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Carrollton’s Free Festival at the Switchyard - Nov. 2

The 4th annual Carrollton Festival at the Switchyard will take place outdoors on the Downtown Carrollton Square, steps away from the Downtown Carrollton DART station and will feature live entertainment from headliners Sugar Ray and Smash Mouth, along with Vallejo, Blaze of Glory, Breckenridge, Josh Vietti, John Wehlage Trio, Jack Grimm, Southeast Breeze, and an array of children’s entertainers.

In addition to the exciting concerts, great food, a beer garden, arts and crafts, live entertainment, interactive games, and activities for children of all ages are planned. There will be games and rides for all ages, including several bungee trampolines, a sports midway, a zip line inflatable, bounce houses, face painters, balloon artists, activities for toddlers, a climbing wall, and more – all for free. Parking will be extremely limited; attendees are encouraged to park at DART stations at Trinity Mills or Frankford Road and ride the Green Line to the Downtown Carrollton Station. Normal DART charges will apply: \$5 for an all-day unlimited pass or \$2.50 for a two-hour pass. Download the mobile ticketing app for your smart phone at dart.org/gopass. For more Festival information, visit carrolltonfestival.com.

Festival sponsors include Van Chevrolet of Carrollton, Venetian Cinemas, DART, Atmos Energy, Images for Kids, Clear Channel (Now 102.9), DFW Child, Neighborsgo, Frost Bank, BB&T Bank, Fiat of McKinney, Pearce CPA, PC, The Union at Carrollton Square, Fastsigns of Carrollton, State Farm, Images for Kids, One Broadway Place, Agave Azul, Frost Bank, Dallas Observer, Papa Murphy’s, Xerox, and North Texas Outdoor Pursuits.

Saturday, November 2 Entertainment Schedule: 11am-10pm*

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| Jonathan’s School of Music | 11am | Main Stage |
| Body in Motion | 11:30am | Main Stage |
| Ballet de Force Company’s Hanna and Gretel | 12pm | Plaza Arts Center |
| Jack Grimm | 12:15pm | Main Stage |
| John Wehlage Trio | 1pm | Main Stage |
| Magician Todd McKinney | 1pm | Plaza Arts Center |
| Southeast Breeze | 1:45pm | Main Stage |
| Story Time by the Carrollton Public Library | 2pm | Plaza Arts Center |
| Josh Vietti | 2:30pm | Main Stage |
| Juggler David Slick | 3pm | Plaza Arts Center |
| Breckenridge | 3:35pm | Main Stage |
| Hula Hoop Artist Amanda Hood | 4pm | Plaza Arts Center |
| Blaze of Glory | 4:45pm | Main Stage |
| Clown Performer Susan Keys | 5pm | Plaza Arts Center |
| Vallejo | 5:45pm | Main Stage |
| Sugar Ray | 7pm | Main Stage |
| Smash Mouth | 8:45pm | Main Stage |

**All times are approximate and may be subject to slight changes.*

November 5 City Bond Election Voting Information

Early voting for the November 5 City of Carrollton Bond Election runs through Friday, November 1. The early voting location in Carrollton for Dallas County residents is Josey Ranch Lake Library and the early voting location in Carrollton for Denton County residents is Hebron and Josey Library. Bond Election voting day will be held from 7am-7pm on Tuesday, November 5. Election Day locations will vary depending on precinct number. Check your polling station according to your county and precinct and find more detailed information on the propositions included by visiting cityofcarrollton.com/elections.

Water Restrictions Extended through Dec. 2

Due to extended drought conditions in the North Texas area, the City of Carrollton will be extending current Stage 1 watering restrictions through December 2, 2013. Although the City’s normal practice is to not implement water rationing from October through April 30, businesses and residents are asked to continue smart water use practices. Residents may water ONLY from 7pm-10am; no watering is allowed from 10am-7pm. Citizens are encouraged to voluntarily irrigate no more than 2 days a week based on the last digit of the services address. Saturday and Wednesday are the allowed watering days for odd numbered houses (last digit of address is 1, 3, 5, 7, or 9). Sunday and Thursday are the allowed watering

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days for even numbered houses (0, 2, 4, 6, or 8). Remember: ODD = Saturday/Wednesday; EVEN = Sunday/Thursday. Call 972 466-3120 or visit cityofcarrollton.com/water for more information.

Carrollton Centennial – Share Your Story

Carrollton is celebrating 100 years and we want you to share your story. Let us know what makes you feel connected to Carrollton! Fond memories of your neighborhood? Family traditions? A favorite teacher? Best park? Send it in! Email story and any pictures to centennial@cityofcarrollton.com. For more information and to review some of the stories already submitted, visit carrolltoncentennial.com.

Texas Recycles Day – Nov. 9

Texas Recycles Day is a statewide public awareness campaign that aims to educate Texans on the environmental and economic benefits of waste reduction and recycling. Its success served as the model for the development of America Recycles Day. Texas Recycles Day is working in cooperation with the State of Texas Alliance for Recycling (STAR) to give all Texas Communities access to America Recycles Day materials and resources. Keep Carrollton Beautiful is participating by holding an event on Saturday, November 9 from 9am-noon in the parking lot at Newman Smith High School. For more information about volunteering or a list of recyclable items accepted, contact Keep Carrollton Beautiful through email, cathsp@verizon.net, or visit keepcarrolltonbeautiful.org.

Adopt a Pet from Carrollton Animal Services

The City of Carrollton's Animal Services is open Monday through Saturday with a variety of cats and dogs available for adoption, first come first served. Stop by to check out one of the adorable animals. Find pets to adopt at petfinder.com/shelters/carrolltonanimalservices.html and read about the adoption process, or call 972-466-3420 for more information.

Family Fun Night – Nov. 11

Visit Josey Ranch Lake Library on Monday, November 11 from 7-8:30pm for a night of free, fun games and crafts for families. For more information, visit cityofcarrollton.com/library or call 972-466-4800.

Veteran's Day Celebration – Nov. 11

Veterans and widows of veterans are invited to sign up by November 8 for the Carrollton Senior Center's Veteran's Day Celebration on Monday, November 11 at 11am. The event celebrates and gives thanks to those who have served our country. Lunch will be provided and the popular New Horizons band will perform patriotic music. Due to limited seating, this event is reserved for veterans and widows of veterans and their guest; registration by November 8 required. For more information, call 972-466-4850.

Facebook for Seniors Class at the Library – Nov. 16

Sign up now for a free "Facebook for Seniors" class for ages 55+ on Saturday, November 16 at 10am at the Carrollton Public Library at Hebron and Josey. Social media is catching on like never before, and this class will teach you how to set up your own Facebook profile and learn how to connect with your family and friends. Class is limited to 11 students. Registration is required. Call 972-466-4800 or visit either Library location to register. A current Carrollton Library card is required. For more information, visit cityofcarrollton.com/library.

Carrollton Centennial Time Capsule Accepting Submissions

The members of the group Carrollton Volunteers, Inc. will celebrate the City of Carrollton's Centennial with a 25-year Time Capsule to be buried behind the Carrollton Senior Center at Josey Ranch Lake on Saturday, December 7, with a planned opening date of 2038. All are invited to attend the ceremony at 11am. Submissions of photographs and letters for the Time Capsule will be accepted through November 22. For more information on how to submit your entry, visit carrolltoncentennial.com or call 972-242-0924.

Rosemeade Rec Teen Council – Nov. 19

Teens between 13 and 17 years of age are invited to come make a difference in the Carrollton community by attending the monthly Rosemeade Recreation Center Teen Council meeting. The next meeting will be held at Rosemeade Recreation Center on Tuesday, November 19 at 6:30pm. There will be pizza and

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drinks for all who participate. For more information, call Grant Carver at 972-466-9812 or email grant.carver@cityofcarrollton.com.

Construction Begins on 35Express Project

Construction has begun on the 35Express Project, a project that extends approximately 30 miles, through eight cities and two counties, from US 380 in Denton County to I-635 in Dallas County. The Design-Build project is expected to relieve traffic congestion in one of the most heavily traveled corridors in the North Texas region. Carrollton will be included in the southern segment that stretches from the President George Bush Turnpike (PGBT) to I-635. In this section, Dickerson Parkway will be extended from PGBT to I-35E and the Belt Line Road interchange will be reconstructed. Belt Line Road will be elevated to the current height of I-35E, and I-35E will be raised approximately 20 feet above its current elevation. Commuters will also see widened bridges at Whitlock Lane, Crosby Road, Valwood Parkway and Valley View Lane.

For information about Carrollton-area closures and construction or for more information about the project, visit 35express.org/ or stop by the Public Information Office located at Lakepointe Crossing Center, 2420 South Stemmons Freeway, Lewisville, Texas 75067 (near Academy Sports & Outdoors). The Public Information Office is open Monday-Friday from 8am-5pm and Saturday by appointment.

City of Carrollton Seeking Volunteers for Nov. 23 JFK Event

The City of Carrollton is seeking volunteers to participate in the Dallas County-wide volunteer project "Ask Not...the Dallas County Day of Service". The event will take place on Saturday, November 23, from 9am-noon at the McInnish Sports Complex in Carrollton. Volunteers are needed during these hours for a clean-up of the wetlands area in the Sports Complex and a re-mulch project of the Elm Fork Nature Trail. Both big groups and individuals are encouraged to participate in these two projects that will help maintain the beautiful Carrollton parks and trails. For more information or to sign up, contact Laurie Garber at laurie.garber@cityofcarrollton.com or call 972-466-3084.

Photos with Santa at the Perry Museum – Nov. 23; Register by Nov. 20

Santa Claus is coming to the Perry Homestead and he wants to meet you! Have your photo taken with Santa by a professional photographer. There will also be hands-on activities and crafts for the whole family. The cost is \$15 per family, up to 4 people and includes one photo. Pre-registration by November 20 is required. Photo event will take place on Saturday, November 23. For more information, visit cityofcarrollton.com/museum or call 972-466-6380.

Thanksgiving Art – Nov. 26

Drop in at Hebron and Josey Library on Tuesday, November 26 from 2-4pm and get ready for Thanksgiving Day with festive make-and-take crafts you're sure to *fall* for. For more information, visit cityofcarrollton.com/library.

Thanksgiving Closures and Trash Collection Schedules – Nov. 28 & 29

Carrollton City facilities, including City Hall, Crosby Recreation Center, Rosemeade Recreation Center, both libraries, Oak Creek Tennis Center and the Senior Center, will be closed Thursday, November 28 and Friday, November 29 for the Thanksgiving holiday. **Trash and recycling pick-up will be collected as normal on regularly scheduled days; there will be no collection delays.** For information regarding residential trash collections, visit cityofcarrollton.com/solidwaste or call 972-315-5400.

Cease the Grease: Free Cooking Oil Disposal – Dec. 2 & 3

Tired of calling the plumber? Fix the problem before it starts; choose to not pour grease down the drain and prevent pipe blockage. Stop by the City of Carrollton Central Service Center from 8am - 6pm on Monday, December 2 or Tuesday, December 3 to properly dispose of grease and cooking oil for free. The event is sponsored by Griffin Industries. Proper disposal of grease will keep it out of the sewer system and away from causing damage to sewage and drain pipes and the environment. For more information, contact Water Utilities at 972-466-3425.

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