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Message

from the Mayor

Although not immediately apparent, over the last several weeks Garland has changed. Significantly. Years in the making, the council has approved a new development code and two new area-specific form-based codes. The changes enable the city to better grow within its own skin.

The new Garland Development Code incorporates zoning and other codes that direct development. It complements the comprehensive plan passed by the council in 2012. It requires a higher standard of development throughout the city but it is more market sensitive and speeds the approval process. Decisions can be made much earlier in the process, but applicants have the option of appealing decisions much as they always have.

The first form-based code—part of the GDC—applies to downtown and makes downtown “legal again.” No codes existed when downtown was built except common practice and common sense. Eventually new codes over decades made much of what our founders had done “non-conforming.” The buildings are too close

to the property line and the list goes on and on. Now that turn-of-the-century style of building is not only recognized but required in the downtown area. New development will complement the old and provide direction to more simply start new construction.

The second form-based code covers the undeveloped 300 acres east of PGBT at Campbell Road. The owners worked with city staff to develop for themselves one of the most restrictive codes in North Texas. Owners can now develop with certainty that adjacent property owners will also develop at the same high standards. Future development will start very soon; plans have been on hold for months just waiting for the GDC and the area-specific code to be approved. The area will see new retail, office, housing, and other business uses. If current plans alone proceed on schedule, the area will easily acquire well over a billion dollars of new development within ten years.

I call this new start Garland 3.0. We have progressed from a farm community to a suburb and now to a full-service city very much in charge of its future. We are now more market responsive, have a speedier approval process with higher standards, and are able to attract new development and developers. Combined with many of our other initiatives, this is an exciting time to be a Garlandite!

Remember:

Grow Community. Grow Opportunity. Grow Garland.



Mayor Douglas Athas
972-205-2400
Mayor@GarlandTx.gov

Mayor's Evening In
5 to 7 p.m.

Thursday

July 30 & Aug. 27

Mayor's Office

City Hall 200 N. 5th St.

To reserve a time,
call 972-205-2400

or email

Mayor@GarlandTx.gov

Garland City Council

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District 8: Jim Cahill, Mayor Pro Tem, 972-762-1369, council8@GarlandTx.gov

City Council Meetings

Garland City Council meets the first and third Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. in the Goldie Locke Room of the Duckworth Utility Services Building, 217 N. Fifth St. Meetings are broadcast online through 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), Channel 44 (Verizon FIOS) or Channel 99 (AT&T U-Verse).

CGTV Listings

City Council Meetings

- Live broadcast – 7 p.m. July 7 and 21, Aug. 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. July 6 and 20, Aug. 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. July 13 and 27, Aug. 10 and 24
 - Rebroadcast following the meeting Tuesday, Thursday and Friday – 9 a.m.
- Meeting dates and times subject to change.

Garland Spotlight

- Daily – 7 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.
- Tuesday-Sunday – 6:30 p.m.

Council Members and New City Manager Sworn In

Five members of the Garland City Council were sworn in for another term on May 19, along with new City Manager Bryan L. Bradford.

None of the elected officials was opposed in the May municipal elections. The Mayor and City Council members are elected to two year terms. The City Charter limits them to three consecutive terms or six consecutive years in office.

Bryan Bradford began his tenure as City Manager on May 1. He was appointed by City Council upon the retirement of Bill Dollar.



City Council District 3 Stephen Stanley was sworn in by Justice of the Peace Bill Metzger for his second term and accompanied by his wife, Daphne, and granddaughter, Elly.



City Council District 6 Lori Barnett Dodson was sworn in by her parents, Jerra and Bob Barnett, for her third term.



City Council District 7 Scott LeMay was sworn in for his second term by his oldest daughter, Caitlin. He was also accompanied by his mother, Kay Gomez; his wife, Tiffany; and twin daughters, Morgan and Reagan.



City Council District 8 Jim Cahill was sworn in for this third term by his wife, Carol.



Mayor Douglas Athas was sworn in by his wife, Robyn, to begin his second term.



City Manager Bryan L. Bradford was sworn in as a City Council appointee by his wife, Teria. He was also accompanied by his daughters, Haleigh and Shawntee; his son-in-law, Brandon; and grandson, Ethan.

Garland Works to Recover from Floods

The month of May brought record rainfall to north Texas, wrapping up the month with historic flash flooding. The weekend of May 28, Garland received almost 10 inches of rain which swelled creeks well above their banks and caused millions of dollars in property damage.

More than 130 homes were impacted, with almost 50 having a significant amount of water inside the homes. About a dozen businesses were impacted by rising water.

City streets, parks and other infrastructure were impacted, including significant damage at Firewheel Golf Park and several Garland Power & Light substations. Many GP&L customers experienced outages during the peak of the storm, but all power was restored within 24 hours.

City officials are still assessing damage and working to obtain assistance for those impacted. Estimates for both private and public property have reached more than \$9 million so far. Garland property owners may be eligible for federal and state disaster assistance, pending action by various government agencies.

Garland officials are asking all property owners with damage to their house or business structure to call in to register their flood damage with the City. This information will enable the City to provide additional information about possible assistance as it becomes available.

Property owners are urged to register with FEMA for individual assistance by calling 1-800-621-FEMA (3362) or visiting DisasterAssistance.gov. The City of Garland will provide updates regarding flood recovery and assistance as they become available. Monitor the City's website and social media channels for details. Also, register for CodeRED telephone notifications and Garland Enews announcements. Links to all of these options are available at GarlandTx.gov.





Join Us For

STAR SPANGLED SPECTACULAR

Saturday, July 4
 2-8PM Family Fun Activities
 7-9PM Main Stage Entertainment
 9:15PM Fireworks

Visit FirewheelTownCenter.com for more details.




A New Way to Reach the City

Garland Launches New App for City Service Requests

EAssist, a new app available from the City of Garland, is an easy way for residents to connect with the City to submit service requests, access news and information, and see other nearby requests in progress. Approximately 30 different service request types are available to residents, with more to be added in the coming months.

“The number of service request types that are available from the launch date is amazing.”

KEVIN SLAY, CITY OF GARLAND

“The number of service request types that are available from the launch date is amazing,” said Kevin Slay, Customer Service director. “We will keep looking for ways to expand and improve the mobile app. Today, the resident simply enters the request type and selects the location using their device’s GPS capabilities, and then it automatically routes it to the City department for resolution.”

Once the app is downloaded, users will be required to create an account using an email address or linking to their Facebook accounts. Once created, users can set what type of notifications they receive, how they are delivered, and several other customizations. Some Garland Power & Light service requests will require registering the user’s City of Garland utility account, which can be done through eAssist.

“EAssist empowers our residents,” said Scott Bollinger, Neighborhood Resources manager. “This mobile app creates a direct link from the resident to City Hall in a simple, streamlined way.”

EAssist Garland is available now for free download at the Apple App and Google Play Stores.



Neighborhood Associations Encouraged to Apply for Grant

Garland neighborhood associations may apply for the Neighborhood Vitality Matching Grant, which awards up to \$100,000 per registered neighborhood association over a five-year period for neighborhood improvement projects. The grant is designed to encourage residents to work together on projects that enhance physical conditions in Garland neighborhoods. Applications are available at GarlandVitalNeighborhoods.org and the deadline to apply is Sept. 1.

Projects may include but are not limited to entry features, landscaping, neighborhood enhancement features and sign toppers. All projects must demonstrate a public benefit and include input from neighbors.

Garland voters approved Proposition Six in May 2004, which included \$5 million for neighborhood improvement projects.

For more information, contact the Office of Neighborhood Vitality at 972-205-2451 or Neighborhoods@GarlandTx.gov.

Discover Ways to Improve the Neighborhood

The Garland Neighborhood Management Academy (GNMA) provides courses designed to educate, inform and empower residents and organizations to fulfill their role in sustaining thriving neighborhoods.

Fall schedule:

Taking Charge of Your Neighborhood's Future

Aug. 11, 6 to 8 p.m.

Main Street Municipal Building
800 Main St.

Home Maintenance 101

Sept. 26, 9 a.m. to noon

The Home Depot
3261 N. President George Bush Turnpike

Conflict Resolution

Nov. 10, 6 to 8 p.m.

Main Street Municipal Building
800 Main St.

For more information or to register, email GNMAclass@GarlandTx.gov, or visit GarlandVitalNeighborhoods.org.



Neighborhoods USA Conference

Representatives from the Garland Planning & Community Development Department attended the annual Neighborhoods, USA Conference in Houston where two Garland neighborhoods were recognized. There were many submissions from neighborhoods throughout the country, and the Camelot Neighborhood Association was awarded First Place in the Neighborhood Newsletter Competition for its publication *The Knightly News* and The Shores of Wellington was recognized in the top four as a finalist in the Neighborhood of the Year Award. Both associations were recognized before the City Council on June 2 for their dedication and hard work in making Garland a better place to live.



Create a More Comfortable Home without Using More Energy

Learn how to make your home more comfortable without using additional energy with the *Efficiency Idea Book*—a guide that provides ideas on do-it-yourself projects to improve the quality of light and air inside homes.

To download a copy of the *Efficiency Idea Book* visit GarlandVitalNeighborhoods.org and go to page 46 for an activity on how to redirect heated or conditioned air through deflection.



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IDEA BOOK

DEFLECTION DETECTION

THE CHALLENGE

Redirect heated or conditioned air to make the rooms in your home more comfortable without using additional energy.

WHAT YOU'LL NEED

- Step stool
- Notebook
- Hygrometer, room thermometer or light-switch thermometer (these are inexpensive and easy to find in the garden section of your local

3. *Take an initial reading* – After five minutes, record the room temperature in your notebook.

4. *Deflect* – Find the vents in the room, and using your vent deflector(s), adjust them so that they distribute air directly toward the center of the

are more frequently occupied. Then return to the room where you just installed the vent deflectors.

7. *Take a final reading* – After five more minutes, record the room temperature in your notebook one last time.

Garland Development Code Unanimously Approved

In May, the Garland City Council unanimously adopted the Garland Development Code (GDC)—a comprehensive guide that includes standards for development and redevelopment throughout the city. The document was approved after many successful community engagement meetings, public hearings and joint work sessions with the Plan Commission and City Council.

The City created the GDC to consolidate various development regulations into a cohesive and well-organized document that will help the City respond to changing demographic, market and development trends, while providing more flexible and user friendly regulations and processes.

Contents of the GDC include general provisions, zoning regulations, subdivision regulations, site development standards (development procedures, parking and loading, screening and landscaping, tree preservation and mitigation, signs, building design, glare and lighting, and fences), relief procedures and enforcement, definitions, and downtown district (form based code).

Most notable in the GDC are the renamed zoning districts and the introduction of new mixed-use districts including the Urban Residential, Urban Business and Downtown Form Based Code Districts. The addition of citywide design standards for buildings and more flexible development processes will provide for enhanced aesthetics and encourage redevelopment.

The GDC is available at GarlandDevCode.org and on the Development and Permitting page of GarlandTx.gov.



Garland Celebrates the Revival of a Local Icon

The City of Garland and Walmart celebrated the relighting of the historic Garland Shopping Center Sign in late May.

The vintage lighted sign marked the site of one of the area's first strip shopping centers, which covered 10 acres of cotton field at the northwest corner of Miller and Garland roads. The Garland Shopping Center opened in 1952 and included various businesses such as Skillern's Drug Store, J.C. Penney, and Wyatt's Grocery.

After years of decline, the center itself was demolished for potential redevelopment, but the vintage sign was left standing. In 2013, Walmart redeveloped the site to include one of its signature Neighborhood Market stores, along with additional retail and commercial space. Walmart saw the value of the vintage sign and agreed to have it restored and re-lit.

“The Garland Shopping Center and the iconic sign located here are such important landmarks for the community. Walmart is proud to have helped bring this historic sign and shopping center back to life,” said Pete Vanderburg, store manager, Walmart Neighborhood Market. “When we first joined this community and opened our Neighborhood Market a little over a year ago, we knew we could help by paying for the refurbishment, repair and lighting of the sign, and we'll maintain its upkeep. We are thrilled to celebrate this and look forward to lighting up this shopping center for years to come.”



City to Expand its Single Stream Recycling Program in October

Environmental Waste Services (EWS) announces Phase 4 of its Automated Collection Single Stream Recycling Program with the addition of 10,500 blue carts in October. Residents who will be receiving blue carts will be notified by letter one month prior to the cart delivery.

Automated collection for the yellow collection areas will begin the week of Oct. 5, and for the blue collection areas the week of Oct. 12. Residents who live in the expansion area will receive a new, 96-gallon blue automated collection cart approximately one week prior to their first automated collection date. Recycling collection remains on an every-other-week schedule. The recycling schedule is posted at GarlandEnvironmentalWaste.com.



Blue carts will be delivered to the front of homes, enabling crews to assign the cart to the correct street address. Carts will contain educational literature about the automated single stream recycling program, including information about the types of materials that can be recycled and the collection schedule.

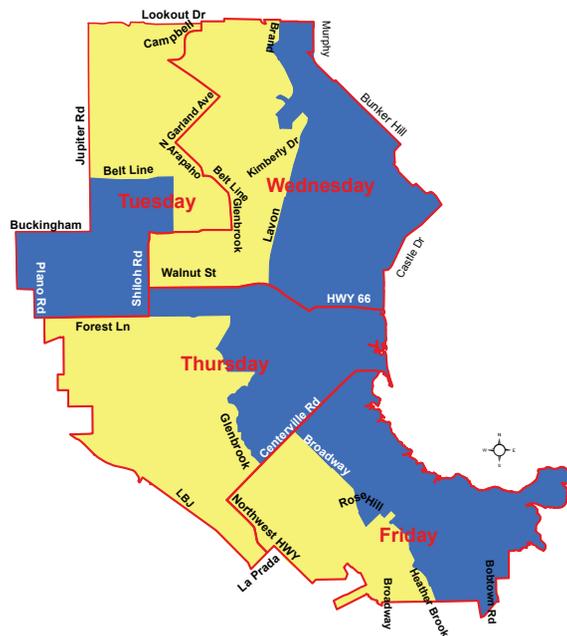
Two-thirds of the city will be using automated collection with the completion of the Phase 4 expansion, putting Garland that much closer to achieving its goal of converting the entire city from manual red bin collection to an automated collection program.

Recyclable items that may be placed in the blue containers and the red bins include newspapers, magazines, office paper, junk mail, small cardboard boxes, chipboard, paper bags, glass bottles and jars, aluminum cans and tin steel cans, and plastics #1-5 and #7.

For more information about the Environmental Waste Services Department and its services, visit GarlandEnvironmentalWaste.com, email EWSCustomerService@GarlandTx.gov or call Customer Service at 972-205-3500.

Recycle More NOW *Single Stream Recycling...easier than ever, just mix it together!*
www.garlandenvironmentalwaste.com

Customer Service | 972-205-3500 | EWSCustomerService@GarlandTx.gov



1. Check the map at left to see if you live in a YELLOW or BLUE area.
2. Check the YELLOW and BLUE recycling weeks on the calendar.
3. Set out recycling on your YELLOW or BLUE weeks on the same day as you set out your trash.
4. Visit GarlandEnvironmentalWaste.com for detailed map information and complete list of recyclables.

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Free Composting/ Gardening Class Aug. 22

Don't bag leaves...compost them!

Learn how at the fall Compost 101 class from 8:30 a.m. to noon, Saturday, Aug. 22, at 1434 Commerce St. The event will be hosted by Environmental Waste Services.

Compost is one of the best ways to amend soil for the fall planting and growing season. Most importantly, composting keeps organic waste out of the landfill and returns valuable fertilizer to the earth. As it adds nutrients to the soil, it improves soil structure and increases the ground's ability to hold water.

Training will include instructions on compost ingredients, benefits of building healthy soil using compost, how to manage the compost pile and hands-on demonstration to build a compost pile. Attendees will be eligible for door prize drawings for compost bins.

Class is open to Garland residents and class size is limited to 50. Registration is required by Aug. 19. Go to KeepGarlandBeautiful.org for a registration form or call 972-205-3500 to sign up.



City Achieves Excellent Bond Ratings

The bond ratings companies, Fitch and Standard & Poor, have reaffirmed the City's certificate of obligation bond ratings. Fitch assigns Garland a AAA rating and S&P assigns a AA+. Both agencies gave the City a "stable outlook."

Positive bond ratings allow the City of Garland to pay lower interest rates on the debt it issues to fund capital expenditures.

The agencies noted the City's strong financial profile with solid reserve levels, proactive financial practices and prudent fiscal policies.

The strong ratings are also attributed to a sound economic base anchored by manufacturing and distribution and a solid, diverse tax base.



Now Accepting Applications for Citizen Police Academy

The Garland Police Department is accepting applications for the Fall 2015 Citizen Police Academy. This free program is offered by the Police Department and will run Aug. 13-Nov. 5. The class meets every Thursday from 7 to 10 p.m. and on Saturday, Oct. 3. Attendees will learn about the many divisions within the Police Department, and will have the opportunity to drive a Garland Police patrol car on a timed course as well as shoot the department-issued Glock pistol. The highlight of the class will involve going on a ride-along with a police officer on an eight-hour shift and observe in 911 dispatch and the jail.



To apply, contact Officer Mike Hatfield at HatfieldM@GarlandTx.gov or visit GarlandPolice.gov (community programs) for an application.

July 2015

Garland's 'Lend a Hand' Celebration Earns National Recognition

The National Community Development Association (NCDA) has recognized the City of Garland for its Lend a Hand to Grow Garland activities during National Community Development Week in April. The City was presented with the 2015 John A. Sasso National Community Development Week Awards during the NCDA's national conference on June 26. Garland was one of three Texas cities honored this year.



The City of Garland worked with Bank of America and Green Extreme Homes to coordinate a week of important neighborhood projects. More than 65 City of Garland employees rolled up their sleeves during Lend a Hand to Grow Garland volunteer week to help with landscaping, cleanup, renovation and demolition for several properties that will be sold to veterans and first-time homebuyers through the City's GREAT Homes program.

Bank of America generously donated a home to Green Extreme Homes so that it may be turned into an affordable, energy-efficient home for a local veteran. To further show Bank of America's commitment to veterans, the company's employees volunteered their time on April 10 and 11, to help with the cleanup and site preparation.

“Partnerships such as the one between the City, Bank of America and Green Extreme Homes can make a difference for individual families, for neighborhoods, and for the entire city.”

MAYOR DOUGLAS ATHAS

“We are delighted that Bank of America is investing in our community with their generosity and their energy,” said Mayor Athas. “Partnerships such as the one between the City, Bank of America and Green Extreme Homes can make a difference for individual families, for neighborhoods, and for the entire city.”

The GREAT Homes program is administered by the City's Housing and Community Services Department and is an innovative approach to re-energizing Garland's existing housing stock through energy-efficient, aesthetic upgrades while maintaining the architectural integrity of Garland's more mature neighborhoods.



Healthy Living
EXPO & H2O 5K

SATURDAY, SEPT. 19, 2015
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
CURTIS CULWELL CENTER
4999 Naaman Forest Blvd.

GoGreenGarland.org

How We GROW GARLAND



Learn how various City departments contribute to the growth and success of the Garland community.



Animal Services

Garland is a great place for the entire family, including those family members who are not the standard two-legged people-types!

The Garland Animal Services Department serves as a public health and safety agency that focuses on how people and animals interact. The department works to protect people from animal bites and animal-borne diseases through pet vaccination and registration requirements, investigating nuisance issues involving domestic and wild animals, and apprehending stray animals.

The department works to protect animals, utilizing community partners and City-based programs to encourage responsible pet ownership. Animal Services also intervenes when animals face abuse or neglect by their owners.

City ordinance requires all cats and dogs to be registered annually, which includes proof of rabies vaccination. When pets are lost and brought to Garland's animal shelter, their registration is their ticket home. Shelter staff can contact the pet's owner, and the family can be reunited.

Families can grow by visiting either of the two adoption centers operated by the City: the Abe J. Tuggle Animal Shelter and Adoption Center at 600 Tower St. or the Pet Adoption Center at 813 Main St. in Downtown Garland. Animal lovers whose homes are full can sponsor a pet to be adopted. This program is effective for placing hard-to-adopt adult animals or larger breeds.

The Downtown Garland location is staffed partly by volunteers. Those 18 years or older may volunteer to help walk dogs, assist staff with adoptions, and help with other shelter activities. To volunteer, email PetVolunteer@GarlandTx.gov.

"Each year, nearly 10,000 dogs, cats and a few other species find themselves in the Garland Animal Shelter," said Animal Shelter Manager Uriel Villalpando. "Our

staff and community partners have worked hard toward placing every adoptable pet in a forever home. We've had several months this year where every adoptable animal was placed. But it's critical that pet owners spay and neuter their pets and make sure they're kept secure so we can reduce our unwanted pet population."

Among those partners is the local nonprofit group, Garland Pawsibilities, which promotes pet adoption, responsible pet ownership and other animal welfare initiatives. Pawsibilities hosts regular offsite adoption events and helps with day-to-day operations at the Pet Adoption Center. The organization also helps coordinate low-cost pet sterilization and vaccine clinics through the Pet Adoption Center.

Animal Services and Pawsibilities have teamed up to address the growing feral cat population in Garland. The program educates Garland residents on how to humanely trap feral cats to be sterilized and then returned to their original habitat.

For more information, visit GarlandAnimalServices.org.

To find out more about Garland Pawsibilities, visit GarlandPaws.org.



Working Together

Thanks to community volunteers and a massive response from rescue groups from all over the Metroplex, Garland Animal Services was able to place every adoptable animal for the past three months in a row.

May intake total – 873 animals

When the shelter was full, staff reached out to the Garland community and rescue groups for help. In a span of three days, 23 animals were rescued and 33 were adopted.

Trap-Neuter-Return Program

Statistics to Date:

- 272 feral cats sterilized
- 68 residents registered as colony managers

TNR informational workshops have been conducted once per month since the implementation of the program in October 2014.

For more information, visit GarlandAnimalServices.org.



2014

Water Quality Report

In 1996, Congress amended the Safe Drinking Water Act requiring community systems to provide customers with an annual report of the quality of their drinking water. We are proud to present our annual Water Quality Report. This report covers all testing completed between January 1 and December 31, 2014.

Garland Water Utilities is a municipal water distribution and wastewater collection utility owned by the City of Garland. It stores purchased water and delivers it to its customers on demand. Garland Water Utilities tests the water to ensure quality, maintains the infrastructure (pipes and pumps) required to deliver water, and removes, treats and tests wastewater prior to releasing it back into the water source or selling it.

An electronic copy of this report is available on our website at: www.GarlandWater.com

Español: Este informe incluye información importante sobre el agua potable. Si tiene preguntas o comentarios sobre este informe en español, favor de espaol, favor de llamar al tel. 972-205-3213 para hablar con una persona bilingue en español.

Where Does My Water Come From?

All of Garland's treated water is purchased from North Texas Municipal Water District (NTMWD), who pumps surface water from five sources: Lavon Lake, Jim Chapman Lake, Lake Tawakoni, Lake Texoma and the East Fork Raw Water Supply Project commonly known as the 'wetland.' Lavon Lake is currently its primary source of raw water. NTMWD conducts daily tests on both the raw water in Lavon Lake and the treated water they deliver to the City of Garland. The treated water is stored in eight ground storage tanks and three elevated storage tanks. Garland Water Utilities distribution and collection system also includes approximately 2,100 miles of pipelines. A centralized water control system and customer call center with on-call maintenance assures that safe, high quality water is available to our customers 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year.



What Could Be In My Water

To ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) prescribes regulations limiting the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water, which must provide the same protection for public health. Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of these contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk.

The sources of drinking water (both tap and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it can acquire naturally occurring minerals, in some cases, radioactive material and substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Substances that may be present in source water include: **Microbial Contaminants**, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations or wildlife; **Inorganic Contaminants**,

such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or may result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming; **Pesticides and Herbicides**, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff, and residential uses; **Organic Chemical Contaminants**, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, which may also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems; **Radioactive Contaminants**, which can be naturally occurring or may be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

Contaminants may be found in drinking water that may cause taste, color, or odor problems. These types of problems are not necessarily causes for health concerns. For more information on taste, color, or odor of drinking water, please contact our business office. For more information about contaminants and potential health effects, call the EPA's Safe Drinking Hotline at 800-426-4791.



Cryptosporidium in Water

Cryptosporidium is a protozoan that is so small it can be seen only with a microscope. It affects the digestive tract of humans and animals. At this time there is no specific drug therapy proven to be effective, but people with healthy immune systems will usually recover within two weeks. Symptoms of infection include nausea, diarrhea and abdominal cramps. However, immuno-compromised people are at greater risk of developing a life-threatening illness. We encourage immuno-compromised individuals to consult their doctor regarding appropriate precautions to take to avoid infection. Cryptosporidium must be ingested to cause disease, and it may be spread through means other than drinking water.

The NTMWD has tested the lake and treated water for the presence of cryptosporidium for several years and it was absent in all of the samples tested.

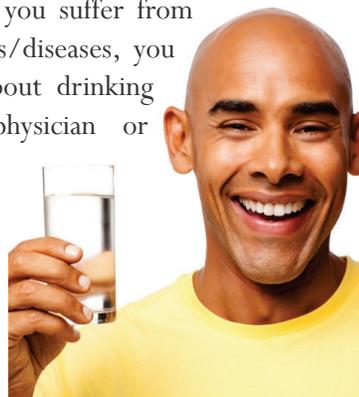
Lead in Water

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Garland Water Utilities is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing

your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at www.epa.gov/safewater/lead.

Important Health Information

You may be more vulnerable than the general population to certain microbial contaminants, such as cryptosporidium, in drinking water. Infants, some elderly or immuno-compromised persons such as those undergoing chemotherapy for cancer; those who have undergone organ transplants; those who are undergoing treatment with steroids; and people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders may be more vulnerable as well. If you suffer from one of these disorders/diseases, you should seek advice about drinking water from your physician or health care provider. Additional guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium are available from the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 800-426-4791.



Source Water Assessment

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) has completed a Source Water Susceptibility Report for all drinking water systems that own their sources. This report describes the susceptibility and types of contaminants that may come into contact with the drinking water source based on human activities and natural conditions. NTMWD received the assessment report. For information on how you may obtain a copy of this report, contact Bobby Jacobs at 972-205-3218.

Community Participation

Garland Water Utilities is part of the City government. The Garland City Council meets the first and third Tuesday of each month beginning at 7 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chamber, 200 North Fifth St. (Meetings are temporarily relocated to the Goldie Locke Room of the Duckworth Utility Services Building located at 217 N. Fifth Street.) Meetings are broadcast live on CGTV, the city government access channel on cable.

Garland City Council supports water conservation and encourages citizens to do their part in conserving this limited natural resource by using water wisely.

Conserving Water

Severe drought conditions and necessary water restrictions remind us just how precious water is and how much we tend to take it for granted. With less than 1% of the earth's fresh water source available, we need to learn to use water wisely. Water conservation is critical for meeting both local and the state's long-term water needs.

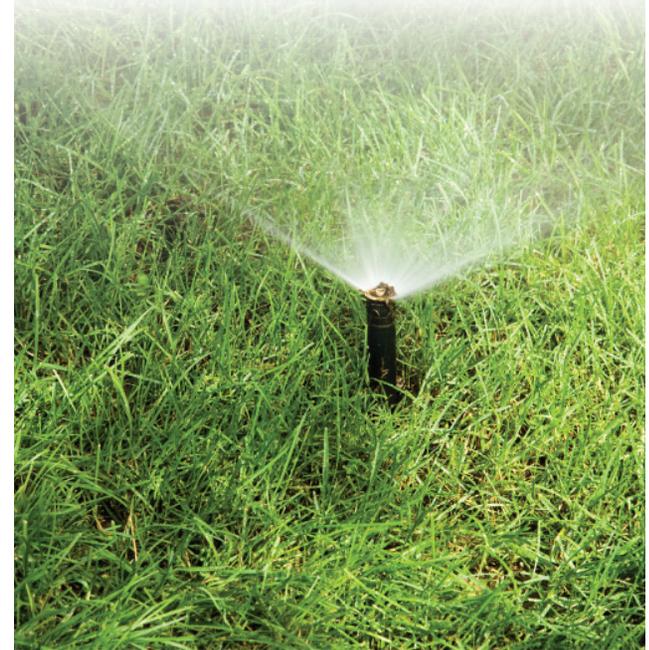
Sampling Results

Over the past year, several hundreds of water samples have been taken in order to determine the presence of any radioactive, biological, inorganic, volatile organic or synthetic organic contaminants. The results of this testing are displayed in the table on the next two pages. The state allows the City to monitor for certain substances less than once per year because the concentrations of those substances do not change frequently. In these cases, the most recent sample data are included, along with the year in which it was taken. This report includes a list of all substances whose range of levels were greater than zero. For a complete list of tested substances, go to www.GarlandWater.com.

Lawn Watering

Many homes and businesses in Garland are equipped with automatic sprinkler systems that can account for over 50% of water use during the summer months. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) estimates that approximately 40% of outdoor water use is wasted due to the overwatering of lawns. Establishing a lawn watering schedule is effective in reducing water waste.

Your lawn watering schedule may change throughout the year based on weather patterns, the presence of drought conditions or limited water supplies. To find out what your current watering schedule is visit www.GarlandWater.com.



Coliform Bacteria

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal	Total Coliform Maximum Contaminant Level	Highest No. of Positive	Fecal Coliform or E. Coli Maximum Contaminant Level	Total No. of Positive E. Coli or Fecal Coliform Samples	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
0	5% Positive Samples	1.2	0	0	No	Naturally present in the environment.

NOTE: Reported monthly tests found no fecal coliform bacteria. Coliforms are bacteria that are naturally present in the environment and are used as an indicator that other, potentially harmful, bacteria may be present. Maximum level of 5% total Coliform

Regulated Contaminants

Disinfectants and Disinfection By-Products	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Total Haloacetic Acids (HAA5)	2014	17	10.5 - 30.8	No goal for the total	60	ppb	No	By-product of drinking water chlorination
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHm)	2014	43	29.14 - 150.20	No goal for the total	80	ppb	No	By-product of drinking water chlorination
Bromate	2014	ND	ND	5	10	ppb	No	By-product of drinking water ozonation

NOTE: Not all sample results may have been used for calculating the Highest Level Detected because some results may be part of an evaluation to determine where compliance sampling should occur in the future.

Inorganic Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Arsenic	2014	0.74	0.00 - 0.74	0	10	ppb	No	Erosion of natural deposits; runoff from orchards; runoff from glass and electronics production wastes.
Barium	2014	0.0425	.0413 - .0425	2	2	ppm	No	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits.
Fluoride	2014	0.81	0.80 - 0.81	4	4	ppm	No	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
Nitrate (measured as Nitrogen)	2014	1	1.13 - 1.16	10	10	ppm	No	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks; sewage; erosion of natural deposits.

Nitrate Advisory: Nitrate in drinking water at levels above 10 ppm is a health risk for infants of less than six months of age. High nitrate levels in drinking water can cause blue baby syndrome. Nitrate levels may rise quickly for short periods of time because of rainfall or agricultural activity. If you are caring for an infant you should ask advice from your health care provider.

Radioactive Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Beta/photon emitters	4/29/2010	4.4	4.4 - 4.4	0	50	pCi/L	No	Decay of natural and man-made deposits.

Synthetic organic contaminants including pesticides and herbicides	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Atrazine	2014	0.29	0.25 - 0.29	3	3	ppb	No	Runoff from herbicide used on row crops.
Di (2-ethylhexyl) adipate	2014	Lower than detection level	0.00 - 0.00	400	400	ppb	No	Discharge from chemical factories.
Simazine	2014	0.16	0.13 - 0.16	4	4	ppb	No	Herbicide runoff.

Turbidity

	Limit (Treatment Technique)	Level Detected	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Highest single measurement	1 NTU	0.82 NTU	No	Soil runoff.
Lowest monthly percentage (%) meeting limit	0.3 NTU	95.60%	No	Soil runoff.

NOTE: Turbidity has no health effects. However, turbidity can interfere with disinfection and provide a medium for microbial growth. Turbidity may indicate the presence of disease-causing organisms. These organisms include bacteria, viruses, and parasites that can cause symptoms such as nausea, cramps, diarrhea, and associated headaches.

Water Loss

Effective 2014, the State of Texas requires retail public utilities to report its annual water loss to its customers. Water loss is usually the result of line leaks, water main breaks, line flushes and inaccurate meters. In 2014, Garland Water Utilities reported a water loss of 3.53% to the Texas Water Development Board.

Table Definitions

AL (Action Level) The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

MCL (Maximum Contaminant Level) The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

MCLG (Maximum Contaminant Level Goal) The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

MRDL (Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level) The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

MRDLG (Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal) The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk

to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

ND (Not Detected) Indicated that the substance was not found by laboratory analysis.

NTU (Nephelometric Turbidity Units) Measurement of the clarity or turbidity of water. Turbidity in excess of 5 NTU is just noticeable to the average person.

TT (Treatment Technique) A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

PPM (Parts Per Million) One part substance per million parts water or milligrams per liter - mg/L

PPB (Parts Per Billion) One part substance per billion parts water or micrograms per liter - ug/L

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level

Disinfectant Type	Year	Average Level	Minimum Level	Maximum Level	MRDL	MRDLG	Units	Source of Chemical
Chlorine Residual (Chloramines)	2014	4.17	0.2	4.8	4.0	<4.0	ppm	Disinfectant used to control microbes.
Chlorine Dioxide	2014	<0.10	0	0.51	0.8	0.8	ppm	Disinfectant.
Chlorite	2014	0.5	0	0.51	1.0	N/A	ppm	Disinfectant.
Violation Type	Began	Ended						
Disinfectant Level Quarterly Report (DLQOR)	7/1/2014	9/30/2014						

Violation Explanation: The City of Garland violated the reporting requirements set by TCEQ by not submitting their third quarter DLQOR report in a timely manner. TCEQ did not receive the City of Garland's report prior to the established deadline.

Total Organic Carbon

	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	Units	Likely Source of Contamination
Source Water	2014	5.99	4.63 - 5.99	ppm	Naturally present in the environment.
Drinking Water	2014	5.02	3.44 - 5.02	ppm	Naturally present in the environment.
Removal Ratio	2014	39.0%	10.5% - 39.0%	% removal *	N/A

NOTE: Total organic carbon (TOC) has no health effects. The disinfectant can combine with TOC to form disinfection by-products. Disinfection is necessary to ensure that water does not have unacceptable levels of pathogens, include trihalomethanes (THMs) and haloacetic acids (HAA) which are reported elsewhere in this report. **Removal ratio is the percent of TOC removed by the treatment process divided by the percent of TOC required by TCEQ to be removed.**

Lead and Copper

Contaminants	Collection Date	Number of Sites Over AL	90th Percentile	MCLG	MCL	Units	Likely Source of Contamination	Violation
Copper	2013	0	0.454	1.3	1.3	ppm	By-product of drinking water disinfection.	N
Lead	2013	0	1.12	0	15	ppb	Corrosion of customer plumbing	N

ADDITIONAL HEALTH INFORMATION FOR LEAD: If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. The NTMWD is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

Unregulated Contaminants

Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	Units	Likely Source of Contamination
Chloroform	2014	15.78	6.62 - 118.9	ppb	By-product of drinking water disinfection.
Bromoform	2014	5.23	1.4 - 23.5	ppb	By-product of drinking water disinfection.
Bromodichloromethane	2014	17.79	5.7 - 30.9	ppb	By-product of drinking water disinfection.
Dibromochloromethane	2014	11.56	7.3 - 19.1	ppb	By-product of drinking water disinfection.

NOTE: Bromoform, chloroform, dichlorobromomethane, and dibromochloromethane are disinfection by-products. There is no maximum contaminant level for these chemicals at the entry point to distribution.

N-nitrosodimethylamine (NDMA)	2009	0.0023	0 - 0.0023	ppb	By-product of manufacturing process.
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NOTE: Unregulated contaminants are those for which EPA has not established drinking water standards. The purpose of unregulated contaminant monitoring is to assist EPA in determining the occurrence of unregulated contaminants in drinking water and whether future regulation is warranted. Any unregulated contaminants detected are reported in this report. For additional information and data visit <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/ucmr/ucmr2/index.html>, or call the Safe Water Hotline at 800-426-4791.

Secondary and Other Constituents Not Regulated (No associated adverse health effects)

Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	Units	Likely Source of Contamination
Bicarbonate	2014	92.3	90.9 - 92.3	ppm	Corrosion of carbonate rocks such as limestone.
Calcium	2014	54.4	52.5 - 54.4	ppm	Abundant naturally occurring element.
Chloride	2014	44.8	44.6 - 44.8	ppm	Abundant naturally occurring element; used in water purification; by-product of oil field activity.
Hardness as Ca/Mg	2014	86	60 - 86	ppm	Naturally occurring calcium and magnesium.
Iron	2014	0.21	0.00 - 0.21	ppm	Erosion of natural deposits; iron or steel water delivery equipment or facilities.
Magnesium	2014	4.55	4.38 - 4.55	ppm	Abundant naturally occurring element.
Manganese	2014	0.0011	0.0008 - 0.0011	ppm	Abundant naturally occurring element.
Nickel	2014	0.0039	0.0038 - 0.0039	ppm	Erosion of natural deposits.
pH	2014	9.4	7.2 - 9.4	units	Measure of corrosivity of water.
Sodium	2014	60.1	58.6 - 60.1	ppm	Erosion of natural deposits; by-product of oil field activity.
Sulfate	2014	107	105 - 107	ppm	Naturally occurring; common industrial by-product; by-product of oil field activity.
Total Alkalinity as CaCO3	2014	108	54 - 108	ppm	Naturally occurring soluble mineral salts.
Total Dissolved Solids	2014	494	344 - 494	ppm	Total dissolved mineral constituents in water.
Total Hardness as CaCO3	2014	215	150 - 215	ppm	Naturally occurring calcium.
Zinc	2014	0.01	0.00 - 0.01	ppm	Moderately abundant naturally occurring element used in the metal industry.

Unregulated Contaminants

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BEWARE OF SCAMS!

Utility customers nationwide continue to report bill payment scams, especially those that target the elderly, non-English speakers and businesses.

The scammers usually threaten to disconnect the customer's utility service within the hour if immediate payment is not made with a Green Dot MoneyPak card. They advise the

customer to purchase these or other prepaid cards at a local store, then call back to provide the card number. Scammers may also offer to pick up a cash payment. Also, be aware of "spoofing" software, which is used to deceptively display a utility's name and phone number on Caller ID.

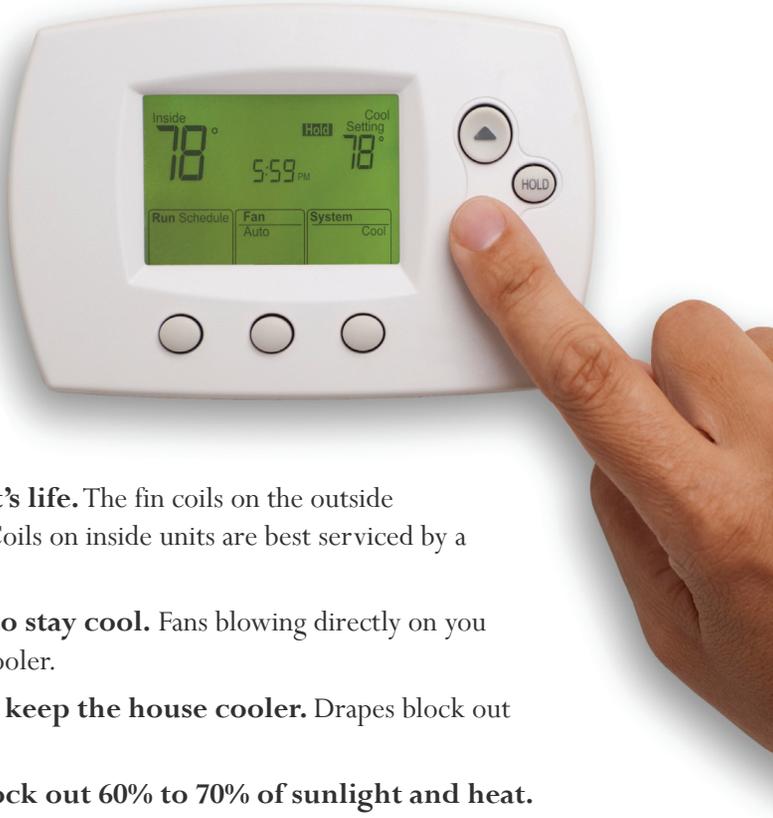
Know the signs of a scam and how to avoid being a victim:

- **Be suspicious of anyone asking for immediate payment over the phone or payment by prepaid debit card.** The City of Garland will never call you to demand immediate bill payment over the phone or request a specific payment method. Payment, by any method, is always initiated by the customer. For a list of approved payment options, visit GarlandUtilities.org. Be especially wary of calls asking for payment after the City's working hours of 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.
- **Never provide personal or financial information to people who call or email you.** If you did not initiate the conversation, do not give out information such as Social Security numbers, credit or debit card numbers, or bank account or routing numbers. Please note that if you contact us, you will be asked specific questions to identify yourself.
- **Do not let anyone into your home without an appointment or prior notification.** City of Garland utility employees will never ask to enter your home or come to your home to collect payment.

If you have any concerns about your utility account or utility scams, call 972-205-2671 or visit 217 N. Fifth St. If you believe you have been the victim of a scam, report the incident to Garland Police at 972-485-4840.

Summer Energy Saving Tips

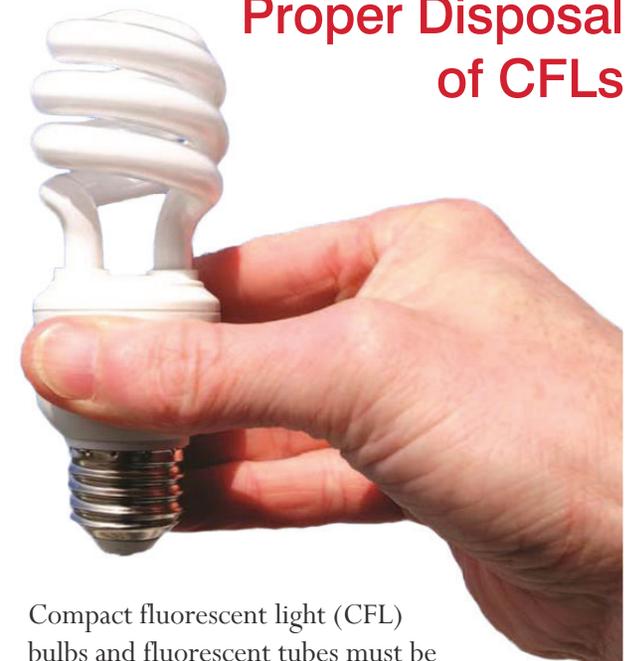
- **Set the thermostat to 78° or higher in the summer.** Each degree cooler can increase energy use by 6% to 8%. For example, setting the thermostat at 72° could increase energy use by up to 40%.
- **Clean or replace filters at least once a month.** Dirty filters will make the system work harder and run longer than necessary.
- **Keep the A/C's condenser/evaporator coils clean to reduce energy usage and extend the unit's life.** The fin coils on the outside A/C unit can be washed with a hose. Coils on inside units are best serviced by a trained technician.
- **Fans are an energy efficient way to stay cool.** Fans blowing directly on you can make temperatures feel up to 4° cooler.
- **Keep blinds and drapes closed to keep the house cooler.** Drapes block out sunlight and heat better than blinds.
- **Solar screens on windows can block out 60% to 70% of sunlight and heat.**



For more energy conservation tips, visit www.gpltexas.org/utilconstips.html.

Resident Reminder:

Proper Disposal of CFLs



Compact fluorescent light (CFL) bulbs and fluorescent tubes must be disposed of properly due to the small amount of mercury contained in them.

Residents can take used fluorescent light bulbs to any Lowe's or The Home Depot stores, or to the Dallas County Home Chemical Collection Center at 11234 Plano Road in Dallas for proper disposal.

Streetlight Repairs

To report a streetlight that is out or damaged, contact Garland Power & Light at:

972-205-3483
info@gpltexas.org

Be sure to provide the following details:

- Exact location of the light or a pole number
- Name
- Address
- Daytime telephone number



Firewheel Golf Park

Your Ideal Tournament Location

Firewheel Golf Park is a premium tournament location offering customizable packages to meet your tournament needs and budget. As one of the largest golf complexes in Texas, Firewheel has three-and-a-half courses (63 holes of golf) available for tournament play. Dates are available year-round, seven days a week.

Featuring the Bridges, Old and Lakes courses, Firewheel hosts more than 100 tournaments every year for businesses, nonprofit organizations, churches, schools, social clubs and family reunions.

“Whether you’re planning a major corporate outing, fundraiser or an intimate gathering with friends, Firewheel’s experienced and professional tournament specialists will make your event memorable,” Director of Events & Marketing Teresa Boardman said.

Services and amenities include:

- Carts
- Range balls
- Bag handling
- Personalized cart signs and score cards
- Professional scoring
- Full catering (available) or outside catering (allowed)
- Jerry Andrews Pavilion (accommodates up to 500)

Each of Firewheel’s courses offers scenic views and well maintained greens and fairways. No matter what your skill level Firewheel has a course for you.

“The Old Course is very family friendly and The Lakes Course is what we consider to be a championship course, The Bridges course offers our most pristine playing conditions,” said Director of Golf Don Kennedy. The Bridges Course was named the No. 2 mid-priced public golf course by Avid Golfer in 2014.

Located in Garland off President George Bush Turnpike (State Highway 190), Firewheel is easily accessible to golfers from around Dallas/Fort Worth.

Book in advance to reserve your preferred tournament date. Special pricing is available for off-peak months (July-August, November-February).

For more information or to book a tournament, contact Teresa Boardman at 972-205-3917 or teresa@GolfFirewheel.com.



FIREWHEEL GOLF PARK



Vaccination Reminder

Help protect your children’s health by ensuring they are up-to-date on vaccinations. Most schools require children to be current on vaccinations before enrolling to protect the health of all students. Today’s childhood vaccines protect against serious and potentially life-threatening diseases, including polio, measles, whooping cough and chickenpox.

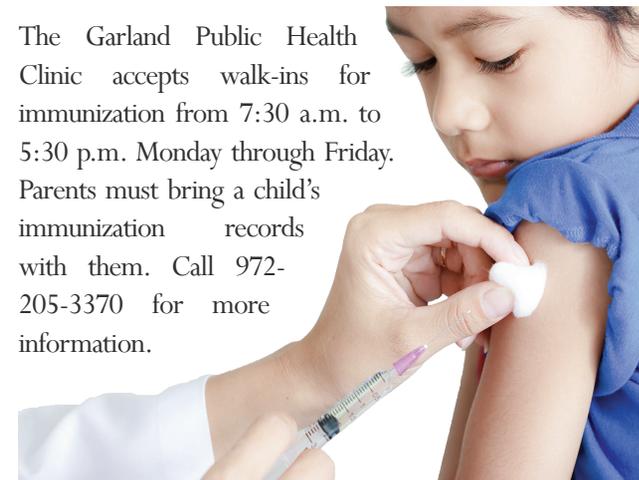
When children are not vaccinated, they are at increased risk of disease and can spread diseases to others in their classrooms and community—including babies who are too young to be fully vaccinated and people with weakened immune systems due to cancer and other health conditions.

School-age children need different vaccines at different ages. Kids ages 4-6 are due for boosters of four vaccines: DTaP (diphtheria, tetanus, and pertussis), chickenpox, MMR (measles, mumps, and rubella), and polio. Older children, such as pre-teens and teens, need Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis), HPV (human papillomavirus), and MCV (meningococcal conjugate) vaccines. College students also need to make sure they have had a meningitis vaccination before enrolling for classes.

Many children in Garland are eligible for free or low-cost vaccinations through the Texas Vaccines for Children Program (TVFC). The program is funded with federal and state money to provide vaccines to eligible children from birth through 18 years of age. Children who do not have health insurance or who have health insurance that does not cover vaccines qualify for TVFC vaccines, as well as children who are enrolled in Medicaid or the Children’s Health Insurance Program (CHIP).

The Garland Public Health Clinic, at 206 Carver Drive, provides low-cost immunizations for infants and children through age 18, as well as immunizations for adults of all ages. Immunizations are given by registered nurses who have specialized training and experience in the safe administration of vaccines.

The Garland Public Health Clinic accepts walk-ins for immunization from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Parents must bring a child’s immunization records with them. Call 972-205-3370 for more information.



William E. Dollar: 44 Years of Dedicated Service

Colleagues, friends and family gathered on May 27 to celebrate Bill Dollar's service to the City of Garland.

The retirement celebration included stories and congratulations from current and former mayors, senior management staff, fellow city managers past and present, and even his favorite haberdasher, Ken Helfman. Mayor Douglas Athas declared May 27, 2015, as Bill Dollar Day in Garland.

Deputy City Manager Martin Glenn was privileged to reveal that the Garland City Council intends to name the renovated city hall in Bill's honor. When the city hall renovation is complete, the building will be called the William E. Dollar Municipal Building.

To view a video recap of Bill's retirement celebration, visit GarlandTX.gov, click on the "CGTV Videos" button and select the "Specialty" tab.



Members of the City's management team and community leaders perform a grand finale in their salute to Bill Dollar.



Bill Dollar celebrates his retirement with wife, Tandy, and children, Ashley, Kevin and Stephen.

CITY OF GARLAND, TEXAS Garland Power and Light

Balance Sheet September 30, 2014 With comparative totals for year ended September 30, 2013 (Unaudited)

	September 30,			September 30,	
	2014	2013		2014	2013
ASSETS					
Current Assets:					
Cash and investments	\$ 62,639,502	47,766,293	Current Liabilities:		
Inventories	4,401,280	6,150,086	From current assets		
Receivables and others	53,280,307	63,016,100	Payables	\$ 36,227,360	31,890,618
Total current assets	120,321,089	116,932,479	Long Term Liabilities:		
Restricted Assets:					
Cash and investments	191,054,273	199,820,376	From restricted assets		
Accrued interest receivable	224,642	235,683	Accounts payable	664,375	14,554,587
Total restricted assets	191,278,915	200,056,059	Retainage payable	4,489	-
Property, plant, and equipment -					
net of accumulated depreciation					
	368,135,043	344,508,315	Total payables from restricted assets	668,864	14,554,587
Other Assets					
	112,291,975	121,417,431	Bonds payable and Other	361,183,248	342,461,681
Total Liabilities, Contributed					
Total Assets	\$ 792,027,022	782,914,284	Total long term liabilities	361,852,112	357,016,268
EQUITY					
Retained earnings:					
Invested in capital assets, net of debt					
	136,554,246	209,648,278	Restricted	176,205,606	175,112,661
Restricted					
	176,205,606	175,112,661	Unrestricted	81,187,698	9,246,459
Unrestricted					
	81,187,698	9,246,459	Total retained earnings	393,947,550	394,007,398
Total Liabilities, Contributed					
	112,291,975	121,417,431	Capital, and Retained Earnings	\$ 792,027,022	782,914,284
Capital, and Retained Earnings					
	\$ 792,027,022	782,914,284			

Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Retained Earnings Year Ended September 30, 2014 With comparative totals for year ended September 30, 2013 (Unaudited)

	September 30,	
	2014	2013
Operating revenues:		
Charges for service	\$ 376,657,906	296,866,570
Other	725,327	891,631
Total operating revenues	377,383,233	297,758,201
Operating expenses before depreciation:		
Fuel purchases/Demand Charges	263,965,584	192,990,574
Operating expenses	36,867,484	36,759,798
General and administrative	12,121,668	11,421,559
Total operating expenses before depreciation	312,954,736	241,171,931
Operating income before depreciation	64,428,497	56,586,270
Depreciation and Amortization expense	19,964,652	18,931,074
Operating Income	44,463,845	37,655,196
Nonoperating revenues (expenses):		
Return on investment	(19,451,298)	(19,451,298)
Earnings on investments	1,238,380	(30,072)
Interest expense	(10,496,543)	(10,249,362)
Other	(3,338,529)	(1,076,570)
Net transfers	(9,531,003)	(966,304)
Net nonoperating revenue (expense)	(41,578,993)	(31,773,606)
Net Income	2,884,852	5,881,590
Retained earnings at beginning of year	394,007,398	388,125,808
Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	(2,944,700)	-
Retained earnings at end of year	\$ 393,947,550	394,007,398

Audited financial statements providing greater detail can be obtained from the City of Garland Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2014. The CAFR report is located on the City of Garland website at www.garlandtx.gov/gov/eg/finance/comfinanreport.asp

GP&L maintained the 1 cent reduction of the RAF (Recovery Adjustment Factor) component of the rate for electric service. On June 1, 2010, GP&L reduced the RAF by 1 cent. This reduction was initially scheduled to end October 31, 2010; however, because of sustained lower energy costs through continued substantive cost reducing measures implemented by GP&L, as well as an increase in its wholesale energy service activities, GP&L maintained the rate reduction through fiscal year 2014 and will maintain the reduction through at least September 30, 2015.

Library

Programs & Events

All Libraries will be closed Friday and Saturday, July 3 and 4, in observance of Independence Day.

Children/Youth Programs

Summer Storytimes | through Aug. 1

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.



Art Explorers, 2:30 p.m., Walnut Creek Branch

Children ages 6-12 will learn about different types of art then create their own masterpieces. Registration is required to attend each Art Explorer program and is limited to 24 participants. Registration is available by phone or in person beginning two weeks prior to each event. Call 972-205-2585.

- July 11, Abstract Art
- Aug. 1, Optical Illusion Art

Tween Scene • A program designed for ages 10-13 that consists of book discussions and activities related to fun and interesting themes. The program takes place twice a month at various library locations on Thursday afternoons and evenings.

July: A Stitch in Time, featuring the Garland Quilt Guild

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

Block Party in the Library • Designed to help children ages 4-12 test their building skills and stretch their imaginations. Occurs in August at the following times and locations:

- 2:30 p.m. Aug. 8, South Garland Branch
- 6:30 p.m. Aug. 11, Walnut Creek Branch
- 6:30 p.m. Aug. 20, Central Library
- 6:30 p.m. Aug. 27, North Garland Branch

All events are free. Ages 6 and younger must be accompanied by an adult. Supplies will be provided. Call 972-205-2516.

Afternoon "Bored" Game Club, 1 to 3 p.m. July 7 and 21, Central Library • Youth ages 6-12 are invited to play various types of board games.

Family Movie Times • Bring a blanket and enjoy a free movie with the family. Doors will open 15 minutes prior, and seating will be limited. No registration required and all ages are welcome. Call 972-205-2516.

- 2:30 p.m. July 1, *Annie*, North Garland Branch
- 2 p.m. July 31, *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone*, Central Library

Teen Programs

Teen and Tween Game Time, 2:30 p.m. July 24, North Garland Branch • Play video games, board games and more. Must be 10-17 years old to attend.

Adult Programs

Jaws Film Screening, 2 p.m. July 11, Central Library • Celebrate Shark Week and the 40th anniversary of Stephen Spielberg's *Jaws* with a free screening of the film. The film is rated PG, but the event is recommended for teens and adults. Children younger than 13 must be accompanied by an adult. Attendees will be entered into a raffle to win *Jaws* memorabilia. Doors open 15 minutes prior to the event. Seating is limited. No registration required. Popcorn and water will be available.

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

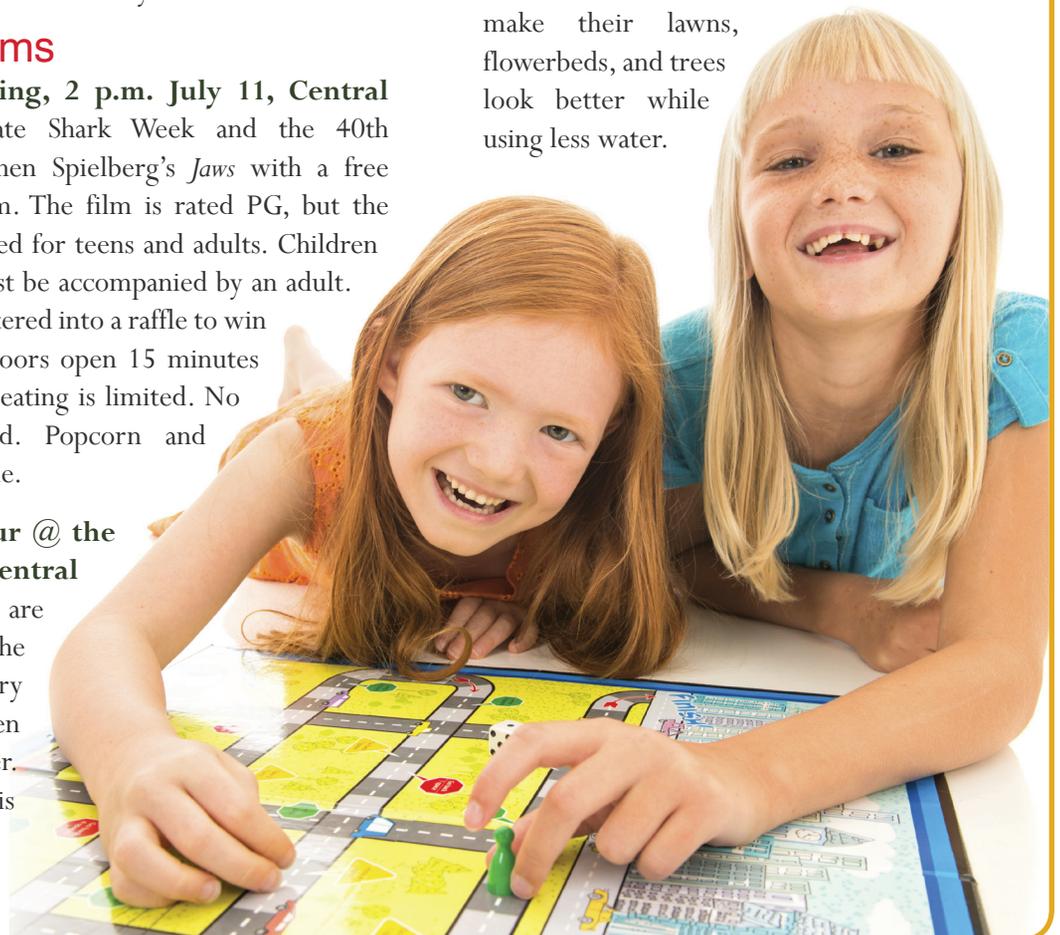
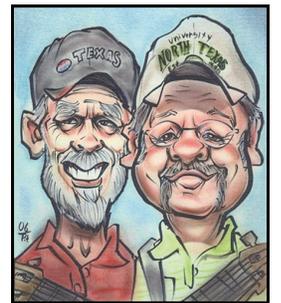
Events are sponsored by the Friends of the Library and are free and open to ages 55 and older. No registration is required. Call 972-205-2502.

- July 23, Sheran Keyton and DVA Productions • Artist Sheran Keyton and an ensemble cast will present scenes from a variety of original musical productions including *It's a Man's World*, *Simply Etta*, *Soul of Sam* and *I'm Every Woman*.
- Aug. 27, DFW Brass • DFW Brass was formed in 2014 and consists of classically-trained musicians who have performed all over the world.

Adult Special Events

Sponsored by the Friends of the Library, all events are free and open to the public. Call 972-205-2502 for details.

- 2 p.m. July 18, The Carpenter Brothers • This acoustic duet plays music from a range of genres such as country, folk, and classic rock. The Carpenter Brothers also perform songs from several decades, including the 1960s, 70s, and 80s.
- 7 p.m. July 30, Master Gardener Brad Sandy • Brad Sandy will present Five Tips for Homeowners, a presentation that focuses on lawn care. Attendees will learn how to make their lawns, flowerbeds, and trees look better while using less water.



Summer Reading Program First Friday Flicks

Summer Reading and Fun for Kids • Children—infants through age 11, and teens ages 12-17—are encouraged to participate. Participants may pick up the first of four reading logs at any Garland Library Children's Desk. Once participants have read for at least 20 minutes a day for seven days, they can exchange their logs for age-appropriate prizes and additional reading logs. The last day to get a log is July 25, and the final day to redeem prizes is Aug. 1.

Special Performers for Children and Families

2:30 p.m. on Mondays, Central Library

- July 6, Perot Museum of Science and Nature
- July 13, Dallas Zoo Animal Show
- July 20, Percussionist Mark Shelton
- July 27, Yo-Yo Champion Valerie Oliver

2:30 p.m. on Wednesdays, South Garland Library

- July 8, Perot Museum of Nature and Science
- July 15, Critterman Animal Show
- July 22, Entertainer Todd McKinney
- July 29, Yo-Yo Champion Valerie Oliver

2:30 p.m. on Thursdays, Walnut Creek Library

- July 9, Perot Museum of Science and Nature
- July 16, Dallas Zoo Animal Show
- July 23, Percussionist Mark Shelton
- July 30, Yo-Yo Champion Valerie Oliver

2:30 p.m. on Saturdays, North Garland Library

- July 11, Perot Museum of Science and Nature
- July 18, Magician Greg Ka-Zam!
- July 25, Dallas Zoo Animal Show
- Aug. 1, Yo-Yo Champion Valerie Oliver

Summer Reading Program for Adults • Join in the summer reading fun! Adults ages 18 and older may pick up reading coupons at the Adult Services Desks of any Garland library, and fill out a reading coupon for each book read through Aug. 1. Adults may read or listen to any young adult or adult book, e-book, or audio book of their choice. Magazines and newspapers cannot be counted. Reading coupons will be entered into a drawing for prizes. Participants may turn in up to a total of 57 coupons (equivalent to one book per day) during the program. Reading coupons are due Aug. 1.

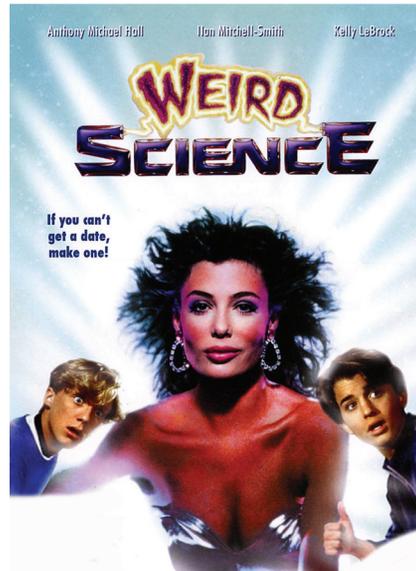


The City of Garland will host free outdoor movies at Heritage Crossing at Sixth and Walnut streets in Downtown Garland every sundown on the first Friday of the month from June to October. Bring picnic blankets and snacks and enjoy a wonderful night with classic films from the 80s and 90s. For more information, call 972-205-2790.

July 3 - *Weird Science*

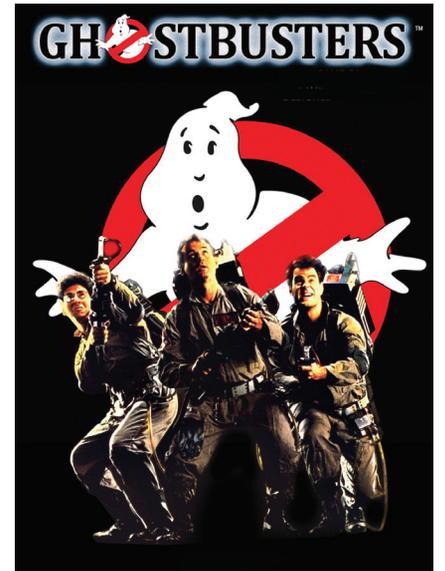
It's all in the name of science. *Weird Science*.

Two high school nerds attempt to create the perfect woman, but she turns out to be more than that. If you can't get a date, make one! Don't miss this 80s classic starring Anthony Michael Hall, Ilan Mitchell-Smith and Kelly LeBrock.



Aug. 7 - *Ghostbusters*

They ain't afraid of no ghost; they're just here to save the world. Join Bill Murray, Dan Aykroyd and Harold Ramis as three unemployed parapsychology professors who set up shop as a unique ghost removal service. Let's get slimed one more time!





**Garland
LaborDay
Exchange
Event**

Labor Day Parade

SEPTEMBER 7, 2015

Begins at 9 a.m.

The parade will utilize the downtown parade route. Visit GarlandLaborDayEvent.com for route information and parade entry information.

Following the parade, gather at the historic Downtown Garland Square for live entertainment, bounce houses, pony rides and a classic car show.

GarlandLaborDayEvent.com

Performing Arts

Shows & Events

At the Granville Arts Center, 300 N. Fifth St.

Pranava School of Music's Anniversary Celebration | 4 p.m., Aug. 29 • The Sixth Anniversary Grand Celebration for the Pranava School of Music features performances of Carnatic classical vocal music. Compositions by various composers are presented with violin and percussion accompaniment. This event is free and open to the public. For more information, contact Santhi Mahadevan at divinecarnatic@gmail.com.

At the Plaza Theatre, 521 W. State St.

Peter Pan | July 7 & 8 • Breiting Youth Theater will perform the J.M. Barrie classic about the flying boy from Never Land who doesn't want to grow up. Tickets are available at ActingForChildren.org.

High School Musical, Jr. | 7:30 p.m. July 10; 2 p.m. & 7:30 p.m. July 11 Actors Anonymous will present its 10th summer camp musical, Disney's *High School Musical, Jr.* Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$8 for children and seniors. Make reservations at TheDramaQueens.com. Special group prices available for the Saturday matinee.

Dr. Dolittle, Jr. by CORP Aug. 1 & 2 • This musical tells the tale of a wacky but kind doctor who can talk to animals, taking the audience on a journey from a small, English village to the far corners of the world. Purchase tickets at GarlandArtsBoxOffice.com or call 972-205-2790.

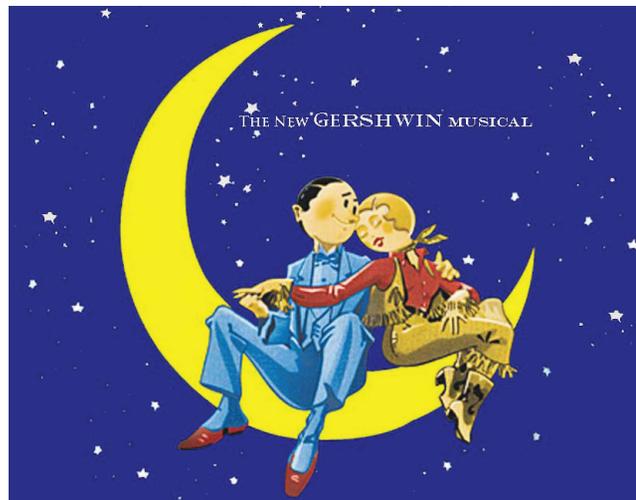
Grease Sing-A-Long | 7 p.m., Aug. 20 Good girl Sandy and greaser Danny fell in love over the summer. When they unexpectedly discover they're in the same high school, will they be able to rekindle their romance? Free and open to the public. No tickets are required for entry.



Garland Summer Musicals

Crazy for You

July 17, 18, 24 & 25 at 8 p.m.; and July 19 & 26 at 2:30 p.m. • *Crazy for You* is a high energy comedy with mistaken identity, plot twists, fabulous dance numbers and classic George Gershwin music with lyrics by Ira Gershwin. Tickets are \$24-30.

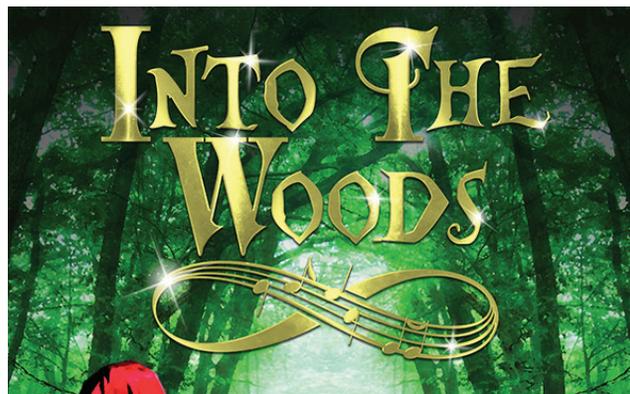


Performances are held at the Granville Arts Center - Brownlee Auditorium, 300 N. Fifth St. For tickets, call 972-205-2790 or visit GarlandArtsBoxOffice.com.

Garland Civic Theatre

Into the Woods

July 23-Aug. 15 • The Brothers Grimm hit the stage with an epic fairytale about wishes, family and the choices we make. The production will run Fridays and Saturdays, July 24-Aug. 15 at 8 p.m. with Sunday performances on July 26 and Aug. 2 at 2:30 p.m., and a Thursday performance on July 23 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets go on sale July 1, and cost \$22-\$27 with group rates available.



Performances are held at the Granville Arts Center - Small Theatre, 300 N. Fifth St. For tickets, call 972-205-2790 or visit GarlandArtsBoxOffice.com.

Art Exhibits

Broadway Art Exhibit | Through July 13

Local artist Mark Mullino presents works inspired by Broadway hits, including multiple acrylic paintings based on *West Side Story* and other beloved musicals performed at the Granville Arts Center. A trained musician and pianist, Mullino incorporates the music of his life with visions of his thoughts to create his unique artistic style. The Granville Arts Center Gallery Space is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday-Friday and during performances. Admission is free and open to the public. Visit MarkMullinoStudios.com on Facebook.

Dallas Modern Quilt Guild Exhibit

July 16-Aug. 30 • The Dallas Modern Quilt Guild (DMQG) will present quilts crafted by its members. The DMQG is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to promote the art of modern quilting in Dallas. Quilts will be on display in the Granville Arts Center Gallery Space from July 16-Aug. 30, Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., as well as during performances. Admission is free and open to the public.

Exhibits are on display in the gallery space at the Granville Arts Center, 300 N. Fifth St. Viewing hours are from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, and during all night and weekend performances.

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April - September
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Please join us in July for these free activities as we celebrate 30 years of Parks & Recreation Month with the National Recreation and Parks Association. For details and more please visit GarlandParks.com.

Back to the Future Movie Event | Noon, Friday, July 3 at the Plaza Theatre

Celebrate 30 years of National Park and Recreation Month by going back to 1985 where it all started. The Parks & Recreation Department will kick off the month's activities with the 80s movie classic *Back to the Future* at 2 p.m. Admission is free and open to the public. In-N-Out Burger will provide free lunch starting at noon outside the Plaza Theatre. Visit GarlandParks.com for more information.

80s Aerobicize Awesomeness | 9 a.m. Saturday, July 11 at Audubon Recreation Center

Nothing's gonna stop us now because we got the beat to an awesome aerobics class. Sweat to the hits of the 80s with Garland's totally rad fitness instructor Julie McGinnis-Grindele. Dress up in your favorite 80s workout apparel: neon, spandex, and high tops are all welcome. Free giveaways to complement your 80s attire! Visit Garlandparks.com for details.

Facebook Caption It Contest | July 13-17

Help us "caption it" on the Garland Parks & Recreation Facebook page as we post fun, throw-back images. This contest is in its third year, and has garnered popularity among our Facebook fans. Check out our Facebook page to see what else is going on this summer.

Surf and Swim's Birthday Celebration

July 28-30 at Surf and Swim
10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

- **July 28** – In-N-Out Burger's Cookout Trailer will serve lunch with paid park admission from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- **July 29** – Free Surf and Swim birthday gifts to the first 100 guests with paid park admission.
- **July 30** – Join us for a Surfin' Safari and meet reptiles and amphibians from the Dallas Zoo's Animal Adventure Outreach Program during two presentations. This is valid with regular park admission.



Archery | July 1-29

Wednesdays, 2 to 3 p.m., ages 8-14, \$22 per person, Hollabaugh Recreation Center, 3925 W. Walnut St. Learn to shoot a competition style compound bow. Focus on basic skills, technique and safety. Call 972-205-2721 or email hsrc@GarlandTx.gov.

Line Dancing | July 2-30

Tuesdays & Thursdays, 7:30 to 8:30 p.m., ages 14 and up, \$24 per person, Bradfield Recreation Center, 1146 Castle Dr. Receive step by step instructions for the steps, motions, and rhythms of a variety of line dance styles set to great music. Call 972-205-2770 or email brc@GarlandTx.gov.

T-Ball | July 2-30

Thursdays, 4 to 4:40 p.m., ages 3 to 6, \$27 per person, Fields Recreation Center, 1701 Dairy Road. Various techniques and drills teach the fundamentals of hitting, catching, and throwing. Call 972-205-3090 or email frc@GarlandTx.gov.

Mad Science Camp | July 13-17

Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. to noon, ages 6-10, prices vary, Holford Recreation Center, 2314 Homestead Place. Rocket Ride to Space will feature activities including building a rocket and plane while experimenting with different kinds of propulsion systems. Call 972-205-2772 or email hrc@GarlandTx.gov.

Duck Creek Adventure Camp | July 13-Aug. 7

Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., ages 9-14, \$75 per person per week, Audubon Recreation Center 342 W. Oates Road. Discover and participate in local group adventures. Try repelling, archery, rock climbing, disc golf, and more. Call 972-205-3991 or email arc@GarlandTx.gov.

Boxing for Kids Camp | Aug. 10-12

Monday-Wednesday, 10 to 11 a.m., ages 6 and up, \$60 per person, Granger Recreation Center, 1310 W. Avenue F. Work on proper stance, movement, and explosive techniques from a certified coach. Call 972-205-2771 or email grc@GarlandTx.gov.



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Holiday Closings

City Offices – Closed July 3
(including Utility Customer Service)

Libraries – Closed July 3 & 4

Recreation Centers – Closed July 4

Senior Centers – Closed July 3

Environmental Waste Services Offices closed
July 3 & 4; Regular Tuesday-Friday garbage,
recycling, and brush and bulky goods collection

Recycling Center – Closed July 4

Transfer Station – Closed July 4

C.M. Hinton, Jr. Regional Landfill and Wood
Recycling Facility – Closed July 4

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July

- 3 City offices closed in observance of Independence Day
- 4 Independence Day
- 6 City Council Work Session
Locke Room, Duckworth Bldg.
217 N. Fifth St.
- 7 City Council Meeting
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217 N. Fifth St.
- 13 Plan Commission
Locke Room, Duckworth Bldg.
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- 17 Impounded Vehicle Auction
City of Garland Auto Pound
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217 N. Fifth St.
- 30 Mayor's Evening In
Mayor's Office, 200 N. Fifth St.

August

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