

GARDEN'S GAZETTE

February Newsletter

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Mayor's Message

I apologize for the lateness of this newsletter, but do to the cancellation of the regular scheduled City Council meeting and the scheduling of the special City Council meeting the newsletter was delayed. Spring Break is almost here for many families in the Gardens; please remember to place your house on close patrol with the DPS if you plan to be out of town. For those citizens who will enjoy Spring Break in town, please keep an eye out for anything that may look suspicious to you. While at home, especially during the day, we need your help watching for suspicious vehicles and persons. Remember, if you think it's suspicious, it is SUSPICIOUS! Call 911 and let us take a look.

“February 24 to March 1 was Severe Weather Awareness Week in Texas.

During this time of the year, severe weather conditions can occur very quickly; early preparedness is the key to safety. All citizens are urged to consult the following web site for important and potentially life saving information;

<http://www.srh.noaa.gov/lub/safety/swaw/> “

Park Board News-

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

Gardens' Gals and Pappy's Pals need a few people that like to work in the dirt. Learn about native plants by getting together a few times each year and helping maintain the park's native plant beds. If you are interested, contact Cathy Stein at 817-265-3439.

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

The Park Board would like to thank the friends and family of George Rodriguez for their generous donation to the park in his memory.

The Park Board expresses sincere thanks to the following for their recent tree donations in the park: Ken & Marilyn Kiser, Kay Nelson.

The next regular Park Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 25, 7:30pm

City Council News

The following items were approved and discussed at the February 21, 2008, City Council Meeting:

Minutes of the January 17, 2007 Council meeting- approved

Departmental Reports & January financial reports- approved

Tree Preservation Ordinance- approved

Oncor Street Lighting Tariff Revision- approved

Atmos Rate Case Ordinance- approved, option C

GEXA Contract Renewal- approved

Municipal Setting Designation Application Park Row- approved
Twin Springs/Twin Lakes Pavement Reconstruction- approved
Wireless Communication facility agreement- rejected
Park Board Vacancy- Donna Peck was appointed
Fire Engine Purchase- tabled
City Holiday Leave- approved President's Day & Martin Luther King Day
Meeting for City Hall expansion- 2nd week in March.

DPS News

Dalworthington Gardens DPS would like to remind our citizens and visitors that the second wave of the 2008 STEP Wave will begin March 7- March 16, 2008. Remember to Buckle Up, Watch Your Speed and if you are going to drink, drink responsibly, Don't Drink and Drive.

Water Conservation Tips

As colder temperatures linger in our areas, here are some tips to follow:

- Water only when the grass needs watering. Walk across your grass early in the morning. If your footprints remain, it needs water.
- Water early in the morning. Watering in the middle of the day loses a lot of water to evaporation.
- Please remember to conserve water, if it is raining or supposed to rain, please turn your sprinklers off.

New Way to Pay Your Water Bill

To pay your water bills by credit card, Call Government Payment Service, 1-888-604-7888 24 hours or go to: www.governmentpayment.com. Have the Pay Location Code when paying: 1019.

A fee of 5% of the total amount for this service will be added to the total amount charged.

Credit Cards accepted include: Discover, Mastercard, Visa, and American Express.

March Meeting Dates

Zoning Board of Adjustments- March 3, 2008, 7:00 pm

Planning and Zoning- March 4, 2008, 7:00 pm

City Council Meeting- March 20, 2008, 7:00 pm

Park Board- March 25, 7:30pm