

# NEWS YOU CAN USE

## • JULY 4 •

- **Addison's Kaboom Town** will feature spectacular fireworks, visible from all over town, from 5:00 pm – 12:00 am. Addison Circle Park, at 4970 Addison Circle Drive. For further information please email [webmaster@addisontx.com](mailto:webmaster@addisontx.com).
- **Garland's annual Independence Day celebration** will take place from 10 a.m. until midnight at Firewheel Town Center, located on State Highway 78 at State Highway 190. The theme for 2008 is "We the People Celebrate!" This year's Main Stage will feature the legendary Kool and the Gang. To participate in the event as an artisan or craft vendor, please contact Melody Kamp at 972-675-1041 or [mkamp@simon.com](mailto:mkamp@simon.com). For volunteer opportunities, contact Dana Dunlap at 972-205-3896 or [ddunlap@ci.garland.tx.us](mailto:ddunlap@ci.garland.tx.us). Sponsorship opportunities are still available. Contact Bonny Patrick at 972-205-2633 or [bpatrik@ci.garland.tx.us](mailto:bpatrik@ci.garland.tx.us) For updates about plans for this year's event, log onto [www.starspangledfourth.com](http://www.starspangledfourth.com).
- **Frisco Freedom Fest 2008** marks its seventh year as the city's premier, signature event! Just like the community, Frisco's July 4th celebration continues to grow! The family favorite 'Party in the Plaza', a soccer match between FC Dallas and the KC Wizards – plus the biggest fireworks extravaganza in North Texas and the MOTOWN sounds of five time, Grammy award winning "The Temptations" are the star attractions! Admission to Party in the Plaza activities is free. A Children's Expo, complete with jump houses, face painting, strolling entertainers and games; plus the Hometown Heroes Exhibit, which showcases Frisco's finest - the men and women of our Police and Fire Departments, along with the equipment they use to help keep our community safe. The Taste of Frisco returns by popular demand! For more info visit, <http://www.friscofreedomfest.org/>.

## • JULY 5 •

- **July Jazz in Addison at Esplande Park**, 5044 Addison Circle Drive in Addison. The Jazz will keep on playing from 8:00 to 10:00 p.m. Admission is free, email [webmaster@addisontx.gov](mailto:webmaster@addisontx.gov) for more info.

## • JULY 25 •

- **Barack Obama Turning Red to Blue Fundraiser event** located at The Black Academy of Arts and Letters Dallas Convention Center Theatre Complex 650 South Griffin Street, Dallas, 75202 from 6:00 – 11:00 p.m. For ticket or vendor information contact [teresa@dfwobama.com](mailto:teresa@dfwobama.com) now! For more details visit [www.DFWObama.org](http://www.DFWObama.org).

## • AUGUST 9 •

- **4th Annual Women's No Limit Expo** will feature vendors, health screenings, immunizations, and other useful information. The Women's No Limit Expo will last from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. at the Richardson Civic Center, in Richardson, Texas 75080. Donations will be made to local charities. Also, the No Limit Network now meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of every month from 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. at Texas Land & Cattle Steak House, 3945 North Central Expressway, Plano 75023. Must RSVP at [www.TheNoLimitNetwork.com](http://www.TheNoLimitNetwork.com) or call Sylvia Williams at 972-898-5882. For exhibitor, sponsorship, and advertising information, visit [www.NoLimitExpo.com](http://www.NoLimitExpo.com).

## • AUGUST 13-16 •

- **National Sales Network's 12th Annual Conference and Career Fair** will feature leadership workshops and live entertainment. The conference is located at the Fairmont Hotel in Dallas. Visit [www.salesnetwork.org](http://www.salesnetwork.org) to register.

## • AUGUST 16 •

- **Keepin' It Real! Youth empowerment conferences** this year will provide teens with an opportunity, during a one hour moderated panel discussion, to meet local leaders and to ask challenging questions of their own. Backpacking For Education is a program that supplies the attending teens with backpacks filled with school supplies and well wishes for a safe and productive school year. Additionally, some students will walk away with door prizes and all will receive giveaways from local and national corporations and small businesses. Keepin' It Real! 2008 will be held at Richland College, 12800 Abrams Road in Dallas, Texas. For more information on sponsorship opportunities, vendors, entertainment, or to register please visit <http://www.teengraffiti.com> or call Sharon Jones-Scaife at 972-496-9457.

## • AUGUST 22-23 •

- **Sheryl Underwood will perform live** at the Addison Improv at 4980 Belt Line Road #250, Addison, 75254. Admission to the event is \$22. Call 972-404-8501 for further details.

## • AUGUST 23 •

- **The Urban League of Greater Dallas presents the "B'Jeweled" Gala 2008** celebrating 41 years of service with the Urban League. The B'Jeweled Gala will feature live entertainment by WAR. The Gala will be located at the Hilton Anatole Hotel 2201 Stemmons Freeway, Dallas. For ticket information or further details call 214-915-4600.

## • AUGUST 27 •

- **12th Annual Government Procurement Conference** offers all you need to know about doing business with Government Agencies (Federal, State & Local), along with their prime contractors and subcontractors! The Conference will take place on Wednesday, August 27, at the Arlington Convention Center 1501 Convention Center Drive, Arlington, 76010, from 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

## Daily Living WISDOM

*Laying down your arms, surrendering, saying you are sorry, realizing that you have been on the wrong track and getting ready to start life over again from the ground floor - that is the only way out of a hole. -C.S. Lewis*

### JULY IS

### THE BLACK FAMILY PLEDGE

by Dr. Maya Angelou

BECAUSE, we have forgotten our ancestors, our children no longer give us honor.

BECAUSE, we have lost the path our ancestors cleared kneeling in perilous undergrowth, our children cannot find their way.

BECAUSE, we have banished the God of our ancestors, our children cannot pray.

BECAUSE, the old wails of our ancestors have faded beyond our hearing, our children cannot hear us crying.

BECAUSE, we have abandoned our wisdom of mothering and fathering, our befuddled children give birth to children they neither want nor understand.

BECAUSE, we have forgotten how to love, the adversary is within our gates, and holds us up to the mirror of the world shouting, "Regard the loveless."

THEREFORE, we pledge to bind ourselves to one another, to embrace our lowliest, to keep company with our loneliest, to educate our illiterate, to feed our starving, to clothe our ragged, to do all good things, knowing that we are more than keepers of our brothers and sisters.

WE ARE OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS.

IN HONOR of those who toiled and implored God with golden tongues and in gratitude to the same God who brought us out of hopeless desolation, we make this pledge.

- Lasagna Awareness Month
- National Baked Bean Month
- National Hot Dog Month
- National Ice Cream Month
- National Fried Chicken Day (July 6)
- National Sugar Cookie Day (9)
- Mosquito Day (23)
- National Salad Week (25-31)
- National Blueberry Month

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*The city of Farmersville represents people helping people, and we the people:  
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*Along with all departments of the City of Farmersville*

*Best wishes for a safe and Happy Independence Day*

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