

Downtown nightlife is bright with performances at the Uptown Theater.  
Photo by Patricia Delcan



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Fire and Police ready.  
Photo by Sam Cary





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Mayor Charles England and Grand Prairie First Lady Janice England

After having served for 20 years, I want to thank the citizens of Grand Prairie for making the past two decades so fun, positive, progressive and successful. Without you, we could not have done so many big projects: Lone Star Park; Grand Prairie Memorial Cemetery; QuikTrip Ballpark; Public Safety Building, The Summit; Bowles Life Center; Prairie Paws; Fire Station #9 and #7; Uptown Theater; Farmers Market; and wonderfully upgraded and maintained streets and parks just to name a few of our many accomplishments, all brought to you by a city staff second to none.

And the future is just as exciting. Goals for 2013 include:

- Open SH 161 frontage roads at Main Street and the railroad tracks
- Build a clinic at Prairie Paws to provide medical care for shelter animals
- Open all SH 161 access roads to I-30
- Open a new Dallas County Sub-Court House
- Revote the 1/4 cent sales tax for street improvements program
- Design a new Fire Station #1
- Debut new Waggin' Wagon, mobile animal adoption trailer

I am so proud of our city and all you've allowed and encouraged us to do, and look forward to another year of success.

Sincerely,

Charles England, Mayor



Bridge to serenity in Loyd Park. Photo by Bob Chervenky

Grand Prairie City Council



Mark Hepworth Place 1



Jim Swafford Place 2



Bill Thorn Place 3



Richard Fregoe Place 4



Tony Shotwell Place 5



Ron Jensen Place 6 Mayor Pro Tem



Greg Giessner At Large



Ruthe Jackson At Large Deputy Mayor Pro Tem

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2012 TOP TEN ACCOMPLISHMENTS



Opened SH 161 main lanes

Opened Paragon Outlet Mall

Opened Mixed Up Burgers at the Grand Prairie Airport

Removed the offset at Camp Wisdom Road and Robinson Road

Opened the Parkland Clinic

Dropped crime in city by 25 percent

Began construction on the Dallas County Sub-Courthouse

Developed new police patrol beats to enhance police service in line with increase in population

Voters reapproved the 1/4 cent sales tax for a Crime Control District

Began our own Police Academy for recruits



Main Street Festival is so fun. Photo by Mark Bumgarner



Police Recruits Photo by Whitney Fowler



CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

Tom Hart, City Manager



Tom Cox Deputy City Manager



Anna Doll Deputy City Manager



Andrew White Assistant to the City Manager



The newly renovated City Council Chambers opened summer 2012.





Mike Lewis Park shimmers under a winter snow.  
 Photo by Sharon Collins

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# J A N U A R Y 2 0 1 3

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1  New Year's Day GPISD Student Holiday City Offices Closed	2	3	4	5
	6	7  Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting 7 p.m.	8	9	10	11
13	14	15  City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.	16	17	18	19
20	21  Martin Luther King Jr. Day City Offices Closed School Holiday	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31  Still waters at Joe Pool Lake. Photo by Karen Dulaney		





Flying pretty at Grand Prairie Airport and Restaurant.  
 Photo by Derek Townsend

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## F E B R U A R Y 2 0 1 3

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				Public Safety 24/7. Photo by Marc Volkman	1	2
3	4  Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting 7 p.m.	5  City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14  Valentine's Day	15	16
17	18  AISD, CHISD Holiday Presidents' Day	19  City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	Safety checks. Photo by Derek Townsend	





Must be spring in Grand Prairie...  
cute kids and bluebonnets!  
Photo by Crystal Ziegler



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# A P R I L 2 0 1 3

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1  Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting 7 p.m.	2  City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16  City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27 
28	29	30			Blooming beauty. Photo by Patrick Greenwade	







Play ball with the Grand Prairie AirHogs!

Photo by Brad Barton



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# J U N E 2 0 1 3

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				Tending garden at Kirby Creek Nature Center. Photo by Jacqueline Huffman		1
2	3  Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting 7 p.m.	4  City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.	5	6  AISD, CHISD, MISD Last Day of School	7  GPISD Last Day of School	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16  Father's Day	17	18  City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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Have a splash at Joe Pool Lake.  
 Photo by Erick Smith



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# J U L Y 2 0 1 3

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting 7 p.m.	2	3	4 Lone Stars & Stripes Fireworks Lone Star Park Independence Day City Offices Closed	5	6
	7	8	9	10	11	12
14	15	16 City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			Splash Factory fun! Photo by Jane Lamb







I must protect my quarterback.  
Photo by Karen Carleton

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# AUGUST 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	Land shark at Ripley's Believe It Or Not! Photo by Bradley Kent			1	2	3
4	Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting 7 p.m.	City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.	7	8	9	10
11			14	15	16	17
18		City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.	21	22	23	24
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## S E P T E M B E R 2 0 1 3

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Labor Day City Offices Closed School Holiday	3 City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.	4	5	6	7
8	9 Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting 7 p.m.	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17 City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30			Score at Parkhill Park. Photo by Gwen Basden		





Down time at Fire Station #1.  
Photo by Leslie Crow

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# O C T O B E R 2 0 1 3

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
	6	7 Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting 7 p.m.	8	9	10	11
13	14 Columbus Day	15 City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31 BOO! Halloween		

Grand Prairie's  
future finest.  
Photo by  
Deidra Frazier





Police run to carry the torch for Special Olympics.  
 Photo by Jimmy Taylor

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# N O V E M B E R 2 0 1 3

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				Lazy days. Photo by Michelle Lee	1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Daylight-Saving Time Ends - Fall Back	Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting 7 p.m.	City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.				
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	Veterans Day					
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
		City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.				
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
	Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting 7 p.m.			Prairie Lights Opens Thanksgiving Holiday City Offices Closed	City Offices Closed	





Be awed by Prairie Lights.  
by Mark Bumgarner

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# D E C E M B E R 2 0 1 3

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting 7 p.m.	3	4	5	6	7 Holiday Market at Farmers Market
8	9	10 City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.	11	12	13	14 Holiday Market at Farmers Market
15	16	17	18	19	20	21 Holiday Market at Farmers Market
22	23	24	25 School Holiday	26	27	28
		Christmas Eve City Offices Closed	Christmas Day City Offices Closed			
29	30	31 GPISD School Holiday New Year's Eve		Bird's eye view. Photo by Patsy Barnes		



Butterflies a flutter at Central Park.

Photo by Kelly Eddlemon



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Shop smart at Paragon Outlet Mall.

Photo by Brad Barton



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Airport (Grand Prairie Municipal)	972-237-7591
Animal Services	972-237-8575
Birth Certificates - Dallas County	214-875-2100
Birth Certificates - Tarrant County	817-871-7399
Building Inspections	972-237-8230
Car Tags - Dallas County	214-653-7811
Car Tags - Tarrant County	817-884-1100
Chamber of Commerce	972-264-1558
City Council and Mayor	972-237-8022
City Manager's Office	972-237-8012
City Secretary	972-237-8035
Code Enforcement	972-237-8296
Communications and Marketing	972-237-8086
Drivers License	972-264-6598
Economic Development	972-237-8160
Engineering	972-237-8141
Environmental Services	972-237-8055
Fire (911 for emergencies)	972-237-8300
Graffiti Hotline	972-237-8599
Grand Prairie Memorial Gardens	972-237-3001
Health Clinic	214-819-2000
Housing & Neighborhood Services	972-237-8176
Human Resources	972-237-8192
Illegal Dumping	972-237-8064
Information Technology	972-237-8382
Keep Grand Prairie Beautiful	972-237-8152
Landfill	972-237-4550
Lake Parks	817-467-2104
Libraries	
Grand Prairie Library	972-237-5700
Betty Warmack Branch	972-237-5770
Bowles Branch	972-237-7540

Marriage License - Dallas County	214-653-7559
Marriage License - Tarrant County	817-548-3928
Municipal Court	972-237-8600
Parks & Recreation	972-237-8100
Planning	972-237-8255
Police (911 for emergencies)	972-237-8790
Public Works	972-237-8154
Purchasing	972-237-8269
Recycling	972-237-8061
Ruthe Jackson Center	972-237-7500
Schools	
Grand Prairie ISD	972-264-6141
Arlington ISD	682-867-4611
Mansfield ISD	817-299-6300
Cedar Hill ISD	972-291-1581
Social Security	1-800-772-1213
Solid Waste	972-237-8151
Streets	972-237-8525
Taxes - Dallas County	214-653-7811
Taxes - Tarrant County	817-884-1194
Tourism	972-595-5400
Transit - The Grand Connection	972-237-8546
Transportation	972-237-8139
Water Bills	972-237-8200
Water/Wastewater	972-237-8413



City employees Dream Big, Play Hard. Photo by Rod Arnold

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