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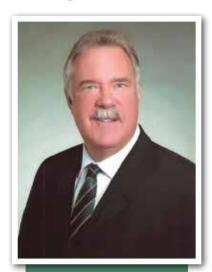
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HENRY LESSNER



Town of Fairview 372 Town Place Fairview, TX 75069 972-562-0522

Hi Fairview!

I want to share an update with you on the temple proposed by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (LDS).

As you know, in August your Town Council unanimously denied a conditional use permit for construction of the temple, which would be totally out of place in that portion of our community. The Church has retained attorneys and lawsuits have been threatened to pressure us into allowing construction of the 43,200-square-foot, 65-foot-tall building with a steeple and spire reaching almost 174 feet. At 174 feet, the temple would be the tallest structure in Fairview towering over a residentially-zoned area. The area has been zoned residential since at least 2007, long before the Church acquired the property.

Fairview has been a welcoming home to an LDS meetinghouse for many years. This is a zoning issue concerning the size of the new building. Equivalent to more than 16 stories high—substantially higher than the figure of Lady Liberty on the Statue of Liberty—it is massive and completely out of proportion to the residential neighborhood. It would dominate the Town's skyline and change the character of our community. It would also establish a precedent for other future religious facilities. If the Town's established zoning restrictions have no meaning, how much larger will the next church be?

In a good faith effort to resolve this issue without litigation the Town has met with representatives of the Church to see if we could work out an agreement that would take our citizens' valid concerns into account. We hope to negotiate with the LDS Church to either scale down the current plans to fit in the neighborhood or move the temple to a location in the portion of the Town zoned for commercial use.

To continue to show our good faith, Town leaders have agreed to participate in non-binding mediation with Church representatives. The mediation process involves an independent third party who will try to assist both sides with resolving an issue. Mediation is almost always required by the courts in the event of a lawsuit, so by participating in this process now we are hopeful we can avoid litigation. The Mayor, Mayor Pro Tem, Town Manager, and Town Attorney will attend the mediation and subsequently relay any reasonable proposals to the Council.

It is important to stress that while private parties can reach a resolution through mediation, because Fairview is a municipal government any proposed agreement would only be considered in a duly-noticed public meeting by the Town Council with input from Fairview citizens. In addition, the complete zoning process would be required before approval. This would include public hearings, recommendation by the Planning and Zoning Commission and finally approval by the Town Council. At every step we will keep our citizens informed of the content of any new proposal that may be considered.

There is a great deal of evidence that the Church has modified temple designs around the world to consider local preferences. Recently in Tooele, Utah, the Church changed plans for a temple and residential development after community objections. The proposed site for the Tooele temple was moved a few miles north of the original site and the temple name changed to the Deseret Peak Temple.

There is absolutely no reason why the Church cannot respect our community's resolve to maintain the character of our Town. The willingness to participate in good faith mediation does not change our position or commitment.

The Town Council recently approved the creation of a Zoning Defense Fund to protect the Town if there is litigation. I urge community members and any other persons who believe in our cause to consider contributing to our Zoning Defense Fund. Details are on the Town's website.

Henry Lessner

Henry Lessner
Mayor@FairviewTexas.org



At a **Thursday, Oct. 31**, special Town Council meeting, the Council discussed Tax Increment Financing projects, processes, agreements, ordinances and related topics.

At the Tuesday, Nov. 5, regular Town Council meeting, the Council approved items on the consent agenda:

- Minutes of the Oct. 2, 2024, regular Town Council meeting
- The 2024 tax roll summary for the Town of Fairview

The Council also:

- Received financial, police and fire reports from staff and heard an update on Town construction projects
- Held a public hearing and approved an amendment to the planned development regulations for Heritage Ranch to accommodate a telecommunications/cellular tower on property west of CR 317 and north of Wilson Creek, which

is owned by the Heritage Ranch Homeowners Association

- Approved a facilities agreement with CB Sloan Creek 75,
 Ltd. For construction of Fairview Parkway
- Approved a bid award for construction of Fairview Parkway to Indus Road and Bridge
- Approved an agreement with Kimley-Horn for additional Fairview Parkway engineering services
- Approved a replat of the Murray Manor Additional (formerly Fairview Townhomes Addition) on a 15.2-acre site on both sides of Fairview Parkway, north of Latham Drive

The Council is scheduled to meet again on Tuesday, Dec. 3. The public portion of the meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the Town Council chambers at Town Hall, 372 Town Place.

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Revolving Kitchen Vouv Open

Revolving Kitchen held a grand opening and ribbon cutting on Oct. 22. The event followed a soft opening Sept. 28.

The innovative food hall and commercial kitchen rental space occupies 37,000 square feet in the heart of Fairview Town Center, steps away from The Park.

Guests can choose dine-in, takeout and delivery options ranging from Peruvian to pizza. The site also includes a private event space. If you choose to dine in, you can scan a QR code at your table to place your order. Food will be delivered by robots, adding a fun and futuristic touch to the dining experience.

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This holiday season, the Heard Natural Science
Museum & Wildlife Sanctuary invites families, friends and nature enthusiasts to step into a winter wonderland like no other at Holidays at the Heard from 6 to 9 p.m. Dec. 6 and 7.

Nestled just north of Fairview, the Heard blends the joy of the holidays with the serene beauty of nature and the excitement of dinosaurs.

Celebrate the Holidays with Nature's Wonders

During this event, visitors will be captivated on a walk along one of the sanctuary's nature trails accentuated by lights and décor. Plus, guests will be able to get a glimpse of the Dinosaurs Live! exhibit. This enchanting evening stroll will offer a magical escape into a world where wildlife and holiday cheer exist in harmony.

Engaging Experiences for All Ages

This year, we are excited to offer live music performances in our outdoor amphitheater that will fill the air with festive cheer, creating the perfect backdrop for your holiday experience. Capture the joy of the



season with fun photo opportunities, where families can create lasting memories.

A Commitment to Community and Conservation

The Heard's events not only celebrate the season but also support our commitment to wildlife conservation and environmental education. Proceeds from ticket sales directly benefit our preservation and educational initiatives, allowing us to continue our mission of connecting people with nature and inspiring stewardship of the natural world.

Join Us for a Season to Remember

Whether you're a long-time supporter or a first-time visitor, the Heard Natural Science Museum & Wildlife Sanctuary warmly welcomes you to join our holiday celebrations. More information and tickets are available now at HeardMuseum. org/Holidays-at-the-Heard, with special discounts available for Heard members. Let the Heard be your destination for a truly enchanting holiday experience this year.

Light the Night

The Heard will also offer Light the Night from 5 to 8 p.m. Dec. 10-14. After our Holidays at the Heard event dates, these evenings will offer the opportunity for visitors to enjoy a peaceful winter walking tour of one of our nature trails accented with holiday lights and décor.

About Heard Natural Science Museum & Wildlife Sanctuary

Founded in 1967, the Heard Natural Science Museum & Wildlife Sanctuary is dedicated to bringing nature and people together. Located on a 289-acre wildlife sanctuary, the museum offers diverse educational programs, exhibits,

and trails that foster a deeper understanding and appreciation for the environment.

Join us for a season filled with joy, music, and unforgettable memories, all while supporting a worthy cause. We can't wait to celebrate with you!





New Software to Deliver Agenda Notifications

The Town of Fairview is transitioning to new software for notification and distribution of public meeting agendas. The CivicPlus system will go into effect Jan. 1, 2025.

Information and instructions on how to sign up for the new agenda notification system can be found under "Top News" on FairviewTexas. org. Sign up today to continue receiving agenda notifications.



If you have further questions or require additional assistance, contact the Town Secretary at TownSecretary@FairviewTexas.org or 972-886-4234.

Bird of the Month



By Paul Marto Jr.

Greetings to all my fellow birding peeps!

Today, we focus on the elusive ruby-crowned kinglet. These lovely songbirds are very small, extremely quick and are always on the move, as if they have had WAY too much coffee. That is what makes kinglet hunting such a challenge.

Truth be told, frequently I find

that trying to get a great photograph of the ruby-crowned kinglet is an exercise in frustration. But please don't let that prevent you from grabbing the binoculars and heading out to try and spot this beautiful little gem. The bird has olive-green plumage with two white wing bars and a white eye ring. The adult males have a ruby crown patch that is usually concealed but does become visible when the bird gets excited.

They are fairly common winter residents in North Texas and they prefer coniferous and deciduous forests, thickets and low woodland habitats.

Happy Birding!

Reach out to Paul Marto with questions or comments: pjmartojr@gmail.com.





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Residents Shed Hefty Quantity of Meds

The Fairview Police Department collected a combined 254 pounds of unneeded medications from residents at the Oct. 26 Drug Take Back Day. It was the first time the effort was held at Town Hall, and Fairview Police Officer Victoria Fritzler said it

brought a fantastic turnout.

Officer Fritzler organized and staffed the event along with Fairview Police Assistant Chief Michael Sullivan and Officer Matt Shuler.

Thank you to all

residents who brought in unneeded medications for safe disposal. Your participation helps prevent the abuse of prescription drugs.





Fairview Town Center (FTC) is hosting "Candy Canes for Kids" from 1 to 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 14, at The Park and throughout Fairview Town Center.

The magic-filled event will include holiday games and prizes, juggling, carolers, face painting, balloon twisting, a life-sized snow globe, a petting zoo, bounce house, pony rides and a snow area!

All-inclusive entry is \$20 for the first wristband and \$15 for each additional wristband per family. Purchase wristbands onsite.

All proceeds – 100 percent of wristband sales – will go to the Children's Advocacy Center of Collin County. Fairview Town Center will also be collecting donations of new, unwrapped toys for children served by the Advocacy Center.

Learn more at FairviewTownCenter.com/Events.



What about the Big Guy (Santa)?

Fairview Town Center is also hosting a series of delightful holiday events featuring the Jolly Old Elf himself. Whether you're looking for a one-on-one Visit with Santa, Cookies with Santa or Breakfast with Santa, FTC has your exclusive ticket to quality face time with St. Nick. Learn more and get your tickets at FairviewTownCenter.com/Events.



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Representatives from Medical City McKinney Hospital, the Collin County Commissioners Court and U.S. Rep. Keith Self's office helped Fairview staff and the Fairview Town Council celebrate completion of construction of Fairview Crossing at a ribbon cutting event Nov. 1.

The new road, which connects State Highway 5 (opposite of Country Club Road) to Spur 399 in northwest Fairview, will open to traffic soon.







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Passwords 101: **Enhancing Digital Security** (Part 2)

Contributed by the Technology Advisory Committee

In Part 1 of our series, we explored the fundamental aspects of creating strong passwords and the significance of securing your digital assets. Now, we turn our attention to advanced strategies and tools that further fortify your online security.

Password Management Tools¹

We're often advised to create strong, unique passwords for our online accounts, especially for crucial ones like email, banking, shopping, and social media. However, managing numerous accounts with different passwords can be challenging.

A password manager offers a solution. It securely stores all your passwords, so you don't have to remember them. This enables you to use strong, unique passwords for each account, enhancing your security by avoiding password reuse.

Here's how they work and why they are indispensable:

- 1. Secure Storage: Password managers encrypt your passwords, keeping them safe from unauthorized access.
- 2. Ease of Access: You can access your passwords using a single master password or biometric authentication, like fingerprints or face scans.
- **3.** Password Generation: They create complex, random passwords, which are much harder to crack than those created by humans.
- 4. Password Reuse Alerts: They alert you if you're reusing passwords across different accounts.
- Auto-Fill: Automatically fill in your login credentials, reducing the risk of password theft through keyloggers.
- **6. Breach Notifications:** They notify you if your password appears in a known data breach, so you can take immediate action.

There are many options when it comes to password managers. Some are free, like the built-in password managers in your web browser, and some cost money. Search a trusted source, like "Consumer Reports," which offers a selection of highly rated password managers.2

Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA)³

Even the strongest password can be compromised. Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) adds an additional layer of security, requiring two or more verification methods to gain access to an account. Here's how MFA works and its benefits:

- **Something You Know:** Your password.
- 2. Something You Have: A smartphone, security token or authentication app.
- Something You Are: Biometric verification like fingerprint or facial recognition.

MFA significantly reduces the risk of unauthorized access, even if your password is stolen. Common MFA methods include SMS codes, email verification and authenticator apps like Google Authenticator and Authy.

Two-Factor Authentication (2FA)⁴

A subset of MFA, Two-Factor Authentication (2FA) combines two verification steps, typically something you know (password) and something you have (a code sent to your phone). This simple but effective measure can thwart many common cyber threats. Enabling 2FA on your accounts adds an extra layer of defense, making it much harder for attackers to gain access.

Best Practices for Ongoing Security

- 1. Regular Updates: Change your passwords periodically and update security settings.
- Backing up your data: 5 Data backups are vital for cybersecurity, protecting against ransomware, and data loss. Safeguard your most important data, such as your photos and key documents, by backing them up to an external hard drive or a cloud-based storage system.
- 3. Unique Passwords: Never reuse passwords across multiple
- Educate Yourself: Stay informed about the latest security threats and protection strategies.
- Secure Devices: Ensure your devices are protected with strong passwords, antivirus software and firewalls.

Enhancing your digital security requires a multi-faceted approach, combining strong passwords, advanced management tools and additional authentication methods. As cyber threats evolve, so must our defenses. By adopting these practices, you can significantly reduce your risk of falling victim to cyberattacks.

Stay vigilant, stay secure, and make digital safety a priority in your daily life.

Georgetown University - https://security.georgetown.edu/csam-2020/benefits-ofpassword-managers/

Cybersecurity & Infrastructure Security Agency - https://www.cisa.gov/secureour-world/use-strong-passwords

NIST Computer Security Resource Center - https://csrc.nist.gov/glossary/term/ multi_factor_authentication

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Carnegie Mellon University - https://guides.library.cmu.edu/ researchdatamanagement/security



For Olivia, the best part of theater is sharing the stage with her friends, creating unforgettable memories together.

Meet our July Actor of Fairview Olivia

Olivia, 11 years old and currently in 6th grade, caught the acting bug in 2022 and hasn't looked back!

After watching a production of "Matilda" with her friends, she knew she was meant to be on that same stage. Wasting no time, she auditioned for her very first show, "Junie B. Jones Jr.," and has since performed in 10 productions, loving every moment.

Her favorite role so far? The Ugly Duckling in "Honk Jr.," where she got to showcase her comedic and heartfelt side. For Olivia, the best part of theater is sharing the stage with her friends, creating unforgettable memories together.

This month, Olivia takes the stage for her 11th show, "A Christmas Story," directed by Jason Robert Villarreal. Based on the beloved holiday classic, this musical brings to life the adventure of Ralphie, a young boy on a quest for the ultimate Christmas gift. Olivia is thrilled to play Ralphie, a role that challenges her to express five different emotions at once – making it her most exciting role yet!

Looking to add some holiday magic to your season? Don't miss Olivia and her talented cast in "A Christmas Story" at NTPA -Fairview Youth Theatre, running Dec. 5-8! Tickets can be purchased at NTPA.org/Event/A-Christmas-Story-Musical.

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Blegged with Animalg in Fairview

Kathy Knappitsch submitted the cover photo of her daughter, Christina, on a horse aptly named "Nicholas." Kathy also submitted several adorable photos of animals receiving a blessing at Lime Ridge Farm in Fairview on Saturday, Oct. 5, for St. Francis of Assisi Day. Deacon John Boyle from St. Jude Catholic Church in Allen performed the blessings. To submit a photo for an upcoming edition of Fairview Town News, email a high-resolution image to TownNews@FairviewTexas.org. Images should feature life in Fairview.



Fairview Resident, Sue Reeves, Part of Electoral College

Heritage Ranch resident Sue Reeves was chosen as a 2024 presidential elector.

According to the National Archives, choosing each state's electors – the Electoral College – is a two-part process. First, before the November general election, the political parties choose slates of potential electors. Then, during the general election, the

> voters in each state select their state's electors by casting their ballots.

When voters cast their presidential ballots, they are voting for a political party's slate of electors. The winning presidential candidate's slate of potential electors are appointed as the state's electors, except in Nebraska and Maine, which have proportional distribution of the electors. Texas has 40 electoral votes.

Texas' electors cast

their votes at the State Capitol in December. Their ballots are then sent to the U.S. Congress, where votes are counted.

Reeves was chosen by the Republican Party to represent Texas District 3. Frisco resident Sandeep Srivastava was selected by the Collin County Democrats as their candidate for District 3.

On its website, the National Archives says, "Political parties often choose individuals for the slate to recognize their service and dedication to that political party."

Reeves has been active in multiple campaigns, served as precinct chair for many years and is currently the secretary for the Collin County GOP.









Annual Peanut Butter Drive Results *Fairview Repeats Best Per Capita Giving*

Nearly \$300,000 and more than 84,000 pounds of peanut butter was raised during the North Texas Food Bank's 11th annual Peanut Butter Drive in September.

The totals were announced during an event Oct. 22.

"The Peanut Butter Drive is about more than just collecting food; it's about ensuring that no child in our community goes hungry. We are incredibly grateful for the partnership and support from our community," said Trisha Cunningham, NTFB President and CEO. "As we continue to distribute record amounts of food, the contributions from the Peanut Butter Drive are vital in providing nutritious options to the nearly 287,000 children facing hunger in North Texas."

For the third year, the drive included cities, neighborhoods, schools, corporations, faith-based organizations and community groups that mobilized in all of the 13 counties served by the NTFB.

Donations will be distributed through the food bank's network of partner pantries and community organizations as well as its Food 4 Kids backpack program, which sends chronically hungry students home each Friday with a bag of nonperishable food for the weekend.

During the Peanut Butter Drive Reveal Ceremony Oct. 22, several key contributors were honored for their exceptional efforts: ► Top City: Plano

► Top City Per Capita: Fairview

Top Company: NTT DATA

Top Educational Organization:
Rice Middle School

➤ Top Faith-Based Organization: Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

➤ **Top Neighborhood:** Heritage Ranch Neighborhood

Top Community Group: HungerMitao

The daughter of one HungerMitao member, Ariya Daniels, wanted to support the drive and, with the help of her sisters, raised \$10,000 for her 12th birthday. HungerMitao is one of NTFB's cultural affinity groups.

The top faith-based organization is a multi-year winner and this year increased their giving by almost three times, raising \$9,230 and collecting 1,191 pounds of peanut butter.

In Fairview, which won Top City Per Capita, nearly a pound of peanut butter was raised for every person living in Fairview. That success came, in part, thanks to the

"We are so grateful for you, and we can't wait to do this again next year."

> NTFB President and CEO, Trisha Cunningham

work of the Top Neighborhood winner, Heritage Ranch, which together collected 8,408 pounds of peanut butter.

Plano, where the drive started 11 years ago, took the Top City award and Top Educational Organization, as Rice Middle School is in Plano ISD. The city saw participation from multiple departments, schools and organizations.

Kathryn Cope, NTFB Strategic Initiative Manager who organized the drive, also gave a shout out to Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital in Plano, which held a contest among staff for the most creative peanut butter display. Staff used peanut butter jars to create a Harry Potter figure, a heart, a hot air balloon and more, all while collecting 4,251 pounds of peanut butter.

Cunningham added that while everyone is a winner in a drive that supports the community, she loves seeing the friendly competition among participants.

"We are so grateful for you, and we can't wait to do this again next year," she said.

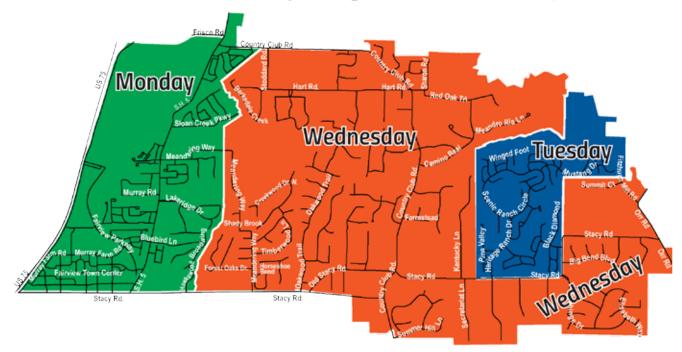
The ABCs of Weekly Trash and Recycling Collection

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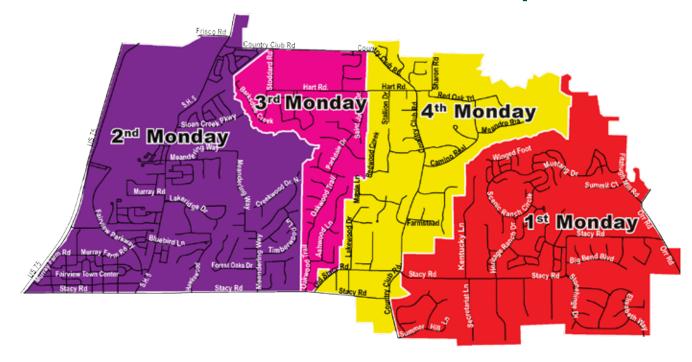
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- **b. Be** punctual by placing carts at the edge of the street no earlier than 5 p.m. the day before collection and no later than 7 a.m. on collection day. Roll carts back to your house by 6 a.m. the day after pickup.
- **c.** <u>Close</u> lids without clamping or locking. If your trash cart is full, purchase a pink tag for \$2.22 from the Town. Only bags with Town-issued tags will be collected outside carts (except during bulk pickup week).

Did You Know? Empty cardboard boxes don't have to go to the landfill. If they're clean and dry, they can be cut down and folded flat to fit inside your recycling cart.

Trash & Recycling Collection Map



Brush & Bulk Collection Map



2025 Collection Calendar

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2025 Holidays

Recycling, trash, bulk and brush will not be picked up on the following holidays: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day or Christmas Day. Collection will shift to the next day unless otherwise noted.

New Solid Waste Rates in Effect

Republic Services, which provides solid waste services for the Town, has increased the rate it charges residents. Most residents now pay \$22.87 (plus sales tax) per month for collection of trash, recycling and brush/bulk. Residents who receive a senior discount now pay \$21.32 (plus sales tax) per month. The cost for special carryout service for residents who request the service but who do not qualify for disabled carryout service is now \$36.00 (plus sales tax) a month.

The cost for additional carts is now \$8.87 per month for standard and disabled carryout service and \$11.11 per month for special carryout service.

For full details of the new solid waste services rates, visit the Town website at FairviewTexas.org.

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