

**COMMUNITY
CALENDAR
MARCH 2023**

- 1 **Adulting 101 for teens:** Help with getting a Job on March 1 from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. at the Mesquite Main Library, 300 West Grubb Drive. From writing a resume to interview tips, this session of Adulting 101 will provide you with the information needed to get your first job. 972-216-6220.
- 6, 20 **City Council meetings:** 7 p.m. at City Hall, 757 N. Galloway Ave. 972-216-6244.
- 13 **Tea & Crafts for Adults:** from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at the Mesquite Main Library, 300 West Grubb Drive. Relax with a cup of tea or coffee and let your imagination come out. This program is for ages 18 and older. 972-216-6220.
- 13, 17 **Mesquite Independent School District Spring Break:** Please remember to Drive Like Your Family Lives Here.
- 23 **LibraryLand:** Join us on March 23 from 4 to 5 p.m. at the Mesquite North Branch Library, 2600 Oates Drive. Play a board game everyone plays and everyone wins. 972-681-0465.

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

**FREQUENTLY CALLED CITY
PHONE NUMBERS**

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| Mesquite Municipal Center | 972-288-7711 |
| Animal Services | 972-216-6283 |
| Building Inspection | 972-216-6212 |
| Employment | 972-216-6218 |
| 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 |



**City of Mesquite
employees donate nearly
\$40,000 to local charities**

City of Mesquite employees raised almost \$40,000 for local charities as a part of the 2022 Real. Texas. Giving. campaign. This program is held every year to help assist local charities. In the past five years City employees have donated nearly \$250,000 through the campaign to local charitable organizations, programs and services that support the Mesquite community.

This year's Real. Texas. Giving. campaign will assist 14 different programs that serve Mesquite. These include Addressing Mesquite Day, American Heart Association, American Red Cross, Fill the Boot, Helping Others in Mesquite Everyday (HOME), Historic Mesquite, Inc., Keep Mesquite Beautiful, Mesquite Animal Services, Mesquite Arts Center, Mesquite Pipes and Drums, Mesquite Public Library, Santa Cop Toy Program, Sharing Life Community Outreach, and United Way of Metropolitan Dallas.

The campaign committee raised money through special events and direct donations from City employees. Numerous local businesses helped the committee raise funds by donating products for an employee luncheon and a silent auction. View the list of local businesses that sponsored the campaign at www.cityofmesquite.com/2022RTG. Donations to local charities can also be made by the public year-round at www.cityofmesquite.com/donations.

Mesquite launches new Spanish Facebook page

The City of Mesquite recently launched a new Spanish language Facebook page. The new channel gives the City a way to connect directly with Hispanic residents by highlighting news and events exclusively in Spanish. The page was created to promote community engagement through information, trust, and meaningful connections.

"Since our city includes more than 45% Hispanic residents, we want to be sure our information is getting to them in the best way possible. We want to encourage them to get involved in their community," said Cliff Keheley City Manager.

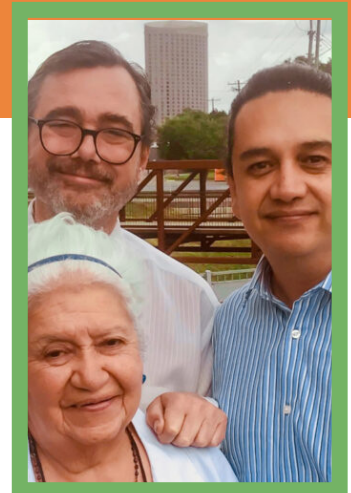
This new Facebook page will feature content and resources specifically for those with limited English vocabulary. The page is specifically aimed at reaching those Mesquite residents who prefer to communicate in Spanish and provide direct interaction in Spanish. Spanish speakers can follow the new page on Facebook at www.facebook.com/CiudadMesquiteTX. For City communications in English, follow www.facebook.com/cityofmesquitetx.



The Senior Source

For 60 years, The Senior Source has been the one-stop shop in the Dallas area for older adults and their loved ones to navigate aging. With a mission of enhancing the quality of life of older adults in the greater Dallas area, The Senior Source offers a broad array of financial and emotional assistance programs. These programs include: giving active older adults a sense of purpose through volunteering; providing resources and support for family caregivers; protecting residents of nursing homes and assisted living facilities; and improving the financial security of all older adults through employment assistance, frauds, scam education; and money management.

Visit www.theseniorsource.org or call 214-823-5700 for more information.



Real. Texas. Business. news

Real. Texas. Business. news is a monthly feature of Mainstream highlighting new development activity in Mesquite. For more information, contact the Economic Development Department at 972-216-6446 or visit www.mesquiteecodev.com.

Huntington Industrial Partners has officially announced the construction of a 532,972 square-foot, three-building development in one of the region's most active industrial submarkets.

The development offers build-to-suit office potential and lies along the Mesquite Heritage Trail, offering a rest stop area along the 17-mile bike and hike amenity which connects Dallas to Mesquite - and the site to the Iron Horse District, Mesquite Convention Center, and Downtown Mesquite.

"Mesquite and Huntington Industrial Partners have a longstanding and valued relationship, and we are excited for them to add new companies and careers to this blossoming area of our city," said Mesquite Mayor Daniel Aleman, Jr.

The 635 Mesquite Parkway location is prime for productivity with access directly off IH-635 between IH-30 and US Highway 80, offering ideal logistics to prospective tenants. Located east of downtown Dallas, Mesquite offers some of the most sought-after labor in Dallas-Fort Worth.



PARKS AND RECREATION CORNER



Spring Break Camp

Spend Spring Break having fun at camp for a day or a week at Dunford Recreation Center, 1015 Green Canyon, or Camp Rorie Galloway, 3100 Lawson Road. Camps are for kindergarten through sixth grade students and operate Monday, March 13 through Friday, March 17 from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. each day. Children can enjoy crafts, activities, and fun games. The Dunford daily fee is \$20 per resident/\$30 per non-resident, Camp Rorie Galloway daily fee is \$25 per resident/\$35 per non-resident. Registration ends Friday, March 11. For more information visit www.cityofmesquite.com/KidCare.



Rodeo Parade

Celebrate the 65th Annual Rodeo Parade winding its way through downtown Mesquite on Saturday, April 1, at 10 a.m. This long-standing tradition brings together bands, floats and more from local civic clubs, churches, community groups, sports teams, schools, and local businesses. For more information or to register, visit www.cityofmesquite.com/RodeoParade.



Adults 50+

The City of Mesquite has three active Adult 50+ programs at Evans, Goodbar, and Rutherford Recreation Centers. Activities include crafts, day trips, exercise classes, lunch and more. Highlights in March include the following. Tuesday, March 14, starting at 10:30 a.m., celebrate St. Patrick's Day at Goodbar Recreation Center with light snacks, St. Patrick's themed pictures, and a blarney good time. Sponsored by Ultimate Home Health. Friday, March 24, eat lunch and listen to a variety of music styles with entertainer Gary Freeman at Rutherford Recreation Center starting at 10:30 a.m. \$5 fee per person includes lunch. All 50+ programming requires participants to be enrolled in the 50+ Membership Program which is free of charge and can only be completed at any City of Mesquite Senior Center. Visit www.cityofmesquite.com/50Plus for more information.



Adult Sports

The City of Mesquite offers various adult recreational leagues to stay active and compete in a fun environment. Leagues include seven games and a tournament for the top six teams. Registration for co-ed soccer begins Monday, Feb. 6, through Sunday, Feb. 26. Late registration will incur a \$25 late fee. Games are played at Eastfield College starting Sunday, March 19. The cost is \$450 per team. Registration for Co-ed volleyball begins Monday, Feb. 13 through Sunday, March 5. Late registration will incur a \$25 late fee. Games are played at Vanston Middle School starting Sunday, March 19. The cost is \$260 per team. Register online at www.cityofmesquite.com/AdultSports, at any Recreation Center, or the Parks and Recreation Administration Office at 1515 North Galloway Ave.

MESQUITE PARKS & RECREATION FACILITY RENTALS

For More information on any of these programs, call 972-216-6260 or visit www.cityofmesquite.com/PARD.

Community Snapshots:

On Jan. 14, Mesquite celebrated the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Festivities began with a parade through downtown hosted by the Mesquite NAACP. The celebration of Dr. King's achievements then continued with a community celebration co-hosted by the City of Mesquite and the Mesquite Independent School District at the Mesquite Arts Center. The event included speeches, choir presentations, and dance performances.



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.



Now – March 18 Exhibition by Molly Valentine Dierks, Digital Islands (A Place Without an Ocean). Main Gallery, free admission.





Now – March 18 Dallas Art Therapy, Behind the door: The art of art therapy in the Chamber Gallery. Visit www.dallasarttherapy.org for more information.



March 2 – Courtyard Concert Series: Plunk Murry, a contemporary Irish Trans-genre folk music band, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the outside courtyard or the Rehearsal Hall. This is a free family-friendly event. Vendors may cost extra.



March 6, 13, 20 & 27 – Tote-and-Go: Free art kit pick-up event every Monday at noon. No in-person activities. Pick up art kits inside the Mesquite Arts Center's lobby area. Art kits are first-come, first-serve. Currently serving 100+ kits each week.

-  www.facebook.com/MesqArtsCenter/
-  www.instagram.com/MesqArtsCenter/
-  www.twitter.com/MesqArtsCenter/

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