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	Fitness Southlake Tennis Center	817-421-5605 southlaketennis.com	450 W. Southlake Blvd. Bicentennial Park	27
	Hospital Methodist Southlake	817-865-4400 methodisthealthsystem.org /methodist-southlake- medical-center/	421 E. State Hwy 114 Southlake, TX 76092	28
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### Home Care Tips – PROTECT YOUR LARGEST INVESTMENT WITH REGULAR PERSONAL OR PROFESSIONAL CARE AND MAINTENANCE

#### Monthly

- Clean or replace air conditioning filters
- Inspect, clean or replace kitchen vent hood filters

#### Quarterly

- Check your drainage conditions for no standing water and to make sure water isn't draining toward your foundation
- Check your GFCIs (ground fault circuit interrupters) by tripping the circuit interrupter buttons and resetting
- Inspect, lubricate and clean all exterior vents. Make sure air flows freely and each has an operable damper to prevent back flow of outside air or small animals from entering your home

#### Seasonal

- Every 6 months, inspect and service heating/AC units
- Inspect and repair caulked areas in kitchen, bath, flushing wet access areas, windows, and doors
- Clean and repair gutters
- Check batteries in smoke and carbon monoxide alarms

#### Annually

- Inspect, drain and refill hot water heaters
- Inspect, adjust, and lubricate garage doors and lock systems
- Inspect and test fire extinguishers

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Parent Contact Info:

In Emergency, Contact:

Family Doctor/Pediatrician:

Pharmacy:

Current Medications:

Allergies:

Electric Company:

Water Utility:

Gas Company:

Cable/Satellite:

Poison Control:

Veterinarian:

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Public Works Utility Billing	817-503-1020
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### PARKS & FACILITIES

City Park - 5205 Bransford Road 6:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m. This 40-acre community park features nine lighted baseball and softball fields, six lighted tennis courts, basketball courts, horseshoe pits, concessions restrooms, covered pavilion, pond, amphitheater, and a one-mile, multi-use trail.

### **COLLEYVILLE NATURE CENTER**

Mill Creek and Mill Wood Drive

Hours: 30 minutes before sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset

This park includes 46 acres of natural refuge, nine ponds, 3.5 miles of multi-use trails, amphitheater, covered pavilion with a grill, rest benches, playground, and fishing pier. To see a complete list of all of the beautiful parks Colleyville has to offer visit www.colleyville.com

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Animal Control 817-410-3370 500 Shady Brook

Community Activity Center 817-410-3450 1175 S. Municipal Way

**Convention And Visitors Bureau** 817-410-3185 One Liberty Park Plaza

**Convention Center** 817-410-3459 1209 S. Main

**Golf Course** 817-410-3477 3800 Fairway

Municipal Service Center 817-410-3330 501 Shady Brook

#### **Utility Billing**

**Parks And Recreation** 817-410-3122 200 S. Main

Police Non-Emergency 817-410-8127 307 W Dallas

Senior Activities Center 817-410-8130 421 Church

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Visitor Information Center 817-410-8136 701 S Main

Trash Collection Republic Services 817-332-7301

817-410-3173 City Hall 200 S. Main Street Grapevine, TX 76051 The Utility Billing Office manages the City's billing for water, wastewater, recycling and trash service. The Utility Billing Office's regular hours of operation are Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. After hours emergency water line breaks and wastewater backup calls can be made to Police Dispatch at 817-410-8127.

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<b>Senior Activity Center</b> 307 Parkwood Drive, Southlake, TX 76092	817-748-8315
<b>CISD Aquatics Center</b> 1501 W. Southlake Boulevard, Southlake, TX 76092	817-949-8200
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**Our Mission** To promote economic success by connecting businesses with the community.

**Our Vision** 



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### **Chamber History to Present**

The Colleyville Area Chamber of Commerce was founded in 1976 by a dozen businesses that came together to foster a sense of unity within the growing business community. The resulting alliance formed the Chamber as it is today, a voluntary organization of people that strive to help members succeed. For the last 40 years, the Chamber has formed important partnerships and fostered relationships which support the economic vitality and growth of the community.



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### **Fitness: Tips for staying motivated**

Fitness is for life. Motivate yourself with these practical tips.

### 1. Set goals

Start with simple goals and then progress to longer range goals. Remember to make your goals realistic and achievable. It's easy to get frustrated and give up if your goals are too ambitious. For example, if you haven't exercised in a while, a short-term goal might be to walk 10 minutes a day five days a week. Even short amounts of exercise can have benefits.

### 2. Make it fun

Find sports or activities that you enjoy, and then vary the routine to keep it interesting. If you're not enjoying your workouts, try something different. Remember, exercise doesn't have to be boring, and you're more likely to stick with a fitness program if you're having fun.

### 3. Make physical activity part of your daily routine

If it's hard to find time for exercise, don't fall back on excuses. Schedule workouts as you would any other important activity. You can also slip in physical activity throughout the day. Take the stairs instead of the elevator, or park further away from the store. Walk up and down sidelines while watching the kids play sports. Take a walk during a break at work.

### 4. Join forces with friends, neighbors or others

You're not in this alone. Invite friends or co-workers to join you when you exercise or go on walks. Work out with your partner or other loved ones. Organize a group of neighbors to take fitness classes at a local health club.

### 5. Reward yourself

After each exercise session, take a few minutes to savor the good feelings that exercise gives you. This type of internal reward can help you make a long-term commitment to regular exercise.

External rewards can help too. When you reach a longer range goal, treat yourself to a new pair of walking shoes or new tunes to enjoy while you exercise.





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Emergencies, whether man-made or natural, often occur without warning. While officials are responding to the larger event they may not be able to respond to individual needs. You may be required to shelter in your current place or even leave familiar surroundings. The key to managing yourself in an emergency is to have a plan and prepare for the "what ifs". Your family will cope best by preparing for disaster before it strikes. Once disaster hits, you will not have time to shop or search for supplies. If you gather supplies in advance, your family can endure an evacuation or home confinement. One way to prepare for emergencies is to create an emergency kit that will enable you to survive for at least ten days on your own. You should prepare two kits, one for sheltering in place and another that you can take with you in case you need to leave your home.

### BASIC KIT:

- Bottled water: one gallon of water per person per day
- Non-perishable food
- Battery-powered radio
- NOAA weather radio
- Flashlight
- Extra batteries for radios/flashlight
- First Aid kit
- Dust mask or surgical mask (cotton t-shirt can be used) to help filter air
- Moist towelettes/hand sanitizer
- Wrench or pliers to turn off utilities
- Manual can opener
- Medications (prescriptions and over the counter)
- Medical Records
- Infant care items
- Garbage bags
- Important family documents (birth certificates, social security cards, insurance policies, bank information, etc.)
- Cash, traveler's checks, and change
- Car and/or home cell phone charger
- Extra clothing
- Blankets

### IN YOUR CAR:

- Flashlight
- Extra batteries
- 🗅 Map
- First Aid Kit
- Tire repair kit
- Booster cables
- Bottle water
- Non-perishable food items
- Blankets
- Windshield scraper

### FOR YOUR PETS:

- Food and food bowl
- Water and water bowl
- Medications
- Cat litter pan and extra cat litter
- Leash/Carrier/Pet bed
- Toys

### **Emergency Contacts**

Local Personal Emergency Contact:
Out of Town Contact:
Family Physician:
Pharmacy:
Employer Contact Information:
School Contact Information:
Religious/Spiritual Organization:
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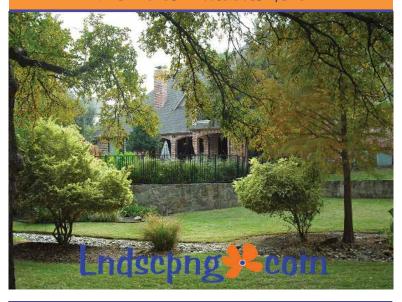
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> - Leslie A mom in need

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	Early Release - Elementary
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	Student & Teacher Holiday / No School
	Prof. Development / No School
	Progress Report Day
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#### 2022-2023 Holidays & Important Dates

July 4 - 8	4th of July Week-All GCISD Closed
Aug 17	First Day of School /Start of Semester
Sept 5	Labor Day Holiday - No School
Oct 5	Early Release: Elementary PreK - 5th
Oct 10	Columbus Day Holiday - No School
Oct 14	End of 1st Quarter
Oct 31	Prof. Development Day - No School
Nov 1	Prof. Development Day - No School
Nov 21 - 25	Thanksgiving Break
Dec 21	Early Release ALL - End of 1st Semester
Dec 21- Jan 9	Winter Break
Jan 6	Prof. Development - No School
Jan 9	Start 2nd Semester
Jan 16	Martin L King Day - No School
Feb 20	Prof. Development - No School
Mar 10	End of 3rd Quarter
Mar 13 - 17	Spring Break
April 7 & 10	Bad Weather Days
April 19	Early Release ALL
May 24	Early Release Secondary
May 25	Early Release ALL - Last Day of School
May 25	High School's Graduation

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**Regular School Days** Early Release Days

Elementary 7:40 a.m. - 2:55 p.m. 7:40 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.

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- ★ Crooked as a Barrel of Snakes
- ★ Crooked as a Dog's Hind Leg
- ★ Dumb as a Box of Hammers
- ★ Tighter than Bark on a Tree
- ★ Dumb as a Box of Rocks
- ★ Ugly as Homemade Soap
- ★ Ugly as Homemade Sin

- ★ Older than Two Trees
- ★ All Hat and No Cattle
- ★ Ugly as a Mud Fence
- ★ Like Ugly on an Ape
- ★Dumber than Dirt
- ★ Plug-ugly

### If a Texan Says Any of the Following, It's a Compliment, Honest!

★ You're Big Enough to Hunt Bear (Bar) with a Switch. (This Means You're Very Big.)

★ You'll Do to Run the River With. (This Means You're Reliable.)

★ You're As Handy as Hip Pockets on a Hog

★ You're Happy as a Gopher in Soft Dirt.

- ★ You're Quick as a Hiccup.
- ★ You're Cute as a Possum.
- ★ You're Tough as a Boot.
- ★ You're Wolverine Mean.
- ★ You Just Don't Know What He Might Do.

## UNDERSTANDING THE LINGO

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#### ★ He's all Hat and no Cattle ★

This is probably pretty obvious, but it is someone that likes to put on a good front or appearance but really has no credentials, real world skills or any knowledge on whatever he is spouting off about. In other areas this individual is the know it all, blowhard or the poser.

#### 🕇 Toad Choker ★

This is also referred to as a frog strangler or a turd floater, and means a heavy torrential downpour. Since most of Texas is pretty flat, heavy rains pose a true flash flooding hazard as well as lots of issues with closed roads.

#### ★Y'all ★

y'all, which is often pronounced yaaaaaalllllllll, is a way of referring to at least one other person. In general if you are talking to more than a handful of people the correct southern and Texas address would be "all y'all". This is sometimes a bit confusing but just go with the flow.

#### ★ Do Wut? ★

This is the standard response if you weren't paying attention or didn't hear what the speaker said for some reason. In other cultures the way this is often expressed is "excuse me" or "pardon me" or even "could you please repeat that?" Sometimes this phrase is expanded to "Do wut now?"

#### ★ Greeze and Earl ★

Despite what you might think, these are actually components to your car. Greeze, otherwise known as grease, and earl or oil, often cause stains on your hands or clothes. These stains are considered to be greezy, and are really problematic in hot weather. Of course you also have to constantly keep checking the pressure in your tiyures (tires) because the hot temperatures cause problems there as well.

#### ★ Uh huh ★

When you say "thank you" often you were hear the response "uh huh". This should be interpreted in this situation as your welcome. It can also be a sign of agreement with the last statement made.

#### ★ Bowed Up ★

When someone is really angry and is taking on an aggressive body stance, they are said to be all bowed up. Kids that are talking back to their parents will often be told not to get all bowed up or they will get a "whipping".

#### ★ Jaw Jackin ★

Just talking to hear yourself or talking smack to someone. Jaw jacking is often combined with getting bowed up.

#### ★ Hitched but not Churched ★

This is a way of saying that a couple is living together without being married. In the Bible belt this is still a taboo, and there are many sayings that relate to heathens, sin and immoral behavior.

#### ★ Broke Bad ★

Basically this refers to anyone that seems to come from a good family but he or she has gone over to the dark side. It can refer to horses that are incorrectly "broke" or trained, resulting in mean and unfriendly animals but in Texas it typically refers to people.

#### ★ They are Proud of That ★

Being proud of something means that you place an unusually or unreasonably high value on some item that is really not worth near that amount. This is a subjective statement but it is commonly heard at auctions, swap meets, garage sales and farmer's markets.

#### \star Chunk ★

Ok, this one is really weird. If you are throwing something a short distance they say they are chunking it. Don't know why Texans don't say chucking it like the rest of the world but there ya go!

#### ★ Neighbor ★

Neighbors are the people in your community, someone you talked to once at the Dairy Queen that lives up (or down) the road, someone you are distantly related to through marriage or someone that lives in the same county as you do. It really doesn't have anything with physical address locations and can be really misleading.

#### \star Coke ★

Anything that is called soda or pop anywhere else is called Coke in Texas. For example, Coke can be Pepsi, Sprite, Dr. Pepper or almost anything else that fizzes and comes in a can or bottle.

#### ★ Tea ★

Tea is always iced tea and is always sweet iced tea unless you specifically ask for unsweetened. If you have never had southern sweet tea you may want to try a small taste before ordering a whole glass. Let's just say it is sort of like drinking icing!

#### 🖈 Not plum but pert near 🖈

This is a highly descriptive and phonetic way to say everything isn't exactly perfect but it is close enough to be workable. If someone asks you how you are doing you can always answer "fair to midlin", which is the equivalent of not plum but pert near!

#### \star Fix'in ★

This is the ultimate in Texan speak. Fix'in, which is not said fixing but is sometimes pronounced as "fiddin", is a way to indicate that at some yet to be determined time some action is going to be taken. An example of this would be "I'm fix'in to go to the store". Notice this doesn't indicate when and can be also used to indicate you are thinking about possibility doing something sometime.

## TEXAS TO-DO'S

**1. Learn the language.** The plural of "you" is not "you guys" or simply "you." It's "y'all."You're not getting ready to cook a meal. You're fixin' to rustle up some grub.

**2. Drive a truck.** Texans don't drive puny little cars. Something like a Dodge Ram 3500 is adequate, but any heavy duty pickup will do.

**3. Learn to cook one of the Big Three.** Preferably, learn all three of them, but one will do for a start. The Big Three are barbecued brisket, chili con carne, and chicken fried steak.

**4. Own something with a Texas flag on it.** If you can't find or don't want anything with the flag already on it, put a Texas flag sticker on it.

**5. Own at least one set of duds.** That means, at the bare minimum, a cowboy hat, cowboy boots, and jeans. If you want to be really hardcore, get you some cowboy cut Wrangler jeans, a Western style shirt, and a belt with a big buckle with either a longhorn steer head or a Texas lone star on it.

**6. Listen to Texan music.** That doesn't mean just country music. If you don't like outlaw country, there are other alternatives like Texas blues.

**7. Be proud.** Know that Texas is a great state to share culture with. You may be perceived by foreigners as conceited or arrogant, but your fellow Texans will always support you as long as you embrace your Texan culture. Everything is bigger and better in Texas, hands down.

## WHAT THEY DON'T TELL YOU ABOUT TEXAS

#### **Brown Recluse Spiders**

This small sized spiders are actually shy and try to stay away from people as much as possible but when they do bite they cause massive horrible looking wounds that take months to heal. The worse part is people that are sensitive to the venom will actually develop necrosis of the tissue that will lead to deep lesions of 10 inches or more. The poison can also spread to internal organs and lead to eventual death. While this is rare, who wants to take the chance?

#### **Venomous Snakes**

Although there are only 4 (make a note they stress ONLY 4) types of venomous snakes native to Texas there are actually 15 subspecies that could potentially be lethal. There are snakes all over Texas. People find them in their gardens, their kid's sandboxes and of course the ever popular snake in the toilet complaint. Since many of the venomous snakes look similar to the less harmful snakes it is generally recommended you just stay clear of anything that slithers.

#### **Bats**

Bats are something you just can't plan for. They swoop in as you are sitting on the deck having a coffee or just enjoying the millions of frogs, crickets and other weird sounding bugs that strike up a chorus as the sun goes down. There are 32 different species of bats found in the state at any given time. Austin, the capital city of Texas, actually promotes the Congress Avenue bridge as a huge tourist attraction as the bats leave from under the bridge every night in the summer. There are millions of the little things that fly out from the bridge to circle the city. Bats on their own are creepy, but bats in your hair are even worse – trust me!

#### **Oh Wait There Are More**

Of course Texas is also home to almost every other type of stinging, biting or menacing insect known to man. Fire ants, very aptly named as they seem to set your skin on fire with their bite, are all over the state. They make sitting on the grass a very dicey decision unless you are into that sort of thing

Finally, last but not least, are chiggers. I am not making this up, cross my heart. Chiggers are also known as Harvest mites and they chew a tiny hole in your skin, which will soon erupt into an itchy, puss-filled lesion that will drive you crazy.

But hey, what area doesn't have its own little secrets?

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#### Here's the steps to becoming a Registered Texan: 1. Have your vehicle inspected.

Simply take your vehicle to a certified Texas Department of Public Safety inspection station. (Many mechanic shops, oil change locations and service stations are certified by DPS as inspection stations.) Bring your insurance card.

In Texas, you must show you have insurance coverage for a minimum of \$30,000 per injured person, up to a total of \$60,000 for everyone injured in an accident, and \$25,000 for property damage.

#### 2. Get your vehicle registration sticker and license plates.

To do this, you must visit your local county tax-assessor collector office. You will need that insurance card, the inspection papers, and proof you own the vehicle, such as the registration or title from your previous state. You can also show a current foreign/military ownership document or foreign evidence of ownership.

You need to fill out and bring a form to the county tax office. You are not required to title your vehicle in Texas, but first-time registrants must fill out and complete Form 130-U. If you do not possess the title because it has a lien, you also must complete Form VTR-272.

While at the county tax assessor-collector's office be sure to ask your customer service representative to sign you up for eReminder. We'll email you when it's time to renew, and in most counties you can renew your registration online.

Note: Active duty members of the U.S. Armed Forces and non-resident, full-time students attending a Texas college or university are not required to register or title their vehicles in Texas

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