

News & Events

Little Free Library branch opens Dec. 10

The newest branch of the *Diana Kruzich Memorial Little Free Libraries of The Colony*, will open at **2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 10, at Stewart Creek Park, 3700 Sparks Road**. The public is invited to attend. For more info, call **TCPL** at 972-625-1900.

Christmas closures

City offices, facilities, and the library will be **closed Monday, Dec. 25 and Tuesday, Dec. 26**, for the Christmas holiday. The library will be closed Dec. 23-26. There will be **no trash/recycling or bulk waste collection on Monday, Dec. 25**. Service will resume on Dec. 26 and be delayed one day the rest of the week.

Seasonal clothing drive ongoing

The City of The Colony has partnered with **Metro Relief** to conduct a winter clothing drive now through Dec. 15. New or gently-used items are accepted but socks must be new. Drop-off boxes are at City Hall (6800 Main St.), the Rec Center (5151 North Colony Blvd.), and Nebraska Furniture Mart (5600 NFM Drive). For **more info**, contact **Danny Dill** at 972-624-3159.

Skate park suped-up



Grand reopening set for Saturday, Dec. 16

Renovations to the former Sk8 Zone Skate Park are nearly complete! The facility has been re-named to **The Colony Wheel Zone Bike & Skate Park**, and will be officially reopening at **11:30 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 16**. The new facility, located adjacent to **The Colony Recreation Center** at 5151 North Colony Blvd., is designed for all wheeled sports: bikes, skateboards, scooters, inline skates, etc. Join us for the grand reopening of this incredible facility! For more info call **Parks & Recreation** at 972-625-1106. If you plan to attend, please RSVP by 5 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 13, to **Kathy Neal** or by calling 972-624-3957. Lunch will be provided.

Annual holiday lightshow underway



The Colony Christmas Spectacular Lightshow is underway at **Central Fire Station, 4900 Blair Oaks Drive, now through Jan. 7, 2018**. The FREE lightshow is choreographed to music and can be seen every evening 5:30 to 10:30 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and 5:30 to 10:50 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Tune your radio to 99.9FM to enjoy the music. For more information, contact the **Parks and Recreation Department** at 972-625-1106.

ICYMI: Curbside clothing collection now available

In case you missed it! Back in September, the City of The Colony began a partnership with [Simple Recycling](#) to offer weekly curbside collection of clothing for recycling. The program is free of charge and simple to use:



Step 1: Place clothing, shoes and home goods into the orange bags provided by Simple Recycling.

Step 2: Place your bags at the curb on your scheduled collection day by 7 a.m. Simple Recycling materials should be placed on the ground near your recycling container. *Please do not place the bags inside or on top of trash or recycling containers.*

Step 3: A Simple Recycling truck will collect the bags and recycle the items for reuse. Additionally, Simple Recycling will leave behind additional replacement bags for future use upon collection. Please note, only items placed inside the bags will be collected.

For every bag Simple Recycling collects, a new bag will be left behind. Usually they are tied to the handle of a refuse bin. Additional bags can be made available by visiting simple-recycling.com/supplies, calling 866-835-5068 or emailing info@simplerecycling.com.

Animal Shelter at full capacity



Thinking about growing your family to include a new furry friend this holiday season? Check out this [video](#) from [The Colony Police Department](#) for more info.

Council Happenings

During its recent regular meetings, The Colony City Council:

- elected Place 3 Council member **Brian Wade as Deputy Mayor Pro Tem** and Place 1 Council member **Kirk Mikulec as Mayor Pro Tem**;

- approved issuance of **Certificates of Obligation** not to exceed \$14.9M for a wide variety of infrastructure projects;

- approved a Specific Use Permit for a day care center at **Soul Thirst Church** at Nash Drive and Main Street;

- approved development plan for **Cigars International**, to be located at the northwest corner of Plano Parkway and NFM Drive within Grandscape;

- approved three-year license agreement for **GIS services** in the amount of \$105K;

- approved noise variance for **Topgolf**, which intends to set off a brief fireworks show on New Years Eve. Council sought assurances representatives of Topgolf would communicate the event and variance to the nearby hotel; and,

- approved city council meeting schedule for 2018.

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