



# CITY OF DALWORTHINGTON GARDENS GARDEN'S GAZETTE

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## September 2019 City Council News

The following items were discussed and approved at the September 2019 City Council Meetings:

- Audit engagement letter from Brooks Watson
- Adoption of Hart Voting System
  - Budget adoption
  - \$0.58 per \$100 valuation tax rate adoption

## Water Conservation Tips

- Find and fix leaks. One small drip per minute is almost 53 gallons of water wasted per year. Tighten pipes and talk to your water company on how to check for hidden water leaks and leaking pipes
  - Buy water-efficient appliances. Compare water usage on dishwashers and washing machines and get the most efficient machine possible.

## Mayor's Message:

Dear DWG Friends!

Fall is in the air and Phil Szurek has kicked off this fall season with some beautiful pumpkins adorning the marquee sign at City Hall. Thanks, Phil! I just wanted to extend a sincere thanks to everyone who joined us for National Night Out. Even though she will never take credit where credit is due, Jennifer Burkhart, our dispatch supervisor and the police chief's assistant, organized the wonderful events for that evening. Also, thank you to our friends in public works, Shawn Keener and Jeff Chasteen, for helping setup the event. We also want to thank Chief Petty and the DPS staff for all the work they're doing with the Ronald McDonald House of Fort Worth and other events that give back to the community. Giving back to the community is what we're about.



Thank you to the Park Board, Vanessa Galindo, Green's Produce, and other volunteers for making our city the most beautiful place to live in the metroplex. Their hard work and countless hours of volunteer time have allowed us the opportunity to enjoy a pollinator garden located on the south side of the park on California Lane. This garden supports the Mayor's Monarch Pledge that we committed to last year.

As you're driving through town, please be on the lookout for our new motorcycle. It is a state of the art BWM bike. This new addition to the fleet would have never been possible without some very generous donations by Howard and Judy Zuckerbrow, and Kimberly Fitzpatrick and Ryan Gruber. The remainder of the bike was paid for by the Crime Control and Prevention District funds.

Our next Business Over Breakfast will be on November 6, 8-9 am at Sasa's Place, 2700 W. Arkansas Lane, DWG. Thank you to K & B Promotions for speaking at our last breakfast. If you're not familiar, K & B Promotions is a screen printing business located at 2143 Corzine Drive here in DWG. Support our local businesses!

The Salvation Army Mayoral Red Kettle Challenge will be held on December 14, 2019. Because of your generosity, Dalworthington Gardens was recognized with three awards last year. Would you kindly consider donating to this very worthy cause? We will have table toppers at many of the businesses in DWG. More information about ways to donate or volunteer to ring the bell will be in the November newsletter.

One of our residents, Claire Hansen, is one of the area leaders for Operation Christmas Child. Operation Christmas Child is a project of Samaritan's Purse, an international relief organization. Their mission is to provide local partners around the world with shoeboxes filled with small toys, hygiene items, and school supplies. If you would like to help make a child's Christmas special, please drop by City Hall. Boxes will be available through October 21 through November 20.

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**Laurie Bianco - Mayor - (903) 258-7354**

**Ed Motley, Mayor Pro Tem - (817) 265-0919**

**Councilmembers:**

**Alderman Guy Snodgrass • Alderman Mark McGuire • Alderman Joe Kohn • Alderman Cathy Stein**

Our city is blessed with the greatest staff anywhere on the planet. We are excited to announce that Lola Hazel, our current city secretary, will also be acting as our interim city administrator. As Sherry Roberts makes her departure from the city, we wish her the very best in life and we are so grateful for all the contributions she made to the city. If you need to reach Lola, she can be reached at 682-330-7418 or [lhazel@cityofdwwg.net](mailto:lhazel@cityofdwwg.net).

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Laurie

Conversation about life: "You never talk about your regrets. Do you have any?" "I guess, but I don't like to call them regrets. I refer to them as wonderings." "Wonderings?" "Because I always wonder what would have happened if things had played out differently. But to name my past decisions 'mistakes' or 'regrets' is foolish. If I chose something, it was the right choice at the time. We never purposefully make mistakes; we only call them that in hindsight." – Amanda Torroni

Laurie Bianco, Mayor  
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## **Chief's Message:**

The City of Dalworthington Gardens and DPS staff have teamed up with the No More violence campaign and the Alliance for Children. We want to raise awareness of the issue of child abuse and work towards reducing the number of incidents throughout the DFW metroplex. Our goal is to promote the following five values; Respect, Truth, Life, Love & Peace. We have started putting signs out in the community. If you would like to join this campaign and would like a yard or window sign, please email [jsmith@cityofdwwg.net](mailto:jsmith@cityofdwwg.net) or call 682-330-7416 and we will drop signs off to all who would like to participate.



DWG DPS has purchased a 2020 BMW motorcycle to replace our 2013 motorcycle. We would like to thank several gracious donors, Howard and Judy Zuckerbrow, and Kimberly Fitzpatrick and Ryan Gruber. Without these donors, this would not have been possible. Thank you for your support and generosity!

Thank you to all who came out to the DWG National Night Out. We had a wonderful turn out and hope that everyone had as much fun as we did! Thank you to Phil Szurek for providing the delicious BBQ, Cowboy Towing for providing the bounce houses, and Green's Produce for providing the pumpkins for painting. We could not have done this event without each of you! Jennifer Burkhart did an outstanding job of organizing this event and we look forward to what is planned for next year.

WE HAVE DATES! CRASE (Civilian Response to Active Shooter Events and Casualty Care) is a nationally recognized program designed and built on the Avoid, Deny, Defend (ADD) strategy developed by ALERRT in 2004. This course provides strategies, guidance, and a proven plan for surviving an active shooter event. This course combines the civilian response with the stop the Bleed Campaign, which empowers civilians to provide life-saving medical aid before first responders arrive. Topics include history and prevalence of active shooter events, civilian response options, medical issues, and considerations for conducting drills. This class will be segmented into three parts, three different dates will be required to finish the whole class, and each session will build on the previous session. In order to participate in the 2nd and 3rd portions you are required to complete the 1st portion. However, if you just want the CRASE portion you can choose to participate in only the first class. Classes will be held January 16th, January 21st, and January 30th. To sign up or for more information, please contact [jsmith@cityofdwwg.net](mailto:jsmith@cityofdwwg.net).

Sincerely,

Chief Greg Petty  
Dalworthington Gardens DPS

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## **Historical Committee News**

We invite all who are interested to attend the Historical Committee's next regularly scheduled meeting, Thursday, November 14 at 6:30 pm in the Annex next to the fire bay.

Do you know someone who is a passionate and regular volunteer? Their volunteering does not have to be within DWG to qualify them for DWG Volunteer of the Year, they just need to be a resident of DWG. We want to hear about someone you know who volunteers their time for the good of the environment, support of individuals or groups of people or other worthy causes in and around DWG. Nomination forms for this year's DWG Volunteer of the Year can be picked up from the wall files in the foyer of City Hall. Please nominate someone and return your completed form no later than Friday, November 1 to staff at the water window.

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## **CPSAAA News**

Thank you so much to all who came out and supported our fundraiser at Prespa's Italian Restaurant on October 10th! A huge "Thank You" to Prespa's for all of your support with this fundraiser and throughout the year. We appreciate all you do in support of our Dalworthington Gardens First Responders.

### **DWG CPSAAA Document Shred Day**

Sponsored by Cowboy Towing and Philip Szurek Insurance Agency

October 19th from 9:00am – Noon at DWG City Hall Parking Area

Citizens are invited to bring any paper documents to be shredded, with a maximum of 5 cartons per car. (Approximate carton size 18in. x 18in. x 16in.) This is an opportunity for citizens to fight identity theft by shredding personal documents and help CPSAAA support our Dalworthington Gardens First Responders through your donations of \$10 per car. This is not a city sponsored event so city staff will not be able to provide details. For more information please contact Tracy Dodson at 817) 726-3448 or [dwgcpsaaa@yahoo.com](mailto:dwgcpsaaa@yahoo.com).

### **Handgun Safety Class**

CPSAAA is offering a Handgun Safety Class on Saturday, November 9th, 8am – 5pm. The cost is \$75 per person which includes classroom time, lunch and range time. Some of the topics that will be covered include; fundamentals of shooting, proper stance, grip and trigger control, sight alignment, cover and concealment, range safety, firing positions, proper storage, how to load and unload, and more. Please contact us at [dwgcpsaaa@yahoo.com](mailto:dwgcpsaaa@yahoo.com) or call Tracy Dodson at 817) 726-3448 to sign up for the class. This class is limited to a maximum of 12 attendees.

### **CPR Class**

DWG CPSAAA is offering two CPR Classes; the cost is \$40 per person which includes a 2 year American Heart Association certification card. Classes will be held at Dalworthington Gardens Council Chambers, taught by an American Heart Association certified instructor. A lifesaving moment can happen at any time; learning CPR can help gain precious time for a person experiencing a cardiac event and deliver lifesaving care until first responders arrive.

December 3rd 6pm – 9pm

OR

December 5th 6pm – 9pm

### **Citizens Public Safety Academy Alumni Association (DWG CPSAAA)**

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. The DWG CPSAAA is dedicated to supporting the DWG Department of Public Safety through volunteerism and community activities. Our sources of funding are obtained from activities and classes offered throughout the year.

**For more information on any of the above, please email us at [dwgcpsaaa@yahoo.com](mailto:dwgcpsaaa@yahoo.com) or give me a call at 817-726-3448.**

Tracy Dodson, CPSAAA President  
DWGCPSAAA.org

## Park Board Bulletin

The **Monarch Waystation Garden** is installed near the gazebo and is already attracting butterflies! Thanks to Vanessa Galindo and **Tarrant County College Horticulture Club** for their planning and hard work, to **Green's Produce and Plants**, City staff and volunteers who worked to make it happen. If you would like to be a part, you can adopt a section of the beds (available in 4-foot increments) to keep weeded. Email [DWGParkBoard@gmail.com](mailto:DWGParkBoard@gmail.com) or call Jeannine 817-460-1955 for more information.

**TRUNK OR TREAT** is 5:30-7 P.M. on Saturday, October 26 at City Hall. **WE NEED CANDY, VOLUNTEERS AND "TRUNKS"!** Candy or cash donations can be dropped at City Hall- checks can be deposited in the utility payment box with TRUNK or TREAT in the subject line. Call Tara 214-564-9269 or email [DWGParkBoard@gmail.com](mailto:DWGParkBoard@gmail.com). **BARREL TRAIN, PHOTO BOOTH, GAMES & TREATS** guarantee a safe and fun night for our children!

**PLAYGROUND GRANT APPLICATION** - We still need citizen surveys and donation forms for the December 1 submission to TX Parks & Wildlife to improve our Park Playground with a new climber, spinner & track rider for older children. Our success depends on citizen involvement. Even a small donation shows you want to do this for our city. Forms available on the **DWG Website** or by emailing [DWGParkBoard@gmail.com](mailto:DWGParkBoard@gmail.com).

**SUNSHADE GRANT APPLICATION** is also due December 1 to improve our toddler area. Adding "sunshade" to your citizen survey can help us here too!

**NEW GRILLS, SOCCER GOAL, TRASH CANS, SWING SEATS & WEAR MATS** have been installed in the Park using Park Reactional Development Corporation Funds.

## Shop DWG and Our Surrounding Businesses

 <p><b>Farrell Animal Hospital</b> <i>Superior Care For the Life of your Pet</i> 2890 West Pioneer Parkway Arlington, TX 76013 <b>Check out our new website!</b> <a href="http://FarrellIAH.com">FarrellIAH.com</a> 817-265-6276</p>	 <p><b>Pet Resort</b> <i>The Gardens</i> <i>Protected Play And a Pampered Stay</i> 2890-A West Pioneer Parkway Arlington, TX 76013 (Behind Farrell Animal Hospital) Dog &amp; Cat Boarding Doggie Daycare Grooming <a href="http://Petresortinthegardens.com">Petresortinthegardens.com</a> 817-635-5510</p>
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