

# COLLEYVILLE Communicator

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## Stars and Guitars Returns June 21



Mark your calendars to join us on Friday, June 21 for Colleyville's annual patriotic celebration. The event features a FREE concert with Rhett Akins

followed by a fireworks celebration for all!

Rhett Akins has had an extremely impressive career. He's not just been a successful solo artist; he's written chart toppers for many artists. Rhett has had 35 No. 1 singles (and counting). His first No. 1 hit, "That Ain't My Truck," which he also co-wrote, has since become Rhett's signature song. Some artists who have recorded songs written by Rhett include Luke Bryan, Jason Aldean, Dustin Lynch, Blake Shelton, John Pardi, Parker McCollum, and Thomas Rhett, to name a few.

This impressive list hasn't gone unnoticed in the music industry. In 2010, Rhett was named the No. 4 Billboard Country Songwriter. The following year, BMI named him Songwriter of the Year. He won it again in 2014. His song "Honey Bee" became the highest-selling digital debut by a country male Solo Artist. His biggest accomplishment, though, may be winning the CMA Triple Play award a total of eight times! In April 2018, Rhett was named Songwriter of the Year, and in September 2019 named the first Songwriter of the Decade by the Academy of Country Music. In November 2021, Rhett was inducted into the Nashville Songwriters Hall of Fame.

Rhett Akins has already achieved so much as both an artist and a songwriter, but he's not done yet! We are excited to have Rhett for Stars and Guitars. For more information on the event, visit [Colleyville.com/stars2024](http://Colleyville.com/stars2024).

## Community Spotlight: Colleyville Lions Club

This month, we are highlighting the contributions of another one of Colleyville's local nonprofit organizations, the Colleyville Lions Club! Staff visited with President Frank Correa and Secretary Deb Cashen to learn more about the Lions and how they are making a positive impact in the community.



You've likely seen them volunteering at City events and wonder what other efforts their organization supports. The Lions provide a professional pool of very talented, experienced, and dedicated volunteers who use their time and energy to help others. They are best known for fighting blindness and conducting vision screenings, but they also volunteer for projects supporting children, the hungry, seniors and disabled individuals. They help promote partnerships with schools, businesses, and other organizations to serve our community. Their motto "We Serve" is carried out across the globe through projects and grants.

If you're looking for a way to get more involved in the community, the Lions welcome you! The Colleyville Lions Club meets every Friday morning from 6:45 to 8:00 AM at The EDGE, Crown of Life Lutheran Church. Even better, they have FREE breakfast!

Watch for them this fall at the Hole-in-One Shootout event, September 20 through September 22, and their annual Breakfast with Santa on December 7. You'll also see them at the Colleyville City Fair on May 18 and the City's annual Stars and Guitars event on June 21.

To Learn More: [www.colleyvillelions.com](http://www.colleyvillelions.com) / [info@colleyvillelions.com](mailto:info@colleyvillelions.com)

## Colleyville Library Summer Reading Program Kicks Off May 31

Colleyville Public Library is gearing up for the Summer Reading Program, **Reading With My Gnomies!** Readers of all ages are invited to participate in the 2024 Summer Reading Program kick-off event at 6PM on Friday, May 31. Make plans to join the ceremonial ribbon cutting, unveiling of the prize room, and an evening of games, prizes, food and fun!

Join us every Tuesday and Thursday for entertainment for the whole family. Come watch jugglers, magicians, ventriloquists, bubble shows, animal presentations and more. For a full list of performers, visit the library for a program guide or visit the Library's website. Registration for the Summer Reading Program as well as weekly story times, programs, and events will open on Monday, May 20. Registration can be done online at [ColleyvilleLibrary.com](http://ColleyvilleLibrary.com) or in person at the Youth Services Desk.

We hope you will swing by the Colleyville Public Library this summer for some free entertainment, fun programs and a good book!

## Capital Projects Update

The City continues to invest in its infrastructure with several capital projects underway throughout Colleyville. The Quail Crest project in the southeast part of Colleyville includes water and wastewater line upsizing as well as road repairs. The City recently began a much needed drainage improvement to the Pecan Park neighborhood behind Caliber Collision on SH26. The City recently awarded a bid for a project that will increase water pressure in the Preston Manor subdivision, which was experiencing very low pressure. The City also has road resurfacing projects ongoing in partnership with Tarrant County including Cooks Ln, Waller Ln, and several streets within the Tara subdivision. By partnering with Tarrant County, the City saves about 40% per project. The City supplies the materials, and Tarrant County provides the workers and equipment. Finally, the Recreation Center renovation project is well underway that includes a large gymnasium for volleyball and basketball and classroom space for all of the Parks programming. We expect the building to be open by summer 2024. For any questions about capital improvement projects, visit [Colleyville.com](http://Colleyville.com) (click on "Construction Projects") or call 817.503.1090.

## Fire Department Offers Free Pool Safety Assessments

With summer right around the corner, the Fire Department is offering free pool safety assessments to all residents. The evaluation is a comprehensive look at your safety plan and recommendations for improvements. The department has partnered with Cooks Children's Hospital network to provide life jackets and no cost CPR training. Each year almost 400 kids under 5 years old drown in pools. Please help us prevent these tragedies in our community.

For more information or to schedule your assessment, contact Karen Weir at 817.503.1401 or email [kweir@colleyville.com](mailto:kweir@colleyville.com).

## Dinosaur George Returns to Colleyville



The Colleyville Center will travel back in time as we welcome the Dinosaur Traveling Museum back to Colleyville. On July 16, from 10AM to 7:30PM, come experience this incredible display of predatory dinosaur skulls and all things pre-historic. "Dinosaur George" is a self-taught paleontologist and animal behaviorist with more than 40 years of study and research! This Library family-friendly event is free and no registration is required. For more information, call 817.503.1154 or visit [www.dinosaurgeorge.com](http://www.dinosaurgeorge.com).

## Free Sprinkler Evaluation Program

Tarrant Regional Water District's free Residential Sprinkler System Evaluation Program encourages improving sprinkler efficiency to minimize waste and build a healthy landscape. The evaluation program provides a comprehensive look at residents' sprinkler systems including components, controller, and the current watering schedule. This free residential program provides a valuable, detailed report with recommended changes to help increase efficiency and reduce water waste.

A few years after installation all irrigation systems need a little TLC. Sprinkler heads can break or become ineffective, plant material grows to block spray patterns, or water pressure changes. In addition, there have been significant advancements in irrigation system technology that will increase the effectiveness of your system dramatically. Learn more and sign up for the program at <https://savatarrantwater.com/sprinkler-evaluation/>.

## Upcoming Events

### Stars & Guitars

Friday, June 21

7:00 p.m. – 10 p.m.

City Hall, South Lawn

Colleyville's annual patriotic celebration is back. Enjoy an evening under the stars and an amazing fireworks show as we light up the Colleyville sky!

### Jazz & Pom Dance Clinic

Thursday, June 6 or July 11

4:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Campers (aged 9-12) will learn dance technique and combos in both styles of dance. Registration required; contact Parks & Rec for more information at 817.503.1180.

### Dodgeball Camp

Mon. - Thur., June 24- 27

8:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Camp for ages 7-11 includes several versions of dodgeball with emphasis on fun, teamwork and exercise. Registration required; contact Parks & Rec for more info at 817.503.1180.

For more information on these and other events, visit

[Colleyville.com](http://Colleyville.com)

## City Meetings

City Council	June 4	7 p.m.
Planning & Zoning	June 10	7 p.m.
Zoning Board of Adjustments	June 11	7 p.m.
City Council	June 18	7 p.m.



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