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Gus Macker 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament

The Gus Macker 3-on-3 Charity Basketball Tournament, sponsored by the Town of Fairview, will be coming to the Village at Fairview shopping center. In collaboration with the Gus Macker organization, the Town of Fairview elected to delay the tournament that was scheduled for April 18th and 19th, 2015, to September 12th and 13th, 2015. This will allow the town to continue to attract teams and ensure a fun and exciting event for the players, sponsors, other participants and the community.

Registrants must have the gender, names, height, age and general skill level for each of the 4 team members in order to register. There is no skill level required and teams can range from age 7 to over 40.

Since 1987, the tournament has held 972 tournaments with over 2.2 million players

with more than 23 million spectators. The tournament is designed so that anyone seven years and older can play: short or tall, young or old, experienced or novice. This tournament maintains the purity and integrity of the old-fashioned driveway basketball game.

This is a double elimination tournament with a guarantee of three scheduled games. Teams that lose their first two games will battle it out for the coveted title of "Toilet Bowl" champions. There will also be a slam dunk contest with a \$500 prize, sponsored by Gloria's Latin Cuisine. Slam dunk contestants must be registered for the tournament in order to participate.

The 2015 designated charities are the Boys and Girls Club of Collin County and the Special Olympics of Texas.

To learn more about registering a team or



volunteering during the tournament please visit the town website at www.fairviewtexas.org and access the Gus Macker tab on the homepage.

For general questions or comments, please email macker@fairviewtexas.org or the Fairview Gus Macker Hotline at 972-886-4245. You may also contact Macker Basketball LLC at 616-794-1445.

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At the April Town Council meeting, the Town Council addressed the following items:

- Approved an agreement with Home2 Suites.
- Received a presentation from the Environmental Committee and approved for town staff to submit an application for the International Dark-Sky Association's Dark Sky Community Recognition.
- Tabled approval of the minutes of the March 3, 2015 council meeting to the next scheduled Town Council meeting.
- Approved a resolution establishing the Town of Fairview Insurance Trust Fund, authorizing the Trust Agreement and appointing Trustees for the Town of Fairview, Texas.
- Approved the method of purchase that provides the best value for credit card processing services.
- Authorized the Town Manager to enter into an interlocal agreement with the City of Frisco regarding Fairview Fire Rescue uniforms.
- Approved a resolution authorizing payment of dues for continuing membership with the Steering Committee of Cities Served by Oncor.
- Authorized the Town Manager to renew an agreement with Municipal Mosquito regarding mosquito management services.
- Approved a request by Toll Dallas TX, LLC to enter into a Facilities Agreement governing the installation of Public Improvements, Public Open Space Improvements, and associated development fees for Parkside at Fairview, a proposed residential neighborhood comprised of sixty-one residential lots, four common area lots, and one public open space dedication.
- Approved a request by Toll Brothers, Inc. for approval of a Final Plat for Parkside at Fairview, a proposed residential neighborhood comprised of sixty-one residential lots, four common area lots, and one public open space dedication. The subject property is currently zoned Planned Center (PC) and is generally located south of Stacy Road and 1,300' west of Orr Road. (FP2015-01).
- Received a monthly financial report for the period ending February 28, 2015



During Memorial Day weekend, Texas shoppers get a break from state and local sales and use taxes on purchases of qualifying energy efficient products.

The 2015 ENERGY STAR sales tax holiday begins at 12:01 a.m. (after midnight) on Saturday, May 23, and ends at 11:59 p.m. on Monday, May 25 (Memorial Day).

The products qualifying for the exemption are:

- Air conditioners priced at \$6,000 or less
- Refrigerators priced at \$2,000 or less
- Ceiling fans
- Incandescent and fluorescent light bulbs
- Clothes washers*

- Dishwashers
- Dehumidifiers
- Programmable thermostats**

Earning the ENERGY STAR means a product meets strict energy efficiency guidelines set by these two federal agencies. Qualifying products will display the ENERGY STAR logo, which may appear on the appliance, the packaging or the Energy Guide label.

There is no limit on the number of qualifying items one can purchase during this sales tax holiday, and an exemption certificate is not required. Those wishing to take advantage of these savings are advised to look into the program details and to confirm qualifying products before purchase. More information can be found on the Office of the State Comptroller website at http://www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/taxpubs/tx96_1331/.

* Because most dryers use similar amounts of energy, ENERGY STAR does not label clothes dryers.

** ENERGY STAR specification of programmable thermostats was suspended on December 31, 2009; however, any existing stock of ENERGY STAR labeled programmable thermostats offered for sale by retailers is still eligible for the exemption.





Accounting Department

The Town of Fairview continues to strive to provide great value to its residents and businesses through sound fiscal management. This is accomplished by employing staff dedicated to the principles and understanding of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) and governmental "fund" accounting. Though residents of Fairview may have little contact with the employees within the Accounting Department, the function of the department is vital to continuing the vision of the town by providing fiscally responsible governance.

Staffing

In 2013, the town hired its first Chief Financial Officer, Jason B. Weeks, to assist the town in taking it to the next level in the area of fiscal management and reporting. Jason came to the town with experience in public accounting at a CPA firm and governmental accounting experience working for local municipalities of Greenville, McKinney and Oak Point. His primary responsibility is to supervise the annual independent audit and publication of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) and assist town management with the annual budget process. In addition to overseeing the Accounting Department, he supervises the town's Municipal Court and Utility Billing/Permit departments. Upon coming to the town, Jason has been instrumental in updating financial policies and implementing new policies and procedures. He continues to provide monthly financial reports to the Town Council, as well as to the Fairview Economic Development Corporation (EDC) and Community Development Corporation (CDC) Boards, along with quarterly investment reports that are required per the State of Texas under the Public Funds Investment Act.

The town's cash management, capital projects, financial accounting system and general ledger management is handled by our Accounting Manager, Brenda Bowman. In addition, she supervises the town's Accounting Specialist and is the backup for accounts payable and payroll processing. In 2008, Brenda came to the town with a background in governmental accounting working for the City of Lucas and 25 years of experience in the financial institution industry. In the past 6 years, Brenda has managed approximately \$26 million in accounting aspects of capital projects, such as Town Hall, Fire Station #2, residential street and roadway improvements and Noah's Conference/Event Center. During this same period, she managed a 3.6% increase in total town revenue through cash management. She is instrumental in the maintenance of the town's financial accounting system and maintains the monthly/quarterly financial journal entries.

The town's accounts payable and payroll processing is handled bi-weekly by our Accounting Specialist, Terry Ellis. In 2011, Terry came to the town with a varied background in both public and private accounting. In the past 4 years, the town has seen over a 30% growth in the number of full-time employees from 44 to 57, while accounts payable processes 2,500 checks annually. Although the number of checks stays about the same year to year, new vendors added and invoices processed has increased about 50%. With the increases in number of employees, vendors and invoices every one continues to be paid in a timely manner.

Understanding Governmental "Fund" Accounting

Unlike most private sector organizations, governmental entities must be responsive to a number of different groups and organizations, including elected officials, other units of governments, investors, creditors, and citizens that are focused on monitoring their activities. There are two primary reports issued by cities: Annual Audits, which are called Comprehensive Annual Financial Reports (CAFR), and Annual Budgets, which are generally called Annual Operating Budget. The annual audit is a report on last year, prepared by an independent auditing firm. The annual budget is a report on next year, prepared by the Chief Financial Officer. One is telling what has happened and the other is telling what someone thinks will happen next year. This is a very important distinction.

For governmental entities to ensure the proper segregation of resources and to maintain proper accountability, an entity's accounting system should be organized and operated on a fund basis. Each fund is a separate fiscal entity and is established to conduct specific activities and objectives in accordance with statutes, laws, regulations, and restrictions or for specific purposes.

Governmental Fund Types

Governmental funds are those through which most governmental functions are accounted for. The acquisition, use and balances of the Town's expendable financial resources and the related current liabilities (except those accounted for in proprietary funds) are accounted for through governmental funds. Governmental Funds are primarily supported by tax revenues, fines, federal and state grants, and general obligation bond proceeds. There is usually little relationship between the revenues and expenditures. For example, when a resident or business pay ad valorem taxes, they have no direct influence on how it will be used.

Governmental Funds include the General Fund, which is the main operating fund of a governmental entity, plus the Special Revenue Funds, Debt Service Funds and Capital Projects Funds. Special Revenue Funds receive money restricted by law or contract for specific purposes. Debt Service Funds are used to account for the accumulation of financial resources for the payment of principal, interest and related costs on general obligation debt paid from taxes levied by the Town. This fund is often referred to as the "Interest and Sinking Fund". Capital Projects Funds are used to account for the acquisition or construction of capital facilities and improvements except those being financed by proprietary funds. Typically, proceeds from bond issues are deposited into a capital projects fund and subsequently spent for the intended project. The Town of Fairview manages a General Fund, a Debt Service Fund, 4 Capital Project Funds (General Capital Projects,

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Accounting Department Spotlight - continued

Street Construction, Roadway Impact Fee, and Parks Construction) and 2 Special Revenue Funds (Court and Fire Donation). The Court Fund accounts for fines and forfeitures assessed which are restricted for court technology and security disbursements. The Fire Donation Fund accounts for funds provided by private donors or donations from the \$1 fire donation selection on each utility customer's monthly bill to assist in the purchase of fire department equipment and related expenses.

Proprietary Fund Types

Proprietary funds are accounted for using an economic resources measurement focus. The accounting objectives are a determination of net income, financial position, and changes in cash flows. The proprietary funds are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprise. The costs (expenses including depreciation and capital assets) of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis are financed or recovered primarily through user charges. Enterprise Funds are used to account for the municipalities' utility system. The Town of Fairview manages a Water & Sewer Fund, which accounts for the Town's operations of providing water and wastewater services to residential and commercial customers; Solid Waste Fund, which accounts for the Town's trash and recyclables from residential users; and Stormwater Fund, which accounts for the Town's stormwater drainage system.

On the Horizon

The Accounting Department is excited to announce that during the summer of 2015, the launch of a new internet web-based financial transparency tool that will allow residents and online users to access Town of Fairview financial data in table, graph or chart formats. This is the first of several components that we will add in the Town of Fairview becoming more financially transparent.





Join us Saturday, April 25th for the annual Household Hazardous Waste and Electronics Collection Event at 500 S Highway 5 in front of Fire Station #1 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Bring your old chemicals, fuels, oils, paints and electronic devices for safe recycling and disposal. In order to participate, you must provide either a valid Texas Driver License with a Fairview address or a copy of your last water bill issued by the Town of Fairview.

Please be aware, this year's event will not include bulk material disposal. Bulk materials can and should be placed at the resident's curbside for pick up and disposal. Please see page 14 for the 2015 Bulk, Trash and Recycle Calendar.



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Annual Volunteer bleanup Results

Thank you to all of the volunteers who showed up to pick up trash on some of our main highways for our second Annual Volunteer Cleanup Day on March 28. We had well over 100 volunteers who came out at 7:30 in the morning to get donuts, assignments, vests and trash bags. The volunteers were made up of church groups, neighborhood groups and caring individuals who just wanted to pitch in and help. The weather was great and the volunteers were done by around 10:30 a.m. The Public Works Department picked up the bags and placed them in the town's dumpster. It was a great community event that not only restores our roadways and streets back to their natural beauty, but it reaffirms the commitment every Fairview resident has to keeping our town one of the truly bright spots in the metroplex. Let's continue keeping Fairview clean! Fairview owes another debt of gratitude to all those who came out and shared some of their valuable time and hard work!

Stacy Road Signal Timing

Some of you driving down Stacy Road or some of the side streets may have noticed a change in the way the traffic signals are timed. Hopefully, you have noticed an improvement in your driving times. The Town of Fairview and the City of Allen jointly requested a retiming of all the traffic signals on Stacy Road from Angel Parkway to SH121. This study was paid for and managed by the North Central Texas Council of Governments. A total of 8 traffic signals in Allen and Fairview along Stacy Road were studied on a large scale basis looking at weekday and weekend traffic patterns and peaks. Many times, traffic signals are timed in much smaller groups and do not necessarily take into account all of the regional patterns using the entire roadway. This kind of signal timing study produces better regional results for a variety of times during the week. So, if your favorite traffic signal is suddenly doing something a little different than you were accustomed to, it was probably the result of this study.



Mosquito Preparedness

As we begin to transition into the warm conditions that come with summer and invite fun outdoor activities, we should all be thinking early about steps that can be taken to better protect against West Nile Virus (WNV). Some important pieces of information to keep in mind are the following:

You can better protect yourself and your family against WNV by following the Four D's*:

- DUSK/DAWN- Stay indoors during evening to early morning hours-from about 7:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. This is when mosquitoes are most active and hungry;
- DRESS- In long sleeves and pants when outdoors. Clothes are that magic barrier to keep mosquitoes from finding skin to bite;
- **DUMP & DEFEND** Get rid of any water outside that has been standing for more than three days, including stagnant swimming pools, birdbaths, pet dishes, empty pots and planters, clogged rain gutters, etc. Mosquitoes only need a few inches of standing water to breed. Also, keep mosquitoes out of your home by repairing or installing window and door screens; and
- DETERRENT- Use insect repellant con-

taining DEET or other proven deterrents on your outer clothing and exposed skin (never skin under clothing). These products are safe when used according to their directions. They help keep mosquitoes and other insects like ticks away!

Preventative actions taken at the individual level will go a long way in combating the potential for exposure to the virus. Everyone should look for places around their home or business that contain standing water and drain them. A few examples of places where standing water can occur are:

- Playground equipment can collect water after rain showers or after watering the lawn.
- Lawn furniture and equipment can easily accumulate water.
- Gutter downspouts can cause water to accumulate on the ground underneath. Splash guards can be utilized to better disperse water and prevent collection.
- Stacks of aged wood can hold water and become a breeding ground for mosquitoes. Discarding old wood and keeping new wood in dry locations is ideal.
- Buckets and other items commonly found in the back of truck beds can collect water and should be dumped out regularly.



- Boats contain many places where water can accumulate. Keeping boats drained and covered is a good preventative measure to take.
- Overwatering plants can create a potential hazard. Try to avoid overwatering plants and drain drip trays if necessary.

The preventative measures provided above are just some of ways individuals can actively combat WNV. Monitoring this issue and further education on the subject should continue to be a priority. The town encourages all residents and local business owners to assess and monitor their properties on a regular basis and to take appropriate actions if necessary so that any potential hazards can be eliminated before they become a real threat to public health.

*Source: Collin County Health Care Service, http://www.collincountytx.gov/healthcare_services/Pages/west_nile.aspx

Business of the Month – Edible Arrangements

Located in Fairview Plaza (431 Stacy Road, Suite 104), Edible Arrangements can provide that special gift for the holidays. They have a wide variety of bouquets for a wide variety of budgets and each arrangement can be complimented with chocolate dipped fruit. They are open Monday-Friday from 8:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. and on Saturday from 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Their phone number is 214-383-9635.

Fairview Plaza

While people tend to think of The Village at Fairview when they think of shopping and dining, remember that Fairview Plaza, at 431 Stacy Road, has dining, a cleaners, a veterinarian, dentists, a donut shop, a bar and grill, a nail salon, a convenience store and others.

Shop Fairview first!







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Every year, dozens of residents volunteer their time and talents by serving on a town board, commission or committee. The Town Council will be reviewing applications to serve on a town board, commission or committee beginning in May. **Those interested in serving should submit an application to the Town Secretary's office by April 30th.**

Applications are available at Town Hall and at www.fairviewtexas.org on the Town Secretary page.

- Planning and Zoning Commission
- Economic Development Corporation (EDC) and Community Development Corporation (CDC) Board of Directors
- · Board of Adjustment
- Parks and Recreation Advisory Board
- Technology Advisory Committee
- Environmental Management Advisory Committee
- Public Art Committee
- Special Events Committee

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Fairview Half Marathon



By Ray Dunlap, Economic Development Manager

The third annual Fairview Half Marathon and 5K were held on Saturday, April 11th. This year's race saw 245 finish the 5K and 811 finish the half marathon. The overall winner of the 5K was Jacob Newberry of Allen with a time of 19:48. The first place 5K female finisher was Catherine Torma of Plano with a time of 21:19.

The Half marathon winner was Fernando Gomez of Rockwall with a time of 1:27:32. The first place female was Jessica Forsyth of Frisco with a time of 1:30:06. A special shout out goes to Fairview Town Engineer James Chancellor who set a personal record with a time of 1:58:13.

Once again, free child care was provided by The Goddard School of Allen. Amanda and John Snowman have provided free child care for both Fairview Races since their inception.

Fairview races are produced and directed by Libby Jones, owner of The Active Joe and one of the top race directors in the country. Our races continue to increase in popularity because of the quality that Libby puts into the races combined with the great work of the Fairview Police and Fire Departments as well as the large number of volunteers that work the events. Our next race is The Showdown Half on Saturday, October 10th. May 9, 2015 - General Election

2000 ·	y 9, 2015 I Election candidates include:
Mayor	Darion Culbertson
Seat 1	Ron Samuels
Seat 3	Frank O'Reilly
Seat 5	Paul Hendricks Cody Hooper

Early voting for the May 9, 2015 General Election will begin on Monday, April 27, 2015. Early voting dates, locations and times are listed below. Town Hall is an Election Day voting location only and will not be an early voting location. Lovejoy ISD will not be holding an election as there was not a contested race. Collin County Community College will hold an election. McKinney ISD will hold an election for two contested school board positions.

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Election Day Vote Centers

Vote Center	Address	Town
Fairview Town Hall	372 Town Place	Fairview
Lovejoy ISD Elementary School Gym	256 Country Club	Fairview

Residents who are registered voters with an effective date on or before May 9, 2015 may vote at any of the additional Early Voting locations or Election Day vote centers that are open under full contract services with the Collin County Elections Administration. For additional locations or questions, please contact the Town Secretary at cscalley@fairviewtexas.org or 972-886-4234.



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On May 30, the Heard invites y'all to put on your cowboy hat and mosey on over to the Texas Heritage Festival! From 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. guests are invited to celebrate all that makes the Lone Star State so spectacular! Presented by Clif KiD and sponsored by Baylor Medical Center at McKinney and McKinney Community Development Corporation, the Texas Heritage Festival will feature toe-tappin', knee-slappin' Western music, local artisans, historical demonstrations, and interactive children's activities (like "cow patty" tossing!)

You can also rustle up some tasty Texas grub, say "Howdy" to our resident wildlife ambassadors, and explore the Native Texas Butterfly Garden.

The young-ins will love exploring the Heard's Pioneer Village, comprised of eight pint-sized buildings typical of prairie settlements in the late 1800s—such as a school house, general store, and settler's cabins! The Texas Heritage Festival is included in general admission.



Collin County Animal Services



NTMWD to Ease Watering Restrictions Effective May 1st



North Texas Municipal Water District (NTMWD) water supply reservoirs have reached sufficient levels and capacities to allow the District to ease watering restrictions earlier than previously planned. Beginning May 1, 2015, NTM-WD will terminate all drought stages and will implement its Water Conservation Plan that limits landscape watering to no more than two days per week, and only if needed. The

Town Fairview will take the same actions as NTMWD and will terminate all drought stages effective May 1, 2015. Even though the Town of Fairview will no longer be under drought restrictions the town's Water Conservation Plan will remain in effect, which restricts lawn and landscape irrigation to twice per week. With this change in watering restrictions Town of Fairview water customers are no longer restricted to watering on certain days of the week and can choose which two days they wish to irrigate.

The Town of Fairview Water Conservation Plan calls for the following water restrictions:

- Lawn irrigation watering is prohibited from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. from April 1st to October 31st of each year.
- Lawn and landscape irrigation limited to twice per week.
- Watering of impervious surfaces is prohibited.
- Outdoor watering during precipitation or freeze events is prohibited.
- The use of treated water to fill or refill residential, amenity, and any other natural or manmade ponds is prohibited. A pond is considered to be a still body of water with a surface area of 500 square feet or more.
- Rain and freeze sensors and/or ET or Smart controllers are required on all new irrigation systems. Rain and freeze sensors and/or ET or Smart controllers must be maintained to function properly.
- "At home" car washing can be done only when using a water hose with a shut-off nozzle.
- Watering areas that have been overseeded with cool season grasses is prohibited (such as rye grass or other similar grasses), except for golf courses and public athletic fields.

Please visit www.fairviewtexas.org and access the "Watering Restrictions" tab on the website homepage to learn more about this update or any future updates.





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Estates, The Vinegards of Fairview, Village of Fairview, Villas in the Park <u>STREETS</u>: Meandering Way, State Highway 5, US 75, Green Apple, Stacy Road (east of 75 and west of Oakwood), Shady Brook Lane, Rushing Waters Court, Frisco Road, Country Club (east of S Hwy 5 and west of railroad tracks), Bluebird Lane

WEEK 3

SUBDIVISIONS: Fairview Meadows, Oakwood Estates, Sycamore Place, The Oaks of Fairview, Tranquility Farms STREETS: Country Club (east of railroad tracks and west of Englenook Court), Stoddard Road, Hart Road (east of Stoddard and west of Saint James Drive

Week 4 SUBDIVISIONS: Ascot Heath, Country Club Estates, Countryside, Fairview Ranch Estates, Fox Glen, Montecito Estates, Pauls Park, Red Oak Ranch, Stone Creek Estates, Wellington Park Estates, Willow Point Estates, Woods of Ascot Heath, Wynford Chace <u>STREETS</u>: Stacy Road (east of Oakwood Trail and west of Country Club), Old Stacy, Lakewood Drive, Timber Lane, Young Trail, Country Club (north of Summerhill Lane and west of Englenook Court), Collinwood Drive, Sharon Road

EMS Opening Ceremony



April 1, 2015 marks the first official day the Town of Fairview operates its own in house EMS medical transport service for the residents and customers of Fairview. This is a truly historic day for the fire department as EMS services were previously contracted with a 3rd party ambulance service. The fire department will now be able to continue care for the patient from the initial patient contact until the patient arrives at the appropriate hospital destination. The ambulance will be staffed with 2 people that are crosstrained as firefighters and also as either EMT or Paramedic.

The primary ambulance will still be located at Fire Station #2 with a back-up ambulance at Fire Station #1, should the primary be out for service. We welcome anyone that would like to drop by the fire stations and see our new equipment or just to visit with the firefighters.

A FAQ section is being set up on the town's website to answer some of your questions.



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