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## A Tale of Two Eras

Downtown Garland is a step closer to inclusion in the prestigious National Register of Historic Places.

On Jan. 21, the State Board of Review for the Texas Historical Commission (THC) unanimously approved the nomination of the Garland Downtown Historic District to be sent to the National Parks Service (NPS) for its review. The U.S. National Register represents the nation's official list of properties deemed worthy of preservation. Of Downtown Garland's 53 commercial properties, 41 were deemed as contributing to the nomination.

The state board's review and approval follows a year-long effort of research and meetings between the City, the THC, the Garland Downtown Business Association, and a nine-member ad hoc advisory committee composed of downtown property and business owners, as well as a representative from the non-profits Garland Landmark Society and Preservation Garland. The final step in the application process will be the submittal and review by the NPS, expected to take three to five months for processing.

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**ANITA GOEBEL**  
COUNCIL MEMBER DISTRICT 2

# Message from the Mayor

Times are busy at the City. City Council elections in May will soon be here, and we have a large pool of candidates for the seats of retiring members—10 people for three seats. In Districts 6 and 8, Council Members Dodson and Cahill, respectively, have reached their term limits, and we thank them for their service and dedication these last six years. In District 3, Council Member Stanley is not seeking re-election. In District 7, Mayor Pro Tem LeMay is running unopposed for his third and final term. I am also seeking re-election as mayor for my final term, and I have one opponent. The election is May 6.

In February I gave the annual State of the City Address at the Garland Chamber of Commerce luncheon with particular focus on development, revitalization, financial investments and a positive look forward. The city is strong financially and I am proud to say the Council was again able to keep the tax rate steady with no increases, as has been true now for nine years. The “cost of government” in Garland has remained steady and low for more than 10 straight years. Four large recent projects have brought more than \$80 million in new development. Our downtown focus retains its momentum with the completion of Phase II. In early March, we will dedicate City Hall, naming it for previous City Manager William E. Dollar. The building has already won a design award from the Greater Dallas Planning Council. Across the street, a new mixed-use building is near completion, featuring top-tier apartments with City offices on the ground floor. Phase III in downtown is underway following our latest public input meeting concentrating on a new

## MAYOR'S EVENING IN

March 29 & April 27  
5 to 7 p.m.  
Mayor's Office  
City Hall, 200 N. Fifth St.

To reserve a time, contact  
Mayor@GarlandTX.gov  
or 972-205-2400.

## MAYOR'S ENCORE STATE OF THE CITY

6 p.m. April 13  
Plaza Theatre, 521 W. State St.

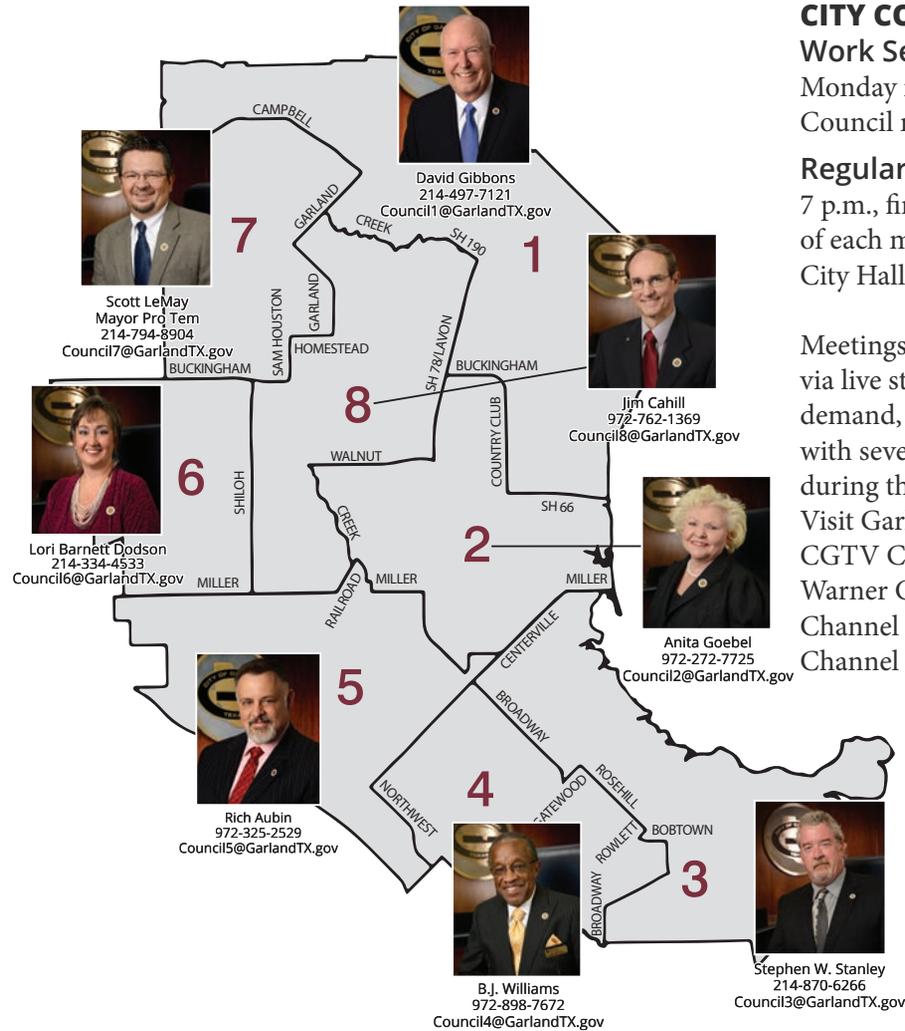
design for the downtown square. Downtown Garland is also under very positive recommendation by the Texas Historic Commission for listing on the National Register of Historic Places. This would be our second area in as many years. Little excites me more than to see our very unique history recognized and preserved. Join me this fall as we celebrate our history and this historic step.

The Council successfully passed the Capital Improvement Projects budget with emphasis toward completing the 2004 bond program, but it also again increases street refurbishment funding to \$20 million, all with minimal debt issuance and no increase in the tax rate.

On a lighter note, Garland was recently named #43 of the top 150 best cities in the U.S. for millennials by personal finance website MillennialPersonalFinance.com. It highlights an advantage for our future growth as millennials are now the fastest growing population in the U.S.

If you missed the State of the City Address in February, I will give an encore version at 6 p.m. April 13 at the Plaza Theatre. This presentation will be free and open to the public, and I look forward to the opportunity to visit with those who could not make the first one. A video recording is also available on our website, GarlandTX.gov.

**GROW COMMUNITY.  
GROW OPPORTUNITY.  
GROW GARLAND.**



## BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS MEETINGS

**Board of Adjustment**  
7 p.m., third Wednesday  
City Hall, 200 N. Fifth St.  
Jolk@GarlandTX.gov

**Citizens Environmental and Neighborhood Advisory Committee**  
7 p.m., second Wednesday  
City Hall, 200 N. Fifth St.  
LBanks@GarlandTX.gov

**Community Multicultural Commission**  
6 p.m., third Thursday  
City Hall, 200 N. Fifth St.  
EDattomo@GarlandTX.gov

**Cultural Arts**  
4 p.m., Tuesday following the third Monday of January, April, July and October  
Granville Arts Center,  
300 N. Fifth St.  
PGranvil@GarlandTX.gov

**Garland Youth Council**  
5:30 p.m., second and fourth Tuesday  
City Hall, 200 N. Fifth St.  
EDattomo@GarlandTX.gov

**Library**  
6 p.m., second Monday  
Central Library, 625 Austin St.  
CBausch@GarlandTX.gov

**Parks & Recreation**  
7 p.m., first Wednesday  
Parks Admin. Building,  
634 W. Apollo Road  
JStevenson@GarlandTX.gov

**Plan Commission**  
7 p.m., second and fourth Monday  
City Hall, 200 N. Fifth St.  
WGuerin@GarlandTX.gov

**Property Standards**  
7 p.m., first Thursday  
City Hall, 200 N. Fifth St.  
SKillen@GarlandTX.gov

**Senior Citizens Advisory**  
9 a.m., first Wednesday  
Carver Senior Center, 222  
Carver Drive  
KMcCord@GarlandTX.gov

*Meeting dates and times subject to change. Additional meeting schedules can be found at GarlandTX.gov.*

## CITY COUNCIL

**Work Session**  
Monday immediately preceding Council meeting

**Regular Meeting**  
7 p.m., first and third Tuesdays of each month  
City Hall, 200 N. Fifth St.

Meetings are broadcast online via live streaming and on-demand, and air on CGTV with several rebroadcasts during the week of the meeting. Visit GarlandTX.gov or watch CGTV Channel 16 (Time Warner Cable/Spectrum), Channel 44 (Frontier) or Channel 99 (AT&T U-verse).

## CGTV LISTINGS

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## City Council Meetings

- Live broadcast—7 p.m. March 7 and 21, April 4 and 18
- Rebroadcast following the meeting Wednesday—9 a.m., Friday—7 p.m. Saturday and Sunday—9 a.m. and 7 p.m.

## City Council Work Sessions

- Live broadcast—6 p.m. March 6 and 20, April 3 and 17
- Rebroadcast following the meeting Tuesday, Thursday and Friday—9 a.m. Wednesday and Thursday—7 p.m.

## Plan Commission

- Live broadcast—7 p.m. March 13 and 27, April 10 and 24
- Rebroadcast following the meeting Tuesday, Thursday and Friday—9 a.m.

*Meeting dates and times subject to change.*

# City Elections - May 6, 2017

Election Day in Garland is May 6, 2017. Garland residents may cast ballots for mayor and City Council representatives in Districts 3, 6, 7 and 8. The mayor is elected at-large. Council members are elected by residents of single-member districts. Each will be elected for a two-year term and is limited to three consecutive terms or a maximum of six consecutive years.

The last date to submit a voter registration application in time for the May 6 election is Thursday, April 6. Early voting begins Monday, April 24, and continues through Tuesday, May 2. Remember, Texas voters must show an approved form of identification when voting in person. For more information, visit [DallasCountyVotes.org](http://DallasCountyVotes.org) or contact the Garland City Secretary's Office at 972-205-2404.

Candidates on the ballot are as follows (in alphabetical order):

**MAYOR**  
Douglas Athas  
Leala Green

**DISTRICT 3**  
Patricia Anthony  
Ed Moore  
Jerry Nickerson

**DISTRICT 6**  
Eric Elmore  
Nhat-Nam Pham  
Robert Vera

**DISTRICT 7**  
Scott LeMay

**DISTRICT 8**  
Jack Blackshear  
Terry Kaliney  
Robert Smith  
James Scot Sullivan



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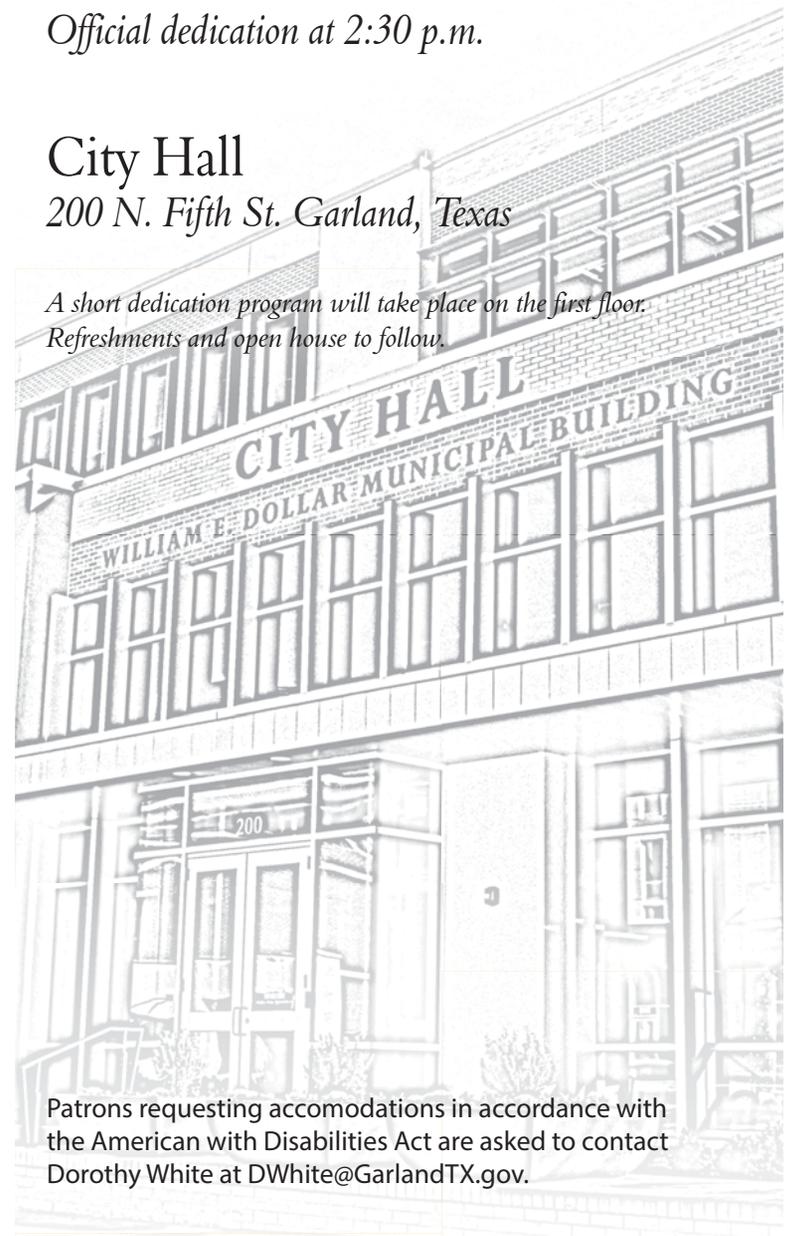
## William E. Dollar Municipal Building *Dedication*

March 3, 2017, 2 to 4 p.m.

*Official dedication at 2:30 p.m.*

City Hall  
200 N. Fifth St. Garland, Texas

*A short dedication program will take place on the first floor.  
Refreshments and open house to follow.*



Patrons requesting accommodations in accordance with the American with Disabilities Act are asked to contact Dorothy White at [DWhite@GarlandTX.gov](mailto:DWhite@GarlandTX.gov).



# National Register of Historic Places

Garland Mayor Douglas Athas says the National Register effort represents the importance of the past to Garland's future. "The National Register reinforces what many Garland residents already know—that Downtown Garland is special. It's a place we should be proud of. New development in the area has spurred rediscovery of downtown, including the history that makes it unique. Crowds of all ages are attracted to the authentic experience that local restaurants and businesses are bringing to downtown."

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**MAYOR DOUGLAS ATHAS**

District 2 City Council Member Anita Goebel said, "It's wonderful how Garland's rich history is giving us a sense of place for today. The historic backdrop adds to the feeling that Downtown Garland is special; it's not just another cookie-cutter development with chain restaurants you can find everywhere."

In presenting the Downtown Garland project to the State Board, Alyssa Gerszewski from the Texas Historical Commission said the Downtown Garland area represents a "high level of historical and architectural significance." She noted that the district is still functioning as a commercial area. The "period of significance" for the nomination represents downtown history between 1897 and 1967.

While the historic listing imposes no restrictions on property owners, such owners are eligible for an investment tax credit amounting to 20 percent on federal income taxes as well as a 25 percent state tax credit on rehabilitation costs, totaling 45 percent.



Source: [GarlandHistorical.org](http://GarlandHistorical.org)

**ABOVE SHOWS THE GARLAND SQUARE FROM THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF PRESENT STATE AND FIFTH STREETS. ACROSS THE STREET IS THE CITIZEN'S NATIONAL BANK, GARLAND'S FIRST BANK, FOUNDED IN 1895. IN 1933, THE BUILDING WAS REMODELED AND BECAME NICHOLSON MEMORIAL HALL.**

**MEMBERS OF THE TEAM THAT REPRESENTED GARLAND DURING THE JANUARY THC PROCEEDINGS** (left to right): Becky King, City of Garland; Kay Moore, Travis College Hill Historic District; Louis Moore, Travis College Hill Historic District; Anita Goebel, Garland City Council; Robert A. Smith, Downtown Garland property owner.



# Celebrate Travis College Hill's National Register Listing April 22

Garland's Travis College Hill Historic District will celebrate its listing on the National Register of Historic Places with a ceremony and its third annual tour of historic homes on Saturday, April 22. The event is held in conjunction with the City of Garland's annual Heritage Celebration on that date.

The vintage addition, situated on S. 11th Street between Avenues B and D, will unveil a plaque commemorating its inclusion on the nation's official list of properties deemed worthy of preservation by the National Parks Service. The ceremony for the unveiling will occur at 2 p.m. in front of the addition's Texas Historical Marker at 317 S. 11th St.

Travis College Hill is a two-block area near historic Downtown Garland on the 300-400 blocks of S. 11th Street. Several of the craftsman-influenced bungalows were built in the 1910s and 1920s.

Some of the historic homes on the street will be open to the public for touring between noon and 4 p.m.

Cost for the home tour/celebration is \$10 for adults, \$5 for children ages 3 through 12 and free for children younger than 3 years. Proceeds benefit the Garland Area Habitat for Humanity, Running 4 Clean Water, Friedrich's Ataxia Research Alliance (FARA) and Friends of Garland's Historic Magic 11th Street. Tickets may be purchased at the event.

Guests also can visit a "Tell Your Own Story" tent to share special memories of the neighborhoods in which they grew up.

At 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 21, a pre-celebration concert, "An Evening of Music with Guitarist Trace Bundy," will take place at Garland's First Presbyterian Church, 920 W. Avenue B.

Concert tickets may be purchased for \$25 each at [Eventbrite.com](http://Eventbrite.com).



# HATS

APRIL 22

4 to 8 p.m.

Downtown  
Garland  
at SIXTH & STATE

# OFF TO GARLAND

*4:30 p.m. & 5:30 p.m.* Historic Main Street Walking Tours

*5:30 p.m.* Rose-Mary Rumbley Lecture

*6:30 p.m.* Thatcher Freund Lecture  
"Why Your Story Matters"

Event also includes live music, Downtown Through Time exhibit and free mechanical bull rides.

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# HERITAGE CELEBRATION

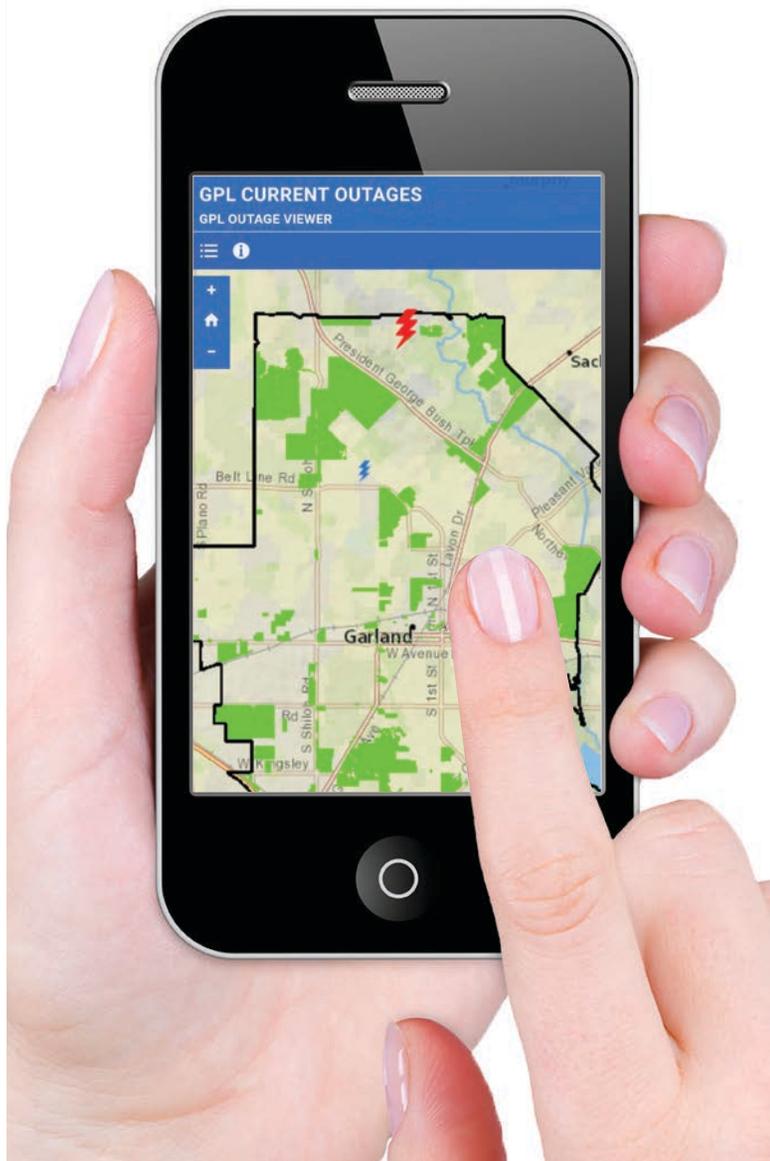
# New GP&L Outage Center

See current outages and find helpful resources at [gpltexas.org](http://gpltexas.org).

With the launch of its redesigned website, GP&L has introduced the Outage Center to provide customers with power outage resources. Visit [gpltexas.org](http://gpltexas.org) and click on Outage Center in the top navigator bar.

**On the GP&L Outage Center, customers can:**

- View current power outages on the Power Outage Map (lightning bolt icons indicate the approximate location of an outage and number of customers affected);
- Read about how GP&L prepares for and restores power outages;
- Learn how to prepare for power outages;
- Learn what to do if a home's electric meter base is damaged in a storm; and
- Find generator and electric safety information.



# DART Helps You Discover More

Choosing not to drive or own a vehicle is an option when you live in North Texas, thanks to DART.

Garland has had light rail service since 2002. The Downtown Rowlett Station opened four years ago. Both cities have had bus service for more than 30 years. Between the two, there are 23 bus routes. These bus routes and rail stations become a portal to the region's transportation network.

DART's expansive bus service and 93 miles of light rail also connect you to Fort Worth Transportation Authority's Trinity Railway Express; this takes you to Fort Worth. The Denton County Transportation Authority's A-Train takes you to Denton.

Ready to start exploring? Here are a few things to consider when riding DART:

1. **OPERATION HOURS** | DART buses and trains operate daily from approximately 5 a.m. to midnight. DART Rail offers service every 8 to 15 minutes during rush hours, every 20 minutes during the day and weekends, and every 30 minutes late at night.
2. **TICKET FARES** | *Need a ticket just for the day?* You'll want to purchase a Day Pass. Price for adults is \$5 for local trips and \$10 for a regional pass. The best way to purchase your transit pass is on DART's free GoPass® app, available from the Apple Store and Google Play.
3. **TRIP PLANNING** | *Attending an event in Downtown Dallas?* Heading west to the airport? The GoPass® app is a great travel tool. It features a trip planner to help you get to your destination, and even offers a section highlighting local events accessible by transit. You also can contact DART Customer Service at 214-979-1111.

Not sure where DART can take you? Visit [DART.org/DARTable](http://DART.org/DARTable) for a list of possibilities that span arts, culture, sports, recreation, dining, shopping and special events. *Learn more at DART.org.*

# Taking It to the Streets

Each issue of *Garland City Press* will include a brief street construction update. For additional information, contact the Streets Department by calling 972-205-3555 or emailing [Street@GarlandTX.gov](mailto:Street@GarlandTX.gov).



**PROJECTS CURRENTLY UNDER CONSTRUCTION**

Project	Limits	Project Type
Broadway Boulevard	Rowlett Road to First Street	Concrete Slab Replacement
Centerville Road	Broadway Boulevard to SH 66	Concrete Pavement Lifting
Commonwealth Drive	Plymouth Drive to Colonel Drive	Street Reconstruction
Lewis/Manchester Alley	Lamesa Drive to Manchester Drive	Alley Reconstruction
Rolando Drive	Miller Road to Delano Drive	Street Reconstruction
Sunnybrook Lane	Devonshire Drive to Westchester Drive	Street Reconstruction
Vista Drive	Cumberland Drive to Dairy Road	Street Reconstruction

**PROJECTS SCHEDULED TO BEGIN IN MARCH/APRIL 2017**

Project	Limits	Project Type
Celeste Drive	First Street to Fifth Street	Street Reconstruction
Centerville Road	Broadway Boulevard to SH 66	Concrete Slab Replacement
Mayfield Road	Kazak Street to Keele Drive	Street Reconstruction
Nash Street	Brookside Drive to Garwood Street	Street Reconstruction
Springbranch Drive	Trailridge Drive to University Drive	Street Reconstruction

# What's Being Built There?

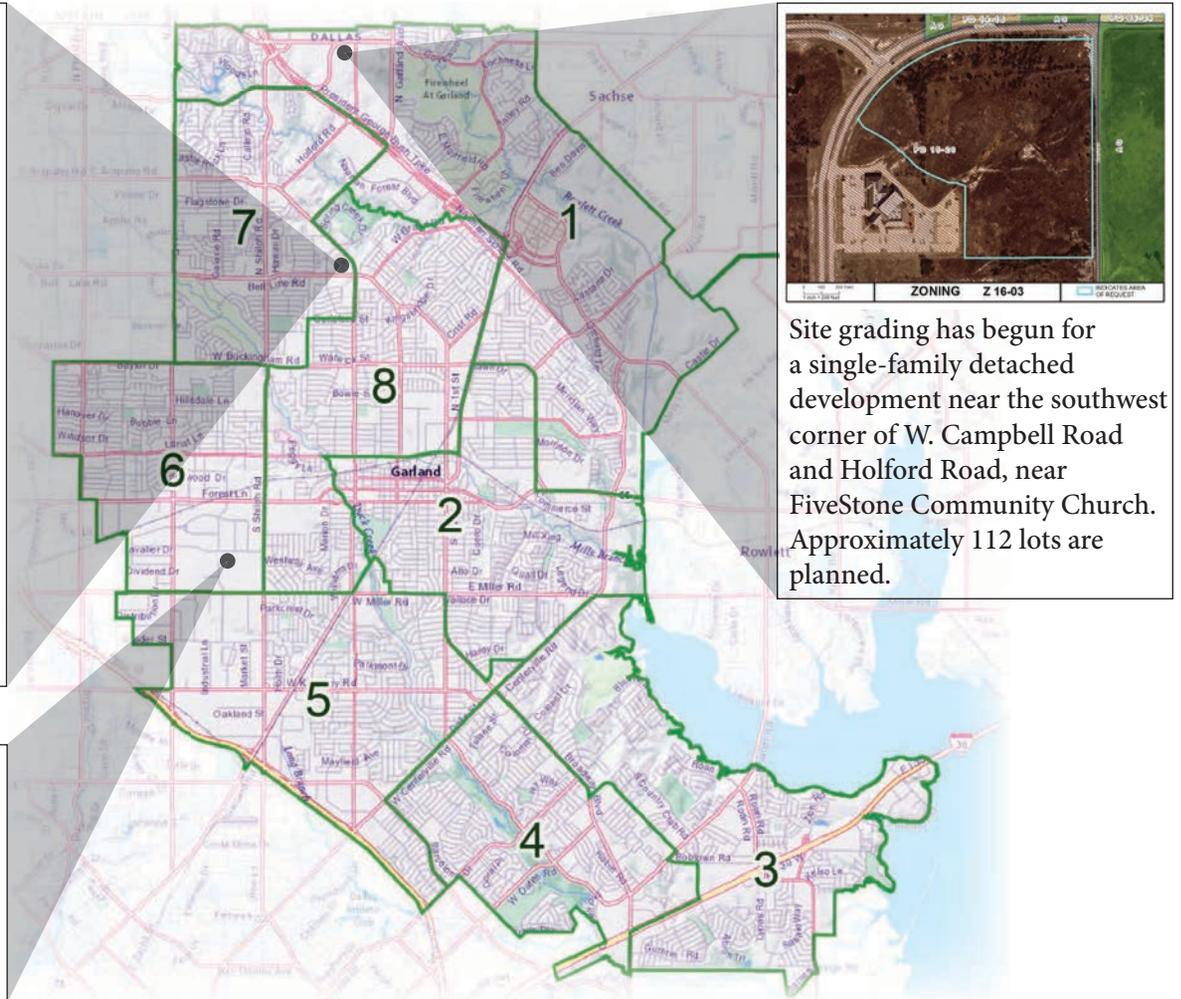


Site grading has begun for a residential townhome development at the northwest corner of North Garland Avenue and Belt Line Road. There are approximately 123 lots planned.

Garland is buzzing with new development. Here are a few projects underway in Garland. Renderings shown are for illustrative and conceptual purposes only.



Construction work is underway at 2760 Marquis Drive for the Old Dominion Truck/Freight Facility.



Site grading has begun for a single-family detached development near the southwest corner of W. Campbell Road and Holford Road, near FiveStone Community Church. Approximately 112 lots are planned.

# Firewheel Golf Park

## A Golf Experience for Everyone



Spring is here and the courses are greening up, so it's a great time to play golf! At Firewheel Golf Park, take advantage of several programs and activities to improve your game, meet other golfers or just hit a few balls.

### **FIREWHEEL JUNIOR LEAGUE FOR BOYS & GIRLS** *ages 7 to 13*

Firewheel's Junior League is an excellent way to introduce kids to golf. All skill levels are welcome. The league practices twice a week with matches on Saturdays. Contact Don Kennedy at 972-205-3955 for more information.

### **PLAYER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM** *all ages*

Enjoy special pricing as you build your golf skills on the driving range and 18 holes.

### **OTHER ACTIVITIES AT FIREWHEEL GOLF PARK INCLUDE:**

- Men's, women's and seniors' leagues
- Twilight Scramble on Tuesdays
- Couples Scramble on the second Saturday of each month

For information about these programs or to book a tee time, call 972-205-2795 or visit [GolfFirewheel.com](http://GolfFirewheel.com).

**BRIDGES COURSE**  
1535 E. Brand Road

**OLD & LAKES COURSES**  
600 W. Campbell Road



**Great neighbors make great neighborhoods!** As spring approaches, consider these reminders from Garland Code Compliance to keep your neighborhood safe and orderly.

- **FENCES** | Fences on personal property should be maintained at all times. It is unlawful to allow the fence to lean or to have missing, loose or broken slats or panels.
- **HIGH GRASS** | Grass/weeds more than 12 inches in height are a violation of City of Garland codes. This includes grass in any alley or easement.
- **ENCROACHMENT** | Any object, structure or vegetation that obstructs the lawful passage of vehicular and pedestrian traffic over any street, alley, easement or sidewalk must be trimmed and maintained at all times—up to 14 feet above any street or alley easement and up to 8 feet above any sidewalk. Vegetation cannot extend into any City right of ways.

For information about maintaining a healthy neighborhood, contact Garland Code Compliance at 972-485-6400 or the Office of Neighborhood Vitality at 972-205-2445.

## Got Mumps?

Before the U.S. mumps vaccination program began in 1967, mumps was a common childhood illness. Since that time, however, mumps cases have decreased by more than 99 percent.

Mumps is a contagious disease caused by a virus. Mumps typically starts with fever, headache, muscle aches, fatigue and loss of appetite. Most people will have swelling of their salivary glands, causing puffy cheeks and a tender, swollen jaw.

In some cases the disease causes complications such as permanent deafness in children and, occasionally, swelling of the brain (encephalitis), which in rare cases may result in death.

The measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) vaccine prevents most cases of mumps and complications caused by the disease. People who have received two doses of the MMR vaccine are about nine times less likely to get mumps than are unvaccinated people who have the same exposure to the mumps virus. If a vaccinated person gets mumps, they will likely have a less severe illness than an unvaccinated person.



*Where the Heart Is* is a comprehensive approach to building strong, vibrant neighborhoods through physical improvements, community outreach and neighborhood organizing. As part of these efforts, the Garland Office of Neighborhood Vitality (ONV) is working with the Orchard Hills Neighborhood Association to plan the following events.

### POP-UP PLACEMAKING | APRIL 1, 10 A.M. TO NOON OLD ORCHARD ROAD CIRCLE, 950 OLD ORCHARD ROAD

ONV recently hosted a brainstorming event with Orchard Hills residents to explore how to temporarily recreate an empty green space into an attractive and interactive neighborhood gathering place. Ideas will be tested during this event as ONV staff and residents work together to give a neighborhood median a makeover for the day. Residents will provide feedback on pop-up enhancements in order to plan and implement permanent improvements as well as ongoing social activities. *For information on how to bring Pop-Up Placemaking to your neighborhood, contact Nicole Foster at 972-205-3864 or NFoster@GarlandTX.gov.*

### NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICE DAY | APRIL 29, 8 A.M. TO NOON SATURN ROAD CHURCH OF CHRIST, 3030 SATURN ROAD

Let's roll up our sleeves and work together to freshen up the Orchard Hills neighborhood. Garland residents work hard to maintain their homes. Every now and then, we all need an extra hand. Sign up to participate or volunteer. Projects may vary from grooming yards to collecting litter and assisting with median enhancements. *For more information, contact Emily Goodrum at 972-205-2119 or EGoodrum@GarlandTX.gov.*

## HOA LEGAL CLINIC

March 25

8 a.m. to noon

The Hyatt Place-Garland  
\$10 per person

Advanced board member training to equip you with the tools needed to confidently manage your HOA. This event is open to residents of Garland and surrounding communities. **Register at [GarlandNeighborhoods.org](http://GarlandNeighborhoods.org).**

**Register for each of these events today at [GarlandNeighborhoods.org](http://GarlandNeighborhoods.org) or by calling 972-205-2445.**

### NEIGHBORHOOD LEADER MEET & GREET

March 14, 6 to 8 p.m.  
Duckworth Building,  
217 N. Fifth St.

Hear updates from the City of Garland, network with other neighborhood leaders and learn of opportunities for your neighborhood.

### D.I.Y. GARLAND: WATER-EFFICIENT LANDSCAPING CLASS

March 30, 6 to 8 p.m.  
The Home Depot-Firewheel,  
3261 N. President George  
Bush Highway

Transform your landscape into a water-efficient landscape. Learn basic design principles, plant placement and hardscape so you can "do it yourself."

### MARKETING 101: IT'S MORE THAN JUST A FLYER

April 11, 6 to 8 p.m.  
Main Street Municipal  
Building, 800 Main St.

Learn how to design effective promotional material, tell your neighborhood story and make it "stick."

### D.I.Y. GARLAND: FENCE MAINTENANCE & REPAIRS

April 27, 6 to 8 p.m.  
The Home Depot-Firewheel,  
3261 N. President George  
Bush Highway

Sign up to learn how to keep your fence standing straight and strong.

Mumps outbreaks can occur in close-contact settings such as schools, colleges and camps. However, high vaccination coverage helps limit the size, duration and spread.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends children get two doses of MMR vaccine, first at 12 to 15 months of age and again at 4 to 6 years of age. Teens and adults also should be current on their MMR vaccinations.

For questions, call the Garland Public Health Clinic at 972-205-3370. The clinic, located at 206 Carver Drive, provides low-cost immunizations for infants, children and adults. Most insurance is accepted.



# Public Parking Issues Causing Citizen Concerns

The City of Garland Code Compliance and Police departments share responsibility in enforcing parking violations. Certain violations, such as blocking fire hydrants or parking too close to intersections, are strictly enforced by the Police Department. Others, such as oversized vehicles parked in residential areas, trailers parked on the street and unattended vehicles stored on public property, are enforced by Code Compliance.

In the past, code inspectors relied on resident calls to enforce parking. However, given recent requests from residents and the City's desire to be responsive to the needs of the community, Code

Compliance will begin a more intense parking enforcement initiative across the city.

Inspectors will focus on parking violations on city streets with an emphasis on: vehicles that have remained stationary for periods exceeding 48 hours, trailers and oversized vehicles (tow trucks, truck tractors, road tractors, semitrailers, trailers greater than 18 feet in length, passenger motor vehicles designed to carry more than 16 persons, and any modified vehicle with a manufacturer's rating of 9,000 pounds gross weight or more).

Properties that do not have a history of parking violations will be issued notice. Citations and/or towing may occur for properties that have a history of parking violations or fail to comply by the compliance date specified on the notice. Impound fees are required for any vehicle that is reclaimed.

For more information, call Code Compliance at 972-485-6400.



# Landlords Must Make Reasonable Accommodations

It is a violation of the Fair Housing Act for any person to refuse to make a reasonable accommodation in rules, policies, practices or services when such accommodations may be necessary to afford a person with disabilities equal opportunity to use and enjoy a dwelling unit, including public and common-use areas. Examples of reasonable accommodations include:

- Providing rental forms in large print;
- Providing a reserved accessible parking space near a dwelling;
- Allowing a service animal in a "no pets" building; and
- Granting a move to the ground floor when someone can no longer climb the stairs.

In 2016, numerous complaints were filed across the state regarding reasonable accommodations not being made for persons with a disability-related need for an Assistance Animal. An Assistance Animal is any animal that is necessary because of a disability.



This includes:

- Service animals;
- Companion animals;
- Emotional support animals;
- Therapy animals; and
- Comfort animals.

The Fair Housing Act states that a landlord cannot discriminate based on breed or size.

The City of Garland Fair Housing Services Department was created as the enforcement mechanism to investigate complaints of discriminatory housing practices in Garland. The department's mission is to partner with civic, faith-based and social organizations to educate residents about housing discrimination.

*If you have complaints of housing discrimination or have questions about reasonable accommodations, contact Garland Fair Housing Services at 972-205-3300.*



## VOLUNTEER WITH CODE CARES

A community outreach program assisting elderly, disabled or financially challenged citizens to keep up residential property to City Code Compliance standards

### Volunteer opportunities available:

- **Landscaping**  
Mowing, hedge trimming and edging
- **Tree Trimming**  
Limb trimming over streets, alleys and sidewalks
- **Minor Exterior Home Repair**  
House painting, window repair and siding repair
- **Minor Interior Home Repair**  
Drywall repair, minor plumbing repair and light fixture/ceiling fan installation

For more information, contact Os Rodriguez at 972-485-6420 or [ORodrigu@GarlandTX.gov](mailto:ORodrigu@GarlandTX.gov).

# April Is Fair Housing Month

## FAIR HOUSING LUNCHEON

*Shared Housing for All:*

**A Zip Code Should Not Determine a Child's Future**

April 4, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The Atrium, 300 N. Fifth St.

Join a panel discussion with members of the Texas Workforce Commission's Civil Rights Division, Dallas Fair Housing, Housing and Urban Development and others as they discuss Fair Housing laws and effective education concerning housing rights.

## "A MAN NAMED PEARL" FILM VIEWING AND DISCUSSION

April 18, 6 to 8 p.m. The Atrium, 300 N. Fifth St.

Light refreshments available. Seating is limited.

## LANDLORD/TENANT

### RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES WORKSHOP

April 22, 10 a.m. to noon

City of Garland Unified Learning Center, 232 Carver St., Building #2

Learn how to recognize discriminatory housing practices, request maintenance, provide a 30-day notice, understand a lease agreement and avoid or resolve landlord/tenant disputes.

## HOMEBUYER'S WORKSHOP

April 22, 10 a.m. to noon

City of Garland Unified Learning Center, 232 Carver St., Building #2

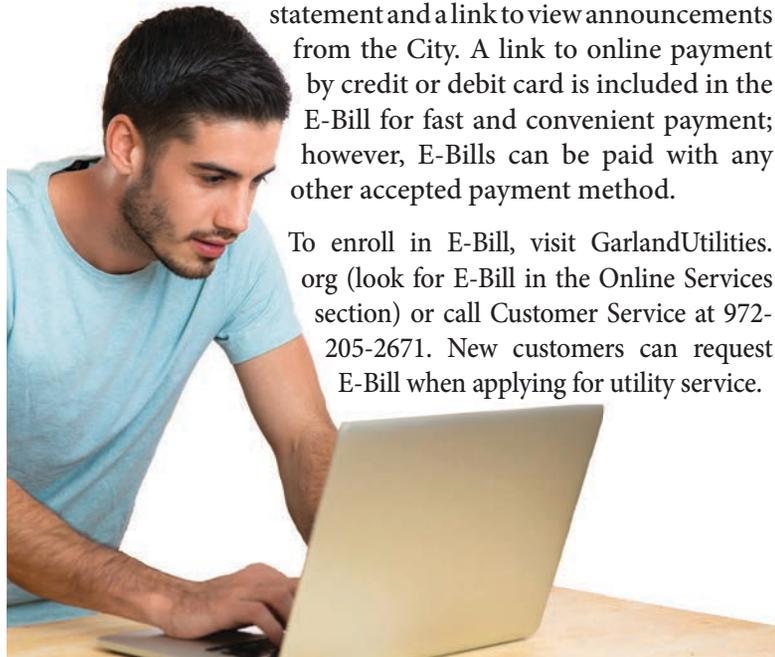
Learn about topics related to homebuying such as the importance of credit and how to obtain it, preparing for homeownership, budgeting for homeownership and major purchases, credit report basics and the benefits and costs of homeownership.

# Go Paperless with E-Bill Texas SmartScape®

Garland utility customers can enjoy the convenience of electronic utility billing with E-Bill. After enrolling, customers will receive the City of Garland utility bill by email only. E-Bill participants can receive bills faster and access them anytime, anywhere from a computer, smartphone or tablet. This service is available to both business and residential customers.

The monthly E-Bill email provides a secure PDF of the billing statement and a link to view announcements from the City. A link to online payment by credit or debit card is included in the E-Bill for fast and convenient payment; however, E-Bills can be paid with any other accepted payment method.

To enroll in E-Bill, visit [GarlandUtilities.org](http://GarlandUtilities.org) (look for E-Bill in the Online Services section) or call Customer Service at 972-205-2671. New customers can request E-Bill when applying for utility service.



Texas SmartScape® is an award-winning gardening program that educates homeowners about the benefits of using landscaping plants, trees, shrubs and grasses native to this region and local climate. By using native plants, water is conserved and the amount of fertilizers, pesticides and herbicides is reduced, all of which saves the homeowner money and helps keep chemicals out of our streams, rivers and lakes.

Whether in the market for a major landscape overhaul or just a few quick fixes to save water this summer, TXSmartscape.com has the tools for success. The newly updated interactive database allows one to search SmartScape-approved plants that are the right fit for any yard, while the landscape design tool walks pros and first-timers alike through the entire landscaping process.

Here are tips and ideas to help maintain and care for your yard, while saving our water:

- **Use native and adapted plants.** These are adapted to the local climate and can handle the Texas summer heat and cold snaps of winter.
- **Water efficiently and effectively.** Up to 50 percent of irrigation goes to waste due to evaporation, wind, improper system design or overwatering.
- **Water early or late.** Water your yard only between 8 p.m. and 10 a.m. to avoid loss from evaporation.
- **Install drip irrigation in flower beds and at the roots of shrubs.** Drip irrigation delivers almost 95 percent of the water to plants.
- **Reduce turf grass.** Lawns typically require a large amount of supplemental water and generally more intensive maintenance than other vegetation.



## Students Engage with Litter

City of Garland Stormwater Management added a challenging component to their annual essay contest this year by asking the kids to also turn in photos of litter in Garland. Paula Breysacher with Stormwater Management explained, "We thought it was important for them to make the connection between what they are learning in the classroom and what was really happening in their own city. We are hopeful this type of project will have a lasting impact with our students and teachers." Mrs. Valdez-Vasquez, a fifth grade bilingual teacher at Bradfield Elementary, said "the results were amazing...in the engagement and awareness developed in my students."

Here are some excerpts from the entries:

***If we love our city we have to do our part of keeping it clean and beautiful.***

Priscilla Camacho, fifth grader at Dorsey

***We should do better because we know better.***

Jessica Campos-Compean, fourth grader at Hillside Academy

***Littering is wrong for the environment it can make our Earth look like a trashcan.***

Debanhi Negrete, fourth grader at Hillside Academy

***I never noticed how dirty my neighborhood was until now. My family was shocked at the sight....I was devastated.***

Cathy Nguyen, fifth grader at Walnut Glen Academy

***It makes me embarrassed to feel that we are not taking care of our city....I want a beautiful city, not a trashy one.***

Zara Guerra, third grader at International Leadership of Texas

All of the entries were judged based on originality, educational content, photo content and adherence to the theme.

	STUDENT	TEACHER	SCHOOL
<b>FIRST PLACE</b> Winners of \$200	Jesus Gamboa, <i>third grader</i>	Arthur-Santos	Bullock Elementary
	Daniel Springman, <i>fourth grader</i>	Jenkins	Kimberlin Academy
	Finnley Benson, <i>fifth grader</i>	Grubisich	Kimberlin Academy
<b>SECOND PLACE</b> Winners of \$150	Zara Guerra, <i>third grader</i>	Nickell	Intl Leadership of Texas
	Sierra Thompson, <i>fourth grader</i>	Jenkins	Kimberlin Academy
	Lea Andrea, <i>fifth grader</i>	Grubisich	Kimberlin Academy
<b>THIRD PLACE</b> Winners of \$100	Justin Nunez, <i>third grader</i>	Valladares	Walnut Glen Academy
	Audrey Kolega, <i>fourth grader</i>	Wilson	Hillside Academy
	Emerson Brewer, <i>fifth grader</i>	Evertson	Hillside Academy

Each of the teachers/schools listed above will receive \$150 for classroom supplies.

**HONORABLE MENTION** Winners of \$50

**From Bullock Elementary:** Luis Loyola, *third grader*-Arthur-Santos, *teacher*

**From Hillside Academy:** Sebastian Perez, *fourth grader*-Wilson, *teacher*; Nikolas Fanchi, *fifth grader*-Evertson, *teacher*

**From Kimberlin Academy:** Emma Davies, Hannah David, Gavin Shibu, *fourth graders*-Jenkins, *teacher*; Jed Donaldson, *fifth grader*-Grubisich, *teacher*; Karen Corral, *fifth grader*-Martinez, *teacher*

**From Roach Elementary:** Tania Ortiz, *fifth grader*-Stricklin, *teacher*

**From Rowlett Elementary:** Lizzette Gonzalez, Berenice Garibay, *fourth graders*-Arredondo, *teacher*

**From Walnut Glen Academy:** Dillan Arias, Jason Guevara, Kenneth Perez, Joshua Perez, Vanessa Cervantes, Vanessa Garcia, *third graders*-Valladares, *teacher*; Michelle Hoang, Mallory Nelson, *fifth graders*-Davis, *teacher*

# Brush and Bulky Reminder

Compared to raking leaves, using a mulching mower to shred leaves saves time and money. Mulched leaves also serve as a weed control agent and natural fertilizer.

When placing bags of leaves, grass or any other item for curbside pickup, please ensure each bag weighs no more than 40 pounds.

Bags exceeding 40 pounds are likely to tear and create a mess, and may also injure employees servicing the garbage. The 40-pound weight limit also applies to flooring, siding, wood and sheet rock.



# Clothing and Shoe Recycling

In an effort to continue the recycling momentum gained during November's clothing drive, the bright blue World Wear Project dropbox is now part of the Garland Recycling Center.

Clothing, shoes, backpacks, caps, hats, pots, pans, purses and stuffed animals can be donated in the dropbox. Materials do not have to be in pristine condition. For example, clothing with holes or stains can be turned into oil rags. Almost 100 percent of household textiles and clothing can be recycled.

All items must be bagged and hangers removed from textiles before placing in the dropbox.

**GARLAND RECYCLING CENTER**  
1426 Commerce St.  
Garland, TX 75040  
Mon-Fri:  
8 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Sat:  
8 a.m. to 3 p.m.



## Celebrate EARTH DAY April 29 2017

Rain date: May 6

**Trash Off Check-in:**  
8 a.m. Fire Administration Parking Lot  
1500 State Highway 66, Garland, TX 75040  
keepgarlandbeautiful@gmail.com to register for the Trash Off

**Celebration:**  
10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Garland Recycling Center  
1426 Commerce St. Garland, TX 75040

**Recycling Center Tours:**  
11 a.m., noon, 1 p.m.  
Visit: GoGreenGarland.org for more info.  
Contact: EWS@GarlandTX.gov or call 972-205-3500 with questions.

**Join Garland's Recycle Rangers for Free Fun!**

- Bounce house
- Games
- Food
- Ladybugs, Praying Mantis eggs
- Photos with "Recycle Ranger"
- Recycle relay

**SHREDDING\***  
Must show proof of Garland residency. Limited to 2 boxes per household.

Sponsored by the City of Garland, Garland ISD and Keep Garland Beautiful.

# Let us take out the trash.

Garland Environmental Waste Services removes nearly 200 tons of solid waste and recycling every day from our city's business community.

**Give us a call.**  
**972-205-3500**

Commercial Services Division  
1434 Commerce St. Garland, TX 75040  
GarlandEnvironmentalWaste.com

# Library

## Programs & Events

### YOUTH PROGRAMS

Spring Storytimes | Through April 29

#### Central Library

625 Austin St., 972-205-2517

Toddler Storytime (18-36 mos.)

Mondays, 10 a.m.

Preschool Storytime (3-5 yrs.)

Mondays, 11 a.m.

#### North Garland Branch Library

3845 N. Garland Ave., 972-205-2804

Wee Read (birth to 18 mos.)

Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m.

Toddler Storytime (18-36 mos.)

Fridays, 10 a.m.

Preschool Storytime (3-5 yrs.)

Fridays, 11 a.m.

#### South Garland Branch Library

4845 Broadway Blvd., 972-205-3933

Toddler Storytime (18-36 mos.)

Wednesdays, 10 a.m.

Preschool Storytime (3-5 yrs.)

Wednesdays, 11 a.m.

Family Storytime

Saturdays, 10:30 a.m.

#### Walnut Creek Branch Library

3319 Edgewood Drive, 972-205-2585

Family Storytime

Tuesdays, 7 p.m.

**Tween Scene** | Know a creative tween who enjoys reading? Encourage them to join their fellow tweens at this free program specially designed for youth ages 10 to 13. Tween Scene consists of book discussions and activities related to fun and interesting themes.

#### March Theme: CD Scratch Art

- 6:30 p.m. March 2, South Garland Branch Library
- 4 p.m. March 9, North Garland Branch Library

#### April Theme: Light Painting

- 6:30 p.m. April 6, South Garland Branch Library
- 4 p.m. April 13, North Garland Branch Library

**Art Explorers**, 2:30 p.m., Walnut Creek Branch Library | Children ages 6 to 12 will learn about different types of art, then use their new skills to create their own masterpieces. **Registration is required to attend each Art Explorer program and is limited to 24 participants.** Registration may be completed at the Walnut Creek Branch Library beginning two weeks prior to each event. All supplies are provided by the library.

- March 4, Pi Art
- April 1, Georgia O'Keeffe Flowers

**Let's Go to the Movies** | Families can enjoy free movies that are based on books this spring. Doors open 15 minutes prior to the show. Seating is limited. Free popcorn and water while supplies last.

- 3 p.m. March 11, South Garland Branch Library, *Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day*
- 3 p.m. April 8, South Garland Branch Library, *The Lorax*

**Family Movie Time**, *The Jungle Book*, 2:30 p.m. March 18, North Garland Branch Library | Bring a blanket and enjoy a free movie. Doors open 15 minutes prior to the show. Seating is limited. Free popcorn and water while supplies last.

**Garland libraries will be closed Sunday, April 16, for Easter.**



**Books and Beyond**, 2 p.m., Central Library | This free event consists of book discussions and activities related to monthly themes. Children ages 6 to 12 use their imaginations to explore and complete the activities, all while socializing with others their age and having fun.

- March 25, Circles of Art
- April 29, Star Wars

**Bookmark Design Contest**, April 1-30 | Open to children in kindergarten through eighth grade. Beginning April 1, pick up contest rules and templates at any Garland Library's Children's Desk. Theme is "Build a Better World." Designs must incorporate an architecture or environmental theme and must be submitted by April 30. Copies of each first-place bookmark will be available at all Garland library locations beginning Saturday, June 3. Children's hand-drawn original artwork, black ink only, no copyrighted images or cartoon characters. Three judging groups; K-2nd grade, 3rd-5th grade, and 6th-8th grade. Criteria includes creativity, use of theme and originality.

**Teen Tech Week**, 4:30 p.m. March 15, Central Library | Open to youth ages 13 to 17, a free program where teens will learn the basics of computer coding and work on a variety of projects such as creating emojis, gifs, avatars and accessorizing selfies. Participants will receive flash drives to save their work. Registration is required and begins March 1. Call 972-205-2517 to register.

**Paint Night for Teens**, 4:30 p.m. April 12, Central Library | Attendees will follow a tutorial that will teach them how to make colorful abstract paintings. Light refreshments are available. All supplies including canvases, paints and brushes will be provided by the library. Event is open to teens age 13 to 17, and registration is limited and required. Registration begins March 29. Call 972-205-2516 to register.

### ADULT PROGRAMS

**Seasonal Origami Workshop**, 6:30 p.m. April 13, South Garland Branch Library | With instructions, participants ages 18 and older will create three pieces of origami based on a seasonal theme. Attendees at the April workshop will make origami rabbits, morning glory flowers and birds. The library will provide all the supplies. **Registration is limited and begins March 30.** Patrons may register for up to two of the four origami events held in 2017. To register, call 972-205-3931.

**Senior Social Hour @ the Library**, 2 p.m., Central Library

This free program series for senior citizens is sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Events are open to anyone age 55 and older. Seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Doors open 30 minutes prior to the performance. For more information, call 972-205-2502.

- March 16, **A Cappella Quartet Smooth Brew** | Smooth Brew is an a cappella quartet that performs pop, jazz, doo-wop and barbershop music. For this performance, the quartet will present classic oldies and doo-wop tunes from their extensive repertoire, which includes hits like *Who Put the Bomp*, *Goodnight Sweetheart*, *Blue Velvet*, *Yesterday* and *Breaking Up Is Hard to Do*.
- April 27, **Lady & the Tramp** | This vocal performance duo will present an oldies review featuring rock, pop and country hits of the 1950s and '60s. The group will cover tunes by artists such as Elvis, The Beatles, Buddy Holly, Bobby Darin, Carly Simon and Carole King.



**LADY & THE TRAMP**

# Library Computer Classes

## EXCEL FOR BEGINNERS

6:30 p.m. March 23

North Garland Branch Library

The class will cover the basic features of the ribbon, focusing on the Home, Insert, Formula and File tabs. Spreadsheet creation, cell formatting, formula use, and saving and opening documents will be discussed.

Participation is free and open to adult Garland residents ages 18 and older with a library account in good standing. **Registration is required and begins March 9.** Call 972-205-2501 to register.

## USING POPULAR MEDIA

10:30 a.m. April 22

North Garland Branch Library

Attendees will learn about four popular social media networks, including Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and Snapchat. The instructor will provide students with a description of each network, their basic functions and reasons for using them.

Participation is free and open to Garland residents ages 18 and older with a library account in good standing. **Registration is required and begins April 8.** Call 972-205-2501 to register.



# Report Fraud, Waste and Abuse Concerns Anonymously

The Garland Internal Audit Department has always received fraud, waste and abuse concerns from citizens and employees of the City of Garland. Internal Audit an independent body that reports directly to City Council.

In addition to email, telephone and fax, we have added an anonymous online fraud reporting form to the Internal Audit page on the City of Garland website. The form will submit the information provided in an email to [FraudHotline@GarlandTX.gov](mailto:FraudHotline@GarlandTX.gov).

The anonymous form, along with an updated frequently asked questions page, will be easier to use and will allow individuals to utilize our services more often. The more feedback we receive, the more responsive we can be to help make Garland a better place to live and/or work.

No concern is too small, and you are free to leave only the information you are comfortable sharing. However, the more information you provide, the better we can address your concerns.

# Microchipping—Your Pet's Ticket Home

One of the main priorities for Garland Animal Services is to reunite lost pets with their owners; and one of the best and most efficient ways to do this is by having all pets microchipped.

Microchips are small electronic chips about the size of a grain of rice that are injected under your pet's skin in the fat between the shoulder blades. The procedure is simple, safe and does not require surgery or anesthesia. Microchipping can be done at any veterinary clinic or at the Abe J. Tuggle Animal Shelter, 600 Tower St., during normal business hours.

Traditional modes of identification such as pet tags or ID collars are sometimes hard to read and can fall off easily. Microchips will last the lifetime of your pet. Even if you are a responsible pet owner, there is a risk of your pet going missing. A microchip implant will give your pet his best chance of returning home.

A recent revision to the City ordinance now requires all newly adopted pets and all pets reclaimed by their owners to be microchipped. Get ahead of the game by getting your furry friend microchipped as soon as possible. **For questions regarding this new ordinance requirement, visit the animal shelter or contact them at [AnimalServices@GarlandTX.gov](mailto:AnimalServices@GarlandTX.gov).**

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**open dialogue**  
FORUM

Thursday, March 30  
6 to 8:30 p.m. @ the Atrium  
300 N. Fifth St.

A FAQ forum to learn about City services, ask questions and meet with departments.

For more information, call 972-205-2487, email [GarlandOpenDialogueForum@GarlandTX.gov](mailto:GarlandOpenDialogueForum@GarlandTX.gov) or visit [GarlandTX.gov](http://GarlandTX.gov).

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# Granville Arts Center

## Programs & Events

### AT THE GRANVILLE ARTS CENTER, 300 N. FIFTH ST.

Garland Civic Theatre Presents *The Servant's Last Serve*, March 3-18

The aging Winston Livingston is diagnosed with psychosis and given mere months to live. He makes all the necessary arrangements in his will, but when his faithful servants and his materialistic niece find out that he has left the bulk of his estate to his cat, the fur begins to fly! Hilarity ensues as Master Fifi, the cat, goes missing while the members of the household try to lure it to its death, and an inept inspector investigates the disappearance of the feline. **Tickets: \$22 at [GarlandArtsBoxOffice.com](http://GarlandArtsBoxOffice.com), 972-205-2790 or in person at the Granville Arts Center Box Office, open Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. and two hours before each performance.**

Garland Symphony Orchestra, 8 p.m. March 17

Concert VI of Garland Symphony Orchestra's 2016-17 season features the duo Alex and Robert McDonald performing Saint-Saens' *Carnival of Animals*. Concert VI also features the 12th Annual Movie Scores Quiz! **Tickets: \$17.50-37.50 at [GarlandArtsBoxOffice.com](http://GarlandArtsBoxOffice.com), 972-205-2790 or in person at the Granville Arts Center Box Office, open Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. and two hours before each performance.**



ALEX MCDONALD



ROBERT MCDONALD

Garland Civic Theatre Presents *The Addams Family*, April 6-29

The new musical comedy based on the classic sitcom features an original story, and it's every father's nightmare. Wednesday Addams, the ultimate princess of darkness, has grown up and fallen in love with a sweet, smart young man from a respectable family—a man her parents have never met. Wednesday confides in her father and begs him not to tell her mother. Now, Gomez Addams must do something he's never done before—keep a secret from his beloved wife, Morticia. Everything will change for the whole family on the fateful night they host a dinner for Wednesday's "normal" boyfriend and his parents. **Tickets: \$27 at [GarlandArtsBoxOffice.com](http://GarlandArtsBoxOffice.com), 972-205-2790 or in person at the Granville Arts Center Box Office, open Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. and two hours before each performance.**

Garland Symphony Orchestra, 8 p.m. April 14

The Garland Symphony Orchestra's own Principal Cellist, Laura Ospina, performs Tchaikovsky's *Variations on a Rococo Theme*. This concert also features Ravel's *Ma mere l'Oye* and Bartok's *Hungarian Sketches*. **Tickets: \$17.50-37.50 at [GarlandArtsBoxOffice.com](http://GarlandArtsBoxOffice.com), 972-205-2790 or in person at the Granville Arts Center Box Office, open Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. and two hours before each performance.**



### AT THE PLAZA THEATRE, 521 W. STATE ST.

C.O.R.P. Presents *To Kill A Mockingbird*, March 31-April 9

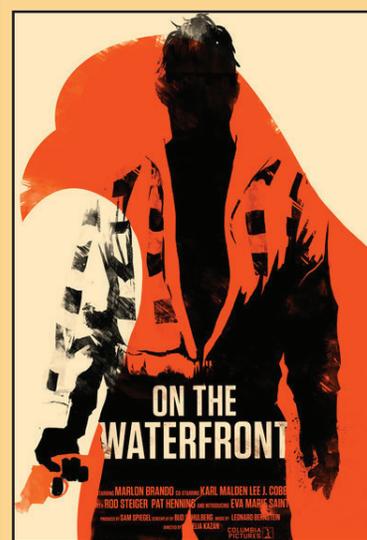
Set in the 1930s, widowed lawyer Atticus Finch defends an African American man wrongfully accused of a crime in a small southern town. Don't miss Harper Lee's legendary American classic *To Kill a Mockingbird*.

## To Kill a Mockingbird

By Christopher Sergel  
Adapted from the Novel by Harper Lee



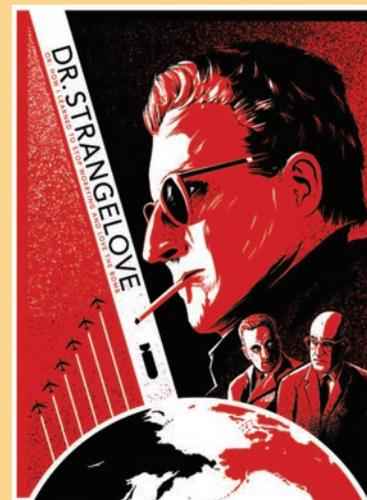
**Tickets: \$15 at [GarlandArtsBoxOffice.com](http://GarlandArtsBoxOffice.com), 972-205-2790 or at the door of the Plaza Theatre, one hour prior to show time.**



### FREE MOVIE

*On the Waterfront*  
7 p.m. March 18  
Plaza Theatre, 521  
W. State St.

An ex-prize fighter turned longshoreman struggles to stand up to his corrupt union bosses in 1954's *On the Waterfront*, starring Marlon Brando and directed by Elia Kazan.



### FREE MOVIE

*Dr. Strangelove*  
7 p.m. April 21  
Plaza Theatre, 521  
W. State St.

An insane general triggers a path to nuclear holocaust that a war room of politicians and generals frantically try to stop in Stanley Kubrick's *Dr. Strangelove*.

**Tickets: Admission is free and open to the public. Popcorn, candy, soda and water are available for \$2 each. This event is sponsored by the City of Garland.**

# Parks & Recreation

## Programs & Events



*Bounce Houses* *Easter Bunny Pictures* *Snacks for Sale*

# Free EGG HUNT

**April 13**  
**6 p.m.**

**Central Park**  
**1310 W. Avenue F**

**Ages 10 and Under**

*In case of inclement weather, visit the website for the latest information.*

**972-205-2750**  
**GarlandParks.com**

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Visit [GarlandParks.com](http://GarlandParks.com) or any Garland recreation center to get a copy of the Garland **PLAY** Guide for a full listing of programs available.



**Yogalates | Mondays 6:30 to 7:45 p.m. & Wednesdays 6 to 7:15 p.m.**

Ages 16 and older, \$45 per month, Audubon Recreation Center, 342 W. Oates Road, 972-205-3991 or [ARC@GarlandTX.gov](mailto:ARC@GarlandTX.gov).

**Decoupage | Saturdays 9 a.m. to noon**

Ages 13 and older, \$30 per session, Bradfield Recreation Center, 1146 Castle Drive, 972-205-2770 or [BRC@GarlandTX.gov](mailto:BRC@GarlandTX.gov).

**Zumba | Mondays & Wednesdays 7:45 to 8:45 p.m., Saturdays 9 to 10 a.m.**

Ages 14 and older, \$32 per month, Fields Recreation Center, 1701 Dairy Road, 972-205-3090 or [FRC@GarlandTX.gov](mailto:FRC@GarlandTX.gov).

**Pencak Silat Self Defense | Thursdays 7 to 9 p.m.**

Ages 18 and older, \$42 per month, Granger Recreation Center, 1301 W. Avenue F, 972-205-2771 or [GRC@GarlandTX.gov](mailto:GRC@GarlandTX.gov).

**Music Discovery Piano | Wednesdays (time varies)**

Ages 7 to 12, \$54 per month, Holford Recreation Center, 2314 Homestead Place, 972-205-2772 or [HRC@GarlandTX.gov](mailto:HRC@GarlandTX.gov).

**Bubble Play | Thursdays 6 to 7 p.m.**

Enjoy various activities and games with knocker balls. Ages 6 to 15, \$29 per month, Hollabaugh Recreation Center, 3925 W. Walnut St., 972-205-2721 or [HRC@GarlandTX.gov](mailto:HRC@GarlandTX.gov).

**Blueberry Hill Farms | 7:30 a.m. Wednesday, July 19**

Experience Blueberry Hill Farms in Edom picking blackberries and blueberries and lunch on your own at the Shed Café. Ages 50 and older, \$24, Senior Activity Center, 600 W. Avenue A, 972-205-2769 or [SAC@GarlandTX.gov](mailto:SAC@GarlandTX.gov).

**Chair Exercise Class | Mondays & Thursdays 10 to 10:30 a.m.**

Ages 55 and older, Free, Carver Senior Center, 222 Carver St., 972-205-3305 or [SAC@GarlandTX.gov](mailto:SAC@GarlandTX.gov).



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**SAVE THE DATE**  
11 a.m. to 10 p.m.  
Sixth & Main St.

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9:40 a.m. 1 mile fun run starts  
10 a.m. 5K run starts  
11 a.m. Awards and party at Intrinsic

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## APPLICATIONS BEING ACCEPTED!

The Garland City Council wants to hear from the city's youth and invites Garland teens to apply to serve on the Garland Youth Council (GYC). Their mission is to provide a forum that educates Garland's youth to the various workings of City business, and allows youth to be a voice to address their particular ideas and concerns. Garland residents who will be in grades 9-12 during the 2017-18 school year are eligible to apply. Applicants should submit a completed GYC application and two letters of reference by June 1 to Beth Dattomo, 200 N. Fifth St., Garland, TX 75040.

[GARLANDYOUTHOUNCIL.ORG](http://GARLANDYOUTHOUNCIL.ORG)

## Upcoming Events

- 3/6** City Council Work Session\*
- 3/7** City Council Meeting\*
- 3/13** Plan Commission\*
- 3/20** City Council Work Session\*
- 3/21** City Council Meeting\*
- 3/27** Plan Commission\*
- 3/29** Mayor's Evening In Mayor's Office, 200 N. Fifth St.
- 4/3** City Council Work Session\*
- 4/4** City Council Meeting\*
- 4/10** Plan Commission\*
- 4/13** Mayor's State of the City 6 p.m., Plaza Theatre, 521 W. State St.
- 4/17** City Council Work Session\*
- 4/18** City Council Meeting\*
- 4/24** Plan Commission\*
- 4/27** Mayor's Evening In Mayor's Office, 200 N. Fifth St.

\* Located at City Hall, 200 N. Fifth St., First Floor