

CITY OF DALWORTHINGTON GARDENS

GARDEN'S GAZETTE

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City Council: 3rd Thursday Planning & Zoning: 1st

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- Broadacres Drainage
- Strategic Plan

Tips

Please do not place your household waste/garbage on the curb before 7 p.m. the evening before our trash pickup. (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.)

Mayor's Message:

It's that season of the year. "What season is that?" you might ask. It is the season of change and transformation. At least that is what the last month has been for me. As I watched my greatest blessing," Emily," walk across the stage to meet me in the middle, her father and I handed her the prized possession of her high school diploma from Grace Prep. (Insert gulp) I had a flash back as if



I was about to meet Jesus and had a sort of outer body experience. It was just yesterday that I dropped her off for her first day and school and squalled (that is southern for cry my eyes out). The rush of emotions ranged from "I'm so proud" to "what in the world just happened" and everything in between. We are both starting a new season in our lives with excitement, joy, uncertainty, and everything else that comes to mind. My most precious moment with her was when we had Senior Launch at her school. Each parent was tasked with writing a letter to their graduate. When we got to the school, they prayed over us, Mr. McDurham delivered the perfect sermonette about how Moses' mother had to release him into the world and just trust without question that he would be protected. Each student was given a Bible with their name embossed on it, and then we were asked to find a quite spot to share the letter and pray over our child as they would soon be released into the world. Y'all know I am a lengthy writer, so I will not copy the three typed pages I included in the envelope, but I do want to share what I wrote in the card. It is a constant reminder to all of us that new beginnings are just one choice away. Here goes:

My precious girl.

Words cannot express how proud I am of you. Please carefully, thoughtfully, and prayerfully read the enclosed letter and words of advice. You are ready to be launched into this next chapter of your life. You are the author, and you will choose the setting, tone, and characters. You will write the script. You are brave, courageous, brilliant, funny, loving, compassionate, but you are most importantly a unique child of God. If you put Jesus first (always) and blindly trust Him, the world will be your oyster. Carpe diem!

With all my love,

Mama

Thank you for letting me share this with you, and please hold my girl close as she begins her college years at SouthwesternUniversity in Georgetown.

Board and Commissions: We have a couple of openings on our boards and commissions. We would love to have anyone who is interested to apply. Simply go to our website (cityofdwg.net) and make the following selections: On the home page, find the blue box in the upper right-hand corner and click on it. Next, select "forms" in the dropdown list (4th one down), then select "other forms" (4th one down). Last, select the 2nd item in the list, "Application to Serve on City Board." This will pull up the application form. We would love for you to get involved!

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 Paul Sweitzer

Court of Kindness: Kudos to Mike and Michelle Redden for their extremely valuable contribution to our friends in the city. Mike and Michelle sponsored a shredding event, and I received many calls expressing gratitude for their gift to the community. I want to personally thank each of you who so generously gave to our Fill the Pantries event on May 10th. We had a great turnout and a special thank you goes to Patty White for always supporting the city in every event that we put on.

Thank you Jill Howard for the beautiful bows she created for our wreaths in City Hall. Her addition adds the needed splash of color to welcome summer.

New Businesses: We joyfully welcome the following new businesses to our business community: Tricare Chiropractic, PA (Tien Trinh, Owner) located at 2315 Roosevelt Drive, Suite B, Quick Stop (Gumpta and Jha Enterprises (new owners) located at 2100 West Arkansas Lane, Suite B, and Era Beauty located at 3100 West Arkansas Lane, Suite K.

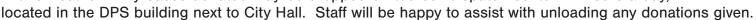
Something to think about: It is never too late to reinvent yourself. Dreams do not have an expiration date.

Laurie Bianco, Mayor

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Chief's Message:

The heat is starting to really ramp up, and with the increased humidity this year our staff is feeling Our staff is quickly depleting our bottled water reserves as the temperature rises. 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 too our dispatch center 24 hours a day.



Please be mindful of the excessive heat this summer especially when spending time outside with the young or elderly. Complete strenuous exercise and yard work during the early mornings, or after sunset to help prevent over exertion. In the event of sun stress get out of the sun as soon as possible, cool your skin with a cool shower or damp towel, drink plenty of water to help prevent dehydration, and if you are ever in doubt call 9-1-1.

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.

Sincerely and Respectfully, Chief Greg Petty

Historical Committee

Are your calendars marked for Saturday, July 12? The Historical Committee will once again host an ice cream social. The social is a come and go event. Join us in City Hall for as little or as long as you want to between the hours of 6:30 and 8:30 pm.

It has been a while since we have talked about the engraved pavers that are part of the Historical Plaza at the corner of California Ln and Roosevelt Dr. We have a couple of orders that have come in and want to offer you the chance to purchase yours before we place this year's order. There are two ways to order. You can print the order form from the website and take the completed form(s), one per brick, along with your payment to the water window at City Hall. (The Paver Order Form can be found by clicking on the forms tab on the city's website, then click on other forms and choose it from the list that pops up.) The other way you can order is to fill out your form(s) and pay at the ice cream social.

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. And finally, but certainly not least, welcome to our newest DWG residents, the Sudduth family and the De Groot 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 - Citizens Public Safety Academy Alumni Association

4th of July is just around the corner – be sure to look for the Dalworthington Gardens Police, Fire, and CPSAAA Citizens on Patrol vehicles in the upcoming Arlington 4th of July Parade.

We have added wonderful new products and colors to our CPSAAA fundraiser merchandise! In addition to our popular T-shirts, we now have stylish ball caps and bucket hats available, just in time for summer.

Sizes Small thru XXXL

Free Local Delivery is available.

Call or text 817) 726-3448 today to see all the great styles.

All profits benefit our

Dalworthington Gardens Department of Public Safety and Fire Department.

Available in Grey, Light Pink, Dark Pink, Royal Blue, Black, Lavender, Purple, Red, Daisy, Scuba Blue, Irish Green, Texas Orange, Green Camo, Tan Camo, and Sport-Tek styles in Black or Gray



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

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Park Board Bulletin

The signature plant in the Mayor's Monarch Garden this month has been the yellow yucca at the west sidewalk. Bright and interesting, this adds sculptural interest to the plantings (Hesperaloe parviflora). The show stoppers are pink and indigo skullcaps under the desert willow tree. These tiny plants appeal to a wide range of pollinators including bees, hummingbirds and butterflies. These are a bright addition to any landscape and can be tucked into a small space for an added spark. (Scutellaria suffrutescens)

Try some of these in your garden this year.

Park Board Challenge!

Look for a new addition to the park at the triangle shaped bed near the playground.

Can you identify this plant?

Hint: It is distinctly southern and that's all we will say for time being... More to come.

On a final note:

The pedestrian bridge is completed at the bottom of the hill on Roosevelt.

<u>June 7</u> Saturday will be the annual Texas Free Fishing Day. Reports for the DWG and Arlington area from Texas Parks and Wildlife: "Conditions good. Water stained. Good topwater action in the morning, then target any kind of cover."

Texas Parks and Wildlife reminder: NEVER dump your aquarium fish, animals or plants into lakes or stream. Never flush them. These can have devasting effects on our lakes, streams and water supply. For more information, check out <u>TexasInvasives.org</u>

June 10

Park Board Meeting

DWG City Hall. 6:30 pm. Members of the public are always welcome to attend.

July 12

Park Gardening Day. Wouldn't you like to participate? Bring your gloves and tools. Meeting place is the main marquis in front of the Public Safety building. 8am-11am

July 12

Ice Cream Social Event 6-8 pm at the Public Safety building

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