

News & Events

Summer Clubhouse kicks off June 15

The first installment of this year's **Summer Clubhouse** series for kids kicks off with the comedy and magic of **Gregg Ka-Zam** on Friday, June 15, at The Colony Recreation Center, 5151 North Colony Blvd. This event is FREE! Doors open at 9 a.m.; show begins at 10 a.m. Visit the [city website](#) for more details or call the Parks and Recreation Department at 972-625-1106.

CVB launches new tool for itineraries

Just in time for the VOA LPGA Texas Classic last month, **The Colony Convention and Visitors Bureau** partnered with Visit Widget to create a digital tool that provides visitors and residents a new way to research and plan their leisure time in The Colony — from any device, anywhere you may be! **Read more about it** or launch the widget yourself by visiting **The Colony CVB website** and clicking on the golf-ball icon.

Annual water quality report available online

The City of The Colony's annual Water Quality Report for 2017 is **now available online** (PDF).

Drain, Dress, Defend



Help Fight the Bite this mosquito season

As the weather heats up, so do the mosquitoes. Help us **Fight the Bite** this year by following proactive mosquito-prevention steps. **Dress** to protect. **Defend** yourself with insect repellent containing DEET or effective alternative. **Drain** standing water on private property to help eliminate breeding sites. This is especially important after the recent rains. Please visit the [Mosquito Control page](#) of our website for more information about what the city is doing to prevent mosquito-borne illnesses.

One month away from Liberty by the Lake!

Get it on your calendar now and don't miss the **BEST FIREWORKS IN TEXAS!** Join us on Wednesday, July 4, for **Liberty By The Lake**, on the shores of Lewisville Lake at Stewart Creek Park. FREE admission for everyone! All kinds of patriotic family fun, great food, live music, and an incredible fireworks extravaganza shot right over the water. Don't miss this family friendly celebration of America! Visit the [official event website](#) for all you need to know or call 972-625-1106.



BEAT THE HEAT!



Practice HEAT SAFETY Wherever You Are

Heat related deaths are preventable. Protect yourself and others from the impacts of heat waves.



Job Sites
Stay hydrated and take breaks in the shade as often as possible.

Indoors
Check up on the elderly, sick and those without AC.

Vehicles
Never leave kids or pets unattended - LOOK before you LOCK

Outdoors
Limit strenuous outdoor activities, find shade, and stay hydrated.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, extreme heat or heat waves occur when the temperature reaches extremely high levels or when the combination of heat and humidity causes the air to become oppressive. Children, older adults, outside workers, and people with disabilities are particularly prone to heat-related illnesses. Pets are also susceptible to the heat and should never be left outdoors without adequate water and shelter.

Hot vehicles are a primary source of heat-related incidents. In Texas summers, the temperature routinely exceeds 90 degrees. But in just 80-degree weather, your car will heat up well into the triple digits in a matter of minutes:



During extreme heat the temperature in your car could be deadly.

Source: <http://www.cdc.gov/extremehat/>

Outside Temperature 80°



Time Elapsed: 20 minutes



Time Elapsed: 20 minutes



Time Elapsed: 20 minutes

Council Happenings

During its recent regular meetings, The Colony City Council:

- approved a \$294K engineering services contract with Halff Associates to prepare construction plans for the **Phase 8 Residential Streets and Alley Reconstruction project**, which includes Melroy alley, Thompson Drive, Darby Lane, Baker Drive, and Blue Glen Drive. Work estimated to begin in February 2019, completed by February 2020;

- approved an interlocal agreement between the City and the Little Elm Independent School District for **School Resource Officer Services at Prestwick STEM Academy**;

- approved a 3.88-percent rate increase (amounting to \$0.59/month per household) for **Residential Solid Waste and Recycling services and Commercial Solid Waste services**, per the city's contract with Republic Waste Services; and,

- approved a purchase order to Garrett Metal Detectors in the amount of \$5,081 for the installation of a metal detector at **The Colony Municipal Court building**.

Click [here](#) for the City Council agenda archives and meeting minutes on the city's website.

City hosts town hall on migratory bird issues

In response to the presence of migratory bird rookeries taking root in a The Colony neighborhood, city staff hosted a town hall meeting on May 30 to inform residents about what can and cannot be done to address the problem. A wealth of information, including a video of the town hall, is available on the [Migratory Birds page](#) of the city's website.



Special send-off for longtime staffer

After more than 30 years of service, **Diane Baxter** retired as director of communications and tourism June 1. A special retirement party, including remarks by former fire Chief Van Morrison who first hired her in 1986, was held in her honor on May 31.



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