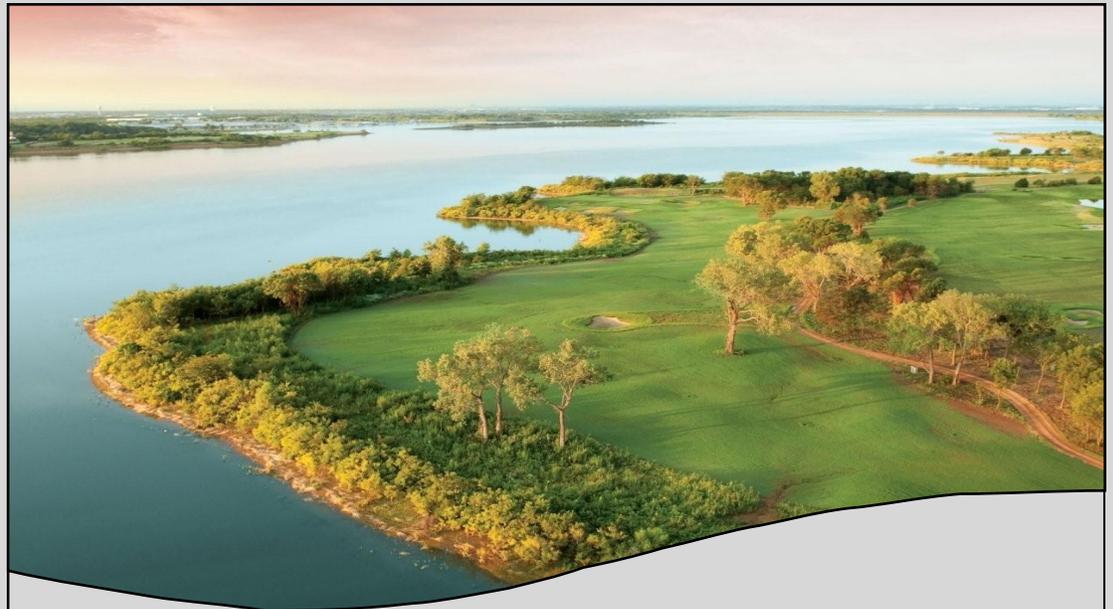


March 24th, 2014

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The Colony

**2013**

All-America City Finalist



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KidCOOL! National Campaign for Play

*"It's spring fever. That is what the name of it is. And when you've got it, you want - oh, you don't quite know what it is you do want, but it just fairly makes your heart ache, you want it so!"*

Mark Twain

*"Spring is the time of the year, when it is summer in the sun and winter in the shade."*

Charles Dickens



## From City Manager Troy Powell

Under the direction of The Colony City Council, my office oversees all of the city's day-to-day operations and services, including management of the city's budget. These tasks are accomplished in partnership with a team of dedicated and professional departmental directors with whom I am proud to serve alongside for the betterment of this wonderful community and its residents.

It is also my responsibility to ensure the vision for the future of the city is realized, as determined by the council and the constituents they represent. It is my belief that The Colony is now and will continue to be a vibrant, evolving community that attracts new residents, visitors and businesses eager to become a part of that future.

## March 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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-  City Council
-  Planning and Zoning
-  Economic Development Corporation
-  Community Development Corporation
-  Board of Adjustment
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## April 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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## Parks and Recreation Events

### Movies in the Park Monsters University

Date: Friday, April 4th

Time: 7:00 p.m. gates / 8:00 p.m. movie

Location: Five Star Complex, 4100 Blair Oaks

Cost: None

### Kids Chase By The Lake

Date: Saturday, April 12th

Time: 8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Location: Stewart Creek Park, 3700 Sparks Rd

Cost: \$8 per child-Family Discounts available

### Spring Eggstravaganza

Date: Thursday, April 17th

Time: 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Location: The Colony Five Star Complex, 4100 Blair Oaks

Cost: \$3 per child in advance; \$5 per child on event day

May:

### Movies in the Park –Despicable Me 2

Date: Friday, May 9th

Time: 7:00 p.m. gates / 8:00 p.m. movie

Location: Five Star Complex, 4100 Blair Oaks

Cost: None

### Mother Son Luau

Date: Saturday, May 31st

Time: 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Location: The Colony Aquatic Park, 5580 N. Colony Blvd

Cost: \$25 per couple, \$10 each additional child

### Summer Cinema Clubhouse Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs 2

Date: Thursday, June 19th

Time: 12:00 p.m. doors / 2:00 p.m. movie

Location: The Colony Recreation Center, 5151 N Colony Blvd

Cost: None

### Movies in the Park -Muppets Most Wanted

Date: Thursday, July 10th

Time: 7:00 p.m. gates / 8:00 p.m. movie

Location: Five Star Complex, 4100 Blair Oaks

Cost: None

## The Colony Public Library Events

### A.A.R.P. Tax Help

Dates: Wednesdays, February 5th – April 9th

Time: 4:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Location: The Colony Public Library 6800 Main Street

Cost: Free; call 972-625-1900 ext. 3 to schedule an appointment.

### Spanish/English Bilingual Story Time

#### Hora de Cuentos Bilingüe Español / Inglés

Sponsored in part by Target

Dates: Sundays, March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

Time: 3 p.m. – new time!

Location: The Colony Public Library 6800 Main Street

Cost: Free

### Theatre Slam – a Play in A Day!

#### Partnership project of The Colony Playhouse and

#### FOTCPL

Dates: Registration begins Saturday, March 1

Event: Saturday, March 29

Workshop time: 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Performance (open to the public): 4 p.m.

Location: The Colony Public Library 6800 Main Street

Cost: \$10 pre-registration required; email thecolonyplayhouse@gmail.com

### No-Stress Book Club

Date: Wednesday, March 26

Time: 7 p.m.

Location: The Colony Public Library 6800 Main Street

Cost: Free

### eReader Office Hours

Dates & Times:

Friday, March 14 at 2 p.m.

Tuesday, March 18 at 7 p.m.

Thursday, March 27 at 7 p.m.

Location: The Colony Public Library 6800 Main Street

Cost: Free

### A.A.R.P. Tax Help

Dates: Wednesdays, through April 9

Time: 4 – 8 p.m.

Location: The Colony Public Library 6800 Main Street

Cost: Free; call 972-625-1900 ext. 3 to schedule an appointment.

## Special Events

### **Persian New Year**

Date: Sunday, March 30th

Time: 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Location: Hidden Cove Park

Cost: Adult: \$7.00 Senior Citizen: \$5.00

### **Kids Chase By The Lake**

Date: Saturday, April 12th

Time: 8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Location: Stewart Creek Park, 3700 Sparks Rd

Cost: \$8 per child-Family Discounts available

### **Movies in the Park Monsters University**

Date: Friday, April 4th

Time: 7:00 p.m. gates / 8:00 p.m. movie

Location: Five Star Complex, 4100 Blair Oaks

Cost: None

### **TCHS Football Booster Club Annual 5k**

Date: Saturday, April 26th

Time: 8:00 a.m.—noon

Location: Five Star Complex, 4100 Blair Oaks

Cost: \$25.00





## Update from the Chief



**Chief Joe Clark**

Our year started off slow with the cold weather, which is a good thing, but recent criminal activity has increased along with the temperatures. Do your part to not be a victim and get to know your neighbors and your neighborhood this spring. Fisherman will likely be on the lake soon and we are starting the season with lower than usual lake levels that create a unique set of hazards. Just as flood conditions create hazards that do not normally exist such as submerged picnic tables, low levels create hazards such as stumps that before at normal levels were not an issue. Be safe on the lake.



The annual police department awards ceremony was held in February at Top Golf and everyone had a great time. Thank you Top Golf! Department members received fifteen awards and thirty-eight commendations. Officer Terry Farmer was named Officer of the Year and Ms. Shannon Corbitt the Civilian of the Year. Special recognition was given to: Officer Bryan Merritt - Life Saving, Detective Brian Baker – Police Commendation Award, Officer Salim Plumb - Police Commendation Award, Detective Miles Outon - two Police Commendation Awards, Officer Terry Farmer – 20 Year Safe Driving Award, and Sergeant Ed Hall – 15 Year Physical Fitness Award. Congratulations to all of the award and commendation recipients. We have a great team!



**Officer Terry Farmer – 2013 Officer of the Year**



**Communications Manager Shannon Corbitt – 2013 Civilian of the Year**



## Demand/Workload Measures

February 2014

	Current Month	Year to Date	Prior Year	Primary Division(s) Affected
Total 911 Calls Received	1,339	2,802	18,061	Communications
Total TLETS Inquiries/Entries	Not received	15,458	128,621	Communications
Total TLETS Inq/Entries for Court	51	361	2,192	Communications
Total Incidents Dispatched Police/Fire	1,467	3,023	20,589	Communications
Total Calls for Service - Police	1,270	2,578	18,234	Communications/Patrol
House Watch Visits	50	101	1,879	Patrol
Total Alarm Calls	94	219	1,243	Patrol
Percent of Alarms false	100%	99%	98%	Patrol/Records
Offense Reports Filed	109	224	1,520	Patrol/Records/CID
Total Cases/Offenses Assigned	108	217	1,377	CID
CPS Referrals	17	38	277	CID
Anonymous Tips (Website)	2	5	31	CID
Press Inquiries	0	1	66	CID
Special Assignments	51	93	671	All
Total Accidents Investigated	48	84	575	Patrol/Records
Total Property Items Impounded	114	237	1,043	Property
Total Prisoners Transported	24	48	328	Warrants/Patrol
Total Municipal Warrants Issued	51	361	2,192	Warrants
Total Background Investigations	4	5	58	IAD
Total Internal Affairs Investigations	1	3	12	IAD
Total Administrative Reviews	9	19	81	IAD
Total Formal Complaints Filed	0	2	6	IAD
Total Open Records Request	145	324	2,046	Records
Animal Control Calls for Service	138	345	3,496	Animal Control
Deceased Removal	16	45	534	Animal Control

## Effectiveness Measures

February 2014

(Low)	Current Month	Year to Date	Prior Year	
Index Crime/100,000	112	203	1,684	All Divisions
Index Crime Total	42	76	616	All Divisions
Total Traffic Accidents	48	84	575	Patrol, Traffic
(High)				
Percent UCR Case Clearance	17%	16%	22%	Patrol, CID
Percent Property Recovered	41%	32%	20%	Patrol, CID
Drugs Seized Street Value	\$4,189	\$5,930	\$1,516,272	CID
Total Municipal Warrants Cleared	190	330	1,813	Patrol, Warrant
Percent of Municipal Warrants Cleared by Warrant Division	26%	24%	32%	Warrant

Euthanasia Total	16	33	281	Animal Control
Euthanasia Ratio	19%	19%	22%	Animal Control
Discretionary Euthanasia Total	4	12	NR	Animal Control
Discretionary Euthanasia Ratio	15%	13%	NR	Animal Control
Animals Released to Owner	21	62	433	Animal Control
Animals Adopted/Transferred	39	62	546	Animal Control

## Efficiency/Productivity Measures

February 2014

	Current Month	Year to Date	Prior Year	
Emergency Calls Avg. Time Rec'd to Dispatched	01:05	01:01	:59	Communications
Emergency Calls Avg. Time Dispatched to Arrival	03:52	03:25	3:37	Patrol
Suspicious Activity	114	240	1,685	Patrol
Citizen Contacts	73	145	1,017	Patrol
Total Arrest/Detentions	194	356	1,670	Patrol, CID, Traffic
Total Warnings	1,248	2,513	10,889	Patrol, Traffic
Total Citations	1,079	2,370	11,198	Patrol, Traffic
Total Search Warrants	1	1	17	CID
Total Cases Filed	48	125	622	CID
Total Court Orders/Subpoenas Served	0	0	128	Warrant
Alarm False Alarm/No Permit Letters	19	44	319	Records
Alarm Renewal Letters Sent	134	255	1,488	Records
Alarm Application and Renewal Fees Collected	\$2,620	\$4,860	\$29,980	Records
Alarm Fines and Penalty Fees Collected	\$425	\$1,275	\$8,100	Records
% of Accidents Reports submitted <= 10 days	100%	100%	100%	Records
% of DWI/ALR Reports Submitted <= 10 days	100%	100%	100%	Records
% of UCR reports submitted <= 10 days	100%	100%	100%	Records
% of Complaint Investigations completed < 30 days	100%	100%	100%	Internal Affairs
Animal Warnings	4	10	50	Animal Control
Animal Citations	0	5	55	Animal Control
Animal Impounds	86	171	1,294	Animal Control

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## Municipal Court Report – February 2014

### ACTUAL REVENUE COMPARISON

#### MONTHLY BREAKDOWN OF ACTUAL REVENUE:

	<u>2012/2013</u>		<u>2013/2014</u>
OCTOBER	<u>\$113,112.09</u>	OCTOBER	<u>\$102,332.05</u>
NOVEMBER	<u>\$100,315.25</u>	NOVEMBER	<u>\$ 71,700.26</u>
DECEMBER	<u>\$ 77,570.55</u>	DECEMBER	<u>\$ 69,669.17</u>
JANUARY	<u>\$108,726.98</u>	JANUARY	<u>\$ 95,478.87</u>
FEBRUARY	<u>\$111,798.95</u>	FEBRUARY	<u>\$ 98,452.40</u>
MARCH	<u>\$122,567.48</u>	MARCH	<u>\$ _____</u>
APRIL	<u>\$ 96,293.51</u>	APRIL	<u>\$ _____</u>
MAY	<u>\$ 91,695.25</u>	MAY	<u>\$ _____</u>
JUNE	<u>\$ 79,202.58</u>	JUNE	<u>\$ _____</u>
JULY	<u>\$104,059.73</u>	JULY	<u>\$ _____</u>
AUGUST	<u>\$ 77,019.11</u>	AUGUST	<u>\$ _____</u>
SEPTEMBER	<u>\$ 85,543.38</u>	SEPTEMBER	<u>\$ _____</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$1,167,904.86</u>	TOTAL (YTD)	<u>\$437,632.05</u>

### WARRANT BREAKDOWN

TOTAL # OF WARRANTS ISSUED 2007/2008	2,247
TOTAL # OF WARRANTS ISSUED 2008/2009	1,854
TOTAL # OF WARRANTS ISSUED 2009/2010	1,682
TOTAL # OF WARRANTS ISSUED 2010/2011	1,654
TOTAL # OF WARRANTS ISSUED 2011/2012	2,294
TOTAL # OF WARRANTS ISSUED 2012/2013	2,128
TOTAL # OF WARRANTS ISSUED 2013/2014 (YTD)	782

NEW WARRANTS issued this month: 51

WARRANTS CLEARED this month (includes collections by other agencies & Court counter payments): 190  
Cleared

ACTIVE WARRANTS PENDING to be served: 2,622.

SUMMONS & SUBPOENAS ISSUED: 4 (TCPD-4/CODE ENFORCEMENT-0)

\*Not all were actually served.

JAIL TIME SERVED CREDITS granted by Judge were \$4,442.00.

## COURT STATISTICS FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY, 2014

Presiding Judge: Kimberly Lafferty

### PRE-TRIALS – 2/4/2014

Guilty – (10 To 30 Days To Pay)	18
DSC – Defensive Driving Course	10
Dismissed –\$20 DM Fee (MVI/LP/Def.)	8
Dismissed - (No Fee Collected)	6
Dismissed – (Proof of Insurance/DL)	2
N/S – Defendant No Show	64
Deferred Probation with Fee	17
DA Cont'd with More Time Granted	5
Reset – To Later Date/Bench	31
Reset – To See Prosecutor Only	8
Reset – Pre-Jury Trial	1
Reset – Indigent Hearings	0
Appeal – Gave Notice of Appeal	0
Guilty – CTS (Jail Credit/Time Served)	0
Community Service – (Fine Waived)	11
Teen Court Program	0
Teen Court SC – CT with More Time	0
Total Cases on Docket	191
<u>Other:</u>	
Total Citations Issued	1,189
Warrants Pending	2,622
Warrant Collections	\$21,161.00
Jail Credit Time Served	\$4,442.00

### BENCH – 2/25/2014

Guilty – (10 to 30 Days to Pay)	5
DSC – Defensive Driving Course	0
Dismissed – (Prosecutor’s Motion)	21
Deferred Probation with Fee	15
N/S – Defendant/Atty. No Show	3
N/S – Officer No Show	0
Reset – To Later Date	2
Appeal – Gave Notice of Appeal	0
Guilty – CTS (Jail Credit/Time Served)	0
Not Guilty	0
Community Service – Fine Waived	2
Found Indigent (with Community Service)	1
P/T Diversion - Fine Waived	0
Total Cases on Docket	49
(*Total Includes 7 Prosecutor Only Cases)	
<u>OTHER:</u>	
Attorney Docket Cases (3 P.M.)	42
(Not Included In The Above Bench #'S)	
Jury Trials	0
Dangerous Dog Hearings	0
Property Hearings	1
Indigence Hearings	1





## Update from the Chief



**Chief Scott Thompson**

### Weather Radios

It's that time of year to again start paying attention to severe weather. Rain, hail, lightning, strong winds, and tornadoes are the primary severe weather threats to The Colony during the Spring, Summer, and Fall months, however as we have seen in the past, severe weather can hit any time of year.

In 2011 The Colony became one of 79 communities certified by the National Weather Service as Storm Ready. While the goal of The Colony is to maintain a high level of severe weather preparedness, it is essential that citizens and visitors to The Colony take action during periods of severe or potentially severe weather.

The City of The Colony Division of Emergency Management urges all households, schools, churches, businesses, and other occupancies to consider purchasing a battery operated NOAA National Weather Service radio. While monitoring TV, radio, and social media updates is essential, battery operated weather radios provide the best around-the-clock source of weather updates, warnings, and watches. NOAA weather radios are available at many retail stores, electronic outlets, boat and marine accessory stores, and even some drug stores. The cost ranges from \$20 to roughly \$100.



## Fire, Rescue, and Emergency Medical Operations

For the period of 2/1/2014 to 2/28/2014 TCFD responded to

166 emergency calls for service:

- 129 emergency medical related responses
- 3 structure fires / possible structure fires
- 16 alarm activations
- 3 grass fires
- 13 injury accidents
- 1 natural gas leak
- 1 rescue

Average response time 5:30



### Department contact information

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### Fire station locations

Fire Station 1  
4900 Blair Oaks  
The Colony TX 75056  
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Fire Station 2  
5571 North Colony Blvd.  
The Colony TX 75056  
972-624-2235

Fire Station 3  
4691 N. Colony Blvd.  
The Colony TX 75056  
972-624-2293

## The Colony's History at a Glance



In 1973, Fox and Jacobs (F&J), a Dallas-based residential land developer, purchased approximately 2,500 acres of land on the eastern shore of Lake Lewisville and south of Eastvale for a housing development. The name The Colony was chosen because F&J felt a strong sense of kinship with Texas' early developers and also to memorialize the spirit of Peters Colony providing a new way of life – a goal Fox and Jacobs wanted their new development to share, as well.

A Municipal Utility District was then formed to provide public water services to the development. In 1974, streets were poured and many were named after early settlers and members of the crew working on the project. The first families moved into their homes in October 1974. By January 1977, The Colony had over 3,500 residents and voted to incorporate as a city. The Colony became a Home Rule city in 1979.

Fox and Jacobs built and donated a fire station in 1975; the first business was a Stop 'n Go convenience store, opened in 1976; the first churches to open were the Methodist and Baptist churches; the first public school, Camey Elementary, opened in 1977; and The Colony Public Library opened in 1982.

Today, substantial business and retail development is progressively changing the landscape of The Colony. The city's population is currently around 40,000, with more increases expected in the next several years. To quote a recent "D" magazine article, "The Colony is red hot!"

## City of The Colony, Texas

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Rec Center	972-625-1106
Community Center	972-624-2246
Fire Department	972-625-3944
Public Library	972-625-1900
Utility Billing	972-625-2741 ext. 3113
After hours telephone:	972-625-4471
if no answer;	469-628-5452
CVB	(972) 624-LAKE
EDC	972-624-3127
Adult Probation	972-434-7290

If you are not already following us on social media sites, we invite you to monitor what's happening in the city at:



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