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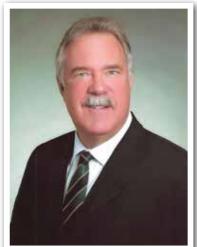
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# MESSAGE MAYOR



HENRY LESSNER

Hello Gairview!

College and high school football are back! I think we have seen the last of 100+ degree days. Now we need rain.

#### North Texas Regional Airport

During the first week in September, our Town Manager Julie Couch, Councilmembers Ken Logsdon, John Hubbard and myself toured the North Texas Regional Airport (NTRA). This airport is located just northwest of Sherman, four miles west of US 75. Its western boundary is Preston Road, and the proposed path for the northern extension of the Dallas North Tollway (Grayson County Tollway) is just west of Preston Road. The airport is owned by Grayson County and is in the path of the growth of North Texas — which includes growth in southern Oklahoma. As we drove up on US 75, we could see the 20+ large cranes that are building the Texas Instruments and GeoTech semiconductor plants just southwest of Sherman. NTRA is 1,410 acres — the size of Love Field — so there is lots of space for growth. The main runway is 9,000 feet and can handle any commercial aircraft. They have a beautiful new FBO building that was completed in 2022. They are in talks with major developers about bringing freight operations to NTRA. There is a Union-Pacific railroad spur (that needs work). They would

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like to have commercial passenger service. NTRA is a much better place if a third regional passenger-serving airport is needed. Pass this information on to your McKinney friends. It is unconscionable that McKinney leadership continues to look for ways to build the passenger terminal, which has been rejected at least twice by McKinney residents. TxDOT Private Aviation has a \$11.4M line item in its draft 2023-2024 budget to build the taxiway associated with the proposed passenger terminal. McKinney leadership has recently been to Washington D.C., to meet with the FAA and Texas senators to lobby for federal money to build what their voters are rejecting.

#### **Short-Term Rentals**

The Council has approved a ban on short-term rentals in the Town of Fairview. This covers homes, pools, barns and other buildings. Associated with this ban, we are going to update our noise ordinance.

#### **Peanut Butter Drive**

I look forward to seeing how many tons of peanut butter we get donated for the North Texas Food Bank. There is an increasing need in our area for food and money donations at our local non-profits. Please be generous.

Josh "The Gentle Giant" passed on to Longhorn heaven on Aug. 16, 2023. He was a celebrity in these parts ... greeting his fans at his home at the corner of Greenville and Meandering Way. Josh touched many lives and brought joy and happiness to everyone he met. Thank you, Josh, for 22 great years. May he rest in peace.

Henry Lessner

Henry Lessner Mayor@FairviewTexas.org



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#### At the Tuesday, Aug. 1, 2023, Regular Town Council meeting, the council:

- Approved the following items on the consent agenda:
  - a. Minutes of the July 11, 2023, regular council meeting b. A resolution denying Oncor Electric Delivery Company's application to amend its Distribution Cost **Recovery Factor**
  - c. A resolution authorizing an agreement relating to land acquisition (Town of Fairview, Texas vs. Deborah Denise Humphrey, et al., Case No. 007-00123-2023, County Court at Law No. 7, Collin County, Texas)
- Received reports from staff, including updates on project tracking reports and department activities:
  - a. Monthly Financial Report Period ending June 30, 2023
  - b. Quarterly Investment Report Period ending June 30, 2023
  - c. Monthly Police Report Period ending July 31, 2023
  - d. Monthly Fire Report Period ending July 31, 2023
  - e. Town construction projects
- Discussed needed repairs to HVAC system at Fire Station 2 and directed staff to proceed with design and bidding
- Approved a Preliminary Plat of the Chamberlain Park Addition. The 16.8-acre site is located west of Stoddard Road, south of Country Club Drive and is zoned for the (RE-1) Oneacre Ranch Estate District. Applicant: Jason Trafton of Ion Design Group
- Approved a three-year payment plan with the City of Allen for third-party repairs to a shared sewer line

- Discussed code enforcement matters and provided direction to town staff
- Discussed the proposed FY 23-24 tax rate and set a date for public hearings for the tax rate and budget

#### At the Tuesday, Aug. 22, 2023, Special Town Council meeting, the council:

- Held public hearings for the Fiscal Year 2023-24 Proposed Budget and Tax Rate
- Authorized the Town Manager to procure financing for capital projects

#### At the Monday, Aug. 28, 2023, Special Town Council meeting, the council:

- Approved an ordinance setting the 2023-24 ad valorem tax rate
- Approved an ordinance adopting the 2023-24 fiscal year budget
- Ratified a 2023-24 property tax revenue increase
- Approved an ordinance amending the 2022-23 fiscal year budget
- Approved a pass-through rate increase for solid waste services
- Approved pass-through rate increases for water and wastewater services
- Approved a resolution to suspend the effective date of a requested CoServ Gas rate change
- Approved a memorandum of understanding with Lovejoy Independent School District related to traffic control services



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Discussed public transit services



Some of the anticipated projects funded through the new budget include parks and trail enhancements; planning and construction costs for Fairview Parkway and Fairview Crossing; initial installation of smart meters, which will help utility customers better monitor and control their water use; and drainage improvements in the Fox Glen subdivision. Smart meter installation will be a multiyear project.

Funding is also budgeted to hire administrative staff for the Public Works and Fire departments and add a full-time firefighter in Spring 2024.

The Town is absorbing part of the increased water costs charged by the North Texas Municipal Water District and will pass on only a

# **New Budget Approved**

The Town Council approved the Town's 2023-24 Fiscal Year Budget at a special meeting Aug. 28. The property tax rate is going down from \$0.321577 per \$100 of assessed value to \$0.311683 per \$100 of assessed value. This reduction will result in tax savings to the average homeowner of \$54.16 while maintaining funding to start new capital improvement projects and complete others.

portion of the district's 8 percent rate increase to residents.

Water rates will increase by 5 percent beginning Oct. 1, and wastewater rates will increase by 26.59 percent – a passthrough increase. The increases will be reflected in November bills.

Fairview sewer rates are determined by usage the previous winter. Calculations are taken between Dec. 15 and March 15. Residents without a consumption history that includes those three months are billed for their actual use.

Republic Services is increasing its rates for solid waste collection by 3.5 percent.

For full details of all the new rates, visit the town website at FairviewTexas.org.





**Uclober** Fire Safety Tips

# **Clothes Dryers**

Did you know clothes dryers cause more than 15,000 home fires every year?

The first step to dryer safety is to have your dryer installed and regularly serviced by a qualified professional. Ensure the right plug and outlet are used and that the machine is connected and grounded



properly. Use metal venting material to sustain proper air flow. Ensure the air exhaust pipe is not restricted, and the outdoor flap opens when the dryer is operating.

After correcting any issues, follow these tips from the National Fire Protection Association and the Friends of Fairview First Responders to keep your dryer running efficiently and safely:

- Don't use the dryer without a lint filter, and clean the filter and drum between every load of laundry.
- Don't overload your dryer.
- Keep the area around your dryer clear of things that can burn, like boxes, cleaning supplies and clothing.
- Before washing clothes or rags that have come in contact with flammable substances like gasoline or solvents, lay them items outside to fully dry. Then wash and dry them as usual.
- Turn the dryer off if you leave home or when you go to bed.
- Once a year, or more often if you notice that it is taking longer than normal for your clothes to dry, clean lint out of the vent pipe.

Visit FriendsOfFairview.org/Programs/Pancake-Breakfast to get your \$5 ticket to our pancake breakfast at Station 2 Oct. 21.

# Meet our October Actor of Fairview: **Bugce**

Bryce is 16 and is currently a junior in high school. When he's not participating in theatre, Bryce loves to read, bake, watch movies, and spend time with friends and family.

What attracted Bryce to North Texas Performing Arts (NTPA)-Fairview Youth Theatre was in his first production, Rodgers and Hammerstein's *Cinderella* back in 2018. "There was some kind

of magic and energy that I never experienced anywhere else. Everyone was so kind and welcoming and so supportive of each other, making it such a wonderful experience." Bryce wanted to do more shows since then, and 5 years later, Bryce is now in his 22<sup>nd</sup> production with NTPA.



Bryce is currently in rehearsal for *The Addams Family*. He will be playing the role of Lucas Bieneke, who is the love interest to Wednesday Addams. "Lucas is very different from

roles that I've played in the past because unlike most of my roles, Lucas is very "normal." I can relate to him in a lot of ways because he has traits that are very similar to mine. Throughout the show, Lucas tries his hardest to live up to the Addams standards and prove that he is crazy enough for Wednesday. What makes The Addams Family so special is that it celebrates the weirdness and quirkiness of every family and how we can come together despite our differences."

When asked about his favorite role, Bryce says it has got to be Will Bloom from *Big Fish*. "I would say *Big Fish* was my peak for me at NTPA-Fairview Youth Theatre because it made me grow in ways that I never thought possible. This role was very complex due to his unique nature, and the story was awe-inspiring. It taught me to live life to the fullest so that you can leave with a legacy that can impact a person's life. *Big Fish* will always hold a special place to my heart. It also allowed me to work with people that I haven't worked with in a while as well as meeting new people and making new friends.

Come see Bryce and the rest of the cast of *The Addams Family* performing at Fairview Youth Theatre Oct. 21-Nov. 4.



# Heritage Ranch Golf and Country Club Hosting Fall Fashion Show and Luncheon

#### Presented by the Breast Cancer Awareness Team (BCAT)

We would like to invite you to our annual event on Thursday, Oct. 26, or Friday, Oct. 27. The afternoon events will begin with raffles, a silent auction and a giving tree. Lunch will be served in the ballroom at 11:30 a.m. Following lunch, the fashion show will feature clothes from Chico's and Soft Surroundings. All our models are Heritage Ranch homeowners who are breast cancer survivors. Two of our models are in their 90s! We are blessed to have these ladies in our fashion show!

The cost will be \$35 per ticket.

Doors will open at 11 a.m., at which time you can browse silent auction items, purchase raffle tickets and buy an item from the giving tree.

Kendra Scott jewelry will have a table with items available for purchase. Jewelry makes great Christmas gifts.

Contact Eric Hoyle at 972-886-4700, ext. 101, to purchase your tickets. For further information about the events or ways you can support our fundraising efforts, please contact Teri Syllaios at 214-395-0816 or email her at teri.syllaios@gmail.com.

Heritage Ranch has a very active Breast Cancer Support Group. It is called Survivor Support Squad (SSS). If you would like additional information concerning this group, please contact Jeanette Gardner: 580-695-5296 or gigi723ph@gmail.com.

Please join us to help support our cause and to enjoy a fun day at Heritage Ranch. All proceeds benefit Susan G. Komen research and breast cancer patients.







# Fairview Golfer on a Course to Win the World

# *He's tiny, but he can generate a lot of speed.*

Some kids cling to a blanket or crave the comfort of a plush toy. When Lincoln Lewis leaves home, his gear always includes a golf club.

"He would draw a crowd at 2 years old at the park," Megan Lewis said. "People would be filming him, and he would just hit ball after ball."

His parents weren't avid golfers, so it came as a surprise when, at 20 months old, he snubbed all other toys for a blue plastic Little Tikes putter.

"You could offer him anything else, and he wants to go pick up a golf club and swing it and hit a ball," said his mother, Megan Lewis. "We had everything. He had a hockey stick, baseball, football, basketball. Any type of ball or sport, but he kept going back to golf."

A video shows the tot, wearing only a diaper, send a golf ball rocketing over a small SUV. Again and again, he wanted to hit the ball. Set up. Soar. Repeat.

When the strength of his swing bested the durability of the plastic club, his parents bought him a sturdier toy. Then, when

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he was 3, his grandfather bought a real golf club and had it cut down to fit Lincoln's frame. The family wasn't aiming to cultivate the next Tiger Woods. They were simply responding to Lincoln's obvious passion.

"You can't force a 2-, 3-, 4- or 5-year-old to do anything they don't want to do," his mother said.

Lincoln's father, Aaron Lewis, chimed in. "This was all driven by him," he said.

When Lincoln's obsession didn't wane, his parents hired a golf instructor to work with him. Wes Francis started by trying to correct Lincoln's grip.

"He as a unique grip – a reverse grip," Francis said. "I tried to change it, and he kept going back to it."

The unconventional hold didn't seem to be diminishing Lincoln's skill, so Francis decided to focus on tweaking his short game instead.

"Golf is all about chipping, pitching and putting," Francis said. "He could be number one in the world next year."

At least among his age group.

Four days before the first day of class at Puster Elementary School in August, Lincoln, who already had more than two dozen golf tournaments under his 19-inch belt, tied for ninth place among the best 6-year-old golfers in the world. He was still 5 at the time.

The kindergartner turned 6 Sept. 24 and has already qualified to compete again in the U.S. Kids World Golf Championship next August.

"He hits the ball over 120 yards," his golf instructor said. "He's tiny, but he can generate a lot of speed."

You might think that adhering to the strict rules of the game and practicing with an instructor would take some of the joy out of playing.

Think again.

After a few minutes of sitting still for an interview, Lincoln ran off to pick up a club. His mom talked a little louder to be heard over the constant whack of a ball hitting the wall in another room.

On Aug. 20, when the thermometer was hovering near 110, Lincoln and his dad were teeing up on a nearby course – just for the fun of it.

"He's been just bugging me for two weeks since we got back from Pinehurst," Aaron Lewis said, referring to the world championship tournament. "He was like, 'I really want to go play. I really want to go play.'

"I kept saying, 'Lincoln, it's too hot out. I can't do it.' And then yesterday, I said, 'OK,' just so he could scratch that itch," he said.

As long as he's enjoying it, Lincoln's parents said they'll keep encouraging him to play, even if it means they all have to endure extreme heat or cold.

"That's definitely my favorite part of the week," his dad said. "The two of us can just go out for a couple of hours and spend some time together. That's our bonding experience.

"I don't know what we'd do if we didn't have that," he said.

Megan Lewis interrupted. "It would be something else."

Aaron Lewis agreed: "It would be something else. We'd find something else that he could get into."

To Lincoln, it's all just routine. He talks about golf with an eager smile, but his early successes don't seem as important as the kinds of things that fascinate most 6-year-olds, like hitting the ball into a sand trap.

"I like when the sand goes up in the air," he said with a giggle. "It kind of looks like a big divot."

He takes a strong swing to clear the bunker and then purposely chips the ball back into the sand.

Set up. Soar. Repeat.



# HEARD HAPPENINGS

# **Fall into Nature at the Heard**

Nestled within the serene landscape of McKinney, Texas, the Heard Natural Science Museum & Wildlife Sanctuary offers a variety of exciting events and programs that captivate the imagination of visitors of all ages. From encountering lifesize animatronic dinosaurs to embarking on outdoor adventures and learning about native plants and wildlife, the Heard Museum provides a perfect blend of education, entertainment, and exploration. Learn more at HeardMuseum.org.

### **Dinosaurs Live!**

The annual Dinosaurs Live! exhibit at the Heard Museum is a prehistoric adventure like no other. Imagine walking along the nature trails and encountering a 46-foot T-Rex and ten other impressive animatronic dinosaurs. This exhibit entertains and educates, allowing families to step back in time and witness these ancient creatures in motion. The exhibit also features a photo op, outdoor fossil dig, and play area, allowing children and adults a handson experience. Whether you're a dino enthusiast or just curious about Earth's past, Dinosaurs Live! is an unforgettable experience that's included in general admission and free for museum members.

#### Halloween at the Heard

Experience the magic of Halloween in a safe and family-friendly environment at Halloween at the Heard. This spooktacular



event takes place on the eerie *Dinosaurs Live!* trail, where trick-or-treating becomes an adventure among the animatronic dinosaurs. Families can revel in activities beyond candy, including an outdoor movie presentation in the museum's amphitheater. Special Halloween tickets are required for entry, ensuring a night of frightful fun for all. Members get an exclusive pre-sale opportunity, making this an event everyone can enjoy while supporting the museum.

#### **Scouting Adventures**

For scout groups and outdoor enthusiasts, the Heard Museum provides many engaging programs. Guided trails offer the chance to explore the sanctuary's ecology, geology, flora, and fauna, all under the guidance of trained guides. The museum hosts two-hour badge workshops to fulfill badge requirements for various scout organizations, including Cub Scouts, Webelos, Brownies, and Junior Girl Scouts. These workshops blend education and fun, creating memorable learning experiences in the heart of nature.



#### **Connect with Nature**

For those seeking a deeper connection with the natural world, the Heard Museum offers unique opportunities. The Nature Connection Walks on the 3rd Saturday of each month invite participants to immerse themselves in the sanctuary's landscape, engaging in guided activities while walking, standing, or sitting. It's an experience that promotes relaxation, mindfulness, and a renewed appreciation for the environment. Pre-registration is required.

### **Educational Enrichment**

The Heard Museum's educational offerings extend beyond events and workshops. Field trips, labs, and guided trails provide students with hands-on learning experiences that deepen their understanding of the natural world. Homeschool Natural Science Programs and Preschool Nature Explorers cater to various age groups, introducing young learners to the wonders of nature through engaging activities.



# Allen Library Programs for Every Interest

From musical performances, theater vignettes, documentary films to discussions with award-winning authors, the Allen Public Library has a packed schedule of free events to delight audiences of all ages and backgrounds throughout October.

Learn the amazing story of medicine showman Dr. J. I. Lighthall with celebrated Texas author Gene Fowler at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 5.

Swing to the lively jazz music of the Bobby Falk group at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 6. A staple in the Dallas area jazz scene, Bobby Falk blends modern and traditional jazz, with fusion influences ranging from Pat Metheny, Rick Margitza, Michael Brecker and Steps Ahead.

Chickasaw storyteller Amy Bluemel and area Native American dancers will present a program at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 12, in honor of Indigenous People's Day.

The youthful Texas group Havana NRG (New Rhythm Generation) offers up a super spicy timba-influenced salsa at free concert at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 13.

Starting at 1 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 15, players from Shakespeare Dallas will offer several performances of scenes from Shakespeare's plays. You can also enjoy a story walk based on Flibbertygibbety Words and have fun with Shakespeare-themed games and puzzles. At 3 p.m., the Allen Philharmonic's Orchestra presents its free fall concert with pieces by Elton John, Leonard Bernstein and Cole Porter, all of whom created music inspired by such plays as Romeo and Juliet, Hamlet, and Taming of the Shrew.

Gary Schmidt, author of the Newbery Honor Award-winner The Wednesday Wars, will speak at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 19.

Flamenco boldly challenges perceptions and leaves its audiences wonderstruck. Lose yourself in the fiery rhythms and sensual dance moves of the enthralling group Flamenco Fever at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 20.

New York Times bestselling author Chris Enss will discuss Along Came a Cowgirl at **3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 22**. In her newest award-winning book, Enss introduces readers to the world of the early rodeo - and to the stories of the women whose names resounded in rodeo arenas across the nation in the early Twentieth Century.

David and Susan Schwartz, authors of The Joy of Costco: A Treasure Hunt from A to Z, will lead an entertaining discussion of all things Costco, along with insider tips and tricks at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 23.

Treat yourself to a free viewing of Living with the Trinity, a KERA-produced documentary, followed by a presentation from Amy Martin, author of Wild DFW: Explore the Amazing Nature Around Dallas-Fort Worth at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 30.

These free events at the Allen Public Library, 300 N. Allen Drive, will also be streamed live on ACTV at https://ACTV.org. Click the green "Watch" button top right on channel page. For information about any of these events, call 214-509-4911.

#### Did you know?

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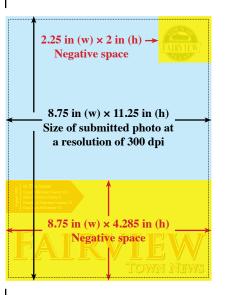


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# Shutterbugs: Get Ready!

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latest snapshot could be featured on a future cover of Fairview *Town News*. And you don't have to be a professional photographer.

We're looking for images that capture what it's like to live in Fairview, so all submissions should be taken within the town limits.

To submit an original photo for consideration, follow these best practices:

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- Photos should be high-resolution .jpg files 300 dpi when sized at 8.75 in (w) x 11.25 in. (h) and have a file size of at least 1 MB.
- Submit only your own photography.
- Please do not edit or filter your photos, and don't include watermarks or type on the photos.
- Photos may be submitted in a vertical OR horizontal format, but keep in mind that they will be cropped to fit the template and must adhere to the resolution requirements (300 dpi) once sized to the cover dimensions.
- Use the cover photo template above to ensure that your image is sized correctly and includes negative space where the title, teasers, and Fairview logo will go. The focal point of the photo should not be in the negative space.
- If submitting a photo that includes a child, town staff will reply to the email submission with a blank consent form that must be completed and returned to the town by the child's parent or legal guardian.

The town reserves the right to select which photos will appear in the town magazine. Submitting a photo does not guarantee that it will be published. Please send all email submissions to TownNews@fairviewtexas.org.

# Moving?

# We're sorry to see you go!

Before you pack your last box, contact the Fairview Utility Billing office to stop water service to your home.

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# Lovejoy Independent School District and My Community Credit Union Branch Partnership

Lovejoy ISD is incredibly excited to announce our partnership with My Community Credit Union (MCCU). MCCU will be opening a new branch on the Lovejoy High School campus in August 2024. The full service credit union will be student-run and open to all Lovejoy ISD students and faculty. We are kicking off our partnership with an upcoming design contest. MCCU is funding construction costs, one full time MCCU employee, and \$20,000 per year toward the teacher salary for the next three years. "The business partnership we have created with MCCU will expand student opportunity, promote college and career readiness and achieve a strategic target identified by stakeholders in our LOVEJOY 2030 Strategic Plan. We are excited to have a partner that shares the high value we place on preparing students to thrive in their future," stated Superintendent Katie Kordel.

# Special community connections are bubbling up in Town Center

By Dave Quinn, Interim Economic Development Manager for the Town of Fairview

True to its name, Bubbles Eat & Play has given rise to some delightful things in the short time it's been open in Fairview Town Center even more than expected for founder Inessa Sarkisyan when she opened the fresh-concept, family-focused café in early June.

A mom of three kids ages 1, 3 and 7, Inessa began dreaming up the space within a year of her first child being born, around the time her husband's business brought the family to the Dallas area.

"I came up with the idea to solve something I'd experienced myself, which was not having places to go where kids and parents can both fully relax," Inessa said. "As parents, we're thoughtful about our kids' activities, and we also should treat ourselves. So my goal was to create a space where we can all fully enjoy our food and our time."

That vision is clear upon walking into the space, which evokes the light, airy wonder of an iridescent soap bubble. Filtered sunlight streams through the glass facade onto warm wood flooring and pleasant neutrals. Muted pastels add pops of color beneath whimsical glass bubble pendant lights suspended high above the indoor dining area.

One play space is adjacent to the dining space and features a ball pit, hideaway tent, toys and padded play zones. Large, curved windows frame lofted upstairs play spaces, offering visibility for parents while their little ones explore. Note that the play areas are socks-only zones to keep them tidy. There is a fee to access the spaces so guests can play regardless of whether they choose to dine.

The café offers breakfast, lunch and dinner options since daily hours are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. The menu reflects intentional care for food allergies and special diets while hitting the sweet spot between light, playful and scrumptious. Think fluffy pancakes, eggs made to order with a variety of proteins and veggies, a hummus plate loaded with colorful dippers, crisp salads, pastas and more. Toasts can be topped with nearly anything the heart desires, including avocado, scrambles, mushrooms, fruits and more. Inessa sources many ingredients from local producers and suppliers, and all of the options are practical and yet thoughtfully elevated — just like the space.





Inessa said the high ceilings and two-level design were critical to her vision, so she immediately loved the space in Town Center when her Realtor led her to it.

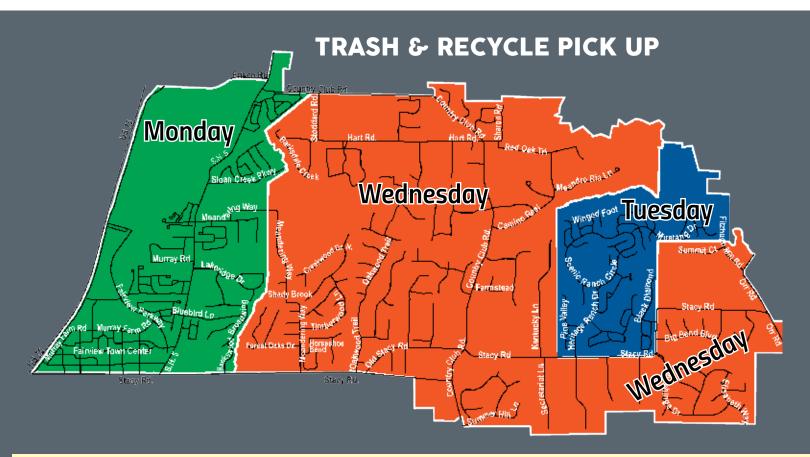
"They also spoke so highly of the people of this area, and I am finding out how right that is," Inessa said. "I am seeing my vision come to life and yet we're already doing more with the concept than I imagined. It's truly due to the community you find here in Fairview, Allen and McKinney."

Special opportunities began bubbling up almost the minute Inessa began meeting her neighbors in Fairview Town Center, she said. A resident of nearby Overture Senior Living popped in for breakfast one morning and introduced himself as Jimmy. He started bringing friends, and the word spread in the senior community. Now there's a welcomed generational richness benefiting everyone involved. Another serendipitous connection was how the calming, kid-friendly space is well-suited for people with sensory processing challenges, which often occur for people with autism. Inessa has partnered with Town Center neighbors Life Skills Autism Academy to co-create dedicated sensory hours.

Keep an eye on Bubbles' events calendar for ever-evolving special events for patrons of all ages, from reading times to arts programming. In early August, Bubbles hosted a painting workshop, Brushes & Brews, led by international artist Huda Hashim. Creative workshops such as making custom bubble bath products are in the works. And back to the Bubbles name: Yes, the intent is to serve light, bubbly cocktails in time.

"It was intentional when we set up the website we called it 'thebubbles.space,'" Inessa said. "We want it to be a space for healthy and delicious food, entertainment for kids and relaxation for parents. That also leaves space for all kinds of things and programs to fulfill that mission. We are so excited to keep exploring all that it means."

# **Trash, Bulk and Brush Collection**



# **Bulk and Brush Collection Tips**

Republic Services provides bulky waste and brush collection for Fairview residents. While zones for designated bulk and brush collection weeks are indicated by the first, second, third or fourth Monday of the month, collection crews may pick up bulky items or brush any day during that week.

Storms that damage trees or property often result in larger demand for waste collection, increasing the time it takes for crews to pick up items left at the curb.

Other key things to remember about solid waste collection in Fairview:

- 1. Bulk and brush should be cut into 4-foot lengths and neatly stacked. Up to 12 cubic yards of brush or bulk are allowed per address in a month. A single cubic yard is 3 feet long, 3 feet wide and 3 feet tall.
- 2. Call Republic Services at 972-422-2341 to schedule an unusually large pickup and get a cost quote for the special pickup.
- 3. Trash and recycling carts should be placed with handles facing the house and lids opening toward the street or alley.

- 4. Carts must be placed 2 to 3 feet apart and away from fences, cars, gates, gas meters or other objects that will obstruct the pickup arm.
- 5. Trash should be inside securely tied plastic bags, and all bags should fit into the cart with the lid closed.
- 6. Do not place hazardous waste in the cart.
- 7. Nothing should be placed outside the cart except for acceptable bulk or brush placed for pickup on your scheduled bulk and brush pickup week.
- 8. Carts must be rolled back away from the street after pickup no later than 6 a.m. the following day.

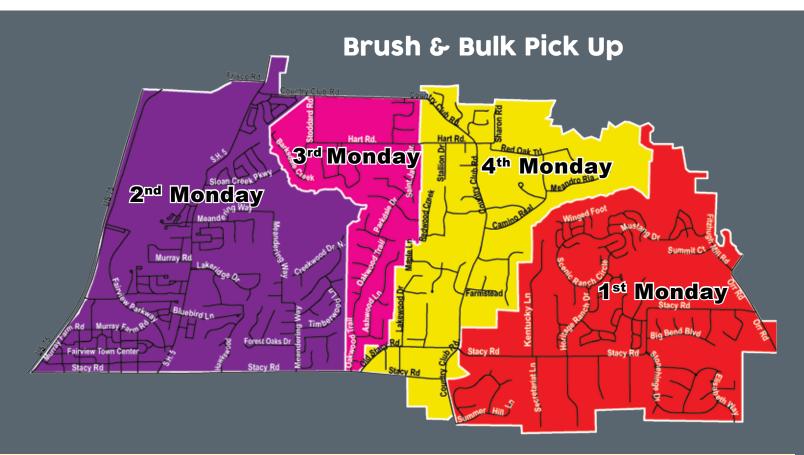
To report a damaged cart or request collection for a missed pickup, contact Republic Services at 972-



422-2341 or RepublicServices.com/ Customer-Support.

To **view zoomable maps**, solid waste collection guidelines and the full 2023 collection calendar, scan the QR code with your phone.

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# **Trash Talk** The ABCs of Weekly Trash and Recycling Collection

Those big trucks that collect our trash and recycling are amazing, but they need your help to do their work properly. Remember these ABCs to keep the trucks moving on schedule, so everyone gets timely collection:

- a. **Arrange** carts carefully. Cart handles should face your home, and lids should open toward the street. **Allow** at least 2 feet of space between carts and other objects, including mailboxes, meters, fences and automobiles.
- b. **Be** punctual. Have your trash and recycling carts in place at edge of the street or alley no earlier than 5 p.m. prior to your collection day and no later than 7 a.m. on collection day. And remember to roll your carts back to your house by 6 a.m. the day after pickup.
- c. <u>Close</u> but <u>don't clamp</u> or lock lids. If there's not enough space in your solid blue trash cart to close the lid, purchase a pink tag from the Town for \$2.14. Only bags tagged with Town-issued tags will be picked up if they're left outside of carts (except for bags left on your bulk pickup week).

*Did You Know?* Clean and dry aluminum cans, notebook paper and cereal

# Upcoming Collection Calendars



boxes are perfect for putting in your recycling bin. But aluminum foil, shredded paper and coated cardboard cannot be recycled in Fairview.

If you have more questions that we haven't answered, give Republic Services a call: 972-422-2341.

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