



CITY OF DALWORTHINGTON GARDENS GARDEN'S GAZETTE

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- Reappointing members of the TIRZ Board

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:



I was recently asked to deliver the graduation speech for the graduating class of Leadership Arlington. I am not really a public speaker so coming up with a 15-20 minute speech was a challenge. I did some soul searching and asked myself what do I really want them to take away from this? No one wants to listen to someone ramble on for that amount of time. Here's what I came up with:

I want to talk about leadership, not the kind you put on a resume to sound impressive, but real leadership—the kind that happens in communities, in small moments, and often when nobody is watching. Because here's the truth, leadership is less about being in charge and more about being in it. It's not about having the loudest voice in the room, it's about the one who listens when everyone else is talking. Does it mean having all the answers? Absolutely not. Real leaders ask questions. Leadership in communities can be messy. It means showing up to meetings that could have just been emailed. It's volunteering for things you don't understand, and it's agreeing to just help out. Then you realize three years later, you're in charge of the committee. That's the magic of those small and perfect, sometimes chaotic moments. That's where community is built. You don't have to change the whole world. Start in your corner. Be the person who notices when someone is struggling and actually does something about it. Be the person who brings people together even when it's awkward, especially when it's awkward, and leadership means making tough decisions, decisions that everyone will not agree with. Aim for something bigger: integrity. Do what's right, even when it's unpopular, even when it's inconvenient, and even if it means you don't get credit. Who are the best leaders in the community? They're not the ones chasing recognition. They're the ones creating impact. Leadership isn't about perfection. It's about showing up anyway. Your community doesn't need you to be perfect. It needs you to be present. It needs your ideas, your energy, your willingness to care. Lead with kindness. Lead with courage. Lead with humor because trust me, you're going to need it. Most importantly, lead in a way that makes other people believe they can lead too. My closing question to each of you is: What is your superpower and how can you lead in our community and make DWG the best it can be?

Welcome to our Business Community

There are so many businesses that we want to warmly welcome this month. First, let's give a big shoutout to Theodore's Steak and Seafood. If you have not tried it yet, get ready for a first class dining experience. As a community, you asked for it and we have it, so let's go support them! We also want to extend our welcome to three new businesses at 2700 Cozine. In suites A and B we have the Odeh Group, and in suite C we have Greentech USA. At 2133 Cozine Drive we have I'm Whiff the Band. If anyone is up for some great pizza, let's welcome Eleanor's Pizza at 2114 Roosevelt Drive.

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

Something to Ponder

The task of leadership is not to put greatness into people, but to elicit it. Let's always remember that the greatness is already there.

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Garbage Collection

Due to summer heat conditions, CWD – Community Waste Disposal will begin trash and recycling collection at 6:00 a.m. on your scheduled service days from June 1 through the end of August 2026.

City Ordinance – Time of placement: All containers shall be placed at the hereinabove prescribed locations not earlier than 6:00 p.m. on the day preceding the day of scheduled collection. This subsection shall not apply to yard trash.

Chief's Message:

As we are fast approaching the end of the school year and start into summer, we would like to congratulate all parents, students, and teaching staff for all your hard work over the last year. CONGRATULATIONS to all our graduating high school and college seniors.



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.

It is with deep sadness that I share the news of Captain Bob Fisher #308's passing on March 31, 2026. Captain Fisher devoted more than 26 years of service to DWG, and throughout that time he stood as a steady mentor, a trusted leader, and a source of strength for so many. His impact on this department and on the people who served beside him will not be forgotten. Captain Fisher's legacy lives on in the countless lives he shaped and the example he set for all of us.

Sincerely and Respectfully, Chief Greg Petty

Historical Committee

**PLAN TO JOIN US ON JUNE 5th and JUNE 6th
DALWORTHINGTON GARDENS IS TURNING 90!**

Be part of history and learn about our pioneer families.

Meet some of their descendants on June 5.

We've got a grand celebration planned that you don't want to miss!

Visit DWG90th.blogspot.com for detailed information.



Get the answers to important historical facts and enjoy two full evenings of fun and fellowship. (Friday & Saturday, June 5-6)

Find out what happened, during FDR's presidency that set the wheels in motion to begin our city's development.

Did you know Eleanor Roosevelt paid a visit to an early settler in the area? Who was it?

Did you know that initially there were no paved roads and no fences?

Did you know Eleanor Drive was the original name for Park Drive? Why did it get changed?

You will find forms on the website for tickets to Friday night's event (Saturday's events are free) and forms to purchase merchandise, or stop by our water window at 2600 Roosevelt Drive, (City Hall).

Pick up pre-ordered merchandise and/or purchase merchandise and tickets, with cash or check, on Saturday, May 16 in front of City Hall.

Want to volunteer to help? Want to sponsor the events? Email me at marywebster50@yahoo.com or call our city office @ (817) 275-1234.

CPSAAA News - Citizens Public Safety Academy Alumni Association

A huge thank you to Prespa's Italian Restaurant on Arkansas Lane in Dalworthington Gardens for hosting our CPSAAA fundraiser! We are so grateful to everyone who came out to support our DWG First Responders—whether by enjoying a delicious meal, making generous donations, or purchasing t-shirts and hats. Your support means so much, and we truly appreciate each and every one of you.

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
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Park Board Bulletin

"April showers bring May flowers" is true for the DWG park this spring. One good rain has brought on the color! Soft yellow Texas primrose is abundant and blue mealy sage is emerging. The autumn sage is a bright red, attracting hummingbirds and butterflies while purple leaf penstemon is dripping with white petals. At either end of the California stretch red and yellow yuccas have put forth generous spikes heavy with flowers.

The flowers and plants are lovely to see but remember they are meant for the pollinators: hummingbirds, bees and butterflies. Watch for them busily collecting nectar and spreading pollen. Check the marquee to see the charts featuring frequent visitors to our area.

Thanks for your participation in the recent Park Board Events. The annual Earth Day themed Plant Swap was highly successful, busy with collaborative exchange of cuttings, bulbs, seeds and plants. There were seedlings grown from heritage seed from as far as Thomas Jefferson's Monticello.

Don't forget to download your family photos from the Pictures with the Easter Bunny event. So many happy faces enjoyed visiting with E.B. himself!

The grounds crew has been busy with park projects this year. Our most recent is the concrete slab for the stadium seating at the southwest sports field.

Check it out!

And remember to respect our park. Clean up after your events, games, picnics and pets.

The Park Board can be reached through the City of DWG website or by email.

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