

Happy New Year



Back Row L-R: Steve Kennemer, R'Chino Hill, Keith Hubbard and Chris Metz
 Front Row L-R: Sara Buttram, Kim Buttram, Kayla Bryson and Molly Lawrence

Another Successful Turkey Trax Autorama

The 4th Annual Turkey Trax Autorama was hosted by the Forney Economic Development Corporation on Sunday, November 13, 2011. 180 vehicles were entered the event. The weather was perfect and attendance was awesome with approximately 800 people. This event benefited the New Life Food Pantry. Thanks go to our great employees and the volunteers who work hard to help make these events so enjoyable.

May General Election Information

The first day to file for a place on the ballot for the May General Election is **Monday, February 6, 2012**. Up for election this year will be Places 1, 3 and 5. Candidate application packets will be available in the City Secretary's office starting February 1, 2012.

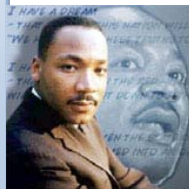
REMEMBER: STAGE 3 DROUGHT CONDITIONS ONLY ALLOW WATERING ONCE EVERY TWO WEEKS NOVEMBER THROUGH MARCH. PLEASE DO YOUR PART TO CONSERVE THIS PRECIOUS RESOURCE.



Martin Luther King Day

At the White House Rose Garden on November 2, 1983, President Ronald Reagan signed a bill creating a federal holiday to honor King. Observed for the first time on January 20, 1986, it is called Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. Following President George H. W. Bush's 1992 proclamation, the holiday is observed on the third Monday of January each year, near the time of King's birthday. On January 17, 2000, for the first time, Martin Luther King Day was officially observed in all fifty U.S. states.

City offices will be closed on Monday, January 16, 2012, in observance of this holiday.



Kudos

Park and Recreation employee Josh Cooper received his Applicator's License for Herbicide/Pesticide.

Police Lieutenant Rocky Ray received his Master Peace Officer Certification.

Marty Coursey passed her final test to become a CGFO (Certified Government Financial Officer) certification through Government Finance Officers Association of Texas (GFOAT).

THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR HARD WORK!

Forney's First Citizens Fire Academy

The First Citizens Fire Academy will begin on Thursday, February 2, 2012. Classes will meet eight consecutive Thursday evenings from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., through March 29, 2012.

The eight-week program gives citizens an inside view of the Fire Department and allows them to experience what the firefighters do during the 24-hour tour of duty. Participants will experience several hands-on fire fighting techniques including handling a fire hose, operating the fire trucks and riding along with firefighters on actual emergency calls.

Layden Senior Center

The Layden Center is located at 101 E. Main Street (City Hall) and provides games, exercise equipment, various activities, special entertainment, and health education programs throughout the month. Bingo is played every Friday at 10:30 a.m. Hours of operation are from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Home delivered Meals-on-Wheels are also based out of the Layden Center. For more information please contact Jennifer Helms at 972-564-7348.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN SERVING ON A CITY BOARD OR COMMISSION?

If you think you might be interested in serving on a City board or commission, the City accepts applications year-round. The list of boards and commissions, along with the application, can be found on our website at www.cityofforney.org. Or, you can contact the City Secretary by email at dbrooks@cityofforney.org or by phone at 972-564-7302 to request that an application be sent to you. Your interest in serving the community is greatly appreciated.

City of Forney Parks

Latimer Park

Southeastern side of Mulberry Park. The closest intersection is FM 740 South and the Forney Middle School Parking Lot.

Mulberry Park

Baseball -- 751 Bois d'Arc Street

Tennis Courts -- Southeastern side of Mulberry Park. The closest intersection is FM 740 South and the Forney Middle School Parking Lot.

Mulberry Park Softball and Soccer -- Southeastern side of Mulberry Park. The closest intersection is FM 740 South and the Forney Middle School Parking Lot. Parking is available in the FMS Parking Lot.

Bell Park

Southwest Corner of Trinity & Bois d'Arc Streets

Henderson Elementary Soccer Complex

12755 FM 164, Forney, Texas 75126

Eastside Park

Intersection of Aimee & Broad Streets

Forney Community Park

241 S. FM 548 between the intersection of FM 548/FM 1641 & FM 741

Mustang Creek Park

Longhorn Drive at the intersection of Bowie Street or Redbud Street

Heritage Hill Park

On Heritage Hill Drive at the intersection of F.M. 740 North

Helpful Phone Numbers

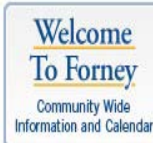
- Emergency..... 911
- Police Non-Emergency..... 972-564-7600
- Fire Non-Emergency..... 972-552-2211
- Animal Control..... 972-564-7397
- Parks & Recreation..... 972-564-7326
- City Hall..... 972-564-7300
- Utility Billing/Water-Sewer..... 972-564-7300
- Trash Service/CWD..... 972-392-9300

City Offices will be Closed

January 2 – New Year's Day Holiday

January 16 – Martin Luther King Day

Think Shop Live Forney



2012 City Council Meetings

Times are subject to change

1 st Tuesday of the Month Start Time 6:00 p.m.	3 rd Tuesday of the Month Start Time 7:00 p.m.
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

Ellen Brooks West Memorial Library

Located on the Forney High School Campus -- 800 FM 741 South
Forney, Texas 75126
Phone: (972) 564-7027
Fax: (972) 564-5616

This is a public library and is a joint venture between the Forney Independent School District and the City of Forney.

Hours of Operation

School Days	Time	Non-School Days	Time
Monday	8am-7pm	Monday	4pm-7pm
Tuesday	8am-5pm	Tuesday	10am-4pm
Wednesday	8am-7pm	Wednesday	10am-4pm
Thursday	8am-7pm	Thursday	1pm-7pm
Friday	8am-3:45pm	Friday	Closed
Saturday	10am-2pm	Saturday	10am-2pm
Sunday	Closed	Sunday	Closed