

**MAIN STREET FEST**

Friday, April 21: 5 p.m. - midnight  
 Saturday, April 22: 10 a.m. - midnight  
 Sunday, April 23: noon - 8 p.m.  
 200 Block of Main St. and Surrounding Areas



The City of Grand Prairie Parks, Arts & Recreation Department is hosting the 10th Annual Main Street Fest. The three-day festival features FREE parking and admission and an opportunity to celebrate the fun, festive, family atmosphere that is Grand Prairie with live music featuring a variety of bands. Throughout the event, enjoy novelty entertainment, carnival rides, arts and crafts vendors, two entertainment stages, food and beer, a kidzone, and plenty of fun for all! For more info., visit [MainStreetFest.com](http://MainStreetFest.com)

**MAYOR'S COMMUNITY 5K**

Saturday, April 1, 9 a.m.  
 Farmers Market, 120 W. Main St.



Join Mayor Ron Jensen as he kicks off the 2023 Cyclin' with the Mayor series with a community 5K. You are welcome to walk, run, or stroll at a leisurely pace. We will have many health partners in attendance and fun activities, giveaways, and photo ops! Participants of all ages are welcome.

**CYCLIN' WITH THE MAYOR**

Join Mayor Ron Jensen for a 5-mile bike ride. Riders of all ages and skill levels are encouraged to join the casual ride.  
 Thursday, April 20 • Meet at 6 p.m. Ride begins at 6:30 p.m.  
 Grand Peninsula Ride  
 Meet at Daulton Elementary, 2607 N. Grand Peninsula



**MAY 6, 2023 ELECTION**

Election day is Saturday, May 6 and early voting is April 24, 2023-May 2, 2023. For more information, visit [gptx.org/election](http://gptx.org/election).

**SHRED DAY**

Saturday, April 1, 8 a.m.-11 a.m.  
 City Service Center, 1821 South SH 161  
 Shred documents for \$5 per box  
*Proceeds benefit Grand Prairie Crime Stoppers*

**TOWN HALL MEETING**



JACQUIN HEADEN  
 DISTRICT 2



KURT JOHNSON  
 DISTRICT 6

Thursday, April 13, 6-8 p.m.  
 Warmack Library, 760 Bardin Rd.

Join District 2 City Council Member Jacquin Headen and District 6 City Council Member Kurt Johnson for a Town Hall Meeting to address community interests concerning the City of Grand Prairie. Use the QR code to register via Zoom.



**Atmos Projects in Grand Prairie**

The City of Grand Prairie and our State Legislators have been outspoken regarding recent failures by Atmos in delivering the proper levels of service to citizens in some areas of Grand Prairie. While many of the needed upgrades were already in progress, the recent cold weather event in December of last year prompted further discussions with Atmos resulting in an escalation of the completion of improved infrastructure

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## UPTOWN THEATER

Enjoy spectacular shows at Grand Prairie's Uptown Theater, 120 E. Main St. For tickets and information, call 972-237-8786 or visit [uptowntheatergp.com](http://uptowntheatergp.com):

### Boomtown presented by Texas Comedies

Saturday, April 29

BOOMTOWN follows the true story of promoter Ace Berger's "overnight city" in the Texas Panhandle. Aided by dancehall owner Mattie Castleberry and crooked sheriff "Two Gun" Dick Herwig, he sees his oil town get overrun by millionaires, criminals and Texas Rangers.



### Murders & Moontowers

Friday, May 26, 7 p.m.

A murder-mystery musical comedy based on true events in 1880s Texas. A new mayor tries to stop a rash of crimes in the capital city. Facing a love triangle, a restless mob and his own mysterious past, he hopes to stop crime with enormous "Moonlight Towers" over the city.

## TRASH OFF

Saturday, April 1, 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.  
Grand Prairie Landfill, 1102 MacArthur

Clean house and get rid of your junk during Trash Off. Residents are allowed an unlimited number of trips to the landfill. Proof of residence in the form of a current water bill or driver's license is required.

Trash Off is a great way to dispose of bulky items that won't fit in the garbage!

Special Fee Information

- Automobile tires are accepted for a \$1 disposal fee. Disposal fees of \$5 or \$10 are required for larger tractor/trailer tires.
- Computers, printers and fax machines are accepted.
- Construction and roofing material will be accepted from commercial businesses for a fee of \$32 per ton.

(Contractors may not use this day to avoid paying Landfill fees). Call 972-237-8330 for more information.

## EARTH DAY TREE GIVEAWAY

Saturday, April 15, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.  
Kirby Creek Nature Center  
3303 Corn Valley Road

Join us and celebrate Earth Day! We will have a tree giveaway, interesting vendors, fun kids craft and activities, and more! Trees will be given away on a first come, first serve basis.



## EASTER EGG SWIM

Saturday, April 8, 1-3 p.m. • Kirby Creek Natatorium, 3201 Corn Valley Rd.

Collect and play with Easter eggs in the water and turn them in for a sweet prize. For more information, visit [GrandFunGP.com](http://GrandFunGP.com).

## FARMERS MARKET



Open Saturdays beginning  
April 1, 2023  
Market Square, 120 W. Main St.

Farmers Market features locally grown fruits, vegetables, plants, tamales, baked goods, salsas, relishes, eggs, honey, chips, soaps, candles and more. Call 972-237-4599 or visit [GrandFunGP.com/FarmersMarket](http://GrandFunGP.com/FarmersMarket).

## LIBRARY BOOK SALE



Main Library, 901 Conover Dr.

Thursday, April 13: 11 a.m.-5 p.m.  
Friday, April 14: 10 a.m.-5 p.m.  
Saturday, April 15: 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Find great bargains on hardback and paperback books, as well as DVDs, CDs, audiobooks and jigsaw puzzles. Saturday is half price day.

## FREE ON-DEMAND VIDEO COURSES

Main Library, 901 Conover Dr.

Udemy is an online learning platform of high-quality, on-demand video courses across 75 categories for upskilling in business, technology, and design. Achieve personal success with courses on health and well-being, the arts, language learning, and more. Free with your Grand Prairie library card, available at any library branch or online at [gptx.org/library](http://gptx.org/library).



## CATALYTIC CONVERTER ETCHING

Saturday, April 1, 8 a.m.-11 a.m. • City Service Center, 1821 South SH 161

Etching a serial number on your vehicle's catalytic converter is a proactive approach to reducing thefts. Etching takes approximately 15 minutes and will be limited to 50 vehicles. Cost is \$15 per vehicle. Register: [grandprairiepolice.org](http://grandprairiepolice.org).

## MASTER COMPOSTER CLASS

The City of Grand Prairie is offering a STAR-certified master composter course this spring. To be eligible for the certification, participants must complete 20 hours of education, 16 hours in class and four hours outside of class as well as 20 hours of eligible volunteer activity, which includes composting at the Kirby Creek Nature Center. In-class opportunities at the Grand Prairie Landfill, 1102 MacArthur Blvd., are offered on April 22 and April 29. Participants should plan to attend both sessions. Lunch will be provided. Additionally, there will be a four-hour field trip on another day TBD.



Registration fee is \$25 for Grand Prairie residents and \$40 for non-residents. Payment for the class must be received by April 15, 2023. Checks must be made payable to the City of Grand Prairie. There must be a minimum of 10 participants for the class to be held. Refunds will be issued if the class is canceled. For more information or to register online, please visit [gptx.org](http://gptx.org) or call 972-237-4566.

## PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS

### What Improvements Can Be Made by a PID?

A Public Improvement District (PID) improvement may include:

- Landscaping and irrigation
- Erecting fountains, distinctive lighting, and signs
- Constructing or improving perimeter fencing
- Acquiring and installing pieces of art or decorations
- Acquiring, constructing, or improving entry features
- Establishing or improving parks
- Paying expenses incurred in establishing, administering, and operating the district

All PID meetings are open to the public, and everyone is welcome! Sign up to receive e-mail notifications when the PID meeting schedule has been updated by visiting our website at [gptx.org/pid](http://gptx.org/pid), click on PID Meeting Schedule or any PID page, click on subscribe to this page, enter your e-mail address, and click on subscribe.

## SUMMER CAMPS AT GP RECREATION CENTERS

June 5 - August 11 • Registration begins April 1

Limited spots available. For more information, visit [GrandFunGP.com](http://GrandFunGP.com) or call your recreation center of choice:

The Epic: 972-339-3742

Charley Taylor Recreation Center: 972-339-3770

Dalworth Recreation Center: 972-237-4760

Tony Shotwell Life Center: 972-237-7529

## GARAGE SALE PERMITS

### ONLINE ONLY

Garage sale permits are free and now available only through the Customer Self-Service (CSS) Portal from a computer or tablet. Only two garage sales are allowed per year for each residential address. You must have your device connected to a printer before beginning this process.

### How do I use the CSS Permit Portal?

- Go to [gptx.org/garagesale](http://gptx.org/garagesale)
- Click on the Apply Online button
- Register for an account, if you don't already have one with your email address, before you can apply for a permit. It will take about five minutes for first time users to create new account.
- Click on Apply
- Click on the Apply button next to Garage Sale Permit-Residential Garage Sale
- When you key in your address do not put in St., Dr. or any other suffix after the street name and make sure the cursor is at the end of last letter of the street name
- Complete the form
- Proceed to follow instructions and print the 2-page form of Certificate and GS Permit Numbers

## WATER BILL

### ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Donate as little as \$1 per month with your water bill payment to help Grand Prairie families who cannot pay their water bills.



To make your donation, use the QR code above or visit the city website at [gptx.org/waterbillassistance](http://gptx.org/waterbillassistance), find the Water Bill Assistance Program and click on the donation links. This program is sponsored by the City of Grand Prairie in cooperation with Grand Prairie United Charities. For information, call 972-237-8200.



and back-up CNG trucks deployed during high usage time frames.

To improve gas pressure delivery and consistency during cold weather events and help eliminate outages, Atmos is completing work at the following locations involving two major line fortifications in Grand Prairie and the surrounding area:

1. 8,200 feet along streets of Cook, Britton, South Holland, Seeton
2. 5,700 feet along Seeton
3. 139 feet along Westchester, Glen and Polo
4. 235 feet along Chandra

### Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) Trucks

Atmos Energy uses CNG trucks as a backup energy system to keep natural gas flowing during extreme cold weather, when there is maintenance work, or when natural gas supplies are at their lowest. You may see these trucks in your neighborhood when the weather is very cold—ready to be used when needed.



### Atmos Energy Claims Process

If you incurred expenses in the December 2022 cold weather event due to an Atmos gas outage, you may submit a claim to Atmos along with supporting documentation. To submit your claim, go to [www.atmosenergy.com/claims](http://www.atmosenergy.com/claims) or call customer service during business hours at 888-286-6700.

### Proyectos de Atmos en Grand Prairie

La ciudad de Grand Prairie y nuestros legisladores estatales han hablado abiertamente sobre las fallas recientes de Atmos, en brindar los niveles adecuados de servicio a los ciudadanos en algunas áreas de Grand Prairie. Si bien muchas de las actualizaciones necesarias ya estaban en progreso, el reciente evento de clima frío en diciembre del año pasado provocó más conversaciones con Atmos, lo que resultó en la finalización de la infraestructura mejorada y camiones de GNC de respaldo desplegados durante períodos de tiempo de alto uso.

Para mejorar el suministro de presión de gas y la consistencia durante los eventos de clima frío y ayudar a eliminar las interrupciones, Atmos está completando el trabajo en las siguientes ubicaciones que involucran dos fortificaciones de línea principales en Grand Prairie y el área circundante:

1. 8,200 pies a lo largo de las calles de Cook, Britton, South Holland, Seeton
2. 5,700 pies a lo largo de Seeton
3. 139 pies a lo largo de Westchester, Glen y Polo
4. 235 pies a lo largo de Chandra

### Camiones de Gas Natural Comprimido (CNG)

Atmos Energy utiliza camiones de CNG como un sistema de energía de respaldo para mantener el flujo de gas natural durante el clima de frío extremo, cuando hay trabajos de mantenimiento o cuando los suministros de gas natural están en su punto más bajo. Es posible que vea estos camiones en su vecindario cuando hace mucho frío, listos para usarse cuando sea necesario.



### Proceso de Reclamos de Atmos Energy

Si incurrió gastos en el evento de clima frío de diciembre de 2022 debido a un corte de gas de Atmos, puede presentar un reclamo a Atmos junto con la documentación de respaldo. Para enviar su reclamo, vaya a [www.atmosenergy.com/claims](http://www.atmosenergy.com/claims) o llame al servicio de atención al cliente durante el horario comercial al 888-286-6700.

## TORNADO SAFETY

As Spring brings weather that will typically consist of rain and thunderstorms, there is also cause for concern of tornados. Keep your family safe with the tips below!

- It is important to stay where you are, avoid driving during tornado watches and warnings.
- **Do not try to outrun a tornado in a vehicle!**
- Locate an enclosed room within your home that does not have windows for sheltering purposes.
- Pay attention to Emergency Alert Services (Alert GP in Grand Prairie), NOAA Weather Radio, and or local alert systems.

Please sign up for Alert GP to receive watches, warnings, and other important updates by registering at [gptx.org/alertgp](http://gptx.org/alertgp) or using this QR code.



Stay safe! Questions? Contact the Office of Emergency Management at 972-237-8333 or [oem@gptx.org](mailto:oem@gptx.org).

## GP LITTER TEAM



Sign up to help keep Grand Prairie clean during Main Street Fest, April 21-23. Register at <http://btr.im/i2cc2>

## AVAILABLE BEDS AT COMMUNITY GARDENS

Keep Grand Prairie Beautiful has gardening beds available at several community gardens and we cannot wait for you to join us! The garden program is free to join with seeds, tools, water, and soil amendments provided by the program. Give us a call at 972-237-4546 or visit us online [www.gptx.org/kgpb](http://www.gptx.org/kgpb)