

News & Events

Make plans now for Liberty by the Lake

It's almost time for the biggest event of the year: **Liberty by the Lake** on July 2 at Stewart Creek Park! Click [here](#) for all the details.

'The Good Dinosaur' showing June 17

The Colony Parks and Recreation Department presents **Summer Cinema Clubhouse**, a three-month summer movie series for kids from noon to 3 p.m. each session at The Colony Recreation Center, 5151 North Colony Blvd. The events are free with concessions available for purchase. For more info, please call 972-625-1106.

2015 Water Quality report now available

The City of The Colony's annual water quality report is now [available online](#).

Teen Police Academy set for June 14-17

Interested in a career in law enforcement? Teens in grades 9-12 are invited to attend an upcoming four-day **Teen Police Academy** hosted by The Colony Police Department. The Academy runs from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. June 14-17 at TCPD headquarters. For more, contact Officers [Kyle Koiner](#) or [Brian Lee](#).

Dog park coming soon!



Ground has been broken on the **Pawsome Playground Dog Park** going in at **1 Harris Plaza** across the street from [The Colony Animal Services](#) facility. The dog park is funded by the CDC and the City. It is scheduled to be completed in late summer or early fall. Click [here](#) for more.

Mosquito 101: Drain & defend

As the case has been in recent years, heavy spring rains and a mild winter have made for a mosquito-breeding perfect storm. But the good news is that the City of The Colony has one of the region's longest-standing and well-documented [mosquito control programs](#).

Community Services Director [Pam Nelson](#) oversees the city's program. While there's been a great deal of media buzz about the dangers of

[Zika virus](#), Nelson said the city's program continues to focus on disease-prevention by combating the spread of [West Nile](#) mosquitoes. "The primary objective of our mosquito-control program is to identify and eliminate breeding sites," Nelson said. "A wide variety of employees from multiple departments ... routinely patrol the city to keep an eye out for potential breeding sites on public property."

This is in addition to already monitoring known hot-spots for mosquitoes. In conjunction with its [contractor](#), the city conducts weekly testing from May to October each year at eight rotating sites around the city. Click [here](#) for more information about the city's mosquito-control program.



Celebrate Dads at Papapalooza!

Join us from 6-9 p.m. Saturday, June 18, at Stewart Creek Park to celebrate Father's Day at the first **Papapalooza**. This free event will feature live music, food trucks, loads of family fun and of course the entertaining atmosphere of **Lewisville Lake**. Free park entry will be available beginning at 5:30 p.m. For more info, please call 972-625-1106.



Council Happenings

During its recent regular meetings, The Colony City Council:

- approved use of alternate building materials for the **La Quinta Limited Service Hotel** at 3750 Market St. The request was made so the hotel would conform with new corporate branding;
- approved site plan amendment for the proposed **Service King automobile body shop** at 5270 Memorial Drive, reducing the length of the perimeter screening wall; and,
- approved development plan for **Village at The Pointe**, a residential town home development at the southwest corner of Memorial Drive and South Colony Boulevard.

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

Trash-cart change-out underway

Starting last week, the city's solid-waste contractor has begun a roughly **three-month process of changing out more than 10,000 trash carts** for residential customers.

There are more than 11,000 single-family residential homes in The Colony. About 1,000 already utilize the newer carts, which have the same volume as older carts but have handles on the lid and are slightly taller. This current change-out will replace carts for all remaining customers.



Replacement is taking place on a weekly basis for a given day's route until completed, at which time the contractor will begin changing out carts for the next day's route, and so on. The entire process should be finished by mid-August.

Two trucks will be on the streets during the replacement, with the first truck collecting trash from the carts and the second truck following behind to change them out. This only covers trash carts, not recycling. For **more information**, call 972-624-3131.

Main Street Widening Update

Current roadwork associated with the **Main Street Widening Project**:

- **full closure of Carr Street at FM 423** for paving work. Motorists may use Larner Street as a detour (June 8-10);
- **full closure of West Lake Highlands Drive at FM 423** for paving work and construction of the driveway. Motor-

ists may use Lake Park Drive as a detour (June 8-22); and,

- **alternate lane closures** in the various lanes of north- and southbound FM 423 from Stewarts Creek Road to SH121 for restriping, traffic switch (June 1-30).

For the latest information, keep checking back to our **Construction Up-**

dates 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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