

CITY OF DALWORTHINGTON GARDENS **GARDEN'S GAZETTE**

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September 2023

Mayor's Message:

Hello my precious neighbors,

2600 Roosevelt Drive Dalworthington Gardens, Texas 76016 http://www.cityofdwg.net Emergency 9-1-1

City Council: 3rd Thursday Planning & Zoning: 4th Monday

DWG 1936-2023 "and Growing"

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 Prohibit the riding of horses in Gardens Park, south of Elkins Drive

• Fence special exception for 3306 Evie Court

 Additional liability coverages

 Roosevelt foot bridge replacement

 Karalyn street and sewer repair

Water **Conservation** <u>Tips</u>

 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.)

We've got lots of people in our City who are gifted and talented in various ways such as tutoring or handy man extraordinaire.

Mayor's Message:

We would love to promote the skills of those in our community who are interested in sharing their talents with others. If you are one of these fine folks, would you kindly contact me at 903-258-7354.

Court of Kindness: We have a wonderful offender this month. Brad Boustead is worthy of many compliments for his loving act of kindness to his neighbor, Anthony Parker. Anthony was sick and in the hospital (so say a special prayer for that sweet friend). During his hospitalization, Brad took it upon himself to mow Anthony's yard. Brad gets the Ten Commandments Award this month for loving his neighbor like he loves himself.

New Garbage Rates: The following rates for garbage will be reflected on the October 4, 2023 billing.

GARBAGE SERVICE			
Monthly Rates (sales tax not included)	Prior Rates	New Rates	\$ Incr.
Residential w/recycling	\$ 17.47	\$ 18.52	\$ 1.05
Additional cart	\$ 2.35	\$ 2.49	\$ 0.14
Commercial curb pickup	\$ 23.20	\$ 24.59	\$ 1.39
Commercial addt'l recycling cart	\$ 6.60	\$ 7.00	\$ 0.40
Household Hazardous Waste	\$ 1.00	\$ 0.92	\$ (0.08)

New Billing Method: Removing 2,000 gallons: The City will be changing the method for calculation of water and sewer rates for billing. The new method will bill for all water gallons used. The sewer volume will bill residents for the first 13,000 gallons vs gallons 2001-15,000 previously. Commercial sewer will bill for all gallons used.

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 Mark McGuire



For many years, the City has provided a method whereby the first 2,000 gallons were included in the minimum charge and billing began at 2,001 gallons. This method is not being billed in a manner to ensure City volume expenses cover what the City is billed by wholesale water providers, City of Fort Worth and City of Arlington. To ensure City costs are covered, the billing method is being changed. This change will be reflected on the October 4, 2023 bill and going forward.

Business Over Breakfast: The next Business Over Breakfast event will be on Wednesday, September 6, 8-9am at Grounds and Gold, 4130 S. Bowen Road. Our topic of interest this month is the upcoming farmers market in DWG which will start September 10. Please join us so that we can not only learn about events in the community, but also enjoy each other's company.

Dallas Business Journal's 40 Under 40: Our very own, Jimmy Kinley, was recognized in the Dallas Business Journal's 40 Under 40. Jimmy's family are long-time DWG residents. We are so proud and celebrate his many successes including our very own, Grounds and Gold.

Welcome to our new businesses for this month:

Restoration Nation, 2700 Corzine Drive, Suite B CMAC Roofing and Sheet Metal LLC, 2313 Roosevelt Drive, Suite B

Quote of the Day: Life is full of challenges, but there is always the opportunity to use negative experiences for good. The final stage of healing is using what happens to you to help other people.

Laurie Bianco, Mayor 2600 Roosevelt Drive Dalworthington Gardens, Texas • <u>mayorbianco@cityofdwg.net</u> • (903) 258-7354

Chief's Message:

The hustle and bustle of back-to-school activity is upon us. We are working diligently with schools and other members of the community to soften the impact of the inconveniences regarding traffic congestion. Please be patient with these entities and DPS personnel as we partner to solve these problems for the community, it takes



a couple of weeks for everyone to get into a working routine. Please use extra caution as school zones are more active. Key Elementary School zones run from 7:30am-8:30am and 3:00pm-4:00pm daily, affecting Bowen Rd and Roosevelt Dr traffic. Arlington Classic Academy school zone runs from 7:00am-8:30am and 2:30pm-4:15 pm daily, affecting Arkansas Ln. traffic. <u>We would also like</u> to remind all drivers that cell phones are NOT allowed in any school zones so please put them <u>away.</u>

<u>Save the date!</u> Come join us for National Night Out 2023! We will hold our annual National Night Out at Elkins Park Tuesday <u>October 3rd 2023</u> from 6pm-8pm. Join us for food and fun! More information will follow as we get closer to the event date!

Officers have been busy over the past few summer months completing lots of close patrols and house watches. Since May officers have completed over 703 close patrols and 1000 house watches. For more information on these programs please contact dispatch at 817-275-1234 ext. 1.

HUGE thank you to the residents who have been dropping off water to our DPS staff during this extreme heat! We are thankful for all of it!

Sincerely and Respectfully, Chief Greg Petty

Historical Committee

Join us for the Historical Committee's next regularly scheduled meeting, Thursday, September 7 at 6:30 pm in the City Hall council chambers.

Did you know that almost 60% of the early residents of the Dalworthington Gardens Homestead Association farmed their properties? They raised produce and livestock. If they did not know how to preserve the food that they grew, they could learn how to in classes held at the community house and taught by a county extension agent.

Homestead residents sent their children to school at Johnson Station for grades 1-8 if they lived south of Arkansas Lane. Kids who lived north of Arkansas Lane went to Pantego School instead. Speaking of schools, while we now have several schools within DWG's city limits, one of them, Arlington Classics Academy, has partnered with the City to provide space for the Dalworthington Gardens Farmers Market. The first market will be Sunday, September 10 from 10am – 2pm and every Sunday thereafter, weather permitting.

We anticipate there will be vendors at the farmers market who have food to sell that parallels what our early residents grew and put up. Look for fresh produce, pickles, jams, jellies and baked goods. Four Seasons Markets is managing the event for the city and will post a list of vendors the day before the market at <u>https://www.fourseasonsmarkets.com/?sct=events</u>. Handmade crafts vendors will be part of the market as well.

CPSAAA News

We look forward to seeing everyone at DWG's National Night Out on Tuesday, October 3rd at 6pm. Please come by our booth and enjoy playing a variety of fun yard games.

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

Tracy Dodson, CPSAAA President dwgcpsaaa@yahoo.com DWGCPSAAA.org

Park Board Bulletin

It's event season for the Park Board, check out all the happenings in the stay tuned section down below. We are starting early this year with our candy collection for our upcoming Trunk-or-Treat. If it's in your heart, please bring candy donations to City Hall during normal business hours.

Respect Our Park

School is back in session and Fall is around the corner. This means more organized sports teams

will be hosting practices in the park. While kicking a ball into a soccer goal or learning how to tackle are good skills to have, picking up trash is also a good skill to have. Picking up trash doesn't even require hours upon hours of practice to become an expert. How cool is that?!

Schedule of Fall Events:

- Concert in the park Saturday, September 23rd with Dr. Turner's band, The Uptown Drifters.
- National Night Out on Tuesday, October 3rd. Stop by and say hello to the Park Board. If you have not already signed up to provide a trunk for this year's Trunk or Treat, please stop by and sign up to help or bring candy donations.
- Annular solar eclipse on Saturday, October 14th. The Fort Worth Astronomical Society will give a presentation at 9am. The eclipse will begin at 10:23 am and end at 1:29 pm, with the maximum coverage of the sun occurring at 11:52 am.
- Trunk-or-Treat on Saturday, October 21st from 5:30pm-7:30pm
- Movie night (Encanto) in the park Saturday, November 4th Time TBD

The next bi-monthly park workday is scheduled for Saturday, Sept 9th from 9am – Noon. Bring your gardening gloves and tools. The meetup location is by the marquee at the intersection of Roosevelt and Elkins Dr. If you are interested in volunteering for park events or interested in preserving the garden beds and similar areas in the park, contact the park board via email. <u>parkboard@cityofdwg.</u> <u>net</u>

An annular solar eclipse happens when the Moon passes between the Sun and Earth while it is at its farthest point from Earth. Because the Moon is farther away from Earth, it appears smaller than the Sun and does not completely cover the star. This creates a "ring of fire" effect in the sky. <u>https://solarsystem.nasa.gov/eclipses/2023/oct-14-annular/overview/</u>

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