

DeSoto News Flash

For the Week of September
28th through October 2nd,
2009

Computer System Upgrades at the DeSoto Public Library!

From Tuesday, October 6th to Thursday, October 15th, the DeSoto Public Library will upgrade its computer system to better serve its patrons and provide state of the art computerized library services. During this time, the library will be open regular hours, although some library services will be affected as follows.

From Tuesday, Oct. 6th – Thursday, October 15th, patrons CAN:

- Check out library materials.
- Return library materials and have them checked in and removed from their patron records.
- Use all of the public access Internet computers during regular hours.
- Use the Computer Room Monday – Thursday 8 am – 10 pm, Friday 8 am – 6 pm, Saturday 9 am – 5 pm, and Sunday 1 pm – 5 pm.
- Library staff will continue to be available to assist patrons with finding materials.
- Access the library's databases and electronic services.

From Tuesday, Oct. 6 – Thursday, October 15th, patrons CANNOT:

- Search the library catalog, both in the library and from the library webpage.
- Check out without their library cards. Patrons MUST have their library cards with them in order to check out materials.
- Place holds on materials, both in the library and from the library webpage.
- Receive Interlibrary Loan materials. Interlibrary Loan requests will not be sent until after Oct. 15th.
- Pay fines, fees, or other charges on their accounts.

For more information, please call the library at 972.230.9656. The library is located at 211 E. Pleasant Run Road, in the DeSoto Town Center Complex. Free parking is available in the parking garage next to the library.

Tired of Standing in Long Lines to Pay Your Utility Bill?

A new self-service station has been installed in the lobby of City Hall next to the Utility/Municipal Court window. Now you can zip in to City Hall and use this kiosk to initiate water service, pay your utility bill, pay a Municipal Court fine, or apply for a garage sale permit.

Be sure to bring your utility bill with you to use the kiosk, because you will need your account number and PIN to access your account. They are printed on your utility bill. For more information on the new self-service station at City Hall, please call the Utility Billing Department at 972.230.9627.



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The DeSoto City Council is Looking for A Few Good Volunteers to Fill Openings on the Tri-City Animal Shelter Board and the Park Development Board

All appointees to City of DeSoto Boards, Commissions, and Committees must be residents of DeSoto for at least one year prior to their appointment, and remain in the City during their tenure. Currently, the DeSoto City Council is looking for volunteers who would be interested in filling open positions on the Tri-City Animal Shelter Board and the Park Development Board. All Board and Commission appointments are made by the City Council through an interview process.

Here's a short overview of each of our Boards and Commissions.

The **Tri-City Animal Shelter Advisory Board** is comprised of nine members, three each from the participating cities of DeSoto, Duncanville, and Cedar Hill, serving three year terms and meets on an as needed basis approximately once each quarter. They serve in an advisory capacity to City Council in matters pertaining to the animal shelter; review basic policies, procedures, and problem areas as requested by shelter staff; recommend facility fees; and assist staff in determining proper recommendations concerning capital improvements and maintenance requirements such as construction of their new building which opened in August, 2009.

The **Park Development Corporation Board**, established in 1972, is comprised of seven members serving two year terms, who meet the first Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the Parks & Leisure Services conference room at the Civic Center. This board oversees funds earmarked for the use of improving and developing DeSoto's parks through 4B sales tax proceeds; oversees Parks and Recreation master planning; and may raise funds for park construction or renovation through the issuance of bonds, notes, or other debt instruments, and matching funds from the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department.

If you would like more information regarding applying for one of these positions, check out the Citizen Boards and Commissions tab under City Hall on the city's website. There you can complete an online application for the board of your choice. Applications must be received by October 9, 2009 to be considered for these openings. If you have any questions, please call the City Secretary's office at 972.230.9664.

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DALLAS COUNTY ELECTIONS DEPARTMENT

PRESS RELEASE

TO: MEDIA

FROM: BRUCE R. SHERBET, ELECTIONS ADMINISTRATOR

SUBJECT: VOTER REGISTRATION INFORMATION FOR THE UPCOMING JOINT NOVEMBER 3,
2009 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT AND SPECIAL ELECTIONS

DATED: October 1, 2009

Enclosed you will find information and deadlines relating to the upcoming elections. Any assistance you can give in dispersing this important information will be greatly appreciated. The following information can be retrieved by calling the Dallas County Elections Hotline, (214) 819-6300, which is answered twenty-four (24) hours a day. If you have any questions regarding this material, please do not hesitate to call Toni Pippins-Poole or me at (214) 819-6334. This information can be obtained by accessing Dallas County Elections Department's web-site at www.dalcoelections.org.

PARTICIPANTS HOLDING ELECTIONS:

ENTITY

DALLAS COUNTY

CITY OF BALCH SPRINGS

CARROLLTON FARMERS BRANCH ISD

DALLAS ISD

CANDIDATES/ISSUES TO BE VOTED ON:

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ELECTION

LOCAL OPTION ELECTION - CITY OF DESOTO

"The legal sale of beer and wine for off-premise consumption only"

LOCAL OPTION ELECTION - TOWN OF SUNNYVALE

"The legal sale of beer and wine for off-premise consumption only"

SPECIAL ELECTION FOR PROPOSITION

SPECIAL ELECTION TO FILL A VACANCY
BOARD OF EDUCATION TRUSTEE PLACE 4

SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION TRUSTEE ELECTION
PLACES 1,3 AND 9

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Mistress of Ceremony "JC"



**Oct. 3rd
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Ivory Jean



Headliner - Ivory Jean Band
Jeff Aycock - Saxophonist
Salsa by Omar & Diana
Mayors Cow Chip Competition



Art Show
Craft vendors
Food Vendors



T ROAD HOLLER
CREEKES!
CITY OF DESOTO

Desoto Town Center
211 E. Pleasant Run Road
Desoto, Texas

Noon - 7pm

For Vendor Information Contact
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