

# North Texas

## COMMUNITY BRIEFS

### AREA

#### Texas DPS to enhance Labor Day weekend patrols

Texas Department of Public Safety are joining local law enforcement across the state for enhanced patrols for Labor Day weekend Friday through Monday. They will focus on drivers who disregard traffic laws, including impaired drivers, speeders and safety belt violators.

The extra enforcement will help make the roads safe over what is usually a busy driving holiday.

For tips on safe driving, visit [dps.texas.gov/tle/traveltips.htm](http://dps.texas.gov/tle/traveltips.htm).

*Deborah Fleck*

### CARROLLTON

#### City receives two transparency awards from state comptroller

Carrollton was recognized for its dedication to open government with the state's first Economic Development Transparency Star from the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts' Transparency Stars program.

The award is given to entities whose websites inform taxpayers about programs and incentives supported by their tax dollars that are designed to attract industry and investment, create jobs and otherwise grow the economy.

Carrollton also earned a Transparency Star in the Debt Obligations category. The program recognizes cities, counties and school districts that provide easy online access to important financial data.

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### DALLAS

#### Zoo reaches 1 million visitors for second straight year



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**Amuthan Sounder**, 5, was presented a "welcome to school" card from Carolyn Abernathy, a Mustang Creek Estates resident, on Monday at Tadlock Elementary School in Frisco. Residents of the Frisco assisted-living community host events for students throughout the year as part of a relationship with the school.



## Seniors share welcome at Frisco school

**Benjie Potter** got a hug from Tadlock Elementary kindergartner Jaxon Digby, 5, during this week's back-to-school visit.