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May 2024 City Council News Items Approved

- Town Hall Meeting Date – Comprehensive Plan June 25, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.
- Interlocal Agreement with City of Arlington for fire suppression.
- Irrigation system for the Monarch Garden in the Park

Water Conservation Tips

- Check for leaks in your toilet tank
- Promptly repair any leaks in and around your taps. (One leak can waste several thousand liters of water per year.)

Mayor's Message:

Dearest DWG Friends and Family,

We are welcoming one of my favorite months of the year. I guess I like springtime/summer most because of the new signs of life everywhere we look. The freshness in the air, the bright tones of green in the leaves, and the vibrantly colored flowers just make me happy in any direction I look. I get together with 5 other women once a month to pray over our cities and their leadership. One of our topics from last month was about how people sometimes make comparisons which are not always healthy. My friend, Carmenza, pointed out that comparison is the thief of joy! Oh my, how that struck me. I had never thought about it in those terms. If we are always comparing ourselves to others, whether it is in the areas of success, possessions, status, etc., we are truly shortchanging who we are destined to be. Each of us has been tasked with the duty of being the best we can be in all areas. All of us have our different strengths and areas we can focus on improving, but our uniqueness is what makes each one of us special. I look at my friends in leadership and I used think, "Wow! I wish I was like that." Now that I am a little older (27 years old to be exact), I look at those same people and ask myself, "What can I learn from that person and their leadership skills?" Now I try to embrace their strengths and make them my own. On the other side of the coin, you can also look at those folks who may not have left that same impression. From them, I observe and promise myself I will never embrace that type of leadership. We all have something to learn from each other so let's take the opportunity to lift each other up and celebrate the strengths of our friends in our own community and around the globe. Let your light shine!



Save the Date: Tuesday, June 25 7:00 pm We will hold a town hall meeting in our city council chambers to talk about our updated comprehensive plan. We encourage you to join us to learn about our vision for the best city in Texas—Dalworthington Gardens!

Calling All Volunteers

We would like to humbly thank Rhonda Schrock and Shelly Finin for their dedication and service to our city for serving on the Zoning Board of Appeals and the Park Board. It takes a special person to serve by giving of their time and their resources. There are no words that can adequately express our gratitude to both of you! Since these two fine ladies are exiting their positions at the end of their terms, we would like to invite anyone who is interested to please consider applying. You can go to our city website (www.cityofdwg.net). The application is located under the "forms" tab. Select "other forms" and it will be the second option (Application to Serve on City Board). You can also call Sandra Ma, our city secretary, at 817 274 7368.

Laurie Bianco - Mayor - (903) 258-7354

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

Councilmembers:

Alderman John King • Alderman Steve Lafferty • Alderman Cathy Stein • Alderman Mark McGuire

Opportunity for our Young Patriots:

When I was at a speaking engagement last month I had the pleasure of meeting Robert Lapiska, He is the Admissions Liaison Officer for the USAF. I was quite intrigued because he shared with me that any person who is interested in joining the US Air Force, could receive a free college education. I wanted to pass this along and encourage anyone who may be interested to contact him at rlapiska@sbcglobal.net or 817 994 5098. You can also visit their website at <https://www.academyadmissions.com>.

New Businesses in DWG

High Class Nails and Spa is under new ownership. Let's welcome Hen Ngoc Dao at 4130 South Bowen Road, Suite 100C. The American Postal Workers Union is joining us at 2104 Roosevelt Drive, Suite E. The Shear Heaven Pet Spa, located at 2218 South Bowen Road, is also under new ownership. We welcome Chris Laquement into our community. Last, but most certainly not least, is Patriot Print Fulfillment located at 2777 Michigan Court, Suite A. Let's shop local and make sure that we support our own businesses, After all, we have the very best to offer!

Business Over Breakfast: Join us at Grounds and Gold on Wednesday, June 5 at 8:00 am.

Exciting News for our City: Welcome superstar, Chef Moose, to DWG. Chef Moose was the executive chef at the new Loews Hotel in downtown Arlington, but now he is OUR superstar at Grounds and Gold. Just to give you a little background, Chef Moose, as he is best known was born in Teflit, Morocco. Chef Moose fell in love with the art of gastronomy at a young age. He moved to New York City to embark on his culinary journey where he gained valuable training and insight that helped mold his culinary perspective and rapidly advanced his cooking acumen. Chef Moose has shared kitchens with acclaimed chefs such as Jean-George Vongerichten and Olivier Gaupin in various leadership roles. He assumed the title of Executive Chef at Universal's Aventura Hotel before bringing his passion for excellence and award-winning creativity to Arlington. You can also visit him at Café Americana located at 403 E Main Street in Arlington. Chef Moose was honored as a 2023 40 Under 40 recipient by the Arlington Chamber of Commerce in partnership with Arlington Today. Welcome to DWG, Chef Moose!

Mental Health Awareness: On Saturday, June 8th, GO Hoop for Health will be holding its second annual charity basketball game. This event focuses on family and fun, but also ties in the importance of mental health education in our community. If you are interested in purchasing tickets, please visit <https://www.greatnessonly.com/event-details/g-o-hoop-for-health>.

Tarrant County News

Susan Au, our Senior Planner for Tarrant County Community Development & Housing, asked that we share this with our citizens. Here is their flyer:

**TARRANT COUNTY
COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT**

**COMMUNITY NEEDS
ASSESSMENT SURVEY**

Tarrant County receives federal funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). We want to hear about your community needs and experiences.

Tarrant County
Texas Community
and Housing Survey 2024



Got 5-7 minutes?
Scan the QR code
to provide your input or go to
<https://forms.office.com/g/qsp7PcXRAG>

Join us at a Townhall Meeting (6:00 - 7:30 p.m.):
June 13 - 645 Grapevine Highway, Suite 200, Hurst, Texas 76054
June 24 - 6551 Granbury Road, Fort Worth, Texas 76133
June 27 - 700 E. Abram St., Ste. 304, Arlington, Texas 76010
July 11 - 633 W. McLeroy Blvd, Saginaw, Texas 76179



Thought for the Day

Simply shine your light on the road ahead and you are helping others see their way out of darkness.
Katrina Mayer

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Chief's Message:

We would like to thank an anonymous donor for the pallet of water for our first responders to help combat this HOT and humid weather. We are always in need of cases of bottled water for our responders as they do go through them quickly in this weather. Any cases donated may be dropped off to our dispatch center 24 hours a day, located in the DPS building next to City Hall. Staff will be happy to assist with unloading any donations given.



We have had an increase in snake and wildlife calls over the past several months with all the rain pushing them out of the creek areas and onto residential properties. As most wildlife is very protected officers are unable to catch or kill wildlife unless it is posing an immediate risk to the public. Snakes...the dreaded subject, they are slithering into garages and yards more than normal right now. Please be aware in high grassy areas as they may be hard to see. If you are having problems with either, and need immediate assistance please contact dispatch and we will send an officer out to assist in relocating the animals if possible. Please know that officers will assess each situation on a case-by-case basis and have limited resources.

Tis the season! Our house watch program is in full swing right now with the summer months upon us. If you are new to the Gardens' we want to make sure that you are aware of the house watch program. This is a voluntary program that is offered as a free service to DWG residents. Anytime (year-round) that you plan on going on vacation contact dispatch and fill out a form and we will have officers check your residents twice a day. We offer this program as a proactive way to assist residents in keeping their property safe with no added worries while gone. For more information on this program please contact dispatch.

DAY WITH THE LAW!!!! This event is always our biggest event of the year. This event is fun for the whole family with things for both kids and adults to enjoy. Our tentative date for this is Saturday September 7, 2024, from 10a-2pm in Elkins Park. If you have never been today with the law, you are missing out. This event brings departments from across the whole metroplex to DWG for the day. Every department will bring their specialized equipment to show off to the public. This event includes police, fire and EMS services and any entities that are closely related to them. We will have food, bounce houses, and a parade to end our event. Look for more info as we get closer!!!

Sincerely and Respectfully, Chief Greg Petty

Historical Committee

Mark your calendars for Saturday, July 13. The Historical Committee will once again host an ice cream social. The social is a come and go event. Join us in the new City Hall for as little or as long as you want to between the hours of 6:30 and 8:30 pm.

We expect to have a range of historical information available in a variety of formats. Also, the DWG Park Board will be asking for citizen input about park improvements. Make sure to visit with them and provide your feedback. And as always, this is a great opportunity to visit with and get to know your neighbors and other citizens of our great city.

Please let us know if you are interested in contributing your homemade ice cream or finger foods for everyone to enjoy by leaving your name and number with one of the clerks at the water window and someone will contact you.

Welcome to our newest DWG residents, the Espinoza family. We hope you can join us at this year's ice cream social so we can greet you in person. We always have a great time.

CPSAAA News

Bottled Water Donations

The Citizens Public Safety Academy Alumni Association (CPSAAA) is collecting cases of water for our DWG DPS and Fire Departments. During this hot weather, having cold drinks to count on is imperative to keep our DPS/Fire friends hydrated. Bottled water donations can be dropped off at the station at 2600 Roosevelt Dr., next door to the City Hall building. CPSAAA and DWG DPS/Fire sincerely thank you for your generosity!

We are so thankful for the men and women who put their lives on the line every single day to protect us and our community.

Have a Safe and Happy 4th of July!

Be sure to look for the Dalworthington Gardens Police, Fire and CPSAAA Citizens on Patrol vehicles in the upcoming Arlington 4th of July Parade.

For more information, 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

Lots of rain lately, but we all know it won't last for too much longer and the heat of the summer will be upon us. Take advantage of the cooler weather now and get outside. Enjoy all the wildlife and native plants in our park that are thriving with the additional water. As always, we appreciate when you pick up after yourself but please don't pick from our gardens.

+++++STAY TUNED+++++

Schedule of Events:

- Bi-Monthly park workday – Saturday, July 13th 9am - Noon

+++++WANT TO VOLUNTEER+++++

The next bi-monthly park workday is scheduled for Saturday, July 13th from 9am – Noon. Be on the lookout on Facebook and the City's website for any weather-related updates.

Bring your gardening gloves and tools. The meetup location is by the marquee at the intersection of Roosevelt and Elkins Dr.

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. parkboard@cityofdwg.net

+++++DID YOU KNOW +++++

Butterflies are called "pollinators" meaning they assist in plant reproduction by carrying pollen from plant to plant. Consider planting a butterfly garden in your yard. Here are some suggested nectar plants Purple Coneflower, Gregg's Mistflower, White Mistflower, Indian Blanket, Golden Eye Daisy, Turk's Cap, Phlox, and Texas Lantana to name a few.

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