# **BURGUNDY BRIGADE**

Grapevine, Texas

# MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

December 2023



Create lifetime Christmas memories in Grapevine, the Christmas Capital of Texas®! With 1,400 events in 40 days, Grapevine's festive Christmas setting makes the city the must-visit Texas destination of the season.

Step back in time in **Historic Downtown Grapevine** with its collection of charming boutiques and name brand stores, bistros and cafés, winery tasting rooms, farmers markets and art galleries. Enjoy a range of lodging options, including resort-style, boutique and budget-friendly hotels as well as award-winning attractions for the entire family.

At **Bass Pro Shops' Santa Wonderland**, enjoy the magic of the season, visit Santa, enjoy free activities, games and take home a free photo. Pet-friendly environment.

**Snowland at Great Wolf Lodge** welcomes your family to the winter holidays in proper Northwoods style. Great Wolf Lodge is transformed into a magical winter wonderland complete with spectacular decorations, visits with Santa, Snowland Snowball Family Dance Party and other activities.

Returning to Grapevine for the 2023 holiday season is **Peace Plaza Ice Rink**, presented by Champion Energy, a 4,500-square-foot outdoor ice-skating rink located on Historic Main Street.

Celebrate a Holiday Bricktacular at LEGOLAND® Discovery Center and see Scuba Diving Santa at SEA LIFE Grapevine Aquarium. This jolly time of year features a giant LEGO® Christmas tree, unforgettable seasonal shows, holiday characters, special treats, LEGO® activities, twinkling lights and more. Dive into SEA LIFE Grapevine Aquarium and find out if you've been naughty or nice when Scuba Diving Santa returns!

Explore Grapevine's enchanting past and join in an **Elf Adventure**! Experience the Christmas spirit while visiting Historic Grapevine and participating in unique activities. Capture the magic of Christmas and take home your very own handmade projects. \$10 per person.

Sightsee from the top of the **Grapevine Main Station Observation Tower**, providing 360-degree views. *\$3 per ticket*.

#### A MESSAGE FROM DAVID TAYLOR

#### Merry Christmas to all!

As the days turn chilly, it brings the excitement of bright colors, homemade treats, holiday cheer and Christmas spirit. This year was filled with conferences that you supported. Your efforts during Grapefest 2023 made the festival a huge success. The team welcomed new Burgundy Brigade members. Over the next month, we will support the Christmas Capital of Texas and I say a warm thank you for all your hard work to make each Grapevine family's Christmas a special memory. I am fortunate to serve a wonderful team, and I hope you are able to spend time with family and friends this Christmas season and make new cherished memories.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### ICE! FEATURING DR. SEUSS' "HOW THE GRINCH STOLE CHRISTMAS!"

at Gaylord Texan Resort

It's the most wonderful time of the year at Gaylord Texan. Experience SO. MUCH. CHRISTMAS. with access to ICE, Gaylord's signature holiday event, and a stay at this one-of-a-kind resort featuring 4.5 acres of garden atriums magnificently decorated for the holidays! *December 1-31, 1501 Gaylord Trail.* 

# Texas Star Dinner Theater **"UNSEASONABLE GREETINGS"**

Newman Marcus Saks V, the greedy owner of the new megamarket in town, has robbed everyone of their Christmas cheer! All Marshal Courtright wants to do is go home, relax by the fire and await Santa's arrival. But with a murder to solve, his plans are evaporating faster than a snowman in July. 816 S. Main Street, performing every Thursday - Sunday through December 23. Tickets \$62.95 per person (plus tax and fees). TexasStarDinnerTheater.com

#### THE LION IN WINTER

Come to Runway Theatre as they hang the holly in a twelfth century castle and feast on family drama of the most royal order. This classic tale explores quintessential family foibles in a funny, fanciful fashion! *Runway Theatre, 215 N. Dooley Street. December 1 - 17.* 

#### **MERRY & BRIGHT DRONE SHOWS**

Take the Christmas Capital of Texas<sup>®</sup> to new heights with our fleet of 180 drones creating Christmas magic in the sky over Main Street. Free to the public, ticketed VIP Watch Party also available. *Dec. 2 & 16, 8 p.m., tickets \$125 (Tower)* & *\$75 (Balcony). Proceeds benefit MetroPort Meals on Wheels.* 

#### THE PALACE ARTS CENTER



The Palace Arts Theatre is hosting a variety of Christmas concerts, live performances, Classic Christmas Movies and the weekly Classic Christmas Cartoons & Crafts.



300 S. Main Street. | Palace-Theatre.com

Scan for schedule and tickets.



# **GRAPEVINE VISITOR SHUTTLE**

#### Ride the Grapevine Visitor Shuttle for Free!

The Grapevine Visitor Shuttle is an excellent way to see Grapevine! For a visitor shuttle map, including pick up times, please visit the Visitor Information Center or scan the QR code.



SCAN FOR DETAILS

\*The Grapevine Visitor Shuttle is running a modified route for the duration of Christmas Capital of Texas®\*

## NIGHT WATCHMAN GHOST TOURS

Presented by Grape Vine Springs Winery, this walking Ghost Tour happens each Friday and Saturday.\* Grapevine has a history of the paranormal and what better way to hear the stories and see the historic locations? The tour begins and ends at Grape Vine Springs Winery with a complimentary glass of wine for each guest on the tour. *GrapevineSpringsWinery.com* 

#### **HISTORIC NASH FARM**



Experience late 19th century farm life at historic Nash Farm in Grapevine, Texas! The farm grounds are open for self-guided tours daily during regular business hours. Scheduled events and activities throughout the year give additional hands-on opportunities to experience farm life.

**First Friday: Prairie Christmas** – 'Tis the season for holiday activities at the farm. Decorate the farmhouse while enjoying cookies and tasty cider. *December 1, 10 a.m. - Noon, \$5* 

**Farmstead Christmas Celebration** – Join the farmhands for a family celebration of the season including making ornaments, traditional music, refreshments and more. *1 p.m.* - *4 p.m.*, *\$*5

Open 9 a.m.-5 p.m. | 626 Ball Street | NashFarm.org

#### **HERITAGE TRAIL**

Take a walk through the past from The **Cotton Belt Depot** to **Settlement to City Museums**! See how the original settlers on the Grape Vine Prairie lived and worked. This collection of historic sites and museums highlights the cultural and family life of early Grapevine residents and explores how technology helped transform the prairie into the city we now enjoy.

#### THE CALABOOSE

The Grapevine Calaboose got its name from the Spanish word, "calabozo," meaning dungeon. Its construction was authorized by the Grapevine City Council in 1909 and was built as the town's first jail in 1914.



Originally located on Barton Street, it was used to incarcerate petty criminals (mostly just for overnight stays) until the early 1950s. It was moved in 1976 to Heritage Park and brought to this site in 1994. 500 *S. Main Street.* 

Really love history? Contact the Visitor Information Center at 817.410.3189 to schedule your guided Grapevine Historic Walking Tour. 90 minutes. \$5 per person.

#### ART AND CULTURE

#### **GRAPEVINE PUBLIC ART TRAIL**

Serving Texas Wine, One Glass at a Time was created for the Grapevine Wine Pouring Society, chartered in 1995. It was dedicated on September 16, 2011. This all-bronze sculpture features a wine barrel with the Wine Pouring Society vest, grapes, vines, wine bottle and wine glass. Sonya Terpening is the artist that designed the piece, and Dawn Sharp was the sculptor. *636 S. Main Street* (Inside Convention & Visitors Bureau Building).



Contact the Visitor Information Center to schedule your guided Grapevine Public Art Trail Tour. 60 minutes. \$5 per person and loads of fun.

#### ART GALLERIES

Discover art in the heart of Grapevine's Historic Main Street District. Walk the public art trail and experience Grapevine's bronze sculptures, art galleries, working fine arts studios and creative crafting stores. Hours vary by gallery:

- Giddens Gallery of Fine Art
- RTown Art Studio & Gallery
- International Porcelain Artists Museum & Gallery
- Krown Art Studio & Gallery
  Holder Dane Art Gallery
  & Studio
- Palace Arts Center
- Tower & Grand GalleriesTouch of Paris Art Gallery
- Vetro Glass Blowing Studio Tou

## FEATURED ART GALLERY

A Touch of Paris Art Gallery features oil paintings by French artist Dominique Galleron. Looking for a unique gift for the holidays? Come visit A Touch Of Paris Art Gallery, 202 *West Wall Street (Just off Main Street*).

#### **GRAPEVINE URBAN WINE TRAIL**

#### FEATURED WINERY



**Bull Lion Ranch Winery** has been a working ranch for over 25 years. In 2010, they began a new adventure in the vineyard and wine business even though their families in Italy have been growing wine grapes for over 100 years. This family tradition continues today near Chalk Mountain, Texas, producing Old-World wines from 100% Texas grapes. 530 *S. Main Street.* 

#### FEATURED GRAPEVINE BUSINESSES



**Sauce'd** – Home of the Original Texas Style Crust Pizza. Also try their smashburgers! *110 N. Main Street. (Closed on Mondays)*.

**Let's Pretend Parties** is a place for girls to be girls, where smiles, laughter and joy shines. As a parent, it is important to milestone and celebrate your girl's precious childhood years. Let's Pretend Parties makes sure you can capture those precious memories by creating a fairytale environment where your princess can be sure to love every moment and you can feel good about providing the experience for her. *317 Jenkins Street. Suite A* 





Embark on an enchanting voyage through the extraordinary realms of **The Grapevine Escape**, where each visit promises an adventure through captivating spaces and unparalleled experiences. Their family friendly escape rooms are exciting entertainment experiences for everyone! 160 N. Main Street.

**Bacchus Kitchen + Bar** – Journey though the sensual palate and flavors of the Mediterranean. A culmination of favorites from countries surrounding the Mediterranean Sea, such as Spain, Italy, France and Greece. 215 E. Dallas Road (Inside Hotel Vin, Autograph Collection).





**Meat U Anywhere BBQ** – "Meating" your barbecue and other catering needs in store or at your place. Meats are slow smoked with seasoned oak and hickory wood, and you can choose from extensive sides, special offerings and ultimate breakfast tacos. Come see what all the rave is about. *919 W. Northwest Highway.* 

**Dr. Sue's Chocolate Hot Chocolate Bar** – Chocolate and Christmas go hand-in-hand, so savor the chocolatey Christmas flavors at Dr. Sue's Chocolate Hot Chocolate Bar. *Prices start at \$5 per person, per tasting. Daily,* 4 to 6 p.m.



LOCAL ENTERTAINMENT							
Venue	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.	Sun.
Big Daddy's Ship Store					Liı		
Big Fish Seafood Grill & Bar			Live Music			Live Music	
Bohemian Bull				Live Music			
BoomerJack's Grill & Bar			Live Music				
Brew and Batter						Live Music	
Bull Lion Winery			Live Music				
Buzzed Bull Creamery		Singo Bingo					
Chez Fabien					Live Music		
Chill Bar & Grill	Trivia	Bingo	Live Music				
Cross Timbers Winery					Live Music		
Dino's Steak and Claw House			Piano Music				
Farina's Winery & Café					Live Music		
Flip's Patio Grill		Trivia					
Glass Cactus at Gaylord Texan					Live Music		
Grapevine Springs Winery			Ghost Tour				
Hop & Sting Brewing Co.	Monarch Monday	Hop & Sprint	Bikes & Brews	Live Music	Bend & Brew	Live Music	Trivia
Hotel Vin: The WineYard					Live Music through November 18		
Mason and Dixie					Live Music		
Napoli′s Italian Kitchen					Live Music		
Piaf Kitchen+Wine+Bar					Live Music		
Rioja Rooftop Terrace					DJ		
Sloan & Williams Winery					Live Music		
Texas Star Dinner Theater					Murder Mystery		
Third Rail at Harvest Hall		Themed Trivia Night	Music Bingo	Live Band/ Karaoke	Liı	ve Music	Live Comedy
Tolbert's Restaurant	Live Music						
Willhoite's Restaurant		Karaoke	Live Music				

View the full calendar of events taking place throughout the city.



Events and schedule subject to change without notice



Visit Grapevine via Trinity Metro TEXRail, which stops right in the heart of Grapevine's Historic Main Street District.



Enjoy 1.8 million square feet of shopping under one roof plus LEGOLAND® Discovery Center, SEA LIFE Grapevine Aquarium and Peppa Pig World of Play!

# VISITOR INFORMATION CENTER

Inside Grapevine Main Station, 815 S. Main St. Monday–Sunday, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

- Complimentary Visitor Planning Services
- "Welcome to Grapevine" Information Packet
- Luggage/Coat Check Service \$2 per day, per bag
- Souvenir and Sundry Shop

- Board Games & Card Games
- Event & Attraction Tickets
- Observation Tower Tickets \$3
- Public Art Tours \$5
- Historic Grapevine Walking Tour \$5

817.410.3189 | GVMVC@GrapevineTexasUSA.com

# BURGUNDY BRIGADE OF THE MONTH



I currently live near downtown Grapevine with my husband Mike. We have lived in this area 3 different times since 1986, making our homes in Bedford, Colleyville, Southlake and finally Grapevine since 2012.

My work background is varied, including 10 years as an elementary school secretary in GCISD and 6 years in customer service for BASF, an international corporation.

As a member of the Burgundy Brigade since 2008, I've enjoyed representing Grapevine to the many varied individuals who visit our city. I especially like to connect with people from other parts of the world. It's always fun to hear what they think Texas will be like!

Most early mornings, you will find me walking the streets of Grapevine. From the historic districts to downtown, out to the lake and the neighborhoods in between, I love the ability to freely traverse our streets and connect with the wonderful people who call Grapevine home.



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