



# CITY OF DALWORTHINGTON GARDENS GARDEN'S GAZETTE

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DWG 1936-2024 "and Growing"

## March 2025 City Council News

### Items Approved

- May 3, 2025  
General Election  
cancellation
- Purchase of DPS  
Vehicle

### Tips

Please do not place  
your household waste/  
garbage on the curb  
before 7 p.m. the  
evening before our  
trash pick-up.  
(Monday and  
Thursday evenings)

## 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.)

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## Mayor's Message:



Happy Easter! This is my favorite time of the year, well, it rivals the Christmas season for first place in my heart. We have so many things to be grateful for. I count my blessing every day in abundance. As most of you know, I have the privilege of serving on the Salvation Army's advisory council. It was brought to our attention that 1 in 6 Texans struggle with food insecurity and the people around us go hungry every day. Most affected are children, the elderly, veterans, and women. Exactly what is food insecurity? It is defined as the condition of not having access to sufficient food, or food of an adequate quality, to meet one's basic needs. In other words, the big question in their minds is, "Where is my next meal coming from?" We are starting a grassroots effort to help fill the food banks at the Salvation Army and Arlington Charities, two of the biggest organizations who reach those with the greatest needs. We will be collecting food from DWG residents on May 10 at Green's Produce from 10am-2pm on that day. Please consider picking up a little extra when you go to the grocery store. We will be accepting non-perishable items such as personal hygiene items, feminine products, canned goods, etc. Monetary donations will also be accepted. No gift is too great or too small. Thank you in advance for putting this on your calendar. On the same topic...

There is a new "project" in Arlington, The Taste Project. I visited the one in Fort Worth, and I wanted to share a bit about it so that we can support this great organization. Taste Project is a 501(c)3 non-profit established simply to feed people, one community at a time. Taste's mission is to feed, educate, and serve our community so they may "...taste and see the Lord is good." Psalm 34:8. Because they believe everyone should have access to healthy and nutritious food, their vision is to see our communities become a solution to the challenges our communities face as they relate to hunger. Their full-service restaurant looks like many others—bright, light, and welcoming. Those in need and those wanting to help are not segregated, creating an environment that is inclusive and approachable. Because their menu has no prices, they ask that people pay what they can, pay what they would typically pay, or pay a little extra to help a neighbor. Except for Mondays when Taste provides basic medical assessments, and financial and nutritional counseling, the restaurant is open six days a week. Breakfast is served 9AM-11AM with lunch served 11AM-2PM on weekdays. Brunch is served 9AM-2PM on weekends. Taste depends on its 80% volunteer staff to support its operations. daily. Taste Community Restaurant will open in Arlington! Located at 200 N Cooper Street in 76011, whether you would like to volunteer or enjoy an excellent meal, come support the Taste movement as they deliver on their promise by serving healthy, nutritious meals with dignity and care for all.

**Court of Kindness:** It is with distinct pleasure that we would like to recognize Iashia Bergamini for her extraordinary service to our City. Iashia has served as the chairman of the park board and the kudos we are sending her way are too numerous to count. Iashia's responsibilities have included organizing all of the city events from Trunk – or – Treat to Easter Bunny photos and

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**Ed Motley, Mayor Pro Tem - (972) 757-4502**

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everything in between. In my humble opinion her more impressive contribution was the outstanding commitment to organizing our Eclipse in the Park event. Even though Lashia will continue to serve on the park board her leadership, organizational skills, and unfaltering dedication to the City will be deeply missed.

We would like to take Pam Miller in advance for filling these big shoes, as the new chairman of the park board.

**Welcome to our New Businesses:** DEEBEES WORLD located at 2110 Roosevelt Drive, Suite E , EK Motor Werks LLC (Ervin Kohnic, owner) 2232 Michigan Avenue, Suite A, and NTS Contractors, LLC 2311 Michigan Court

**Remembering Those Close To Our Hearts:** It is with a very heavy heart that I share the news of Jim Fallon's passing. He was "Mr. DWG" and his footprint will forever be imprinted in the foundation of our city and in

our hearts as well. Jim, was a true inspiration to me and always had encouraging words to share. I attended his funeral on March 12 and it was standing room only, a true testament to who Jim was. Please keep Debra and the entire Fallon family in your prayers. Here are a few excerpts from his obituary: With hearts full of love and cherished memories, we announce the passing of James John Fallon – affectionately known as Jim, JJ, Dad, Grandpa, Jimmy, and to his own amusement, "The Original Jimmy Fallon" – who departed this life on March 5, 2025, at the age of 84. Born on June 3, 1940, in Alton, Illinois, Jim lived a life brimming with purpose, laughter, and an unwavering love for his family and friends. His innate curiosity and aptitude for learning led him to Purdue University, where he earned a degree in Engineering, specializing in electrical engineering. From a young age, Jim was fascinated by the art of building, a passion that would shape his distinguished career. Professionally, Jim dedicated himself to engineering, leaving his mark on countless projects. However, his entrepreneurial spirit beckoned, leading him to realize a long-held dream: establishing and operating a successful factory. This venture became a testament to his hard work, determination, and meticulous nature. Throughout his career in manufactured housing Jim was not only a brilliant problem-solver but also a generous mentor, guiding with patience and wisdom. Beyond his professional accomplishments, Jim's true legacy lies in the immeasurable love he shared with his family. He was the devoted and beloved husband of Debra Fallon, their relationship is a beautiful bond woven with companionship, shared laughter, and countless adventures. Whether embarking on cruises to far-off lands, exploring new cultures, or simply enjoying the everyday joys of watching 'Wheel of Fortune' together and relaxing in their cherished backyard, their bond was an inspiration to all who knew them. As a father to Tom, Beth, Mike, Sean, and Trey, Jim was the unwavering bedrock of their lives. He instilled in them the values of hard work, honesty, and the unbreakable strength of family. He was a constant guide, offering unconditional love and support that shaped them into the individuals they are today. His wisdom was a guiding light, and he was always ready with thoughtful, unbiased advice, sought after by family and friends alike. Jim was a man of extraordinary character. Kindness and generosity flowed from him naturally; he was always the first to offer a helping hand, his warm and compassionate heart touching countless lives. His infectious sense of humor and booming laugh could brighten even the dreariest of days, and he was a gifted storyteller, captivating listeners with tales spun with wit and charm. Living by a strong moral compass, Jim treated everyone with respect and kindness, his integrity unwavering. Adventure and playfulness were threads woven through Jim's life. He reveled in the freedom of long motorcycle road trips and the camaraderie of camping excursions, exploring the vast beauty of the United States. Later in life, he embraced the thrill of a Slingshot three-wheeler, even donning a Batman costume for Halloween, bringing joyous laughter and smiles to his neighborhood and proving that age was truly just a number. Jim lived his life guided by unwavering principles: hard work, the pursuit of knowledge, unwavering integrity, and the profound importance of friendship. He was a firm believer in the power of education, a conviction he exemplified by generously supporting six individuals in achieving their college degrees, a contribution that filled him with immense pride. Jim will be deeply missed by his beloved wife Debra, his children Tom, Beth, Mike, Sean, and Trey, his fourteen cherished grandchildren Riley, Nolan, Georgia, Audrey, Brin, Nick, Amy, Zach, Emma, Sam, Tim, Tess, Andy, and Milo. His two great grandchildren, Harrison and Emilia, his many dear friends and co-workers, and all who were fortunate enough to know him. His warmth, wisdom, humor, and generous spirit will be cherished and remembered forever. Jim's life was a vibrant testament to hard work, enduring love, and the power of laughter. But also cigars... While we mourn his passing, we also celebrate a life exceptionally well-lived and the indelible mark he leaves on our hearts. His memory will continue to inspire, comfort, and guide us all.

**Something to Think About:** Your diet is not only what you eat. It is what you watch, what you listen to, what you read, the people you hang around...Your body adapts to what you eat. Your mind adapts to what you consume. Your soul adapts to what you love. What you feed yourself today is the person you become tomorrow.

Laurie Bianco, Mayor

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## **Chief's Message:**

Safety Tip of the month:



As the weather starts to get nicer, we are having lots more people frequenting parks across the area. Park parking lots are easy targets for criminals. It is our goal to raise awareness to this problem and help prevent you from being an easy target. When planning a trip to your local park please make sure to leave all valuables at home, do not leave them in your vehicle. If you must leave valuables in your vehicle while it is unattended, please put the items in your trunk or in other places where they are out of site. Try to avoid hiding items in obvious areas like glove boxes, and middle consoles. Never leave items laying on your seats, dashboard, or floor. Car smash-and-grabs happen out of sight and very quickly. Easy items for thieves to take: Cell phones, purse or wallet, laptops, backpacks, shopping bags, cash, and your keys! Ensure that you have locked your vehicle and look through your windows to see if you can spot anything valuable prior to walking away. When walking or running at night park in well-lit areas. Always remember trust your instincts if you see something suspicious call 911 and report it immediately. Never confront anyone yourself.

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@cityofdmg.net](mailto:jsmith@cityofdmg.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.

Sincerely and Respectfully, Chief Greg Petty

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## **Historical Committee**

Please welcome our newest residents of DWG, the Heard Family.

Mark your calendars for Saturday evening, July 12 so you can attend this year's DWG ice cream social. This is a great event for everyone to come out and meet new neighbors, visit with old friends and eat some homemade ice cream. Watch for more details, including how you can have your homemade sweet treats included.

The Historical Committee has moved its meeting day again. We will still meet in odd numbered months at 6:30 pm in the council chambers of city hall (except during July when we host the DWG Ice Cream Social). However our day has changed to the second Thursday of the month. That means our next meeting will be Thursday, May 8 at 6:30 pm. Please join us if you are interested in learning about or helping preserve the history of Dalworthington Gardens.

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## **CPSAAA News - Citizens Public Safety Academy Alumni Association**

### **SAVE THE DATE**

**Mark your calendar and be sure to join us at  
PRESPA'S ITALIAN RESTAURANT  
Date: Thursday, April 24th**

This is a fundraiser supporting our DWG Department of Public Safety and Fire Department. This fundraiser event at Prespa's on April 24th is an all-day event. You can go anytime you want to that day for lunch or dinner, they are open from 11am to 9 pm. Prespa's keeps up with the sales throughout the day and donates a percentage of the sales for the day to CPSAAA. It's a win win, support a good cause while enjoying a delicious meal. Prespa's is a great supporter of our DPS and Fire departments. Grab your family and friends and come enjoy a wonderful meal at Prespa's,

Located at 3100 W. Arkansas Ln. in Dalworthington Gardens.

11am – 9pm

# **We will have T-shirts and Hats for sale at the Prespa's fundraiser during lunch and dinner, or you can contact us anytime to purchase.**

All profits benefit our

Dalworthington Gardens Department of Public Safety and Fire Department.

Sizes Small thru XXXL

Available in Grey, Light Pink, Dark Pink, Royal Blue, Black, and Lavender and a host of new Spring colors, as well as a new collection of Hats.

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Call, Text or Email your order to Tracy, see contact info below.  
or give me a call at 817-726-3448.

Tracy Dodson, CPSAAA President DWGCPSSAAA.org



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## **Park Board Bulletin**

Welcome Park Board Chairman Pam Miller. Pam will be taking lashia Bergamini's place and that will be a very large spot to fill. Best wishes to lashia. Her fierce dedication, guidance, and cheerful work will be missed.

Stop by the Park Gardens both at the gazebo and the wildflower patch. Jonquil flowers bloomed in March. Now the May Night Salvia is stealing the show. Sages and Salvia attract bees, butterflies, and hummingbirds. Consider supporting these pollinators when planting your landscape.

Park Board has free native wildflower seed. Contact us to get yours.

Respect our park. Bag up after your pets! Dogs, goats, or horses...please!

### **Schedule of Events:**

Annual Plant Swap, Saturday April 26, 2025 from 10-12 p.m. at the Gazebo.

Park Work Day is May 10, 2025 from 9-12 p.m.

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