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Update

November has been a very busy month for Frisco. It seems we are celebrating new accomplishments on a daily basis that make Frisco an even better place to live. In early November, I had the pleasure and honor of attending the **Noel A. Smith Elementary Veterans Day Celebration**. This has become an annual event and the students and faculty at Smith have done a great job in involving the entire community in this celebration of our Veterans. We also celebrated the ground breaking for the next Phase at **Baylor Medical Center in Frisco**. This quality hospital and medical offices is a great asset to the City of Frisco. I had the opportunity to visit there for a few days as a family member was patient. I can tell you that the service and facility is the best I have ever been in. We are very fortunate to have them in Frisco.

Of course, we had the community parade, which is a start of a new tradition in Frisco. Turnout was outstanding and it was a lot of fun. Frisco was also fortunate to host the MLS cup for the second straight year. The State, National and International exposure really shined the light on Frisco. We had numerous out of State and Country visitors and they all praised the family atmosphere in Frisco. Congratulations are also in order for the staff and students at **J.W. and Ruth Christie Elementary** for being the school that collected the most batteries for Texas Recycles Day Project. Way to go!

One of the biggest honors a school can receive is the **Blue Ribbon Award**. This national award is very prestigious and difficult to receive. Only 26 schools in the State of Texas received this award. I can't say enough about the Faculty and Students at Smith and Curtsinger Elementary schools for their hard work and dedication to receive this award. I am especially fortunate that my children were exposed to this award winning attitude at Curtsinger over the years. I was able to attend the celebration at Curtsinger and you can "feel" that winning attitude as soon as you walk in the front door. Smith will have their celebration in the near future. I want to personally thank everyone involved for their dedication and passion; we are lucky to have you! As Ms. Boyce says, "see you at the top"!

You have been reading about Merry Main Street and the Frisco Square Light Display in my previous newsletters. I can't stress enough on how impressive this display is; your family will really enjoy it! You will find specific information below. Special thanks are in order to our very own Jeff Trykoski. He has spent day and night, good weather and bad, working on getting this display "just right". I was privileged to see a Mom and her young children walk up to Jeff and tell him how thankful they were for his service and how much of an impact it has made on the children. Knowing Jeff like I do, this made his day. That is the reason he does this and seeing the impression it makes on the children is what drives him. Also, don't forget, Jeff has his **home** all lit up also. Due to the weather, his home light display is delayed until December 1st. Among all the joy he brings to the families in our region, Jeff also helps a great cause. When you go view his home, bring along canned goods and toiletries to drop off (last year, the drop off was next to the Mailbox). Jeff even matches a portion of the donations with a donation of his own! Jeff does not accept cash donations. He does this display out of the goodness of his heart and does not accept cash. He also requests that you send cash donations directly to Frisco Family Services. **E-mail Jeff** and tell him how much you appreciate him and all that he does for Frisco.

Just a reminder: I will start converting the Comcast e-mail addresses to the new Time Warner (Road Runner) addresses soon. You may receive a message that tells you that you have been unsubscribed, but that will be followed up with a message that you have been subscribed to the e-mail list. If you do not get a message that says you have been subscribed again after the unsubscribe message, please let me know.

HOA Directory

Volunteers Needed

If you are in an HOA that is not listed here and you know the web address, please **e-mail me**.

- ◆ Cheyenne Crossing
- ◆ Custer Creek Farms
- ◆ Dominion at Panther Creek
- ◆ Estates on Legacy
- ◆ Fairfield Estates
- ◆ Frisco Fairways
- ◆ Grayhawk
- ◆ Griffin Park HOA
- ◆ Heather Ridge Estates
- ◆ Heritage Green
- ◆ Heritage Lakes
- ◆ Hickory Street Village
- ◆ Hunters Creek
- ◆ Lakehill
- ◆ Lakes of Preston Vineyard
- ◆ Lonestar Ranch
- ◆ Northridge Frisco
- ◆ Meadow Hill Estates
- ◆ Panther Creek Estates
- ◆ Plantation Resort
- ◆ Plantation Resort 2
- ◆ Plantation Springs
- ◆ Prestmont
- ◆ Preston Highlands N.
- ◆ Preston Vineyards N.
- ◆ Starwood HOA
- ◆ Stewart Creek
- ◆ Stonebriar
- ◆ Stonebriar Creek estates
- ◆ The Trails of West Frisco
- ◆ Turnbridge Manor
- ◆ Waterford Falls
- ◆ Westfalls Village
- ◆ Westfalls Village Frisco
- ◆ Willow Pond
- ◆ Villages of Lake Brook Farms

Merry Main Street needs more volunteers!

Santa will journey to the City of Frisco's 16th Annual Merry Main Street Celebration, which kicks off the city's Holiday season on December 2 from 6 – 9 p.m. We are still recruiting more than 20 volunteers, ages 18 years and older, to make this event a success! Opportunities include entertainment support, parking monitors, Kids Holiday Store and much more. Shifts are available from 5 - 9:30 p.m. Please contact Jennifer Kimble, Special Projects and Volunteer Coordinator, at 972-292-5074 or jkimble@friscotexas.gov to volunteer!

Traffic Update

-- **S.H. 121 Update (last official update from TxDOT and City: 10/13/06)**

- **Independence, Hillcrest & Coit**: Intersections now complete.
- **Ohio**: Currently closed for crossing 121, you can only turn on S.H. 121 right now. An Overpass will be constructed for northbound and southbound Ohio. Construction started this week. TxDOT anticipates having the Ohio Overpass complete November 2007.
- **Preston**: The final configuration will be three levels: The service roads as the 1st (bottom) level, Preston Overpass as the 2nd (middle) level, and SH 121 as the 3rd (top) level. Preston Overpass is now open to traffic.
- **Parkwood**: All lanes now open.
- **Legacy**: *This intersection is estimated to be complete January 2007.*
- **Service Roads**: The new service roads to Dallas North Tollway are open to traffic.
- **Spring Creek**: TxDOT estimates that the intersection will be complete January 2007.
- **Main Lanes**: TxDOT anticipates having the main lanes complete July 2007.

-- **Lebanon is closed over Dallas Parkway**. Marked detour routes will be in place for both westbound and eastbound traffic on Lebanon. Eastbound traffic will be detoured south to the u-turn at future John Hickman Parkway where motorists will then be able to return back north to eastbound Lebanon Road. Lebanon will reopen to traffic in June 2007.

-- **Page Street** -- from DNT to Library -- plus, one additional northbound lane on Dallas Parkway -- from Cotton Gin to Main Street -- are now open to traffic. These openings will improve access to Frisco Square and the new City Hall/Library

-- **Roadway improvements** completed by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) and the City of Frisco should give motorists easier access to shopping areas in Frisco.

Improvements by TxDOT on S.H. 121, over the past year, should make access to and around Stonebriar Centre Mall much easier. The Preston Road overpass is now open, as well as the S.H. 121 / Parkwood Blvd. interchange. TxDOT will also hold off any lane closures affecting mall access until after the first of the year.

The City of Frisco will complete a new traffic signal at Parkwood Blvd. and John Q. Hammons Dr. this week -- before Thanksgiving Day. This new traffic signal will facilitate traffic access for the Stonebriar Centre Mall drive on Parkwood Blvd. City of Frisco staff will be monitoring traffic and adjusting the timing of the traffic signals surrounding the mall this Friday, Nov. 24, when shopping traffic is expected to peak.

Drivers are encouraged to access the west side of the mall from the new traffic signal on Parkwood Blvd. south of Gaylord Parkway and avoid Preston Road if at all possible. Drivers may also access the south side of the mall from the traffic signals at the S.H. 121 / Preston Road interchange.

**Mandatory Stage 3
Water Restrictions are
in effect.**

[City of Frisco Jobs](#)

Interested in working for the City?
Click Here!

[Arts of Collin County](#)

Have you heard about the 118 acre
tri-city arts park? Learn about it
here!

[Volunteers Needed](#)

- ♦ [Frisco Family Services](#)
- ♦ [City of Frisco](#) needs
volunteers. Contact
[Jennifer Kimble](#) @ 972-335-
5555, Ext. 192.

- ♦ [LOCAL ART NEWS](#)
- ♦ [LOCAL ART CALENDAR](#)

[Frisco Fast Facts](#)

Frisco Population as of:

Nov 1, 2006: 91,429
Oct 1, 2006: 90,598
Sep 1, 2006: 89,816
Aug 1, 2006: 89,071
Jul 1, 2006: 88,469
Jun 1, 2006: 87,740
May 1, 2006: 86,971
May 1, 2005: 76,760
May 1, 2004: 65,479

[2005 Average](#)

768 people per month moved into
Frisco.

*Adjusted with NCTCOG numbers

[Frisco Weather](#)

www.friscoweather.com

[Christmas in Frisco](#)

This Holiday season should be a very special one. If you have not kept up with the developments of the events taking place, I encourage you to visit the links listed below and take your family to enjoy something very special. Through partnerships which includes our citizens, City, Business Community and other stakeholders; many events are coming together to rally create that special Holiday feeling in Frisco. Be sure to visit the links below for detailed information:

- [Christmas in the Square](#)
- [Merry Main Street](#)
- [Historic Downtown Christmas Celebration](#)

Here is a sampling of just one of the venue's schedule:

[Frisco Square and City of Frisco Holiday Light Extravaganza](#)

Friday, November 24, 2006 – Tuesday, January 2, 2007 (6-10 PM)
Located at Main Street and Coleman Boulevard

[December Weekend Schedule of Events](#)

Each Friday, Saturday and Sunday evening in December you will be able to enjoy Santa, Snow Machines, Holiday Village and Treats as well as....

[FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2006 \(6 – 10 PM\)](#)

Carriage Rides Trackless Train, Bounce House and toys
Balloon Elf Caroling

[SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2006 \(6 – 9PM\)](#)

Merry Main Street presented by the City of Frisco

[SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2006 \(5 - 9PM\)](#)

Outdoor Movie: Christmas with the Kranks (**Bring your chairs and blankets!**)

[FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2006 \(6 – 10 PM\)](#)

Carriage Rides Trackless Train, Bounce House and toys
Airbrush Tattoo Artist

[SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2006 \(5 – 9 PM\)](#)

Frisco Square's Holiday Veteran Salute
Fly-by of four F-16 Fighter jets
Parachuting Santa and Elves Husky Rescue
Outdoor Movie: Elf (**Bring your Chairs and Blankets!**)

[SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2006 \(5 – 9PM\)](#)

Balloon Dude
Trackless Train, Bounce House and toys

[FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2006 \(6 – 10 PM\)](#)

Face Painter Carriage Rides
Trackless Train, Bounce House and toys

[SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2006 \(5 – 9 PM\)](#)

Outdoor Movie: Grinch (**Bring your Chairs and Blankets!**)

[SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2006 \(5 – 9 PM\)](#)

50' Outdoor Inner-Tubing Snow Slide

[FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2006 \(6 – 10 PM\)](#)

Balloon Elf Trackless Train, Bounce House and toys

[SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23, 2006 \(5 – 9 PM\)](#)

Outdoor Movie: Polar Express (**Bring your Chairs and Blankets!**)

[SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2006 \(5 – 9 PM\)](#)

Story Teller – "Twas the Night Before Christmas"

Mayor/Council E-mails

Mayor Mike Simpson
Second Term

Term Ends: May 2008

Years as Mayor/Council: 5
mmsimpson@friscotexas.gov

Council Members

Maher Maso

Mayor Pro Tem

Third Term

Term Ends: May 2007

Years on Council: 7

mmaso@friscotexas.gov

Joy West

Second Term

Term Ends: May 2009

Years on Council: 6

jwest@friscotexas.gov

Matt Lafata

Second Term

Term Ends: May 2008

Years on Council: 5

mlafata@friscotexas.gov

Dr. Jim Joyner

Second Term

Term Ends: May 2008

Years on Council 4

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Bob Allen

Deputy Mayor Pro Tem

Second Term

Term Ends: May 2007

Years on Council 5

ballen@friscotexas.gov

Tony Felker

First Term

Term Ends: May 2009

Years on Council: 3

tfelker@friscotexas.gov

City Manager

George Purefoy

Appointed in 1987

Years as City Manager: 19

gpurefoy@friscotexas.gov

County Elected Officials for Frisco

Commissioner [Joe Jaynes Web Site](#)

Commissioner [Phyllis Cole E-mail](#)

Judge [Ron Harris E-Mail](#)

Other Elected Officials

Justice of the Peace: [Judge](#)

[Yarbrough](#)

Constable: [Johnny Todd](#)

[Maher Maso Bio](#)

[Maher Maso Web Log](#)

Chamber Membership Luncheon

70,000 lights, 6.6 miles of Wiring, and 4.2 miles of Extension Cords

What does this have to do with local business gone BIG? Come and meet Jeff Trykoski, local Frisco resident and internationally recognized holiday lighting consultant at the Quarterly Membership Luncheon on MONDAY, Dec. 4th from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Stonebriar Country Club, 5050 Country Club Dr. RSVP to the Chamber today!

The Trykoski's home lighting was selected as the 2005 Computerized Winner for the PlanetChristmas Worldwide Decoration Contest and now Jeff is sharing his talent in coordination with the events at Christmas in the Square. Mr. Trykoski's past work can be viewed at www.friscochristmas.com.

What first began as a project for his parents' home in Houston then became famous at his home, and after several years developed into an International Award for synchronized computer lighting. Now, a passion and hobby is taking Jeff into business with the Frisco Square and City of Frisco.

This is the epitome of a small business gone international and what one man can achieve when a passion for your work is combined with an outstanding talent.

Please contact the Chamber at (972) 335-9522 or info@friscochamber.com to make your reservations (\$30.00 for members, \$35.00 for non members and those without reservations) or register online at www.friscochamber.com.

Join us and hear an overview of Christmas in the Square and get all of the details on how Mr. T gets wired!

MISC

Next **City Council** Meeting will be held on Tuesday, Dec 5 at 5:30PM.

(Please Note, This meeting is now held at the New City Hall at Frisco Square)

Next **P&Z** Meeting will be held on Tuesday, Dec 12 at 6:30PM.

New City of Frisco City Hall Address:

6101 Frisco Square Blvd., Frisco, Texas 75034

New Resident Information:

click link above for complete information

Police

Emergency: 911

Non-Emergency: 972-335-5505

Drivers License

Collin County: 214-733-5350

Denton County: 972-221-8081

School Districts in Frisco

Frisco ISD: 469-633-6000

Lewisville ISD: 972-539-1551

Prosper ISD: 972-346-3316

Colleges & Universities

CCCCD: 972-377-1790

Amberton University:

972-279-6511

Dallas Baptist University:

214-333-5360:

Utilities

Water/Sewer : 972-335-5575

Time Warner 1-888-COMCAST

Grande Comm: 1-877-238-6891

Electricity:

CoServ – 800-274-4014

Oncor – 866-797-4839

Oncor Outage – 888-313-4747

Gas:

CoServ - 800-566-2314

Atmos - 800-460-3030

Telephone:

SBC – 1-800-585-7928

Grande Comm. 1-877-238-6891

Internet:

Comcast: 1-888-824-8101

Grande Comm: 1-877-238-6891

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