best events yet!

The Summit provides a vital communications link for citizens and community and business leaders. This year’s theme, “Transportation as an Economic Driver,” highlighted the economic impact that transportation funding has on the North Texas region, and the current transportation funding environment following the passage of Proposition 7 in November 2015.

The presentations and videos from this year and past Summits can be found on our website at: www.NETransportationSummit.com.

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Improved Mobility = Economic Development



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Since the opening of the North Tarrant Express last year, business in Bedford has been up across the board. The new highway footprint launched many opportunities for development and redevelopment along the corridor, and throughout the city. The highway project also improved access to all major highway intersections for the citizens of Northeast Tarrant County, especially those traveling SH-183, an important east/west corridor through the center of the Metroplex.

A majority of businesses formerly displaced by the need for additional right-of-way for the highway expansion returned to Bedford, including **Chili's**, **On The Border**, **Jason's Deli**, **Pho Noodle House & Sushi** and **Mexican Inn Cafe**. All of these establishments reinvested in Bedford and returned to sites along the corridor of the newly improved expressway.

Three major projects along the highway corridor that began during the highway expansion are reaching completion. First, was the much-anticipated **Movie Tavern** expansion, a multi-million dollar relocation and expansion that doubles the size of their previous space. Next, is the new **Texas Harley-Davidson** dealership that consists of nearly 70,000SF of retail and service floor area. And finally, **Texas Health Harris Methodist Hospital HEB** broke ground on a 60,000SF \$25 million dollar expansion of their ICU wing.



One of DFW's first **El Pollo Loco** restaurants is locating in Bedford, which is further proof that development is thriving following the highway expansion. Development of this fast casual restaurant includes the demolition of two buildings at 183 and Central Drive that were vacant during the highway expansion project. Also along the highway corridor, **Popeyes Chicken** will soon begin construction on a new freestanding retail/restaurant space at the southwest corner of 183 and Bedford Road.



These hard corner sites offer great visibility and access. Several of these remainder lots were made available for development due to the highway project. The City of Bedford is working with developers and experts to make future announcements updating the status of each soon.

Article courtesy of Bill Syblon, Director of Development

North Tarrant Express



DFW Connector



Better thoroughfares attract more people and more activity, thus strengthening the businesses that serve the transportation corridors and the city's economy as a whole. While doing business locally is preferred, the fact is, we travel all over Northeast Tarrant County to shop. The S.H. 121 corridor, a portion of which runs through Eules, has become a destination. Remember the song "Stuck in the Middle With You" by Stealers Wheel. That lyric was a good way to describe traveling on the section of S.H. 121 in between S.H. 183 and S.H. 114 just a few years ago. Major improvements have been completed to several highways that feed into it from the south and north ends that have made getting to the S.H. 121 corridor much easier. To the south, the North Tarrant Express included the construction of a new exchange between Airport Freeway and S.H. 121. On the north side, the D/FW Connector included an expansion of the connection between S.H. 114 and S.H. 121.



During this period of highway construction, the 200 acre Glade Parks was being developed. Glade Parks is located south of SuperTarget and across from the successful Shops of Vineyard Village on the east side of S.H. 121. The Shops of Vineyard Village is home to retailers including Lowe's, Marshalls, Ross, LA Fitness, and PetSmart. Restaurants include Chili's, Chop House Burgers, Schlotzsky's, and IHOP. Dave & Busters has opened at Glade Parks and will be joined by a Cinopolis Movie Theatre and Lazy Dog restaurant by the end of 2016. With the Belk Department Store as the anchor, other tenants include Dick's Sporting Goods, CATO, Kirkland's, Boot Barn, Michaels, Home Goods, Ulta, Pie Five, Five Guys, and Panera Bread.

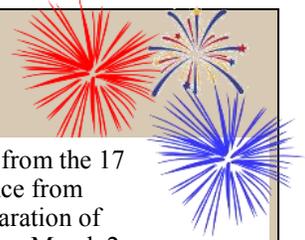
It was estimated that 25% of the roughly 184,000 vehicles using the S.H. 121/Airport Freeway corridor prior to the construction found alternate routes. Now that completion of the North Tarrant Express and D/FW Connector have increased capacity and provided better access, shoppers have returned to the S.H. 121 corridor.

Article courtesy of Mike Collins, Director of Planning & Economic Development



Happy 180th Birthday Texas!

An Historical Moment In Time



On March 2, 1836, Texas broke away from Mexico and became a republic. On March 1, 1836, delegates from the 17 Mexican municipalities and the Pecan Point settlement met at Washington-on-the-Brazos to discuss independence from Mexico. Washington-on-the-Brazos became the 'birthplace' of Texas. A committee of five people drafted a declaration of independence. One day later, the convention voted unanimously to accept the Texas Declaration of Independence. March 2 became Texas Independence Day, an official state holiday. The official declaration was signed by 59 delegates, and five copies of the document were distributed to the Texas towns of Bexar, Brazoria, Goliad, Nacogdoches, and San Felipe. Texas joined the United States on Dec. 29, 1845, and became the 28th state.

The Texas Declaration of Independence was framed and issued by the Convention of 1836 at Washington-on-the-Brazos. As soon as the convention was organized, a resolution was introduced for the appointment of a committee to draw up a declaration of independence. Richard Ellis, president of the convention, appointed George C. Childress, James Gaines, Edward Conrad, Collin McKinney, and Bailey Hardeman to the committee. Childress was named chairman, and it is generally conceded that he wrote the instrument with little help from the other members. In fact, there is some evidence that he brought to the convention a proposed declaration that was adopted with little change by the committee and the convention, a view which is substantiated by the fact that the committee was appointed on March 1 and the declaration was presented to the convention on March 2. The Texas edict, like the United States Declaration of Independence, contains a statement on the nature of government, a list of grievances, and a final declaration of independence. The separation from Mexico was justified by a brief philosophical argument and by a list of grievances submitted to an impartial world.

The declaration charged that the government of Mexico had ceased to protect the lives, liberty, and property of the people; that it had been changed from a restricted federal republic to a consolidated, central, military despotism; that the people of Texas had remonstrated against the misdeeds of the government only to have their agents thrown into dungeons and armies sent forth to enforce the decrees of the new government at the point of the bayonet; that the welfare of Texas had been sacrificed to that of Coahuila; that the government had failed to provide a system of public education, trial by jury, freedom of religion, and other essentials of good government; and that the Indians had been incited to massacre the settlers. According to the declaration, the Mexican government had invaded Texas to lay waste territory and had a large mercenary army advancing to carry on a war of extermination. The final grievance listed in justification of revolution charged that the Mexican government had been "the contemptible sport and victim of successive military revolutions and hath continually exhibited every characteristic of a weak, corrupt, and tyrannical government."

After the signing of the original declaration by 59 delegates, five copies of the document were dispatched to the designated Texas towns of Bexar, Goliad, Nacogdoches, Brazoria, and San Felipe. The printer at San Felipe was also instructed to make 1,000 copies in handbill form. The original was deposited with the United States Department of State in Washington, D.C., and was not returned to Texas until some time after June 1896. In 1929, the original document was transferred from the Office of the Secretary of State to the Board of Control to be displayed in a niche at the Capitol, where it was unveiled on March 2, 1930.



www.legacyoftexas.com

Article courtesy of Legacy of Texas

Question of the Month

Question: Nine flags flew over Nacogdoches, the oldest town in Texas. Most of us are familiar with six of those same flags that flew over Texas: Spain 1519-1821; France 1684-1690 (for Fort Saint Louis) and 1800-1803 (as French Louisiana); Mexico 1821-1836; Republic of Texas 1836-1845 (as the Republic of Texas) 1845-Present (as the State of Texas); United States of America 1845-1861 and 1865 to present; Confederate States of America 1861-1865.

Can you name the other three flags?

Answer: In 1812, Magee-Gutierrez flag (a former officer in the U.S. Army who joined with Barnardo Gutierrez, and the two tried to take Texas. Although they fought some major battles with Mexican forces, they were eventually defeated, and Texas was declared a province of Mexico.)

In 1819, Dr. James Long flag (from Natchez, Mississippi, he mounted an expedition to claim Texas for the United States. He hoisted his own flag over Nacogdoches. Unfortunately, while trying to obtain the assistance of Jean Lafitte, the famous pirate and privateer, Long's group was wiped out. This was the second unsuccessful attempt to claim Texas for the United States.

In 1826, Fredonia Rebellion (When Mexico gave Haden Edwards a contract to settle 800 families in Nacogdoches, he didn't expect to find all the land already settled by Indians and Mexican descendants. A dispute followed, and the Fredonia Rebellion began. Commanded by Edwards, this third attempt was made to free Texas from Mexico, which led to the flag of the Fredonia Rebellion flying atop the fort. Even though the rebellion failed, the idea of colonizing Texas appealed to many Anglos. Seeing this, Mexico reversed its position on immigration and barred further entry.



Center for Transforming Lives gives Hope to Women and Children in Tarrant County

During the Tarrant County Homeless Coalition's Point in Time Count last year, more than 1,900 individuals in our community were found to be homeless, and approximately 46% were women and children. The Center for Transforming Lives' mission is to move these women and children in our community from poverty to independence, helping them live in safety, earn with dignity and save for a better tomorrow.

The organization started in 1907 as the first YWCA™ in Texas. In 2015, the

organization officially changed its name to the Center for Transforming Lives to better reflect its mission of breaking the cycle of poverty for women and children.

First and foremost, the Center for Transforming Lives provides families with safe and stable housing, removing them from



the immediate risk of harm. Second, we help women access education opportunities, job training, and employment options while providing affordable, high-quality child care for their children. Third, we integrate our housing and child development programs



with individualized financial coaching and education. A woman escaping poverty and violence with her family must also learn to manage her money and save for increased financial stability.

Last year, 3,200 women and children in Tarrant County were served by the Center for Transforming Lives. To learn more about our work, please visit transforminglives.org and sign up for a Transforming Lives Tour or learn more about volunteer opportunities to support our mission.

Article courtesy of Trish Rodriguez, Chief Development Officer



The Trophy Club Community Loves to Play!

The Town of Trophy Club's park system consists of more than 1,000 acres of active and passive areas with 30 acres of baseball, football and soccer athletic fields, 14 miles of pedestrian and equestrian trails, four playgrounds, an 18-hole disc golf course, an eight-acre dog park, an aquatic facility containing two pools and a pirate themed splash park, and a unique 70-acre OHV/ATV motorized riding area.

The Parks and Recreation Department plans and coordinates a large variety of special events, community classes, and recreational programming. Events include various holiday celebrations including Christmas and Easter programs, Back-to-Nature events that include overnight camping and nature related programs, PetFest and our all-day Fourth of July Celebration that features a 5k run, parade, and live music program followed by fireworks. Trophy Club events attract thousands of visitors each year and become a part of the community culture. Resident volunteers show off their patriotic spirit by placing over 35,000 small American flags along roadways throughout the entire town for Independence Day, plan Veteran's Day observances and facilitate an annual Patriot Day ceremony.

Visit the Trophy Club Event Calendar for details at www.trophyclub.org

Article courtesy of April Reiling, PIO/Marketing Manager



Town of Trophy Club - PARKS

Trophy Club, TX

Legend

- Hiking Trail
- Soccer Fields
- Baseball Fields
- Pool/Splash Park
- Bike Trail
- Dog Park
- Trophy Club Park
- Playground

Parks

- 1 Skyline Park
304 Ridgeway Ln.
- 2 Harmony Park
599 Indian Creek Dr.
- 3 Lakeview Park
100 Village Tr.
- 4 Independence Park West
501 Parkview Dr.
- 5 Community Pool
500 Parkview Dr.
- 6 Independence Park East
500 Parkview Dr.
- 7 Linear Park North
North Highlands
- 8 Freedom Dog Park
2675 Trophy Park Dr.
- 9 Trophy Club Park
2885 Trophy Park Dr.

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SENIOR NEWS



Caring for the Caregiver

One of the hardest things about being a caregiver is isolation, the sense of being alone with a difficult job to do. One of the best ways to combat isolation and loneliness is to build some time into your caregiving routine to focus on yourself. While this may sound like a fantasy to caregivers who are already strapped for time, there are some ways to help re-connect to the people and activities that help restore your sense of connection and contentment:

If You Are Raising a Grandchild

- National Family Caregiver Support Program 1-800-252-9240
(55 and older caring for a child 18 or younger)

If You Are Caring for Someone Who is Older or Who Has a Disability

- [Take Time Texas](#) - Database of providers who offer respite services.
(Caregivers need a break now and then, these breaks are called respite).
- [Area Agency on Aging of Tarrant County](#) - 1-888-730-2372
Your local Area Agency on Aging may be able to help you find services in your area, help arrange for those services or provide short-term relief.
- Some Medicaid programs pay for short-term relief for caregivers. 1-888-337-6377
- Your local [Aging Disability Resource Center of Tarrant County](#) may pay for short-term relief for people who care for someone with an intellectual or developmental disability.
1-888-730-2372



For additional information please visit: www.tarrntcares.org
unitedwaytarrant.org/aaatc/
tarrantcountyadrc.org



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LIVE A MORE COLORFUL LIFE!

Northeast Transportation Agencies - Transportation for Seniors, Disabled and Low-Income

Call A Ride Southlake – (817-798-4022)

CARS provides service for senior citizens and disabled adults in Southlake for medical purposes within a 25-mile radius of Southlake and a 7-mile radius for medical, dental, social, business and personal needs. Services are provided by volunteers who supply their own vehicle, time and gas. www.cityofsouthlake.com

HEB Transit – (817-336-8714)

HEB Transit provides transportation for disadvantaged people in Hurst, Euless and Bedford and access to employment destinations within those cities and the Hurst/Bell and CentrePort/DFW Airport Trinity Railway Express (TRE) Stations. Services are provided by Catholic Charities. www.hebtransit.org

Mid-Cities Care Corps – (817-282-0531)

MCCC's mission is to preserve the independence of senior neighbors in Northeast Tarrant County by providing transportation (for routine medical), Helping Hands projects, and social outreach to break isolation for senior citizens age 65+. www.midcitiescarecorps.org

Northeast Transportation Service – (817-336-8714)

NETS provides transportation services to older adults (55 years of age or older) and individuals with disabilities in Northeast Tarrant County for medical, work, social service, senior centers, education and shopping. Services are provided by both the Fort Worth Transportation Authority and Catholic Charities. www.ridenets.com

Social Transportation for Seniors – (817-514-0773)

STS provides non-emergency transportation for seniors 62 years and better in North Richland Hills for leisure and social activities with the purpose of re-engaging isolated seniors back into the community. Services are provided within a 7-mile radius by volunteers. www.stsrides.org



SAVE THE DATE:

Senior Synergy Expo
Thursday, May 5, 2016

www.tarrantcounty.com

FREE Tax Centers: UnitedWayTarrant.org/vita/
AARP Foundation Tax-Aide Site Locator: www.aarp.org

CALENDAR

Mar 14	Health and Wellness Fair	www.cityofkeller.com
Mar 18	Euless Senior Center Health Expo	817-685-1871
Mar 31	Hurst Sr. Ctr. Business, Health & Benefits Expo	www.hursttx.gov
Apr 13	Cliburn in the Community Concert	www.scstc.org
May 5	Senior Synergy	www.tarrantcounty.com
Oct 7	Empowering Seniors 2016	www.empoweringseniors.com



Transportation

Northeast Tarrant County

DFW Connector Project

Hotline: 877-411-4212

www.dfwconnector.com



Sign up for e-alerts!

- In mid-March, the project plans to open the new, lowered northbound FM 2499 main lanes. Opening these new lanes will give commuters the ability to travel through the project without stopping at the Stars and Stripes Way and Grapevine Mills Blvd. traffic signals.

- The project is focusing heavily on the construction of the

southbound FM 2499 frontage road and west intersections of Stars and Stripes Way and Grapevine Mills Blvd.

- Crews placed concrete on the north side of Grapevine Mills Blvd. bridge.



Midtown Express

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Sign up for e-alerts!

- Grading has recently achieved moving over 200,000 cubic yards of dirt and has finished 75,000 square yards of permanent subgrade.

- 71 Girders set to-date (approx. 4,300 LF)

- Major traffic switches continue to be implemented to open up areas for structures to be built.

- Utility relocations continue throughout the corridor so work on the new frontage roads can continue.



North Tarrant Express/ I-35W

Hotline: 888-683-2015

www.northtarrantexpress.com



Sign up for e-alerts!

- Major activity has occurred in the last month, including the demolition of the Spur 280 bridge and the opening of new right-hand ramps from eastbound I-820 to northbound I-35W and westbound I-820 to southbound I-35W. Progress continues in the SH 121, Spur 280 and Northside/Yucca areas, in addition to the continued work at the interchange and in areas north, around Western Center Blvd. and the Big

Fossil Creek area. Drivers are encouraged to visit the website regularly or sign up for e-alerts to stay informed about upcoming closures and detours.



Highway 26

TxDOT - N Tarrant Office

817-399-4300

www.txdot.gov

- The SH 26 Phase II reconstruction project in Colleyville from John McCain Road to Brown Trail will begin in Spring 2016. The 3.9 mile TxDOT project is widening the roadway to three lanes in each direction and includes raised curbed medians to enhance safety.

SH 26 Phase II

Colleyville from
John McCain Rd. to Brown Trail

Beginning in the spring of 2016

FM 1938 - Phase II

TxDOT - N Tarrant Office

817-399-4300

www.txdot.gov

Southlake 817-748-8098

www.cityofsouthlake.com

- The FM 1938 Phase II reconstruction project in Southlake and Keller from Randol Mill Avenue to FM 1709 (Southlake Boulevard) continues. Construction to widen the intersection of FM 1938 and FM 1709 is progressing as most of the storm drainage has been installed, and crews continue to install asphalt base in preparation of pavement overlay to be placed

on the outside sections of the intersection. North of the intersection, concrete paving has begun on sections of FM 1938 and on some of the side streets that connect to FM 1938. Message boards are in place throughout the project to announce lane closures, detours, and future road work to motorists.

- The \$20.6 million TxDOT project is widening the roadway to two lanes in each direction with raised curbed medians and includes dual left turn bays at the intersection of FM 1938 and FM 1709. The project also includes landscaping along the roadway with illumination and sidewalks on both sides of the roadway provided by the City of Southlake. The 1.6-mile project is estimated for completion in 2017.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Mar 10 HEB Education Foundation Awards of Excellence www.hebisd.edu
- Mar 10 Fired Up Charity Dinner www.kellerchamber.com
- Mar 11 Coffee with the Commissioner 817-581-3600
- Mar 13 Daylight Savings
- Mar 14-18 Spring Break
- Mar 17 St. Patrick's Day
- Mar 24 21st Annual Great Taste of Grapevine..... www.grapevinechamber.org
- Mar 25 Good Friday
- Mar 27 Easter
- Mar 29 Keller Lions Club Parade www.kellerlionsclub.com
- Mar 31 Cesar Chavez Day
- Apr 1 Butterfly Wishes..... www.awishwithwings.org
- Apr 2 Bedford ArtsFest www.bedfordtx.gov
- Apr 2 Grapevine Job Fair 2016 www.grapevinejobfair.com
- Apr 2 Northeast Chamber's Denim & Diamonds www.netarrant.org
- Apr 2 Roses & Pearls Champagne Brunch & Auction www.gkwc.ejoinme.org
- Apr 2 The Clubhouse for Special Needs (Dinner/Silent Auction) www.heb.org
- Apr 8 SafeHaven Dapper Dinner..... www.safehaventc.org
- Apr 8-9 6 Stones CPR www.6stones.org
- Apr 14 Annual Golf Classic www.nwmetroporchamber.org
- Apr 14-17 Main St. Fort Worth Arts Festival www.mainstreetartsfest.org
- Apr 15 Tax Day
- Apr 15-16 KellerFest www.kellerchamber.com
- Apr 15-16 Haslet Wild West Fest www.haslet.org
- Apr 17 33rd Annual City Slickers www.colleyvillechamber.org
- Apr 21 HEB Chamber Golf Classic www.heb.org
- Apr 21 9th Annual MHMR Visions Opening Doors Dinner.. www.mhmrtarrant.org
- Apr 22 GRACE Drive Into the Night www.driveintotheneight.com
- Apr 22-24 Art in the Square www.artinthesquare.com
- Apr 28-May 1 Mayfest www.mayfest.org
- Apr 29 Alzheimer's Association Memory Gala www.alz.org
- Apr 29 Lunch with the Girlz www.c-w-c.org
- May 3 10th Annual Keller Rotary Golf Tournament..... www.kellerrotary.com
- May 5 Senior Synergy www.tarrantcounty.com
- May 7 Triple Crown Affair at Lone Star Park www.artscouncilnortheast.org
- May 8 Mother's Day
- May 9 2016 Golf Shootout www.southlakechamber.com
- May 11 Women of Distinction - Fort Worth Area www.gs-top.org

EASTER

- Mar 12 Wettest Egg Hunt www.grapevinetexas.gov
- Mar 16 Spring Egg Scramble..... www.cityofkeller.com
- Mar 19 41st Annual Easter Egg Hunt at Nash Farm .. www.grapevinechamber.org
- Mar 19 EGGStravaganza www.hursttx.gov
- Mar 19 Easter in the Park www.cityofsouthlake.com
- Mar 19 Easter in the Park www.ci.north-richland-hills.tx.us
- Mar 19 Easter Egg Hunt www.richlandhills.com
- Mar 19 Trophy Club Eggstravaganza www.trophyclub.org
- Mar 19 Bunny Brunch www.colleyville.com
- Mar 19 Easter Egg Hunt and Celebration..... www.ci.bedford.tx.us
- Mar 24 Watauga Egg Hunt..... www.ci.watauga.tx.us
- Mar 26 Rabbit Hunt & Easter Event www.colleyvillechamber.org
- Mar 26 16th Annual Easter Egg Hunt www.haslet.org



John Peter Smith Hospital Clinics Northeast Tarrant County

Health Clinics

Gertrude Tarpley JPS Health Center 817-514-5036
6601 Watauga Road, Watauga 76148

JPS Health Center Northeast 817-920-6400
837 Brown Trail, Bedford 76022

School-Based Clinics

Birdville 817-547-3046
8200 O'Brian Way, N. Richland Hills, 76180

Birdville 817-759-2035
2807 Layton Avenue, Haltom City, 76117

Grapevine/Colleyville 817-251-5751
3050 Timberline Drive, Grapevine, 76051

HEB 817- 399-3500
3115 W. Pipeline Road #B, Euless, TX 76040

Georgia Kidwell - HEB 817-399-3366
3115 W. Pipeline Road #D, Euless, TX 76040

For a complete list of Health Clinics and School-Based Clinics log onto: www.jpshealthnet.org

COUNTY HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

March 25, 2016 - Good Friday
March 28, 2016 - Cesar Chavez Day



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