



August 6, 2021



## **Doggie Splash Day on Aug. 7**

Dogs and their owners are invited to splash and play at the 17th annual Doggie Splash Day on Saturday, Aug. 7. The event will be from 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. at Vanston Pool, 2913 Oates Drive. Admission is \$5 for one owner and one pet, \$2 for each additional pet and \$1 for all spectators. Participants who bring a jar of peanut butter or jelly to support the Spread the Love campaign will receive \$2 off admission. The Mesquite Animal Shelter

will also be at Doggie Splash Day with dogs who are available for adoption. They will also be offering free microchipping. [Learn more.](#)



## **Mesquite Police Department promotes Stephen Biggs to rank of Captain**

On July 30, Mesquite Police Department Interim Police Chief David Faaborg announced the promotion of Lieutenant Stephen Biggs to the rank of Captain. He will now oversee the department's Staff Support Bureau of hiring and training officers, school resource officers, community policing and crime prevention, as well as

command the department's S.W.A.T team and will continue serving as the primary Public Information Officer. [Learn more.](#)



## City honors Lieutenant Chris Kneiggs

On July 30, the City of Mesquite honored Lieutenant Chris Kneiggs for 28 years of service to the Mesquite Fire Department. Chris Kneiggs started his career with the Mesquite Fire Department on March 29, 1993, was promoted to Driver in 2000 and to Lieutenant in 2006. Mayor Bruce Archer presented a proclamation at his retirement ceremony. [Learn more and read the proclamation.](#)



## Mayor proclaims July 31 as Alexander Kalota Day

Mayor Bruce Archer honored police officer Alexander Kalota on July 30, proclaiming July 31 as Alexander Kalota Day for his service to Mesquite and for serving the community as a police officer for 38 years. [Learn more.](#)



## Mesquite hosted July community virtual health forum

As a part of its continuing Recovery Mesquite efforts to help the community move forward and onward from the impacts of the pandemic, the City of Mesquite held its July Community Health Virtual Meeting on July 27, discussing fitness and health resources available through the city's Parks and Recreation Department. [Watch the forum.](#)



## Mesquite Police Department hosts summer boxing camp

The Mesquite Police Department (MPD) wrapped up their first summer boxing camp with Mesquite ISD students. Ten officers taught the students about the fundamentals of boxing. Learn more about the Mesquite summer boxing camp in the latest [Mesquite Minute](#) and in a [MPD video](#) recap.



## Mesquite seeks public input on new parks master plan

The City of Mesquite is seeking public input on a new Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan through a citizen survey at

[www.cityofmesquite.com/ParksMasterPlan](http://www.cityofmesquite.com/ParksMasterPlan). The survey includes specific questions on facilities, programs and parks. The new master plan is expected to be completed later this fall. The survey is open until Aug. 15. [Learn](#)

[more.](#)



## File to run as a candidate for City Council

The City of Mesquite has launched a new webpage to assist those who want to consider filing their candidacy to serve on the City Council. The 2021 City election, for the purpose of electing a Mayor and Councilmembers for Places 1 – 6, will be held on Nov. 2. The last day to file is Aug.16. The webpage is

[www.cityofmesquite.com/CouncilCandidate](http://www.cityofmesquite.com/CouncilCandidate) and the

public may contact the City Secretary's Office at 972-216-6401 or at [CouncilCandidate@cityofmesquite.com](mailto:CouncilCandidate@cityofmesquite.com) for additional information.



## Mesquite Championship Rodeo

The Mesquite Championship Rodeo (MCR) is at the Mesquite Arena, 1818 Rodeo Drive for the summer. MCR will take place every Saturday at 7:30 p.m. until Aug. 28. For more than 60 years, MCR has entertained families with thrilling rodeo events such as saddle bronc riding, bull riding, barrel racing, team roping and more. [Purchase tickets.](#)


## Contact Us


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[www.cityofmesquite.com/myMesquite](http://www.cityofmesquite.com/myMesquite) for details.



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