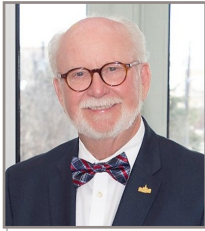




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COMMISSIONER'S CORNER

Where is the rain?! As we wrap-up the summer we can only hope for cooler days and some wet weather. Remember to take breaks from the outdoors and stay cool!

Commissioner Fickes has been named the new Chairman of the Regional Transportation Council after the 44-member transportation policymaking body elected him in June. As the transportation policymaking body for the 12-county Dallas-Fort Worth area, the RTC oversees transportation planning for the fourth-largest metropolitan area in the country, which has a current population of more than 7 million people. The RTC guides the development of roadway, rail and bicycle-pedestrian plans and programs; allocates transportation funds; and recommends projects to the Texas Transportation Commission. Learn more about the RTC at www.nctcog.org.

Congratulations also to Tarrant County Commissioner Roy Charles Brooks who completed his term as 2017-2018 President of the National Association of Counties (NACo). He turned over the reins this past month to San Diego County, California Supervisor Greg Cox at the conclusion of NACo's 83rd Annual Conference and Exposition in Nashville/Davidson County, Tennessee. Commissioner Brooks will now serve as Immediate Past President for the 2018-2019 year. With Tarrant County Judge Glen Whitley having served as 2010-2011 NACo President, Tarrant County continues to demonstrate strong leadership among its state and national peers. Learn more about NACo at www.naco.org.

The 10th Annual Empowering Seniors event is right around the corner on **Friday, October 5th** at First Eules- Campus West in Bedford. Come join us for professional health screenings, informative workshops, the "Ask the Doctor" panel, FREE food, over 140 exhibitors, totes and treats, entertainment, BINGO, door prizes and more! Meet Dallas Cowboy Legend, Super Bowl Champion and Pro Football Hall of Famer, Bob Lilly AKA "Mr. Cowboy. Thank you to our presenting sponsor, Care 'N Care, and other sponsors. Attendee registration is now open at www.empoweringseniors.com.

Students, parents, and teachers are gearing up for the new school year this month. Find more information inside the newsletter on area agencies that are helping everyone ease back into a routine by providing immunizations, school supplies, and other services for those who are eligible. Also, visit page 4 for an update on the JPS Medical Home Northeast Tarrant. We look forward to the clinic's **grand opening scheduled for October 11th!**

Are you interested in leadership and learning more about your community in Northeast Tarrant County? Area chambers of commerce are currently enrolling for their leadership classes for the 2018-2019 year. This is a great opportunity to learn about local government, businesses, and non-profits! Contact any area chamber of commerce for more information on leadership opportunities they provide.

Remember to join us this Friday, August 10 at 7:30 a.m. at the Northeast Courthouse for Coffee with the Commissioner. Join our office for coffee and networking – everyone is welcome to attend!

Gary Fickes

COFFEE WITH THE COMMISSIONER

Friday, August 10th

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

Start your day with us!

Northeast Courthouse

645 Grapevine Hwy.
Hurst, Texas 76054



Question of the Month

Question: As we know, our Presidents often suffer minor/major mishaps. Thomas Jefferson was no exception. On one occasion, he broke both his arm and collarbone! How did this happen?

(Answer on page 4)

The Quote of the Month - "Texas history is as varied, tempestuous, and vast as the state itself. Texas yesterday is unbelievable, but no more incredible than Texas today. Today's Texas is exhilarating, exasperating, violent, charming, horrible, delightful, alive."

—Edna Ferber

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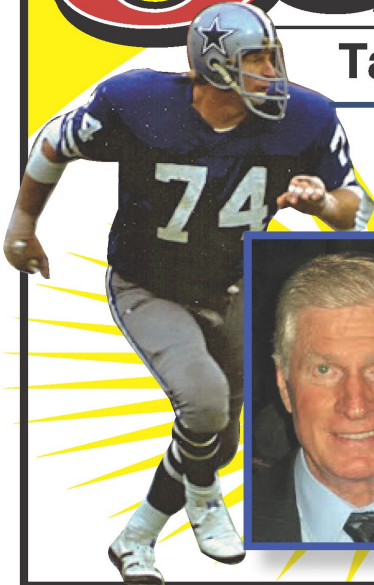
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For Sponsorship and Exhibitor information, please visit www.EmpoweringSeniors.com or call 817-581-3600

Thank you to our last year's sponsors





Aug 10-12, 2018
Sales Tax Holiday
www.texas.gov

Back to School

Please check the websites below for pre-registration, eligibility guidelines, dates, times and locations available.



Bee Wise, Immunize"

Tarrant County - Time for Back-to-School Shots
 (Follow link for locations, dates and times)
www.TarrantCounty.com

Back to School Roundup - Serving Tarrant County
WILL ROGERS MEMORIAL CENTER
 Thursday, August 9, 2018 | 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
<http://BackToSchoolRoundup.org>

- www.birdvilleschools.net/bisd
- www.gcisd-k12.org/gcisd
- www.hebisd.edu/
- www.kellerisd.net/kisd
- www.nisdtx.org/
- www.southlakecarroll.edu/
- www.westlakeacademy.org/

Other Area Assistance Programs

Catholic Charities	www.catholiccharitiesfortworth.org	Various assistance programs	817-534-0814
Community Enrichment Center	www.thecec.org	Refresh Back-to-School 8/18/18	817-281-1164
Community Storehouse	www.communitystorehouse.org	Various assistance programs	817-431-3340
GRACE Grapevine	www.gracegrapevine.org	Various assistance programs	817-488-7009
6Stones	www.6stones.org	Operation Back 2 School 8/11/18	817-868-7400
Tarrant Cares	www.tarrantcares.org	Search for assistance programs	
United Way of Tarrant County	https://unitedwaytarrant.org	Search for assistance programs	2-1-1

Use Extra Caution when School is in Session

As summer draws to a close, back-to-school season is in full swing. Remember to [safely share the roads](#) with school buses, pedestrians, and bicyclists, and provide children with the necessary knowledge to stay safe at school.

Whether children [walk](#), ride their [bicycle](#) or take the [bus](#) to school, it is essential that they - and the [motorists around them](#) - take proper safety precautions.

VIDEOS:

- [Back to School: Driving Safely with School Buses](#)
- [Stop Bullying: What Parents Can Do](#)

LINKS:

- [Backpack safety](#)
- [Playground safety](#)
- [Concussion risk from sports](#)
- [Head up, phone down](#)



Drive it HOME

Drive it HOME - Helpful resources for the parents of newly licensed teen drivers.

Teen crashes spike in September as they head back to school and happen more often during hours when school begins and lets out. Learn the best ways to [keep your teen drivers safe](#).

For more information, please visit: <http://www.nsc.org/learn/Pages/keep-children-safe-at-school.aspx>

JPS Medical Home Northeast Tarrant

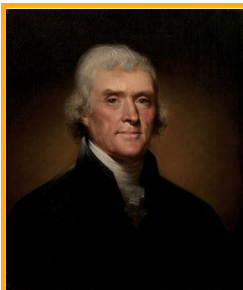


We are excited to announce the grand opening for the new JPS Medical Home Northeast Tarrant is just a few months away; scheduled for Thursday, October 11th. This 32,000-square-foot, full-service clinic nearing completion, is located at 3200 W. Euless Boulevard and will replace the JPS Northeast Health Center in Bedford.

“We’re right on schedule,” said Angie Morgan, director of construction at JPS Health Network, Tarrant County’s publicly supported healthcare provider. “It’s exciting to see it taking shape, knowing what an asset it’s going to be for our patients and the communities we serve in Northeast Tarrant County.”

JPS Medical Home Northeast Tarrant offers significantly expanded services and increased efficiency. Patients in Northeast Tarrant County will appreciate the convenient drive-through pharmacy window. Ultrasound or lab tests will be performed on-site, rather than traveling to John Peter Smith Hospital in Fort Worth. Providing multiple services under one roof increases the likelihood that those tests will get done when they should, creating opportunities for timely preventative care.

JPS Medical Home Northeast Tarrant will include primary care, women’s health, behavioral health, dental, optometry, laboratory, radiology and pharmacy service.



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Answer: Jefferson, an avid horseman, fell from his galloping horse.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Aug 7 National Night Out.....
- Aug 10 Coffee with the Commissioner.....(817) 581-3600
- Aug 11 MOW Salute to America's Armed Forces.....www.mealsonwheels.org
- Aug 17 Mission Central 2018 Celebration.....www.missioncentral.com
- Aug 18 Hurst Animal Shelter Clear the Shelters Day www.hursttx.gov
- Aug 21 Senior Citizens Day.....
- Aug 24 Celebrating Women In Businesswww.nwmcwomeninbusiness.com
- Aug 24 5th Annual Grapevine Chamber Casino Night.....www.grapevinechamber.org
- Aug 31 Overdose Awareness Day Tarrant County..... www.fwscc.org
- Aug 31 - Sept 2 Bedford Blues & BBQ Fest.....www.bedfordbluesfest.com
- Sep 3 Labor Day.....
- Sep 8 Mental Health America of Greater Tarrant County Run for Life.....www.mhatec.org
- Sep 8 American Heart Association Heart Walk.....www.tarrantcountyheartwalk.org
- Sep 8 Kids Matter 5K & Family Fun Run.....www.kidsmatterinternational.org
- Sep 9 National Grandparent's Day.....
- Sep 11 National Day of Service and Remembrance.....
- Sep 13 HEB Chamber 63rd Birthday Bash..... www.heb.org
- Sep 13-16 32nd Annual GrapeFest..... www.grapevinetexasusa.com
- Sep 14 NW Metroport Lone Star Legislative Report.....www.nwmetroportchamber.org
- Sep 14 Alliance For Children Picnic at the Park www.allianceforchildren.org
- Sep 17 Colleyville Chamber Golf Classic 2018.....www.colleyvillechamber.org
- Sep 20 North Texas Giving Day.....www.northtexasgivingday.org
- Sep 20 Greater Keller Chamber Annual Golf Tournament.....www.kellerchamber.com
- Sep 20 CEC Love & Hope Gala.....www.thecec.org
- Sep 21 Arts Council Northeast Shining Stars Luncheon www.shiningstarsartscouncil.org
- Sep 22 Community Storehouse Run in the Dark..... www.runinthedarkdfw.com
- Sep 24 Tarrant County MOW Annual Golf Classic www.mealsonwheels.org
- Sep 29 North Texas Snap Boots & Bling Casino Night.....www.ntxsnap.org
- Sep 29 Walk to End Alzheimer's - Northeast Tarrant County.....www.act.alz.org
- Oct 1 Grapevine Chamber Golf Classic 2018.....www.grapevinechamber.org
- Oct 2 National Night Out Event..... www.haslet.org
- Oct 5 Empowering Seniors.....www.empoweringseniors.com
- Oct 5-7 Southlake Oktoberfest 2018.....www.southlakechamber.com
- Oct 6 Grace Gala www.gracegala.org
- Oct 11 JPS Medical Home Northeast Grand Opening
- Oct 11 Metroport MOW Whiskey, Wine & Design www.metroportmow.org

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

September 3 - Labor Day



Immunization Collaboration of Tarrant County

2018 Immunization Events

<p>Campus West 6 Stones 209 North Industrial Blvd. Bedford, Texas 76021</p> <p>Monday, August 6, 2018 12 Noon – 6 PM Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday August 7, 8, 10, 2018 9 AM – 6 PM <i>No Thursday or Saturday</i></p>	<p>North Texas Wellness Fair Education Service Center-Region 11 1451 S. Cherry Lane White Settlement, Texas 76108</p> <p>Saturday, August 4, 2018 8 AM – 1 PM</p>	<p>Tarrant County Back to School RoundUp Will Rogers Memorial Center 3400 Burnett Tandy Dr. Fort Worth, Texas 76107</p> <p>Thursday, August 9, 2018 8 AM – 2 PM</p>
<p>Family Life Gym (North Entrance to Gym) 1601 North Davis Drive Arlington, Texas 76012</p> <p>Monday, August 13, 2018 12 Noon – 6 PM Tuesday – Friday August 14 - 17, 2018 9 AM – 6 PM Saturday, August 18, 2018 9 AM – 2 PM</p>	<p>Administration Cost: Children 0-18 years old \$8 per shot or \$24 for 3+ shots</p> <p>NO DEBIT OR CREDIT CARDS Cash, Check, CHIP, or Medicaid Accepted</p> <p>**BRING VACCINE RECORDS** Adult Safety Net Vaccines 19 years & older with no insurance \$25 per shot</p>	<p>La Gran Plaza 4200 South Freeway Fort Worth, Texas 76115</p> <p>Monday – Friday August 20 - 24, 2018 9 AM – 6 PM Saturday, August 25, 2018 9 AM – 2 PM Monday – Friday August 27 - 31, 2018 9 AM – 6 PM</p>

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