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#### **Your Association Dues at Work**

- Oncor has replaced 46 fiberglass street lights throughout the neighborhood
- Algae treatment of ponds and maintenance and testing of the pump located under the pond's bridge
- Movie Night in the Park
- 6 dog waste stations and related signs at strategic locations in the park

## Welcome TO THE Neighborhood

John, Tracey, Bo and Elizabeth Buesing

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## Do You Have Reason to Celebrate?

We want to hear from you! Email *Kirsten at* <u>tiki1002sbcglobal.net</u> to let the community know!



# Facts about Colleyville's Glade Road Project

#### Шhat

The City of Colleyville's Glade Road project includes preliminary design work for potential safety and traffic improvements along a 4 mile section of Glade Road, from the city's western boundary (one half mile east of Precinct Road) to its eastern boundary at Heritage Avenue. The project seeks to protect the road's rural character while offering improved accommodations to vehicles, pedestrians, and bicycles.

#### When

Preliminary design work for the project will take place now through early 2014.

#### **Project History**

In 2012, the city engaged TranSystems to conduct a preliminary study of the portion of road east of Colleyville Boulevard, evaluating its physical geometry, traffic volumes, and crash history. The study, presented to the City of Colleyville Council in November 2012, found issues with traffic in peak hours at key intersections, as well as significant number of crashes. The study further determined that these issues would likely be mitigated by strategic improvements to the road. Subsequently, in early 2012 the city authorized TranSystems to begin preliminary design work in order to evaluate design alternatives.

#### Get Involved

Community stakeholders have numerous options for gathering

information and providing input, including the contact mechanisms listed below. The city hosted an initial public meeting on Thursday, May 23, 2012 at the Colleyville Center, including a presentation by the design team and opportunities or the public to review project materials, ask questions and submit comments. The public will have opportunities later in the year to provide input on specific design alternatives, including another public meeting in October 2013. The project team will be scheduling presentations to homeowner associations and civic groups this summer.

#### Gather Information/Offer Feedback

Web: please visit www.gladeroadproject.com in order to

- Submit questions and comments
- Sign up for e-newsletters and other project communications
- Request a presentation for your organization
- Review project information, including maps, FAQs, project documents and more

Email: info@gladeroadproject.com

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**Median Contact:** Colby Walton, 972-580-0662 ext 23 or colby@cookseypr.com



## TEENAGERS WANTED!

The newsletter has been getting a lot of inquiries from neighbors looking to hire babysitters, tutors and dog walkers. If you're a teen looking for work please contact Kirsten Isensee at tiki100@sbcglobal.net or call 817-864-9052 to have your contact information put in the newsletter. Thanks!

## **Calendar of Events**

- October 4th 7:30 P.M.
  Colleyville Heritage High School vs. Grapevine
- October 11th 7:30 P.M.
   Colleyville Heritage High School vs. MacArthur
- October 12th 6:30 P.M. WHHOA Movie Night in Melrose Park

#### Save the Date

Christmas in the Park is **December 7th** from 3:00 to 6:00PM. Please join us for the festivities.

## Tax Rate Unchanged for Colleyville's FY 2014 Budget

City staff presented the proposed fiscal year 2014 budget to the Colleyville city Council at a work session in August. The combined expenditures and transfers total \$37,269,855. Colleyville's property tax rate will remain at \$.3559 for every \$100 in appraised value, essentially the same rate the city has maintained for almost two decades, with the exception of an increase of less than a penny to build new fire stations in 2008. Voters approved the measure in a 205 bond election.

The city continues to take a strategically measured approach to its financial stability, which has helped earn it an AAA bond rating, one of only a few Texas cities to have attained the coveted rating. In keeping with the City Council's conservative fiscal policy of a 90 day reserve requirement, the General Fund is projected to have 102 days over the minimum for a total of a 192 day reserve and the Utility Fund is projected to have 98 days over the 90 day minimum cash balance for a total of 188 day reserve as of September 30, 2012.

Preserving and maintaining the city's infrastructure remains a top priority in the proposed budget. Street maintenance is funded at \$2.9 million in the coming fiscal year. A quarter of a million dollars is committed to the water renewal program, which provides for proactive replacement of water and wastewater lines and valves.

The proposed budget also maintains funding for the continuation of economic development initiatives, many of which have led to much recent commercial activity in the city. Funding has also been provided to allow the city to capitalize

on the potential of new development to bring additional retail/restaurant/office activity to Colleyville.

Other highlights include:

- Increased funding for technology
- Funding for additional Fire and Police personnel
- Funding for revised employee compensation program

While the city has funded capital improvement projects in previous years, for the first time, the regular budget includes a comprehensive improvement plan (CIP) to address long-term needs. Capital projects are defined as those projects requiring an investment of \$100,000 or more.

Projects identified for funding in the year of the CIP include:

- Reconstruct Kingston Estates
- Rehabilitate Lavaca Trail
- Rehabilitate Jewell Estates
- Construct Jackson Road/Cheek Sparger roundabout
- Reconstruct Pleasant run road and Construct trail
- SH26 Phase I construction
- Construction of SH26 Phase II
- Miscellaneous concrete repairs

While the average residential property tax in Colleyville is \$9400 annually, the city's portion equates to 15% of that total, or about \$1445. For that \$1445, the average household receives more than \$2400 in city service--- a good value for tax dollars.

If approved, the fiscal year 2014 budget will go into effect on October 1. The budget is accessible at Colleyville.com.

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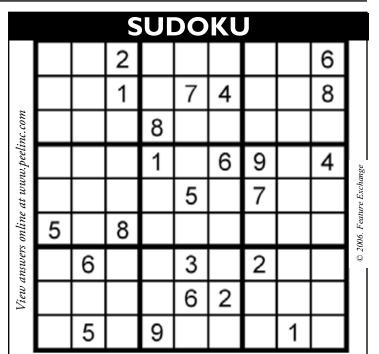


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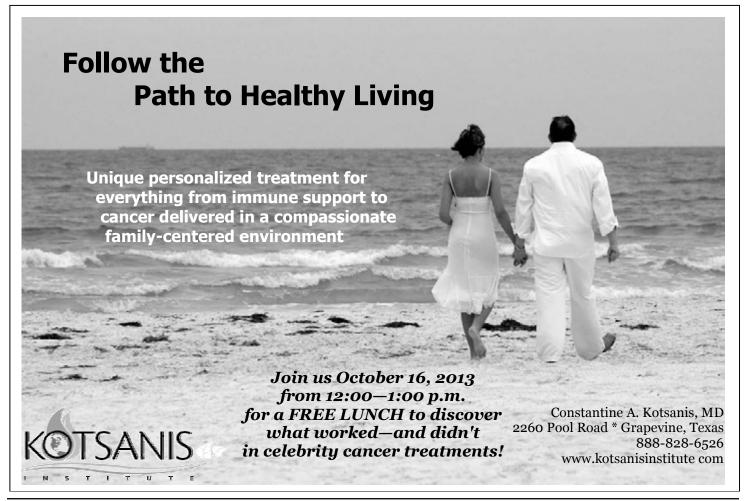
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