

COMMUNITY CALENDAR | JULY

1 City Council meetings, 7 p.m. at City Hall,
15 757 N. Galloway Ave. 972-216-6244.

13 Mesquite Market Place, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.,
27 Downtown Mesquite, 150 W. Main Street.

Mesquite Library System features the free
Perot Tech Truck for ages 6 - 12, 2 - 4 p.m.,

20 Main Library, 300 West Grubb Drive.

First day for candidates to file for City
Council. For more information, call the
City Secretary Office at 972-216-6244.

For details on the elections, visit

22 www.cityofmesquite.com/2019CityElections.

For details on City services impacted
during holidays, please visit
www.cityofmesquite.com/Holidays.



FREQUENTLY CALLED CITY PHONE NUMBERS

Mesquite Municipal Center	972-288-7711
Animal Services	972-216-6283
Building Inspection	972-216-6212
Environmental Code Hotline	972-216-6276
Main Library	972-216-6220
Parks and Recreation	972-216-6260
Planning and Zoning	972-216-6216
Police Non-Emergency	972-285-6336
Trash Collection/Recycling	972-216-6284
Street/Alley Repair	972-216-6282
Water Billing	972-216-6208
Water Leaks/Sewer Back-ups	972-216-6278



Mesquite Police Department graduates five new recruits

Mesquite Police Department (MPD) has graduated five recruits from its Basic Police Officer Course (BPOC) class. Less than four percent of the law enforcement agencies in Texas have a training academy. MPD has graduated 76 recruits from its BPOC since the training academy began in 2013.

The graduates are Zachary L. McCalley - Scurry, Texas; Preston M. Moehring - Rockwall, Texas; Deontae J. Wright - Grand Prairie, Texas; Austin H. Kovalcik - Mesquite, Texas; and Jarret D. Moline - Quitman, Texas.

The five new police officers completed 25 weeks of the BPOC program. They now will begin a 17-week field training program. Upon successful completion of the program, the police officers will be assigned to patrol duties.

For information on becoming a Mesquite Police Officer, visit www.cityofmesquite.com/Employment or call Human Resources Recruiter Kim Little at 972-216-6384.

City seeks volunteer groups for 2019 Addressing Mesquite Day



This year's Addressing Mesquite Day (AMD) will be held on October 12. AMD is held in partnership with the Mesquite Ministerial Alliance and the City of Mesquite. Last year, City staff and Council members teamed with clubs, businesses, civic and faith-based organizations

to make exterior repairs to 100 homes. More than 1,100 volunteers participated.

This annual one-day event focuses on home repairs needed by senior citizens, single parents, military veterans, and disabled homeowners in Mesquite. Every organization that wishes to volunteer will be assigned a local house or yard project. AMD is a great opportunity for organizations to make a difference in the lives of those in the Mesquite.

For more information, contact Yolanda Wilson, Manager of Neighborhood Vitality, by calling 972-216-6473 or by email at ywilson@cityofmesquite.com. Learn more about AMD at www.cityofmesquite.com/AMD.



Mesquite Municipal Court earns state award

The City of Mesquite Municipal Court was honored with a 2019 Municipal Traffic Safety Initiatives

Traffic Safety Award. Presented by the Texas Municipal Courts Education Center (TMCEC), the award recognizes municipalities that have made outstanding contributions to increase traffic safety by preventing impaired driving in their communities. The Mesquite Municipal Court expanded its community outreach during National Night Out, the statewide Municipal Court Week, and a four-week commitment in April, which is Alcohol Awareness month.

Real.Texas.Roads. Update



Real. Texas. Roads. is the \$125 million dollar street bond program, approved by voters in 2015, to repair more than 100 miles of grade 4 residential streets.

**This is a summary of the latest updates on this project at press time (May 7). Visit www.cityofmesquite.com/PublicWorksProjects or call the Streets Maintenance Division at 972-216-6282, for the most updated information regarding this and other road projects.*

Resurfacing will continue on Morgan Drive, Statler Drive, Sidney Drive, Rockne Lane and Viva Drive (the section between Town East Boulevard and Palm Drive). Upon completion, resurfacing will begin on Cascade Street and Cresthill Drive. Concrete repairs are in progress and are close to completion on Summit Street, Northridge Drive and Royal Crest Drive (between Kearney Street and Grubb Drive), Upland Lane, Pebble Creek Lane, Red Mill Lane and Green Leaf Drive. The next list of streets planned for concrete repairs include Alta Vista Street, Buena Vista Street, Willowbrook Drive, Lee Street, Larchmont Drive, Northview Place (cul-de-sac) and Mark Drive (between Baker Drive and Larchmont Drive).

Real.Texas.Business. News



The City of Mesquite Economic Development Department has launched a new website for investors, developers and businesses. The site, www.MesquiteEcoDev.com, went live in April. The website offers prospective clients access to vast amounts of data, guidance,

real estate information, demographic and workforce analysis as well as other details. In addition to data sought by prospective businesses, the site provides a wealth of information for existing Mesquite businesses. The new website features success stories and narratives about Mesquite corporations, business owners and small business entrepreneurs. Business leaders and developers also will be able to register for the Business Retention and Expansion newsletter, workshops and other economic development programs.

Council Community Focus



In May, Mesquite voters approved a proposition to sell more than 171 acres of designated park land located outside Mesquite city limits and to use the proceeds for enhancing the City of Mesquite parks and recreation system. The final election results were: FOR – 1,226 votes or 74.48 percent and AGAINST – 420 votes or 25.52 percent. Once the property is sold, the Mesquite City Council will make the decision on the parks and recreation amenities they want to address with the proceeds from the land sale. The property was designated as park land, and state law required voter approval for the sale of any property that is designated as park land by a city. Information about Proposition A is available at www.cityofmesquite.com/2019SpecialElection.

Parks and Recreation Corner

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON ANY OF THESE PROGRAMS, PLEASE CALL 972-216-6260 OR VISIT WWW.CITYOFMESQUITE.COM/PARD.

SUMMER CAMP

School is out and it's time for fun. The City of Mesquite offers five summer camps throughout the city for children ages 6 to 14. Campers can participate in games, field trips, swim days, crafts and daily activities. Visit www.cityofmesquite.com/Camps for details.



PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH

Celebrate Parks and Recreation month by visiting the City's parks, pools and recreation centers. There are activities for all ages, from Family Swim Night on July 11 at City Lake Aquatic Center, 200 Parkview Street, to Swing Out Dance on July 23 at Rutherford Recreation Center, 900 Rutherford Drive. Share your pictures by emailing them to funmakers@cityofmesquite.com and City staff will post them on our social media. Visit www.cityofmesquite.com/July for details.



FREE TENNIS PLAY DAYS

Participate in a free instructional program that teaches the basics of tennis. The class uses small courts, shorter racquets and balls that bounce lower so kids can have more success when they play. All equipment is provided and participants can stay for the entire two hours or just drop in. Play days are held the second Saturday of each month from 10 a.m. - noon at the Westlake Sports Center, 1601 Gross Road. Visit www.cityofmesquite.com/WestlakeSportsCenter for details.



EVENTS FOR ADULTS 50+

On July 17, visit the home of Dwight D. Eisenhower the 34th President of the United States in Sherman, Texas. The fee is \$8 per person plus the cost of lunch at Huck's Catfish Restaurant. Registration opens on July 3 at Goodbar Recreation Center, 3000 Concord Drive. On July 25, shop locally at Homegoods, Ulta and Michaels and have lunch at the new Porch Swing Restaurant. The fee is \$1 per person plus the cost of lunch and shopping. Registration opens on July 11 at Evans Recreation Center, 1116 Hillcrest Street. Visit www.cityofmesquite.com/50Plus for details.



Tips from the Office of Emergency Management



Severe weather can happen at any time. Weather can also develop quickly; tornados, hail storms, strong damaging winds and downburst winds (collapsing storm cells) can develop within seconds. Know what to do before, during, and after severe weather. Stay prepared by having a family emergency plan, a preparedness kit, and staying informed during inclement weather events via local news media and reputable social media sites.

If your area is under a severe weather-warning event and you hear the outdoor warning sirens sounding, get indoors to an interior room if possible, and tune in to local news media for the most current storm information. For more tips on being prepared, visit www.cityofmesquite.com/SevereWeather or call the City of Mesquite's Office of Emergency Management at 972-329-8377.

Community Snapshots



National Motorcycle Awareness Month

Mayor Stan Pickett helped bring attention to traffic safety in Mesquite with a special proclamation to recognize May as National Motorcycle Awareness Month.



Mayor's Prayer Breakfast

On May 2, the Mesquite Police Association and Mesquite Firefighters Association sponsored the annual Mayor's Prayer Breakfast in recognition of the National Day of Prayer.



National Small Business Week

On May 6, the City Council recognized several local businesses, including Painting with a Twist, in the community as a part of National Small Business Week.



The **Mesquite Arts Center** is located at 1527 N. Galloway Ave.

For more information on any of these events, please call 972-216-8132 or visit www.mesquiteartscenter.org

Mesquite Arts Council presents art by Jeremy Hjort in the Chamber Gallery and Winter Rusiloski in the Main Gallery, weekdays from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., July 1 - September 29.



Mesquite Arts Council presents Missoula Children's Theatre July 8 - July 13, 1 - 5 p.m. Registration is \$75 with acceptance into camp. Email eguajardo@cityofmesquite.com for details.

Mesquite Arts Council presents the free Courtyard Concert Series featuring Loyal Sally on July 11 from 7 - 9 p.m.



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