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Holiday Edition (Condensed)

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COFFEE WITH THE COMMISSIONER

Friday, December 9, 2016 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. Start your day with us! **Northeast Courthouse Community Room** 645 Grapevine Hwy., Ste. 200 Hurst, Texas 76054



SAVE THE DATE NE Transportation Summit Friday, February 17, 2017



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Welcome to our holiday edition of the Northeast Newsletter that is just in time for our first arctic blast of the year and our Christmas Coffee with the Commissioner this Friday. The holiday season is in full force with Christmas only a short two and a half weeks away!

JPS Health Network, the system that makes up our county hospital district, is holding long-range planning public meetings to provide information and receive feedback on the future direction of the health care delivery system. With anticipated changes in population demographics/growth and technology, JPS would like to know the best way to provide healthcare services to our community. Upcoming public community forums will be held on Wednesday, December 7 at 6:00 p.m. at the Lake Worth Activity Center, and one on Tuesday, January 10 at our Northeast Courthouse in Hurst. The public is welcome and encouraged to attend. View more information on page (4) of the newsletter.

A reminder that December is Winter Weather Preparedness month, and with winter weather arriving soon, Tarrant

County Emergency Management reminds everyone to be cautious in the event of icy conditions. With Texas weather so unpredictable, and considering the hazards cold weather brings, please visit www.knowhat2do.com to review tips for winter weather preparedness.

My office will be hosting two holiday events this season. Our special Christmas Coffee with the Commissioner will be this Friday, December 9 from 7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. in the Community Room at the Northeast Courthouse. We will also be hosting a special holiday open house with the City of Southlake's Mayor Laura Hill at the Southlake Town Hall on Monday, December 12 starting at 5:30 p.m. I invite you to come by and visit our offices on the 4th floor of the Town Hall.

A reminder that Tarrant County offices will be closed Friday, December 23 through Monday, December 26 in observance of the Christmas holiday, and will also be closed on Monday, January 2 in observance of New Year's Day. I wish you and your family a blessed Christmas season and a happy and prosperous New Year!

Gary Fickes



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Area Assistance Programs

2-1-1 Texas	www.tarrantcounty211.org 211	or 817-541-7905
6Stones	www.6stones.org	817-868-7400
Battered Women's Foundation	www.bwf1.com	817-284-8464
Big Brothers Big Sisters	www.bbbstx.org	817-566-7414
Catholic Charities Fort Worth	www.catholiccharitiesfortworth.org	817-534-0814
Community Action Partners	www.fortworthtexas.gov/cap/	817-392-5790
Community Enrichment Center	www.thecec.org	817-281-1164
Community Storehouse	www.communitystorehouse.org	817-431-3340
Cowboy Santas/Silver Stars	www.cowboysantas.org	817-392-5790
DFW Metroplex Toys for Tots	www.dfwtoysfortots.org	817-281-9076
Families in Transition (FIT) Program	www.fortworthtexas.gov/cap	817-392-5790
Fort Worth Hope Center	www.fwhope.org	817-451-6288
GRACE	www.gracegrapevine.org	817-488-7009
Meals on Wheels of Tarrant County	www.mealsonwheels.org	817-336-0912
Metroport Meals on Wheels	www.metroportmow.org	817-491-1141
MHMR Tarrant County	www.mhmrtarrant.org	817-335-3022
Mid-Cities Care Corps	www.midcitiescarecorps.org	817-282-0531
Mission Central	www.missioncentralmetroplex.com	817-595-0011
North East Emergency Distribution	www.need.tarrant.com	817-280-0286
North Texas SNAP	www.ntxsnap.org	817-545-9456
Samaritan House	www.samaritanhouse.org	817-332-6410
SafeHaven	www.safehaventc.org	877-701-7233
Tarrant Area Food Bank	www.tafb.org	817-857-7100
Tarrant Cares	www.tarrantcares.org	
The Center for Transforming Lives	www.transforminglives.org	817-332-6191
The Christmas Wish Project of Tarrant County	www.christmaswishproject.com	
The Gatehouse	www.gatehousegrapevine.com	817-912-0317
The Salvation Army of Tarrant County	www.salvationarmydfw.org	817-344-1800
Union Gospel Mission	. www.ugm-tc.org	817-339-2553















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SAVE THE DATE

Creating the Transportation Tomorrowland, Today

Friday, February 17, 2017 | 8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Hurst Conference Center | 1600 Campus Drive, Hurst, Texas



KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Kent Larson

Principal Research Scientist, Changing Places Group, MIT Media Lab

EVENT SUMMARY

The 8th Annual Northeast Tarrant Transportation Summit will take place on Friday, February 17, 2017 at the Hurst Conference Center in Hurst, Texas. This event has become one of the largest transportation events in Texas and showcases a variety of speakers and panels discussing the future of transportation in Tarrant County, the state of Texas and the United States, as a whole. Featured presenters will discuss transportation innovations including autonomous vehicles, transportation evolutions in the urban landscape, and what logistics will look like in the future. The program's keynote speaker, Kent Larson from MIT, will explore the intersection of transportation technology and urban design. This summit promises to be the can't-miss transportation event of the year!







www.NETransportationSummit.com



Health Care Delivery System to be Discussed

Advances in technology and the coordination of medical care have changed dramatically in the past 30 years. It is anticipated that the next 30 years will also bring significant changes.

Now, the Tarrant County Commissioners Court and JPS Health Network are looking into the future to anticipate changes in population demographics/growth, technology and how health care services are provided.

Four Community Forums will be conducted to gain input from the general public on the future direction of the health care delivery system in Tarrant County. The Commissioners Court is hosting these "listening sessions," which are scheduled throughout the county for the convenience of interested residents.

All forums will begin at 6 p.m.

Wednesday November 9

Resource Connection 2300 Circle Drive Fort Worth, TX, 76119

Thursday December 1

Arlington Subcourthouse 700 E. Abram St. Arlington, TX, 76010

Wednesday December 7

Lake Worth Activity Center 7005 Charbonneau Road Lake Worth, TX, 76135

Tuesday January 10 Northeast Courthouse 645 Grapevine Highway Hurst, TX, 76054



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Precinct 3 Maintenance Crew