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Colleyville Valentine Dance

Daddy Daughter Dance in Colleyville

An evening filled with fabulous music, light refreshments, fun and dancing awaits you and your special little sweetheart.

Diamonds, Pearls & Little Girls is the theme of the 2008 Daddy Daughter Dance. Scheduled Friday, February 8th from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m., the popular event will offer dancing, games, a free professional photograph, food, drinks and more. The event is located at Colleyville Center, 5301 Riverwalk Drive.

Tickets for Colleyville residents are \$35 for daddy/daughter couples. Additional tickets are \$10. Non-resident tickets are \$40 for daddy/daughter couples; \$15 for each additional ticket. The event is open for daughters ages 4-13.

For more information, visit Colleyville.com or call 817.503.1180. The annual Daddy Daughter Dance is one of the most highly attended events in the city. Don't miss the opportunity to make memories that will last a lifetime. **Space is limited, so please make your reservations soon.**

10th Anniversary of Colleyville Center

In January 2008, Colleyville will mark 52 years of incorporation. In addition, the city will open two new fire stations, commemorate the 10th anniversary of Colleyville Center, and open the first phase of a major public park. To observe the occasion(s), the city has planned the following public events:

Thursday, Jan. 10: Colleyville Center marks its 10th anniversary with an open house for Colleyville residents and businesses. Staff will be serving complimentary coffee and pastries, and visitors will receive Colleyville Center 10th Anniversary commemorative mugs. Hours are 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Colleyville Center is located at 5301 Riverwalk Drive.

Thursday, Jan. 10: City departments and facilities will host a citywide open house. The public is welcome to visit any or all facilities for tours and refreshments. Hours are 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Open house locations are: Colleyville City Hall, 100 Main Street; Colleyville Public Works,

1601 Hall Johnson Road; Colleyville Justice Center, 5201 Riverwalk Drive; Colleyville Senior Center, 2512 Glade Road; Colleyville Public Library, 110 Main Street; and, the Colleyville Fire Department, 5209 Colleyville Boulevard.

Saturday, Jan. 12: Grand opening of the Central Fire Station and Fire Station No. 2, 5209 Colleyville Boulevard and 5212 Pool Road, respectively. Hours are 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 26: Grand opening of McPherson Park Phase I, including dedication of the McPherson Dairy historical marker and lots of activities for the children, including a petting zoo and pony rides. McPherson Park is located adjacent to Fire Station No. 3 on McDonnell School Road.

Mark your calendars March 3 for the official celebration of Colleyville Center's 10th anniversary

Colleyville Egg Hunts

Colleyville Candy-Free Hoppin' Good Egg Hunt

Hop on over to City Park. Join the fun as the Parks and Recreation Department hosts the annual egg hunt. The guest of honor has planned several activities for the entire family to enjoy. Pictures with the bunny will be available for a small fee.

Age: Infant to 12 (divided by age)
Day: Saturday
Date: March 15
Time: 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Price: FREE
Site: City Park

For additional information go to the Colleyville website at: www.colleyville.com



Happy
Valentine's Day!

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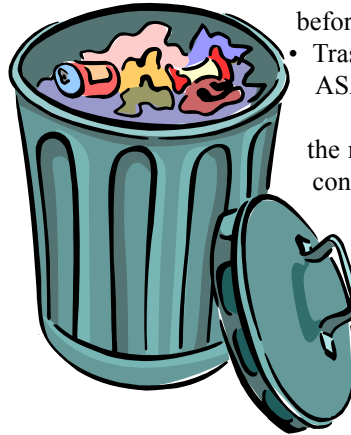
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Trash Pickup Rules

Have you been to New York City lately? If you walk down virtually any street on any evening, the major problem you will have is dodging the garbage bags on the sidewalks. We do not want the streets of Brook Meadows looking like the sidewalks of Brooklyn. The Board has received numerous comments, bordering on complaints, from homeowners that some of our neighbors are not following the Colleyville rules on Trash Pickup. Please open the attached file and review the rules... Two important items that have been requested by your neighbors and the City of Colleyville:

- Trash to curb NO SOONER than 24 hours before pickup.
- Trash containers removed from street ASAP after pickup.

If you have any questions about the rules and pickup schedule you can contact IESI at (817) 222-2221 or go to the Colleyville website for a list of the rules: <http://www.colleyville.com/content/view/298/0/>
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The City of Colleyville and the City of Hurst have a joint animal shelter is operated in the City of Hurst at 891 Cannon Dr. Hurst, TX 76054-3195. Impounded animals can be reclaimed at the shelter after the appropriate fees are paid at the Colleyville Justice Center. See the web page for a map to the shelter.

Impound Fees

1st Impound \$30.00
2nd Impound \$50.00
3rd Impound \$70.00
4th Impound \$90.00
5th Impound \$110.00

Hours of operation

Monday - Friday 12:Noon to 6:00 p.m.

Saturday - 12:Noon to 4:00 PM

Sunday - Closed

Please call 817-281-3132 for weekend or holiday hours

For your info:

Dogs and cats are required by city ordinance to have and wear a city pet license. The pet licenses are available at the Colleyville Police Department for a \$4.00 charge. You must bring a copy of the animal's rabies vaccination for a license to be issued and the license must be renewed every year.



Recipe

Smothered Chicken Breasts

- 8 boneless, skinless chicken breasts
- 8 slices dried beef
- 8 slices bacon
- 1 cup sour cream
- 2 cans cream of mushroom soup

Season chicken breasts with salt & pepper. Place a slice of dried beef on each breast. Roll up and wrap with bacon slice.

Combine cream of Mushroom soup and sour cream. Pour over chicken breasts and bake for 1 hour at 325°.

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What is the Main Goal in Little League Baseball?

Submitted by Robin Cox

What should your main objective be in coaching, teaching or parenting a Little Leaguer?

Is the objective to win? I would say Yes but also No. Winning is important but it is a result. Results, especially in sports are many times determined by actions outside of our control.

A game may be won by the opponent on a bad hop, a ball lost in the sun or lights or even by an umpires supposed "bad" call. A game may be lost when a batter with bases loaded does everything right and hits the ball hard on a line drive but right at the left fielder that doesn't have to make a move to catch the ball.

Yes, in baseball, we may do everything right but still lose.

Many times we stress the "results" when instead we should be emphasizing what produces the results. When we teach to do the "little things" right we are putting our players in a position to win. Note: This often means doing repetitive drills which can be boring. A bored player is not learning. One thing that kids love is to make a game or competition out of the drills.

In Little League there can be a wide variance of skills among players on the same team.

But there is one common denominator that all players need in increasing measure. (including High School, College and Majors) Can you guess?

That one thing is Confidence. As the saying goes, Confidence is everything!

But confidence in what? Their arm, their bat, their glove? Given that all of those can and will fail what they need is increased confidence in who they are.

Many teams give out stars for the players caps after a game for winning. But I suggest giving out stars or rewards at practice for doing the little things right. Especially putting an emphases on "hustle" when making the extra effort for trying to stop a ball (whether they made the play or not) or as a batter hanging tough with a pitcher by fouling off many pitches (even though he may eventually strike out) or showing great attitude or encouragement toward a fellow teammate. What does this do? It builds confidence in themselves. They should be instantly rewarded for doing and being their best.

Lastly, as their confidence increases, you as a coach, teacher and parent are looking for one thing. It is called a "breakout." A breakout can occur in practice or in a game. It may be a breakout "at bat" when a batter gets a hit after a long slump. It might occur on a play he has never been able to accomplish until now with his increased hustle. It is that moment when he realizes, yes I can do this! It is that memorable point when he comes off the field smiling so big, it makes the whole season worth it whether your team is 10-0 or 0-10.

But remember, a "breakout" in confidence is not limited to sports and little leaguers.

Alternatives to Lawn Expense

For over a century, the traditional American landscaping has focused on maintaining a perfectly manicured green lawn. Native trees, shrub masses, ground covers, prairie or meadow patches, wildflower beds, and attractively mulched areas are better environmental choices for people and for wildlife. Below are some reasons to consider reducing your lawn.

Did you know that...

- approximately 20 million US acres are planted as residential lawn
- a lawnmower pollutes as much in one hour as a car does driving for 350 miles
- 30-60% of the potable municipal water in the US is used for maintaining lawns
- 67 million pounds of synthetic pesticides are used on US lawns annually, and
- these lawn monocultures offer little habitat value for wildlife?

Even if you only reduce a small amount of lawn such as along a sidewalk, or under trees where grass won't grow very well anyway, you will reduce your impact on the environment and give yourself more time to do other things

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 - Average Days on Market - 179
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 - Average List Price - \$400,000
 - Average Price Per Sq.Ft. - \$108.70
 - Average Days on Market - 95
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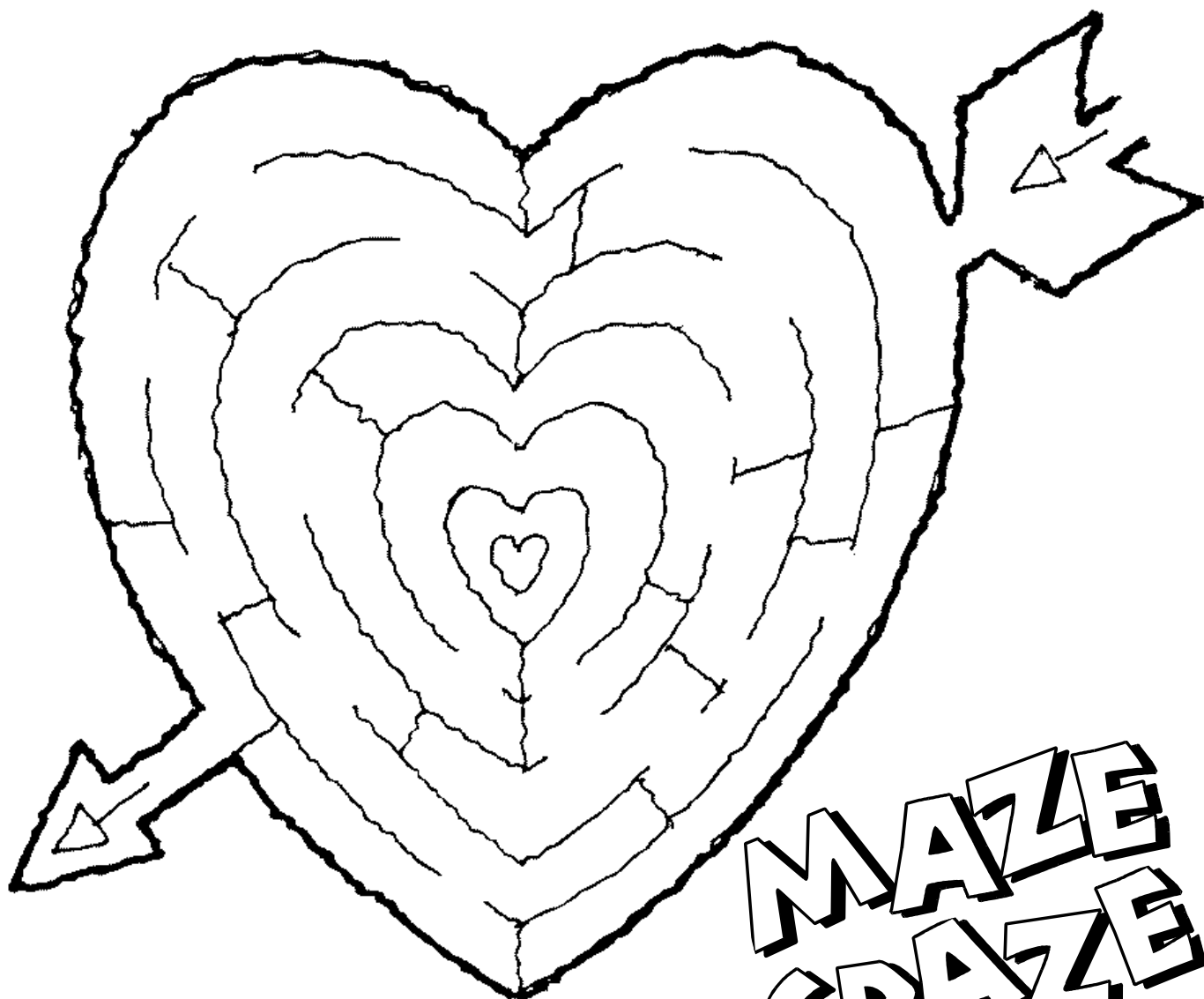
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