

News & Events

Residents urged to register watercraft

Residents are advised that effective March 1, the definition of a “junked vehicle” for purposes of Community Image enforcement will now include watercraft that do not have current certification numbers on board. The new definition is a result of the passage of Texas House Bill 2305 in 2013. For more information, contact the Community Image Department at 972-624-3151.

Ambulance form now available online

The Colony Fire Department offers an Ambulance Subscription Program for residents interested in managing their ambulance transportation costs with more certainty. The application form for the subscription has recently been added to the city website in order to make the application process easier.

Library hosts gaming tournament Saturday

A Super Smash Bros. tournament will be held at The Colony Public Library starting at 6 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 21. Entry fee is \$2. For more information, call 972-625-1900, ext. 3.

Hotel breaks ground in Grandscape



Atlantic Hotels broke ground on Feb. 6 on its first hotel inside the Grandscape development – a 115-room, six-story structural steel Hampton Inn and Suites. This hotel is the latest Hilton/Hampton design, and will be geared to today's modern, millennial travelers.

The hotel is set to open in early 2016. This will be the eighth hotel Atlantic will be developing and managing in D-FW. Alongside the Hamp-

ton Inn and Suites, Atlantic will also be launching a 126-room Homewood Suites by Hilton as part of phase II of the hotel development in Grandscape. Both properties will be upscale and cater to the needs of both transient and extended-stay customers.

Joining Atlantic representatives at the groundbreaking were The Colony City Council members David Terre and Brian Wade, along with Assistant City Manager Tod Maurina.



Crime near all-time low

In 2014, the city nearly set an all-time record for low crime. We have been collecting statistics on the number of crimes since 1981. It turns out that is the only year on record with a lower number of crimes than 2014. There were 438 Part I crimes in 1981, compared to 439 last year. The numbers are even more significant when considering the city's population in 1981 was less than a third of what it is today. For more information, please see [The Colony Police Department's 2014 annual report](#).



New equipment at Slay/Baker Park

Contractors began adding a new tot play structure at **Slay/Baker Park** earlier this month. We anticipate that the construction will be completed by the end of the month, if not sooner. The park is open during construction but please be cautious around the construction area.

Council Happenings

During its recent regular meetings, The Colony City Council:

- approved a development plan for 4,300 square-foot Panera Bread restaurant, to be located on the south side of State Highway 121 at Plano Parkway, just west of the existing In-N-Out Burger restaurant. Access points will be direct off of SH121 and indirect off Plano Parkway behind In-N-Out;

- instructed city staff to prepare future discussion items revisiting allowed uses in the Gateway Overlay District, with the possibility of requiring Specific Use Permits for certain types of development on Main Street. The discussion items will be part of an ongoing review of the Gateway Overlay requirements; and,

- approved amended development agreement and amended site plan to remove requirement for second deceleration lane along State Highway 121 frontage road accessing future Village at 121 development at the northeast corner of South Colony Boulevard and SH121.

Click [here](#) for the Council agenda archives and meeting minutes on the city's website.

Paige Road restriping completed

At its Feb. 3 meeting, the City Council approved funding for restriping of Paige Road. The work began just three days later and was completed the following week. Council member Joel Marks thanked everyone involved for the quality work and timely completion of the project. "It has made such a big difference and I've heard so many compliments. Good job, everybody," he said.



Main Street Widening Update

Current lane closures associated with the **Main Street Widening Project** include:

- full closure of Ridgpointe Drive at the intersection of Ridgpointe and FM 423 for excavation, installation of a box culvert, and restoration of the roadway (Feb. 9-23);
- left lane closure of eastbound and/or westbound South Colony Boulevard at the intersection with FM 423 for median earthwork and curb removal (Feb. 16-20);
- alternate lane closures in the various lanes of northbound and southbound FM 423 from State Highway 121 to Stewarts Creek Road for restriping and traffic switch (Feb. 16-20);
- alternate lane closures in the various lanes of eastbound and/or westbound North Colony Boulevard at the intersection with FM 423 for median earthwork and curb removal (Feb. 16-20).

For the latest information, keep checking back to our [Construction Updates](#) page. We will keep that page updated as the project continues and information is provided.

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