

CITY OF DALWORTHINGTON GARDENS GARDEN'S GAZETTE

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

April 2022 City Council News Items Approved

- Park Board appointments
- Ordinance No. 2022-08, fire inspection fee penalties
 - Plat for 3201 Sieber Drive
 - Quote for engineering design services for DPS building renovations
- SCADA system upgrade

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.)

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Mayor's Message:

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Happy May friends!

May 2022

We want to extend our sincere congratulations to all of our high school and college graduates. Each year as I get graduation acknowledgements, I often ponder the

best advice to give. Among the best advice I could share would be to take the road less traveled, remember that opportunity is not a lengthy visitor, and carpe diem! As we journey through life, we need to embrace every opportunity as it comes our way. Sometimes there are no second chances, so make your first one count!

<u>National Police Week:</u> May 15-21 is National Police Week. If you see one of our awesome officers, please take the time to let them know how much we appreciate them always putting a hedge of protection over our city.

CPSAAA Class: If you are interested in obtaining your license to carry certification, please join us on Saturday, June 4 at 9 am. Our awesome sheriff, Sheriff Bill Waybourn, will be the instructor. Even though a license to carry is not required in Texas, this class will address the rules and regulations you need to know when carrying a handgun.

Please contact Tracy Dodson at dwgcpsaaa@yahoo.com or call 817-726-3448.

<u>Court of Kindness:</u> I personally want to thank Linda Hardin, DWG resident, for rescuing and rehabbing an injured skunk that we discovered on the vacant property beside our house. We so appreciate the compassion she showed in rescuing an injured animal that otherwise would have died. Thank you to Pam Miller, DWG resident and Park Board member, for donating an animal waste station for the park. Thank you, Pam, for helping us keep the poo off of our shoe.

DWG Presents - Taking Roots: Save the date – Saturday, May 21, 2022 at 3:00 p.m. This "DWG Presents" event is perfect for the climate and culture of our community. Taking Roots eliminates the stress and guesswork of sustainable living. Simple and fun, these tips and techniques will allow you to feel confident in taking strides toward a more mindful, back-to-basics way of life. If you have been curious about creating more natural alternatives for your home, saying goodbye to plastic, or repurposing items you own, Taking Roots is your guide. By making small changes, you will make the most of your budget, time, and resources while reducing your environmental impact and increasing your home impact!

Roosevelt Drive Reconstruction Project: Roosevelt Drive reconstruction will begin on May 31, 2022 while school is out. The project scope is from California Lane to Bowen Road on Roosevelt Drive. This will affect through traffic and residents who live between California Lane and Bowen Road on Roosevelt Drive. To maintain safety and an avenue for traffic to flow through, traffic will only be able to travel south bound on Roosevelt Drive from California Lane to Bowen Road for the majority of the project which is expected to last approximately three months. Residents will still

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be able to get in and out of their homes, but may have to plan a little extra time for the direction of travel causing potential delays.

<u>Election Results:</u> The special election measure held on May 7, 2022 for the purpose of the reauthorization of the local sales and use tax in the City of Dalworthington Gardens, Texas at the rate of one-fourth of one percent to continue providing revenue for maintenance and repair of municipal streets has passed. This local sales and use tax helps fund infrastructure projects in the city.

Business Over Breakfast: Reminder, our next Business Over Breakfast event will be Wednesday, June 1, 8-9am at Grounds and Gold, 4130 S. Bowen Road.

Code Red Notification System: The city is in the process of moving city wide notifications to Code Red. We encourage you to get signed up now in preparation for the move. The city will still utilize Facebook and the city website on occasion, but Code Red will be the best way to receive notices for utility outages, road closures, projects, low water crossing notices, and emergencies. You can sign up for text, call, and email notifications. When signing up, please use your physical address, not a PO Box, and use "Dalworthington Gardens" as the city. There are "managed account" and "guest account" options. The "managed account" will allow you to make changes to notifications in the future. "Guest account" would allow quick signup, but you have no control over managing notifications. Sign up here: https://public.coderedweb.com/CNE/en-US/BFFA9500DBE5 or Text "DWG" to 99411.

<u>DWG Businesses:</u> We want to thank Rob Walker for all the work he is doing at Campo Verde Square to not only bring everything up to code, but also give a fresh, new look to the property.

Thought of the Day: Sometimes miracles are just good people with kind hearts.

Laurie Bianco, Mayor 2600 Roosevelt Drive Dalworthington Gardens, Texas mayorbianco@cityofdwg.net

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Chief's Message:

Safety Tip of the month:

Welcome to summer in Texas everyone! We are just in the first few days of May and we are already hitting heat index numbers in the triple digits, YIKES! We want to remind everyone of the signs of heat exhaustion and heat stroke. Early warning signs of heat exhaustion include nausea, light-headedness, fatigue, muscle cramping and dizziness. If you start having any of these signs move into a cool place, drink plenty of fluids and remove tight or extra layer of clothing. Unlike heat exhaustion, a heat stroke requires immediate medical attention. Someone experiencing heat stroke may have a headache, confusion, rapid heart rate, no sweating, and may lose consciousness. If you suspect signs of heat stroke call 911 immediately.

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

We are also looking for Fire volunteers. Departmental fire trainings are held on Tuesday nights. While we do have full time PSOs we also depend on volunteers for extra hands! If you are interested in more information please call 682-330-7416 or you may email jsmith@cityofdwg.net

If you have DWG DPS monitoring your alarm system, please help us complete your yearly update. Please contact dispatch at 817-275-1234 Ext 1 to get a new application form turned in. We request you test your alarm to ensure that all zones are still coming into our center properly. This process is to ensure we can contact you timely if the need arises, and to help ensure you have no technical issues onsite that could hinder our response in the future. For more information on this you may email jsmith@cityofdwg.net. We can email or mail all forms to you to help expedite this process. Also, dispatch is manned 24/7 so we can complete the alarm testing whenever works best for your schedule, this process takes less than 10 minutes to complete. If your alarm system is monitored through a third party and you would like information on DWG DPS free monitoring, please let us know. For those that have reached out and completed this process, THANK YOU, we appreciate it.

Sincerely and Respectfully, Chief Greg Petty

Historical Committee News

Join us this month in welcoming the Wassef family and the Johnson family to DWG.

Save the date, Saturday, July 16 from 6-8pm, for this year's Ice Cream Social. We are still working on the details so tune in next month for more info.

Thanks to Historical Committee member Linda Seitz for finding copies of newspaper articles from December 1933 and January 1934 that included information about Dalworthington Gardens. From time to time we will share some of this news along with additional fruits of her research.

Historical tidbits: During December of 1933 and January 1934 it was reported that 100 homes would be built on the 640 acres the federal government was buying for a subsistence homestead community that was located 3 ½ - 4 miles southwest of Arlington. "The tract's northeast corner is at the intersection of the Arlington-Kennedal and Bowen Stop roads." (Fort Worth Star Telegram, Thursday, Jan. 11, 1934) Ultimately only 80 lots were developed, along with a water well site, a community house and a park.

The Historical Committee's next scheduled meeting will be the first Thursday of September at 6:30pm.

CPSAAA News

License To Carry Class

Saturday, June 4th, 9am -1pm at the DWG DPS/Fire Building Sheriff Bill Waybourn - Instructor There is still time to sign up for this great class!

DWG CPSAAA is offering a License to Carry Handgun Class on Saturday, June 4th. Sheriff Bill Waybourn will be our classroom certification instructor, he is an excellent instructor making the class both informative and fun. Don't miss out on this great opportunity. This is a Dalworthington Gardens Citizens Public Safety Academy Alumni Association fundraiser benefiting our Dalworthington Gardens Department of Public Safety. Please help us make this a huge success by signing up for the class and/or getting the word out to your friends and family. Participants do not have to be a citizen of Dalworthington Gardens to join us.

Although Texas no longer requires a License to Carry in order to carry a handgun in Texas, it is vital to know the rules and regulations regarding carrying a handgun. People with a handgun license may be able to take their gun some places where unlicensed people cannot. Additionally, Texans may need a Texas License to Carry if they want to carry their handgun in another state that requires a handgun license and has a reciprocity agreement with Texas. Knowing the rules and regulations when carrying a handgun is very important.

The Texas License to Carry Certification requires a classroom certification and a range certification. The classroom certification is June 4th from 9am-1pm, and the range certification will be scheduled individually with a certified range instructor whose contact information will be given to you during the class. The cost for the classroom certification is \$50 per person, if paid by May 31st, or \$60 per person at the door. (We accept cash, check, or credit cards.) The range certification cost (which includes range fees) is separate and will be paid directly to the range instructor on the day you complete your range certification. Once you complete the Texas LTC certification requirements you can apply for your license through the state of Texas License to Carry website.

The minimum age requirement is 21 or older. Members of the military may be 18 years of age or older. To sign up or for more information please email us at dwgcpsaaa@yahoo.com or call/text me at 817) 726-3448.

We appreciate your support!

Tracy Dodson, CPSAAA President DWGCPSAAA.org

Park Board Bulletin

Hello DWG Residents,

We want to thank all the volunteers that came out on May 7th to help beautify the marquee area. The support is greatly appreciated. It really warms our hearts to have folks come out and help keep the park beautiful. The volunteers contributed a cumulative total of 15 hrs of community service.

Take care and stay hydrated.

DWG Park Board

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Respect Our Park

April showers plus May showers equal happy flowers!! The flowers in the park are singing their happy dance as they wiggle up from the ground and stretch out towards the sun. Pictures of the flowers are great, but let's keep them in the ground standing tall and beautiful. Please be mindful of where you are walking and try not to walk on the plants.

Last month we told you concert in the park is back. Guess what else is back? Movie night in the park. More details to come. Annual Free Fishing Day is recognized across Texas on Saturday, June 4th. It is normally a requirement to have a fishing license for individuals 17 years or age and older. However, on June 4th, a license is not required. Bring your poles, bait, and patience to Pappy Elkins Lake.

Be on the lookout on social media and on the message boards in the park for some educational tidbits for Free Fishing Day.

So as not to conflict with the Fourth of July weekend, the next bi-monthly park workday is rescheduled to be held on Saturday, June 25th from 8am – 11am. Bring your gardening gloves and tools. Meet the Park Board near the marquee by the old City Hall building. Physical labor not your thing??? No float cypress mulch is always welcomed. Donations can be dropped off at City Hall. 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. parkboard@cityofdwg.net

During drought conditions, freshwater fish congregate in areas with available habitat and food. Low water conditions make fishing for species like bass and sunfish easier as they become more concentrated in smaller amounts of cover. When fishing for carp, many anglers bait their hooks with sweet corn flavored dough balls. Here is one recipe to try:

- 1-1/2 cups yellow cornmeal
- 2 heaping tablespoons quick-cooking oatmeal
- 1 level tablespoon sugar
- 1 cup cold water

Stir together water, sugar, oatmeal and one cup of the cornmeal. Place the mixture in a pan over a medium hot fire, stirring constantly for five to seven minutes until the dough works up into a stiff ball. Remove from heat and sift in remaining cornmeal, working it into the mixture well. Place resulting dry dough on a paper and thoroughly knead it. Allow dough to cool or it will sweat and soften when wrapped up. If too much sugar is added the dough will be sticky; if not enough, the dough will not be rubbery.

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