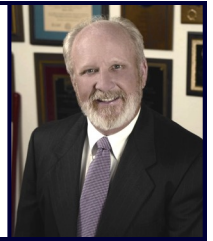




Northeast Newsletter



Tarrant County - Precinct 3
"Working together for a better tomorrow"



April 2013

Volume 6, Issue 2

Coffee with the Commissioner

Friday, Apr 19th, 7:30 to 9:00am

Please join me for coffee and donuts!



NEW LOCATION!

SOUTHLAKE TOWN HALL

1400 Main St. #410, Southlake, TX 76092



SAVE THE DATE!

- LifeGift Run May 18th
- Empowering Seniors 2013 Oct 4th

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COMMISSIONER'S CORNER

Wow, this year is really flying by fast! Since our February Newsletter, we have completed our Fourth Annual Northeast Tarrant Transportation Summit. We had over 550 attendees. Our Seminars included an overview of the TEX-Rail/ Cotton Belt Rail Line by Fort Worth Councilman Jungus Jordan; How Transit-Oriented Development can transform the Marketplace by Paris Rutherford; The ABC's of the RTC (Regional Transportation Council) by Michael Morris, NCTCOG ; Up-dates on the DFW Connector and the North Tarrant Express projects and our key-note speaker was Ross Perot, Jr. A special thanks to all of our sponsors (see page 6 for listing), chambers, cities, and volunteers who helped make this the best Summit we have presented.

If you haven't noticed, we are moving from the Sub-Courthouse in Hurst on Grapevine Highway to the Southlake Town Hall facility located at Southlake Town Square as well as a location in Bedford. By Monday, April 15, everyone will be out of the building and re-located to a temporary location. The Commissioner, Constable, and Justice of the Peace Court have all moved their offices to the Southlake Town Hall located at 1400 Main St., in Southlake. The Tax Assessor/Collector, County Clerk, and Credit Union will be temporarily located at Parkwood Village, 201 E. Harwood Rd., in Bedford; and Juvenile Services is located at 3809 Colleyville Blvd., #D in Colleyville. In mid-July we will have a ground breaking for the construction of the new Northeast Tarrant County Courthouse. The floor plans and site plan

are available for viewing in our Southlake office, at the Parkwood Village location in Bedford, and in our February issue (page 4) of the Northeast Newsletter. As construction progresses, we will keep you up-to-date with reports and photos.

The LifeGift Second Chance Run will be held on **May 18th** at 1701 River Run, Fort Worth (same location for the last few years) which is near University Dr. and the Trinity River. This is a 1 Mile Fun Run/Walk and a 5K Run/Walk. This LifeGift Run is an opportunity for people to be made aware of organ donations and the transplant process. Five years ago, I received a life-saving liver transplant. Today, there are over 117,000 individuals on a waiting list for an organ transplant. Public awareness is the key to providing vital organs to those who need these life saving procedures. This will be our 4th year to participate as **Team Fickes**. Please come and join with us! (Registration form can be found on page 5)

Coffee with the Commissioner will be next **Friday, April 19th** from 7:30 to 9:00 at the **Southlake Town Hall**. This will be our first coffee in the Town Hall and will be the location for our coffees for the next 18-20 months. The Southlake Town Hall is located at 1400 Main Street, Southlake TX 76092 and we are located in Suite 410. We hope you can join us!

Gary Fickes



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Question of the Month

Question:

Who was General William Jenkins Worth?

Answer on page 4

We are relocating see page 3...



TARRANT COUNTY NORTHEAST COURTHOUSE
FEBRUARY 5, 2013



The NEW Tarrant County Northeast Courthouse

NE Community Leader Spotlight



**Mayor
Betsy Price**



Fort Worth,
Texas

Meet Mayor Betsy Price

Betsy Price, a Fort Worth native, was elected as the 44th Mayor of the City of Fort Worth June 18, 2011.

Prior to taking the reigns as the Mayor of the 16th largest city in the United States, Price served as the Tarrant County Tax Assessor. There, she transformed the Assessor's Office into one of the most efficient in the State of Texas, saving

taxpayers millions. Before her life in the public sector, Price was owner of a successful title company called Price Cornelius Title.

Since taking office as Mayor, Price has initiated a broad agenda founded on the values of fiscal responsibility, accessibility, accountability and customer service. More specifically, Price continues to work with her City Council colleagues, city staff and local partners on several local initiatives, including engaging young leaders; promoting a healthy, active city; creating and retaining jobs; expanding public transit; and engaging faith communities.

Mayor Price graduated from Arlington Heights High School and earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Texas at Arlington. Since then, she has been a leader in the Fort Worth community serving on numerous boards, commissions and professional associations. Her roles as businesswoman and community activist has garnered her the reputation as an innovator with strong leadership in solving

some of the most pressing issues in one of Texas' fastest-growing cities.

She has been married to Tom, an insurance agent, for more than 40 years and has three children: Kathryn, Phillip and Paul. Price is also a proud grandmother to her grandsons Chappell and Price.

On a more personal note -

What do you do for fun? *Cycling and napping on Saturday afternoon when possible!*

Favorite Restaurant? *I like my husband's cooking better than any restaurant!*

Favorite Movie? *"Out of Africa"*

Last book read? *"Thunder Dog" by Michael Hingson.*

Favorite vacation spot? *The beach.*

People would be surprised to know...
"I can shoot, clean, and gut a deer faster than my husband!"

TARRANT COUNTY COMMUNITY SUPERVISION AND CORRECTIONS DEPARTMENT



Central CSCD Office
200 West Belknap St., Fort Worth TX

The Community Supervision and Corrections Department of Tarrant County (CSCD) was known as the Adult Probation Department until 1989. At that time the Texas Legislature instituted the name change, owing in part to the greatly expanded role of probation in the state's criminal justice system. With wide-ranging advances in offender assessment, supervision, and technology, came the realization that many non-violent criminal offenders could be effectively monitored in the community. This saving taxpayers millions of dollars by avoiding expensive prison confinement (\$50.04 per day in prison, \$3.00 per day on community supervision).

Currently, CSCD under the oversight

of the criminal courts of Tarrant County, supervises over 21,000 offenders in the community, most of whom are on "regular" supervision, meaning a set schedule of contact between the offender and a Supervision Officer, and the mandate that the offender abide by a specific set of rules (Conditions of Community Supervision) given to him or her by the judge. Supervision Officers (S.O.'s) are specially trained professionals whose dual roles consist of: assessing and monitoring the offender's behavior and reporting violations to the court, while at the same time offering the offender opportunities and resources for behavioral change, in an effort to avoid future criminal activity.

In addition to regular community supervision, CSCD also operates special programs for specific offender groups such as: high risk DWI, mental health/developmental disability, sex offenses, veterans, prostitution, drug/alcohol addictions, pretrial bond defendants. Programming for these selected groups is generally much more intensive than regular supervision and there is a higher rate of contact between the S.O. and the offender.

CSCD also provides a financial benefit



Northeast Field Service Unit
201 East Plaza Blvd., Hurst TX

to the public in having approximately 40% of its funding provided by offender fees, in restitution per year from offenders greatly reducing reliance on tax dollars. CSCD also collects over \$2,000,000 per year from offenders in restitution which is sent to victims of crime in Tarrant County. Finally, offenders under CSCD's supervision perform over 500,000 hours annually in unpaid Community Service Restitution for nonprofit and charitable groups, valued at more than \$3,770,000.

Tarrant County CSCD
200 West Belknap Street
Fort Worth, Texas 76102
(817) 884-1600

Article courtesy of Jim Sinclair

We're relocating to make way for a NEW Northeast Courthouse!

Note: The Northeast Courthouse is closed

This Thursday and Friday, April 11 & 12th, The Northeast location for the County Clerk, Tax and Credit Union will be closed and will reopen in their new location (noted below) on Monday, April 15th.

The Constable, Justice of the Peace, and Juvenile Services have all already relocated to their temporary location noted below and are open for business during regular business hours.

Our New Northeast Courthouse project is expected to take a couple of years to complete and will add much needed space to better serve you. Not only are we expanding each office, we are also adding 100 additional parking spaces, a Passport Office, a Community Room and much more! During this time, please bear with us and know, we are doing everything possible to make this a smooth transition for everyone.

- **Commissioner** Southlake Town Hall (817-581-3600)
Precinct 3 1400 Main Street, Suite 410
Southlake, TX

- **Constable** Southlake Town Hall (817-581-3610) Civil
Precinct 3 1400 Main Street, Suite 240 (817-481-8059) Delinquent
Southlake, TX 76092 Tax Sales

- **Justice of the Peace** Southlake Town Hall (817-581-3625)
Precinct 3 1400 Main Street, Suite 220
Southlake, TX 76092

- **County Clerk** **CLOSED: April 11&12 OPEN: April 15th** (817-581-3604)
201 E Harwood Road, Suite 124
Bedford, TX 76021

- **Tax Office** **CLOSED: April 11&12 OPEN: April 15th** (817-581-3636)
201 E Harwood Road, Suite 124
Bedford, TX 76021

- **Tarrant County** **CLOSED: April 11&12 OPEN: April 15th** (817-884-1470)
Credit Union 201 E Harwood Road, Suite 124
Bedford, TX 76021

- **Juvenile Services** ... 3809 Colleyville Boulevard, Suite D (817-321-4844)
Colleyville, TX 76034

The NEW Tarrant County Northeast Courthouse



TARRANT COUNTY NORTHEAST COURTHOUSE
EXTERIOR



LifeGift Second Chance Run

Saturday, May 18th, 2013

1701 River Run, Fort Worth 76107

Registration on pg. 5 or call 817-581-3600 for more information.

Five years ago, Tarrant County Commissioner Gary Fickes underwent a liver transplant due to complications from a disease he found out he had five years prior. Being an organ recipient himself, Commissioner Fickes has great appreciation for those who are organ donors and deems them and their families as heroes.

According to the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, 117,276 people are currently waiting for an organ, 18 people will die each day waiting for an organ and 1 organ donor can save up to 8 lives.

Commissioner Fickes was able to have a new lease on life after he received the vital organ needed for his survival from the difficult decision of one's family. The LifeGift 2nd Chance 5K & 1 Mile Fun Run/Walk helps bring awareness and raise money for LifeGift, a not-for-profit organ procurement organization that recovers organs and tissue for individuals needing transplants in 109 Texas counties.



Join Team Fickes TODAY!

See Page 5 To Register ...



Running for the Gift of Life

Tarrant County Historical Commission

Opportunity awaits you...

If you're interested in historical and cultural heritage then you may be one of the people we are looking for! Tarrant County Historical Commission has openings for two appointments.

The purpose of the Commission is to protect and preserve the historical and cultural heritage of Tarrant County for the use, education, enjoyment and benefit of current and future generations. Members assist with long range goals and annual program of work coordinating projects with other groups. Activities include but are not limited to acting as liaison with the Texas Historical Commission, conduct Texas and county history appreciation programs, work with schools and civic organizations, sponsor historical tours, commemorations and observances, survey subjects and possible sites for historical markings and activities related to endangered properties.

Commission members are appointed to a 2 year term. Regular attendance is necessary at scheduled meetings. The Commission meets on the 4th Wednesday of January, March, May, July, September, and November. Additional special meetings may be called at the discretion of the Chair.

If interested in joining the Tarrant County Historical Commission, please contact: Rebecca Barksdale at rbarksdale@tarrantcounty.com or call 817-481-8234.

EMPOWERING SENIORS 2013 ages 50 plus
 a Health and Lifestyle EXPO for Boomers & Seniors
 Commissioner Gary Fickes • Tarrant County, Precinct 3

Save the Date !
Friday, October 4, 2013



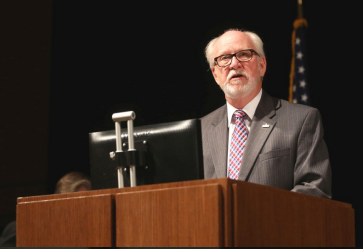
www.EmpoweringSeniors.com

Question of the Month

Question: Who was General William Jenkins Worth?

Answer: General William Jenkins Worth, for whom the city of Fort Worth was named, is buried beneath a monument on the corner of Fifth Avenue and Broadway in New York City. Worth, a New York native, served in the war of 1812. Although not a graduate of the academy, he served as commandant of West Point Military Academy from 1820 to 1828. He served in the Mexican War under both Zachary Taylor and Winfield Scott and was brevetted as a brigadier general for service in the Seminole War. Worth was ordered to Texas in 1848 and died there in 1849. He was returned to his native state for burial. The military establishment, Fort Worth, and the city which grew from it, were named for him.

4th Annual Northeast Transportation Summit



Thank you for attending our 4th Annual Northeast Tarrant Transportation Summit!

- Over 500 attendees
- Updates on Major Road Projects
- Keynote Speaker Ross Perot, Jr.
- Director of Transportation, NCTCOG
- Seminars
 - TEX Rail/Cotton Belt Rail Line
 - How Transit-Oriented and Transit-Ready Development can Transform the Marketplace
 - The ABC's of the RTC
 - Road Projects
 - Regional Transportation

A special thank you to our sponsors, speakers, attendees, and area Chambers of Commerce!

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Fort Worth Hispanic (817) 625-5411

Hurst-Eules-Bedford (817) 283-1521

Northwest Metroport (817) 837-1000

FW Metropolitan Black (817) 871-6538

Keller (817) 431-2169

Southlake (817) 481-8200

For 2014 sponsorship or additional information, visit our website or call: 817-581-3600

www.NETTRANSPORTATIONSUMMIT.com





Community Enrichment Center

Restoring Hope, Sharing God's Love, and Changing Lives for 25 Years

The Community Enrichment Center (CEC) is a vital resource in Tarrant County, providing a myriad of services to homeless families, women and children fleeing domestic violence, seniors and low-income families.

The CEC's mission: restore hope, share God's love and change lives in our community. What began in 1988 as a food pantry, has grown into a multi-service organization including four major programs:

Last year, Open Arms (transitional housing for victims of family violence) provided safe and stable housing to 53 women and 119 children fleeing violence, and staff responded to 3,796 crisis calls. Open Arms' goals are to help victims heal,



break the cycle of violence and transition to a healthy life without violence.

Adopt-A-Family (transitional housing for homeless families) housed 131 homeless adults and 233 children in 2012. Case managers assist families to break barriers



keeping them from success. They receive life skills training including financial literacy (budget), parenting skills, counseling and help improving their education level and income potential.

The Community Ministries (Food Pantry, Senior Network) distributed 900,000 pounds of food in 2012. Approximately 60 seniors participate weekly in the Senior

Network where they are able to prevent isolation by taking part in fun activities, devotionals and service projects.

The CEC's Education & Employment Services works with unemployed and low income working families to improve their earning power. Staff works one-on-one with participants to create resumes, search for jobs, provide career assessments and prepare for interviews. Literacy for Life improves literacy skills and prepares adults for the GED test.

In 2013, the CEC is celebrating 25 years of providing services that truly change the lives of individuals and families. Thank you volunteers and partners for helping to ensure the CEC will continue to serve those in our community who need us the most.

www.thecec.org

Article courtesy of Randy Clinton



An Historic Moment in Time *Southlake Historical Society*



You may know your Texas history, but you may not recall that in 1846 (three years before a lone outpost, Fort Worth, was established on the banks of the Trinity) farming families were settling the northern edge of Tarrant County (and most of Denton County). They were Peters colonists -- men and women who contracted with Texas for free land as part of the republic's efforts to populate the rugged frontier. Southlake is a part of this history.

The Southlake Historical Society's mission is to promote the preservation, understanding and appreciation of our community's history. Like other historical societies, we research and document area history, including oral histories, and present programs with knowledgeable speakers.

But our most recent and important way to accomplish the society's mission through our website, www.southlakehistory.org

which we have just revamped to establish a virtual historical society that includes an interactive map of historical places; quick facts including how Southlake got its name; the stories of Lonesome Dove Baptist Church, Lake Grapevine and D/FW airport; and much more.

Also on the site are hundreds of photographs and several videos that offer the experience of a guided tour. An important feature is "Tell Us Your Story," where people are encouraged to submit their own -- or their family's -- stories and recollections of Southlake.



Our website recently was nominated for an American Association of State and Local History award. Tarrant County archivist Dawn Youngblood did one of the "critical reviews" necessary for the nomination, and we appreciate her critique and insights. We also appreciate Tarrant County Commissioner Gary Fickes, who organized the society back in 1992 by placing a notice in the newspaper asking people interested in Southlake history to meet.



When you visit the website, you'll find many historical places to explore in Southlake. Stop by the log house, north of the intersection of White Chapel and Southlake Boulevard and read the colorful "Home Sweat Home" signs prepared by the SHS. Kids will enjoy Bonnet the blue dog, who gets them thinking.

On Carroll Avenue just north of Texas 114, visit the 1919 Carroll School (next to the lacrosse field, which was the first Dragon football field). It's the only remaining intact school in Tarrant County from Common School District days. A historical marker we researched and wrote is next to Carroll Avenue. Nine more historical markers can be found around town -- learn where they are on our website.

Watch our website's home page for upcoming programs and events. And get to know your north Tarrant County history a little better.

www.southlakehistory.org

Article courtesy of Anita Robeson

Senior News



Welcome to our new page just for seniors, soon-to-be seniors and those who care for seniors! We're excited to expand our newsletter to include stories of interest, important phone numbers and websites, and a calendar of upcoming events in every issue. We want this to be a great resource for you. If you have thoughts or ideas you would like to share, please email Rebecca Barksdale at:

rbarksdale@tarrantcounty.com

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www.TarrantCares.org

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- 60 Languages

Call 2-1-1

211 is a free and confidential community information and referral service. (If dialing 2-1-1 directly doesn't work on your phone call the toll-free number at **877-541-7905**)

Available information includes:

Aging Resources	Health Services
Caregiver Issues	Housing
Counseling	In-Home Services
Education	Recreation
Employment	Support Groups
Financial Assistance	Transportation and MORE!
Food and Clothing	

- 2-1-1 Texas, a program of the Texas Health and Human Services Commission, is committed to helping Texas citizens connect with the services they need. Whether by phone or internet, our goal is to present accurate, well-organized and easy-to-find information from over 60,000 state and local health and human services programs.

Area Senior Centers

Why join a senior center? **Why not!** There are so many benefits to joining your area senior center we couldn't possibly list them all here. Just to mention a few benefits your senior center may have - numerous resources for assistance; activities like field trips, dancing, and games; you can also learn something new through their education classes! Contact your local senior center today and see what they can do for you!

Bedford Senior Ctr. www.ci.bedford.tx.us	(817) 952-2325
Colleyville Senior Ctr. www.colleyville.com	(817) 503-1195
Eules Family Life Senior Ctr. www.eulesstx.gov	(817) 685-1670
Grapevine Senior Activities Ctr. www.grapevinetexas.gov	(817) 410-8130
Haltom City Senior Citizens www.haltomcitytx.com	(817) 834-8021
Hurst Senior Citizens Activities Ctr. www.ci.hurst.tx.us	(817) 788-7710
Keller Senior Activities Ctr. www.cityofkeller.com	(817) 431-8727
NRH Senior Ctr. www.nrhtx.com	(817) 427-6620
Southlake Senior Activity Ctr. www.ci.southlake.tx.us	(817) 748-8398
Watauga Senior Ctr. www.ci.watauga.tx.us	(817) 514-5892

Friday Oct. 4, 2013

5th Annual EMPOWERING SENIORS 2013

Registration coming soon!

www.EmpoweringSeniors.com

a Health and Lifestyle EXPO for Boomers & Seniors
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Save the Date

Apr 19 Coffee with the Commissioner	Southlake Office, #410
Apr 25 Senior Golf Classic	www.grapevinetexas.gov
May 9 Senior Synergy Expo	www.tarrantcounty.com
May 18 LifeGift 2nd Chance Run	Join Team Fickes
May 31 Senior Health & Info Fair	www.haltomcitytx.com

Friday - May 9, 2013

SENIOR SYNERGY EXPO

First Presbyterian Church of Fort Worth

www.TarrantCounty.com

➡ Additional events listed on page 9...



Conveniently located at 9015 Grand Avenue near both NRH²0 and the NRH Centre, the library is open 65 hours per week. Established by volunteers in 1970, the library is now a full-service, award-winning library that provides a wealth of resources for the community. The North Richland Hills Public Library has been awarded the Texas Municipal Library Director's Association Award for Achievement of Excellence in Libraries for three consecutive years from 2009-2012.

Ongoing library programs include:

- Story Times each Wednesday at 10:30 and 11:00 a.m. for ages 3-6, followed by a craft activity
- Toddler Times each Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. for ages 18 – 36 months, followed by a stay-and-play social time

Library

Ignite Infinite Possibilities
NORTH RICHLAND HILLS

- Book Break Book Club the last Wednesday of each month at 1:00 p.m.
- Boojum Book Club for Young Adults the third Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.
- One-on-one computer instruction each Tuesday (by appointment)

The library holds over 200,000 items in its collection, including books, large print materials, Spanish language materials, DVDs, audiobooks and music CDs. Additionally, the library also provides access to eBooks and downloadable audiobooks



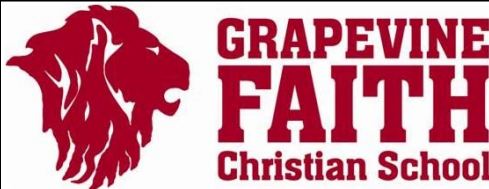
Library patron Haley Keener with librarian Kathy Turner celebrating National Bring Your Child to the Library Day



Library staff with the 2012 TMLDA Achievement of Excellence in Libraries

through the North Texas Libraries on the Go consortium -- one of the largest collections in North Texas. In addition to its rich collections and programming, the library has fifty public access computers, free wi-fi and six private study rooms. The North Richland Hills Library offices SCORE (Service Corp of Retired Executives) and the Tarrant County College Small Business Development Center to assist small businesses in our community. For more information, please contact the library at 817-427-6814 or visit www.library.nrhtx.com.

Library hours are Monday – Thursday from 9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m., Friday 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m., and Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. *Article courtesy of Cecilia Barham*



GRAPEVINE FAITH Christian School



The mission of Grapevine Faith Christian School is to develop and graduate authentic Christian leaders. Just as with its first students in 1999, Faith continues to provide a college-preparatory education infused with a Biblical worldview – instilling the core values of truth, wisdom, and honor into the hearts and minds of its students.

Because authentic Christian leadership is the end result, it is cultivated at every age level throughout a student's time at Grapevine Faith. Students are given opportunities to lead throughout the education process, including in the classroom, through missions opportunities, and through Grape-

vine Faith's full program of academics, athletics, and creative arts.

Grapevine Faith was named the 2013 "Best of the Best Montessori/Private School" by readers of the *Grapevine/Colleyville Courier*. Faith's Athletics program is accomplished as well. Most recently, the varsity boys' soccer team won the 2013 Division 2 TAPPS state championship for the third straight year. The Creative Arts department continues to receive accolades, among them the 2012 Betty Lynn Buckley Award for Best Musical, as well as for best male and female ensemble members.

Grapevine Faith Christian School is a private, inter-denominational, college-preparatory school (Pre-K – Grade 12) located in Grapevine, Texas. The school has 746 students – 245 in Elementary, 215



in Junior High, and 286 in High School. For the 2013-2014 school year, Faith will also offer a three-year-old program featuring the acclaimed Reading Friends curriculum. The school is an accredited member of the Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI) and the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS), as well as a member of the Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools (TAPPS).

Enrollment for the upcoming school year is currently underway. Faith is looking for families interested in partnering in Christian education. For more information, please contact the Admissions department at 817-442-1605 or at

www.GrapevineFaith.com

Article courtesy of Camille Smith



Transportation

Northeast Tarrant County

DFW Connector Project

Hotline: 877-411-4212

www.dfwconnector.com



Sign up for e-alerts!

- In mid-February, crews moved SH 114 from William D. Tate Avenue to Texan Trail to the north onto new concrete enabling them to rebuild the eastbound SH 114 mainlanes. The southbound SH 121 exit from westbound SH 114 is now a right exit, and the eastbound SH 114 off-ramp to Main Street is now combined with the off-ramp to SH 26/ William D. Tate Avenue.
- In the upcoming months, maintenance of traffic crews will perform permanent striping work on westbound SH 114 from Freeport Parkway to International Parkway, northbound International Parkway north of DFW Airport and the FM 1709/Southlake Boulevard bridge at SH 114. Crews will also focus on paving east and westbound SH 114 from Texan Trail to Freeport Parkway, eastbound SH 114 from Texan Trail to International Parkway and the north intersection at Texan Trail.
- Finally, our structures crews reached major milestones recently by setting the last girders (horizontal bridge beams) and pouring the last bent cap on the DFW Connector project!

(Pictured: Crews recently paved the westbound SH 114 mainlanes from Main Street to William D. Tate Avenue.)



North Tarrant Express

Hotline: 888-683-2015

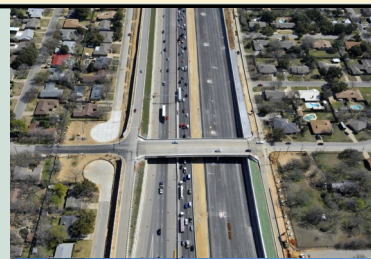
www.northtarrantexpress.com



Sign up for e-alerts!

- Having officially reached the halfway mark, the NTE project is on track for a mid-2015 completion, and the new Hurstview Drive bridge opened two months ahead of schedule! We will continue bridge work throughout the corridor, including completing the new Haltom Road bridge and demolishing the old Denton Hwy 377 bridge and connecting the frontage roads to the new bridge. Look for new main lanes and frontage roads to open in coming months.

(Pictured: the NEW Hurstview Drive bridge)



Golden Triangle Blvd.

TxDot - N Tarrant Office

817-399-4300

www.txdot.gov

Fort Worth 817-392-8485

www.fortworthgov.org/

- TxDOT's contractor, Glen Thurman, Inc., is nearing completion and is working on the traffic signals, pavement markings and signs for Golden Triangle from IH-35W to US 377. 4 lanes were open to traffic in February.

(Pictured: New traffic signal at Rancho Place.)



Highway 26

TxDot - N Tarrant Office

817-399-4300

www.txdot.gov

- **SH 26 – Grapevine:** The \$12 million project, which is nearing completion, is improving safety and mobility for motorists traveling through the Grapevine area.
- Traffic is now on the permanent north and southbound lanes. Two lanes of traffic are being maintained in each direction while work continues. Additional upcoming construction items include the installation of decorative medians, sidewalks and the planting of trees and shrubs. Completion is estimated for this summer.
- **SH 26 - Colleyville:** The \$11.4 million project from Brumlow Avenue/Pool Road to John McCain Road in Colleyville continues. The project is widening the road to three lanes in each direction with raised curb medians and left turn bays. As part of this project, the bridge over Big Bear Creek will also be reconstructed. Construction continues on the northbound lanes and includes drainage improvements and the installation of box culverts through spring of 2013. Two lanes of traffic will be maintained during peak driving times. Motorists will be shifted to the northbound lanes later this year. The project is estimated for completion in 2014.



FM 1938 - Phase II

TxDot - N Tarrant Office

817-399-4300

www.txdot.gov

Southlake 817-748-8098

www.cityofsouthlake.com

- On March 27th, Tarrant County Commissioner Gary Fickes, along with representatives from the City of Southlake and Keller, and the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) hosted the FM1938 Information Meeting at Southlake's Town Hall. The purpose of the meeting was to inform the residents of the upcoming construction activities.

Approximately fifty residents from Southlake and Keller attended. The presentation included maps, displays, and power points of FM1938 expansion. Answers to project related questions will be available on the City of Southlake website by May 17. Utility relocations are anticipated to begin this month with a tentative construction start date of early 2014.





Tarrant County Commissioners Court

Meets every Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. (Unless otherwise stated)
 100 E Weatherford, Fort Worth, TX
www.tarrantcounty.com

Tarrant County 2013 Holiday Closings

Memorial Day - Monday, May 27th
Independence Day - Thursday, July 4th

Calendar of Events

- Apr 11 "Great Taste of Grapevine" www.GrapevineChamber.org
- Apr 11-14 "Wild West Watauga Fest" www.ci.watauga.tx.us
- Apr 12 "Lunch with the Girlz" www.c-w-c.org
- Apr 12 & 13 "Community Powered Revitalization (CPR)" 6stones.org/cpr
- Apr 13 "Victory over Violence" www.womenscentertc.org
- Apr 16 "Annual Wine, Women & the Arts" www.artscouncilnortheast.org
- Apr 16 "New Life Banquet" www.friendsofrealchoices.org
- Apr 18 "Hometown Heroes" www.netarrant.org
- Apr 19 "Coffee with the Commissioner" 817-581-3600
- Apr 21 "Casino Night" 817-734-0040
- Apr 25 "Opening Doors Dinner" www.mhmrvisions.org
- Apr 26 - 28th "Art in the Square" www.artinthesquare.com
- Apr 26-27 "Arbor Daze" www.arbordaze.org
- Apr 27 "Tribute to Leadership" www.birdvilleeducationfoundation.com
- Apr 28 "City Slickers" www.colleyvillechamber.org
- May 4 "Relay for Life of Mid-Cities" www.relayforlife.org/midcitystx
- May 4 "Triple Crown Affair at Lone Star Park" www.artscouncilnortheast.org
- May 6 "Golf Classic" www.christshaven.org/events
- May 9 "Senior Synergy Expo" www.tarrantcounty.com
- May 10 "Garden Party" www.artscouncilnortheast.org
- May 11 "YEA Trade Show" www.GrapevineChamber.org
- May 14-16 "SOS Tennis Benefit" www.safehaventc.org
- May 17-19 "Main Street Days" www.grapevinetexasusa.com
- May 18 "LifeGift 2nd Chance Run" [6stones.org](http://www.6stones.org) **Join Team Fickes**
- May 18 "Black and Blue Run for Hope" www.6stones.org
- May 19 "An afternoon with Noel Paul Stookey" www.hugworks.org
- May 20 "2013 Pro Players Golf Classic" www.proplayersfoundation.net
- May 21 "25th Annual Stars in Recovery Luncheon" www.recoverycouncil.org
- May 27 "Memorial Day"
- Jun 8 "22nd Annual MMOW Dinner & Auction" www.metroportmow.org

**John Peter Smith Hospital Clinics
 Northeast Tarrant County**

Health Clinics

- Gertrude Tarpley JPS Health Center** 817-514-5036
 6601 Watauga Road, Watauga 76148
- JPS Health Center Northeast** 817-920-6400
 837 Brown Trail, Bedford 76022

School-Based Clinics

- Birdville** 817-547-3046
 8200 O'Brian Way, N. Richland Hills, 76180
- Grapevine/Colleyville** 817-251-5751
 3050 Timberline Drive, Grapevine, 76051
- Birdville** 817-759-2035
 2807 Layton Avenue, Haltom City, 76117
- HEB** 817- 399-3500
 3115 W. Pipeline Road #B, Euless, TX 76040
- Georgia Kidwell - HEB** 817-399-3366
 3115 W. Pipeline Road #D, Euless, TX 76040

For a complete list of Health Clinics and School-Based Clinics log onto: www.jpshealthnet.org

Northeast Social Service Agencies

- 6 Stones Mission Network www.6stones.org
- Child Abuse Hotline 800-252-5400
- Community Enrichment Center www.thecec.org
- GRACE www.gracegrapevine.org
- Community Storehouse www.communitystorehouse.org
- United Way of Tarrant County 2 - 1 - 1



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www.TarrantCares.org



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www.donatelifetexas.org

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 Bedford, TX 76021

Southlake Town Hall

1400 Main Street
 Southlake, TX 76092

- Constable Pct. 3 - (Delinquent Tax Sales) 817-481-8059
- (Civil) 817-581-3610
- County Clerk 817-581-3604
- Passport Office 817-481-8179
- Justice of the Peace Pct. 3 817-481-8190
- 817-481-8132
- 817-581-3625
- Travel - Public Health 817-321-4707
- Tax Office 817-481-8141

- Juvenile Services 817-321-4844
 3809 Colleyville Blvd., #D, Colleyville TX 76034
- Maintenance Center 817-514-5000
 7301 Precinct Line Rd., N. Richland Hills TX 76180

- Constable Pct. 1 817-884-1385
- Justice of the Peace Pct. 1 817-884-1395
- Serve a section of Haltom City, Hurst, Fort Worth, Richland Hills, North Richland Hills, and Watauga.

Public Health Centers

Watauga Public Health Ctr. 6601 Watauga Rd, Watauga, TX 76148 817-702-6600
 Tarrant County Website: www.TarrantCounty.com