



CITY OF

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Santa Claus is coming to town

City of Heath

Presents Annual Holiday in the Park December 4

Be a part of the excitement this year as the City of Heath presents its Annual Holiday in the Park on Friday, December 4 at the Heath Towne Center Park, located behind City Hall at 200 Laurence Drive. Festivities begin at 7 p.m.

"Holiday in the Park is one of our events that make Heath such a special place to live and visit," says Mayor Ratcliffe. "We always look forward to this opportunity to gather and celebrate and invite residents and guests from surrounding towns to join us."

Once the beautiful Christmas tree has been illuminated, the merry sound of children singing fills the night air as choirs from Amy Parks-Heath and Dorothy Smith Pullen Elementary Schools present seasonal favorites. Santa Claus arrives to a joyful greeting and makes his way to the Heath Community Room, where he visits with all of the eager children and poses for photographs. (Parents, be sure to bring your cameras!)

Complimentary cocoa, wassail and Christmas cookies are always a part of the celebration, and children can also enjoy rides around Towne Center Park on a miniature train.

Everyone attending is invited to bring canned food donations to benefit Rockwall Helping Hands. For more information about Heath Holiday in the Park, go to www.heathtx.com or call City Hall at 972-771-6228.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS...

City Council

1st and 3rd Tuesday of the Month, 7:30 p.m.,
City Hall.

Planning & Zoning Commission

2nd Tuesday of the Month, 7 p.m., City Hall.

Park Board

4th Tuesday of the Month, 7:30 p.m.

Special Events Board

2nd Monday of the Month, 7 p.m.

Municipal Court

2nd Monday of the Month, 1 p.m. in City Hall.
Juvenile Court follows, 3 p.m.

Agendas for City of Heath meetings are
available at www.heathtx.com.

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Terry Park is Open

The Heath City Council, Park Board members and other dignitaries gathered at Terry Park with three generations of the Terry family on September 24 for a ceremonial opening of this newly-renovated seven-acre waterfront park. Come see the results for yourself! The park is open daily 6 a.m. to 10 p.m.

MOTORIZED VEHICLES STRICTLY PROHIBITED ON TRAILS

The operation of golf carts or any other motorized vehicle is prohibited on any trail or pathway, except for golf carts on designated paths on the golf course. In response to numerous complaints, targeted enforcement efforts will occur on the pathways connecting subdivisions and schools. Violators may be ticketed. For more information on park regulations in the City, including regulations for Terry Park and Towne Center Park, visit www.heathtx.com and select the Government tab at the top of the page.

White Road is Open

The widening and reconstruction of White Road north of Country Club Drive to Tubbs Road is close to completion and the road is now open to traffic. The scope of the project involved widening 2,000 feet of road and incorporating curbs, gutters, sidewalk, new water and sewer lines, lighting and landscaping.

City of Heath Offers Prescription Discount Card to Citizens

The City of Heath is now offering citizens a free prescription discount card to help save money on the high cost of prescription medications. The discount program is offered in collaboration with the National League of Cities. Use the card anytime your prescriptions are not covered by insurance.

Features of the discount program include:

- An average savings of 20%
- Free enrollment
- Coverage for all family members
- No limit on how often the card is used
- No age limits
- No income requirements
- Easy access – 9 out 10 pharmacies nationwide participate in the program
- Pet medications that are also used to treat human conditions are covered

To get your card, please visit Heath City Hall at 200 Laurence Drive during normal business hours. If you have questions, please contact Alyssa Cumpton at acumpton@heathtx.com or 972-961-4884. For more information about the national program, call toll-free 1-888-620-1749 or visit www.caremark.com/nlc.

Red Cross Blood Drive – November 3

The City of Heath will host an American Red Cross Blood Drive on Election Day, Tuesday, November 3 from 1 to 5 p.m. at City Hall. Mark your calendar for the election and to give blood! Your support will help replenish critical blood supplies before the holiday season and increased needs arrive.

To make an appointment, visit www.givelife.org and use sponsor code "cityofheath". You may also make an appointment by calling 1-800 GIVE-LIFE (1-800-448-3543). All donors must be at least 17 years of age, weigh at least 110 pounds, feel well and be in good health. If you have given blood before, it must be at least 56 days since your last donation.

ANNUAL REGISTRATION REMINDERS – RENEW by January 31

Residential and Commercial Alarm Permits Expire on December 31

Anyone responsible for the operation of or in possession of an alarm system in the City of Heath is required to obtain an annual permit for operation of such system. The permit is good for a calendar year and a penalty of \$200.00 may be assessed if an alarm system permit is not current.

Any commercial or residential alarm system should be registered or renewed by January 31, 2010. For your convenience, a renewal form is included with this month's utility bill and newsletter. The form is also available at www.heathtx.com under the City Documents menu.

If you have questions, please contact Customer Service at 972-771-6228.

Dogs

City dog registrations expire December 31 each year. Please present current rabies certification at City Hall to update or obtain your dog's registration tag. The annual cost is \$10 for intact dogs and \$5 for those that have been spayed or neutered.

All dogs are required to wear current registration and rabies tags on their collars at all times. Should your pet become lost or injured, the registration tag will help animal control officers get him or her safely home to you.

Heath Connects and Communicates

1. Share your ideas on economic development in Heath in the online survey at www.heathtx.com.
2. Become a City of Heath Fan on Facebook.
3. Follow the City of Heath on Twitter.
4. Share your images on Flickr.
5. Register for Notify Me at www.heathtx.com to receive City Council meeting notices and other City information via e-mail.

