



# News and Views

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## Labor Day is Monday, September 3, 2012

**LABOR DAY**  
at ppsst.com



The first Labor Day holiday was celebrated on Tuesday, September 5, 1882, in New York City, in accordance with the plans of the Central Labor Union. The Central Labor Union held its second Labor Day holiday just a year later, on September 5, 1883.

The vital force of labor added materially to the highest standard of living and the greatest production the world has ever known and has brought us closer to the realization of our traditional ideals of economic and political democracy. It is appropriate, therefore, that the nation pay tribute on Labor Day to the creator of so much of the nation's strength, freedom, and leadership — the American worker.

City offices will be closed on Monday, September 3, 2012, in observance of Labor Day.

## City Council Appoints Ray Stephens to fill the Place 2 Vacancy on the City Council



The City Council has appointed Ray Stephens to fill Place 2 on the Council. Ray will serve until the next regular election, which is in May 2013. For more information on Ray, see his bio on our website.

## Proud Moments



Boy Scout Troop 1857 had the opportunity to attend Camp Pi-anue (Saskatchewan Canada) this year and flew a U.S. flag and Forney flag over their campsite. Troop 1857 led the Pledge of Allegiance at the Council meeting held on July 17<sup>th</sup> and presented the Saskatchewan flag to the Mayor.



## School has Started -- Don't Text and Drive Texting is a **Major Distracter**

Driving while using a cell phone incurs a four times greater risk of crashing, which is equivalent to driving while drunk (with 0.08 blood-alcohol level). Talking on a cell phone while driving slows down the reaction time of even the most experienced driver. **FOR TEXTERS, THE RISK IS EIGHT TIMES GREATER. All drivers must be committed to reducing serious injuries and deaths on our roadways. This starts with your commitment to NOT BECOME A DISTRACTED DRIVER!**

## The Food Pantry Needs You

Volunteers are always needed for any non-profit organization to be a success and our local food pantry is no exception. The Food Pantry needs people to volunteer on a regular basis to help serve the disadvantaged in our community. Please help. Contact Taressa Adams at 972-552-2011 to help make a difference!

"Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better. It's not." Dr. Seuss

## The Three Forks Assisted Living



Groundbreaking for the new facility was held in June. This brand new facility will have forty assisted living units and twenty memory care units, with the ability to expand up to an additional twenty assisted living units, if future demand dictates. This project is under construction on FM 548, just south of the Municipal Court and the Community Park. We are excited to have them here!

## Coming Soon!!

### The Trail of Treats @ Community Park

To be a sponsor or for more information contact Dodie at 972-564-7326 or by email at [dswift@cityofforney.org](mailto:dswift@cityofforney.org).

## Notice

Meals on Wheels is now able to accept new clients. Please call Dena Pope at 972-564-7348 for more information.

## Congratulations!

To Fire Lieutenant, David Ray, for receiving his Advanced Firefighter Certification; to Tracy Moore, Executive Assistant, for receiving her Advanced Telecommunicator Certification; and to Marty Coursey who was promoted to Assistant Finance Director.

## Welcome!

To Josie Lopez, who is a new Dispatcher.

**2012 City Council Meetings**  
Times are subject to change – Agendas are posted 72 hours in advance on our website at [www.cityofforney.org](http://www.cityofforney.org)

1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the Month Start Time 6:00 p.m. Work Session/Action Agenda	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the Month Start Time 7:00 p.m. Regular Meeting
January 3	January 17
February 7	February 21
March 6	March 20
April 3	April 17
May 1	May 15
June 5	June 19
July 3	July 17
August 7	August 21
September 4	September 18
October 2	October 16
November 6	November 20
December 4	December 18

City of Forney and CWD are having a



**Saturday, September 22, 2012**

**8:30AM to noon**

**Forney Community Park  
241 South FM 548**

The following items will be collected:



Questions? Please call 972-564-7390

## Upcoming Events and Things to Do

For more information on these events, please visit our website at [www.cityofforney.org](http://www.cityofforney.org) or checkout our Facebook page

### Labor Day

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### CWD X-Treme Green Event

**Saturday, September 22, 2012**  
From 8:00 a.m. to Noon  
Location: Community Park



**Fire Prevention Week – October 7-13, 2012**  
"Have Two Ways Out"



**Community Parade**  
**Saturday, October 20, 2012**



**Unity Bowl (FNHS v. FHS)**  
**Friday, October 26, 2012**



**Trail of Treats**  
**Saturday, October 27, 2012**  
From 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.  
Location: Community Park



**Forney Arts Festival**  
**Friday/Saturday, November 2 & 3, 2012**  
Downtown



**State Offices and Federal (Presidential) Election**  
**Tuesday, November 6, 2012**



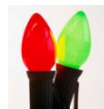
**Turkey Trax**  
**Sunday, November 11, 2012**  
Location: Downtown



**Veterans Day**  
**Sunday, November 11, 2012**  
Federal Holiday Observed on Monday,  
November 12, 2012



**Thanksgiving Holiday**  
**Thursday and Friday, November 22-23, 2012**  
City offices will be closed



**Christmas Tree Lighting**  
Date to be determined  
Location: Downtown



**Hometown Christmas**  
**Saturday, December 1, 2012**  
Location: Downtown



**Christmas Holiday**  
**Monday and Tuesday, December 24-25, 2012**  
City offices will be closed

