

North Texas

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

ALLEN Recycling event set for City Hall on Saturday

The city will host Allen Recycles Day from 8 a.m. to noon Saturday at City Hall, 305 Century Parkway. To use the free service, residents are asked to bring a driver's license and a copy of a current water bill.

Volunteers will help unload items. Donations of furniture, household goods, clothing, toys and books will go to the Salvation Army. Other nonprofits to benefit from the recycled donations include the Allen High Noon Lions Club, Teachers for Jamaica and Orphans of the World.

Shredding and electronics recycling will also be available. If you are unable to stop by because of a disability, call 214-509-4551 for assistance.

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AREA DART developing digital kiosks for high-traffic areas

DART announced it will place about 500 digital kiosks at high-traffic locations over the next 10 years to provide local content, real-time information, public Wi-Fi, emergency notifications and cameras for safety.

The company is contracting with Landmark Infrastructure Partners LP to develop a smart media and communications digital platform which will include the deployment of the kiosks. Find more at dart.org.

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CARROLLTON Festival at the Switchyard to feature Stone Temple Pilots

The 9th annual Festival at the Switchyard will be from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday in downtown Carrollton, 1106 S. Broadway St. The free, family-friendly event will feature '90s rock band Stone Temple Pilots, as well as opening acts Tonic and Vertical Horizon. The event includes a beer garden, festival booths, children's entertainment and more.

To view the full music lineup visit carrolltonfestival.com or follow the festival at [facebook.com/carrolltonfestival](https://www.facebook.com/carrolltonfestival).

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COPPELL Library to host events Wednesday and Thursday

The Cozby Library and Community Commons, 177 N. Heartz Road, will host a trick-or-treat event from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Wednesday. Guests in costume can receive a free treat.

At 7 p.m. Thursday, the library will present a program by Lance Tahmahkera on "Comanche Stories" in honor of Native American Heritage Month. Tahmahkera is the great-great-grandson of Comanche Chief Quanah Parker. He'll bring Comanche artifacts and talk about Comanche history. Admission is free. For questions, call 972-304-3658.

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DEEP ELLUM Kirk Hopper Fine Art to open sculpture exhibit

Kirk Hopper Fine Art, 3008 Commerce St., welcomes back sculptor Mac Whitney for a show from Saturday through Dec. 1. Whitney forges steel sheets into

LAKE HIGHLANDS Officers unhurt when DWI suspect crashes into patrol car

Two Dallas police officers were unharmed after a drunken-driving suspect crashed into their parked patrol car Monday night, police said.

The officers were blocking traffic about 11 p.m. on Skillman Street near Lake Highlands High School when their vehicle was struck, police said.

The driver was arrested on suspicion of driving under the influence, police said. The suspect was not identified.



Photos by Nathan Hunsinger/Staff Photographer



Beauties and beasts

Above: Krystal Bui (from left), Xavier Castillo, Lucas White, Brady Mahaffey, Macie Mahaffey and Adalynn Trejo lined up to be judged during a costume contest Oct. 23 at Smith Public Library in Wylie. Prizes were awarded in five age groups. The festivities also included trick-or-treating at the reference desks and a Halloween-themed scavenger hunt.

Left: Ezree Dsouza crawled through the library's aisles before the Halloween costume contest.

calligraphic statements. His work is in many collections, including the Dallas Museum of Art.

An opening reception will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Saturday. More can be found at kirkhopperfineart.com.

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DUNCANVILLE Friends of the Library to present author event

Friends of the Duncanville Public Library will present a program from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday featuring author James R. Hannibal at the library, 201 James Collins Blvd. Hannibal is a graduate of Duncanville High School and a former stealth pilot with the U.S. Air Force.

A scavenger hunt and silent auction starts at 2 p.m. and a keynote address by Hannibal will be at 3 p.m. Admission is free. For details, call 972-780-5052.

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FARMERS BRANCH Mary Immaculate School welcomes Dominican Sisters

Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia will teach at Mary Immaculate School for the 2019-20 school year. They will be moving to the area

from Nashville next summer.

The Sisters began teaching at the University of Dallas in Irving in 2016. This brings more members of the order to the Dallas Diocese.

Mary Immaculate is celebrating its 60th anniversary in 2019. For more about the school, visit mischool.org.

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FRISCO Ronald McDonald House opens off-site Family Room

Ronald McDonald House of Dallas will host a ribbon cutting at 10 a.m. Friday for its first offsite Family Room, which is at Texas Scottish Rite for Children Orthopedic and Sports Medicine Center, 5700 Dallas Parkway.

The Family Room, which can accommodate about 25 people, offers respite and privacy to families with children receiving outpatient care at Scottish Rite. To learn more, visit rmhdallas.org.

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GRAND PRAIRIE The Epic development to host an open house Saturday

The Epic, a 120,000-square-foot

fitness, arts and entertainment destination at EpicCentral, 2960 Epic Place, will host open houses from noon to 6 p.m. Saturday and Nov. 10. A grand opening will be from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Nov. 17.

EpicCentral, a 172-acre development, already includes The Summit, Epic Waters Indoor Waterpark and a Grand Lawn Amphitheater. PlayGrand Adventures, an adaptive play space, will open in late 2019. Find more at jointheepic.com or call 972-339-3742.

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IRVING MainStage to present the musical 'Kiss Me Kate'

MainStage Irving-Las Colinas presents a retelling of Shakespeare's *The Taming of the Shrew* in the musical *Kiss Me Kate* from Friday through Nov. 17 at the Irving Arts Center, 3333 N. MacArthur Blvd.

Kiss Me Kate won the first Tony Award for best musical.

Performances are at 7:30 p.m. Fridays, Saturdays and Nov. 15, and 2:30 p.m. Sunday and Nov. 11. Tickets are \$24 and up. To order, call 972-252-2787 or visit irvingartscenter.com.

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PLANO City shifting its watering schedule as of Thursday

Plano is shifting its watering schedule starting Thursday and asking residents and businesses to limit their watering to once-a-week sprinkler use. If the last digit of the address is odd (1, 3, 5, 7, 9), the water day is Tuesday. If the digit is even (0, 2, 4, 6, 8), the day is Thursday. These guidelines apply through March 31.

The city also encourages subscribing to watermyyard.org for watering tips. Find more at plano.gov/water.

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UNIVERSITY PARK Public Works Department wins accreditation

University Park Public Works Department recently earned accreditation from the American Public Works Association. The accreditation is given to departments that meet or exceed all industry documentation and management practices.

University Park is now one of just 11 accredited public works departments in Texas, with only 143 accredited agencies in the country.

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PUBLIC SAFETY BRIEFS

No injuries were reported. It is unclear if the officers were inside the car when the crash occurred.

KXAS-TV (NBC5)

SOUTH FORT WORTH Train collides with abandoned car; police can't find driver

A train collided with an abandoned car Tuesday morning in South Fort Worth.

Police responded to the crash around 1:30 a.m. in the 1400 block of West Biddison Street at Ryan Avenue.

The crash pushed the Ford Taurus 20 feet off the road, but police couldn't account for the driver. No injuries were reported.

Loyd Brumfield

WYLIE ISD Teens visiting student jailed after gun, brass knuckles found

Two teenagers visiting a student at Wylie High School on Monday were arrested after officers found a handgun and brass knuckles in their vehicle, police say.

School resource officers were

notified shortly before 2 p.m. of two people trespassing at Wylie High School. Campus security escorted the pair, 17-year-old Jose Soto and 19-year-old Jesus Loya-Rojas, to an office where officers met them.

The two teens, who are not students at Wylie High, had gone there to visit a student Soto knew, police said.

"It is believed their only reason for being on campus was to visit a friend of one of the suspects," Sgt. Donald English said.

Soto of Princeton and Loya-Rojas of Farmersville were issued a crimi-

nal trespass warning and told they could not return to the campus. As they were returning to their vehicle with officers, they disclosed that they had weapons, English said.

Officers searched the vehicle and found a small handgun and brass knuckles, police said. The gun was not brought into the school, English said.

Both were arrested and booked into the Collin County jail, with bail set at \$7,000 each. They face prohibited weapon and place weapons prohibited charges.

Claire Z. Cardona