



CITY OF DALWORTHINGTON GARDENS GARDEN'S GAZETTE

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June 2022 City Council News Items Approved

- Park Foot Bridge Project
 - Dog Waste Stations
- Resignation of Council Member Joe Kohn
 - Nomination of Mark McGuire to Fill Alderman Place 5 Vacancy
 - Laptop Purchase
- Contractor Selection For Orchid Court Repairs
- Construction Zone Speed Limit Ordinance

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.)

Mayor's Message:

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Happy July friends!

We want to extend our sincere thanks to all of you for your patience as we work to upgrade the roads in our city, and also for helping us conserve water as we navigate our way through this severe drought. If you are looking for ways to conserve water, please visit the city's Water Conservation web page at <https://www.cityofdwg.net/water-conservation>

Roosevelt Project Update: There will be some changes for the completion of the Roosevelt Drive project due to concrete delays and shortages. Phase 1 of this project, which is from Bowen Road to just south of Sunset Lane, has been milled and is awaiting concrete for slurry mix. The reason the road continues to be one-way traffic is so that Tarrant County can continue to smooth and prep the surface for concrete arrival. They now expect to receive concrete next week, July 12-13. With the concrete arrival, they will now be able to complete Phase 1 before school starts.

Taking into account the safety of all involved parties, Phase 2, Sunset Lane north to California Lane, unfortunately, will be delayed until next summer. There isn't another adequate window of time before then to complete the remainder of the road while school is out. However, after Roosevelt Drive Phase 1 completion this summer, Tarrant County will then move directly to Elkins Drive reconstruction, which was one of the next road projects on the city's list for completion. We appreciate your patience and understanding as we work to repair streets in DWG.

Court of Kindness: Thank you to the volunteers who worked to clean up the city park on June 25: Iashia Bergamini, Cathy Stein, Pam Miller, Pam Bookout, Regina McBride, Tara Cao, Maureen Fleming, and Don and Sylvia Barrett.

Budget Work Sessions: The City Council has begun to work on the upcoming 2022-2023 FY Budget.

Welcome Gary Parker: Our new public works director started with us on Monday, July 11. We are very excited to have Gary on board as he brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to the table.



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

Arlington Classics Academy (ACA) School Start Date: ACA starts back on Aug 10. We would like to ask for patience as parents learn the drop-off and pickup process.

Our condolences go out to Dr. Michael and Marlene Henderson as they cope with the loss of their grandson Corbin Henderson.

Thought of the Day: In light of all the road construction in and around our city, we could not resist using this as our Thought for the Day - The road to success is always under construction.

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Chief's Message:

Safety Tip of the month: As your City Council and City Staff work diligently to improve the roadways in the City we want to ensure your safety and the safety of our workers. As most have already realized the speed limit on Roosevelt Dr. from Sunset Ln. to Bowen Rd. has been reduced to 20 mph. This is due to the hazardous conditions from and the ever-changing condition of the roadway as they continue to work on improvements. Please be cautious during daytime hours as workers may be present, so we ensure their safety during this project. We are grateful for the help from Tarrant County Precinct 2 for their assistance on the completion of this project. This speed limit is in effect 24 hrs. a day so please use caution and be pleasant to others as we all struggle through these growing pains. We understand this is an inconvenience and we appreciate everyone's understanding while they try to complete this project.



School Zones- as the summer continues to fly by, we are less than a month away from school zones starting back. Please be patient as parents learn the new routes and get used to drop off and pickup lines. This is a very stressful first couple of weeks for all. Arkansas Ln. traffic for Arlington Classics Academy will start Wednesday August 10, and Key Elementary the next Monday, August 15. We will have extra patrol officers in the area to assist staff and parents with the procedures to ensure everything goes as smoothly as possible, however please plan for backup in the mornings, and afternoons.

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@cityofdwwg.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@cityofdwwg.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

Historical Committee News

Excerpts from the January 11, 1934 Star Telegram relating to the beginnings of Dalworthington Gardens: "... construction on the first 24 homes at the proposed subsistence colony near Arlington would be underway within the next three weeks. ... road work now in progress ... directorate's wish to have all of the homes completed in time for Spring planting. The tracts will range in size from two to six acres." (Note: When built out, the original plat shows the smallest tracts in the Dalworthington Gardens colony were just shy of 4 acres with an unusually large one being almost 24.5 acres.)

Remembering that history is not only past events but what we create daily, we would like welcome June's new residents to DWG: the Cornish family, the Durand family, the Mann family and the Sliheet family.

Mark your calendars; the next regularly scheduled Historical Committee meeting is Thursday, September 1 at 6:30 pm. All are welcome.

CPSAAA News

Every once in a while we like to reprint this information for those in our community that are not familiar with our DWG Citizens Public Safety Academy Alumni Association -- Dalworthington Gardens Citizens Public Safety Academy Alumni Association (DWG CPSAAA) was founded in 2017 by the graduating members of the inaugural class in order to support the Dalworthington Gardens Department of Public Safety. The DWG CPSAAA is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt non-profit organization. This organization is comprised of a Board of Directors and over 30 active members who support and acknowledge the Dalworthington Gardens Department of Public Safety employees and their families. The DWG CPSAAA is dedicated to supporting the DWG Department of Public Safety through volunteerism and community activities.

The DWG CPSAAA is made up of citizens who have completed and graduated from the Citizen Public Safety Academy and become members of the Alumni Association. The Alumni Association functions as a support group to the Department and is a liaison to the community for the Department. We also raise funds in support of our officers for equipment and/or training needs that otherwise are not budgeted. Members of the Association are dedicated to doing what we can to let the Dalworthington Gardens Department of Public Safety know how much we and the citizens of Dalworthington Gardens appreciate the work done by the Department.

Our sources of funding are obtained from:

- Annual \$20 membership dues
- Donations (Individual and Amazon Smile)
- T-shirt and Hat Sales
- License To Carry Classes
- Stop The Bleed Classes

Citizens On Patrol (COP) Program

Some of you may have seen our DWG Citizens On Patrol vehicle in your neighborhood. The COP program is a branch of our CPSAAA organization. Members of the COP program have completed training sessions covering legal liabilities, patrol procedures, communications, and the penal code through our Dalworthington Gardens Department of Public Safety. We are taught to recognize suspicious or criminal activity and assist our police by actively patrolling the neighborhoods and reporting such activities. COP members are only observers/reporters and do not become physically involved or place themselves in dangerous situations. Citizens On Patrol programs have been proven to be a positive factor in decreasing crime in cities, especially with crimes such as theft, burglary, and auto theft.

We feel truly fortunate to have both of these programs in our great little city.

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 want to thank all the volunteers that came out on June 25th to help beautify the park. It was a hot one for sure. The support is genuinely appreciated. The volunteers contributed a total of 20 hrs. of community service.

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

Respect Our Park

It's Christmas in July!! We recently installed two new waste stations in the park and replaced an old one as well. It may be tacky, but we are asking for a gift in return. Drumroll please....we want your poop in the waste bags AND placed in a trash can. It's hot out here and no one wants to slip and slide on poop pudding. Please help keep our park clean and pick up after your furry loved ones.

+++++STAY TUNED+++++
Trunk or Treat is coming back this fall. Mark your calendar for October 22, 2022.

Monarch photography contest will be underway soon. Competition will run from August 15th – October 15th. Be on the lookout for more details to be announced on social media posts and in the DWG newsletter.

+++++WANT TO VOLUNTEER+++++
The next bi-monthly park workday is scheduled for Saturday, September 10th from 9am – Noon. Bring your gardening gloves and tools. The meetup location is TBD.

+++++DID YOU KNOW +++++
If you'd enjoy a small tree in your landscape that's drought, heat and freeze resistant, as well as a wildlife favorite, consider the desert willow.

This low-maintenance tree has fragrant flowers that bloom all summer, attracting butterflies, hummingbirds, and other wildlife. Flower color ranges from pale pink to deep purple. It's native to Central and West Texas, and an excellent choice for areas that don't get a lot of rain; otherwise, it needs a well-drained bed. Pro tip: Desert willow blooms on new wood, so prune it regularly for more flowers.

More details can be found at the Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center's website (<https://bit.ly/3OKTs5v>)

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