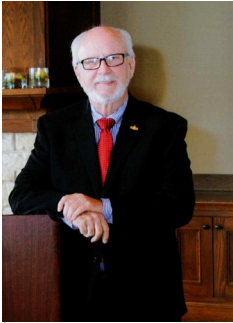


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COMMISSIONER'S CORNER

Since our last newsletter, we wrapped-up the 8th Annual Northeast Tarrant Transportation Summit which was held on Friday, February 17th at the Hurst Conference

Center. With about 700 attendees, eight chambers, three outstanding panel sessions and an innovative luncheon keynote presentation, NTTS 2017 was a resounding success! The event theme this year was "Creating the Transportation Tomorrow, Today!" We focused on topics that segued into what transportation is likely to look like in the future. Featured presenters discussed transportation innovations including autonomous vehicles, evolutions in the urban landscape, and logistics of the future. Kent Larson from MIT, who served as the event keynote, offered a thought-provoking program on how things will likely look 25 years from now. We appreciate all of our sponsors and chambers that help make this event a success. Congratulations to the Northeast Tarrant Chamber of Commerce for registering the most attendees for the event this year! View highlights and presentations of the event at www.netransportationsummit.com.

And speaking of appreciation, we are indeed grateful for the incredible number of volunteers that make Empowering Seniors and our Transportation Summit so successful.

Not just volunteers for our events, but volunteers who give their time for the non-profits, hospitals, senior centers and houses

of faith that serve thousands of people on a daily basis.

With April being Volunteer Month, please allow me to express my sincere gratitude for all you kind-hearted volunteers.

Volunteers represent the heart and soul of our community because they put the giving spirit into action. By donating their time, they are helping the organizations closest to them operate more completely as they serve others.

Save the date for Precinct 3's SUMMER FUN PARTY benefiting the United Way of Tarrant County and sponsored by Tarrant County's Credit Union. Join us for a cook-out and much more on **Friday, June 9th** at the Northeast Courthouse! Grab a cherry limeade and relax on the patio or in the nice, cool Community Room! Just come prepared for the best-dressed tropical outfit/Hawaiian shirt contest...you just may win the grand prize! View more about the event on page 7.

Continue on with the remainder of the Northeast Newsletter for highlights on Tarrant County's new Sheriff, Bill Waybourn, the Tarrant County Auditor's Office, the Precinct 3 Maintenance Center, City of Grapevine Economic Development, our featured non-profit, the Neuro Fitness Foundation, A Historical Moment in Time - Hell's Half Acre, and transportation updates.

Remember to join me and my staff this Friday, April 7th for Coffee with the Commissioner at the Northeast Courthouse. This is a great opportunity to network and visit with your County government! I look forward to you stopping by!

Gary Fickes

COFFEE WITH THE COMMISSIONER

Friday, April 7th

7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.

Start your day with us!

Northeast Courthouse

**645 Grapevine Hwy.
Hurst, Texas 76054**



April is National Volunteer Month



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Question of the Month

Question: The initials "LBJ" did not just stand for Lyndon Baines Johnson. They actually stood for every member of the Johnson family. Can you name them all?

(Answer on page 5)



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Bill Waybourn



Tarrant County Sheriff

Mr. Waybourn began his career in service when he joined the U.S. Air Force in 1978, serving in both the active duty and reserves. On April 30, 1981, after serving active duty, Bill began working for Dalworthington Gardens Police Department. He was promoted to Chief of Police on June 1, 1984, making him the youngest police chief in the State of Texas. Later, he transitioned the city through combining the police and fire services making him the Chief of Public Safety.

In his 31 years as Chief of Dalworthington Gardens, he has testified on numerous cases as an expert witness, pioneered the Texas model for DWI “No

Refusal” program – which is now being used as the model for several surrounding states, and testified before the state legislature on a diverse array of issues relating to the Second Amendment and civilians carrying firearms. He worked with state legislatures on Texas’ original concealed handgun license laws in the 1990s, as well as the most recent open carry law that passed in 2015. Also, he was extremely honored to help the Chris Kyle Bill become law in Texas – a bill that streamlines the process for military service men and women to become police officers.

He has a bachelor’s degree in criminal justice and a master’s degree in conflict resolution. Bill is a graduate of the FBI National Academy, the Texas A&M Police Academy and is a black belt in Tae Kwon Do. He currently teaches college and police instructor classes ranging from criminal justice and criminal procedure to firearms safety and self-defense.

Bill is the current President of the Peace Officer’s Angels Foundation and feels strongly about protecting the fatherless. He is married to Laura and they have nine children, seven of which have been adopted.

On a more personal note -

What do you do for fun? *Camping and spending time with family...*

Favorite Movie? *“True Grit” & “Support Your Local Sheriff”*

Favorite Restaurant? *Saljo’s Pizza: Italian Cuisine*

Favorite vacation spot? *Wyoming*

Last book read? *“The Ideal Team Player” by Patrick Lencioni*

People would be surprised to know... *I rode a horse into my mama’s kitchen when I was six years old.*

Tarrant County Auditor’s Office Duties and Responsibilities

In 1905, the County Auditor was created by statute. The Auditor is appointed by a Board of District Judges. This separation from Commissioners Court established the independence necessary to carry out the duties and responsibilities of the County Auditor.

Renee Tidwell, the Tarrant County Auditor has, for over 21 years, served the Tarrant County residents as an independent auditor overseeing financial accounting and reporting results of operations to the County Commissioners Court and the District Judges of Tarrant County. This includes maintaining books and records reflecting all financial transactions of the County.

Additionally, the Auditor’s office responsibilities include developing and implementing cash management programs and investing idle funds. When requested, financial advice is provided to Commissioners Court.

The Auditor provides general audit oversight of the books and records maintained by the elected and appointed officials of the County, as well as processing vendor payments and payroll. This requires strict enforcement of laws governing County finances.

Other responsibilities include reviewing financial compliance and reporting for funds received under federal, state, and local grant programs.

As a result of the November 2, 1982 constitutional amendment abolishing the office of Tarrant County Treasurer, the County Auditor’s office executes the duties of County Treasurer.

A quote from a 1997 U.S. Court of Appeals, 5th Circuit Court case, Patrick E. Higginbotham, Circuit Judge states, “In other words, Texas gives county auditors responsibility for guarding the public purse and using the authority of the auditor’s office to ensure that local governments comply with the law.”



Article courtesy of Susan Black, Audit Information Manager



Northeast Tarrant Transportation Summit



With almost 700 attendees, 8 chambers, 3 outstanding panel sessions and an innovative luncheon keynote presentation, NTTS 2017 was a resounding success!

Thank you to our speakers and participants!

- Kent Larson, Principal Research Scientist, MIT Media Lab - Keynote Speaker**
- Bill Burton, Executive Vice President, Hillwood
- Todd Graetz, Director, Technology Services, BNSF
- Allan Rutter, Division Head, Freight Mobility, Texas A&M Transportation Institute
- Robert Hinkle, Corporate Affairs, NTE Mobility Partners
- Randy Iwasaki, Executive Director, Contra Costa Transportation Authority
- Tom Bamonte, Program Manager, NCTCOG
- Mark Berry, President & CEO, Teague Nall & Perkins
- Ed McMahon, Senior Resident Fellow, Urban Land Institute
- Jeff Gunning, Senior Vice President, CallisonRTKL
- Robert Francis, Editor, Fort Worth Business Press
- Johan Petterson, Vice President, Dannenbaum Engineering
- Brian Barth, Fort Worth District Engineer, TxDOT
- Scott Sheppard, Executive Director, 6 Stones
- Judge Glen Whitley, Tarrant County Judge



Theresa Parsons and Devin Sanders of Commissioner Gary Fickes' office present a check in the amount of \$500 to Jack Bradshaw, President of the NE Tarrant Chamber of Commerce, for the chambers efforts in taking the most reservations for this year's Northeast Tarrant Transportation Summit.

Thank you and great job!

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- Grapevine Chamber of Commerce
- HEB Chamber of Commerce
- The Greater Keller Chamber of Commerce
- Northeast Tarrant Chamber of Commerce
- Northwest Metroport Chamber of Commerce
- Southlake Chamber of Commerce

**Precinct 3
Maintenance Center News
April 2017**



Winter appeared to have pasted us over this year, allowing for an early jump on what is shaping up to be a very busy year.

One of our big county projects this year is the completion of a safety improvement project to reconstruct, and add shoulders, on Willow Springs Road north of Avondale Haslet Road. This once quiet roadway which only served a couple hundred county residents has exploded into a very busy corridor serving thousands of homes and schools. A right turn lane was also added at Avondale Haslet Road to help with peak hour congestion.

In addition to our project on Willow Springs, we have a very full schedule of County and Interlocal Projects planned:

Interlocal Projects

These projects are a cooperative effort between the county and cities to complete needed rehabilitation and reconstruction projects on city streets. The city provides the material funding and the county provides the labor and equipment to perform the work. Projects we have completed or scheduled for this spring/summer include:

- Foxfire Lane (Grapevine) - Asphalt Overlay (Completed Nov 2016)
- Cheek-Sparger Road (Colleyville) - Reconstruction (Completed Dec 2016)
- Singleton Drive (Fort Worth) - Reconstruction (Completed Feb 2017)
- Willow Springs Road (Fort Worth) - Reconstruction (Completed March 2017)
- Woodridge Circle (Euless) - Asphalt Overlay (Completed March 2017)
- El Camino Real (Euless/Hurst) - Asphalt Overlay (Completed March 2017)
- Midway Drive (Euless) - Asphalt Overlay (Completed March 2017)
- Tibbets Drive (Bedford/Euless) - Asphalt Overlay (Complete April 2017)
- Brown Trail (Euless/Colleyville) -

- Asphalt Overlay (Complete April 2017)
- Westport Parkway (Haslet) - Reconstruction (Complete April 2017)
- Melbourne Road (Hurst) - Asphalt Overlay (Complete April 2017)
- Arcadia Street (Hurst) - Asphalt Overlay (Complete April 2017)
- Deaver Drive (North Richland Hills) - Reconstruction (Scheduled April 2017)
- Harmon Road (Bonds Ranch Road to Golden Triangle Blvd., Fort Worth) - Reconstruction (Scheduled April/May 2017)
- Golden Heights Road (Fort Worth/Tarrant County) - Reconstruction (Scheduled April/May 2017)
- Pearson Lane North (Keller) - Reconstruction (Scheduled May 2017)
- Peytonville Avenue (Southlake) - Stabilization (Scheduled June 2017)
- Randol Mill Avenue (Southlake) - Stabilization (Scheduled June 2017)
- Dove Road East (Westlake/Southlake) - Reconstruction (Scheduled June/July 2017)
- Harmon Road (US 287 to Heritage Trace Parkway, Fort Worth) - Reconstruction (Scheduled June/July 2017)
- Wagley Robertson Road (Fort Worth) - Reconstruction (Scheduled July/Aug 2017)
- Willis Lane (Keller) - Reconstruction (Scheduled Jul/Aug 2017)
- Chapman Road (Watauga) - Reconstruction (Scheduled Sept 2017)
- John McCain Road (Colleyville) - Reconstruction (Scheduled Sept 2017)

Schedules may be subject to change. Additionally, in May, we will issue a call for projects to the cities within Precinct 3 to start the budgeting and planning process for fiscal year 2018.



**Precinct 3
Tarrant County Projects**

Roadways or segments of roadway completed in unincorporated Tarrant County.

- Plains Trail - Repair & Resurface (Completed Oct/Nov 2016)
- Crofoot Trail - Repair & Resurface (Completed Oct/Nov 2016)
- Mesa Blanco Trail - Repair & Resurface (Completed Oct/Nov 2016)
- Tall Grass Trail - Repair & Resurface (Completed Oct/Nov 2016)
- Sky Blue Court - Repair & Resurface (Completed Oct/Nov 2016)
- Tanner Court - Repair & Resurface (Completed Oct/Nov 2016)
- Rawhide Court - Repair & Resurface (Completed Oct/Nov 2016)
- Buffalo Court - Repair & Resurface (Completed Oct/Nov 2016)
- Charlotte Ann Lane - Repair & Resurface (Completed Oct/Nov 2016)
- Taylor Francis Lane - Repair & Resurface (Completed Oct/Nov 2016)
- Florance Ann Lane - Repair & Resurface (Completed Oct/Nov 2016)
- Velda Kay Lane - Repair & Resurface (Completed Oct/Nov 2016)
- Francis Ann Lane - Repair & Resurface (Completed Oct/Nov 2016)
- Susan Kay Lane - Repair & Resurface (Completed Oct/Nov 2016)
- Willow Springs Road - Add Shoulders & Reconstruct (Completed Mar 2017)
- Golden Heights Road - Reconstruction (Scheduled Apr/May 2017)

Your safety and the safety of our crews are of the utmost importance. Please be patient, drive slowly through the construction zone, and be keenly aware of the large equipment and personnel working to make these improvements for you.



Precinct 3 Maintenance Crew setting concrete box culverts on Willow Springs Road.

*Article courtesy of Richard Schiller,
Director of Field Operations*

Grapevine, Texas Economic Development 2016 - A Year in Review

2016 was a record-setting year for Grapevine with multiple major economic development deals announced (under construction or opening), that totaled over 3.9 million square feet. Together, these projects total over \$632 million in new and expanded investments that augment strong concentrations in core sectors of our economy:

- Hospitality
- Retail/Entertainment
- Logistics/Transportation
- Corporate Headquarters & Services

Grapevine City Council secured the following projects/brands in 2016:

- Stand Rock (Resort & Indoor/Outdoor Waterpark)
- Gaylord Texan Resort (Expansion/400+ rooms)
- American Airlines (Hanger upgrades, equipment refurbishment)
- Kubota Headquarters - USA
- Grapevine Mills Mall Renovation
- Sewell BMW (Auto Dealership)
- Mercedes-Benz USA (Parts/Distribution & Training Center)
- TST Impreso (Offices/Distribution)



- Fieldhouse USA (Indoor Sports Facility - (Opening early 2017)
- Perry's Restaurant (Opening late 2017)
- D.L. Rogers Office
- The Laurel Event Center
- Silverlake Development (additional hotel rooms)
- Park Place Porsche
- Braum's

The all-new 104,000 square foot Public Safety Building opens this summer. Grapevine citizens voted in favor of a new Public Safety Building in 2013 as a part of the



Fieldhouse USA in Grapevine, located at the Grapevine Mills Mall

\$68 million bond proposal package which also included the funding of The REC. This state-of-the-art facility will be home to the Grapevine Police Department, Municipal Court, Grapevine Fire Department Administration and the Information Technology Department. This multi-level facility will boast three different buildings on one campus.

Taxes were also lowered in 2016. This past September, the Grapevine City Council approved an operating budget of \$172.8 million for the 2016-2017 fiscal year that began October 1, 2016. The budget allows Grapevine to maintain the high quality service levels that residents have come to expect. The city council also approved adoption of a property tax rate of \$0.289271, which represents a 12% decrease from the previous year.

Article courtesy of Mona Burk, Public Information Officer

Welcome

Leonard Gardner



Precinct 3
Building Superintendent



Please join us in welcoming our new Building Superintendent, Leonard Gardner. Leonard has been with the county for 10 years, and previously worked downtown in the Tom Vandergriff Civil Courts Bldg., the Family Law Center, and the Tim Curry Criminal Justice Center. Welcome to Precinct 3 Leonard!



Question of the Month



Question: The initials "LBJ" did not just stand for Lyndon Baines Johnson. They actually stood for every member of the Johnson family. Can you name them all?

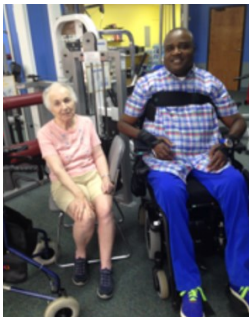


Answer: Lady Bird Johnson, his wife; their daughters, Lynda Bird Johnson and Luci Baines Johnson; and don't forget about the family dog, Little Beagle Johnson!



NEUROFITNESS FOUNDATION

Nestled in behind a Fuzzy's Taco shop on West Euless Blvd. is one of the best-kept secrets in Euless. The Neuro Fitness Foundation gymnasium certainly doesn't want to be a secret, though it is an exclusive club. In order to join, one must be disabled. Those members of this under-served population who do find us think it's pretty special to have a fitness facility where the equipment is modified to accommodate the wheelchair-bound and other special needs. In fact, it is the only

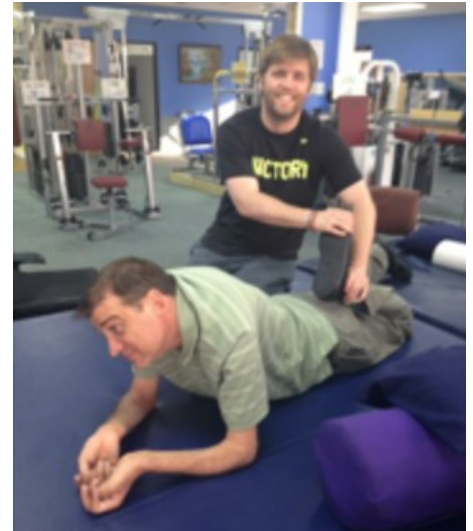


facility of its kind in the DFW area! Not surprisingly, 20% come from beyond Tarrant County to work out. They enjoy the benefits of a fitness director and become part of a

“family,” of sympathetic friends with equal or more challenges in life. Our success stories prove that exercise improves health and helps the disabled gain more independence.

The non-profit foundation currently serves some 200 adults, ages 18-80 with disabilities caused by neurological issues or other life-altering health events. This includes stroke, MS, spinal cord injuries, accidents, traumatic brain injury, muscular dystrophy, Parkinson's disease, cerebral palsy, or any paralysis. There are no contracts to sign, and no limitations on visits. Some come every day, others more intermittently. The cost to join is a monthly donation -- \$30 suggested – of whatever amount is affordable, if any. No one is turned away, but a doctor's note giving permission to exercise is required.

The facility is dependent on corporate sponsors, grants, generous donors, volunteers and two fundraisers to be self-sustaining. A golf outing is scheduled for May 19. See our website at www.NeuroFitnessFoundation.org for



more details on what you can do to help.

The gym, located at 1361 W. Euless Blvd., #101 in Euless, is open Monday through Friday from 11 am to 7 pm and Saturdays from 10 am to 2 pm. The phone number is 817-571-1323.

Article courtesy of Joyce Dreslin, Volunteer

A Historical Moment In Time Hell's Half Acre



Established in the early 1870s, Hell's Half Acre was originally designated from Tenth Street to Fifteenth Street while intersecting with Houston Street, Main Street, and Rusk Street with Throckmorton and Calhoun Streets established as boundaries. The economic driving forces that led to the progressive development of the red-light district was the Chisholm Trail and the Texas and Pacific Railway.



Only those looking for trouble and excitement ventured into “the Acre,” known for its two story saloons, dance halls, brothels as well as a few legitimate businesses. Activities included rowdy gambling, cockfighting, and horse racing.

Hell's Half Acre expanded in all directions to reach the size of 2-1/2 acres. Local citizens had become alarmed at the level of crime and violence and elected Timothy Isaiah (Longhair Jim) Courtright as their city marshal mandated to tame the Acre's wilder activities. With news of train and stagecoach robbers using the Acre as a hideout, local authorities intensified their law enforcement efforts.

Two events, a shootout on Main Street that left Courtright dead and the gruesome murder of a prostitute, combined with the first prohibition campaign in Texas, helped to tame the Acre in 1889.

Urban growth began to improve the image of the Acre, as new businesses and homes moved into the south end of town. The popularity and profitability of the Acre no longer attracted outlaws however, cheap variety shows and prostitution still remained. In 1911, Rev. J. Frank Norris launched an offensive against racetrack gambling and used the pulpit of the First Baptist Church to attack vice and prostitution. He used the Acre, both to lash out at the leadership of Fort Worth, and advance his own personal career.



Timothy Isaiah Courtright (Longhair Jim)

In 1917, a new city administration and the federal government, which was eyeing Fort Worth as a potential site for a major military training camp, joined forces with a local Baptist preacher to bring down the Acre. The police department compiled statistics showing that 50 percent of the

violent crime in Fort Worth occurred in the Acre. After Camp Bowie was located on the outskirts of Fort Worth in the summer of 1917, martial law was brought to bear against prostitutes and barkeepers of the Acre. Fines and stiff jail sentences curtailed their activities and by 1919, the Acre was nothing but a piece of Fort Worth history.



Reverend J. Frank Norris

Ref: Texas State Historical Association

Precinct 3's Summer Fun Party

Friday, June 9th, 2017
10:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
 Northeast Courthouse
 645 Grapevine Hwy., Hurst 76054

Steel Drum Music
 Sounds of the Caribbean

Cruise on over for a Hamburger or Hot Dog, Chips, Dessert and a Drink for your donation of \$8.00!

Best-Dressed Tropical Outfit/Hawaiian Shirt CONTEST!
Silent Auction
Photo Booth
Door Prizes
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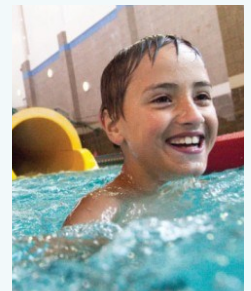
Join us for a day full of fun and surprises. Grab a cherry limeade and relax on the patio or in the nice cool community room! Come prepared for the best-dressed tropical outfit/Hawaiian shirt contest ... you just may win the grand prize!

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SUMMERFUN

IN NORTHEAST TARRANT COUNTY CITIES

- BEDFORD www.bedfordtx.gov/parks/recreation/
- COLLEYVILLE www.colleyville.com/parksandfacilities.html
- EULESS www.eulesstx.gov/pacs/EulesFamilyLifeCenter.htm
- FLOWER MOUND www.flower-mound.com/index.aspx?nid=137
- GRAPEVINE <https://playgrapevine.com/>
- HALTOM CITY www.haltomcitytx.com/departments/parks-recreation
- HASLET www.haslet.org/index.aspx?nid=173
- HURST www.hursttx.gov/index.aspx?page=62
- KELLER www.cityofkeller.com/services/parks-recreation
- NORTH RICHLAND HILLS www.nrhtx.com/812/Things-to-Do
- RICHLAND HILLS www.richlandhills.com/city-government/departments/recreation-and-special-events
- ROANOKE www.roanoketexas.com/183/Parks-Recreation
- SOUTHLAKE www.cityofsouthlake.com/1273/Southlake-Scene
- TROPHY CLUB www.trophyclub.org/departments/parks-and-recreation/
- WATAUGA www.ci.watauga.tx.us/915/Parks-Community-Services
- WESTLAKE www.westlake-tx.org/index.aspx?NID=130



SENIOR NEWS



HOME TO TARRANT COUNTY'S MOST SERIOUS HEALTH THREAT.

Take the steps to protect yourself, your loved ones and the community from mosquito-borne illnesses.

Even the most unexpected places can become breeding grounds for mosquitoes and the illnesses they can carry. Tarrant County Public Health (TCPH) and County officials are asking for your help to protect our community. Do your part and help Tarrant County Be Mosquito Free:

- Wear long sleeves and pants
- Use EPA-approved insect repellent
- Dump standing water
- Keep vegetation trimmed

Specific North Texas mosquitoes that carry disease



Imported cases of both Zika and Chikungunya could make local spread of both viruses possible because the Aedes mosquitoes that transmit those viruses are found in Texas. While the Culex mosquito that carries West Nile Virus is active and bites only from dusk to dawn, Aedes mosquitoes, which carry Zika and Chikungunya, are active and bite during the day – so it's important for people to do what they can to eliminate mosquito breeding sites and to protect themselves against mosquito bites at all times.

Because symptoms of these viruses are similar, TCPH encourages physicians to consider Zika virus, Chikungunya and Dengue infection when examining patients who show acute onset of fever and joint pain - and patients who have recently visited areas where at least one of the viruses is present.

TCPH has produced videos that can help residents learn how to eliminate mosquito breeding sites around their homes.

- https://youtu.be/G_ekfQ-F4F4
- <https://youtu.be/dxY52y5VrhU>



For additional information, please visit: www.tarrantcounty.com

Severe Weather Safety Tips

Are you prepared for an emergency situation? Learn how to [Build an Emergency Kit](#) and [Have an Emergency Communication Plan](#)

Tornado:

- ⇒ Go to a pre-designated area such as a safe room, basement, storm cellar or the lowest building level. If there is no basement, go to the center of a small interior room on the lowest level (closet, interior hallway) away from corners, windows, doors, and outside walls. Protect your head and neck.
- ⇒ Put on sturdy shoes.
- ⇒ Do not open windows.
- ⇒ If you are in a manufactured home, get out immediately and go to a pre-identified location such as the lowest floor of a sturdy, nearby building or storm shelter.
- ⇒ If you are outside with no shelter, lie in an area noticeably lower than the level of the roadway and cover your head with your arms and a blanket, coat or other cushion if possible.

For more safety tips and information on safety precautions to take before, during, and after severe weather strikes, please visit: www.TarrantCounty.com

www.knowwhat2do.com



Thursday, May 4, 2017
8:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Location: Will Rogers Amon G. Carter Jr. Exhibits Hall
3400 Burnet-Tandy Drive
Fort Worth, TX 76196

Register TODAY : www.tarrantcounty.com

CALENDAR

- Apr 7 Colleyville Senior Center Senior Prom www.colleyville.com
- Apr 7 Euless Senior Center Health Expo www.eulesstx.gov
- Apr 18 NE Senior Leadership Forum Meeting 817-788-7711
- Apr 28 Keller Senior Center Health & Wellness Fair... www.cityofkeller.com
- May 4 Senior Synergy Health & Lifestyle Expo www.tarrantcounty.com
- May 18 Tarrant County Senior Jamboree www.facebook.com



Transportation

Northeast Tarrant County

DFW Connector Project

Hotline: 877-411-4212
www.dfwconnector.com



Sign up for e-alerts!

- Bridge foundations and columns are 100 % complete on the project. Structures crews continue to form and pour the remaining column caps on the project, which are expected to be 100 percent complete by late spring.
- Crews continue paving the new mainlanes from northbound SH 360 to northbound SH 121 in preparation for a traffic switch onto the new



pavement this spring.

- Drainage and wall crews are also continuing their work throughout the center median of SH 121.

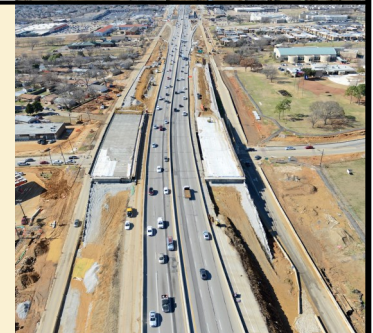
Midtown Express

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www.drivemidtown.com



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- SH 114 is currently in its final phase of construction and is anticipated to be complete in late 2017.
- SH 183 construction is 50% complete.
- Utility relocation is 95% complete.
- The project team is constructing bridges and walls at all major intersections along SH 183 in Irving and Euless.
- This summer, the project anticipates switching traffic onto some of the new bridge widenings along SH 183 allowing existing bridges to be removed and rebuilt.
- Project team is currently:



Placing girders, pouring bridge decks and painting direct connections between SH 183 and Loop 12.

- Loop 12 Major traffic switches implemented on north and southbound Loop 12 between I-35E and SH 183.

North Tarrant Express/ I-35W

Hotline: 888-683-2015
www.northtarrantexpress.com



Sign up for e-alerts!

- The I-35W project from I-820 to I-30 is 68 % complete.
- In early March, there was a traffic shift on eastbound I-820 at the I-35W/ I-820 interchange and this configuration is anticipated to remain in place through October 2017. Drivers are encouraged to be aware of the changes when taking this road.

Additional ongoing closures that are expected to be in place for the next few months: On-ramps to southbound I-35W from Weatherford Street and Gilvin Street (June 2017); Off-ramp from southbound I-35W to westbound Spur 280 (June 2017); Northbound I-35W on-ramp at Northside Drive/Yucca Avenue (through July 2017).

- Drivers are encouraged to “Know Before They Go,” and visit www.northtarrantexpress.com for upcoming closures.



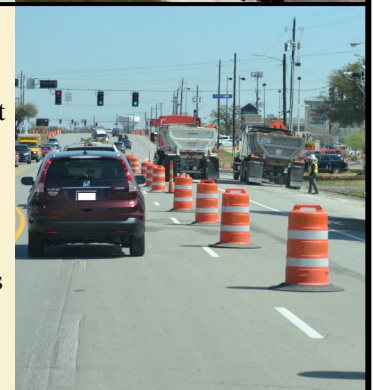
Highway 26
 TxDOT - N Tarrant Office
 817-399-4300
sh26project.com
www.txdot.gov



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- On the SH 26 project, motorists can expect to see increased construction activity south of Glade Road including placement of concrete traffic barriers and removal of existing drainage near Little Bear Creek bridge in the coming weeks. Additional construction activity throughout the rest of the project will include the placement of temporary traffic signals, additional traffic control devices and installation of temporary pavement at various locations along the project limits. Lane closures throughout the project limits are possible from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The \$38.2 million project in Colleyville from John McCain Road to Brown Trail consists of the widening of SH 26 from four lanes with a continuous left turn lane to six lanes with raised curb medians with left turn bays, continuous sidewalks and improved signals. The project is estimated for completion in 2019. For project information and to sign-up for e-mail alerts on construction activity, log on to: SH26Project.com



FM 1938 - Phase II
 TxDOT - N Tarrant Office
 817-399-4300
www.txdot.gov
 Southlake 817-748-8098
www.cityofsouthlake.com

- The FM 1938 construction project continues. At the intersection of FM 1938 and FM 1709, where construction is significantly completed, some daily lane closures during off-peak periods can still be expected to finish work in the medians, around the perimeter of the intersection and to install the permanent traffic signals. North of the intersection, crews continue to reconstruct the new northbound and southbound lanes, which includes a new retaining wall located along the west side of FM

1938. Construction is also continuing on some of the remaining side streets connecting from the west side of FM 1938.

- The 1.6 mile project will widen the roadway to two lanes in each direction with raised curbed medians and will expand the intersection at FM 1709 so there will be two left-turn lanes in all directions. Project information can be found on Facebook and Twitter @fm1938mobility.



Calendar of Events

- Apr 7 Coffee with the Commissioner.....(817) 581-3600**
- Apr 7 Alzheimer's Memory Gala - The Quest.....www.act.alz.org
- Apr 8 Bedford Artsfest 2017.....www.bedfordtx.gov
- Apr 8 2017 Grapevine Job Fair.....www.grapevinechamber.org
- Apr 8 The Clubhouse for Special Needs (Dinner/Silent Auction).www.theclubhouse.org
- Apr 8 Northeast Tarrant Chambers' Denim & Diamonds.....www.netarrant.org
- Apr 8 Women's Center Victory Over Violence Walk/Run.....www.vovfw.org
- Apr 11 The Classic at Roanoke Benefit Wine Dinner.....www.metroportmow.org
- Apr 14 Good Friday.....**
- Apr 16 Easter.....**
- Apr 18 Tax Day.....**
- Apr 18 Joint Chamber Mixer..... Your local chamber website
- Apr 20 MHMR Opening Doors Dinner 2017.....www.mhmrtarrant.org
- Apr 20 NE Chamber Hometown Heroes Celebration.....www.netarrant.org
- Apr 20 HEB Chamber Golf Classic 2017.....www.heb.org
- Apr 20-23 Main Street Fort Worth Arts Festival.....www.mainstreetartsfest.org
- Apr 21 GRACE Drive into the Night Glow Golf Tourn.....www.driveintothelighting.com
- Apr 21-22 6Stones CPR.....www.6stones.org
- Apr 22 Earth Day.....www.earthday.org
- Apr 24 Southlake Chamber Annual Golf Tournament.....www.southlakechamber.com
- Apr 25 Lena Pope's 38th Annual Fiesta de Oro.....www.lenapope.org
- Apr 26 Friends of Mid-Cities Care Corps Luncheon.....www.crownoflife.church
- Apr 28 CEC Partners in Hope Luncheon..... (817) 281-1164
- Apr 28-29 KellerFest.....www.kellerchamber.com
- Apr 28-30 Southlake Art in the Square.....www.artinthesquare.com
- Apr 29 Euless Arbor Daze Festival.....www.arbordaze.org
- Apr 29 Westlake's 18th Annual Arbor Day Celebration.....www.westlake-tx.org
- Apr 29 Haslet Wild West Fest.....www.haslet.org
- May 1 North Texas SNAP Golf Classic.....www.ntxsnap.org
- May 2 Keller Rotary Club Golf Tournament.....www.rotaryclubofkeller.org
- May 4 Senior Synergy Health & Lifestyle Expo.....www.tarrantcounty.com**
- May 4-7 Mayfest.....www.mayfest.org
- May 6 Arts Council Northeast Triple Crown Affair.....www.artscouncilnortheast.org
- May 6 Relay For Life Northern Tarrant County.....www.relay.acsevents.org
- May 8 PPF Golf Classic.....www.proplayersfoundation.net
- May 13 Relay For Life MidCities.....www.relay.acsevents.org
- May 13 Roanoke Roundup.....www.roanoketexas.com
- May 13 Keller's Annual Camp Out.....www.cityofkeller.com
- May 14 Mother's Day.....**
- May 15 GCISD Education Foundation Classic Golf Tournament.....www.gcisd-k12.org
- May 17 Girl Scout Women of Distinction Luncheon.....www.gs-top.org
- May 18 Keller Chamber Rising Star Banquet.....www.kellerchamber.com
- May 18 Caring With Commitment Celebration.....www.c-w-c.org
- May 18 Celebrating Women in Business.....www.nwmccwomeninbusiness.com
- May 19 Safe Haven's A Dapper Dinner.....www.safehaventc.org
- May 19 Neuro Fitness Found. Charity Golf Classic.....www.neurofitnessfoundation.org
- May 19 Pull For Kids Clay Shoot.....www.casaclayshoot.org
- May 18-21 Watauga Fest.....www.ci.watauga.tx.us
- May 19-21 Grapevine Main Street Fest.....www.grapevinechamber.org
- May 20 Donate Life Texas 2nd Chance Run.....www.2ndchancerun.org
- May 29 Memorial Day.....**
- Jun 3 Colleyville Lions Club 5K Run/Walk.....www.colleyvillelions.com
- Jun 6 Stars in Recovery Luncheon with Elizabeth Vargas.....www.recoverycouncil.org
- Jun 9 Precinct 3's Summer Fun Party.....(817) 581-3600**
- Jun 10 Healthy Hurst Dash & Splash.....www.hursttx.gov

JPS Hospital Clinics in 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

April 14th - Good Friday

May 29th - Memorial Day

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Easter Fun!



- Apr 8 Easter Egg Celebration.....www.bedfordtx.gov
- Apr 8 42nd Annual Easter Egg Hunt at Nash Farm.....www.grapevinetexas.gov
- Apr 8 EGGstravaganza.....www.hursttx.gov
- Apr 8 Roanoke Bunny Hop & Hunt.....www.roanoketexas.com
- Apr 8 Easter in the Park.....www.cityofsouthlake.com
- Apr 8 Trophy Club Eggstravaganza.....www.trophyclub.com
- Apr 8 Spring Egg Scramble.....www.cityofkeller.com
- Apr 8 Bunny Brunch.....www.colleyville.com
- Apr 8 Easter in the Park.....www.nrhtx.com
- Apr 8 Annual Easter Egg Hunt.....www.richlandhills.com
- Apr 8 17th Annual Easter Egg Hunt.....www.haslet.org
- Apr 12 Down on the Farm Bunny Petting Zoo.....www.ci.watauga.tx.us