

News & Events

National Night Out on Tuesday, Aug. 4

On Tuesday, Aug. 4, neighborhoods throughout The Colony will join forces with thousands of communities nationwide for the 32nd annual **National Night Out** crime- and drug-prevention event. National Night Out is sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch (NATW) and co-sponsored by The Colony PD.

Shakespeare in the Park July 25-26

Treat the entire family to an evening of outdoor theater July 25-26 and Aug. 1-2. Four performances of *Taming of the Shrew* will be held at the Bill Allen Memorial Park amphitheater. Admission is free and food and drink will be available for purchase. Shakespeare in the Park is presented by the **City Manager's Arts Committee**.

Clover Valley Drive closed to thru traffic

Clover Valley Drive is closed to thru traffic 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, July 20, through Friday, July 24, so Oncor may run electrical lines across the road. Only the "S curve" section near the water tower will be closed. All residents will still have access to their homes.

Shoreline cleanup scheduled



Although city parks remain closed for safety, water levels at **Lewisville Lake** have receded enough that cleanup efforts are beginning. Residents of The Colony are invited to join City staff to begin the process of restoring the shoreline to a clean and safe condition that will allow the parks and trails to be reopened. The first opportunity to participate in the shoreline cleanup project will be from **8 a.m. to noon Saturday, July 25, at Stewart Creek Park**. Volunteers are encouraged to bring shovels, rakes and work gloves. To sign up for this work day, please click [here](#) to register and participate. For more information, contact the Parks and Recreation Department at 972-625-1106.

Filing period for November election begins soon

The Colony City Council will hold its General Election for at-large city council districts on Nov. 3. This year, the **Mayor and Places 1 and 2 are up for election** for three-year terms. The at-large city council members **represent the city as a whole** and voters are eligible to vote in all three races.

To qualify as a candidate in this election, applicants must have been a resident of The Colony for not less than 12 months immediately preceding Election Day and be a Texas registered voter. An application must be filed with the City Secretary during the official filing period, which is from July 25 to 5 p.m. Aug. 24.

Applications may be presented in person or by mail before the deadline at the City Secretary's office, City Hall, 6800 Main St., The Colony, TX 75056. The application packet will be available from the City Secretary's office or on the city's website, www.thecolonytx.gov, prior to the beginning of the filing period.



City Secretary
Christie Wilson

For information, contact the City Secretary's office by [email](#) or call 972-624-3106.

Register now for Back to School Bash 2015

Join us from 5 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 4, for this fun-filled evening complete with free school supplies, mascot dance-off and lots of helpful information for the upcoming school year. **Registration is required** and space is limited to the first 500 children ages 5-12. Register at The Colony Recreation Center, 5151 North Colony Blvd. The program is free for residents; \$3 for non-residents. For more information, please contact the Parks and Recreation Department at 972-625-1106.



Council Happenings

During its recent regular meetings, The Colony City Council:

- received a presentation announcing that that Utility Billing Department was now offering a new service in which customers can sign up to receive their **utility statements via email**;
- recognized the service of long-time community advocate and **former mayor Bill Longo**, who passed away on July 13;
- approved a construction bid in the amount of \$98K for Stewart Creek Park improvements, to include a half-court basketball court, a new large playground (nautical themed; accessible to mobility-impaired children), drainage for the playground, a new sidewalk from the existing parking lot, and signage and striping for the parking lot; and,
- approved an increase in funding to expand the **Family Fright Night** Halloween event in FY 2015-16 by 10 campsites, or about 100 campers.

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

CVB Director earns CTE designation



Diane Baxter, Director of Communications and Tourism with the City of The Colony, recently completed all coursework toward her **Certified Tourism Executive (CTE)** designation from Travel & Tourism College, a program of the Texas Travel Industry Association.

“Having completed this program gives me a tremendous sense of accomplishment as well as many new resources to pull from as we promote our remarkable, growing community,” Baxter said. “The travel industry is constantly evolving and the Texas Travel Industry Association stays current with changes and fresh trends.” Click [here](#) for more.

Main Street Widening Update

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

- alternate lane closures in the various lanes of northbound and southbound FM 423 from Stewarts Creek Road to State Highway 121 for restriping and traffic switch (July 1-31); and,
- full closure of Cougar Alley at FM

423 for installation of sewer line and restoration of the roadway (Monday, July 13, through Saturday, Aug. 15).

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!

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