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Historical Preservation Committee: Keeping History Alive

Have you ever taken a tour of Heritage Park, walked across the Old Iron Bridge, or gazed at the trees in the Historic Tree Grove? If so, then you have seen firsthand some of the wonderful work of the Historical Preservation Committee.

The Euless Historical Preservation Committee preserves and promotes the awareness of the historical heritage of the area and demonstrates how it defines current culture. It also provides a bridge between yesterday, today, and tomorrow. The Committee works to preserve and protect the culture, genealogy, archives, structures, and historical treasures of the City.

Volunteers are an essential part of this committee, which meets once a month. If you would like more information about becoming a volunteer for the Historical Preservation Committee, please call the City Secretary's Office at 817-685-1434.



Dear Citizens,

I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season! There are so many exciting events happening in Euless this month. I would encourage



you to visit the City's website for more information about the annual Valentine's Day Dinner (reservations required), the Daddy/Daughter Valentine's Day Dance (also requiring reservations), and the Library's Edible Book Contest, a fun and creative event for all!

It is with great sadness that I share with you the recent passing of Bill Byers. Mr. Byers served on the City Council from 1961 to 1969. He played a significant role in the foundation of this community and also served on multiple Charter Review Committees, the Half-Cent Sales Tax Education Committee, and had served on the Euless Historical Preservation Committee since 1993. In honoring his memory, I want to highlight the incredible work of our Historical Preservation Committee. It preserves and promotes the awareness of the historical heritage of the City.

To learn more about the history of Euless, I encourage you to make plans to visit Heritage Park and the Museum, which is open for public tours every second Saturday of the month from 12 to 4 p.m.

Linda Martin



The Euless City Council



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Gary Landers Appointed as Chief of Police

The City of Euless recently announced the promotion of Gary Landers to Chief of Police. Landers, who had served as Interim Police Chief since September 2024, previously held the position of Assistant Police Chief since 2016. His distinguished career with the City of Euless began in July 1990 as a Public Service Officer, and he has since advanced through various ranks, including Corporal, Sergeant, Captain, and Assistant Chief.

“I am both happy and proud to congratulate our new Chief of Police, Gary Landers. He has been with the City of Euless since his teens and spent much of his career working closely with recently Retired Chief Brown. We are looking forward to Chief Landers leading the outstanding men and women of the Euless Police Department,” said Mayor Linda Martin.

Chief Landers, a Trinity High School graduate, holds a Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice Administration and several professional certifications and licenses, including Master Peace Officer and TCOLE Instructor. He has also served as the Commander of the Child Abduction Response Team and is an active member of the Euless Police Department Honor Guard. Additionally, he is a graduate of the School of Police Supervision and the Command Management College at The Institute for Law Enforcement Administration.

“Having grown up and raised my family in this community, it is my honor to continue to serve alongside the dedicated members of the Euless Police Department,” Chief Landers stated. “My commitment is to remain focused on our mission of being transparent and responsive to the community’s needs, while being dedicated to enforcing the law with honor, integrity, and compassion. Together, we can make a positive impact.”



Assistant City Manager Announced

Steven Viera recently accepted the position of Assistant City Manager for the City of Euless. With over 21 years of local government management experience, Mr. Viera brings extensive expertise and a proven track record in municipal operations, financial stewardship, and customer service.

Throughout his distinguished career, Mr. Viera has held leadership roles in critical areas, including Development Services, Planning & Community Development, Asset Management & Fleet Services, Public Health, Human Resources, Water Utilities, and Economic Development. Most recently, he served as Assistant City Manager for the City of Corpus Christi, Texas, where he helped manage a \$1.5 billion operating and capital improvement budget. During his tenure, he spearheaded transformative initiatives that enhanced efficiency, productivity, and public service delivery.

Mr. Viera holds both a Bachelor of Business Administration in Management and a Master of Business Administration from the University of the Incarnate Word in San Antonio, Texas. He is an active member of several professional organizations, including the International City/County Management Association, the Texas City Management Association, and the National Association of Government Defined Contribution Administrators, Inc.

In expressing his enthusiasm for his new role, Mr. Viera stated, “I am honored to join the City of Euless and look forward to serving this vibrant community. I am excited to collaborate with City leaders, residents, and businesses to build on the City’s strong foundation and continue delivering exceptional public services that meet the needs of our residents.”



City of Euless General Election Candidate Filing

***January 15 - February 14, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Euless City Hall
201 N. Ector Drive***

Filing for a place on the May 3, 2025 City of Euless General Election ballot ends on Friday, February 14 at 5 p.m. During the filing period, qualified persons may file as a candidate for Council Place 1 or Council Place 3 of the City Council in the City Secretary's Office on weekdays.

A candidate must be a resident of the City for at least one year immediately preceding the date of the election, shall be a registered voter of the City of Euless as of the filing deadline, and shall not have been finally convicted of a felony criminal offense. For more information, please call the City Secretary's Office at 817-685-1419 or visit www.eulesstx.gov/cso.

Daddy/Daughter Valentine's Dance

***Friday, February 7, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
Texas Star Conference Centre
1400 Texas Star Parkway***

Calling all dads, uncles and grandpas: It's time to put your best foot forward at the annual Daddy/Daughter Valentine's Dance! Enjoy a night of dancing, dinner, memories, and more.

This event sells out quickly, so please get your tickets early. Tickets are \$15 per person and are available at recreation.eulesstx.gov or at the Euless Family Life Center. For additional information or to be added to the waitlist, please send an email to cboyd@eulesstx.gov or call 817-685-1814.



Christmas Light Removal

With how extreme and unpredictable Texas weather can be, it is required by City code for Christmas lights to be removed as soon as the holidays are over, as lights can cause possible fire and electrical damages. If you have questions, please contact Code Services at 817-685-1507. Your assistance is greatly appreciated!

Valentine's Day Dinner

***Friday, February 14, 5 - 8:30 p.m.
Raven's Grille
1400 Texas Star Parkway***

Treat your sweetheart to a romantic night out at Raven's Grille inside the Texas Star Golf Course. For this special occasion, Raven's Grille transforms from casual dining to an elegant dining experience, complete with a deliciously curated menu. When you're planning a romantic dinner for two, early booking is recommended, as this popular date fills up quickly.

Dinner is by reservation only, so make yours now for a very special Valentine's Day at Raven's Grille. Call 817-685-1847 to secure your spot.



Edible Books Contest

***February 21 - 22, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Mary Lib Saleh Euless Public Library
201 N. Ector Drive***

Bring your culinary, artistic, and literary skills to life by entering the Edible Books Contest. This exhibition features entries made of food and inspired by a book, such as a book title, characters, the actual shape of the book, etc. Entries must be related to a literary element, such as a character, a specific book, etc. All entries must be family-friendly and appropriate for public display.

Drop off your creation at the library on Friday, February 21, before 3:00 p.m. for judging. Public judging will be on Saturday, February 22, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. To get a copy of the rules or for more information, call 817-685-1480.



Summer Camp Lottery Registration

It's time to start planning for Summer Camp! Eules Parks & Community Services has a three-step registration process. First, submit your application to enroll in the lottery system. Next, a staff member will notify you by email to confirm your enrollment. Finally, for each week of camp, you will pay a \$10 deposit, which will be due before summer camp starts.

Application Submission Dates:

- Returning Residents: February 1 - 28
- New Residents: March 1 - 31
- Open Enrollment for those who missed deadline: April 1 - May 30

We want all children to have fun this summer, and we look forward to the memories we will make in Summer Adventure Camp/Summer Teen Camp. Information, registration forms, and the parent handbook may be found on the Parks & Community Services page at www.eulesstx.gov or by calling 817-685-1666.

Cold Weather Emergencies

Although winter in Eules is usually mild, the occasional ice storm or extremely low temperatures can create dangerous conditions for everyone. Before hazardous events occur, it's helpful to know the roles that City employees play in the event of winter weather emergencies.

The Office of Emergency Management is responsible for disaster planning for the City of Eules. It identifies potential hazards in different scenarios and then it creates emergency management plans to match those situations. Those plans serve as a guide for the City on how to respond to disasters, such as arctic temperatures, homes without power, or impassable road conditions.

Of course, emergency responders are always on alert, especially when a winter storm hits. Police officers and firefighters are the first to arrive on the scene to help accident victims or stranded motorists when roads freeze or become dangerous. Among other things, the Eules Police Department assists with vehicle accidents, helps stranded motorists, reports on road conditions, and closes unsafe roads. In the event of an emergency, dial 911. The non-emergency Police number is 817-685-1526.

The Eules Fire Department provides fire, emergency medical and specialized rescue services. The department responds to various incidents such as vehicle accidents and medical emergencies, plus it's available to assist other City departments on any community-related emergency.

The Eules Public Works department, which consists of Water, Streets, Traffic, and Wastewater divisions, coordinates with TxDot to ensure all major City thoroughfares and intersections are continuously monitored and sanded as needed. The crews are available for water main breaks, repairs, water meter turn off's, as well as removing fallen trees or branches from blocked roadways. In the event of frozen or broken pipes, City crews are available around-the-clock to respond to a water turn off request preventing further damage. For assistance Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., residents may call 817-685-1580. For after-hours or weekends, please call the non-emergency line at 817-685-1526.

The Parks and Community Services Department helps to sand City facilities during winter weather. When people lose power to their homes, it may also provide a warm place to stay, where people can have a snack, take a shower, and charge their devices.

Lastly, the Communications and Marketing Department keeps citizens informed through posts on the City's website and social media sites, such as Facebook, X, and Nextdoor. The department provides information regarding City office closures, delayed trash pick-up, the opening of warming stations, and other helpful information.