



August 18, 2023



## City Council to meet Sept. 5

Mesquite City Council meets at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 5 at City Hall, 757 N. Galloway Ave. Members of the public, applicants and interested parties may attend the meeting in person. Members of the public desiring to comment during Citizens Forum must preregister by either sending an email to [sland@cityofmesquite.com](mailto:sland@cityofmesquite.com) or calling 972-216-6244 before 3 p.m. on Sept. 5. Provide the City Secretary with your name and address. Comments on agenda items may be made during the meeting or by submission on or before 3 p.m. on Sept. 5 to the City Secretary. [View meeting agendas online](#). The City broadcasts meetings via Facebook Live and at [www.cityofmesquite.com/WatchCouncilMeetings](http://www.cityofmesquite.com/WatchCouncilMeetings).



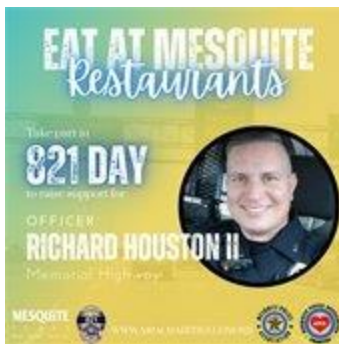
## Mesquite, MISD, Balch Springs create leadership program for residents

The City of Mesquite, Mesquite Independent School District and the City of Balch Springs have collaborated to form a leadership development program for citizens called Project LEAD. Program organizers are looking for motivated residents interested in learning about leadership, growing as a civic leader and contributing to the growth of their cities and school district. Those selected to participate in Project LEAD will commit to attending four sessions. Classes will meet from 6:30-8 p.m. on Oct. 17, Nov. 7, Dec. 5 and Jan. 16. Interested citizens can apply now through Sept. 15. Space is limited. To apply and learn more, visit [www.cityofmesquite.com/ProjectLEAD](http://www.cityofmesquite.com/ProjectLEAD).



## Area waterways potentially affected by runoff from Sherwin-Williams plant fire

According to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, the fire that occurred at a Sherwin-Williams plant in Garland on Aug. 7 has resulted in water runoff and foam retardant from the facility's fire suppression system entering the storm drains and surrounding creeks. Work is ongoing to remediate the issues caused by the runoff and to cleanup any remaining foam. No major impacts to public health have been identified at this time while some dead fish have been observed in the impacted creeks. The public is advised to not fish or have contact with these creeks while contaminant testing and cleanup activities continue. As a precaution, the EPA has activated the Poison Control Center for this incident. If you are feeling unwell and believe that it is the result of contact with an impacted creek, please call 1-800-222-1222 for expert guidance. This is a free and confidential service that is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Visit [www.cityofmesquite.com/PlantFire](http://www.cityofmesquite.com/PlantFire) for more information.



## Honor Officer Houston on 821 Day

Don't forget to eat out on Aug. 21 at a participating restaurant to help raise funds to pay for signage on a designated section of Interstate 635 as the Officer Richard Houston II Memorial Highway. The Mesquite Police Association (MPA) charities have created 821 Day in honor of the memory of fallen Mesquite Police Officer Richard Houston II. 821 Day is named after Officer Houston's badge number. On Aug. 21, restaurants will donate a portion of their proceeds. To see a list of participating restaurants or to make donations, visit [www.mpacharities.com/821Day](http://www.mpacharities.com/821Day).

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## August Word on the Street

Find out about current and future road work in Mesquite with Word on the Street, the monthly road report. The August edition includes information about construction on Skyline Drive and more. visit [August Word on the Street](#) for more information.

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## Guts & Gory Zombie Fun

Zombies have been reported to be taking over the park at Camp Rorie Galloway. Do you have what it takes to survive and escape? Experience a zombie apocalypse at the “Guts and Gory” Zombie Run and challenge on Saturday, Sept. 16 from 9 a.m. to noon at Camp Rorie Galloway, 3100 Lawson Road. The fee to participate is \$25 per person and space is limited. For more information and registration, visit [Guts and Gory Run](#).

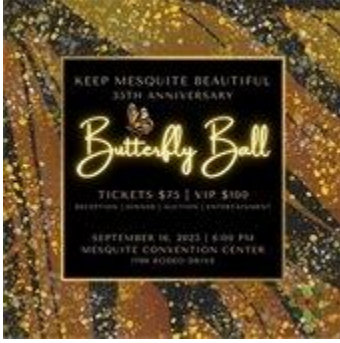
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## Mesquite Animal Shelter to offer free pet adoptions on Aug. 26

The Mesquite Animal Shelter, 1650 Gross Road, is once again participating in the national Clear the Shelters initiative that promotes pet adoption and donations in August. On Saturday, Aug. 26, the Animal Shelter will host a special one-day adoption event, waiving all fees. Shelter pets available for adoption are sterilized, vaccinated and microchipped. To see the pets currently in the shelter, [visit animals in the shelter](#). Regular operating hours for the shelter are 11 a.m.-5:30 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday. The shelter is also open 1-5:30 p.m. on Saturday and closed on Wednesdays and Sundays.

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## KMB to host 35th Anniversary Butterfly Ball

Keep Mesquite Beautiful, Inc. (KMB) will celebrate its 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary from 6 to 11 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 16, 2023, at the Mesquite Convention Center, 1700 Rodeo Drive, with dinner, drinks, live music, dancing, an auction, and much more. VIP reception starts at 6 p.m. general admission begins at 7 p.m. VIP tickets


cost \$100 each, while general admission tickets cost \$75 each. Tickets may be purchased online at [Butterfly Ball](#).


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