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MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR



HENRY LESSNER

Hello Fairview!

As we continue to enjoy great fall weather, I hope everyone had a fun Halloween!

Here are some things going on around Town.

A Small Victory

We have been trying to get the speed limit lowered on Greenville through Fairview. TxDot did a speed study and we have been allowed to lower the speed limit on the 55mph section to 50 mph. Still too high in my opinion ... but a step in the right direction. I have seen a lot of discussion on some social media sites about speeders on Country Club. After TxDot finishes the multiple projects along Country Club, we will get them to do a speed study on this road.

A Big Victory

Fairview came in first place in the North Texas Food Bank (NTFB) Peanut Butter contest! Fairview had the highest per capita contribution by far! Thanks to everyone who contributed to the NTFB by donating peanut butter this year – especially Heritage Ranch which contributed 1.5 TONs of peanut butter!

Public Works Building

Under the direction of our Public Works Director Aron Holmgren, his team has turned the old Fire Station #1 building and lot into a good looking modern and functional workspace. Aron’s multi-talented team did much of the work themselves and came in well under the original budget that the Council approved for this project.

AT&T Fiber

The only changes that I am aware of from my last report is that AT&T is boring along Bluebird Lane and in the Old Stacy Road area. The Town and AT&T will be having another status meeting sometime soon. We continue to push for every resident to be able to have access to this service.

By the time you get this edition of the newsletter, Thanksgiving will be over and we look forward to Christmas. We have so much to be thankful for. Please remember those who are not as well off as we who get to live in a place like Fairview – Texas – the USA. ACO is in the process of relocating from their old crowded building on East Main in Allen to where the former Big Lots store was on Greenville and Main. Cash donations would be very helpful. Mail checks to: ACO, 801 East Main, Allen, Texas 75002

Don’t miss our Christmas Tree Lighting event on December 1.

“Breakfast with the Mayor” dates coming up are: November 28, December 12, and January 23 at Fairview Farmers at 8am. I hope to visit with you there!

Henry Lessner

Henry Lessner
Mayor@FairviewTexas.org

IMPORTANT

REQUEST FROM ONCOR

As we head into the winter months, hopefully we don’t have another January, 2021 freeze and multiday electric power outage. ONCOR is asking if you or anyone living in your home is:

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Holiday Closures

Fairview Town Hall will be closed Friday, December 23 and Monday, December 26, 2022, in observance of Christmas. Please see page 15 for the 2022 Bulk Trash Recycle Calendar to view the holiday schedule for bulk trash collection.

ACTOR OF FAIRVIEW: Laney

Laney is 13 years old and in the 7th grade. She started attending North Texas Performing Arts (NTPA) at age six by attending a summer camp. She then did her first show when she was 9 years old. She says along the way she fell in love with theatre and has made a lot of friends. She is happy to call NTPA-Fairview Youth Theatre her theatre home.



She was recently cast in *Elf The Musical Jr.* Elf will be her 12th show. "In Elf, I play Jovie. Her character is different from any character I've ever played, because she changes over the course of the show. She grows to have a more positive outlook. It's an amazing experience performing in a beloved Christmas movie adapted into a musical, and it's just a really joyful show".

She says her favorite role to play so far was Bruce Bogtrotter in *Matilda the Musical*. "Not only was I able to work with incredibly talented adult actors, but I also enjoyed singing the triumphant song at the end after all the children have revolted." When not at the theatre, she likes to draw, roller skate, watch movies and hang out with friends and family.

Come see Laney and the rest of the cast of *Elf The Musical Jr.* performing at Fairview Youth Theatre December 9-17.

Jeff Bednar, Owner, Profound Foods

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Entertainment
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SPREAD THE HOPE

PEANUT BUTTER DRIVE

Fairview won 1st place in per capita donations for the North Texas Food Bank Peanut Butter Challenge!



Representing Fairview were the following:

- Ruth Swingle – Fairview resident and President of the Fairview Rotary Club
- Trisha Cunningham – CEO of the North Texas Food Bank and Fairview resident
- Dennis Swingle – Fairview resident who helped move all of the peanut butter to the NTFB

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COUNCIL'S CORNER

At the Tuesday, October 4, 2022, Regular Town Council meeting, the Town Council discussed the following items:

- Appointments: Martin Corboy spoke to the council regarding Town Smoking Regulations and asked for reconsideration regarding an ordinance adjustment that would allow a retail project to move forward in the Fairview Town Center.
- Approved the following items on the consent agenda:
 - » Approve the minutes of the September 6, 2022 Regular Council meeting.
 - » Approve resolution denying Oncor Electric Delivery Company's proposed rate change application.
- Received reports from Staff, including any updates on project tracking reports and department activities
 - » Monthly Financial Report – Period ending August 30, 2022
 - » Monthly Police Report – Period Ending September 30, 2022
 - » Monthly Fire Report – Period Ending September 30, 2022
 - » Town construction projects
- Public Hearings
 - » Approved a public hearing to consider Hold a public hearing to consider approval on a request for a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) for an accessory structure (greenhouse). The 1.4-acre lot is located at 301 Oakwood Trail and is zoned for the (RE-1) One-acre Ranch Estate District. Owner/applicant: Cortney Baker.
- Council Action/Discussion Items
 - » Consider, discuss and approved a request for approval of a Preliminary Plat of the Field Addition. The 15.0+/- acre tract of land is located at 661 Meandering Way and is zoned for the (RE-2) Two-acre Ranch Estate District. Applicant: Tom Field, Thompson Realty, representing owners, Lonnie and Antionette Tillinghast.
 - » Hear presentation from McGrath Human Resources Group regarding the personnel compensation and benefits study, discuss, and Approved their recommendations.
 - » Discussed an ordinance reducing speed limits on the Stacy Road in Fairview.
 - » Discuss and approved authorizing a project submission for the current Collin County Road Bond Program call for projects.
 - » Discussed COVID-19 activities and actions.
 - » Discussed Boards & Commissions.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

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VISITS WITH SANTA

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Appointments are available on the following Saturdays: 11/19, 11/26, 12/3, 12/10, and 12/17 between 3 PM and 6:55 PM.

The Park at Fairview Town Centre

Visit with Santa at FTC in a relaxed environment at a time that works for you - using your personal camera! Your \$10 booking fee includes a dedicated time slot for your family with Santa, a gift for each child, and a Santa's Helper who will be happy to use your personal camera to snap photos of your family. One hundred percent of the booking fee will be donated to Children's Advocacy Center of Collin County.

Friendly leashed pets are welcome.

Reservations must be made online at <https://www.fairviewtowncenter.com/events-blog/santa-visits-2022>. There are no refunds, but you do have the ability

to log in to your account and reschedule your appointment up to two hours prior to appointment time.

Appointments will be held rain or shine and the Santa area is covered. In case of severe weather, visits will be moved inside to 183 Town Place.

HOLIDAY EVENT SERIES

BENEFITTING CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTER OF COLLIN COUNTY

This year, FTC will be hosting a series of Holiday events every Saturday afternoon through December 17. Each event will have a different theme. This series "replaces" the one day Candy Canes For Kids event - but does not replace our commitment to helping children served by Children's advocacy Center of Collin County. ONE HUNDRED PERCENT of the ticket sales from ALL events will benefit CACCC. New this year - unlimited one day activity passes (\$20) and season passes for unlimited activities at all six events (\$60) that can be purchased online and scanned at each activity will be available online. Individual tickets will be available on event days at \$1 each or 6 for \$5 CASH ONLY. Here's the schedule:

- November 19, 3-7pm: Candy Canes
- November 26, 3-7pm: Reindeer
- December 3, 3-7pm: Gingerbread
- December 10, 3-7pm: Elves
- December 17, 3-7pm: Snow

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

One of the most popular events we do at FTC during the Holiday Season is getting bigger! In years past, we have only been able to have two seatings. This year there will be FOUR Breakfast With Santa events (Nov. 26, Dec. 3, Dec. 10, and Dec. 17 at 9am) and you will have your choice of menus on different dates, including a breakfast buffet, breakfast burritos or continental breakfast. Each child will receive a goodie bag from Santa and the events will include story time and a place for photos to be taken with the kiddos on Santa's lap!



COOKIES WITH SANTA

This year there will be TWO Cookies With Santa events (Dec. 1 and Dec. 8 at 6pm) and you won't just be eating cookies, you will be decorating them! Each child will receive a cookie decorating kit, a goodie bag from Santa and the events will include story time and a place for photos to be taken with the kiddos on Santa's lap!

This month at the Allen Public Library...

Fighting for Justice-JFK, Dorothy Kilgallen and Marilyn Monroe

Packed with shocking new evidence, Mark Shaw, the author *Fighting for Justice* exposes the cover-ups of the JFK assassination and the murders of Dorothy Kilgallen and Marilyn Monroe, while revealing for the first time the corrupt inner workings of the Warren Commission based upon the firsthand “whistleblower” account of an actual Commission member never identified before. Listen to the fascinating evidence at **7:30 p.m. Thursday, December 8** at the Allen Public Library. Admission to the program is free, and it will be web-cast live at ACTV.org by clicking on the WATCH button.

How does an explosive “whistleblower” account from a Warren Commission (WC) member never identified before destroy once and for all the biggest lie in Ameri-

can history, the “Oswald Alone” theory? On what basis did the member admit, “It’s more than Oswald. There is internal corruption on the Commission. I do not agree with the Report?”

Is the “whistleblower” the same one who surreptitiously passed Jack Ruby’s WC testimony to journalist Dorothy Kilgallen prior to its release date? And how did President Lyndon Johnson and J. Edgar Hoover strong arm the commission to prevent any investigation of the truth about who killed JFK and why?



Mark Shaw is a former criminal defense attorney specializing in high profile murder cases, and the legal analyst for CNN, ABC, and ESPN for the Mike Tyson, O. J. Simpson and Kobe Bryant cases. A bestselling author of *(The Reporter Who Knew Too*

Much), Mark Shaw is a respected investigative reporter and noted historian who has published nearly thirty books.

“Investigative reporting at its best. Mark Shaw’s original work into the questionable deaths of Marilyn Monroe and Dorothy Kilgallen is now focused on the many unanswered questions left by the Warren Commission’s inquiry into the JFK assassination.

Fighting for Justice has to be read.”

– Nicholas Pileggi,
author of *Wiseguy* and *Casino*

Celtic Christmas

Light up your holidays with violinist KeyReel, harpist Sarah Copus, and the groups Reel Treble and the North Texas Celtic Strings at **7:30 p.m. Friday, December 16** at the Allen Public Library.



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Admission to the program is free, and it will be web-cast live at ACTV.org by clicking on the WATCH button.

KeyReel is a virtuoso on 4-string and 5-string acoustic and electric violins. While his fiddling is rooted in the Cape Breton style, he is equally versed in playing classical, Irish, Scottish, and American folk music. In addition to teaching and performing, Key Reel composes for

Acclaimed harpist Sarah Copus will present an intimate, warm and joyful celebration of Gaelic music. Her first recordings in the Irish language of Gaelic appear on the album “Winter Air” in 2013. Sarah has been featured as a soloist at concerts of major touring artists like Celtic Woman and The Irish Tenors. She sang a duet with Emmet Cahill of Celtic Thunder and has been a featured performer at the North Texas Irish Festival.



Allen Community Jazz Band

Celebrate the holidays with the Allen Community Jazz Band at **3:00 p.m. Sunday, December 18** at the Allen Public Library. The program can be viewed virtually at ACTV.org by clicking on the WATCH button.

Savor stomping jazz and swing arrangements of holiday favorites, including Santa Claus is Coming to Town, Rockin’ Around the Christmas Tree and other favorites of the season. Big Band selections will also be included for all to enjoy.

Sponsored by the Allen Public Library and Allen Community Band.

All programs are free and live events at the Allen Public Library. In addition, concerts and lectures are offered virtually at AllenTx.Swagit.com. The library is located at 300 N. Allen Dr. Call 214-509-4911 for additional information.


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BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT

Life Skills, Behavior Change and Success Stories: Meet a Fairview business with a mission focused on improving lives one child at a time

Receiving an autism diagnosis for your child can be a scary, confusing, and overwhelming time. Navigating the early years, when intervention is considered most successful, is difficult, and many families feel lost and alone. Trying to decipher which is the best route for your child can seem like a puzzle, and attempting to do it alone is isolating and frustrating for both the parents and the children.

But there is a place in Fairview here to help. Life Skills Autism Academy in Fairview is an early intervention therapy center specializing in Applied Behavioral Analysis (ABA). It is an intensive, personalized, and high-commitment program designed to help children on the autism spectrum reach their greatest potential. They do this by using individualized, one-on-one programs

that break down larger routine tasks into smaller, easier-to-manage steps that can be learned, repeated, and rewarded. ABA has been shown to help children with autism improve their communication abilities, daily living skills, and social behaviors necessary to thrive in school, home, and community.

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most effective therapy for individuals living with autism. Through this early intervention program for 2-6 year-olds, the CBAs meet with families to create and implement customized treatment plans based on the specific goals and needs of the child. They continually monitor progress, adjusting and altering the plan as they go, ensuring that the child is ready and equipped to transition into school. This intensive program is a hefty commitment, but it is worth it to help the child reach their potential.

“Unlike preschool, which usually is a few hours a day, Life Skills Autism Academy requires a commitment of 35 to 40 hours a week. The idea isn’t to “fix” people with autism but rather to change behaviors that can cause difficulty and ultimately impede independence and quality of life for the whole family. The investment is intense and early in a child’s development so that the need for services tapers and is complete in two or three years,” explains Amy Cook,

Clinical Director, and Fairview resident.

The entire individualized program, built upon decades of evidence-based research, is specifically designed to fulfill the mission of Life Skills Academy—to help children with autism write their own success stories.

Life Skills Academy opened its first center in Plano in 2019. With that launch, the demand was overwhelming, and it quickly became apparent that expansion to adjacent areas was critical to the overall health and well-being of the community. With autism rates rising, many communities are underserved and desperate for qualified providers. With this need in mind, they chose Fairview for their second location. President Eric Labe says, *“We launched our first center in Plano, Texas, in 2019. Since then, we have seen overwhelming demand in the adjacent areas. With the rate of autism growing to 1 in 44 children, we understood the need to expand our locations to meet those needs and continue to live up to our mission. We love the Fairview community and look forward to providing these services to its patrons.”*

Since opening the Fairview location, demand has increased, and Life Skills Academy now has eight locations throughout Texas, Arizona, and Indiana, with more planned throughout 2022-23. Regardless of their expansion plans and dreams of growth, though, Life Skills Academy hopes to remain true to its mission and to keep its sole focus on the ones that matter most, the patients and their families, and to continue to improve lives one child at a time.

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Special events are available at the Heard throughout the year and make a great group outing. Choose from Holidays at the Heard (December 9-10, 2022) and more.

Group overnight stays at the Heard offer groups an evening of fantastic discovery after hours! Our programs consist of team-building activities, educational presentations, and the opportunity to experience Texas wildlife. Our programs are specifically customized based on your group's interests.

The Heard Ropes Course offers prescheduled Zip Line Days in which small groups or individuals are welcome to participate. Groups of 10 or more can



schedule custom programs designed to encourage groups to communicate, problem-solve, and listen.

The Heard's Wetland Canoe Trails are available seasonally due to the ephemeral nature of the onsite wetlands. The Heard offers prescheduled programs in the spring. Groups of 12 or more may also book a program as the schedule permits.

Scout badge workshops are scheduled throughout the school year. Those scouts not interested in badges not currently listed may contact the Heard to set up a custom

program for groups of 10 or more. While these programs are geared towards scouts, anyone interested in the topics may attend.

Educational field trips also offer fun opportunities for group learning and exploration at the Heard. These are available throughout the school year by reservation.

About Heard Natural Science Museum & Wildlife Sanctuary

Heard Natural Science Museum & Wildlife Sanctuary is a private 501(c)3 nonprofit organization. The Heard was founded in 1967 by Bessie Heard when she was 80 years old. Today, the Heard's mission is carried out through education, particularly of young people, which emphasizes an appreciation of nature and its conservation. Heard Natural Science Museum & Wildlife Sanctuary is located at 1 Nature Place, McKinney, TX 75069. For more information, visit www.heardmuseum.org.

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Pictured above: Lovejoy Green Team rolling out new cafeteria recycling program at Lovejoy High School

The Lovejoy Green Team

The Lovejoy Green Team has been helping the district to reduce, reuse and recycle on all campuses and administrative buildings. The Green Team consists of members from all across Lovejoy ISD including parents, administrators, teachers and students.



Since the start of the new school year, the Green Team has been implementing several new programs, including: cafeteria recycling, share tables to reduce food waste, tray stacking and enhanced classroom recycling.

The Green Team has also helped to implement Green Team student clubs on all campuses to provide an opportunity for students to help with campus recycling and garden projects. We have significantly reduced trash volume going into landfills, increased recycling on all campuses and brought awareness to students, staff and parents on ways they can be kinder to the environment.

To learn more about the Lovejoy Green team, visit our website: bit.ly/LJGreenTeam or scan QR code.



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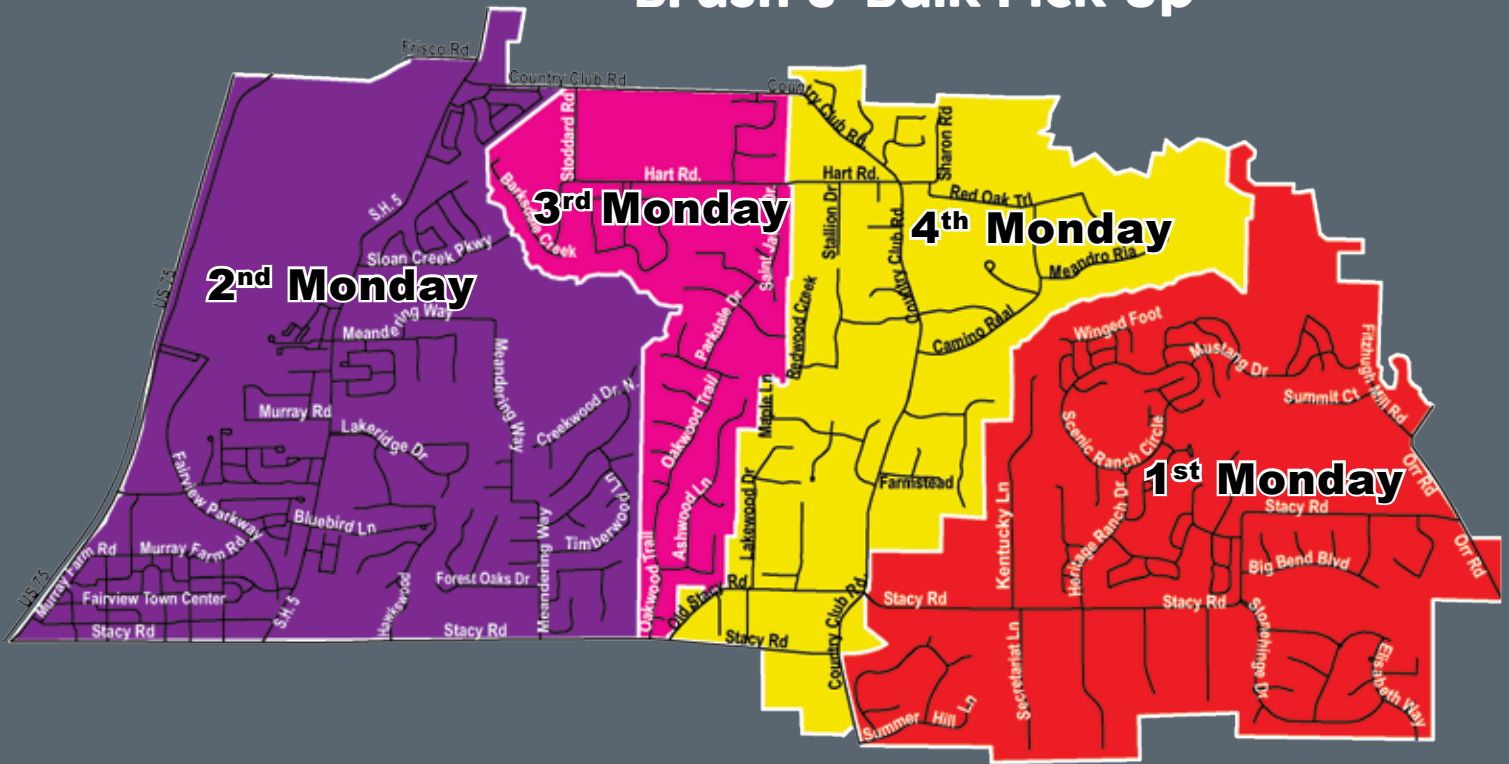
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Calendar Key

	Holiday
	Semester Begins/Ends
	Bad Weather Day
	Early Release All Students
	End of Nine Weeks
	Student Holiday LHS Only
	Early Release Day/LHS Only



Brush & Bulk Pick Up



REMEMBER THESE SIMPLE GUIDELINES FOR PUTTING YOUR TRASH OUT

1. Place carts on the edge of the street/alley with handles facing the house and with the lids opening to the street/alley.
2. Keep carts two to three feet apart and away from fences, cars, gates, gas meters, etc...
3. All trash should be contained in securely tied plastic bags. All bags should fit into the cart with the lid closed.
4. Do not place hazardous household waste in your cart.
5. Place your carts out by 7 a.m. on pick up day; carts should not be left out after 6 a.m. the following day.
6. Do not place any items outside your carts; unless it's for bulk pick up.
7. Bulk and brush should be cut in four foot lengths and neatly stacked, you are allowed 12 cubic yards per month, 1 cubic yard is approximately the size of a washing machine.

November 2022

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