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What's happening in H-E-B

Marlene Norcross, Belk's vice president and regional manager for Texas, speaks at a recent event at the Euless store. Shana Anderson Handout

Glade Park's Belk gets a stroke of blue

Civic leaders from Northeast Tarrant County recently painted the first "blue" strokes on the Belk department store under construction at the booming Glade Parks development in Euless.

Belk's 95,000-square-foot store will serve as one of anchors of the retail hot spot, which already includes a Dave & Busters entertainment eatery, Dick's Sporting Goods and other stores and restaurants between Glade and Cheek-Sparger roads on the north side of Texas 121.

Those attending the gathering at Belk's included Marlene Norcross, Belk's vice president and regional manager for Texas; Euless council members Jeremy Tompkins and Linda Eilenfeldt; Glade Parks developer Zach Knutson; and Bedford Mayor Jim Griffin.

Belk, which has been in Texas since 1953 and in Dallas-Fort Worth for 10 years, is expected to open in March, next door to Dick's Sporting Goods.

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Reminder: City offices, schools closed for Thanksgiving

City offices in Bedford, Euless and Hurst will be closed Thursday and Friday in observance of Thanksgiving.

The Hurst-Euless-Bedford school district is closed Wednesday through Friday.

Trash collections in all three cities will be moved forward one day: Thursday trash/recycling pickup will shift to Friday; Friday pickup will shift to Saturday.

For Black Friday shoppers: North East Mall in Hurst will be open from 6 p.m. Thursday to 1 a.m. Friday, then again from 6 a.m. Friday through 10 p.m. Saturday.

Hurst kicks off holiday season Tuesday with tree lighting

Hurst's Christmas celebration and tree lighting ceremony is from 5 to 9 p.m. Tuesday at Hurst Conference Center, 1601 Campus Drive. There will be a three-lane snow tubing hill, Santa's workshop, refreshments, fireworks and the lighting of the Christmas tree.

Parking and free shuttle service are available at the Tarrant County College entrance at Harwood Road and Campus Drive.

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International Games Day at the Euless Public Library

Five year-old Penny McMains, left, plays plays Chutes and Ladders with her father, Asa McMains, during the International Games Day at the Euless Public Library. All kinds of board games were on hand for people to play during the event.

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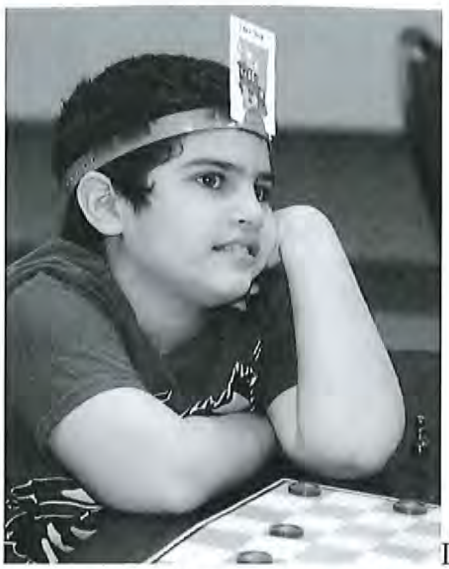

David Brown plays Headbanz with family members during the International Games Day at the Euless Public Library on Nov 21. All kinds of board games were on hand for people to play during the event.

Jonas McMains, front, plays Battleship with his brother Eli, not pictured, during the International Games Day at the Euless Public Library on Nov. 21. All kinds of board games were on hand for people to play during the event.

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Asa McMains, left, plays Chutes and Ladders with his daughter Penny, 5.

Euless Public Library patrons play board games during the International Games Day on Nov. 21. All kinds of board games were on hand for people to play during the event.

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Vasavi Velmajala, second from left, and Katelyn Wurtz, right, teach Kaushal Boothpoor, left, and his sister Kashvi how to play Trouble during the International Games Day at the Euless Public Library.

Donia Nosereddin removes a block while playing Jenga during the International Games Day.

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Donia Nosereddin tries to catch the blocks as they topple while playing Jenga during the International Games Day at the Euless Public Library.

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Euless extending pipeline used for reclaimed water

Lightly treated wastewater used only for irrigation

City parks, apartment complexes, others use it

Second phase of construction to start soon

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EULESS

North Texas may have wettest year on record, but Euless is moving forward with plans to extend its pipeline for reclaimed water.

The city will start the second phase of building a line to bring lightly treated wastewater to seven apartment complexes and a group of single-family homes with a common area in northeast Euless. The water can only be used for irrigation, city spokeswoman Betsy Deck said.

"This helps us save potable water," she said. "It's just a matter of time before we are in water restrictions again."

The second phase of construction will start in early 2016 and be completed in six to eight months, Deck said.

Last week, the City Council voted to award the contract to Circle C Construction of Fort Worth.

The work will cost an estimated $1,785,750, paid for with a low-interest loan from the Texas Water Development Board's clean water state revolving fund program.

The pipeline will extend north along Bear Creek Parkway past the intersection with Little Bear Creek. The extension will also serve East Ash Lane, Fuller-Wiser Road and Texas 360.

All the apartment complexes have separate irrigation lines, and it makes sense to connect them to the reclaimed water, Deck said.

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The Arbors of Euless was the first complex to tie in to the reclaimed water line, in 2014, and the Villages at Bear Creek uses the water for its fountains along the medians. Euless uses the water to irrigate the 300-acre Texas Star Sports Complex, which includes the Texas Star Golf Course, Softball World and Parks at Texas Star.

Euless is connected to an 11.5-mile pipeline from the Village Creek Treatment Plant in Fort Worth.

Arlington and Dallas/Fort Worth Airport also use the reclaimed water.

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Mixed-Use

Venture Completes 43-Acre Land Assemblage for Mixed-Use Development in Metro Dallas

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The buyer, Tonti Properties, is expected to break ground in spring 2016 on Trinity Union, a 457-unit multifamily community.

EULESS, TEXAS — Venture Commercial Real Estate has completed an assemblage of 43 acres of land located at the northeast quadrant of Cheek-Sparger Road and Heritage Avenue west of State Highway 121 in Euless. The buyer, Tonti Properties, is expected to break ground in spring 2016 on Trinity Union, a 457-unit multifamily community. The project has a mixture of product types including a four-story wrap-style building with structured parking and separate townhome-style buildings with direct-access garages and private yards. Trinity Union will feature an urban design, and 19 acres of the site will be devoted to retail use. John Zikos, Ken Reimer, Christopher Gibbons and Cheryl Hill of Venture worked with Tonti to acquire three separate land tracts. In the most complex of the transactions, Venture represented the seller, a family that had owned a 25-acre tract for 54 years, while Wilson Stafford of Edge Realty Capital Markets represented Tonti Properties. In the other transactions, Venture and Edge co-represented Tonti Properties.

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Pooch porches: DFW eateries welcoming dogs on outdoor patios

State law lets cities grant variances allowing dogs on patios

Rules include regular cleanup, having separate entrance

Euless becomes latest North Texas city to take required steps

Nick McClanahan gives attention to his dog Sir Henry Winston as he enjoys wine on the dog-friendly patio with his fiancee Lauren Miller at Kent & Co. Wines in Fort Worth last month. Richard W. Rodriguez Star-Telegram

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Corrie Watson doesn't like leaving her dogs at home when she goes to work. At Kent & Co. Wines, a spot on eclectic West Magnolia Avenue in Fort Worth, she doesn't have to — her border collie and boxer are welcome to stay on the porch.

"I can't get enough time with my dogs," said Watson, a co-owner of the wine bar. She knows that's how her customers feel, too. "Our dogs are cooped up, and our view is that they are a part of our family. On a beautiful Sunday, they should be right there with us."

Wagner makes himself comfortable on the floor of the dog-friendly patio at Kent & Co. Wines in Fort Worth. Richard W. Rodriguez Star-Telegram

Shannon and Santina Forrest enjoy wine in the dog-friendly enclosed patio area at Kent & Co. Wines with their greyhounds Sugar and Wagner last month. Richard W. Rodriguez Star-Telegram

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Griffin, an Australian shepherd, sits patiently as his owner, Buddy Mose,s enjoys wine in the dog-friendly enclosed patio area at Kent & Co. Wines. Richard W. Rodriguez Star-Telegram

Pepper sits as her owner enjoys wine in the dog-friendly enclosed patio area at Kent & Co. Wines in Fort Worth last month. Richard W. Rodriguez Star-Telegram

Kent & Co. is among a growing number of dog-friendly restaurants in North Texas where people can bring their pooches, usually as long as humans and their canine companions stay on the outdoor patios.

Euless recently adopted an ordinance allowing dogs on patios if restaurants follow guidelines.

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To dine at dog-friendly Arlington bars or restaurants, dogs must be rabies-vaccinated and registered with the city, an official told *The Shorthorn*, the University of Texas at Arlington student newspaper.

While most restaurants allow dogs only on the patio, Caves Lounge allows them inside — preferably on a leash, bartender Jake Dority said.

"We encourage dogs all the time, but on Sundays we have Sunday Funday and we cook out on the back patio," Dority said. "The only nights I would suggest not bringing them is on karaoke nights just because it gets so busy and loud, and sometimes that can give dogs anxiety."

UT Arlington seniors Jordan Tyler DuBois and Sydnee Parkhurst said their dog Kinsler loves adventures and meeting anyone who will pet her. DuBois said she liked that Caves didn't make them walk through a back gate to bring their dog in.

"They brought out a water bowl for her, and everyone on the patio fawned over her," DuBois told *The Shorthorn*.

Iconic downtown Arlington eatery J.R. Bentley's owner Dana Ladd said her restaurant started allowing dogs to dine on its patio when it reopened in April after a July 2013 fire. "Everyone on staff loves having dogs around," Ladd told the student newspaper. "It's nice that dogs are being welcomed in businesses, so we would like to get the word out."

Under the state health code, cities and counties may grant zoning variances allowing dogs at restaurants as long as the eateries follow rules such as posting signs saying dogs are welcome on patios and the employees don't interact with the pooches.

Fort Worth follows state rules allowing establishments to have a zoning variance for dogs to be on patios as long as the canines are not inside the restaurant, city spokeswoman Cindy Vasquez said.

"For sanitation and safety we require the businesses to be diligent in their cleaning and prevent cross-contamination," Vasquez said. "The employees are not allowed to interact with the dogs."

There are exceptions, of course, for service dogs and police dogs.

Recently, the Euless City Council approved an ordinance paving the way for restaurants to allow canines on patios, as long as the establishment meets certain sanitation requirements.

The move was in response to Lazy Dog Restaurant & Bar — which has a Dallas location — submitting a site plan to open in the upscale Glade Parks development. Euless will decide case by case if dogs are allowed on restaurant patios, said Mike Collins, director of planning and development.

Bedford, Hurst, Keller and Southlake don't have ordinances allowing dogs at restaurants.

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It's becoming more socially acceptable to have your dog with you.

Morgan Page, general manager of Bravo Cucina Italiana restaurant in Fort Worth

At the Bravo Cucina Italiana restaurant on South Hulen Street not far from Texas Christian University, dogs are welcome on the patio. General Manager Morgan Page said guests love having the option to bring their beloved pets.

Most who bring their canines are either empty-nesters or retired, she said.

"It's becoming more socially acceptable to have your dog with you," Page said. "It's a big thing in Austin and Europe."

Bravo welcomes dogs year-round as the patio has heaters and a portion of it can be closed off.

Dog-friendly patios are growing in popularity in Fort Worth, said Beth Hutson, CEO of Hutson Creative, whose clients include Bravo.

"Many businesses are not only animal enthusiasts themselves but realize the importance that pets have in their owners' lives," she said. "We've definitely seen an increase in canine-friendly patios and special events geared towards dogs amongst our clients."

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30 displaced, 9 injured in Euless apartment fire

Firefighters rescued four people from apartments

A man was hospitalized

The Red Cross is assisting victims

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Several apartments in The Palisades at Bear Creek complex were destroyed in a large fire Saturday morning, displacing 30 people. Mark David Smith STAR-TELEGRAM

By Mark David Smith

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Thirty people were displaced Saturday after a large fire destroyed several apartments in a Euless complex.

The fire was reported about 6:40 a.m., said Keith Smith, Euless Fire Department spokesman. Firefighters arrived to find heavy smoke and fire coming from The Palisades at Bear Creek apartments in the 200 block of Bear Creek Drive.

Firefighters rescued four people and treated nine for injuries, and one man was taken to a hospital, Smith said. A Bedford firefighter also received a minor laceration and was treated at the scene.

Smith said firefighters from six cities responded to the two-alarm fire. It took about an hour to douse the main fire, and it was tapped out about 9:30 a.m.

Eight apartments were heavily damaged or destroyed, displacing 30 people. The Red Cross began assisting victims soon after the fire was extinguished.

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Euless Christmas parade

Laura's Dance Dynamics dancers are lit up for the Christmas parade in Euless, which had a Candy Land theme, on Friday night. Joyce Marshall Star-Telegram

Madame Flicka makes a good reindeer for the Christmas parade in Euless, which had a Candy Land theme, on

Friday night. She is ridden by Myra Chavez, and Sharon Roby-Ratliff is right by her side getting ready for the parade. Joyce Marshall Star-Telegram

North Euless Elementary School Dads Club in the Christmas parade in Euless on Friday night. Joyce Marshall Star-Telegram

Coach Ann Voogd on the Dr Pepper StarCenter Euless float in the Christmas parade Friday night. Joyce Marshall Star-Telegram

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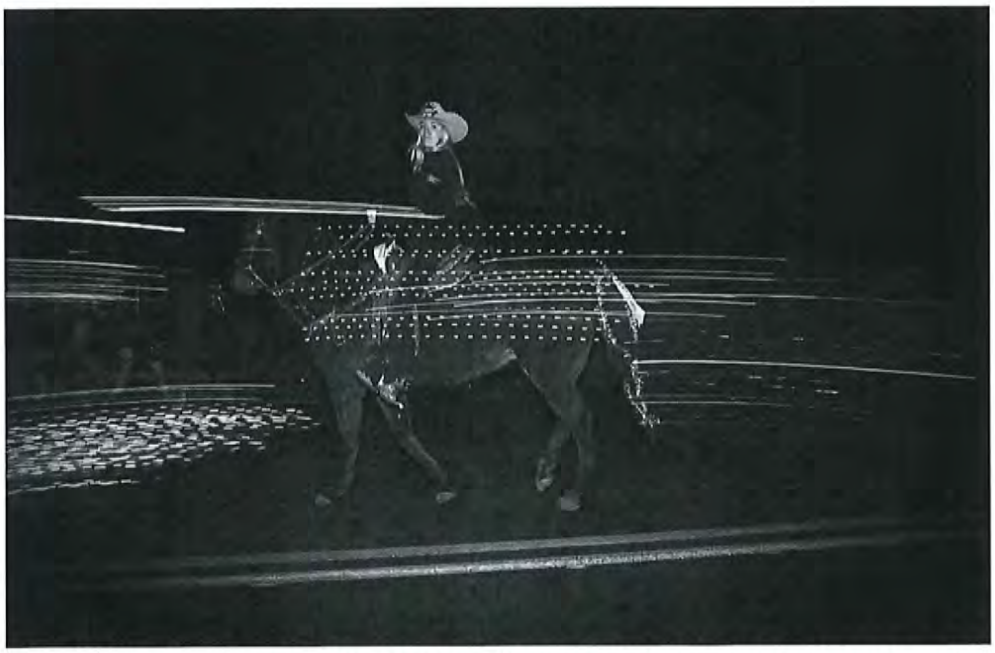
Float by His Amazing Grace Church in Bedford makes its way down the street in the Christmas parade in Euless on Friday night. Joyce Marshall Star-Telegram



Even the horses wore lights in the Christmas parade in Euless on Friday night. Joyce Marshall Star-Telegram

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