

**COMMUNITY
CALENDAR
MAY 2023**

- 1, 15 **City Council meetings**, 7 p.m. at City Hall, 757 N. Galloway Ave. 972-216-6244.
- 8 **Tea & Crafts for Adults**, 6 p.m., Mesquite Main Library, 300 W. Grubb Drive, for ages 11 - 18, 972-216-6220.
- 8 **Adult Book Club: Science Fiction**, 2 p.m., North Branch Library, 2600 Oates Drive, 972-681-0465.
- 13 **Mesquite Recycles Day**, 8 a.m. to noon, Poteet High School, 3300 Poteet Drive, visit www.cityofmesquite.com/RecyclesDay for more details.
- 13 **Cookies & Crafts for Teens**, 4 p.m., Mesquite Main Library, 300 W. Grubb Drive, for ages 11 - 18, 972-216-6220.
- 13 **STEM Program: Homemade Spectroscope**, 2 p.m., North Branch Library, 2600 Oates Drive, 972-681-0465.
- 29 **Memorial Day**. All City offices and facilities closed with exception of the Mesquite Metro Airport. No trash or recycling collected. Collection will resume on residents' next scheduled collection day.

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



Mesquite Police Department graduates four cadets

In March, four new Mesquite police recruits graduated from the Mesquite Police Department's (MPD) Basic Peace Officer Course (BPOC). This is the 19th graduation class to complete the internal training program. The MPD has graduated 126 recruits from its BPOC since the training academy began in 2013. According to the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement website, there are 2,743 agencies, and only 115 with their own academies, including the MPD BPOC.

The four graduates are Thomas Alexander, Matthew James, Michael Roland, and Colton Sipes. These cadets come from Texas and Arkansas and have a variety of backgrounds and experiences. City Secretary Sonja Land administered the oath of office.

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

The Mesquite BPOC allows cadets to become more knowledgeable about what is expected of them when it comes to policing in Mesquite. They are trained by officers with decades of experiences who have worked in this city. They also become more familiar with our community and the people they will serve as police officers.

**FREQUENTLY CALLED CITY
PHONE NUMBERS**

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

Addressing Mesquite Day

Do you or your neighbors need some extra assistance with **exterior** house or yard projects? This year's Addressing Mesquite Day is on Saturday, October 7. This annual event matches community volunteer groups with homeowners in need of minor exterior home repairs, including painting the outside of a home, yard work, minor construction projects and landscape projects.

WE WANT TO HELP YOU!

This event matches community volunteer groups with homeowners in need of extra assistance. Some of the projects could include:

- Painting the outside of a home
- Major yard work
- Constructing minor structures (such as a ramp, etc.)
- Tearing down structures (such as an old shed)

2023 Addressing Mesquite Day Job Request Form

While the City would like to assist every applicant, the number of job requests that can be granted is directly dependent upon the level of volunteer participation. **Job requests will only be accepted for OWNER OCCUPIED homes. Priority will be given to seniors, residents with disabilities or veterans.**

Owner's Name: _____ Home Phone: _____ Project Address: _____

Work Phone: _____

Mesquite Zip Code: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email Address: _____ Is your home two stories? Yes _____ No _____

Did you apply for Addressing Mesquite Day last year? Yes _____ No _____

JOB DESCRIPTION *(No work is done inside a home)*

Please indicate jobs to be performed and, if needed, describe specifically on an attached sheet of paper.

MAJOR YARD WORK

- ___ Moving dirt/digging
- ___ Raking leaves
- ___ Mowing
- ___ Trimming trees/hedges
- ___ Weeding
- ___ Other: _____

CLEAN-UP JOBS

- ___ Washing windows (___ # of windows)
- ___ Cleaning/sweeping
- ___ Remove debris from property
- ___ Other: _____

OTHER JOBS

- ___ Painting (describe on separate sheet)
- ___ Accessibility ramp
- ___ Demo/removal of small structures (shed/fence)
- ___ Other: _____

Check all of the following that apply to the owner of the work site address:

- ___ Single parent w/MINOR children living @ home
- ___ Disabled
- ___ 60 and older
- ___ Widow
- ___ Veteran-Please provide a copy of military ID or discharge papers with this application
- ___ Owner-occupied
- ___ Past assistance from Addressing Mesquite Day What Year? _____

SUPPLIES

- ___ I can provide all supplies needed.
- ___ I need Addressing Mesquite Day to provide some supplies.
- ___ I need Addressing Mesquite Day to provide all

AUTHORIZATION

I certify that I am the owner of the job site concerning the above requested improvements. I understand this is only a request. The number of requests granted is dependent upon volunteer and resource capacity. Furthermore, I understand that the City of Mesquite staff must approve all job requests and I authorize City staff to take pictures of my property for use in evaluating applications.

Signature _____

Date _____

For Office Use Only

Job# _____

Return the completed job request form by June 23, 2023

Addressing Mesquite Day, Attn: Martha Rodriguez, City of Mesquite
1616 N. Galloway Avenue, Mesquite, TX 75149 or email: amd@cityofmesquite.com

¿Necesita una solicitud en español? Visite el sitio web de la ciudad: cityofmesquite.com/AMD



Aqua Zumba

The Aqua Zumba program integrates Zumba with aquatic fitness at Town East Pool, 2525 John Glenn Pkwy. This class blends water-based aerobics, cardio, and body toning with music and instruction. The program will be held from May 2 to May 27, with sessions on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 7:15 - 8:15 p.m., and Saturdays, 9 - 10 a.m. The cost of Aqua Zumba is \$50 for two days per week or \$75 for three days per week. Visit www.cityofmesquite.com/AquaticFitnessPrograms for more information.



Movies in the Park – Touch a Truck

Come enjoy Touch-A-Truck, an interactive event for children and the young at heart, on Friday, May 19, at Paschall Park, 1001 New Market Road. Touch-a-Truck provides kids the opportunity to climb on, learn about, and discover their favorite big trucks and vehicles including police cars, dump trucks, tractors, and fire trucks. Vehicle operators will be present to answer any questions. Afterwards, join us for a movie in the park with concessions. Patrons are encouraged to bring lawn chairs and blankets to this free event. Visit cityofmesquite.com/MoviesInThePark for more information.



Cinco de Mayo Celebration

Join us for a Cinco de Mayo Celebration on Saturday, May 6, from noon to 5 p.m. in Downtown Mesquite at Front Street Station, 100 W. Front Street. This free family-friendly event will feature authentic Mexican food, kids' activities, a jalapeño eating contest, folklórico dancers, vendors and more. Visit www.cityofmesquite.com/CincoDeMayo for more information.



Summer Camps

Looking for a fun and memorable experience for your kids this summer? The City of Mesquite offers a variety of camps for children in kindergarten through sixth grade. Campers can participate in games, field trips, swim days, crafts, and daily activities. To find the perfect camp for your child, visit www.cityofmesquite.com/Camps for more information. Registration opens on May 1 and space is limited.

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:

Mesquite Parks and Recreation Department hosted spring break camps from March 13 - 17 at Dunford Recreation Center and Camp Rorie Galloway. Camps were for youth in kindergarten through sixth grade. Participants enjoyed indoor and outdoor games, crafts, and other exciting adventures.



MESQUITE
ARTS
CENTER

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.



May 4 - Courtyard Concert Series: Mr. Inez at 7 p.m. in the courtyard. Free event.



May 13 - Just for Kids: Mother's Day Silk Screening Workshop, 10 a.m. - noon, in Downtown Mesquite at Front Street Station, 100 W. Front Street.



May 13, 20, and 27 - Off the Rails concert, 7 - 9 p.m., in Downtown Mesquite at Front Street Station, 100 W. Front Street. Free event.



May 18 - Mesquite Rocks! with PriMadonna, 7 - 9 p.m., in front of the Mesquite Arts Center, 1527 N. Galloway Ave. Free event.

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www.twitter.com/MesqArtsCenter/

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