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Mayor and elected officials to serve dinner at picnic *Annual ritual has become a favorite of residents*

PROSPER (September 4, 2015) Residents who've eagerly waited an entire year for that one day when the Town's elected officials serve them dinner can circle Saturday, Sept. 12 on their calendars.

That's the day of the fourth annual Prosper Community Picnic, and as tradition holds, members of the Prosper Town Council will don their aprons and happily serve hot dogs to participants. The picnic is set to begin at 4 p.m. and continue until 7 p.m. at Frontier Park.

In what has become a fun ritual at the annual picnic, the Mayor and Council members will be on the serving line for the first hour of the picnic, handing out hot dogs donated, grilled, and prepared by members of the Lighthouse Christian Fellowship Church and Prosper United Methodist Church. Water and accompanying snacks will also be distributed. As an added treat, the Prosper Ladies Association is providing old-fashioned root beer floats to attendees.

And, the picnic once again serves as the staging area for the Bethlehem Place School Competition called "Hunger is No Picnic." Volunteers will staff decorated truck beds, each labeled with the respective Prosper ISD school name, collecting items for the food pantry competition. At the event's conclusion, the school with the highest percentage of items to students will be awarded the traveling trophy, and win a pizza party for their teachers and staff. The pizza party is courtesy of Pizza Hut and its local manager Andrew Snyder.

Picnic-goers are asked to remember to bring canned goods, non-perishable food items, small toiletries and baby wipes and diapers to help their favorite school win the prize.

The annual affair celebrates the arrival of autumn in a manner that seeks to preserve the distinctive small-town feel treasured by so many Town residents. Numerous activities are planned, including a bungee trampoline, Wizzer, a mechanical bull, music by a DJ, the Xtreme Gaming Truck, plus an inflatable slide, balloon artist, airbrush artist and LEGO Bricks.

Lawn chairs, blankets and picnic baskets are welcome, as well as kites and lawn games. The event is free and parking at the park is plentiful.

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ABOUT THE TOWN OF PROSPER – The Town of Prosper is a fast-growing suburb with small town charm, located 30 miles north of Dallas at the crossroads of U.S. 380, Preston Road and the Dallas North Tollway in Collin and Denton Counties. Prosper sits on 27 square miles and is home to more than 15,000 people. A home-rule municipality, governed by a council-manager form of government, the town has full-time fire and police departments, including its own dispatch service. As the Town grows to its projected build-out population of 70,000 residents, Prosper's vision is to remain a "Place Where Everyone Matters."