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## What are we thankful for? A strong, vibrant community

As we begin the holiday season this week by celebrating Thanksgiving, it's a perfect time to reflect on our community and the gratitude we have for Mansfield and its success.

At a time when cities across the country are facing economic difficulties, we have managed the challenges and continue to see growth in our community, although slower growth than in previous years.

Currently there is construction ongoing in the medical district where Methodist Mansfield Medical Center is growing its facility once again, only three years after opening its doors. More than 1,500 babies are now born in Mansfield each year and the hospital is expanding the Women's Pavilion to accommodate its young patients.

There's also retail construction across the city, from the new Kroger Marketplace at Highway 360 and East Broad Street to the new shopping center

next to Lowe's that will house Smashburger, Chipolte and Eyemasters. And there's a new sandwich shop in the historic downtown area.

Other success stories include Mouser Electronics, the city's largest private employer, who has added more than 300 jobs this year and will add more in 2012. Klein Tools continues its expansion into Mansfield where its new facility installs new equipment each month.

We have much to be thankful for in Mansfield. For those who still face challenges in this economy, we will continue to work to ensure that all our residents have the support they need to succeed in our community.



Clayton Chandler, City Manager

## City honored for work in special events, communications

The City of Mansfield was recognized recently for excellence in its special events and communications efforts.

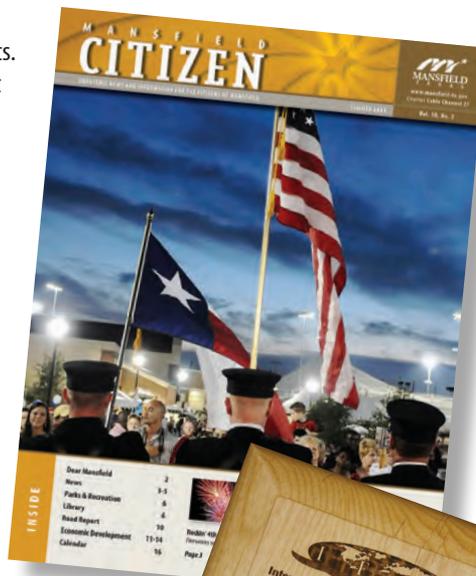
Mansfield received two Pinnacle Awards at the recent International Festival & Events Association Convention & Expo held in Fort Worth last month. The city and Chesapeake Energy were honored with a Gold Award for Best Sponsor. Chesapeake is the title sponsor of the city's annual Rockin' 4th of July fireworks event.

The IFEA Pinnacle Awards recognizes the outstanding accomplishments by festivals and events around the world. The competition hands out awards in 69 categories from advertising/marketing materials and promotional items to awards for best overall festivals and special events.

The city was also recognized in promotional items categories for Best Hat. The Gold Award honored the knit cap given to participants in the city's annual Winter Walk event.

The Mansfield Citizen newsletter received the Silver Circle award in the Best External Newsletter category for the annual Savvy Award competition, sponsored by the City-County Communications & Marketing Association. The city was also recognized with a Silver Circle award for Best Photography for a photograph taken at the 2010 Rockin' 4th of July. The photo highlighted the Mansfield Fire Department Honor Guard's flag ceremony at sunset during the event.

The 3CMA Savvy Awards honors the best in local government communications including publications, digital communications, marketing and cable television.



### City Council

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*Hometown Holidays*

**Snow, more penguins and 5K run kick off festive season**

The fun, fireworks and festivities of Hometown Holidays is a Mansfield tradition. This year the event brings back your favorite activities and attractions and even adds a new event to help you celebrate the season. Things kick off at 5 p.m. Friday, Dec. 2 at Mansfield City Hall, 1200 E. Broad St.

Last year's snow hill was such a hit that it's back again this year, along with all the other

tree lighting is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. followed by fireworks. Entertainment and food will be available through the evening, while the movie "The Muppet Christmas Carol" will be shown in the MAC gymnasium at 7 p.m.

All activities are free, although there is



a nominal charge for the snow hill and food vendors. Parking will be available at the MAC, Mansfield Public Library, west side of City Hall, Tarrant County Sub-Courthouse, and the Mansfield Public Safety Building.

**Hometown Holidays Parade**

"It's a Country Holiday" is the theme of this year's Hometown Holidays Parade with the Friends of the Mansfield Public Library serving as grand marshals.

The parade begins at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 3, in Historic Downtown Mansfield. Entertainment on Main Street precedes the parade at 1:30 p.m. This year's parade lineup features more than 50 entries including marching bands from Mansfield High School and Summit High School.



Awards will be given for Most Creative, Most Holiday Spirit and the Grand Marshal Award. Winners will be announced during the parade, and awards will be presented at the City Council meeting Monday, Dec. 12.

**Kiwanis Falalala 5K**

After years of hosting the Pancake Breakfast with Santa, the Mansfield Kiwanis Club is



changing its tune this year to the Falalala 5K.

The inaugural race begins at 8 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 3, at Katherine Rose Memorial Park. Registration is \$20. For more information, visit their website at [www.falalala5K.com](http://www.falalala5K.com) or call 817-313-4363.



Hometown Holiday favorites including the penguins from the Fort Worth Zoo, bounce houses, community choirs and other entertainment. Santa will arrive at 5:30 p.m. for visits and photos. The



## Rose Park is the start for this year's Winter Walk

Cook Children's Hospital has joined with Mansfield Parks & Recreation this year as the sponsor for the 2012 Winter Walk, set for 10 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 28, along the trails of the Walnut Creek Linear Park.

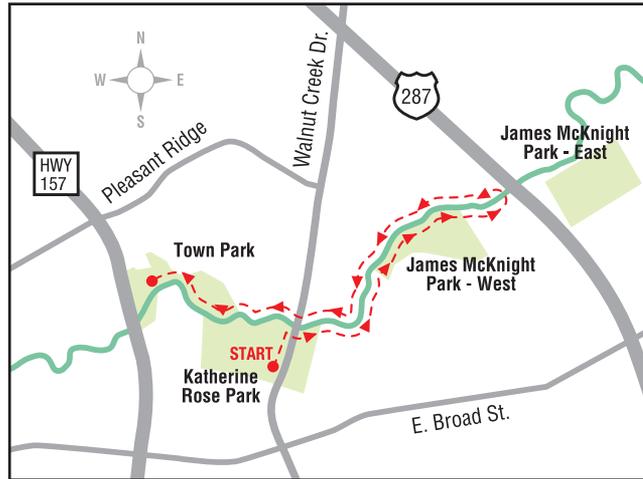


The sixth annual event brings residents together to walk the linear trail as a celebration of fitness and the city's award-winning park system. Winter Walk began in 2007 as the grand opening

of the first phase of the linear park.

"Each year this event draws more and more people who want to visit our parks and get their family involved in healthy activities," said Theresa Cohagen, cultural arts and special events supervisor for Parks and Recreation.

This year walkers will start at Katherine Rose Memorial park and travel east along the linear park trail to McKnight Park East, then loop back along the trail west to Town Park. The first 100



participants will receive a free gift. The health fair at Town Park will feature blood pressure checks, five minute massages, healthy snacks and drinks and children's entertainment.

Contact the Mansfield Activities Center at 817-453-5420 or visit the city website at [www.mansfield-tx.gov](http://www.mansfield-tx.gov) to learn more about Winter Walk.

## Mansfield Reads! 2012

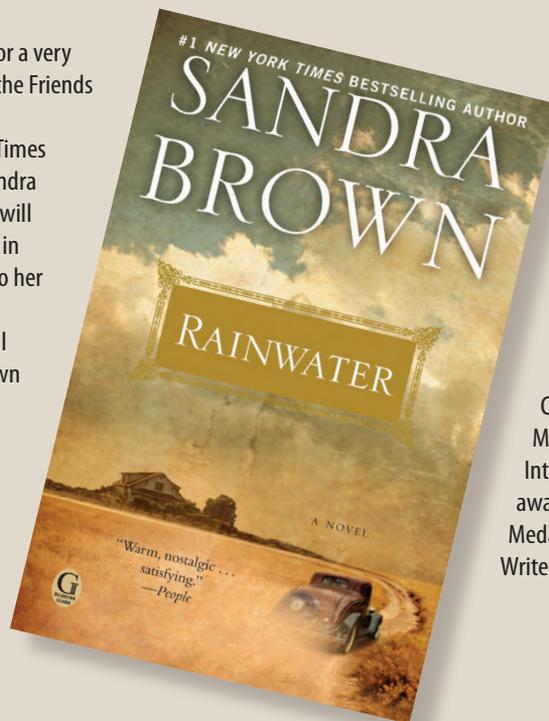
### Reading program to host best-selling author Sandra Brown

Mansfield Reads! moves to March in 2012 for a very special reason, says Paula Highfill, president of the Friends of the Mansfield Public Library.

"We are happy to announce that New York Times best-selling author and North Texas resident Sandra Brown is our 2012 Mansfield Reads! author. We will be reading her acclaimed book, "Rainwater," set in depression era Texas and based on a story told to her by her grandfather."

Mansfield Reads! will continue its successful streak of hosting its selected authors when Brown will be the guest at the program's author event Friday, March 2, at the Mansfield Public Library.

"We are kicking off the Reads program with our author event this year," Highfill said of the schedule change, made to accommodate Brown's busy schedule. "So this year March will be Mansfield Reads! month instead of



April. We are expecting this to be our biggest Mansfield Reads! event ever."

In anticipation of Brown's visit, Highfill said the Friends group will begin taking reservations for the author event in January. Those interested in attending should visit the group's web site at [www.friendsofmansfieldlibrary.org](http://www.friendsofmansfieldlibrary.org).

Brown has published more than 70 books and was recently given an honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters from her alma mater Texas Christian University. She was named Thriller Master for 2008, the top award given by the International Thriller Writer's Association. Other awards and commendations include the 2007 Texas Medal of Arts Award for Literature and the Romance Writers of America's Lifetime Achievement Award.

## Down to the wire

### Road closures to come with final phase of 287 project

As the Highway 287 project nears completion, traffic engineers with the city say the final phase could be the most difficult.

Contractors have been given an extension by TxDOT and the project is now expected to be completed by March 2012.

Road closures, more specifically the entrance and exit ramps of Highway 287 between Walnut Creek Drive and East Broad Street, will cause delays and traffic headaches during the busy holiday shopping season.

“There really isn’t any way around it,” said David Boski, traffic engineer in the city’s Public Works Department. “They should be complete with the reconstruction of the access roads’ outside lanes around the end of November. To reconstruct the inside lanes (those closest to the freeway), some of the freeway ramps will have to be closed.”

Once the newly constructed access road lanes are open, work will begin on the inside lanes. Boski said he expects that phase of the project to begin in early December.

First to be closed will be the 287 entrance ramp at Walnut Creek to southbound 287 and the Walnut Creek exit ramp from northbound 287.

Drivers will enter and exit the freeway at Broad Street during the closure.

The Broad Street exit ramp from southbound 287 and the northbound 287 entrance ramp at Broad Street will be closed next. Drivers can access Broad Street using the southbound 287 Walnut Creek exit ramp. The northbound 287 exit ramp will not be affected.

The \$15 million overhaul – which for the first time includes funding from the federal government for a specific Mansfield road project – involves completing the frontage roads between Broad Street and Walnut Creek Drive and constructing U-turn bridges on both sides at Walnut Creek and the north side at Broad. The U-turn bridges will reduce congestion



by reducing the amount of traffic moving through the intersections.

In addition to the road construction, the project also includes enhancements for the two bridges going over U.S. Highway 287. The design includes monuments, landscaping, special street lights and wrought iron fencing, with the street names etched into the sides of the bridges.

### Recycling cart study ends, council to consider next steps

As the pilot program on recycling carts ends, the Environmental Services Department is gathering data so city leaders can determine where to go from here.

Approximately 2,000 Mansfield residents participated in the four-month study using a rolling cart rather than a bin for recycling. The study was conducted by the city and its solid waste collection provider Republic Waste Services.

Howard Redfearn, stormwater manager for the city and program coordinator, said the pilot study was conducted to gauge interest by residents and to determine if the carts increased recycling within the city. Over the four months of the pilot program, Redfearn said the city saw a 30 percent increase in the weight of recyclables collected and a 30 percent increase in the number of households in the study who



participated in recycling because of the carts.

“We have been collecting and analyzing all the comments from the participants and the data from Republic to present to council,” he said. “The council can decide to approve the cart program or keep the current system.”

At press time, the presentation to council was scheduled for the Nov. 14 meeting, at which time Redfearn said the recommendation of the staff will be

to go forward with a citywide rollout of the cart program. If the council approves the cart program it would rollout citywide in the spring.

“We’ve not only seen an increase in recyclables and in the number of households recycling, we’ve seen a drop in the amount of litter in neighbors because materials are secure in the carts and not in the bins,” he said. “We believe the city would benefit from a cart program.”

## Kids Zone plans holiday fun for school winter break

The school holidays mean Kids Zone kicks into gear at the Mansfield Activities Center. The supervised program of games, entertainment and activities for ages 6-11 is held during school holidays and summer breaks.

The Kids Zone for the MISD holiday break Dec. 19-23 will host holiday fun and festivities from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. during that week. Cost is \$35 per day each day or \$125 for the week.

A special edition of Kids Zone is scheduled for 6 to 9 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 21. "Parents, GO SHOP!" will give parents a chance to do a little kid-



free shopping while they stay busy with games and entertainment at the MAC. Cost is \$25 per child.

The Kids Zone for the MISD holiday break Dec. 26-30 will be held 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily at a cost of \$35 per child or \$125 for the week.

For more information, contact the Mansfield Activities Center at 817-453-5420 or visit [www.mansfieldparks.com](http://www.mansfieldparks.com).



## Ten years of Tae Kwon Do Students master martial arts under Yang's instruction

Seung Kyu Yang isn't just one of the Mansfield Activities Center's most popular instructors – he's one of the most consistent as well.

Master Yang, who teaches Tae Kwon Do to adults and children, has logged 10 years at the facility, the longest-tenured instructor there.

And Coco Garcia, the activities center supervisor, says she can't remember the last time he took a vacation.

"He has the same sense of discipline that he instills in those he teaches," she said.

Master Yang, 46, who lives in Mansfield with his wife, Angela, and two sons, grew up in South Korea.

He began studying Tae Kwon Do as a six-year-old to fend off bullies at school. Today, he practices his moves with his sons, Justin and Spencer.

Tae Kwon Do has taken him all over the world. He has taught martial arts for more than 26 years.

His students have included children, adults, military troops, firemen and police officers and he is a member of the World TKD Champion



a seventh-degree black belt in Tae Kwon Do. He holds black belts in several other martial arts disciplines as well.

Master Yang moved to the United States in 1990 and lived in Connecticut and New York before he moved to Texas in 1992. He has lived in Mansfield since 2001.

Master Yang said the families he works with in Mansfield have been nice to him over the years. He said he has some students who have come to his classes for a long time.

Watching children challenge themselves and push past their fear and uncertainty to succeed in Tae Kwon Do makes teaching worthwhile, he said.

"Some of them start with me because of their



attitudes or having trouble at home, watching too much TV," he said. "But three months later, I see so many changes."

He currently coaches the United States National TKD Demonstration Team and holds

"I think they're afraid of me," he laughed.

## Public Safety departments host holiday food and toy drives

The Mansfield police and fire departments will once again host toy and food drives during the holidays to benefit needy residents.

Mansfield Fire Rescue's annual toy drive will collect new, unwrapped toys from Nov. 25 to Dec. 15. The toy drive is held in partnership with Bethlehem Baptist Church in Mansfield, and last year more than 300 families were assisted by the program.

Collection locations are Fire Station No. 1, 202 S. Main St.; Fire Station No. 2, 1711 Country Club Drive; Fire Station No. 3, 3100 E. Broad St.; Fire Station No. 4, 1954 N. Main St.; Mansfield Public Safety building, 1305 E. Broad St.; Wal-Mart, 930 N. Walnut Creek Drive; and Woodhaven National Bank, 1700 E. Broad St.

Toys will be delivered to Bethlehem Baptist Church on Dec. 16, and distributed on Dec. 17. For more information, contact Mansfield Fire Rescue at 817-276-4790.



Mansfield Police will collect both food and toys at its annual drive. Donations will be accepted from 4 to 8 p.m. Dec. 14, 16-17 and 20-21 at Wal-Mart, 930 N. Walnut Creek Drive, and 4 to 8 p.m. Dec. 15 and 19 at Kroger Marketplace, E. Broad Street and Highway 360. For more information, contact the Mansfield Police Community Resource Division at 817-276-4758.

## Christmas trees accepted for recycling Dec. 27-Jan. 13

The City of Mansfield Environmental Services Department is offering a free Christmas Tree Recycling service for this year's holiday season.

Trees can be placed in the lot at 501 S. 2nd Ave from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday,



starting Tuesday, Dec. 27 and continuing through Friday, Jan. 13. All bags, lights, wires, ornaments and stands must be removed from the tree prior to placing the tree in the lot. Flocked trees will not be accepted.

Residents will be responsible for unloading their own trees. No trees should be dumped at any other location.

Trees collected are expected to be ground into free mulch for residents, depending on equipment availability. For more information, contact Arianne Shipley at 817-276-4297 or email at [arianne.shipley@mansfield-tx.gov](mailto:arianne.shipley@mansfield-tx.gov).

## Father-Daughter Sweetheart Dance scheduled for Feb. 18 at the MAC

"Enchantment Under the Sea" is the theme for the 2012 Father-Daughter Sweetheart Dance, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 18, at the Mansfield Activities Center, 106 S. Wisteria St.



The 11th annual Valentine's Day event includes dancing, games, snacks, keepsake photos and more. Cost is \$30 per couple for registration before Feb. 13. Cost is \$40 per couple to register after Feb. 13. For more information, contact the MAC at 817-453-5420, or visit [www.mansfieldparks.com](http://www.mansfieldparks.com).

## Got Grease? Event on Dec. 10 to collect used cooking oil

Plan on frying a turkey this Thanksgiving? Please remember to properly dispose of the cooking oil, instead of dumping it down a drain or in your yard.

The city's Environmental Services Department will host its annual "Got Grease?" Cooking Oil Collection from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 10, at City Hall, 1200 E. Broad St.

This collection provides an opportunity for Mansfield residents to properly dispose of used cooking oil. Please bring proof of residency. For more information, contact Arianne Shipley at 817-276-4297 or at [arianne.shipley@mansfield-tx.gov](mailto:arianne.shipley@mansfield-tx.gov).

If you can't make this date, the city also offers



residents the opportunity to dispose of their used cooking oil and grease for free year-round. Contact Shipley between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays to arrange a collection.

## Applications accepted for 2012 CPA class

The 2012 class for the Mansfield Police Department's Citizens Police Academy will begin March 15.

Applications will be accepted starting January 1. The application is available from the Police Department or on the city's website [www.mansfield-tx.gov](http://www.mansfield-tx.gov).

The 12-week class is held from 6 - 9 pm every Thursday at the Public Safety Building, 1305 E. Broad.

For more information contact Community Resources at 817-276-4758 or visit the website.

*President's Column*

## Keeping businesses in Mansfield an important part of MEDC work



Last month, the Mansfield Economic Development Corporation hosted its annual industry appreciation golf tournament at Mansfield National Golf Club with a record turnout of 80 golfers on hand representing 29

Mansfield area businesses and industries.

The complimentary tournament is a small token of appreciation from the city to the many businesses and industries that call Mansfield home. While much of the work of the MEDC involves recruiting new industry to our community, retaining those who are already working, building and succeeding in Mansfield is also an important part of what we do.

According to the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, 80 percent of all new jobs created are from existing businesses and industries. Those businesses pay taxes each year and invest in expanding their businesses and providing jobs for their employees. And it's important for the MEDC to also spend resources to ensure that those industries stay here and do well. Recent street improvements in the Mansfield Industrial Park were part of our efforts to retain businesses in the city.

Right now there are 118 in the MEDC Business Retention Expansion program. The goal is to establish good lines of communication with Mansfield companies and provide them with the tools they need to help their businesses grow and succeed.

Having a strong business retention program is good business for our city on two fronts. We not only aid our local economy by helping Mansfield businesses grow, we show potential industries who may be considering locating in our city that we not only want to bring them here, we want them to stay. And that we will work to help them succeed.

*Local businessman Jerry Heftler is president of the Mansfield Economic Development Corporation Board*

## Mouser in the news for hiring new workers

Mansfield-based Mouser Electronics, the city's largest private employer, has recently made news for its success in hiring new employees. The company was featured in the *Fort Worth Star-Telegram* business pages as a local company hiring new workers.

The company, a unit of Fort Worth-based TTI and owned by Warren Buffet's Berkshire Hathaway, is an electronics components distributor with success in expanding its business internationally. Mouser currently has over 1,000 employees, 300 of whom were hired last year. Another 200-plus were hired in 2011 and the company is still hiring.

"Mouser is a great Mansfield success story," said Scott Welmaker, director of economic development for the city. "They expanded their facility in 2006, with the assistance of the city and the MEDC, with the belief that their business would significantly grow and they were right."

Mouser's sales increased more than 70 percent last year and were up more than 25 percent in the first half of 2011.



## Methodist names John Phillips president, begins expansion on Women's Pavilion

John Phillips, FACHE was named president of Methodist Mansfield Medical Center in August. Phillips previously served as regional chief operating officer of CHRISTUS, St. Michael Health System in Texarkana.

Phillips began his career at Hendrick Health System in Abilene in the mid 1990s. Phillips went to work for CHRISTUS Health, at St. Michael Health System in 2008 where he oversaw operations of a 312-bed, non-profit, acute care hospital, a 50-bed inpatient rehabilitation hospital and an employed physician group.

He joins Methodist Mansfield as the hospital begins its third expansion since opening in 2008. The company is currently undergoing a \$9.1 million expansion of its Women's Pavilion, which includes a 9,413 square-foot addition with six labor and delivery suites, an expanded waiting room and



recovery areas, and additional work space.

In 2010, the hospital completed a \$37 million expansion of its emergency room, its fourth floor medical-surgical unit, intensive care patient rooms and a finish-out of the fifth floor space.

Methodist Mansfield has more than 8,000 admission each year including 44,000 ER visits and more than 1,500 births.

## LINPAC Ropak holds key to packaging success in Mansfield

From olives to margarita mix, dishwasher detergent to pet food, the containers manufactured at a Mansfield plastic packaging company hold them all.

LINPAC Ropak, an international company specializing in producing rigid plastic containers for consumer and industrial clients, has its southwest division headquarters in Mansfield.

The 180,000-square foot facility located along E. Dallas near Broad Street and State Highway 287 employs more than 90 people and produces containers for many familiar household items as well as those that hold paints, adhesives and other products.

In North America alone, there are seven state-of-the-art plants that produce the all-plastic shipping containers that the company introduced to the United States in 1968.

LINPAC Ropak also develops environmentally-

manager of the company's U.S. divisions, said the business also responds to changes in the industry in other ways, especially in the retail area.

"If you look at retailers, you'll see that stores have gone to smaller portions," he said. "And we've adjusted our packaging to go with smaller portions. The retail environment is fickle. We want to move with them and change with the industry to provide what they need."

One way that the company has done that is to provide specialty products for its customers such



over the years. The business has had offices in Mansfield since 1988.

Bojeski also said he likes the city because of the experienced labor force and the 15-minute drive to Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport.

"Mansfield has a regional government community that is very pro-business," he said.

He said city officials repaired a Walnut Creek flooding issue at their facility and have responded well to the city's growth over the years.

"When I moved here in 1998, there were around 32,000 people," he said. "As the city has grown, they've stayed ahead of the times, and added rooftops but kept up with the roads and other amenities."



friendly designs that contain less plastic. The products – which include 35 different models of round containers plus a variety of square and rectangular packaging – also are designed to be recyclable and reusable when empty.

Jeff Bojeski, the vice president and general

as the durable, colorful container that the company produced for On the Border's margarita mix.

Bojeski, who lives in Mansfield, said the city has been similarly responsive to the company's needs



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)

### *Oak Street (2nd Avenue to Smith Street)*

Construction is complete.

### *Callender Road (US 287 to Turner Warnell Road)*

This project includes improving Callender to a four-lane, undivided section with extra width to accommodate a bike route. It also includes installation of a storm drainage system and water and sewer improvements. Right-of-way has been cleared and utility construction is under way.

## Street Bond Program (design)

### *East Broad Street (Holland to Day Miar roads)*

This project includes reconstruction of Broad Street to a four-lane, divided section and intersection improvements at Day Miar. Final plans are prepared and right-of-way acquisition is under way. Project should bid early 2012.

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

This project is a four-lane, divided extension to Phase 1. Final plans are being prepared. The right-of-way acquisition process is under way.

### *South Holland Road (Sports Complex to Britton Road)*

This project is in the bond program for design only; no construction funding. Staff is reviewing the scope of services for a survey and preliminary alignment study.

### *Newport Drive*

This project includes reconstruction of the sewer line, storm drain improvements and concrete pavement with new curb and gutter. Preliminary plans have been reviewed.

### *Debbie Lane Median (US 287 to FM 157)*

This project involves installing a raised median in this section of Debbie Lane to improve safety by controlling turning movements. It also includes reconfiguration of lanes at the intersection with FM 157. Concept plans are under review.

## Intersections & Miscellaneous Projects

### *Kimball Street (3rd Street to Dawson Street)*

This is the 2009 CDBG reconstruction project. Utility construction will begin in November.

### *North 2nd Street (Broad Street to Oak Street)*

This is the 2010 CDBG reconstruction project. Construction is complete.

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

This is the 2011 CDBG reconstruction project. Preliminary design is under way.

### *Heritage Parkway (Mitchell Road to Matlock Road)*

MEDC contracted for the design of this project in December 2008. It involves a four lane divided section completing the link from US 287 to SH 360 including bridges over the railroad. Final roadway and bridge design is under way. Right-of-way and easement negotiations are under way.

### *Broad Street @ Cannon Drive South (Kroger development traffic signal)*

This project is funded by the TIF district. Project is complete.

## Mitchell Road Cul-de-sac

This project is a concrete cul-de-sac on the north side of the abandoned Mitchell Road crossing of the railroad. Project is under way. Construction funds will be reimbursed through a TxDOT program.

## 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. Construction began in May 2010 with anticipated completion in December 2011.

### *FM 1187 widening (Bus 287 to Newt Patterson Road)*

TxDOT opened bids for construction in March 2010. Subgrade work is under way in preparation for paving of the eastbound lanes. This project is scheduled for completion by summer 2013.

### *South Main Street @ FM 917*

TxDOT has bid this project for a traffic signal and left turn lanes for both northbound and southbound Main Street. Construction began at the beginning of October and will be complete early 2012.



Broad Street @ Cannon Drive South



US 287 @ Callender Road

## 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

The Mansfield City Council meets at 7 p.m. on the second and fourth Mondays of each month at Mansfield City Hall located at 1200 E. Broad St.



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## Winter 2011 Calendar of Events

DECEMBER	1	Zoning Board of Adjustment	6 p.m.	City Hall
	2	Hometown Holidays	5-9 p.m.	City Hall Complex
	3	Kiwanis Falalala 5K Run	7 a.m.	Rose Park
	3	Hometown Holidays Parade	2:30 p.m.	Historic Downtown Mansfield
	5	Planning & Zoning Commission	6:30 p.m.	City Hall
	6	MEDC board meeting	6 p.m.	City Hall
	7	Library Advisory Board	6 p.m.	Library Community Room
	10	Cooking Oil Collection	10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	City Hall
	12	City Council	7 p.m.	City Hall
	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
	23	Christmas Eve holiday observed; All city offices and facilities closed		
26	Christmas Day observed; All city offices and facilities closed			
JANUARY	2	New Year's Day observed; MAC hours 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.; All other city offices and facilities closed		
	3	Planning & Zoning Commission	6:30 p.m.	City Hall
	4	MEDC	6 p.m.	City Hall
	5	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
	17	Keep Mansfield Beautiful Commission	5:30 p.m.	City Hall
	17	Planning & Zoning Commission	6:30 p.m.	City Hall
	19	MPFDC	7 p.m.	City Hall
	23	City Council	7 p.m.	City Hall
FEBRUARY	1	Zoning Board of Adjustment	6 p.m.	City Hall
	6	Planning & Zoning Commission	6 p.m.	City Hall
	7	MEDC board meeting	6 p.m.	City Hall
	8	Library Advisory Board	6 p.m.	Library Community Room
	13	City Council	7 p.m.	City Hall
	16	MPFDC board meeting	7 p.m.	City Hall
	18	Sweetheart Dance	6-8:30 p.m.	MAC
	20	President's Day; MAC and Library open; All other city offices and facilities closed		
	21	Keep Mansfield Beautiful Commission	5:30 p.m.	City Hall
	21	Planning & Zoning Commission	6 p.m.	City Hall
27	City Council	7 p.m.	City Hall	