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Free Centennial Community Picnic & Vintage Baseball Game - June 1

Celebrate 100 years of excellence in Carrollton by attending this free "Picnic in the Park," open to the public. Enjoy free hot dogs, popcorn, cake, and lemonade at the A.W. Perry Homestead Museum (1509 N. Perry Road) from 11am - 2pm. The E-Flat Porch Band will perform and there will be a vintage baseball game against Farmers Branch at 1pm. There will be old-fashioned games, a make-and-take craft area for the kids, fun photo props, and more. Living history characters from Carrollton's past will be giving tours of the site throughout the day. Visit carrolltoncentennial.com for details.

Free Irrigation Inspections

Free irrigation inspections are available through summer for eligible Carrollton Water Utilities residential customers, with in-ground irrigation systems. Residential customers who previously participated in 2011 or 2012 are ineligible for an inspection in 2013. If interested in this service, residents should call 972-466-3120 for more information or to make an appointment for an inspection.

Summer Reading Club Kickoff - June 6

Visit the Hebron and Josey Library (4220 N. Josey Lane) on Friday, June 6 at 2pm for the Summer Reading Club Kickoff. Paleo-Magie and her puppets and cast of characters will help kick off the event as we take an imaginary journey through the Library to dig up a good book. The Summer Reading Program will take place from June 6 until August 23. Babies and children up to age 12 are encouraged to participate. Pick up a reading log and receive a certificate for completion, a free book from the Friends of the Carrollton Public Library and a circus ticket voucher when you turn in your completed reading log. For more information, contact the Library at 972-466-4800 or visit cityofcarrollton.com/library.

Carrollton Wind Symphony to Perform Season Finale – June 7

The Carrollton Wind Symphony will perform the last concert before its summer break on Friday, June 7 at 7:30pm at St. Andrew United Methodist Church on Plano Parkway. This concert promises to be a wonderful finale to a very successful 2012-2013 concert series. Admission is free. For more information, visit carrolltonwindsymphony.org.

Movie on the Lawn - June 8

The A.W. Perry Museum is showing *Three Ages*, a Buster Keaton epic comedy of love's eternal struggle, outdoors, projected on a large canvas screen draped across the front of the barn on Saturday, June 8. Movie begins at dusk. Bring lawn chairs or a blanket for seating; admission is free.

Rosemeade Rainforest, Daily Swimming Begins June 9

Daily swimming begins on Sunday, June 9 at Rosemeade Rainforest Aquatic Complex (1334 E. Rosemeade Parkway). For hours of operation, admission fees or rental information, call 972-466-9833 or visit cityofcarrollton.com/pools.

Summer Lunch Program Begins June 10

Crosby Recreation Center: Lunch: 12-1pm, Snack: 3-3:30pm Rosemeade Recreation Center: Lunch: 1-2pm, Snack: 3-3:30pm

Children up to 18-years-old can get meals at no charge Monday – Friday, June 10 – August 23. The service is open to all children, regardless of income. People who are over age 18 and enrolled in school programs for people with disabilities may also receive meals at no charge. For more details on the Summer Food Program, visit summerfood.org. For more information about Carrollton's program, call 972-466-3080.

Family Fun Night - June 10

Visit Josey Ranch Lake Library on Monday, June 10 from 7 - 8:30pm for a night of free fun games and crafts for families.

Cool Tuesday Movies

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Josey Ranch Lake Library (1700 Keller Springs) kicks off two months of Cool Tuesday Movies on June 11 with the showing of *Brave*. Ages 6 and up are invited to attend; movies start at 11 am and are shown again at 1pm. Popular and fun family films will be shown through August. Bring a pillow or comfy sleeping bag to relax on during the movie. For more information, contact the Library at 972-466-4800 or visit cityofcarrollton.com/library.

Annual Public Library Book Sale – June 14 & 15

The Annual Carrollton Public Library Book Sale, sponsored by the Friends of the Carrollton Public Library, will be held 10am – 6pm on Saturday, June 14 and Sunday, June 15 at Josey Ranch Lake Library (1700 Keller Springs Road). Browse through donated books, CDs and DVDs available for purchase. All proceeds benefit the Friends of the Carrollton Public Library.

Battle of the Brains - June 30

Seating will be available for spectators at this annual trivia competition to be held on Sunday, June 30 from 2:30 - 5:30pm at Josey Ranch Lake Library.

Texas SmartScapes Save Water, Money and the Environment

Save water, money and the environment with a Texas SmartScape. Summertime is fast approaching and with that come the expensive water bills! More than half of a typical household's outdoor water use goes to watering the lawn and garden. Converting to a water-efficient landscape through proper choice of plants and careful design can reduce this use by 20 to 50 percent. Visit txsmartscape.com anytime to learn how to save water, money and the environment with a Texas SmartScape

Savor Summer While Saving Local Water

In Texas, summer is the time to enjoy local lakes, rivers, streams and creeks, but some people unknowingly pollute and impair these water bodies with their daily activities. Please contact Carrollton Environmental Services at 972-466-3060 for any questions, to report potential violations, or for tips on how to save local waterways.

Carrollton Connections History Tour

During the month of June, Carrollton residents are invited to visit Dallas and Denton County historic sites with a Carrollton connection; Carrollton has its history featured in the exhibits and collections of area museums. Explore Carrollton and surrounding cities, and receive special incentives as Carrollton residents in celebration of the Centennial year. Visit cityofcarrollton.com/museum or call 972-466-6380 for more information and complete listings of participating museums and historical sites.

Downtown Carrollton Centennial Celebration – June 15

Visit the Historic Downtown Carrollton Square on Saturday, June 15 from 11am until 3pm to share a day of special activities centered on the 100th anniversary of the City of Carrollton's incorporation. Enjoy entertainment by Body in Motion dancers, hamburgers, sandwiches, cupcakes, balloon art, bounce houses, kid's games, a shaved ice food truck, horse drawn carriage rides, and more. At 1pm, the popular Emerald City Band will play. For more information, visit historicdowntowncarrollton.com.

W.J. Thomas Splash Park Opens for Season

W. J. Thomas Splash Park (1955 N. Perry Road) is now open for the season. Daily hours are 9am - 8pm. To start the water flowing, push the button on top of the red fire hydrant water feature in the splash area. The water pressure builds slowly and the features come on gradually. Enjoy this beautiful free facility featuring mature shade trees, a wooden deck with picnic tables, plenty of parking, rolling green lawns and a playground nestled in a quiet neighborhood. New features include spray equipment and new shade structures. Visit cityofcarrollton.com/splashpark for more information.