# CITY DESK

#### City of Coppell

### Water Bill Insert

## **Holiday Closings**

Thurs Dec 18, 2014 Planning Commission Meeting is cancelled. Next P&Z mtg Thurs Jan 15, 2015.

#### Wed December 24

Admin Offices, Animal Services, Mun. Court, Utility/Tax Payment Window will be OPEN from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Aquatic Rec Center, Grapevine Sprgs Sr. and Comm Center, WT Cozby Public Library and Wagon Wheel Tennis Cntr will be CLOSED on 12/24.

RECYCLING/YARD TRIMMINGS COLLECTION on 12/24, set carts/ containers out by 7 a.m. at your regular collection point.

#### Thurs December 25 Christmas Day

All City facilities will be CLOSED.

NO TRASH COLLECTION on 12/25, collection day moved to Fri 12/26.

#### Fri December 26

Admin Offices, Animal Services, Mun. Court, Utility/Tax Payment Window will be CLOSED on 12/26.

Aquatic Rec Center, Grapevine Sprgs Sr. and Comm Center, WT Cozby Public Library and Wagon Wheel Tennis Cntr will be OPEN on 12/26.

TRASH COLLECTION on 12/26, please set your trash out by 7 a.m. at your regular collection point.

#### Thurs January 1 New Years Day

All City facilities will be CLOSED.

NO TRASH COLLECTION on 1/1/15, collection day moved to Fri 1/2/15.

#### Mon January 19 Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Admin Offices, Animal Services, Mun. Court, Senior/Comm Center, Utility/Tax Payment Window will be CLOSED on 1/19.

Aquatic and Rec Center and Wagon Wheel Tennis Cntr OPEN.

TRASH COLLECTION on 1/19, please set your trash out by 7 a.m. at your regular collection point.



### **Recycle That Tree Please!**

Keep Coppell Beautiful wants to remind you that your Christmas tree pickup will occur at your regular collection point as part of the Yard Trimmings Recycling Service.

Remove all decorations, lights, wires and any plastic bags that you may use to move the tree outside and place the bare tree at your normal recycling spot by 7 AM on any Green Wednesday.

Flocked trees cannot be recycled and should instead be set out with your garbage on a Monday or Thursday.

#### Santa's Mailbox

All good little boys and girls need to complete their Wish List and drop it in Santa's mailbox located in Town Center, 255 E. Parkway Blvd. Direct-to-the-North Pole delivery is underway. No postage needed! Santa's helpers will make their final pick up on Dec. 20, plenty of time for Santa to pack his sleigh with holiday goodies!

#### Advice on Giving to Charity

It is not uncommon for charities to raise funds during the holiday season. Before giving to a charity that approaches you, be certain that the group is legitimate. Many operate under similar names and it may not be the group that you want. If you are unsure of any charity, do not donate. Most charities will have an online donation option, or you can initiate the call to your favorite charity. If in doubt about any charity, you can use a charity evaluator service online or ask a friend.

### **Getting Started in the Garden**

Sat., January 10, 2015 • 11 AM - 12:30 PM

Have you always wanted a garden but don't know where to begin? This beginner class will guide you step-by-step through the basics, and give you the information necessary to join in the local gardening and food movement! A "Garden Sprouts" Class will be held for children ages 5-10 concurrently with this class. Registration is required for the kid's class. Registration is not required for the adult class. Both classes are free and open to the public.

#### Indoor Pool Closed for Maintenance

The indoor pool at the Coppell Aquatic and Recreation Center, 234 E. Parkway Blvd., will be closed for regular maintenance and repairs beginning Dec., 24, 2014 through Jan., 1, 2015.

# Upcoming Library Programs and Events

#### LIBRARY CLOSINGS

The library will be closed Wed., December 24 and Thurs., December 25, re-opening at 10 AM on Fri., December 26. The library will close early on Tues., December 31 at 6 PM and remain closed Wed., January 1. There will be no Storytimes, Cozby Gamers, or Cozby Hangout during the weeks of December 22 through 26 and December 29 through January 2.

# RAPTORS OF NORTH TEXAS **Mon., December 29 • 3 p.m.**

Day and night the raptors are on patrol. Their mission: in search of a meal. How do they do it? Discover their unique adaptations to hunt in woodland, wetlands and prairies. Raptors of different species and sizes will be used to demonstrate their capabilities. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library. All ages welcome.

# BOOK SALE **Sat., January 10**

The Friends of the Library will host a HUGE sale in the Program Room on Sat., January 10 from 10 AM to 4 PM. Stock up on DVDs, books, magazines, and audiobooks! Interested in joining the Friends? Go to coppellfriends.org for more details on how you can support the library.

William T. Cozby Public Library 177 N Heartz Road 972-304-3655 <u>library@coppelltx.gov</u>

#### Winter Farmers Market

Winter doesn't have to mean the end of the Farmers Market season; you can buy locally grown and produced food throughout the year! Winter Markets offer a variety of seasonal vegetables as well as natural meats, cheeses, eggs, honey, artisan breads, and even handmade arts and crafts. Visit the Coppell Farmers Market at <a href="http://coppellfarmersmarket.org">http://coppellfarmersmarket.org</a> for winter market dates!

Coppell Farmers Market 768 W. Main Street Old Town Coppell

### **January Meetings**

Park Board	1/5	6:30 PM	Town Center
Coppell Rec Dev Corp	TBD	TBD	TBD
Economic Development	1/7	6 PM	Town Center
Board of Adjustment	1/8	7 PM	Town Center
Library Board	1/8	7 PM	William T. Cozby Public Library
City Council	1/13	7:30 PM	Town Center
Planning & Zoning	1/15	6 PM	Town Center
City Council	1/27	7:30 PM	Town Center

# **Coppell Connection Volunteer Program**

The City of Coppell recognizes and welcomes the extraordinary value that volunteers bring to the public stewardship, citizen engagement, and expanded resources of our programs, projects, events, and activities.

Coppell Connection

The City of Coppell is committed to a collaborative relationship that encourages, develops, and honors volunteer contributions as vital to the quality of life in our community. Coppell residents choose this community because of its great schools, excellent location, and hometown feel. Your volunteer efforts make Coppell a special place to live and for that, we thank you!

For more information and to sign up, visit <u>coppelltx.gov/volunteer</u>-connections.

# Kid Country Donor Plaques...

We need your input before the final plaques are cast!!!

Kid Country, the Coppell community playground, funded and built by local volunteers, has had temporary donor plaques displayed at the entrance to the playground. These temporary plaques will remain until the end of the year. After the first of the year, permanent plaques will be cast and installed. Prior to casting the permanent plaques, the Kid Country team would like to get input from existing donors on any changes, corrections, additions or deletions to the inscriptions on the donor plaques. Please go by the park, or view the plaques online at the kidcountry2012.com web site. If you have any corrections please send an email before Dec. 23, 2014 to Parks@coppelltx.gov and type the words "Kid Country Donor Plaques" in the subject line.

If you are not currently a donor and would like to have your name listed on the permanent donor plaques, please visit the Kid Country web site at <a href="kidcountry2012.com">kidcountry2012.com</a> for options. A minimum donation of \$500 is required to have your name listed on the wall plaques, and numerous playground components are still available for sponsorship.

Our thanks again to the many individuals and businesses who helped to make Kid Country a reality!

#### **City Facilities**

Town Center
255 E. Parkway Blvd.
WT Cozby Public Library
177 N. Heartz Rd.
Aquatic & Recreation Center
234 E. Parkway Blvd.
Senior & Community Center

345 W. Bethel Rd.

Biodiversity Education Center
367 Freeport Pkwy.

Coppell Farmers Market
768 W. Main St
Justice Center
130 Town Center Blvd.
Wagon Wheel Tennis Center
950 Creekview Dr.
Development Center
265 E. Parkway Blvd.