

SPRING BOOK SALE

The Friends of the Library will host a spring book sale April 9-13 at the Main Library, 901 Conover Dr.

A book sale preview will be held from 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. on April 8 for Members of Friends of the Library. Memberships will be available at the door for \$10 per family. Call 972-237-5700 for more information.

The regular sale hours are as follows:

Wednesday, April 9: 10 a.m.-8 p.m.

Thursday, April 10: 10 a.m.-8 p.m.

Friday, April 11: 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Saturday, April 12: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Sunday, April 13: 1 p.m.-5 p.m.
(half price day)

FREE CLEANUP DAY AT THE LANDFILL

Do some spring cleaning and get rid of your junk at Trash Off on Saturday, April 5, 8 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. at the Grand Prairie Landfill, 1102 MacArthur. Proof of residence in the form of a current water bill or driver's license is required. A \$1 disposal fee will be charged for each automobile tire or computer. Residential disposal only. Call 972-237-4562 for information.

FREE TAX ASSISTANCE

Volunteers from the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) are offering free tax help sessions on Mondays and Fridays from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. at the Main Library, 901 Conover Dr. The sessions continue until April 15. Participants should bring last year's tax return and all W-2 and 1099 forms. For more information call the library at 972-237-5700.

FREE TREES AND FOOD AT ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION

Celebrate Arbor Day on Saturday, April 26, at Mike Lewis Park from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. The environmental-themed festivities will include:

- Free seedling trees (while supply lasts)
- Tree care advice
- Landscaping and water conservation exhibits
- Musical performance by the Great Dolphin Choir of Barbara Bush Elementary.
- Free hot dogs from noon-1 p.m.
- Celebrate 24 years as a Tree City USA
- Announcement of the 2008 Grand Prairie Living Memorial Forest honorees



Next year, Grand Prairie will host the State of Texas' Official Arbor Day Celebration. For more information call 972-237-8100 or visit www.GrandFunGP.com.

NEW WEEKLY SHOW FEATURES GRAND PRAIRIE NEWS

For the latest in Grand Prairie news, residents can now tune to Cable Channel 16 in Grand Prairie or to www.gptx.org to watch the city's new weekly news show, GP Update. The show airs at midnight, 6 a.m., noon, 5:30 p.m. and 9 p.m. daily. A library of past shows can be found on the city's Web site by going to www.gptx.org/GPTV. Produced by the city's Communication and Marketing Department's Cable Office, GP Update keeps residents up to date on city current events, news, services, programs and events.

RECYCLING "BINDIT" HITS GP NEIGHBORHOODS

Recycling bins have been disappearing in Grand Prairie neighborhoods. In large part, this is caused by the high winds this month. Some other reasons may be children bin-sledding down a local dirt mound or a recycling "bindit." Many cities have reported that persons in vans or trucks visit homes shortly after the recycling trucks to retrieve all of the bins in select neighborhoods. Whether wind or villain, a couple of ways to combat the disappearing bin problem and keep our recycling program alive are:

1. Write your house number (the digits in your address) on your recycling bin in large permanent ink so that neighbors will know where to return it if lost. (Do NOT use stickers because they can be removed).
2. Use the blue garbage bags for recycling. These are especially helpful if you often have shredded paper or other lighter items that can blow out of the bin.
3. Report any suspicious activity to the recycling hotline 972-237-8061. Theft of city property is punishable by a fine of up to \$2,000.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR BYRON NELSON FUNDRAISER

Want to see your favorite golfer at one of the most exciting tournaments on the PGA Tour? Come help raise funds for Grand Prairie Senior Center at this year's Byron Nelson Championship April 23-27 by helping us manage several concession tents at the event. Transportation, entry to the tournament and food are provided!

This is a huge fund-raiser for the seniors and it takes hundreds of volunteers to pull it off. Contact the Senior Center to sign up, 972-264-4975.

FREE APRIL CONCERTS IN THE PARK

Enjoy a fabulous lineup of musical entertainment every Friday night beginning at 7 p.m. in April at the Turner Park Gazebo, 600 block of NE 8th St. in Turner Park. Bring a blanket, lawn chair, picnic dinner and non-alcoholic drinks. Dinner concessions will be available.

April 4 – The Herbie Johnson Jazz Quartet

April 11 – The Glenn Dorsey Band

April 18 – The Inner City All Stars

April 25 – The Fugitives

Concerts in the Park are sponsored by the Grand Prairie Arts Council, City of Grand Prairie Parks & Recreation Department and Green Mountain Energy Company. For more information call 972-642-2787 or visit online at www.artsgp.com.

MAKE IT AND TAKE IT RAIN WATER BARRELS

Collect and recycle rain water at home by making a rain barrel from a 55-gallon plastic drum. Water your landscaping naturally.

Thursday, April 17 • 6 p.m.-8 p.m.

Public Works Training Center, 317 N. Belt Line (Belt Line and Hill Street)

All materials and tools are supplied to participants but registration is mandatory. To register, send a \$30 check for supplies payable to the City of Grand Prairie to:

Marchella Bell-West, City of Grand Prairie – Recycling
P.O. Box 534045, Grand Prairie, TX 75053

Class size is limited. Snacks and door prizes will be offered.

For more information call Selena Jackson, Public Works Department, at 972-237-8377.

Brought to you by the Public Works and Environmental Services Departments.

TOUR THE COPELAND HOME

See how Grand Prairians lived in the 1900s with a free tour of the beautifully restored historic Copeland Home, 125 SW Dallas St., Sat., April 5, Sat., May 3 and Sat., June 7 from noon-4 p.m.

Docents will give tours and answer questions about the 100-year-old home in which Dr. Horace V. Copeland lived with his family. To get to the home, from Main or Jefferson streets in Grand Prairie, turn south on SW 2nd Street, east on SW Dallas Street. The tours are free, compliments of the Grand Prairie Historical Commission and Grand Prairie Arts Council. Call 972-237-8086.

Creating Raving Fans by Delivering World Class Service

GRAND PRAIRIE PREVENTIVE CARE CENTER

The Grand Prairie Preventive Care Center located on 1413 Densman St. provides healthcare clinics in conjunction with the Dallas County Health and Human Services Department. Additional clinics, including Senior Nutrition and STD's are available at other sites throughout the month. All services ex-

cept immunizations are by appointment only. Services offered at the Grand Prairie location are as follows:



Well Child Clinic

Second Tuesday of the Month

8:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m.

(Admissions Only), 972-642-5962

Second Friday of the Month

8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

(Appointment Only), 972-819-1903

Low Birth Weight Children (less than five pounds)

First and third Friday of the Month

9 a.m.-noon

Immunizations

Every Wednesday, 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

(Walk-in)

T.B. Clinic

Second Thursday of the Month

10 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

214-819-2071

Fourth Thursday of the Month

3 p.m.-5:30 p.m.

214-819-2071

For additional information about the Grand Prairie Preventive Care Center or appointments, call 972-642-5962 or 214-819-2000.

www.gptx.org

REGISTER FOR HOUSEHOLD CLEANUP DAY

The Environmental Services Department will have a Household Hazardous Waste collection event on Saturday, April 5. This event will be held at the landfill, 1102 MacArthur, in conjunction with Trash Off. We will be accepting the following items:

- Motor oil, antifreeze and other automotive fluids
- Car batteries
- Fertilizers, pesticides, herbicides and fungicides
- Paint (latex and oil-based)
- Solvents and other paint-related materials
- Aerosol cans
- Pharmaceuticals
- Pool chemicals
- Household cleaning products, drain openers, etc.
- Fluorescent lights (bulbs and tubes)
- Thermometers and other mercury-containing equipment
- Household batteries
- Cooking oil



All of these are items should not be put in the trash or poured down the drain (except when being used according to product directions). So check your house—kitchen, bath, closets, garage, backyard storage shed—for leftover, unused, or otherwise unwanted items.

Register on-line at www.gptx.org/WQ/HHW or by calling 972-237-8055. We will **not** accept explosives, gas cylinders, fireworks, medical waste, radioactive materials, or municipal trash. **No commercial waste** will be accepted.

WHAT IS RECYCLABLE?

Due to the ever-quickening pace of recycling, new items are added to the list of what can be recycled all the time. Currently the list is as follows:

Recyclable:

- Steel, tin, and aluminum cans
- Paper items (Newspapers, magazines, mail, flattened cereal/ cardboard boxes, phone books, etc.)
- Glass bottles and jars
- Plastic items (laundry/milk jugs and soda and water bottles) except plastic grocery bags



NOT recyclable:

- Plastic bags, toys, dishes, bowls, buckets, styrofoam
- Window glass, auto glass, china, ceramics, light bulbs, mirrors
- Aluminum foil, pie plates
- Plastic containers that held oil, antifreeze, or pesticides
- Medical waste (needles, syringes, lancets)
- Take-out pizza boxes

If you are pretty sure that an item is recyclable, place it in the bin. It will be sorted and thrown out if it is not eligible to recycle at this time. Call the recycling office at 972-237-8151.

Thank you for doing your part to recycle Grand Prairie.

GOLF EDUCATION CLASSES

Tangle Ridge Golf Course
818 Tangle Ridge Dr.
972-299-6837

Prairie Lakes Golf Course
3202 SE 14th St.
972-263-0661

Ladies Night

Women only - Learn the game or brush up on your golf skills.
Wednesdays 6 p.m.-7 p.m. until
May 21 - \$15 per night
Call the Tuesday prior to sign up.

Beginning Adult

Teaches the basics of golf.
Saturdays 10 a.m.-11 a.m. until
May 17 - \$15 per day
Call the Thursday prior to sign up.

Beginning Juniors

Perfect for juniors just starting out. This clinic teaches the basics of the game of golf.
Wednesdays 6 p.m.-7 p.m. until
May 21 - \$15 per day

Ladies Only Series

Tuesdays 5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m. in
April and May - \$20 per session,
\$80 for four sessions
Call to register.

Junior Series

Thursdays 5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m. in
May and June - \$10 per session/
\$40 for four sessions
Call to register.



Love 'Em
Tag 'Em,
Fix 'Em



Prairie Paws Adoption Center
2222 West Warrior Trail
972-237-8575.

Open Tuesday - Friday 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
and Saturday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.



Parks and Recreation Department
YOUR INPUT IS REQUESTED
Meeting: Wednesday, April 2, 2007
Time: 6:30 p.m.
Location: City Hall Council Chambers
317 West College Street

The Grand Prairie Park Board is hosting a public hearing on the 2008 Comprehensive Park Open Space Action Plan Final Draft. Parks and Recreation staff will present a summary of the study and improvement priorities that were identified from the research and assessment phases of the project.

Citizens interested in speaking will have an opportunity to offer input on the Plan. The Final Draft Action Plan is a culmination of 12 months of evaluation of the city's parks and open space system, demographic study, citizen needs assessments through public meetings, written surveys and requests and special interest group presentations.

To view recommendations, please visit: GrandFunGP.com for a copy of the proposed Action Plan Draft.

Your input is valued and important. Please plan to attend the meeting. For questions, please call Parks and Recreation Administration at 972.237.8100. Copies can be made available at the Parks and Recreation Admin. office, 326 W. Main St. Grand Prairie, TX 75050.

