



Did you know?

You can protect your home from fire damage by removing lights as soon as the holidays are over.



Dear Citizens,

I am going to miss my dear friend Gary McKamie. He is a visionary like no other and he sincerely loves our great city.

His sense of humor and more importantly, his ability to laugh at himself are what makes him most endearing and a great leader. Gary is a relationship builder and strives to create positive partnerships with Council, employees, residents and the community. He has served as a mentor to many of our Euless employees and is most definitely a family man.

I have truly enjoyed our time working together but after 42 years of service to Euless, I understand why he is ready for retirement. I consider our friendship a blessing and am very happy for Gary and his family.

I am looking forward to the changes that are coming to Euless including our newest Councilmember Harry Zimmer. I hope you are too!





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Place 4
Harry Zimmer Place 5
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# COMMUNITY NEWS



### New Council Member Harry Zimmer

A Euless resident since 1997, Harry Zimmer is a retired Professional Engineer. previously served on the Zoning Board of Adjustment since 2007, the Housing and Structure Board since 2012 and the Economic Development Advisory Board from 2005-06. Zimmer serves on the Boards of the Forest Pointe Estates Owners Association and the Chippeway Water Association. He is a past volunteer with Ronald McDonald House, Hospice and Catholic Charities and attends church at All Saints in Dallas.

### City Manager Announces Retirement

Euless City Manager Gary McKamie announced that he will retire on January 31, 2015 after 42 years with the city.

McKamie joined the City of Euless in 1973 where he began as a dispatcher. McKamie worked in several positions in the Police Department during his tenure in Euless. He eventually rose through the ranks as a Patrol Officer, Detective, Sergeant, Lieutenant, Assistant Police Chief and then Chief of Police in 1993 for six years. He became the Deputy City Manager in 1999 and served in that capacity for eight years. He then was appointed City Manager in 2007.

As City Manager, McKamie oversaw major commercial development in Euless including Glade Parks and the

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# **FUN FAMILY EVENTS**



## Academy

**Begins February 19** 

The mission of the Euless Citizen's Police Academy is to provide the citizens of Euless a better understanding of the dedication and integrity of the Police Department. The CPA will not train you to become a Police Officer, but it will give you valuable insight into the philosophy, strategies, and training that shape your Police Department. There is no cost to the student to participate, and all instructional materials are provided. The Academy is a twelve-week course covering Community Policing, Polygraph Examination, Identity Theft and Crime Scene investigation techniques. The minimum age for enrollment is 18 and you must live or work in the City of Euless to be eligible to attend. For more information, please call 817-685-1563. The CPA is a great way to get to know the Police Officers who patrol your neighborhood, and to see your community from their perspective.

# Observe a Dallas Stars Practice Session

February 28, Time: 11 a.m. - noon Dr Pepper StarCenter 1400 S. Pipeline Rd.

Your Dallas Stars will be practicing in Euless! This event is free and open to the public. Bring your camera and catch the Dallas Stars in action at this free public practice. There will be many exciting activities for fans to participate in such as a slap shot cage, inflatables and a special appearance from the Dallas Stars Ice Girls. Players will also be on hand after the practice to sign autographs. For more information, please contact the Dr Pepper StarCenter at (817) 267-4233.



## The Vanderveer Brothers String Band

February 9, 7 p.m. Mary Lib Saleh Euless Public Library 201 N. Ector Dr.

The Vanderveer Brothers String Band has been playing Old Time style music for almost three years. Luke, the youngest, is the 2013 Lone Star State Hammer Dulcimer champion. Christopher finished in third place in the Lone Star State competition in 2012 and 2013. Christopher and Luke also participated in the 2013 National Hammer Dulcimer competition in Winfield, Kansas. The four brothers are also known for their ability to play the piano. Please come hear the old time music sounds of the Vanderveer Brothers String band!

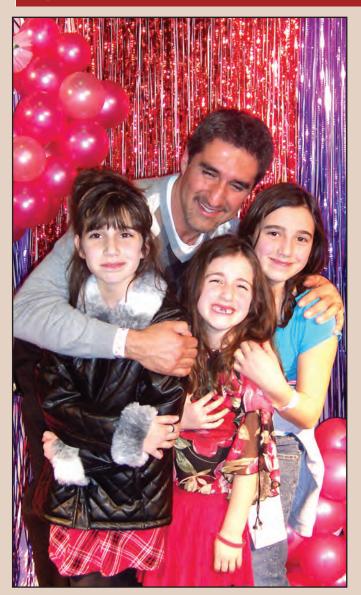
## Citizen's Fire Academy

Begins February 12

The Euless Fire Department is hosting its next Citizen's Fire Academy which consists of hands on educational experience in all aspects of the Euless Fire Department, including protective equipment, hose handling, fire extinguisher use, fire investigations and emergency medical services to name a few. The class is designed to provide you with a better understanding of what firefighters do and to allow you to get to know your Euless Fire Department. The free classes will occur Thursday evenings from February 17 to April 30. Upon completion of the class, participants are encouraged to join the Euless Citizens Fire Academy Alumni Association, an active group of graduates that assist the fire department in various support functions including the operation of the fire scene rehab unit. You must be at least 18 years of age and live or work in Euless to be eligible to attend. For additional information, sign up for the classes, please www.eulesstx.gov/fire/cfa.htm or contact Ken Rawlinson at 817-685-1600.



# **FUN FAMILY EVENTS**



# Daddy/Daughter Valentine's Dance

February 13, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. Euless Family Life Center 300 W. Midway Dr.

Attention all Dads, Uncles, and Grandpas: This is the event you've all been waiting for. Grab your favorite little lady and get ready for a night you'll both remember forever. Enjoy a night of dancing, refreshments, goody bags, photos, and more. Create memories that will last a lifetime for you and the most important girl in your life. All ages are welcome. Tickets are \$10 per couple (each additional sibling is \$5) available at the Euless Family Life Center beginning January 15.

# Mother/Son Valentine's Brunch

February 14, 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Euless Family Life Center 300 W. Midway Dr.

Attention all Moms, Aunts, and Grandmas: This is the event you've all been waiting for. Grab your favorite little man and get ready for a day you'll both remember forever. Enjoy a nice brunch, entertainment, goody bags, photos, and more. Create memories that will last a lifetime for you and the most important boy in your life. All ages are welcome. Tickets are \$10 per couple (each additional sibling is \$5) available at the Euless Family Life Center beginning January 15.

# Historical Mural Unveiled at Museum

February 14, 1-5 p.m. Heritage Park Museum, 201 Cullum Dr.

Please join a celebration of historic proportions! Our February open house will celebrate the history of Euless with an "unveiling" of a beautiful new mural created specifically for Heritage Park Museum by artist Lisa McNamara and under painting artists Carolyn Allen and John Misner. The mural features significant pieces of Euless history such as Birds Fort and DFW Airport along with noteworthy homes and local businesses. Museum docents will provided guided tours of the museum and cookies and punch will be served.

# Valentine's Day Dinner

February 14, 6-9 p.m.

Discover Euless' best kept secret this Valentine's Day. This year, Raven's Grille is offering your choice between a four course prix-fix menu or ala-carte selections from our special Valentine's Day menu. For an extra touch, wine pairings are available for both menus. Treat that special someone in your life to a delicious and romantic evening at Raven's Grille. Call 817-685-1847 to secure your spot.

# **FUN FAMILY EVENTS**



#### Winter Natatorium Hours

Mon. - Fri. 8 a.m. - 8:30 p.m.

(Open Swim: 11:40 a.m. – 5 p.m.)

Sat. 9 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

(Open Swim: 10:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.)

Noon - 3:30 p.m. Sun.

(Open Swim: Noon – 3:30 p.m.)

For a full listing of swim lessons and aquatic programs, please visit www.playeuless.com or pick up a copy of the Spring 2015 Euless Playbook magazine. (817-685-1666)

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Riverwalk while striving to maintain the charm of our community and protect the natural resources that beautify Euless. He shepherded significant projects that have improved water conservation such as the Reclaimed Water Project that delivers recycled water for irrigation to apartments in northeast Euless. McKamie's conservative budgeting and innovative development, especially during the economic downturn, has allowed Euless to remain in a strong financial position.



As Police Chief, he was instrumental in several accomplishments including the passage of the crime tax, the establishment of the Citizen's Police Academy, Town Hall meetings and the building plans of the police and courts facility.

McKamie now feels the time is right for him to move into his retirement years. The Euless City Council will make a determination regarding McKamie's replacement. He has recommended Deputy City Manager Loretta Getchell for the position.



"Loretta is an intelligent, hardworking and incredibly committed Deputy City Manager and talented leader who cares deeply for our employees and the city of Euless. She has been a great friend and cohort. I couldn't have asked for anyone better to work with on the issues that have faced Euless throughout the years."

Raised in San Angelo, McKamie holds a degree in Criminal Justice from Dallas Baptist University. He and his wife Paula have been married for 40 vears. They have three sons: Blake, Brant and Blane, and six grandchildren: Kylar, Kaylee, Kelsie, Jaxon, Addie and Annabelle.





## Euless Resident Golf Discount Days

Texas Star Golf Course is fun and relaxing and right around the corner. Check out this beautiful course for yourself. We are offering Euless residents the opportunity to play for \$25 which includes cart and range balls.

Euless residents can get this steal of a deal after noon on:

• Sunday, February 22

• Sunday, March 8

Euless residents will need to bring a valid ID to show proof of residence. Tee times can be made four days in advance by calling the Golf Shop at 817-685-7888. Walk-up reservations will be accepted if space is available.

### February Happenings at the Senior Center

The Euless Family Life Senior Center requires that all participants become a member. It's SIMPLY FabEuless to join. Complete a membership form, have your picture made and the ADVENTURE begins. Memberships are open to the 60+ population. Please contact the center at 817-685-1671 for membership fees. The center offers a variety of activities for the 60+ members. Some of the ADVENTURES you may experience ...

- <u>Health and Wellness Classes</u>: Chair Training, Core and Stretch, Afternoon Yoga, Aerobic Strength, Tai Chi, Siva-Dancersize, TLC Yoga, Zumba Toning, Senior Boot Camp, Senior Abs, Zumba AM and Zumba PM, and Quiet Yoga
- <u>Arts and Crafts Classes</u>: Polymer Clay for Beginners, You Can Paint with Oils, Weave Me Alone, Decorative Painting, Card Making, Crochet, Jewelry Making, Oil Painting with Joan and Quilting.
- <u>Social</u>: Mystery Lunch, Dining Out and Thursday Night Social.
- <u>Games and Such</u>: Billiards, Bunco, variety of card games and Domino games, Bridge, Shuffle Board, Texas Hold'em, Mah Jongg and much more.
- Music: Jammers
- <u>Health Screening and Seminars</u>: Lunch and Learn, Back to Basic with Texas AgriLife Extension, UNT Health Science Center Sweet Talk with Zounds Hearing
- Special Events: Valentine Party, Health Fair and Kentucky Derby Rides Again

For more information please call or stop by the center to get your SIMPLY FabEuless Adventure started.





**FEBRUARY CLASSES** / Euless Family Life Center, 300 W. Midway Dr.

For complete descriptions, visit www.eulesstx.gov/eflc or on Facebook "Euless Parks & Community Services."

EFLC HOURS: M-TH: 5:30 a.m. - 9 p.m. ♦ FRI: 5:30 a.m. - 8 p.m. ♦ SAT: 8 a.m. - 6 p.m. ♦ SUN: Noon - 6 p.m.

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CHILD DEVELOPMENT	CLASS#	<b>BEG</b>	<u>AGE</u>	DAY	TIME	<u>#WKS/\$</u>
Two's Time	210004-02	2/3	1.5-2.5	T/TH	9-11am	4/\$42
Creative Movement	210200-02	2/4	2-3	W	10-10:45am	4/\$62
Preschool Tap & Ballet	210207-02	2/4	3-4	W	11am-12pm	4/\$67
Preschool Dance	210209-02	2/3	3-4	T	4:30-5:30pm	4/\$67
Preschool Dance	210208-02	2/5	4-5	TH	5:30-6:30pm	4/\$67
Fun Time for Learners	210002-02	2/2	3-5	M/W	9am-1pm	4/\$127
Terrific Tuesday & Thursday	210003-02	2/3	3-5	T/TH	9am-1pm	4/\$127
Fun Time Fridays	210010-02	2/6	3-5	F	9am-1pm	4/\$62
Pretty Princess Tea Party	211160-02	2/7	3-7	S	10-11am	4/\$42
Tap, Ballet, & Jazz	210220-02	2/4	4-6	T	5:30-7pm	4/\$77
YOUTH/TEEN ACTIVITIES						
Tap, Ballet, & Jazz	210220-02	2/3	5-7	T	5:30-7pm	4/\$77
Ballet I	210225-02	2/5	5-7	TH	4:30-5:30pm	4/\$67
Tap, Ballet, Jazz	210230-02	2/5	6-8	TH	4:30-5:30pm	4/\$67
You Can Paint	210815-02	2/19	5-13	TH	4-5:30pm	1/\$22
Beginner Hip Hop	210216-02	2/3	6-10	T	6-7pm	4/\$67
Ballet II	210226-02	2/5	8-12	TH	5:30-6:30pm	4/\$67
Tap and Jazz	210232-02	2/5	8-12	TH	6:30-8pm	4/\$77
Girls On The Run	210540-01	2/24	8-12	T/TH	5:30-7pm	10/\$120
Intro to Guitar	210705-02	2/2	9+	M	6-7:30pm	4/\$82
Нір Нор	210215-02	2/3	11-17	Τ	7-8pm	4/\$67
Advanced Tap	210260-02	2/5	11-17	TH	8-9pm	4/\$62
Jazz Technique	210233-02	2/5	11-17	TH	7-8pm	4/\$62
Contemporary Dance	210210-02	2/3	12-17	T	8-9pm	4/\$67
ADULT ACTIVITIES						
Boot Camp	210350-02	2/3	13+	T/TH/F	5:45-6:45am	4/\$62/\$42
Boot Camp Cardio	210330-02	2/2	13+	M/TH	6-6:45pm	4/\$26
Spin and Tone	210310-02	2/2	13+	T/TH	6:45-7:30am	4/\$26
Zumba & Zumba Toning	210310-02	2/3	13+	M/W	7-8pm	4/\$20
Ballroom Basics	210231-02	2/2	13+	M/W	5-6pm	3/\$48
Get Fit Boot Camp	210610-02	2/4	13+	W/F	5:15-6pm	4/\$70
MMA	210010-02	2/4	14+	W/F	7:30-9pm	4/\$80
You Can Oil Paint	210140-02	2/19	14+	TH	6-9pm	1/\$37
Basic Drawing	210810-02	2/13	14+	M	6-8:30pm	4/\$100
Advanced Tap	210320-01	2/6	14+	TH	8-9pm	4/\$100
Power Yoga	210200-02	2/7	15+	S	8:30-9:30am	4/\$42
Hot Hula Fitness	210371-02	2/16	15+	M/W	8-9pm	6/\$62
Kickboxing	210330-02	2/10	16+	M/W	7-8pm	3/\$32
Yoga	210316-02	2/2	16+	M/W	5-6pm	3/\$32
Pilates Fitness	210320-02	2/2	16+	M/W	6-7pm	3/\$32
Spin & Sweat	210320-02	2/4	16+	W	6-6:45pm	4/\$26
Hatha Yoga	210343-02	2/11	16+	T/TH	7-8pm	3/\$42
Tai Chi Beginners	2103305-02	2/11	16+	T	6-7pm	4/\$40
Tai Chi Advanced	210303-02	2/3	16+	T	7-8pm	4/\$40
Digital Photography	210300-02	2/10	16+	T	6:30-8pm	2/\$50
Adult Tap	210830-02		18+	T	=	
Social Security	211004-01	2/3		TH	7-8pm 10-11am	4/\$62
Social Security	211004-01	2/5	18+	ΙП	10-11am	1/FREE
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Tot Ice Skating	211161-02	2/3	3-4	T	6:45-7:15pm	2/\$30
Skate Like a Star	211162-03	2/7	5-13	S	11:15-11:45am	2/\$30
Skate Like a Star	211162-04	2/22	5-13	S	11:15-11:45am	2/\$30
Adult Ice Skating	211165-02	2/3	14+	Т	6:45-7:15pm	2/\$30
SIMMONS ACTIVITY CENTER	508 Simmons Dr., 76040					
Hapkido	210133-02	2/2	13+	M	7:30-9pm	4/\$25
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