

News & Events

Health & Info Fair set for Friday, May 6

The ninth annual **Health and Info Fair** on May 6 at The Colony Community Center will feature over 25 vendors showcasing a variety of services and products for residents age 50 and up. The doors will open at 9 a.m. and the fair will run until noon. Click [here](#) for more info or call 972-624-2246.

Historical photos of SH121 sought

Have you got any photos of SH121 before it became a tollway lined with development? Please share! We're working on a photo montage of the highway's evolution. [Email](#) photos or stop by the [Convention & Visitors Bureau](#) at 6900 Main St. so they may scan them.

Volunteers needed for city boards

The city is currently accepting applications for city boards. Board members are appointed by the City Council and serve in a volunteer capacity. Applications are now being accepted in the [City Secretary's Office](#) for terms beginning July 1. Click [here](#) for more information or contact the City Secretary's Office at 6800 Main St., 972-624-3106.

More BIG news for TC!



The City of The Colony is excited to announce that [SCHEELS](#) is coming to town! The world's largest sporting goods outlet will be joining [Nebraska Furniture Mart](#) in the [Grandscape](#) development. The store will feature 300,000 square feet of top-name brands, 85 specialty shops, a 16,000-gallon aquarium, 65-foot tall Ferris wheel, and SCHEELS Restaurant. Click [here](#) for more info.

CVB celebrates Travel & Tourism Week

Everyone who lives here can't help but see all the new hotels, restaurants and attractions taking root in The Colony. But [what does all that mean](#) for the city's residents, other than the fact they have more convenient entertainment options? [Diane Baxter](#), Director of Communications and Tourism, said it's all about the bottom line: tourism brings revenue.

"Tourist dollars don't come just from hotels. The restaurants and shopping locales generate significant tax revenue for the city," she said. "Those dollars go toward building a better community in the form of better infrastructure and better services."

And it's not just the high-profile, newer development fueling the city's growth. Every business in The Colony contributes to the community's reputation as a destination city. Each gas station, convenience store, and fast food restaurant generates an experience for customers. Click [here](#) to learn more about how [The Colony Convention & Visitors Bureau](#) is promoting the city during National Travel & Tourism Week May 1-7.



New home for new sport

Did you know The Colony is home to the Dallas Roughnecks of the American Ultimate Disc League? The first-place team plays its home games at Five Star. Check out this local news report for more about the Roughnecks and the sport of ultimate disc. The team's next two matches are home on Saturday, May 7, and Sunday, May 22. Click here for tickets and more info.



Council Happenings

During its recent regular meetings, The Colony City Council:

- presented proclamations for National Travel & Tourism Week, Motorcycle Safety & Awareness Month, National Bike Month, National Police Week, and the Mayor's Monarch Pledge;

- received an update from city staff regarding the city's **Rental Program**, which has been suspended since 2011;

- received presentation and discussed the process for businesses to request a variance for **allowing pets in food establishments**;

- approved a development plan for **The Shacks at Austin Ranch**, a combination of retail and restaurant buildings slated for construction at the southeast corner of Plano and Windhaven parkways;

- approved an amendment to the FY2015-16 Municipal Budget to pay for **drainage improvements on West Shore Drive in Eastvale**; and,

- designated the city's existing Facilities Committee as the membership of a **new city hall building committee**.

Click here for the City Council agenda archives and meeting minutes on the city's website.

Heritage Pizza Co., Truck Yard on the way

More news from **Grandscape!**

Two new restaurants are coming to the North Texas

development: Heritage Pizza Co. will be located next to Bread Zeppelin and the Dog Haus along Plano Parkway, while the Truck Yard will be in the wooded area along



Destination Drive. Click here for more information.

Be prepared for severe weather

As the spring storm season continues, residents are advised to remain mindful of the weather and prepare themselves in case of weather-related emergencies. The City of The Colony has a wealth of useful information on its website to help you prepare for severe weather, including basic preparedness plans, tips on how to build a variety of emergency kits for different situations, and a page-long listing of emergency preparedness resources. Click here for a recent blog post about emergency preparedness.

Main Street Widening Update

Current roadwork associated with the Main Street Widening Project:

- **alternate lane closures** in the various lanes of north- and southbound FM 423 from Stewarts Creek Road to SH121 for restriping, traffic switch (May 2-31).

For the latest information, keep checking back to our Construction Updates page. We will update that page as the project continues and information is provided. As always, please observe construction signage and be safe on the roads, *especially in terms of your speed*. Be patient and maintain a safe distance and speed in construction zones.



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