



CITY OF DALWORTHINGTON GARDENS GARDEN'S GAZETTE

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Mayor's Message:



Exactly what is a litmus test? Literally, it is a test for acidity or alkalinity using litmus. The "litmus test" is also used to make a judgment about whether someone or something is acceptable. It also serves as a powerful tool for simplifying decision making processes across various fields. As a member of the Rotary Club of Arlington, we say the four-way test each week. For me, I have adopted it as my "litmus test" in making decisions for both the city and in my personal life as well. I would like to visit the four way test to encourage everyone to use it as it may apply to you. In a world so divided, it is the perfect tool for me.

I hope this will be helpful for each of you and together we make the world a better place!

Salvation Army Mayoral Red Kettle Challenge

Mark your calendars for December 13th. That is the designated day for the Mayoral Challenge. We have held the title for the highest amount raised per capita for the past 10 years and we aren't stopping now. If you have any end of year giving that you would consider, please think about donating to this wonderful organization. I will include the QR code and other ways to give in next month's newsletter. You can also help us ring the bell at Green's, Pan Pan Bakery, or Campo Verde. Thank you for always being extremely generous!

Court of Kindness

I would like to give a huge shout out to our council members! Ed Motley, John King, Steve Lafferty, Paul Sweitzer, and Cathy Stein. They have spent more hours than I can count working on our budget for the city. Cathy Stein, in particular, has dedicated her expert knowledge in working directly with our new finance supervisor to produce a budget we can all be proud of.

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 Paul Sweitzer

September 2025 City Council News Items Approved

- Budget and tax rate approval
- No Left Turn Sign at 3500 Roosevelt Drive during school hours.

Water Conservation Tips

- 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.)

**FOUR-WAY TEST**
FOUR QUESTIONS – 24 WORDS

THE UNIQUE STEP-BY-STEP PROCESS	PROCESS TO ACHIEVE DESIRED OUTCOMES THAT ARE ETHICAL, FAIR AND BENEFICIAL TO ALL
IS IT THE TRUTH? • Clarity • Transparency • Fact checking • Ethical behaviour	That we do our homework to collect information and to apply critical thinking by asking questions to know the difference between facts, beliefs, assumptions, and opinions as well as know what we don't know.
IS IT FAIR TO ALL CONCERNED? • Inclusion • Empathy • Acceptance • Belonging • Accountability	That we use empathy to see other points-of-view in the context of the problems to be solved and the goals to be reached.
WILL IT BUILD GOODWILL AND BETTER FRIENDSHIPS? • Trust • Do good • Feel good • Have fun	That the process is civil, and there is a feeling of respect and openness to ask the "dumb" question, they can lead to creative and innovative answers. Also, people prefer to work with people they like, respect and trust.
WILL IT BE BENEFICIAL TO ALL CONCERNED? • What if scenarios • Trade-offs • Being creative and innovative • Better decision making	That these are the conflict transformative answers and decisions that can lead to mutually satisfying solutions, that are sustainable and scalable. This can be an iterative process as we learn more from doing and continuously improving with time.

These folks tirelessly work to make sure we are using our tax dollars for the highest and best use. We are conservative in our approach and as a result, we are doing our best to make sure the needs of our community are met to the best of our ability. The challenges we face as a small city are real. We are 72% dependent on property taxes, and we have been working to recruit businesses that fit the culture of our community. If you know of a business that we would like to have here, please let me know.

Welcome to our Business Community

We have two new businesses that we like to introduce to you:

Silver Lining Collision, LLC 2705 W Pioneer Parkway, Gold Braids and Lash Shop 2102 Roosevelt Drive, Suite K, and CMAC Roofing (Jason Gamez) 2238 Michigan Avenue, Suite D

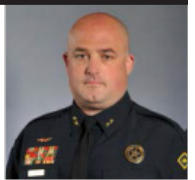
Thought for this Month

Gratitude doesn't change what you have—it changes what you see. A thankful heart transforms burdens into blessings and scarcity into enough.

Laurie Bianco, Mayor

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Chief's Message:



Come join us for National Night Out 2025! We will hold our annual National Night Out at Elkins Park Tuesday October 7th 2025 from 6p-8pm. Join us for food and fun! This event is completely free of charge and is a great way to meet members of your community! Police, Fire, and City staff will all be on site answering questions and participating in events. Hamburgers, hot dogs, chips, and more!

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

As most have seen our building has been under construction for the past several months, we appreciate everyone's patience as we continue to work through working with a closed building. Any paperwork that needs to be dropped off may be turned into the city hall building during business hours, or you may call the number on our DPS front door and we will have staff come to your vehicle. Please note, no services to residents have been affected by the building closure. We look forward to showing off our beautiful remodel once construction is complete, however until then please bear with us as we navigate around the chaos.

Want to stay connected but not sure how? Sign up for the City notification programs below:

Code Red: Used for emergency notifications and time sensitive information. Please go to the City website www.cityofdwwg.net and scroll to the bottom of the main page to find the button to sign up for this service.

Website notification: Sign up to stay up to date on website notifications, when new info is added you will receive an email:

<https://www.cityofdwwg.net/subscribe>

City of **Dalworthington Gardens DPS** and City of Dalworthington Gardens utilize our Facebook pages for events and quick information. Please click "follow" on both pages to receive notifications.

If you are new to the Gardens' we want to make sure that you are aware of the house watch program. This is a voluntary program that is offered as a free service to DWG residents. Anytime (year-round) that you plan on going on vacation contact dispatch and fill out a form and we will have officers check your residents twice a day. We offer this program as a proactive way to assist residents in keeping their property safe with no added worries while gone. For more information on this program please contact dispatch.

Santa is coming to town! Please join us on December 23rd for our annual Santa Parade. He will be escorted through the city by our public safety officers and volunteers. This is our 35th year and we are excited to continue the tradition! If you have a special request for a stop, please contact Jennifer Smith at 682-330-7416 or by email at jsmith@cityofdww.net and we will do our best to accommodate any extra stops we can. Further information will come when we get closer to the date of the event.

Facebook, if you haven't been following us on Facebook please do! We post all our events on our Facebook page and that is also where you will find our most up to date information.

Sincerely and Respectfully, Chief Greg Petty

Historical Committee

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 City Hall or downloaded at https://www.cityofdww.net/documents/243/VOY_form.pdf. Please nominate someone and return your completed form no later than Friday, November 7 to staff at the water window. For those of you who ordered bricks before this year's deadline, they have been placed at the historical plaza at the corner of Roosevelt and California.

Join the Historical Committee in City Hall for our next meeting (Thursday, Nov. 13 at 6:30 pm). We are beginning to make plans for DWG's 90th anniversary celebration next June. All are welcome.

CPSAAA News - Citizens Public Safety Academy Alumni Association

We look forward to seeing everyone at **DWG's National Night Out** on Tuesday, October 7th at 6pm. Please come by our CPSAAA booth and enjoy playing a variety of fun yard games.

T-Shirts and Hats will also be available for purchase. Stop by the booth and take a look.

All profits benefit our

Dalworthington Gardens Department of Public Safety and Fire Department.

Sizes Small thru XXXL

Available in a multitude of colors.

\$20 Small - XL

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For more information, please email us at dwcpsaaa@yahoo.com or give me a call at 817-726-3448.

Tracy Dodson, CPSAAA President • DWGCPSAAA.org

Park Board Bulletin

We hope you all enjoyed our **MUSIC IN THE PARK**.

Thanks go out to Pam Miller for putting the event together and getting a great band on stage. Thank you, Pam.

Park Board Challenge

Have you determined the plant name? The **COTTON** is ready to harvest. Kudos to Don Barrett for keeping us in suspense.

The annual **DWG TRUNK or TREAT** is gearing up. Set for **Saturday, October 18th**.

TRUNK hosts are signing up now for this special evening. All are welcome!

Bring your goody donations to the monster box at City Hall during business hours.

Visit the city website for more information on volunteering for this exciting evening.

Our fall event is **MOVIE NIGHT, November 8th**.

Respect our park. Please police your area after you finish with the Soccer team, picnic or play time. Bag up after your pets!

Park Board meets on second Tuesdays each month at City Hall. Next date is October 14th

The next bi-monthly Park Work Day is November 8th.

If you are interested in volunteering for events or in preserving the flower beds and other areas in the park, contact the Park Board via email: parkboard@cityofDWG.net.

DWG Park Board
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TRUNK-OR-TREAT CANDY COLLECTION

BRING CANDY DONATIONS TO
CITY HALL DURING NORMAL
BUSINESS HOURS
2600 ROOSEVELT DR.
Accepting candy until October 17th

CONTACT PARK BOARD WITH QUESTIONS:
[PARKBOARD@CITYOFDWG.NET](mailto:parkboard@cityofdmg.net)

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TRUNK or TREAT

18 OCT
5:30 - 7:30 PM

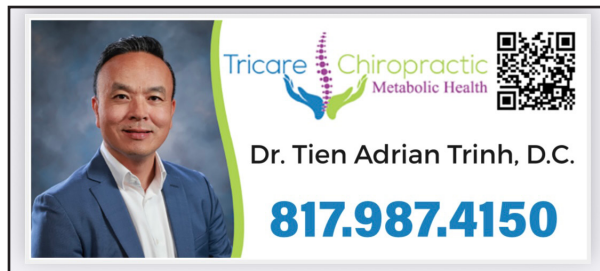
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