

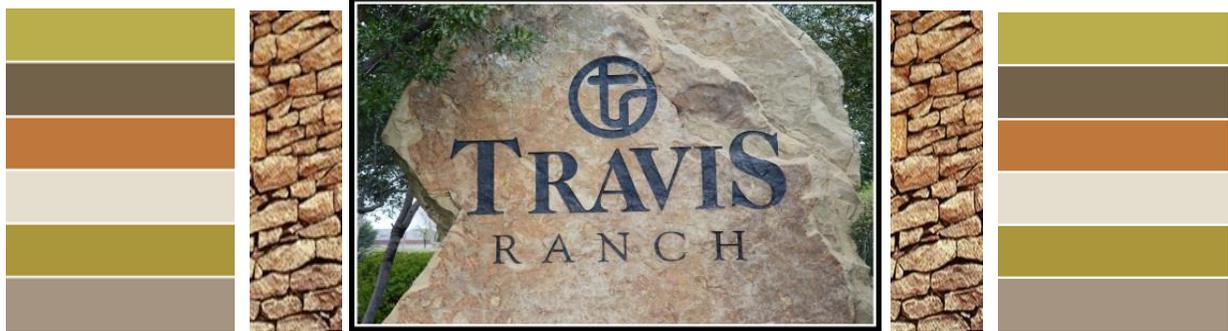
# Travis Ranch Beacon

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## Red Ribbon Remembrance

Many of you have seen the red ribbons tied around trees and mailboxes in our community. These red ribbons were in honor of a little boy in our neighborhood that passed away August 6. Christian was a student at Lewis Elementary, and loved to dress up as Spider Man. His favorite color was red. Residents gathered on three different occasions to honor Christian. Several residents walked the neighborhood tying ribbons on trees. There was a short candle light service at the amenities center where Randall Hall shared a brief message and song. On Christian's birthday, August 11, the community gathered to release red balloons in his honor. Christian's passing reminds us how short life can be, and how our community came together to show love and support for a sweet little boy and his family.



# Up Coming Events

Our committees have been busy! Most of them have met at least once and have come up with some great ideas and plans for future events. Each committee has a closed Facebook page where they can discuss and share ideas as well as announce meetings. If you would like to take part in a community committee, it is not too late. Go to the link and fill out your information.

<http://goo.gl/forms/kh3pHtlzsh>

## October Garage Sale

A huge thank you goes out to Amy Johnson, Brandon Johnson, Nichole Doyal, Misty Askin and Stacy Henderson for organizing the August community garage sale. Our next garage sale will be October 2<sup>nd</sup> through the 4<sup>th</sup>. The garage sale will start at 7 am on Friday and 8 am Saturday and Sunday. Arrangements have been made for donations with the Genesis Center of Kaufman from 2:00 to 4:00 pm and Community Thrift from 12:00 to 4:00 pm on Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>. Smarter Shredding Inc. will also be on site to shred all paper items for free at 12:00 on October 3<sup>rd</sup>. To stay up to date on the garage sale news make sure you join Travis Ranch Insiders Page on Facebook.



## Trunk or Treat



There will be a Trunk or Treat event for our community children on October 17<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 to 8:00 pm in the Lewis Elementary parking lot. If you want to set up a table, or find out more about participating in the event, contact Amy Johnson at [trcommunity@outlook.com](mailto:trcommunity@outlook.com). There will also be a prize (Walmart gift card) for the best decorated car trunk!

Mark your calendars for December 19<sup>th</sup> for our Community Christmas party. Location and more details to come in the November newsletter.



## *School is in Session*



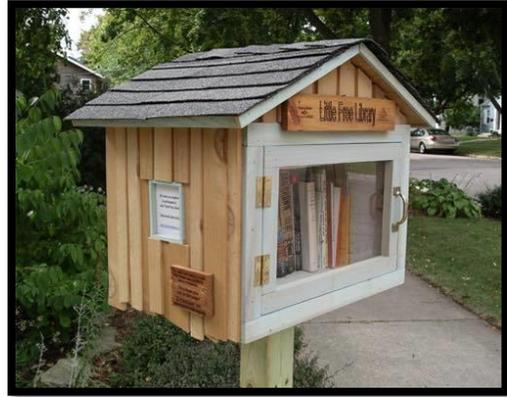
The school year has started for Forney .I.S.D. I would like to remind all that on each and every road, avenue and street outside Forney schools, you are likely to find a sign that says, "School Zone," followed by a speed limit. Though it often differs between cities, counties and states, the standard speed limit in a school zone may vary from 20 to 30 miles per hour where posted. These special speed limits were created to spread a safe zone around schools, helping drivers slow down and be aware that there entering into an area with children and pedestrians. Not only is it dangerous to drive too fast in a school zone, fines may be doubled and extremely expensive.

No communicational devices (cell phones) are permitted in school zones as well. No matter what your reason, it just makes sense to slow down whenever you're driving in a school zone.

So please SLOW DOWN, LOOK, and be ALERT when driving in school zones.

Constable Jason Johnson

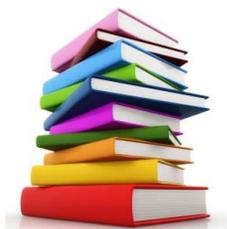
## **LOVE TO READ!**



The Little Free Library is coming to Travis Ranch! The Little Free Library is for all members of the community, young and old. These types of libraries are all over the world including Dallas and Forney. The Forney Arts Council recently placed one in the Xeric Garden.

The purpose of these new little libraries is to promote literacy and the love of reading by taking a book to enjoy, and by adding a book you love and want to share. The one in Travis Ranch will be near the pool. We also hope to have story times and activities surrounding the library. The cost to build is going to be \$225. We will be accepting donations toward the building the little library right now. Once the library is built, we will be accepting book donations for all ages. If you are interested in donating toward the building of the Little Free Library, you can contact Nichole Doyal at 704-608-9485 or email [trlittlelibrary@yahoo.com](mailto:trlittlelibrary@yahoo.com).

To learn more about the Little Free Library visit the [www.littlefreelibrary.org](http://www.littlefreelibrary.org) website.



# LAKESIDE AT HEATH DEVELOPMENT



A new community is coming next to Travis Ranch. According to the new Property Manager, Jamie Jakubowski, at Essex the land that will be Lakeside at Heath is owned by the same development company as Travis Ranch. This new development will be separate from Travis Ranch. There will be more information at the annual HOA meeting coming in October.

## GARBAGE & RECYCLE CALENDARS

~ September 2015 ~							~ October 2015 ~							~ November 2015 ~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 Garbage only Bulk pick up	3	4	5					1	2 Community Garage Sale	3 Community Garage Sale	1	2	3	4 Garbage & Recycle Bulk Pick up	5	6	7
6	7 Labor Day	8	9 Garbage & recycle	10	11	12	4 Community Garage Sale	5	6	7 Garbage & recycle Bulk pick up	8	9	10	8	9	10	11 Garbage Only	12	13	14
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