



COMMISSIONER'S CORNER

Happy New Year! Coming off the holidays, our office has hit the ground running on many exciting projects! Our Northeast Tarrant Transportation Summit will be held on Friday,

February 19th at the Hurst Conference Center. I am excited to announce the theme this year is "Shifting Gears: Challenges and Opportunities in Regional Mobility," with the confirmed keynote speaker, notable economist **Dr. Ray Perryman**. The three sessions include transportation challenges Tarrant County faces, an update on the Panama Canal expansion, and how oil and automobile sales impact future transportation. You may register through any of our area chambers of commerce listed on page 3. You can find registration and more event information at www.nettransportationsummit.com.

It's no secret that election season is heating up. The March primary for the Presidential Election will soon be here, so don't be surprised if you're watching your favorite TV show and it's interrupted by candidates wanting your vote or if you have an increase in grassroots campaigning in your neighborhood. Become knowledgeable on all of these candidates and remember to vote as this will determine the political climate for the

next four years. For voter and polling information for local, state, and federal elections, visit www.tarrantcounty.com/elections.

With a new year here, many want to kick it off living a healthier and more active lifestyle. Tarrant County Public Health continues to promote its healthy living classes that can help guide our residents to achieve their goals. Programs include awareness classes on diabetes, high blood pressure, asthma, osteoporosis, obesity, how to talk to your doctor, exercise basics, kids growing healthy, tobacco cessation, fall prevention, and nutrition and label reading. Visit Tarrant County Public Health for more information on current classes offered.

Find articles and information inside this month's newsletter including Southlake Mayor Laura Hill, Trophy Club's economic development plan, emergency management update, highlight of Keller parks, VITA tax preparation and help for seniors, the United Way of Tarrant County, and election information.

Coffee with the Commissioner will be held this Friday, January 15 in my office at the Northeast Courthouse. Stop by between 7:30 and 9:00 a.m. and enjoy a cup of coffee and conversation with fellow guests, my staff, and me! Also on display will be the Airline Boulevard map which is featured in this month's Tarrant County Historical Moment In Time found on pg. 5 of the newsletter. See you there!

Gary Fickes

COFFEE WITH THE COMMISSIONER

Friday, January 15, 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



ON DISPLAY for Coffee with the Commissioner

In the 1930s the Fort Worth Highway Committee developed a concept for a thoroughfare that would run from Fort Worth to Dallas. Join us for coffee and see the historical map of AIRLINE BOULEVARD



www.tarrantcounty.com

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Northeast Tarrant Transportation Summit

February 19, 2016

February is...

AMERICAN HEART MONTH

www.heart.org

Tarrant County's Big Give
Thursday, Feb. 11, 2016

- Carter Blood Care Blood Drive
- LifeGift Organ Tissue Donation Registration

At the following Tarrant County Courthouses

Northeast: 645 Grapevine Hwy., Hurst	817-581-3600
Northwest: 6713 Telephone Rd., Fort Worth	817-238-4400
Southwest: 6551 Granbury Rd., Fort Worth	817-370-4500
Arlington: 700 E. Abram St., Arlington	817-548-3900

Question of the Month

Question: We are all familiar with the expressions "two bits, four bits, six bits" when talking of American coinage, but does anyone really know what a bit is?

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Mayor Laura Hill - City of Southlake



Pictured with City Council Members: Gary Fawks, Shahid Shafi, Shawn McCaskill, Brandon Bledsoe, Mayor Laura Hill, Randy Williamson, and John Huffman

Mayor Laura Hill was elected Mayor of Southlake in May of 2015. She has served the city for many years, starting in 2004 when she was first elected to City Council and has been a resident of Southlake since 1997.

She is the founder of SPARK - Students and Parents Against Risks to Kids and a co-founder of SASO (Say-So) - Scholars and Athletes Serving Others.

She received the Legacy of Women Award in 2014 from Safe Haven of

Tarrant County; the Carroll ISD Shankman Award for service to children; the Southlake Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Year Award; the L.I.N.K. Award from Metroport Meals on Wheels; the Chamber of Commerce Civic Group of the Year for SASO; and she received the Dallas Business Journal Women in Business Award in 2015.

Mayor Hill is a co-owner, of Downey Publishing, operating in Texas, Arkansas & Oklahoma as well as a co-Owner of Texas

Ice Cream.

Join Mayor Hill for her monthly "Meet the Mayor" open house event. Please visit Mayor Hill's Facebook page for more information:

<https://www.facebook.com/LauraHillForSouthlake>

On a more personal note -

What do you do for fun? *I go to New Orleans, whether it's a day or two or a week!*

Favorite Movie? *"The Wizard of Oz"*

Favorite Restaurant? *Any restaurant in Southlake.*

Favorite vacation spot? *Fishing in South America- Chile and Argentina are my top two.*

Last book read? *"Killing Reagan" by Bill O'Reilly*

People would be surprised to know...
I have a huge nutcracker collection!

<http://www.cityofsouthlake.com/MayorsMessage>



The Office of Emergency Management is committed to preventing, preparing for, mitigating, responding to, and recovering from threats faced by Tarrant County. These threats include natural disasters, man-made disasters including terrorism, and technological hazards. Our major areas of focus include emergency management, homeland security planning and policy, homeland security grant administration, emergency training and exercise, public education and emergency preparedness, and the enhancement of the County's response and recovery capabilities.

The Office of Emergency Management coordinates emergency management and some homeland security activities with Tarrant County cities, surrounding Counties, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG), private sector businesses, non-government organizations,

faith-based organizations, hospitals, higher education facilities such as colleges and universities, volunteer organizations that comprise the Tarrant County Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (VOAD), as well as other local, regional, state, and federal agencies.



This past year Tarrant County has experienced several natural disasters, including the May and June floods which became a named federal disaster DR-4223. Tarrant County Emergency Management also responded to winter weather events, multiple severe storms and flooding, special events, and Ebola. With the variety of incidents/disasters that we face in Tarrant County, we want to make sure that you are prepared should you be impacted by a disaster. Please visit www.knowwhat2do.com, which is our regional public education program that helps citizens prepare for

disasters. We encourage you to fill out a family disaster plan, and be sure to get supplies such as water, flashlights, weather radios, etc., in the event you should ever be impacted. Follow us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/TCOEM/>, where we frequently post preparedness information and hazardous weather updates, and check out our website at www.tarrantcounty.com.



Click on the following links to prepare now!



- Emergency Plan**
www.thinkprepareact.com/plan/
- Emergency Supply Kit Checklist**
<http://www.knowwhat2do.com/>
- Emergency Preparedness Guide**
<http://www.knowwhat2do.com/>

Article courtesy of Justin Cox, Assistant Emergency Management Coordinator,



Northeast Tarrant Transportation Summit

Tarrant County Commissioner Gary Fickes · Precinct 3



7th Annual Northeast Tarrant Transportation Summit

Friday, February 19, 2016 | 8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Hurst Conference Center | 1600 Campus Drive, Hurst, Texas

SPEAKERS / SESSIONS



Keynote Speaker

“Transportation As An Economic Driver”

Dr. M. Ray Perryman, President and CEO of the Perryman Group, 2012 Texan of the Year and finalist for the Nobel Prize in Economics

Panel/Sessions

- The Status of Transportation Projects in Northeast Tarrant County and What is Our Next Big Challenge?
- The Impact of the Panama Canal on Our Region’s Mobility
- Will Transportation Measures Deliver on Their Promise?

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RESERVATION REQUIRED: \$30 PER PERSON

Please register with the following chambers

(You are not required to be a member)

Colleyville 817-488-7148 colleyvillechamber.org	Fort Worth Hispanic 817-625-5411 fwhcc.org	Grapevine 817-481-1522 grapevinechamber.org	Hurst-Euess-Bedford 817-283-1521 heb.org	Keller 817-431-2169 kellerchamber.org	Northeast Tarrant 817-281-9376 netarrant.org	Northwest Metroport 817-837-1000 nwmetroportchamber.org	Southlake 817-481-8200 southlakechamber.com
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For information: www.NETransportationSummit.com

March 1st, 2016 Primary Election

Important Dates

Last Day to Register to Vote is Monday, February 1, 2016

EARLY VOTING BY PERSONAL APPEARANCE DAYS AND HOURS

February 15	Monday	Closed
February 16 - 19	Tuesday - Friday	8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
February 20	Saturday	7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
February 21	Sunday	11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
February 22 - 26	Monday – Friday	7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

*** Please note, Tarrant County's Election website will be updated as we get closer to the election. ***

[Early Voting Schedule, Locations and Maps](#)

[Election Day Schedule, Locations and Maps](#)

Am I Registered To Vote? [Voter Lookup](#)

Additional information is available on the Tarrant County website at: [Tarrant County Elections](#)

Know Your Rights as a Victim

The Office of the Criminal District Attorney works diligently to ensure the rights of all defendants are maintained, but if you or your loved ones are the victims of a crime, you too have rights.

The CDA Victim Advocates help you navigate the complex criminal justice system with compassion and competence, serving as a liaison between you and the prosecutor on your case.

For more information on the rights and resources available to you as a crime victim or close family member of a deceased victim, please contact the CDA Victim Advocates office at 817.884.2740.



Open Carry Law Now in Effect in Texas

House Bill 910, the new open carry law enacted by the Texas Legislature last year, went into effect on January 1, 2016.

People who will be openly carrying their guns are the same people who have been carrying their handguns concealed in Texas for 20 years.

Tarrant County Commissioners Court adopted a Resolution on December 29, 2015 which reaffirms the Tim Curry Criminal Justice Center, Family Law Center, Tom Vandergriff Civil Courts Building, 1895 Courthouse, and Scott D. Moore Juvenile Justice Center as premises where weapons remain prohibited. In the Tarrant County Sub-Courthouses, open carry is allowed, except in the areas of the Justice of the Peace Courtrooms.

Question of the Month

Question: We are all familiar with the expressions “two bits, four bits, six bits” when talking of American coinage, but does anyone really know what a bit is?

Answer: Early Texans had to know: some posted rates for river ferries indicated the cost for transporting one small animal, such as a hog, was one bit. As coins were a rarity in early Texas, colonists used the Spanish silver dollar known as “pieces of eight.” The coin could actually be cut into eight pie-shaped pieces called “bits.” Each bit was worth twelve and a half cents in US currency. When the U.S. coined the quarter, it was worth two bits and the half dollar was worth four bits, etc.

Cannon, B. (1997) A Treasury of Texas Trivia

Trophy Club Welcomes New Restaurants, Hotels in 2016



MUA Groundbreaking

Trophy Club is known for its beautiful streetscapes, safe neighborhoods, great schools and of course golf, but in 2016 the community of 13,000 residents has its sights set on commercial development. The Town Council worked hard the last few years to position Trophy Club as an attractive location for prospective businesses, including creating a Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone (TIRZ) along SH 114 and engaging the Economic Development Corporation 4B (EDC 4B) Board on incentive packages. Next year that hard work will begin to pay off with new hotels and restaurants scheduled to open, and more

announcements coming soon! Two major restaurants are coming to Trophy Club in 2016: Meat U Anywhere BBQ (MUA) & Bread Winners/The Quarter Bar. Both restaurants will serve breakfast, lunch and dinner, and are currently under construction. MUA is slated to open around April 2016 and will be located at 91 Trophy Club Drive. Known for their smoked meats, exclusive sides and ultimate breakfast tacos, MUA's success at its original Grapevine location is attributed to serving great food and continually exceeding customer expectations. Bread Winners/The Quarter Bar is bringing their world-class menu,

eclectic ambiance and fun atmosphere to the Trophy Wood District and is expected to open in late 2016. The Trophy Club site is the first Tarrant County location for Bread Winners and will serve as the corporate catering hub for the western portion of the Metroplex.



Bread Winners

Also opening in 2016 is Holiday Inn and Homewood Suites, both located in the Trophy Wood District. For more information visit www.trophyclub.org.

Article courtesy of April Reiling, PIO/Marketing Manager

Tarrant County Historical Moment in Time - Airline Boulevard

Map will be on display this Friday, January 15 for Coffee with the Commissioner!

In anticipation of the 100th anniversary of Texas' independence from Mexico, the Fort Worth Highway Committee prepared to build this 200 ft. Airline Boulevard to bring the 1936 Centennial to some point between Fort Worth and Dallas.

The Boulevard would enter and leave the business centers of each city. They stated, "There are really no limits to the possibilities for important growth and development all along the route when both cities work together for the same project."

- The following figures were made by actual count on East Front Street, which was stated to be the most heavily traveled street in the State of Texas.
- 25,367 autos and trucks were checked through the East Front Street underpass in 12 hours.
- 1,068 street cars and interurban enter and leave Fort Worth every 12 hours via East Front Street. In one hour, between 5:15 and 6:15 p.m. 3,352 autos and trucks were checked.



Circa 1910, the electric interurban train/trolley that ran between Fort Worth and Dallas. Shown in downtown Fort Worth.

"As the Crow Flies" A 200-Ft. "AIRLINE" BOULEVARD Between FORT WORTH and DALLAS



A Great Artery...LINKING TWO GREAT CITIES... Taking Care of Automobile Traffic for Years To Come

THE "AIRLINE" BOULEVARD HAS THE QUALITY ENDORSEMENT OF THE FORT WORTH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AS WELL AS COUNCILS OF COUNTY AND CITY BUSINESS. The "Airline" Boulevard will have the business centers of each city and will carry the traffic to be so great. The "Airline" Boulevard will have the business centers of each city and will carry the traffic to be so great. The "Airline" Boulevard will have the business centers of each city and will carry the traffic to be so great.

Map drawn by C. K. Chambers, Southwestern Engraving Co. Lithographed by Utter & Evans, Fort Worth, Texas.

Image of the original map of the "As the Crow Flies" A 200-Ft. "Airline" Boulevard between Fort Worth and Dallas" courtesy of Tarrant County Archives.

United Way: Making an IMPACT in Northeast Tarrant County



United Way-Northeast staff: Tonya Cunningham, Administrative Support Specialist (left); and Faye Beaulieu, Regional Director.

Here in the Northeast, United Way of Tarrant County is investing in education, income and health; the building blocks of a good life. As United Way helps people by giving them the tools to help themselves, it is measuring the impact being made in Northeast Tarrant County. It is counting the lives that have been changed. Last year alone, United Way's funded programs helped people in Northeast Tarrant County more than 78,000 times; even more than the year before. While United Way has 42 program

partners that participate in the annual United Way campaign, it also partners with more than 100 other organizations, including businesses, nonprofits, cities and school districts. Together they are carrying out long-term "impact" strategies called LEARN WELL, EARN WELL and LIVE WELL.

United Way's Northeast Tarrant County office is at 221 Bedford Rd., Suite 306, in Bedford. United Way-Northeast Regional Director Faye Beaulieu works with volunteers and human service professionals to strengthen communities here in the Northeast region. They evaluate the area's needs for education, income and health, and bring together relevant partners to address them. United Way-Northeast's volunteer Steering Committee is chaired by Glen Sirles.

United Way-Northeast helped launch the HEB Transit transportation service, which provides transportation for disadvantaged individuals in Hurst, Euless and Bedford with thousands of trips annually to job interviews, job training and employment destinations. Catholic Charities operates the service.



Older adults in a fall prevention class in Southlake that is part of United Way's LIVE WELL health initiative.

Another transportation service, Social Transportation for Seniors (STS), grew out of a United Way project called "Neighbor Helping Neighbor." STS is a nonprofit organization that connects older adults to the community by providing them with free rides to shopping and social destinations in the North Richland Hills area.

Across Northeast Tarrant County, United Way and its partners are making a difference all year long. Learn more at unitedwaytarrant.org or call United Way-Northeast at 817-282-1160.

Article courtesy of Daryl Wagoner, Communications Manager

City of Keller - PARKS

The City of Keller features more than 335 acres of developed park land, 17 park sites and more than 23 miles of hike and bike trails. Our Parks and Recreation Department also runs The Keller Pointe, a popular fitness and aquatics facility; keeps older residents having fun at the Keller Senior Activities Center; and organizes more than 25 special community events annually.

A multi-purpose facility, The Keller Pointe provides 87,940 square feet of space for your enjoyment, offering fitness, recreational sports and wellness programs. Enjoy 6,000 square feet of strength and conditioning space, nearly 17,000 square feet of aquatic attractions, an indoor track, a multi-purpose gymnasium, group fitness classes, classes, camps, special events, programs and more. We look forward to serving you!



405 Rufe Snow Dr., Keller TX 76248
817-743-4FUN (4386)
thekellerpointe@cityofkeller.com

Coming soon to Keller Parks and Recreation is the city's first dog park, a 3,800 square foot expansion of The Keller Pointe, and a \$2.1 million renovation of Bear Creek Park.

Keller Parks and Recreation, Keller Town Hall, 1100 Bear Creek Parkway, PO Box 770, Keller, TX 76244, 817-743-4050, parksandrec@cityofkeller.com.

1) Bates Street Park (UD)*
133 Bates Street

2) Bear Creek Park
400 Bear Creek Park Road

3) Big Bear Creek Green Belt Trail
500 Rufe Snow Drive

4) Bursley Ranch Park
421 Alta Ridge Drive

5) Chase Oaks Activity Node
1609 Chase Oaks Drive

6) Cherry Grove Linear Park (UD)*
1301 Keller Smithfield Road S

7) Johnson Road Park
640 Johnson Road

8) Keller Smithfield Activity Node
416 Keller Smithfield Road

9) Keller Sports Park
265 Golden Triangle Boulevard

10) Keller Veterans Memorial Park
100 N. Main Street

11) Little Bear Creek Linear Park
2109 Rufe Snow Drive

12) Milestone Park (UD)*
8757 David Boulevard

13) Northeast Park (UD)*
1792 Ottinger Road

14) Overton Ridge Park
821 Weybridge Lane

15) The Parks at Town Center
1100 Bear Creek Parkway

16) Shady Grove Linear Park (UD)*
900 Shady Grove Road

17) Willis Coves Preserve
400 Rapp Road

* (UD) undeveloped

Article courtesy of Cody Maberry, Director of Community Services

SENIOR NEWS

Happy New Year!

There are many things to consider this time of year and a few of them are your health and income taxes! Below you will find helpful information on both.

The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program offers free tax help to people who generally make \$54,000 or less, persons with disabilities, the elderly and limited English speaking taxpayers who need assistance in preparing their own tax returns.

In addition to VITA, the Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE) program offers free tax help for all taxpayers, particularly those who are 60 years of age and older, specializing in questions about pensions and retirement-related issues unique to seniors.

Before going to a VITA or TCE site, see [Publication 3676-B](#) for services provided and check out the [What to Bring](#) page to ensure you have all the required documents and information our volunteers will need to help you. NOTE: available services can vary at each site due to the availability of volunteers certified with the tax law expertise required for your return.

(www.irs.gov/Individuals/Free-Tax-Return-Preparation-for-You-by-Volunteers)



VITA SITES - OPENING JANUARY 19TH

Current VITA Site Locations	Days and Hours of Operation	Walk-ins are welcome
TCC Opportunity Ctr. 5901 Fitzhugh Fort Worth, TX 76119	Mon through Thurs Fri/Sun Sat	2pm – 7pm CLOSED 9am – 2pm
Southside Community Ctr. 959 E. Rosedale Fort Worth, TX 76104	Mon/Tues/Thurs Wed Fri/Sun Sat	3pm – 8pm 10am – 3pm CLOSED 9am – 2pm
TCC–South Campus 5301 Campus Drive Fort Worth, TX 76119	Mon/Wed/Fri/Sun Tues/Thurs Sat	CLOSED 2pm – 7pm 9am – 2pm
Opening Doors for Women 3507 Horne Street Fort Worth, TX 76107	Mon/Sun Tues/Wed/Thurs Fri Sat	CLOSED 3pm – 8pm 1pm – 6pm 9am – 2pm
Northside Community Ctr. 1100 NW 18th Street Fort Worth, TX 76164	Mon through Fri Sat Sun	4pm – 8:30pm 10am – 3pm CLOSED
Community Enrichment Ctr. 6250 Northeast Loop 820 NRH, TX 76180	Mon Tues Wed Fri & Sun Sat	3pm – 8pm 10am – 3pm 2pm – 6pm CLOSED 9am – 2pm
GRACE in Grapevine 610 Shady Brook Dr. Grapevine, TX 76099	Mon/Thurs/Fri/Sun Tues/Wed Sat	CLOSED 2pm – 7pm 9am – 2pm
Grapevine Comm. Outreach 3010 Mustang Drive Grapevine, TX 76051	Sun only	12pm – 5pm
Catholic Charities 249 W. Thornhill Dr. Fort Worth, TX 76115	Mon Tues/Wed/Thurs Fri Sat Sun	11pm – 6pm 11pm – 7pm CLOSED 9am – 1pm CLOSED

What You Should Know and Do this Flu Season

It has been recognized for many years that people 65 years and older are at greater risk of serious complications from the flu compared with young, healthy adults because human immune defenses become weaker with age.

Actions to Take this Flu Season:

Get your flu shot - The best way to prevent the flu is with a flu vaccine. The 2015-2016 vaccine has been updated from last season's vaccine. Immunity from vaccination sets in after about two weeks. People 65 years and older have two flu shots available to choose from - a regular dose flu vaccine and a newer flu vaccine designed specifically for people 65 and older with a higher dose. The "high dose vaccine" contains 4 times the amount of antigen as the regular flu shot and is associated with a stronger immune response following vaccination.



Practice good health habits including covering coughs, washing hands often, and avoiding people who are sick.

Seek medical advice quickly if you develop flu symptoms to see whether you might need medical evaluation or treatment with antiviral drugs. It's very important that antiviral drugs be used early to treat people who are sick with the flu and have a greater chance of getting serious flu complications.

Flu symptoms include fever, cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, body aches, headache, chills and fatigue. Some people may also have vomiting and diarrhea. People may be infected with the flu and have respiratory symptoms without a fever.

For more information, please visit: www.cdc.gov

AARP Foundation Tax-Aide Site Locator: www.aarp.org

February is National Heart Month. Take care of yourself by following a diet like the American Heart Association's Diet and Lifestyle Recommendations

www.heart.org



CALENDAR

- Feb 12 Valentine's Day Celebration – Sr. Ctr. www.colleyville.com
- Feb 13 Southlake Sr. Ctr. Valentine's Luncheon.....www.cityofsouthlake.com
- Feb 19 NE Senior Leadership Forum..... NRH Library 8:30 to 10:00 a.m.
- Mar 18 Euless Senior Center Health Expo.....817-685-1871
- Mar 31 Hurst Sr. Ctr. Business, Health & Benefits Expo..... 817-788-7710



Transportation

Northest Tarrant County

DFW Connector Project

Hotline: 877-411-4212

www.dfwconnector.com



Sign up for e-alerts!

- FM 2499 Project reached a major milestone: new, lowered southbound FM 2499 mainlanes are now open! In March, the project plans to open the new northbound FM 2499 mainlanes.
- Crews are beginning work on the southbound FM 2499 frontage road and the two remaining intersections on the project.
- Bridge crews have set beams on the north side of Grapevine Mills Blvd. bridge. In the coming weeks, crews will place the concrete bridge deck.



Midtown Express

Contact us

www.drivemidtown.com



Sign up for e-alerts!

- Utility relocations continue in Irving on the east and westbound SH 183 frontage roads. Work on the new frontage roads has begun.
- Crews have begun work in the Dallas portion of the project by clearing the site for the new frontage roads.
- Bridge work continues for the new bridges over the Trinity River.
- The first Business Owners Task Force was held in Euless last month



as work will begin there shortly. Information on future meetings can be found at www.drivemidtown.com/read/events-calendar/

North Tarrant Express/ I-35W

Hotline: 888-683-2015

www.northtarrantexpress.com



Sign up for e-alerts!

- Happy New Year! With the holidays behind us, construction has once again picked up, with several notable openings and closures upcoming. The new direct connector from southbound I-35W to westbound I-820 will open in January, as will the new direct connector from westbound I-820 to southbound I-35W. The latter is important to note: the ramp to access I-35W southbound will switch from a left-lane exit to a right-lane exit; drivers need to exercise caution in this area.



The northbound I-35W exit to Beach Street will close for one month starting in January, so drivers should plan for alternate routes. 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 Basswood Blvd. and Western Center Blvd. 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

- **SH 26 Phase I** reconstruction in Colleyville from Brumlow Avenue/Pool Road to John McCain Road has reached final completion. The \$11.4 million SH 26 Phase I project widened the roadway to three lanes in each direction with raised curb medians and left turn bays.



• **SH 26 Phase II** reconstruction project in Colleyville from John McCain Road to Brown Trail is planned to begin in Spring 2016. The 4-mile TxDOT project is widening the roadway to three lanes in each direction and includes raised curb medians to enhance safety.

FM 1938 - Phase II

TxDOT - N Tarrant Office

817-399-4300

www.txdot.gov

Southlake 817-748-8098

www.cityofsouthlake.com

- **FM 1938 Phase II** reconstruction project in Southlake and Keller from Randol Mill Avenue to FM 1709 (Southlake Blvd.) is progressing. Construction to widen the intersection of FM 1938 and FM 1709 continues, as does the installation of retaining walls and asphalt base in preparation of pavement overlay. 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 curb 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

- Jan 14 HEB Chamber Annual Awards Luncheon www.heb.org
- Jan 15 Coffee with the Commissioner 817-581-3600
- Jan 17 Celebrity Chefs..... www.mid-citiessos.org
- Jan 18 Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- Jan 21 40th Annual Awards Luncheon www.colleyvillechamber.org
- Jan 23 Wounded Warrior Amputee Softball Tour..... www.southlakechamber.com
- Jan 28 Grapevine Community Awards Banquet..... www.grapevinechamber.org
- Jan 28 NETC 2015 Annual Awards Gala..... www.netarrant.org
- Jan 29 Winter Ball Colleyville Center..... www.colleyville.com
- Jan 30 Polar Plunge at NRH20 www.sotx.org
- Jan 30 A Night to Remember www.alz.org
- Feb 4 Annual Awards Gala www.nwmetroportchamber.org
- Feb 5 2016 Recognize Trauma Symposium..... www.mentalhealthconnection.org
- Feb 14 Valentine's Day
- Feb 15 Presidents' Day
- Feb 19 NE Tarrant Transportation Summit ... www.NETransportationSummit.com
- Feb 20 Keller Chamber 2016 Gala www.kellerchamber.com
- Feb 19 Tarrant Area Food Bank Empty Bowls www.tafb.org
- Feb 26 Kids Matter Charity Ball www.kidsmatterinternational.org
- Feb 26-28 The Cowtown Marathon..... www.cowtownmarathon.org
- Feb 27 Dancing for the Stars www.colleyvillerotaryclub.com
- Feb 27 32nd Annual Casino Night Fundraiser www.kofcknights.org
- Feb 27 A Big Bright Night of Hope www.communitystorehouse.org
- Mar 4 HEB Chamber EXPO www.heb.org
- Mar 5 An Evening at the Gallery www.westlakeacademyfoundation.org
- Mar 10 Award of Excellence www.hebisd.edu
- 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 31 Cesar Chavez Day

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



Valentine's Day

- Jan 29 & 30 Daddy/Daughter Dance www.grapevinetexas.gov
- Feb 5 Father and Daughter Valentine Dance www.watauga.tx.us
- Feb 5 & 6 Daddy/Daughter Sweetheart Ball www.cityofkeller.com
- Feb 6 Daddy/Daughter Dance www.ci.north-richland-hills.tx.us
- Feb 6 Daddy/Daughter Valentine's Dance www.eulesstx.gov
- Feb 6 Father/Daughter & Mother/Son Valentine's Day Dance . www.bedfordtx.gov
- Feb 6 Sweetheart Dance www.cityofsouthlake.com
- Feb 7 Daddy and Daughter Valentine's Ball www.hursttx.gov
- Feb 12 Family Valentine's Dance www.roanoketexas.com
- Feb 12 HCPL'S "Night of Romance" www.haltomcitytx.com
- Feb 14 Bee My Valentine www.richlandhills.com



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