



December 21, 2017



City Council extends holiday wishes to the community in video messages

Watch these holiday greeting videos from the Mesquite City Council: [Mayor Stan Pickett](#), [Mayor Pro Tem Jeff Casper](#), [Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Dan Aleman](#), [Councilmember Bruce Archer](#), [Councilmember Greg Noschese](#) and [Councilmember Tandy Boroughs](#).



City of Mesquite and STAR Transit holiday closures

Many City of Mesquite offices will be closed December 22 and 25 as well as January 1 in observance of the Christmas and New Year holidays. Please visit www.cityofmesquite.com/Holidays for a complete list of closures and service impacts. For those trash and recycling collection days missed, collection will occur on the residents' next scheduled collection day.

STAR Transit's offices will also be closed December 22 and 25 as well as January 1. This includes On Demand Service, the Kaufman Trolley, The Link and Terrell Fixed Routes 803 and 804. STAR Transit will operate regular schedules for the DART Express Bus Route 282 (COMPASS), the Balch Springs Midtown Express, the Seagoville Express and the Hutchins Shuttle on December 22. These routes will not operate on December 25 or January 1. Visit www.STARtransit.org for more information.



Mesquite Animal Services offers extended holiday hours and adoption specials

Mesquite Animal Services, located at 1650 Gross Road, will be open December 22 and 23 from 1 - 5:30 p.m. for adoptions and reclaims only. Shelter staff elected to remain open in order to help more dogs and cats find homes for the holidays. In addition, through December 23, cat or dog kennels marked with a Santa Claus may be adopted for \$25, while animals in kennels marked with a Rudolph the Red-nosed Reindeer may be adopted at 25 percent off. Fees include sterilization, vaccinations and microchipping. Visit www.cityofmesquite.com/AnimalServices or call 972-216-6283 for more information.



Mesquite completes and releases results of 2017 community survey

The City of Mesquite has released the results of its 2017 Community Survey and they are available at www.cityofmesquite.com/2017Survey. The survey measures citizen satisfaction with major City services. The survey results indicated that nearly seven out of every 10 respondents rated Mesquite as an “excellent” or “good” place to live. A summary of the survey results revealed the top three issues citizens believe Mesquite will face during the next five years are public safety, street maintenance and neighborhood vitality.



City employees honored with Real. Texas. Service. Champion awards

Mesquite honored four City employees with Real. Texas. Service. Champion awards during the City Council meeting on December 18. The Real. Texas. Service. Champions program celebrates employees who provide exemplary customer service and achieve accomplishments that merit special recognition. The following employees were recognized: Police Officer Steven Contreras, Public Safety Operations Analyst Melissa Osborne, GIS Senior Analyst Suzette Stone and Heavy Equipment Mechanic Jarrod Beck. Visit www.cityofmesquite.com/ServiceChampions for more information on these employees and their service to our community.



STAR Transit reduced/free fare grace period ends December 31

On November 1, STAR Transit implemented its new fare structure. Part of the new structure includes discounted or free fares for qualified seniors 60 plus, veterans and persons with disabilities. During the reduced/free fare grace period, riders receive discounts and free fares without a Reduced Fare ID pass. After December 31, qualified riders may continue receiving the reduced/free fare by completing an eligibility form and assessment and obtaining a Reduced Fare ID pass. For information on obtaining an eligibility form and the qualification process, visit www.STARtransit.org, email MobilityDpt@STARtransit.org or call 877-632-5278.



Daddy Daughter Dance tickets go on sale January 3


Tickets for the 2018 Daddy Daughter Dance go on sale beginning January 3. Tickets may be purchased online at www.cityofmesquite.com/PARD, at any Mesquite Recreation Center or at the Parks and Recreation Administration Office, 1515 N. Galloway Avenue. Tickets are limited and will not be sold at the door. This year's event will be held on Friday, February 2, at the Mesquite Convention Center, 1700 Rodeo Drive. Two sessions are available from 6 - 8 p.m. and 8:30 - 10:30 p.m. Participants may choose which session to attend. The dance, sponsored by the Hampton Inn and Dallas Regional Medical Center, is open to all ages. Visit www.cityofmesquite.com/DaddyDaughterDance or call 972-216-6260 for more information.




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