



CITY OF DALWORTHINGTON GARDENS GARDEN'S GAZETTE

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Mayor's Message:

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Hi Friends!

I am so excited about our upcoming Grand Opening for our City Hall facility. Even though we have been in the building for a few weeks, we still have not completed the final details because of difficulty in obtaining supplies and materials. Don't give up though. We are not only open for business, but we can't wait to welcome you (and give hugs if you like) on November 18, 5-6 p.m.



Please keep the City of Mansfield and Arlington ISD in your prayers as they confront their recent tragic situation. I know when Emily got home from school, I hugged her a little tighter and thanked God for the safe environment her school provides. We are all indebted to the teachers and school administrators who are raising our future leaders. As a matter of fact, our city made a proclamation for World Teacher's Day which was October 5, 2021. We are so fortunate to host outstanding schools in our City.

Salvation Army: Dalworthington Gardens' citizens and businesses have very giving hearts. As this year comes to a close, would you kindly consider donating to the Salvation Army? I have the privilege of serving on the council for the Salvation Army and I see exactly how funds are spent. This is an organization that gives directly back to the community. The Mayor's Red Kettle Challenge will be on December 11. I would personally appreciate your contributions on that day so that DWG will once again be recognized for their generosity. If you would like to ring the bell, would you kindly contact me at 903-258-7354.

November 2 Tarrant County Bond Election: Tarrant County will hold a bond election on November 2, 2021, and the City has a street project included in the transportation ballot measure. There were very few of our City's projects that met the intent of the bond measure, but Corzine Drive drainage repair was selected for inclusion. If the bond measure is approved by voters, cities all over Tarrant County would receive much needed funding for road projects, including Dalworthington Gardens. The bond is being structured in a way as not to raise the county tax rate, so it is unknown when our City would receive funding. Early voting begins October 18-29. DWG City Hall will only be a polling place on Election Day, November 2.

Capital Improvement Plans: The City Council has authorized the city engineer to begin working on capital improvement plans for streets, water, sewer, and storm water infrastructure needs. These plans will provide a layout for council to better plan these needs in the budget each year. Our mission is to mitigate the current issues that we face and become as proactive as possible.

Court of Kindness: We are always looking for ways to give back to the community. Our DPS fed over 1,000 first responders in a 24 hour cookout. We would like to extend our thanks to the volunteers and CPSAAA members who generously donated their time to serve those who serve us. Also, congratulations to the graduates of the 4th Citizens Public Safety Academy. Well done, friends!

Laurie Bianco - Mayor - (903) 258-7354

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

Councilmembers:

Alderman John King • Alderman Steve Lafferty • Alderman Cathy Stein • Alderman Joe Kohn

September 2021 City Council News Items Approved

- FY 2021-2022 City Budget Adoption
- FY 2021-2022 Tax Rate Adoption of \$0.658553 per \$100 valuation
- Quote for capital improvement plan preparation
- Solicitation of park playground grant.

Water Conservation Tips

- When cooking, peel and clean vegetables in a large bowl of water instead of under running water.
- Only run the dishwasher when it's full.

New City Hall Payment Dropbox Location: The new drop box is located on the south side of the new City Hall building. We have signage at the front door of the building and on the side to help you find your way to the new box.

Welcome to our new businesses:

- Deep Water Emergency Services, 2805 W. Arkansas Lane, Suite 204
- Arlington Reiki Wellness, 2104 Roosevelt Drive, Building 2, Suite J

Thought of the Day: If you cannot do great things, do small things in a great way.

Laurie Bianco, Mayor
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Chief's Message:

As the weather continues to cool we are noticing lots more residents using our beautiful park grounds. We love seeing all the activity in our park, walkers, sports teams, parents with kids, and owners with animals. We would like to remind everyone to please be respectful of others as they enjoy their time out as well. Please remember to keep animals leashed during your visits, and clean up after yourself and your animals. We have amazing public works staff who tend to the park grounds daily, and we provide numerous trash receptacles that are emptied regularly as well. Please help us keep our animals, and kids safe by ensuring all discarded items are properly placed in provided receptacles. We appreciate everyone's help keeping DWG such a wonderful place to live!



WE ARE HIRING!!! We are hiring for a full-time dispatch position, and a full time PSO position. If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a dispatcher, PSO, or for more information please email jsmith@cityofdwg.net

Interested in becoming a volunteer fire fighter? Qualifications, must be 18 years of age, have a driver's license, and must be able to pass a physical fitness row test. Training nights are every Tuesday night at 6:00pm. For more information, please email jsmith@cityofdwg.net

Last but not least, I have confirmed with Santa and he will be joining us again this year for the Santa Parade on December 23rd. Santa said he'll be arriving about 5 pm here at the station so we can join him on the tour of DWG. We will update this information with a route when it gets closer to December so please keep checking back for more information

If you have a special request for a stop, please contact Jennifer Smith ahead of time to see if there is room for your request on the parade route. You may reach them at 682-330-7416 or email jsmith@cityofdwg.net

Sincerely and Respectfully,
Chief Greg Petty

Historical Committee News

The Historical Committee extends a warm welcome to DWG's newest residents; the Fricks family and the McNabb family.

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 printed for you by staff at the water window at the new City Hall or downloaded at <https://www.cityofdwg.net/city-service-and-permit-forms>. Please nominate someone and return your completed form no later than Tuesday, November 2 to staff at the water window.

The Historical Committee has chosen to meet in person in the community room next to the fire bays for their next meeting (Thursday, Nov. 4 at 6:30 pm). All are welcome. Depending on the local health conditions at the time, masks and social distancing may be encouraged for those who attend.

CPSAAA News

Congratulations to Dalworthington Gardens Citizen Public Safety Academy Class 4 for completing the course and on your graduation! We are so excited to have you join the Citizens Public Safety Academy Alumni Association.

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, DWGCPSSAAA.org

Park Board Bulletin

Hello DWG Residents,

We hope you are taking time to enjoy the cool temperature lately whether it's enjoying morning coffee in your backyard or walking your dog at the park.

We have noticed several things around the park recently that got us thinking about how in elementary school, children are taught to be Ready, Respectful, and Responsible. To be good neighbors to each other when visiting Gardens Park, let's all Respect our public areas. If you have pets, that would include having your bags Ready and being responsible to pick up after your pets if you are not doing so already. If you have a larger pet such as a horse you may have to make a return trip.

Please also Respect and be Responsible in the garden areas by not walking through them and trampling plants and by leaving decorations in place that are meant for all to enjoy such as the painted rocks, plaques and other decor. We also sometimes place flags or other markers in the gardens. Rearranging them hinders our ability to take care of the gardens. We hope you enjoy walking by and seeing how the gardens change with the seasons and know that occasionally you may have to retrieve a stray piece of sports equipment.

In other news around the park, we plan to post some information in the kiosk soon regarding Texas Arbor Day since it is on November 6. We will be slating events for the coming year 2022. Feel free to email us your ideas for educational events or nature celebrations.

Take care and continue to be safe,
DWG Park Board
parkboard@cityofdwg.net

Getting to know the Park Board:

As we approach the end of 2021, we want you to get to know us and what we do on the DWG Park Board (PB) in case you are interested in joining for 2022. We currently have 5 members so every month we will feature a member telling you about ourselves, what our responsibilities are, and why we joined.

Be sure to catch others you may have missed in the previous newsletters.

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When did you move here?

--> I am originally from Kansas City, MO. Moved to DWG at the very end of 2016.

Why do you like being on the DWG Park Board:

--> I was drawn to the Park Board because I was interested in helping out with the different events held by the Board and it seemed like a good opportunity to meet others within the community.

What you do on the park board:

--> My primary focus has been in the playground area with the capital campaign for the shade structure and working on improvements to the 5-12 year old area. I assist other members as needed for their projects as well.

Gardening Tips for a successful fall harvest

- Plan for adequate sunlight.
- Give roots and fruits the most sun.
- Use leafy greens in sun or in slightly shadier garden areas.
- Amend your soil with compost.
- Choose regionally adapted plants.

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Pumpkins are grown all over the world: six of seven continents (all except Antarctica), to be exact. Love pumpkin pie? The largest ever made was in New Bremen, Ohio—it was 20 feet in diameter and weighed 3,699 pounds! It took days to bake, but was cut into 5,000 slices when it was finished.

The largest **squash** on record to-date belonged to **Joel Jarvis** from Port Elgin, Ontario. His prize-winning gourd weighed 1,486.6 pounds. Think about how much squash soup could be made with that!

Candy Corn Day will fall on Saturday, October 30 this year, so that means eat as much as you can to celebrate. Also, there is now candy corn for basically every holiday, including Reindeer Corn for Christmas, Cupid Corn for Valentine’s Day and Bunny Corn for Easter.

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