



A NEWSLETTER FOR THE TOWN OF ADDISON COMMUNITY

Weekly E-Newsletter July 31, 2009

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

Taste Dance Addison Style

Don't forget about the Dance Council's presentation this Sunday at 2:00 P.M. at the Conference Center. Four groups will be dancing and you will get to learn the dances too. It only cost \$8 for adults, \$6 for Seniors and Students and children under 5 are free. Save me a dance!

Parsonage replacement at White Rock Chapel

United Dominion Real Estate Investment Trust, Andrus Construction, and a host of subcontractors are building the Vitruvian project. They have also built a relationship with the White Rock Chapel down on Celestial and Winnwood. They have been working together to build a new building to replace the old dilapidated parsonage that was on site. The new building will allow them to have space for Sunday school, small receptions and other church functions. All of the labor, materials and services are being donated by UDR, Andrus and the subs as a community project for their employees. They had a kick off barbeque for the employees on the 17th, but I am just getting around to looking at the photos. That is the bad thing about digital photography, you take lots of photos, but it is hard to get time to do anything with them. I will try to be more timely.



Council members Kimberly Lay, Blake Clemens, and Mayor Joe Chow joined Tom Lamberth of UDR at the barbeque



Elbert Wynn an elder of the church joined Pastor Forward and spoke to the employees about the history of the church and its importance to the congregation

Mayor Chow speaks at the Addison Midday Rotary Club

The Mayor spoke at the Tuesday meeting and told about how he came to America from Taiwan and learned the restaurant business, insurance business and real estate business. He spoke of his great affection for the country and how hard work and determination are rewarded here. He then gave an update on the town and the projects for the coming year.



The Mayor joined Al Angel, Bruce Arfsten and Randy Newsome for lunch



The Addison Midday Club meets at the Crowne Plaza on Tuesday at Noon

The 2009-10 Budget was filed today

I filed the City Managers recommended budget with the City Secretary today as required by the charter. We have been working on it for the last couple of months, but we have two months to go. I hope you will take a minute to look at it and share any comments or thoughts you might have. We experienced the largest reduction in appraised value of any city in Dallas County. 1% was residential and 10% was commercial and personal property. Addison enjoys having a great commercial property base in good times, but we have a tendency to suffer most in tough economic times. We know that and have built high reserves to address the situation. When we run our financial models we show reserves being reduced, but those scenarios are a worst case scenario and assume that basically nothing good is going to happen for five years. We do that intentionally, so we can understand what the bottom would look like, but we do have the ability to change the tax rate, change the progression of some projects, find efficiencies, work differently, promote business better and generally be a participant in the destiny of the town, not just a spectator standing on the sidelines. That is consistent with the personality of the community and the way we have always approached budgeting. We have been through these times before. We are open to discuss any ideas or thoughts you might have. Of course, the Mayor and City Council will make the final decision after weighing all of the information and input. You can access the budget proposal on line by clicking on the link below or you can pick up a hard copy at Town Hall. Have a good week.

[City Manager's Recommended Budget for 2009-10](#)

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

Some of you may have seen the news where we received three officers from a Stimulus Grant of around \$700,000! We plan to use two of the officers to expand our Hotel/Business Retention Unit and the third to serve as a Community Liaison / Problem solver in our large New Urban areas. To be honest I was hoping for one officer, considered two a real win but all three is a bona fide homerun! This grant had a pretty short timeline for turnaround and without the help of my assistant Joni Ramsey and the folks at Finance I am not sure we could have completed it on time, a great team effort!

I wanted to pass on to you a bit of internal correspondence that recognizes some of the fine work done everyday by our folks. While true this is "their job" it just reflects the everyday occurrence of going that extra step! This particular case, like so many others, was started by some on the ball patrol work by Officer Kyle Wheatly; and followed up with hours of logging evidence, getting and executing search warrants and concluded with some persistent detective work that allowed us to move the charge up to the Federal level which is not an easy task. Thanks to Detective Truman Akins we were able to present the case to the FBI in a neat package with all the loose ends tied up. All in all a good bit of work that put someone out of business that impacts all of us as consumers in the pocket book! The e-mail exchange below was to me from our CIS Lieutenant Paul Spencer.

From Lieutenant Spencer to me:

Truman did not take enough credit for this one. He has probably well over 100 man hours invested in this case. Because of his hard work, well-organized presentation, and attention to detail, the FBI jumped all over it. Once again our people made us (department) look very good.

PS

-----Original Message-----

From: Truman Akins

Sent: Wednesday, July 29, 2009 1:29 PM

To: Joe Castaldo

Cc: Paul Spencer

Subject: report 09-XXXX

Sergeant, I reviewed with the FBI the XXX case (report# 09-XXX) of Theft of Trade Secrets. The FBI agents agreed to accept the case and to work it on the Federal level. I will be closing out our case as exceptional, and will provide them assistance if they require anything during their investigation.

Detective Truman Akins

**Offenses for Town
July 19 - 25, 2009**

ARRESTS	
Arrest Clear Offenses	32
Arrest	37
TOTAL	69
Single Family Homes	
Addison Place	0
Assault	
Les Lacs	0
Midway Meadows	2
Criminal Mischief	1
Harassment	1
Oaks North/Bellbrook	0
TOTAL	2

Apartments	
Addison Circle	1
Criminal Mischief	1
Bent Tree/Ledgemont	1
Assault	1
BHC/Spring Valley/Marsh	1
Assault	1
Camden	0
Mirada	0
Sojourn/Addison Rd	1
Theft of vehicle	1
Waterford Court	0
TOTAL	4

All Other Areas	
Assault	5
Burglary commercial	2
Burglary motor vehicle	6
Credit card abuse	0
Criminal mischief	3
Driving under influence	0
Driving while intoxicated	6
Driving while license invalid	2
Embezzlement	0
Fraud	2
Graffiti	0
Indecent exposure	0
Injury child-elderly	0
Public intoxication	12
Possession controlled substance	1
Possession marijuana	1
Possession paraphernalia	0
Theft	8
Theft of service	1
Theft of vehicle	1
Traffic	4
TOTAL	54

Share a cup of coffee with the Mayor - note new time

You are cordially invited to have "Coffee with the Mayor"

Date: Tuesday, August 4
 Time: **5:30 p.m.**
 Location: Town Hall, 5300 Belt Line Road



[Taste Dance - Addison Style!](#)



Dance Council will host four companies showcasing dance from around the world. This is a wonderful program and an opportunity to learn some new dance steps. Make plans to attend Sunday, August 2nd from 2:00 to 4:00 pm. The event will be held at the Addison Conference & Theatre Centre at 15650 Addison Road and will showcase the following:

Gocha & Shoreno Centre of Dance
Maguire School of Irish Dance
Dallas Ballet Company
J. K. Wong Kungfu Tai Chi Academy (Lion Dance)

For more information visit www.thedancecouncil.org

[WaterTower Theatre](#)



[Unnecessary Farce](#)

Paul Slade Smith

In a cheap motel room, an embezzling mayor meets with his female accountant while two undercover cops wait in the room next door to videotape the tryst. But there's some confusion as to who's in which room, who's being videotaped, who's taken the money, who's hired a hit man, and why the accountant keeps running around in her underwear. In the grand tradition of *Noises Off*, *Unnecessary Farce* is a side-splitting comedy sure to have you rolling in the aisles with laughter.

Visit <http://www.watertowetheatre.org/> for more info.

Summer Series



Summer Salsa

NOW SATURDAYS IN AUGUST - Spice up your Saturday nights in August with live salsa music. Learn to salsa dance from the experts at The Dance Council.

SCHEDULE: 7 PM - Salsa dance lessons;
8 PM - Concert
LOCATION: Beckert Park (formerly Esplanade Park)
ADMISSION: Free

August 1 El Grupo Changui de Denton
August 8 Salero
August 15 Sazon
August 22 Clave y Sabor
August 29 Mi Son, Mi Son, Mi Son

[Visit this site for additional details](#)



Chamberlain's - Celebrating Restaurant Week

Chamberlain's Fish Market Grill and Chamberlain's Steak and Chop House

Preview Week - August 14-16

~ Three Courses Food with 10 Cane Rum "Electric Lemonade"

\$40.00 per person

Wine \$16.50 additional per person

(Any Three Glasses of Wine from the Restaurant Week Menu)

~ Specialty Course \$5.00 additional per person ~

Restaurant Week - August 17-30

~ Three Courses Food \$35.00 per person ~

~ Three Courses Wine \$16.50 additional per person ~

(Any Three Glasses of Wine from the Restaurant Week Menu)

~ Specialty Course \$5.00 additional per person ~

To view the menu for each restaurant, click here:

[Chamberlain's Fish Market Grill](#)

[Chamberlain's Steak and Chop House](#)

[Kittrell/Riffkind - Artist Demonstration Announcement](#)

Kittrell/Riffkind - Artist Demonstration

Kittrell/Riffkind invites you to join artist Steve Scherer as he manipulates glass using a torch in the studio. Steve is best known for the fantastic glass creatures that he creates within clear glass orbs.

Grab a friend, come by on August 7 from 4:00 to 8:00 pm, meet the artist and watch the magic as he transforms molten glass into objects of beauty!

5100 Belt Line Road, Suite820
www.kittrellriffkind.com

972-239-7657



[Addison Perks](#)

August is full of fun as we celebrate summer in the city! Light up the night and your taste buds when we get hot with Summer Salsa and Latin restaurants for our August Addison Perks - "Tasty Tango." Spice up your evening with this dining and dancing in Addison!

Blue Mesa Grill
Cantina Laredo
Farnatchi
Greenz Salads
Humperdink's
Los Lupes Mexican Restaurant
Manny's Uptown Tex-Mex Restaurant
Masaryk Modern Mexican Kitchen
May Dragon
Mi Taquito Tex Mex
Taco Bueno
ZuZu Handmade Mexican Food



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](#) .

[Comments? Suggestions?](#)

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[CLICK HERE](#) to subscribe.