



July 20, 2018



## Support Mesquite historic preservation at Nibbles & Sips on July 26

The Board of Directors of Historic Mesquite, Inc., invites preservation supporters to attend a free Nibbles & Sips event at 6 p.m. on Thursday, July 26, at Opal Lawrence Historical Park, [701-711 E. Kearney St.](#) Enjoy light food and refreshments while learning about current and future Historic Mesquite projects. Guests can view the newly restored washhouse and root cellar buildings, as well as participate in a free screening of the film *Past Preserved: The Restoration of the Lawrence Park Buildings*. [View event details.](#)



## Mesquite Fire Department welcomes new paramedics

On July 13, five of the Mesquite Fire Department's newest members graduated from the Paramedic Program at El Centro College. Firefighters Stephen Parks, William Rosen, Justin Sanders, Cory Thomas and Jonathan Wright graduated from El Centro College's EMS Paramedic program. Firefighters Wright and Parks also received Veteran Recognition. All five were hired on January 1 and have completed firefighter training. Paramedic Certification is the final step in the firefighters' initial training.



## Community congregations will Spread the Love on "National Be Someone Day"

Congregations throughout Mesquite will celebrate National Be Someone Day on Sunday, July 22. This special day of giving challenges each of us to make a difference. Faith leaders throughout the city are

encouraging their congregations to bring a jar of peanut butter and/or jelly to church on July 22 to support Mesquite's Spread the Love campaign, which encourages donations of peanut butter, jelly and/or financial contributions to help feed children during the summer. [Learn more about Spread the Love.](#)

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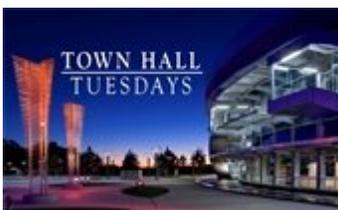


## City Council to begin redistricting process with public input

In May, Mesquite voters approved a proposed City Charter amendment that would create six single-member districts for City Council Places 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6. This

week, Mesquite took steps forward on the creation of the six new single-member districts for the City Council. The City will seek public input on the process this fall. The planning schedule includes the City Council adopting a new redistricting plan in November, and these new districts will go into effect for the November 2019 municipal elections.

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## Town Hall Tuesday to be held on July 24

The City of Mesquite will host its next Town Hall Tuesday at 7 p.m. on July 24, in Training Rooms A and B at City Hall, [757 N. Galloway Ave.](#) Residents are invited to attend

to learn about the City's budget and operations, as well as offer input as the City Council prepares for its annual budget workshop.

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## Mesquite moves forward on new vision for downtown

Improvements are coming to Downtown Mesquite to create a new destination for shopping, restaurants and entertainment. This week, the Mesquite City Council approved the next steps in the infrastructure and design concepts for the historic area of the community. New pedestrian-friendly elements, special event areas and additional parking are some of the highlighted changes coming to Downtown Mesquite. The design features of the conceptual plan could also include bike racks, wayfinding signage and enhanced lighting. [Read more.](#)

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## July is Parks and Recreation Month

Throughout July, visit the [Mesquite Parks & Recreation webpage](#) for opportunities to get outside and enjoy parks and recreation facilities. Show your dog a great time at the Leash Free Zone at Town East Park on July 22, or challenge a friend to a game of tennis at the Westlake Sports Center on July 24. Use of the Westlake tennis court includes a nominal fee. Visit [www.cityofmesquite.com/PARD](http://www.cityofmesquite.com/PARD) to view all Parks & Recreation facilities and programs.

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## #CheddarFriesForACause fundraiser on July 29

Dine In. Do Good. Join the City of Mesquite, Mesquite Social Services and Sharing Life Community Outreach from 5 - 8 p.m. on Sunday, July 29, at Snuffer's Mesquite, [3726 Towne Crossing Blvd.](#) Print off the flyer at [www.cityofmesquite.com/Snuffers](http://www.cityofmesquite.com/Snuffers), present it to your server and a percentage of your meal cost will be donated to the [Spread the Love campaign](#).

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## Mesquite Animal Services collects hundreds of donations for Spread the Love campaign

Through July 31, Mesquite Animal Services (MAS) will offer \$10 off pet adoptions for guests who donate a jar of peanut butter or jelly to the Spread the Love campaign (up to \$50 off). Since announcing the adoption discount in June, MAS has reported donations of more than 296 jars of peanut butter and 96 jars of jelly. Thank you to all who chose to adopt a forever friend and support local children and families in need. MAS is located at [1650 Gross Road](#). Learn more about Mesquite pet adoptions by calling [972-216-6283](tel:972-216-6283).

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## Mayor Stan Pickett talks Real. Texas. Spirit. with local media

Mayor Pickett recently spoke to Star Local Media about the consistent spirit, enthusiasm and commitment shown by Mesquite's community. [Read the article](#).

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## Contact Us

We want to hear from you. If you have a concern or are experiencing an issue, please contact the City of Mesquite at [972-288-7711](tel:972-288-7711) or visit the City's website at [www.cityofmesquite.com/FAQ](http://www.cityofmesquite.com/FAQ) for assistance.