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- City Fee Schedule
- Semi-Permanent Makeup (Cosmetic Makeup) business in B2 zoning

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:



"Words" They have power like no other tool we have at our disposal. We have all heard the phrase, "Sticks and stones may break my bones, but words can never hurt me." Well, that's a fib if I have ever heard one! I keep a journal of quotes and words of advice that are meaningful to me. As I was looking over things I have written over the years, I realized that I must have some sort of fixation with how we verbally express ourselves because it keeps popping up over and over again. I know that sometimes (actually most times), I blurt out what I am thinking. I try to tamper my tongue, but it is another one of my challenges. In a world so deeply divided let's use the power of words to create a world where peace reigns, and we all feel valued because we are all unique individuals created in His image. I am sharing things I have written, not as a sermon to you, but as a reminder to me to guard my words and only use them to build others up. Here are a few of my favorites:

- Words have the power of life or death. Your words carry weight. You have the opportunity to use words to hurt, demean, slander, and wound others. You also have the opportunity to heal, encourage, inspire, and love others. Once your words leave your mouth, you can't take them back. Use your words carefully. When others are misusing their words, guard yours. Make the choice every morning that life giving words will come out of your mouth. Be known for your gentleness and compassion. Use your words to give life to a world that so desperately needs it. You will never, ever regret choosing kindness.
- Raise your words, not your voice. It is rain that grows flowers, not thunder.
- Be sure to taste your own words before you spit them out.
- The things you say about others says a lot about you.
- Never trust your tongue when your heart is bitter.
- Before you speak, let your words pass through three gates: Is it true? Is it necessary? Is it kind?

Let's make the world a better place by sharing kindness through our words and actions.

Salvation Army Mayoral Red Kettle Challenge

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

Please join us on December 13th to support the Salvation Army at the following locations: Green's Produce, Pan Pan Bakery, and Campo Verde. We would love for you to join us by ringing the bell. You can contact Jennifer Burkhart at jsmith@cityofdwg.net to find available times. Also, here is the link, if you would like to help with your financial support <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4DAFA729A7FCC25-59439707-mayoral>

Your donations are tax deductible, and all of the funds raised in this event stay in our local community.

Court of Kindness

Here is a shout out to our fabulous Park Board and Public Works for the outstanding job they did in making our Trunk or Treat event even bigger and better than ever. I think that was the most people I have seen at this event since its inception.

Welcome to our Business Community

We are delighted that the following businesses are now part of the DWG business community: BCP Health Care 2218 Michigan Avenue, Suite A, MEB Health 2214 Michigan Avenue, Suite H, Apple Remarketing 2227 Michigan Avenue, Suite B, Expert Auto Repair 2151 Corzine Drive, Panda Massage (Dejian Zhang (new owner) 4130 S Bowen Road, Suite 100A, All Nations SDS Church 3618 Roosevelt Drive, and A&A Wrap Lab (Abdullah Omer, owner) 2227 Michigan Ave, Suite C, Catalyst Creative Arts, 2238 Michigan Avenue Suite G.

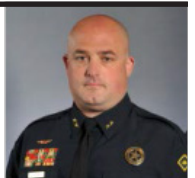
Thought for this Month

Be wise enough to listen to what a person is not saying.

Laurie Bianco, Mayor

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Chief's Message:



Fall weather is officially here, well this week anyway! As we are getting used to the cooler weather and the darker evenings, we like to remind everyone of a few general safety tips to keep in mind before your Thanksgiving gatherings. Smoke detector batteries should be checked every 6 months; we like to use time change to remind us of that! When checking smoke detectors, don't forget about your carbon monoxide detectors as well. Both detectors should be replaced every 10 years.

As you prepare for all your Thanksgiving Day activities make sure no items are left unattended on the stovetop, set timers for baking or roasting, and keep flammable items like towels and potholders away from the heat. Be extra cautious with turkey fryers, using them outdoors on a level surface only. It's also important to have a fire extinguisher nearby and never leave the fryer unattended.

Clean your chimney and fireplace annually to remove any soot and buildup before use, and ensure the flue is clear. Use a fire screen to contain embers and make sure all ashes are completely cool before disposal in a metal container.

When putting out Christmas decorations please Inspect lights for frayed wires or broken bulbs before use. Use LED lights and keep flammable decorations away from heat sources.

Santa is coming to town! Please join us on December 23rd for our annual Santa Parade. Santa will arrive between 4:00- 4:30 pm in Gardens Park so we can join him on his journey through the city.

He will promptly leave Gardens Park at 5:00pm. He will be escorted through the city by our public safety officers and volunteers. This is our 36th year and we are excited to continue the tradition! If you have a special request for a stop, please contact Jennifer Smith at 682-330-7416 or by email at jsmith@cityofdwg.net and we will do our best to accommodate any extra stops we can. You may view our route map when we get closer to the event.

Facebook, if you haven't been following us on Facebook please do! We post all our events on our Facebook page and that is also where you will find our most up to date information.

Sincerely and Respectfully, Chief Greg Petty

Historical Committee

We enjoyed visiting with many residents at our table last month during National Night Out. If you are interested in DWG's history, we encourage you to attend our upcoming meeting on Thursday, November 13 at 6:30 pm in the council chambers at City Hall. We will be brainstorming plans for DWG's 90th anniversary celebration in June of 2026.

Have you turned in your nomination for Volunteer of the Year yet? If not, forms are available on the city's website. We will be voting on the DWG VOY for 2025 at November's meeting as well.

The Historical Committee hopes that you will make many happy memories during the upcoming end of year holiday season.

CPSAAA News - Citizens Public Safety Academy Alumni Association



Happy Thanksgiving from our CPSAAA Families to Yours!

Tracy Dodson, CPSAAA President • DWGCPSAAA.org

Park Board Bulletin

As the seasons change, many of the attractors in the monarch garden are going dormant for the winter. Luckily most of our plants are perennials which means they will come back bigger and stronger in the spring. Never the less many of the flowers are making a final showing. On the northeast side the fall aster is still in bloom as is the Texas tarragon on the southwest end of the garden. Many of the salvia are also putting on a last hurrah. As you walk through, take note of the many varieties with their different textures and colors. You may want to incorporate some of these beauties in your spring garden.

Thanks to all for the success of the October 18th Trunk or Treat event. Over 500 costumed characters roamed the park and were treated to candy, popcorn and prizes from 18 decorated "trunks." Thank you to each and every volunteer for the hard work and time spent creating this special fall festival.

The hay ride was a big favorite this year. A big thank you to Carlos for his dedicated driving, making every ride fun and safe for all.

Mark your calendars for the upcoming **Movie Night**, November 8th, 6 pm at Pappy Elkins Park. Featured film: *Madagascar*

Next Park Board Work Day: November 8th. Meet at the park across from the Public Safety building, 9 am to noon. Please be prepared with your preferred tools and gloves.

Save the date for a free annual event: **Photos with Santa**
December 6, 2025 from 3-5 pm.

Please remember to respect our park! Whether you enjoy walking your pets or playing on the fields, remember to leave nothing behind and do no damage.

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