

News & Events

Pawsome Playground opening set for Oct. 8

Construction-related delays have forced the grand opening celebration for The Colony's first dog park, **Pawsome Playground**, to be postponed. The grand opening has been rescheduled for **10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Oct. 8**, at the facility, 4800 East Lake Highlands. We apologize for the delay, and hope you and your four-legged friends will join us for this much-anticipated celebration. Click [here](#) for more information or contact Parks & Recreation at 972-625-1106.

Drive-In Movie features *Civil War*

Join us for our fall **Drive-In Theater** at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 30, at Stewart Creek Park, 3700 Sparks Road, featuring a showing of *Captain America: Civil War*, rated PG13. This is a FREE event. Gates open at 6:30 p.m. For information, call Parks & Recreation at 972-625-1106. See you there!

Plano Parkway @ 544 closed till 9/26

Motorists are advised that Plano Parkway at the intersection of FM 544 in Carrollton is closed this week for TxDOT roadwork. Please seek an alternate route. Click [here](#) for more information.

Star of Texas awarded



On Sept. 12 at the State Capitol in Austin, **The Colony Police Officer Carlos Henderson** (at right) received the 2016 Star of Texas Award from the Office of Texas Gov. Greg Abbott. Henderson is pictured here with **The Colony Police Chief David Coulon** (at left).

Officer Henderson was injured in 2015 when he was dragged by a vehicle while investigating a suspicious person. According to TCPD, he endured multiple surgeries and physical therapy to fight his way back to patrol duty. On behalf of the City of The Colony, we welcome back Officer Henderson and offer congratulations on his hard work and dedication to duty.

Click [here](#) for more information about the Star of Texas.

Twilight at Bridges Cemetery Oct. 1

The Colony Public Library and the Local History Committee are hosting a "Twilight at Bridges Cemetery" event from 5 to 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 1. Don't miss the opportunity to explore Bridges Cemetery at sunset!

Local History Committee members will be on site to lead tours and answer questions about the cemetery's history.

This event is free to the public. Copies of the committee's book, *Bridges to the Future*, will be available for sale for \$10. Donations accepted.

Bridges Cemetery is located at the northwest corner of Morning Star and Chesapeake drives in The Colony. For more information, please email [Megan Charters](#), Technical Services Librarian.



American Heroes 2016

Tanya Tucker to headline festival

The entertainment lineup for the 2016 **American Heroes** festival is set! We are excited to have **Callahan Divide**, **Rich O'Toole**, **The Rankin Twins** and the incomparable **Tanya Tucker** featured on the main stage. Saturday, Nov. 5. **SAVE THE DATE!** For more information including a schedule of events, visit the [festival website](#) or call the Parks & Recreation Department at 972-625-1106.



Council Happenings

During its recent regular meetings, The Colony City Council:

- approved a development plan for **The Shacks at Austin Ranch Phase 2**, future home of three new restaurants (one of which will have 10-12 volleyball courts), at the southeast corner of Windhaven and Plano parkways;
- approved the **FY2016-17 Master Fee Schedule**;
- approved the City of The Colony **FY2016-17 Municipal Budget**;
- approved ordinance adopting the City of The Colony **tax rate of \$.6675 per \$100 valuation** on Jan. 1, 2016. Tax rate is comprised of \$.51254 Maintenance & Operations and \$.15496 General Fund Debt Service. **This is the 13th out of last 14 years the city has reduced the tax rate**; and,
- approved a resolution authorizing \$105K for completion of the electrical work on the well and aeration equipment for the water feature in the **Grandscape** development.

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

TCFD participates in 9/11 Memorial Climb



We climb because they climbed. That's the mantra of participants in the **Dallas 9/11 Memorial Stair Climb**, held Sept. 10. Your own The Colony Fire Department was well-represented at the event, with **Firefighter/Paramedic Cliff Brooks** serving as Memorial Director. Click [here](#) for the full story.

Main Street Widening Update

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

- **full closure of Witt Drive at FM 423** (9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sept. 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 (Sept. 1-30).

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.*



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