



A NEWSLETTER FOR THE TOWN OF ADDISON COMMUNITY

Weekly E-Newsletter July 10, 2009

[A Note from City Manager Ron Whitehead](#)

Kaboom Town

July 3rd was great! Huge crowd! Great for the hotel and restaurant businesses! Incredible publicity! Lots of traffic, but most of it was cleared in an hour and a half.

Great moments and memories! Our photographer, Donna Bearden captured a lot of those that I wanted to share with you.

Thanks to the Cavanaugh Flight Museum for helping us put on a great fly over and of course Royce Trout of Atlas Enterprises for an amazing fireworks show for the 24th year in a row. Barbara Kovacevich and the special events staff and our airport management team at Washington Group are to be applauded also.



Neighborhood Parade

Thanks to Chris Mulvaney and all the neighbors on the west side of town that put the July 4th parade and picnic together. It was hot, but fun! Valerie Rogers sent this photo of she and Melissa Stewart with Mayor Chow.



World Affairs Council at Intercontinental Hotel on July 29

The World Affairs Council is hosting a luncheon and program on Wednesday, July 29th that will feature Mark Hurd. Mr. Hurd is the Chairman and CEO of Hewlett Packard and he will be speaking about HP's strategic focus and how they have concentrated their investments on three long-term growth opportunities: next generation enterprise data center architecture and services; technologies for always connected, always personal mobile experiences; and a broad transition from analog to digital imaging and printing across the consumer, commercial and industrial markets.

The luncheon is \$45 for members and \$60 for non members. Members of Addison Perks will receive a special offer next week that will enable them to attend the lunch and program at a discounted rate of \$45. So, if you haven't joined Addison Perks and would like to, go to <http://www.addisontexas.net/> and join. The World Affairs Council is our new partner in WorldFest that will be on October 24th and 25th in Addison Circle Park. They have excellent programs all of the time and I would suggest you check out their website at www.dfwworld.org and consider membership in this great organization. I hope we can have a good representation from Addison and the North Dallas area at the luncheon on the 29th. It should be really interesting.

Addison Midday Rotary Club

Neil Hewitt will be the 2009-10 President of the Addison Midday Rotary club that meets each Tuesday at noon at the Crowne Plaza Hotel at Midway and Proton. The installation banquet was last week at the Blue Mesa Restaurant in the Village on the Parkway.

We have two Rotary Clubs in Addison. The original club meets on Friday mornings at 7:30 at Lawry's on Dallas Parkway.

Neil is a long time Addison resident who has been involved in a number of civic efforts including the Addison Arbor Foundation.

Extended Hours at the Outdoor Pool

We are trying extended hours at the outdoor pool in response to some of the parents with small children. We are opening at 10:00 A.M., which is two hours earlier, on Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday. It is not quite so hot at 10 o'clock versus high noon in Texas. Plus it doesn't conflict with nap time, so it is better for the younger set. If people respond positively to the change, we will consider making that a permanent change.

The 2009-10 Municipal Budget

The Town's charter requires that the City Manager file a budget with the City Council by July 31st of each year. That budget is generally a continuation of conversations with the Council on the City Manager's thoughts about the budget for the coming year. We have had a two day work session where each department discussed their potential needs with the City Council and then the process continues throughout the summer. All of the meetings we have are open to the public and are advertised at least 72 hours in advance on our web site. So, we will be continuing this process and you are welcome to sit in on any portion of it you are interested.

The Town's budget year starts on October 1 and goes through September 30, so we generally adopt the budget at the last council meeting in September. We have already been able to make numerous cuts in the budget we are operating under now in anticipation of tighter revenues next year. My initial thought is that we will be able to continue to offer an outstanding level of service at a very similar cost to this year.

We do want to continue to invest in the community and spend money where we know it will produce results and encourage investment. We should be able to do the things we need to keep Addison a premier destination and operate in a cost effective manner.

The City Council makes the final decision on the budget after listening to months of input from citizens, the business community and the town staff.

[A Note from Police Chief Ron Davis](#)

Kaboom Town is a great event for the Town but we in police always breathe a sigh of relief when it's over! This year with record crowds and temperatures we had no significant event-related issues and were able to restore all the roads to normal traffic flow by 11:30 pm (the average for the last few years). As I am every year, I am proud of the job our staff members and the 200 (+) officers we hire from other cities who get traffic back to normal in around an hour and a half! To better understand why I think an hour and a half is such a significant accomplishment; consider another event that is smaller than Kaboom, but has a reputation for equally bad traffic jams, The Texas Motor Speedway.

After all, the Speedway is placed close to three high volume roadways, traffic is not trying to re-enter the event site at the same time people are leaving and there is only one main parking lot with fixed exit points to deal with..... sounds like a dream to me! Contrast with Kaboom where we have up to 300,000 people in attendance without easy access to multiple freeways. Throw in the competition between vehicles trying to leave at the same time people are driving back to Addison and compound that problem with every conceivable parking lot or vacant lot feeding uncontrolled cross traffic into our major exit arteries! So if you look at Kaboom traffic in the perspective of another major event site with far better infrastructure to control traffic, I hope you can appreciate our challenges.

On another subject, we had our second residential burglary in the Oaks North/Bellbrook neighborhood this week. The good news is that thanks to an alert resident who called in and reported suspicious activity, some great work by Patrol and long hours by our Criminal Investigative Section over the weekend, we made several arrests! Our detectives also executed a warrant on Wednesday at a house in Dallas where one of the suspects lives. More arrests are likely in what appears to be a significant burglary ring that has been operating in the North Dallas area. Both of the Addison burglaries and the attempted burglary I mentioned week before last appear to have been committed by this group of suspects. Again, this all started with a call from a resident who saw something that didn't look right and took the time to call.

Offenses for Town June 28 - July 4, 2009

ARRESTS	Apartments	All Other Areas
Arrest Clear Offenses 49	Addison Circle 4	
Arrest 38	Assault 2	
TOTAL 87	Harassment 1	
	Theft 1	
Single Family Homes		
Addison Place 0	Bent Tree/Ledgemont 2	
	Burglary of motor vehicle 1	
	Theft of vehicle 1	
Les Lacs 1	BHC/Spring Valley/Marsh 4	
Traffic 1	Assault 2	
	Burglary of motor vehicle 1	
	Violate protection order 1	
	Camden 2	
	Assault 1	
	Theft of Vehicle 1	
	Mirada 0	
	Sojourn/Addison Rd 3	
	Aggravated assault 1	
	Burglary of motor vehicle 1	
	Criminal mischief 1	
	Waterford Court 2	
	Public intoxication	
	Traffic	
TOTAL 3	TOTAL 17	TOTAL 61

[New DISD School in Addison - Public Information Meeting](#)

Please join the Town of Addison and DISD officials along with the architects to learn more about the new school and its design, Wednesday, July 15, 2009 at the Addison Athletic Club; 6:30 PM.

Childcare services will be provided on site during the meeting. Please contact the Athletic Club staff in advance at 972-450-7048 if you wish to attend the meeting and use childcare services.

For more information visit

http://www.addisontx.gov/repository/unmanaged_content/reports/City%20Managers%20Department/Reports/DISDMeetingSign-AthleticClub-07-09-09.pdf

[Summer Series](#)



[July Jazz](#)

Listen to some of the areas top jazz musicians while you picnic or dine at one of the Addison Circle restaurants, every Saturday in July. Admission is FREE. Located at Beckert Park (formerly Esplanade Park) and beginning at 8:00 pm.

July 11 - Natural Bridge
July 18 - Joseph Vincelli
July 25 - Breggett Rideau

[Visit this site for additional details](#)

[Cavanaugh Flight Museum - B-24 Rides](#)

Cavanaugh Flight Museum is now taking B-24 Ride Reservations for Saturday, July 25th.

Imagine 1944, crawling up into a B-24 Liberator. You are one of a ten man flight crew, young, far from home, climbing to altitude, 30 degrees below zero, flying missions in the fight to defeat tyranny and defend freedom. Experience flight on the Commemorative Air Force B-24A Liberator. Hear the rumble and roar of the engines, feel the wind in your face.

Honor the men and women of that era who rallied when America asked. our flight donation keeps the memories alive by supporting this historic aircraft. Keep 'em flying!

For more information visit <http://www.cafb29b24.org/a/Book-A-Ride.htm>.

[Ferrari's Italian Villa](#)

July Sardinian Menu

Experience July in Sardinia at Ferrari's Italian Villa.

Monday through Thursday during the month of July, Francesco Secchi (who is from Sardinia) has devised a bill of fare that showcases Sardinian cuisine with wine - Vermentino (white) or Cannonau (red).

Each dish, which includes a glass of wine, is \$25.00.

[Click here to view the menu.](#)

[Chamberlain's Restaurant Specials](#)

July 6th
through
August 12

Chamberlain's Fish Market Grill will offer 1/2 price Steak & Crab Leg Special. \$24.95 per person plus tax and gratuity (regular price \$49.95 per person). Available only Sunday, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday during these dates. Not available with any other offers, promotions, coupons or discounts.

[Chamberlain's Fish Market Grill](#)

[Addison Perks](#)

Addison is always a blast with tons of things to see and do, but we really light up the sky with Kaboom Town! and our Addison Perks for July, "Blast off with Burgers!" There's nothing more patriotic than sharing your July with family, friends and fabulous burgers from any of our fantastic eateries!

The following restaurants are participating this month:

Burger House Hamburgers
Great Outdoors Sub Shop
Humperdink's
J's Breakfast & Burgers
Joe's Italian Cafe
Logan's
May Dragon
McDonald's
Stadium Cafe
Topz Healthier Burger Grill
Vernon's Grille



Click on the link below to sign-up and stay tuned for next months great offers from Addison Perks.

To sign-up for ADDISON PERKS click here <http://www.addisontexas.net/>

[Upcoming Meetings](#)

For a listing of upcoming 2009 Town Council meetings [click here](#).

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