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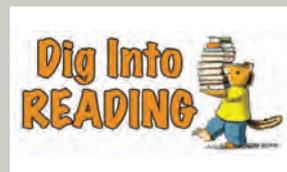
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New development makes shopping Mansfield easier

If you look around the city, the signs of our continued economic growth are everywhere.

Dirt is moving at Mansfield Town Center East where Sam's Club is under construction with an expected opening this fall. Across the street at Mansfield Town Center West new tenant Ulta will



open this summer. It won't be long before Mansfield residents can line up to get their fill of In-N-Out Burgers, opening soon along Highway 287 next to

Panda Express. Jersey Mike's Subs has already opened up shop on Debbie Lane.

And finally, the city's first mixed-use retail and residential development,

the Shops and Villas di Lucca, now dominates the skyline along Debbie Lane at Matlock next to Lifetime Fitness. There, new tenants like Fuzzy's Tacos will soon be calling Mansfield home.

All of these new and exciting businesses mean more shopping and dining opportunities for Mansfield residents. And more sales tax dollars that will fund necessary city services like police, fire, library and parks.

Across the city you see signs from our economic development program encouraging residents to "Shop Mansfield: It Makes Cents." We're making sure you have every opportunity to do just that.

Clayton Chandler, City Manager



Tourism program promotes our city, welcomes visitors

The gates of Hawaiian Falls opened Memorial Day weekend to hundreds of families eager to kick off the summer in the sun and surf of our city's fabulous water park. Amid all those splashing in Keiki Kove were



visitors who come to our city for a day, or maybe two, to enjoy what we as residents get to experience every day.

Tourism is a growing industry in our city. From the families at Hawaiian Falls and the athletes playing at Big League Dreams to the music fans at Farr Best Theater and the history buffs at the museum and heritage center, thousands of dollars are being spent each year in Mansfield by visitors.

Last year the City Council, realizing the potential for economic growth in the tourism area, approved the formation of a city department to promote Mansfield to outside groups including meeting planners and association executives as well as visitors and tour groups. The goal is to encourage business people and tourists to visit our city, stay in our hotels and shop and dine locally.

Already we've seen Mansfield host the NCAA Division II swimming and diving championships at the MISD natatorium, and next year the NCAA Division II Women's Golf championship will be held at Walnut Creek Country Club. Those tournaments mean thousands of families, friends and spectators staying in Mansfield.

So as you are out in the city, remember that being a good host can mean positive things for our city's tourism program. Let's put out the welcome mat and make Mansfield not only a best place to live, but a great place to visit.



*Best regards,
David L. Cook, Mayor*

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New Fire Department hovercraft glides into service for water rescues

The newest emergency tool for Mansfield Fire Rescue is now ready to hit the water, literally. Department personnel have been training on its new hovercraft, readying the vehicle for when emergency crews need to rescue residents during flash floods or for other water-related rescues.

"Often when we've had flooding in areas of the city and needed to conduct water rescues, we have to send crews out to multiple locations and into difficult situations," said Capt. William Franks, a training officer with the department. "The hovercraft will give us a much more efficient response during these water rescues. We can cover more area quickly and effectively."

The hovercraft was designed and built for the department by Neoteric Hovercraft, Inc.



The Indiana-based company not only built the Mansfield hovercraft but has assisted in training. Members of the department's swift water rescue

team trained at the Neoteric facility and company officials were on hand here in Mansfield to train other department personnel during sessions on Joe Pool Lake.

Capt. Joey Craddock, one of the team members being trained to pilot the hovercraft, said practicing maneuvers on the lake gives him a chance to prepare for real life emergency situations.

"It takes a lot of concentration to maintain control and be ready to move into any situation," he said.

The pilot training includes more than four hours of classroom instruction as well as 10 hours training on the water. They are also trained in how to maintain the hovercraft.

"Once we have several people trained as pilots, then they can train other members of the team," Franks said. "Our goal is to have enough

people trained so there are personnel available on all shifts."

The hovercraft can travel up to 45 miles per hour on both land and water. The vehicle, which cost about \$40,000, was under consideration by the department for several years before funding was available.

"We will be able to do much more to assist residents during flooding situations. Rising water can create really volatile situations. It's also a safer situation for our personnel with this vehicle than if we were sending them out into the water on foot or in a raft," Franks said.

Chris Fitzgerald with Neoteric said the Mansfield personnel did well in their training. He expects the hovercraft to be put to good use by the department. Neoteric has made hovercrafts for approximately 50 fire departments throughout the country.

Charter Communications going to all digital format in Mansfield

Fort Worth-based Charter Communications, the city's original cable franchise holder, announced this spring it was removing the analog format on its channel lineup and moving to all digital.

The move will require all Mansfield Charter cable customers to have digital cable boxes or a CableCard device connected to their televisions. Moving to an all, high-quality digital format will enable Charter to increase the number of high definition channels it offers customers.

"With this move we are adding more than 80 new high definition channels to our lineup," Charter officials said in a statement. "Over time, television technology has transitioned from low-tech analog to the high quality digital format. As we move to digital, we will be significantly



increasing our HD lineup, up to 141 channels. There is no additional fee for the new HD channels for customers already subscribing to Charter HD services."

For more information on the changes at Charter, visit the company website at www.charter.com/digitalNow and watch instructional videos on Charter cable channel 31.

Fireworks light the sky July 3 for city's Rockin' 4th celebration

The city's annual Rockin' 4th of July event is expected to grow even larger this year as more Mansfield residents gravitate toward the family-friendly event.

The free Independence Day extravaganza runs from 7 to 10 p.m. Wednesday, July 3, at Big

League Dreams Mansfield Sports Park. Fireworks will begin at 9:30 p.m.

Parking is at Newsom Stadium, 3700 E. Broad Street, with shuttles running to the sports park site. Shuttles will begin running at 6:45 p.m. No parking is available at Big League Dreams.

The sixth annual event features outdoor entertainment like bounce houses and other children's activities, live music and fireworks. City officials say Rockin' 4th is gaining in popularity, making it not only one of Mansfield's signature community events but a major regional draw.

Angie Henley, Mansfield's special events supervisor, estimates around 10,000 people



attended last year with more expected this year. "With the economy the way it's been, more people are staying close to home," Henley said. "We've gone out of our way to make sure that people of all ages enjoy themselves. Some of the best comments we get are that our events are family-friendly."

stadium no later than 8:45 p.m. to catch the shuttle to Big League Dreams in time for the fireworks. Shuttles will return to the stadium after the show.

Lawn chairs and blankets may be brought to the event as well as sunscreen, bug spray and

money for food and drinks. Pets, coolers, ice chests and fireworks are not allowed.



A popular event with teens called "Smash Car" was added to the festival line-up a couple of years ago. Post Motors in Mansfield has donated a vehicle that can be bashed with a sledgehammer.

"People have such a good time with it," Henley said. "They can just tear it up."

This year's musical entertainment will be Professor D, described as a party-dance-variety rock band that plays everything from current Top 40 music to favorites from decades past, along with contemporary jazz and Motown. The group will begin performing at 7:45 p.m. and will play throughout the evening until a military appreciation ceremony led by city officials precedes the firework display.

Organizers recommend arriving at the



For updates or more information about Rockin' 4th of July, visit the city website (www.mansfield-tx.gov), the Mansfield parks website (www.mansfieldparks.com) or the city's visitor website (www.mansfieldsgotgame.com). Also check out the city's Facebook and Twitter pages for Rockin' 4th updates.

City getting 'smart' results from new fleet of utility vehicles

After months on the street, the Mansfield Water Utility Department is calling the move to Smart Cars, T-3s and Segways a success.

"We are finding that using these new vehicles is incredibly efficient," said Sherry Harden, meter reading supervisor. "We are not only saving energy but saving the city money and time."

The average small Utility Operations truck that once was used to drive around city averaged 11.14 mpg. The Smart Cars now used by department employees are averaging 31.4 mpg.

Also, using the T-3s to read water meters requires zero fuel since they are electric. And the time spent on reading meters has been cut by 40 percent, staff says.

The department purchased its first Smart Car in summer 2011 along with a Segway and a T-3. Last year the city was awarded a \$61,025 grant from the Sue Pope Fund and Downwinders at Risk to add four new Smart Cars and one new T-3.

The unique fleet has also been popular at city special events, said Utility Operations Director Joe Smolinski. The staff has included the Smart Cars and T-3s in the Hometown Holidays parade and St. Paddy's Day Pickle Parade to promote the department and its conservation efforts.



Save the date: NNO observed Oct. 1

Mansfield neighborhoods can mark their calendars for Tuesday, Oct. 1, for the annual National Night Out crime prevention observance.

The event, that encourages neighbors to gather and meet as a way to prevent crime, has traditionally been held the first Tuesday in August. However many Texas cities have moved the event to the much cooler fall season.

Anyone can participate in the event by planning a block party for their neighborhood, or just their street.

The community event can include a cookout, a parade, exhibits, children's entertainment or other family activities.

The Mansfield Police will begin planning their activities this summer. For more information or to

register your event, contact

the Community Resource Office at 817-276-4756 or visit the department's home page at www.mansfield-tx.gov.



Household Hazardous Waste Collection June 15

The city's second Household Hazardous Waste Collection event on the calendar for 2013 is 9 a.m. Saturday, June 15, at City Hall, 1200 E. Broad St.

The event is open until noon or until the mobile collection trucks are filled. Good Will representatives will also be here to collect electronics.

The last collection day this year is planned for Saturday, Oct. 19.



Water Department classes focus on conservation

The Mansfield Water Department will host a variety of water conservation classes for residents throughout 2013. All classes are held at the Mansfield Water Treatment Plant, 707 Pleasant Ridge Court.

For more information, contact the Mansfield Water Department at 817-477-2248, or visit the city web site at www.mansfield-tx.gov.

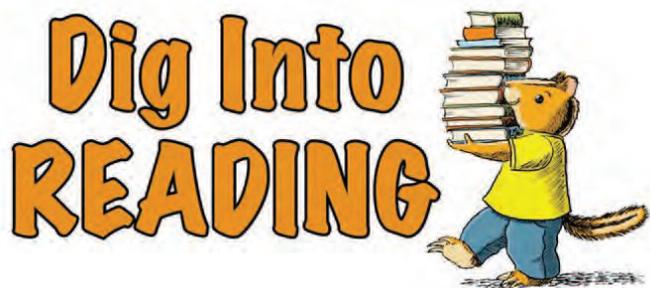
Mansfield Public Library digs into the annual Summer Reading Club

“Dig Into Reading” is the theme for this year’s Summer Reading Club and the Mansfield Public Library will be giving away prizes and rewards to students who make reading a priority during their summer vacation.

“Reading logs and all the club information will be available starting June 7,” said Assistant City Librarian, Annette Weber. “Our goal is to not only encourage reading among students but to make it fun.”

The library is once again partnering with Feed the Kids and running a Community Summer Reading Club at nine food pantries.

“The children are given free books and prizes each week if they read during the week. The program was successful last year and Feed the Kids wanted to repeat it again this summer. We’re feeding both the body and the mind with this program,” Weber said.



The library is also using the summer reading club to promote a new program called 1000 Books Before Kindergarten. Parents are encouraged to read 1000 to their babies and young children in order to prepare them to become readers. Parents can pick up a packet of information at the library that will guide them through the 1000 books.

- Here’s the schedule of this year’s reading club events:
- Friday, June 7 – Reading Logs Available
 - 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, June 12 – Sandy ShROUT presents The Gingerbread Man (ages 3-6)
 - 2 p.m. Thursday, June 20 – Critterman (ages 7-11)
 - 10:30 a.m. Friday, June 21 – TCC Drama Department (ages 3-11)
 - 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, June 26 – Zoouniversity (3 – 6)
 - 10:30 a.m. Friday – Ronald McDonald (ages 3 – 11)
 - 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, July 10 – Margaret Clauder presents “Dig Up A Good Book!” (ages 3 – 6)
 - 2 p.m. Thursday, July 11 – Tharpo presents “Silly!” (ages 7 – 11)
 - 2 p.m. Thursday, July 18 – Mark Shelton presents “Percussion” (ages 7 – 11)
 - 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, July 24 – Xtreme Kids (ages 3-6)
 - 2 p.m. Thursday, July 25 – Mad Science (ages 7 – 11)
 - Friday, July 26 - All reading logs due!

Summer Kids Zone starts June 10 with activities and field trips

Kids Zone, the parks & recreation daycamp program for children ages 6 to 11, will start its summer session June 10 with programs, activities and field trips to local parks and entertainment attractions.

Kids Zone participants also attend a major field trip once each week. If Kids Zone spots are unavailable now, there may be spots open in the future.

“Kids will often drop out for specific times during the summer or for certain field trips,” said Jill Cannoles, recreation coordinator at the Mansfield Activities Center.

The Kids Zone staff encourages interested



parents to call at the start of each week and ask about openings for that week’s field trip. Parents

have the option to sign up for the Kids Zone waiting list as well.

Regular price for Kids Zone is \$130 weekly. Kids Zone also takes additional children on field trips to Fort Worth Zoo, NRH20, Dallas World Aquarium and Main Event for only \$30. Children attending a field trip with Kids Zone will need to bring a sack lunch unless otherwise stated.

Call 817-453-5420 or email at mac@mansfield-tx.gov with any questions regarding Kids Zone or a specific field trip. Parents must register their child in person at the MAC and first time parents must fill out Kids Zone paperwork prior to their child’s trip.

Craft parties offered for preschoolers on June 14 and Aug. 15

The Mansfield Activities Center will host special preschool craft parties for ages 3 to 6 this summer.

The first party is set for 9:30 a.m. Friday, June 14, and will include making a craft for Father’s Day. The last party, the Summer Fun party, is 9:30 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 15.

Participants at the parties will create fun, holiday-themed crafts and

have refreshments. Cost is \$6 per child, \$5 per child with a current MAC card. Parents are free but are required to attend and participate.

Space is limited so early registration is encouraged. For more information, contact the MAC at 817-453-5420 or visit www.mansfieldparks.com.

Stage 1 water restrictions in effect June 3

As I sit down to write this article, the network of lakes from which the City of Mansfield gets its drinking water is rapidly approaching 75% capacity. If historical rainfall and water consumption trends tell us anything, it's that we usually end the month of May with less water than we started it with. There are a number of reasons for this, but the simplest explanation is that we use more water than Mother Nature gives us. So, out of necessity, we try to use what is available responsibly and wait for much needed rainfall to replenish our supply.

On Monday, June 3 we will implement Stage 1 of our Drought Contingency Plan. The most notable feature of Stage 1 is the twice per week watering restriction. All water customers will be notified via bill inserts, television and print media. This strategy was implemented successfully in 2011, and remains a promising conservation tool.

Residents whose addresses end in odd numbers (1, 3, 5, 7 or 9) will be permitted to only water lawns and landscapes with sprinklers on Sundays and Thursdays. Residents whose addresses end with even numbers (2, 4, 6, 8

or 0) may only water on Saturdays and Wednesdays. Non-residential customers including apartments, businesses, parks and common areas may only water on Tuesdays and Fridays.

The City of Mansfield's Utility Division has been actively engaging its commercial and residential customers with regard to water conservation. In addition to Texas SmartScape classes, we have hosted a variety of 'fix-it-yourself' landscape irrigation system classes. Customers have learned how to program their irrigation controllers, repair small leaks, and adjust sprinkler heads. Our most popular class, by a longshot, has been the Build Your Own Rain Barrel class.

For information about upcoming conservation classes and volunteer opportunities, please look for our annual Consumer Confidence Report. It will be delivered to you by July 1.

Joe Smolinski, Director, Utility Operations



Water conservation the key to future water needs

Mansfield Water Utility staffers say water conservation is important, regardless of whether the city is facing stricter drought restrictions or not. That's especially important during summer months when residents use more water for lawn care. Outdoor watering accounts for 50 percent of all water use each summer. Mansfield Water Utilities offers these tips for residents to help conserve water and keep your lawn green and healthy.

- Lawns and plants must be watered before 10 a.m. or after 6 p.m. by city ordinance, but it also helps to avoid water loss to evaporation.
- Don't overwater. Putting one inch of water on the lawn every 5 to 7 days will encourage deep root systems and make for healthier grass.
- Avoid runoff. Adjust automatic sprinkler heads to water the landscape, not the pavement.
- Don't use sprinklers on windy days to avoid overspray and water loss due to evaporation.
- Check sprinkler or irrigation systems regularly for any leaks and fix them.
- Use native and adapted plants that thrive on less water, a plan known as xeriscaping.
- Use drip irrigation for shrub beds, gardens and trees, so water goes directly to the roots and does the most good.
- Add a 3 to 4-inch layer of organic mulch in flower beds or around trees and shrubs to hold in moisture and limit weed growth.
- Don't cut grass too short. Taller grass holds moisture better and slows down evaporation.

To learn more about water conservation and xeriscaping, go online to www.savetarrantwater.com or www.txsmartscape.com.



West Nile update

Mosquito season descending quickly this year

Experts are saying this year's mosquito season started early and may lead to another difficult summer in preventing the spread of West Nile Virus.

"Conditions this year appear to be similar to those of the past summer," said Howard Redfearn, stormwater manager for the city. "We had a wet spring, and forecasts are saying this summer will be hot and dry. These conditions are ideal for leading to a similar mosquito population as last year."

Redfearn said it is important for residents to begin taking reasonable precautions in order to prevent a possible West Nile Virus infection.

- Remove standing water sources on your property including clogged gutters, French drains, bird baths, decorative ponds, old tires, boats and flower pots.
- Effective precautions include wearing long sleeved shirts and pants when outside at dusk and dawn, wearing insect repellents with the

longer clothing, and avoiding as much as possible outdoor activity during the dawn and dusk hours.

Redfearn also says it is extremely important for those who are over 50, under 15 and anyone with a compromised immune system to avoid outdoor activities around dawn and dusk. They should also wear appropriate clothing and use repellents if engaging in outdoor activities at any time of the day.

Redfearn said the city will not spray at this time since spraying pesticides to control adult populations of mosquitoes is not an effective means of long term control. He encourages residents to be proactive in their prevention measures.

For more information about the city's mosquito program, how you can protect yourself and your family and how the city monitors for West Nile Virus, please visit the city website, www.mansfield-tx.gov.

President's Column

Signs of the MEDC's work visible across the city



If you're ever curious to see the fruits of the work of the Mansfield Economic Development Corporation, they won't be hard to find.

Mansfield residents will soon be able to join the thousands of other North Texas residents who line up for a taste

of In-N-Out Burgers when their newest location opens here. The new restaurant, located on the southbound US 287 access road between Debbie Lane and Walnut Creek Drive, owes its location to the MEDC, which financed construction of the 287 access roads in 1999 which in turn led to Super Target, Home Depot and many other retailers, hotels and restaurants that now call Mansfield home.

On the other side of the city, construction is underway on a new facility for Klein Tools (see article on this page). Klein Tools and the new jobs they brought to Mansfield are here in part because of incentives provided not only by the State of Texas but by the City of Mansfield, through the MEDC.

Much of the new commercial construction you see around the city is the result of either the direct or indirect work of the city's economic development department.

The mission of the staff is to build our local economy and thereby generate revenue for the city through valuation growth and create jobs for residents. Of course, having retail and restaurants for residents to enjoy and spend their dollars locally is another benefit.

The economic development staff and the MEDC board accomplish their mission through many avenues: one-on-one meetings with developers who express an interest in Mansfield, promotion of the city at major real estate trade shows and even direct pitches to companies looking to expand facilities and operations. It's a continuous effort, even when dirt isn't being turned.

And if we're doing our job, there is always dirt turning. And Mansfield is always growing.

So, later this year when Sam's Club opens its doors, remember that economic development efforts are happening all the time and the MEDC's goal is for you to be able to see our work in every corner of the city.

Construction underway on Klein Tools expansion

Leading American tool manufacturer Klein Tools has begun construction on its new 60,000 square-foot manufacturing facility in Mansfield, part of a planned expansion of its operations in the city.

The company has purchased 100 acres along FM 917 in southwest Mansfield to add additional facilities. The first is the construction of the 60,000 square foot heat treat facility, which is expected to be completed by the end of 2013.



Last year the company located its new Advanced Manufacturing Technology Center (AMTEC) in Mansfield to focus on cutting edge manufacturing processes. The 155 year-old, Illinois-based company produces professional hand tools and occupational protective



equipment. Klein has been a leader in the improvement of manufacturing processes in areas such as forging, automation and machining and grinding.

"Klein Tools is making a significant commitment to their operations in Mansfield," said Scott Welmaker, director of economic development. "The opening of their facility here has been a success and they want to expand on that success."

The Klein AMTEC facility is on Heritage Parkway in a renovated commercial building in Heritage Business Park.

The Mansfield City Council in 2010 approved a performance-based incentive package for the creation of ultimately 585 jobs by the manufacturer. Klein initially committed to a \$22 million investment and 126 jobs with the opening of the AMTEC facility.

Klein Tools was founded in 1857 by industrious German immigrant, Mathias Klein. Headquartered in Lincolnshire, Illinois, Klein Tools is owned and managed to this day by the Klein family.

Industry Profile – Johnson County Foam

Johnson County Foam shapes its future with big projects

Whether it's elaborate casino décor or ornate outlet mall columns, complex theater props or the City of Mansfield's stone road markers, Johnson County Foam has had a hand in its creation.

The Mansfield business, which was started in the backyard of owners Bill and Sarah Lewis, now occupies a 42,000 square-foot facility along Airport Drive. It is one of the country's largest foam fabricators.

The company is known for designing and creating shapes that add intricate architectural detail to building facades. They also do work in stone and aid in historical restorations.



"It's just kept growing and building on itself," said Sarah Lewis about the business. "I don't think I've ever heard my husband say 'I don't think we can do that.'"

The foam designs were originally more modest when the couple started the business



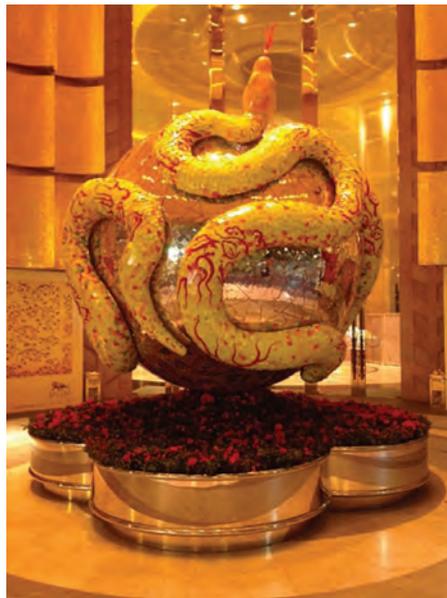
in the late 1980's. But now the company uses computers for design, cutting and fabrication.

Lewis said foam is an ideal and versatile material to create exterior detail. And when it is



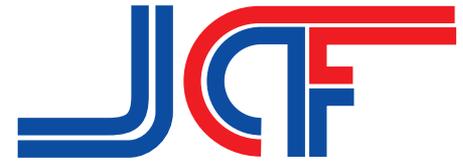
covered with an acrylic finish it is durable without the added weight or expense of other materials.

On one of the company's largest outdoor projects, San Marcos Premium Outlets, for example, the company contributed more than 160 different moldings and shapes and more than 20 five-foot statues. The company also worked on the Fort Worth Mercado project, Firewheel Town



Center in Garland and the Horseshoe Hotel and Casino in Bossier City, Louisiana.

Johnson County Foam is also sought out to help build scenery and sets for movie and theater productions.



Lewis said the company's success is due to creating new machines that continue to yield more imaginative results.

"We just keep having machines built and the next one is better than the last," Lewis said.

As word gets around about what Johnson County Foam can build, clients seek them out.

Lewis said one of her favorite—and



largest—creations was the 40-foot Ocean Spray juice bottle that was featured in New York City's Times Square. They currently are working on large-scale projects for the new Margaritaville resort casino in Bossier City and for an MGM resort hotel in China.

But she said the family takes equal pride in lower-to-the-ground offerings like Mansfield's gateway markers that the company sandblasted out of stone.

"It's really neat to see all that we've contributed," she said. "Right now we have enough work to keep us busy for a long time."

All of that business and new equipment has meant that the company, which currently has 28 employees, uses all three of its buildings but has some land for future expansion.

Lewis said the family likes having its business in Mansfield, where it has been located since 1996.

"It's a great location for deliveries and for serving customers from all directions," she said.

This Quarterly Road Report includes current street projects underway by the City of Mansfield Public Works Department and TxDOT. For additional information, call Steve Freeman at (817) 276-4234 or Bart VanAmburgh at (817) 276-4233.

Street Bond Program (construction)

West Broad Street, Phase 2 (Cotton Street to Retta Road)

This project is a four-lane, divided extension to Phase 1. Water main improvements are complete and sanitary sewer and storm drain work is nearing completion. Temporary pavement is being placed in the north half of the right-of-way so traffic can be shifted north to provide room to construct the south lanes of new pavement. Completion is expected in fall 2013.

Live Oak Drive (Dayton Drive to Dallas Street)

This project includes utility replacement and street reconstruction. Utility construction was just completed. Excavation and sub grade work are underway to prepare for pavement.

East Broad Street (Holland to Day Miar)

This project includes reconstruction of Broad Street to a four-lane, divided section along with intersection improvements at Day Miar Road. Bids for construction were opened in May. Construction is expected to begin in July and take 18 months.

Street Bond Program (design)

South Holland Road (Sports Complex to Britton)

This project is in the bond program for design only. Preliminary design will be completed for the entire length of the project, and final construction plans will be prepared for the northern section, from the Sports Complex to Waterford Glen Drive. Preliminary design has been reviewed for the entire project length. Full preliminary construction plans for Phase 1 have been reviewed by city staff and final plans are being prepared by the consultant. This first phase will include improvements to the Sports Complex entry and exit as well as a traffic signal at the intersection of Holland Road and Grand Meadow Boulevard. Construction funds for this project have not been approved.

Matlock Road @ Debbie Lane and Mansfield Webb Road Intersection Improvements

This project will provide for dual left turn lanes on all four approaches at the Debbie/Matlock intersection and a right turn lane from northbound Matlock onto eastbound Mansfield Webb. Final plans are being prepared for a June bid date.

East Broad Street @ Miller Road

This project involves increasing the radius at all corners and providing a right turn lane from eastbound Broad Street onto southbound Miller

Road. Final bid documents are being prepared. Franchise utilities are relocating facilities and the project should bid in June.

East Debbie Lane (Matlock Road to City Limits)

The scope of this project is to improve Debbie Lane to a four-lane, divided concrete thoroughfare with curb and gutter. Preliminary plans have been submitted for review.

Miscellaneous Turn Lanes on Debbie Lane and Matlock Road

This project will provide for dual left turn lanes on all four approaches at the Debbie/Matlock intersection and a right turn lane from northbound Matlock onto eastbound Mansfield Webb. Final plans are being prepared for a June bid date.

Grand Meadow Boulevard (Holland Road to Day Miar Road)

Grand Meadow will be a four-lane, concrete undivided collector street from Holland Road at the Sports Complex entry east to Day Miar Road along the south side of Mary Lillard Intermediate School. Final plans are under review. This project should be ready for a July bid.

National Parkway (Holland Road to Seeton Road)

This project is for two of the four lanes of National Parkway from Holland Road to Seeton Road. The construction documents are being provided by the developer of the adjacent property and the city will bid and construct the road as a capital project. It will be constructed in two phases due to conflicts at the east end with drainage and petroleum pipelines. Phase 1 is from Holland Road to Sage Drive, a road within the adjacent residential development. This phase is approximately half the total length. Bids were opened in May and construction will begin in June. Phase 2 design will be completed as construction progresses on Phase 1.

Miscellaneous Projects

North 4th Street and Oak Street (Broad Street to 2nd Avenue)

This is the 2011 CDBG reconstruction project. Punchlist items are being addressed.

Kemp Court

This is the 2012 CDBG reconstruction project. Water main, sewer main and pavement will be replaced on Kemp Court and the water line will be replaced on 3rd Avenue from Dallas Street. Construction began in May with completion scheduled for late summer.

Heritage Parkway (Mitchell Road to Matlock Road)

MEDC contracted for the design of this project in December 2008. Heritage will be a four lane divided section completing the link from US 287 to SH 360 including bridges over the railroad. Final plan preparation is under way. The project should bid by early summer.

Cannon Drive North

This project connects existing Cannon Drive down along the west boundary of the cemetery to East Broad Street at the new traffic signal. The new section is a collector-width, concrete street with curb and gutter and storm drain system. Construction plans were provided by the adjacent land owner and construction is funded by the Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone. Construction is scheduled to be complete by the end of June.

Seeton Road Realignment

This project will eliminate the Seeton Road railroad crossing. Seeton will follow the north side of the railroad and intersect Holland Road north of the tracks. The scope includes drainage ditches and structures and an asphalt roadway surface. The majority of construction funding will be reimbursed through a TxDOT program. Bid documents are being prepared for a June bid.

TxDOT Projects

US 287 Frontage Roads and Texas U-Turns (Broad Street to Walnut Creek Drive)

This project involves completing the northbound and southbound frontage roads of US 287 from Broad Street to Walnut Creek Drive. It also includes Texas U-Turn bridges on both sides of Walnut Creek Drive and the north side of Broad Street. Punchlist items are being addressed.

FM 1187

(Bus 287 to Newt Patterson Road)

Redesign of the eastbound lanes from Cardinal Road to a point west of Hyview Road is complete. TxDOT is negotiating with the contractor for the reconstruction of this area. The westbound lanes have been completed from Main Street to Gertie Barrett and a section from the city limits to west of Bludworth. The remainder of the westbound side was altered by the redesign effort. This project was scheduled for completion by summer 2013, but the redesign/reconstruction will result in a renegotiation of the construction contract and delay completion.

Public meeting schedule

City Council

7 p.m. the second and fourth
Mondays of each month,
Mansfield City Hall, 1200 E. Broad St.

Planning & Zoning Commission

6:30 p.m. the first and third
Mondays of each month,
Mansfield City Hall, 1200 E. Broad St.

Mansfield Economic Development Corporation (MEDC)

6 p.m. the first Tuesday of each month
Mansfield City Hall, 1200 E. Broad St.

Mansfield Park Facilities Development Corporation (MPFDC)

7 p.m. the third Thursday of each month,
Mansfield City Hall, 1200 E. Broad St.

Library Advisory Board

6 p.m. the second Wednesday of each month,
Mansfield Public Library
Community Room, 104 S. Wisteria St.

Zoning Board of Adjustment

6 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month,
Mansfield City Hall, 1200 E. Broad St.

Keep Mansfield Beautiful Commission

5:30 p.m. the third Monday of each month,
Mansfield City Hall, 1200 E. Broad St.

Important numbers

City Hall	817-276-4200
Animal Control	817-477-2038
Library	817-473-4391
MAC	817-453-5420
Public Safety Building	817-276-4700
Municipal Court	817-276-4716
Law Enforcement Center	817-473-8676
Parks Operations	817-473-1943
Tarrant County Tax Office	817-884-1100
Seniors	817-453-5420 ext. 2227
Utility Operations (after 5 p.m.)	817-473-8411

Mansfield City Council

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Summer 2013 Calendar of Events

JUNE	3	Planning & Zoning Commission	6:30 p.m.	City Hall
	4	MEDC board meeting	6 p.m.	City Hall
	5	Zoning Board of Adjustment	6 p.m.	City Hall
	10	City Council	7 p.m.	City Hall
	12	Library Advisory Board	6 p.m.	Library Community Room
	15	Household Hazardous Waste	9 a.m. - noon	City Hall
	17	Keep Mansfield Beautiful Commission	5:30 p.m.	City Hall
	17	Planning & Zoning Commission	6:30 p.m.	City Hall
	20	MPFDC board meeting	7 p.m.	City Hall
24	City Council	7 p.m.	City Hall	
JULY	1	Planning & Zoning Commission	6:30 p.m.	City Hall
	2	MEDC board meeting	6 p.m.	City Hall
	3	Rockin' 4th of July	7-10 p.m.	Big League Dreams
	4	Independence Day - All city offices closed; MAC and library closed		
	8	City Council	7 p.m.	City Hall
	10	Library Advisory Board	6 p.m.	Library Community Room
	15	Planning & Zoning Commission	6 p.m.	City Hall
	15	Keep Mansfield Beautiful Commission	5:30 p.m.	City Hall
	18	MPFDC board meeting	7 p.m.	City Hall
22	City Council	7 p.m.	City Hall	
AUGUST	5	Planning & Zoning Commission	6:30 p.m.	City Hall
	6	MEDC board meeting	6 p.m.	City Hall
	7	Zoning Board of Adjustment	6 p.m.	City Hall
	12	City Council	7 p.m.	City Hall
	14	Library Advisory Board	6 p.m.	Library Community Room
	15	MPFDC board meeting	7 p.m.	City Hall
	19	Keep Mansfield Beautiful Commission	5:30 p.m.	City Hall
	19	Planning & Zoning Commission	6:30 p.m.	City Hall
26	City Council	7 p.m.	City Hall	
SEPTEMBER	2	Labor Day - All city offices closed; MAC and library closed		
	3	Planning & Zoning Commission	6:30 p.m.	City Hall
	3	MEDC board meeting	6 p.m.	City Hall
	4	Zoning Board of Adjustment	6 p.m.	City Hall
	9	City Council	7 p.m.	City Hall
	11	Library Advisory Board	6 p.m.	Library Community Room
	16	Keep Mansfield Beautiful Commission	5:30 p.m.	City Hall
	16	Planning & Zoning Commission	6:30 p.m.	City Hall
	19	MPFDC board meeting	7 p.m.	City Hall
23	City Council	7 p.m.	City Hall	