

News & Events

It's almost time for Liberty by the Lake

Mark your calendars! The City of The Colony's signature special event, **Liberty by the Lake**, is coming soon. This year's Independence Day festival and fireworks event is scheduled for Saturday, July 1, at Stewart Creek Park. Click [here](#) for the festival website, including a schedule of events.

New floor going in at Rec Center gym

The gymnasium at The Colony Recreation Center will be **closed May 30 to June 11** so contractors can replace the flooring with a new surface. For more information, call 972-625-1106.

Water Quality Report now available online

The City's 2016 Water Quality Report is now available online [here](#). Call the **Water Production Department** for more information at 972-624-4431.

TC among top-50 safest cities in Texas

We're proud to share the news that your community cracked the top-50 safest cities in Texas, according to a study by the **National Council for Home Safety & Security**. Click [here](#) for the story.

Swim into summer!



Annual summer season underway at Aquatic Park

Memorial Day weekend marked the 2017 opening of **The Colony Aquatic Park**. Public swim for the summer is now underway and runs through Aug. 27. The pool will be open from 1 to 6:20 p.m. Monday through Friday, and from 1 to 4:50 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Weekday public swim includes two half-hour swim breaks for kids, giving adults free reign over the pool from 3 to 3:30 p.m. and 5 to 5:30 p.m. In preparation, staff recently completed the finishing touches to off-season improvements at the 30-year-old facility. Visitors will likely first take notice of the aesthetic enhancements on the outside – namely a newly painted blue roof and colorful, inviting window panels. Click [here](#) for a feature story highlighting what's new and what's happening at The Colony Aquatic Park!

Grandscape welcomes new, unique tenants

Grandscape's promise of delivering premier retail and entertainment attractions took another step forward in May with the announcement of three unique, first-to-market brands joining the development on SH 121 here in The Colony - **Andretti Indoor Karting and Games**; **Akira Back** Japanese cuisine; and **Windmills Craftworks**. Click [here](#) for more information about the announcement.



As more such news breaks, Grandscape will eventually stretch across all 433 acres of the development, bringing 3.9 million square-feet of retail, residential, entertainment, hospitality and dining venues to The Colony and surrounding areas.

City named Bike Friendly Community

Last month, the [League of American Bicyclists](#) recognized the City of The Colony as an [Honorable Mention Bicycle Friendly Community](#) (BFC). The Colony joins a group of 47 other Honorable Mention communities and 416 Bronze level or better communities, which are working to improve conditions for people who bike.



“Earning an Honorable Mention as a Bicycle Friendly Community is a big step forward in our efforts to make The Colony a welcoming place for cyclists,” said [Pam Nelson, Director of Community Services](#) for the City of The Colony. “The League has strict requirements. We’re proud that recent initiatives, such as updating the [Trail & Bike Master Plan](#), forming the Fun Time Bike Riders group, and expanding our public outreach regarding cycling and cycling safety, have resulted in this honor.” Click [here](#) for more information about this special recognition.

As weather warms, protect your pets



The Colony Animal Services Division Manager [Mark Cooper](#) reminds residents that it’s that time of year again! Animal shelters across North Texas have two huge hurdles to conquer right now: overpopulation of pets and the Texas weather. Storms are one thing, but it’s imperative that pet owners understand that animals feel the heat and can also sunburn like we do. Please be mindful of your outdoor pets and offer them a break from the heat. Click [here](#) for more information about pets and summer heat.

Main Street Widening Update

Current closures associated with the [Main Street Widening Project](#) include:

- **full closure of Larner Street** at the intersection with southbound Main Street/FM 423 (June 7-21); and,
- **full closure of the westbound left-turn lane of Cougar Alley** at the intersection with Main Street/FM 423 (June 5-12).

For the latest information on the [Main Street Widening Project](#), keep checking back to our [Construction Updates](#) page. As always, please observe construction signage and be safe on the roads, *especially in terms of your speed.*

Council Happenings

During its recent regular meetings, The Colony City Council:

- approved a development plan for **Grandscape Lifestyle Center (Area 1A)**, which includes an underground parking garage, surface parking, and utility, landscaping, and drainage plans. The overall Lifestyle Center will be 90+ acres and include the [first-to-market tenants](#) recently announced;
- approved a development plan for **Westport Lakeview Villas**, to be located on Westport Drive, west of Main Street, south of South Colony. The development will feature 33 for-sale townhomes in the high \$300Ks to the low \$400Ks;
- approved the annual Standards of Care Policy for Kidz Kamp; and,
- approved purchase of a **Light Duty Rescue Unit for the Fire Department** in the amount of \$142K, with funding approved in the Capital Improvements Budget. Fire Chief Scott Thompson said this truck would be staffed with two paramedics and be located at Station No. 3. It will serve as an all-purpose vehicle to ease the load on other apparatus so ladder trucks won’t have to go out on certain calls such lift-assists, gas leaks, etc.

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



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