

CITY OF DALWORTHINGTON GARDENS GARDEN'S GAZETTE

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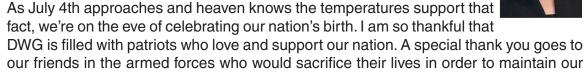
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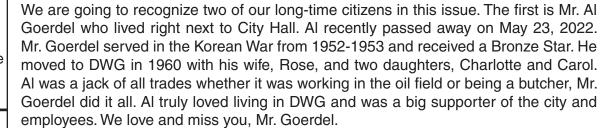
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Happy June friends!



freedom. As I've often heard it said, freedom is not free, Happy birthday to the greatest nation on earth!



The next citizen to recognize is one of DWG's finest, Velma Bogart. Velma recently celebrated her 90th birthday. She is still as sharp as a tack. Velma has lived in DWG since 1974, and has served the city in multiple capacities to include the Planning and Zoning Commission, City Council, and also the Historical Committee. She also was instrumental in organizing the 75th and 80th celebrations of our city. Big hugs from all of your friends here at City Hall and in the community. Tanti auguri per cento anni (best wishes for the next 100 years)!

Court of Kindness: Thank you to The Salvation Army for bringing donuts and coffee to staff on National Donut Day. This holiday was inaugurated by The Salvation Army in 1938. It honors the "Donut Lassies"- The Salvation Army ministers who, during WWI went to the front lines to support the troops serving fresh made donuts. Thanks also to The Salvation Army for recognizing the DWG CPSAAA at their June meeting for all of their efforts in supporting The Mayor's Red Kettle Challenge held in December.

Roosevelt Drive Reconstruction Project: Thank you for your patience and cooperation as we repair Roosevelt Drive. We understand it's a hot mess, but in the end will be a newly paved road to traverse throughout our fine city.

May 2022 **City Council News Items Approved**

- Elkins Drive Reconstruction Agreement with Tarrant County
- Plat for Green's Produce
- Purchase of Three (3) **DPS Vehicles**
- Costs for Roosevelt Drive Reconstruction Project

Water Conservation **Tips**

- Always turn taps off tightly so they do not drip.
- Promptly repair any leaks in and around your taps. (One leak can waste several thousand liters of water per year.)

Laurie Bianco - Mayor - (903) 258-7354

Ed Motley, Mayor Pro Tem - (817) 265-0919

Councilmembers:

Alderman John King • Alderman Steve Lafferty • Alderman Cathy Stein • Alderman Joe Kohn

Leash Law: Reminder that the city has a leash law requirement. Section 2.01.002, Running at-large, states no owner of any dog or cat shall permit such dog or cat to run at-large within the corporation limits of the city. "At large" is defined as a dog or cat that is not confined to the premises of the owner by a substantial fence of sufficient strength and height to prevent the dog or cat from escaping therefrom, inside the house or other enclosure, or secured on said premises by a leash of sufficient strength to prevent the dog or cat from escaping from said premises when the leash is stretched to full length in any direction; provided, however, that a dog or cat shall not be considered "at-large" when held and controlled by some person by means of a leash or chain of proper strength and length to control the actions of the dog or cat, or when confined within a vehicle. (Ordinance 14-02 adopted 3/19/14)

Thought of the Day: "Kindness" – noun: loaning someone your strength instead of reminding them of their weakness.

Laurie Bianco, Mayor 2600 Roosevelt Drive Dalworthington Gardens, Texas mayorbianco@cityofdwg.net (903) 258-7354

Chief's Message:

Safety Tip of the month: Well as you can tell we have run full force into the "DOG DAYS OF SUMMER". It is HOT! Last month we spoke about the difference between heat stroke and heat exhaustion, however we need to remember that we have to worry about our four-legged family members as well! If you are keeping your dogs outside during the day, please make sure you are giving them a shaded spot to hang out in. Dog houses are not good shelter during the summer because they



can trap heat. If they will be outside for long periods of time, filling a child-size wading pool with fresh water is also helpful for them to cool off in. Never leave your dog in a closed vehicle, as temperatures can reach over 100 degrees in just minutes. Make sure you are providing plenty of cool, fresh water and avoid exercising your dog strenuously on extremely hot days. Lastly, be mindful of exposing your dog to hot asphalt for any prolonged periods of time as their paws burn just as guickly as our feet do!

A quick reminder that if you and your family are traveling over the next several months, we encourage you to fill out a house watch form if you would like extra patrols done while you are gone. You can obtain this form on our city website, or you may come by our station and pick one up at the dispatch window that is staffed 24/7.

WE ARE HIRING!!! We are hiring for a full-time dispatch position. If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a dispatcher, or for more information please email jsmith@cityofdwg.net.

We are also looking for fire volunteers. Departmental fire trainings are held on Tuesday nights. While we do have full time PSOs we also depend on volunteers for extra hands! If you are interested in more information, please call 682-330-7416 or you may email jsmith@cityofdwg.net.

If you have DWG DPS monitoring your alarm system, please help us complete your yearly update. Please contact dispatch at 817-275-1234 ext. 1 to get a new application form turned in. We request you test your alarm to ensure that all zones are still coming into our center properly. This process is to ensure we can contact you timely if the need arises, and to help ensure you have no technical issues onsite that could hinder our response in the future. For more information on this you may email jsmith@cityofdwg.net. We can email or mail all forms to you to help expedite this process. Also, dispatch is manned 24/7 so we can complete the alarm testing whenever works best for your schedule, this process takes less than 10 minutes to complete. If your alarm system is monitored through a third party and you would like information on DWG DPS free monitoring, please let us know. For those that have reached out and completed this process, THANK YOU, we appreciate it.

Sincerely and Respectfully, Chief Greg Petty

Historical Committee News

The bricks have been placed in the Historical Plaza in Gardens Park from this past year's orders. Thanks to Dennis Ferdinand for keeping tabs on the annual orders and coordinating the purchase and placement of the bricks.

Congratulations to Sport Tuttle on his recent graduation from Martin High School and for being named one of ten students picked by the school newspaper staff from teacher nominations to represent the Class of 2022's Most Intriguing Seniors. These young men and women best embody the word intriguing through their talents, interests, how they live their lives and who they want to become, according to the article in the school newspaper where they were recognized.

Welcome to our newest DWG residents, the Longwisch family and the Ramirez family. We hope you can join us at this year's ice cream social so we can greet you in person.

Mark your calendars for Saturday, July 17 from 6:00-8:00pm for this year's DWG ice cream social. It is a come and go event. We hope this event strengthens community bonds much as the many events did that took place in the old DWG community house that was part of the original homestead association and the City's early years. We also anticipate an announcement at the social about a photography contest from the Park Board to support the National Wildlife Federation's Mayor's Monarch Pledge.

The Historic Committee plans to have single cold treats and drinks for attendees of the ice cream social. They will also have brick order forms you can take with you in case you are interested in purchasing a brick to be included in the historical plaza.

CPSAAA News

Thank you so much to everyone who participated in our License To Carry class. It was a great success. Many thanks to Sheriff Bill Waybourn for instructing the class, we truly appreciate Sheriff Waybourn's time and generosity in teaching this class. Thank you all for supporting our Dalworthington Gardens Department of Public Safety by taking part in our CPSAAA fundraiser.

For more information on any of the above, please email us at dwgcpsaaa@yahoo.com or give me a call at 817-726-3448.

Tracy Dodson, CPSAAA President DWGCPSAAA.org

Park Board Bulletin

Hello DWG Residents,

We are rolling right into the official start of the summer season. As you are out enjoying all the activities of summer, please remember to stay hydrated. Accidentally swallowing pool water because you did not close your mouth while diving does not count folks!! Hope we captured a little laughter or even a smile to brighten up your day.

Take care and stay hydrated DWG Park Board parkboard@cityofdwg.net

Respect Our Park

It is party season in the park. Shout out to the summer birthday squad. If you are using any of the amenities at the park for your festivities or even just to hang out, please make sure to clean up any trash. Trash can be harmful to the wildlife in the park and is just unsightly.

Texas is an important state in monarch migration. Monarchs funnel through Texas both in the fall and the spring. Stay tuned for a monarch butterfly photography/picture competition during the next migration season.

So as not to conflict with the Fourth of July weekend, the next bi-monthly park workday is rescheduled to be held on Saturday, June 25th from 8am – 11am. Bring your gardening gloves and tools. Meet the Park Board near the concrete slab by the intersection of Park and Elkins.

Physical labor not your thing??? No float cypress mulch is always welcomed. Donations can be dropped off at City Hall. If you are interested in volunteering for park events or interested in preserving the garden beds and similar areas in the park, contact the park board via email at parkboard@cityofdwg.net

Trees are like little cities, supporting chains of wildlife both above and below the ground. Maintaining tree health in summer is important since destructive insects can overwhelm a heat-stressed tree. Here are four tips to help trees stay healthy:

- 1. A deep watering during the middle and end of summer is the most effective way to reduce heat stress. The Tree Care Guide (https://bit.ly/3zpLzxu) has watering tips.
- Apply mulch over the root system to keep out heat and keep in moisture.
- Limit pruning to dead limbs that pose a safety hazard.
- 4. Avoid using weed killer or fertilizer, they can damage trees.

For the best chance at long-term success, grow trees native to your region. They have evolved to withstand the extremes of Texas summers.

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