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from the Mayor

As we near the last of 2015 and reflect on the powerful and engaging things that have happened this year, one word comes to mind: energized. We have had a phenomenal year in terms of growth in our community and businesses, growth in opportunities for residents, visitors and stakeholders and growth in our overall vision.

We are moving forward. You have heard me talk or write many times this year about our economic development and business efforts. I am proud of the progress, and excited and energized about what is to come. The 190/Campbell corridor is a gateway of connectivity for not only Garland but also for other North Texas cities. We recently



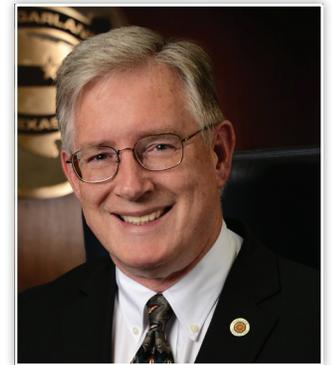
announced the plans for the RagingWire Data Center, the national premier data center provider of NTT communications group; construction is already underway. They will build a one million-square-foot, 80-megawatt data center campus. This company has been recognized for delivering 100% availability and a world-class customer experience. This new center will enable RagingWire to deliver seamless colocation solutions across the United States and as part of NTT Communication's 130 data centers around the world. This is a huge strategic addition to the business community.

The new center is just one of the great additions you will see coming to Garland. We are gaining interests from more large-scale corporations that are taking notice of our unique community. A couple new upscale, new-style neighborhoods are working their way through the approval process. This progress speaks to the success, commitment and vision not only that we have as a City but also what our stakeholders are looking for. We are bringing more opportunity, community and growth to Garland.

As always, I want to hear what you have to say; you may email me at mayor@GarlandTx.gov, find us on Facebook, reach us by phone at 972-205-2400 or attend one of my future Mayor's Evening In and Out sessions.

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

Nov. 12 & Dec. 10

Mayor's Office

City Hall 200 N. 5th St.

To reserve a time,
call 972-205-2400

or email

Mayor@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).

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CGTV Listings

City Council Meetings

- Live broadcast – 7 p.m. Nov. 3 and 17, Dec. 1 and 15
- 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. Nov. 2, 16 and 30, Dec. 15
- Rebroadcast following the meeting
Tuesday, Thursday and Friday – 9 a.m.
Wednesday and Thursday – 7 p.m.

Plan Commission

- Live broadcast – 7 p.m. Nov. 9 and 23, Dec. 14
 - 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.

Garland
City Council

Council Approves 2015-16 Annual Operating Budget

In September, the Garland City Council approved the 2015-16 Annual Operating Budget, while holding the City's property tax rate the same for the seventh year in a row. The \$675 million budget includes the General Fund, Debt Service Fund, Special Revenue Funds, Enterprise Funds and Grant Funds. The City's fiscal year runs from Oct. 1, 2015 through Sept. 30, 2016.



What's new this year?

The 2015-16 budget includes an additional six full-time police officers and five school resources officers (SROs). GarlandISD is covering 100% of the funding for the additional SROs.

The budget also will dedicate additional resources to street improvements and equipment. Last year, the City Council initiated a plan to increase funding for street infrastructure. Between the Operating Budget and Capital Improvement Program, the Council increased funding by \$5 million (50%). The 2015-16 budget continues this progress by increasing project funding by \$500,000, providing \$500,000 for needed equipment, and greatly increasing efficiency of the City's street crews by providing trucking services in-house rather than relying on outside haulers.

In an effort to "Grow Garland," an increased funding emphasis also is placed on economic development, along with funding for Catalyst Area Studies and a marketing and image consultant. All expenses directly related to the City's economic development efforts are now included in a separate fund to provide better transparency.

In addition, the creation of a new Housing Reinvestment Program will allow the City to rebuild or repair foreclosed housing units and make them available to moderate income homebuyers.



Utility Rates

In response to Lower Energy cost, Garland Power & Light is reducing its residential rate by 7% or \$9.75 per month for the average user. This will more than offset the water rate increase due to escalating wholesale water cost from the North Teas Municipal Water District and required infrastructure improvements. The water rate increase will be \$6.98 per month for the average user.

MONTHLY UTILITY COST FOR A TYPICAL GARLAND RESIDENT

| Utility Services | 2014-15 Monthly Rate | 2015-16 Proposed Rate | Monthly Dollar Change | Description |
|---------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| Electric Utility | \$140.04 | \$130.29 | (\$9.75) | Based on 1,300 kWh per month |
| Water Utility | 47.90 | 54.88 | \$6.98 | Based on an average of 8,000 gallons per month |
| Wastewater Utility | 41.48 | 41.48 | None | Based on an average of 8,000 gallons per month |
| Trash Collection | 19.58 | 19.58 | None | Residential customer using 96-gallon cart |
| Stormwater Fee | 2.88 | 2.88 | None | Mid-sized residential lot |
| Total Monthly Rate | \$251.88 | \$249.11 | (\$2.77) | |

"This year's budget strikes a balance between affordability and the need to fund the City's top priorities," said Mayor Douglas Athas. "This budget enhances current service levels with an added emphasis on public safety and street improvements."

GARLAND CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
&
LEADERSHIP GARLAND
PRESENT THE 28TH ANNUAL

THURSDAY, DEC. 3 2015
7:30 TO 9 A.M.
THE ATRIUM AT THE GRANVILLE ARTS CENTER
300 N. FIFTH ST. GARLAND, TX 75040

Speaker: Donald K. Stephens,
President and Founder of Mercy Ships
Musical Entertainment: David and the Dimes

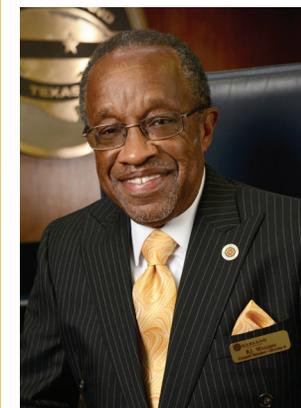
Register online at GarlandChamber.com or
contact Liza Cenicerros at 469-326-7477.

Council District 4 Town Hall Meeting

with City Council Member
B.J. Williams

6:30 to 8:30 p.m. | Thursday, Nov. 12
South Garland Branch Library
4845 Broadway Blvd. (at Oates Road)

Speaker: City Manager Bryan L. Bradford
Topic: Growing Garland



*B.J. Williams, Mayor Pro Tem
Council Member District 4*



*Bryan L. Bradford
City Manager*

Progress Update:

Downtown Garland's City Center Project

Many new residents are roaming Downtown Garland these days! The Oaks Fifth Street Crossing at City Center is now open and is about 90% leased. The parking garage that serves the multifamily development as well as City Hall is also open and may be accessed from both Austin and State streets.

Monday through Friday, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., upper floors in the garage require permits for parking and the first floor is available for three-hour public parking. Parking along State and Fifth streets surrounding the City Center development will be limited to three hours from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. No restrictions are in place during evenings and weekends.

Construction is underway on the Arts Plaza. Patron access to the Granville Arts Center is still available from Fifth Street until construction is complete, anticipated in early 2016.

The one-block stretch of Fifth Street in front of City Hall between State and Austin streets will remain closed until City Hall renovations and the three-story building across from City Hall are complete. The new

building will house the City's Economic Development Department and five townhome-style apartments on the upper two floors. All three sections are set for completion by mid-2016.

The Lyles House is now set on its foundation at Heritage Crossing. Construction on the rest of the pedestrian corridor will begin in early 2016. Landscape improvements to the area will create linkages between recent projects including Richland College, Oaks Fifth Street Crossing, the DART rail station and the Granville Arts Center, as well as current and future projects. Completion is scheduled for fall 2016.



Garland Marks the Way with Attractive, New Signage

Those driving through Garland will begin finding their destinations courtesy of new, attractively-branded signage. The City of Garland has installed the first phase of its new wayfinding program to help direct travelers to historic Downtown Garland.



The program is intended to create a user-friendly, visible navigational system to guide visitors and residents to key Garland destinations, while marketing the City's historical, cultural and entertainment venues and assets.

"We want these signs to be useful, while enhancing Garland's identity—our brand," said Garland Mayor Douglas Athas. "It's important for Garland to make a good first impression on new visitors as a City that's well-organized and friendly and to allow visitors and residents to discover the 'jewels' that make our community worth exploring."

The wayfinding program includes directional signage along major thoroughfares to assist motorists, as well as gateway and pedestrian level signage in the Downtown Garland area. Kiosks are being installed which feature maps and a series of messages highlighting the area's many features.

The program currently focuses on Downtown Garland, but will expand to include other major Garland destinations in the coming years.

Thanks for your Street Critiques!

During September, the City of Garland invited residents and visitors to provide input about City streets in need of major repair or replacement. Many of you shared your insights via Garland eAssist, the City's online service request system.

Every street and alley segment in Garland is assigned a Pavement Condition Index (PCI) based on a physical inspection. The PCI is a numerical rating from 1 to 100, with 100 as the best rating.

Each of the more than 170 submissions as part of the Street Critique program will be re-assessed and their PCIs updated. The streets with the lowest PCI will be included in Garland's next three-year infrastructure construction program, which will be announced in spring of 2016. Street Critique input will be part of the final evaluation process.

"We appreciate all the responses we've received as part of Street Critique," said Steve Oliver, Street Department director. "It's important that Garland citizens have input on which streets they believe are in the worst condition and in need of reconstruction."

Walking for Good Health

City of Garland employees teamed up to support the American Heart Association in September. More than 240 employees registered for the Dallas Heart Walk, raising more than \$11,000. All donations will be used to educate about heart disease and stroke, two of the top three killers of Americans.



Christmas on the Square

Thursday, Dec. 3, 5:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Downtown Garland Square

(between State and Main streets and Fifth and Sixth streets)

Be a part of one of the most unique holiday tree-lighting experiences in the Metroplex this year!

Garland Parks and Recreation will light up the crowd as well as the Christmas tree with glowing, color-changing, LED wristbands. This feature will allow festival goers to enjoy an interactive “glow with the show” experience as we light up the Downtown Square.

Event Details:

- Snow Hills, Snowman Building, Photos with Santa, Holiday Foods, Children’s Trains, Children’s Crafts and more will be available from 5:30 - 9:30 p.m.
- Tree Lighting at 7 p.m.
- Choir performances begin at 7:30 p.m.
- Event parking is free and available at Central Library, Senior Center, First Baptist Church on Glenbrook and DART on Walnut Street.
- A “Sensory Friendly Tree Lighting” for children and adults with sensory disorders will take place at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 2, in the Downtown Square.
- The City of Garland light display will run each night from 4 to 10 p.m. through New Year’s Day.

ChristmasOnTheSquare.com

ADDITIONAL HOLIDAY EVENTS

SENSORY FRIENDLY TREE LIGHTING

Wednesday, Dec. 2, 6 to 8 p.m.
Downtown Square
ChristmasOnTheSquare.com

Naaman Forest JINGLE BELL RUN 5K & CHRISTMAS MARKET

Saturday, Dec. 5, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Downtown Square
Active.com/Garland-TX

“FRUITCAKES”

by City of Rowlett Performers
Thursday - Sunday, Dec. 10 - 13
Plaza Theatre
GarlandArts.com

“101 DALMATIANS”

by Breitling Youth Theatre
Thursday, Dec. 17
Plaza Theatre
GarlandArts.com

“A CHRISTMAS CAROL”

by Breitling Youth Theatre
Friday & Saturday, Dec. 18 - 19
Plaza Theatre
GarlandArts.com

FIRST BAPTIST GARLAND’S CHRISTMAS PRESENCE

6 to 9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 18
4:30 to 9 p.m.
Downtown Square
FBCGarland.org

Firewheel Golf Park Welcomes PGA Tour

After recovering from winter's ice and snow, then overcoming the devastation of last May's floods, perseverance is paying off for the golf complex's hard-working crews.

The PGA Tour selected Firewheel's Bridges Course to host the first stage of PGA Q School. Only 12 other sites across the United States hosted these qualifying events, and only one other facility was a public course.

Firewheel Director of Golf Don Kennedy says Firewheel stood out to PGA officials for many reasons. "We've successfully hosted past events, while demonstrating strong support from City officials. PGA officials were impressed by the course conditions and enticed by the proximity of two hotels," said Kennedy.

In late October, 85 golfers from across the nation came through Garland as their first step toward PGA Tour status.

"This is an exciting opportunity for Garland to host these players, their families and all the PGA officials involved in this week of qualifying activities," said Garland Mayor Douglas Athas. "I'm proud of our staff and their dedication for taking us from flooded to fantastic in a few short months."

For information about Firewheel Golf Park, visit GolfFirewheel.com.



GREAT Homes Project Earns Innovation Award

The City of Garland's GREAT Homes partnerships continue to earn national recognition. An energy-efficient homebuilding project located on McKinley Street received the U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) Housing Innovation Award.



The Housing Innovation Award recognizes forward-thinking builders for delivering homes of the future to American homebuyers today. Winners are selected for each of four categories: custom, production, multifamily, and affordable homes.

The McKinley Street project was a collaboration between the City of Garland and Green Extreme Homes to illustrate how such a project could revitalize an older neighborhood. The project evolved into an initiative to provide affordable, energy-efficient housing for veterans. The Home Depot, Citibank and various City of Garland departments provided volunteers, materials and other resources for the project.

The awards were announced Oct. 6 in Denver, Colorado.

The City of Garland's GREAT Homes program is an innovative approach to re-energizing Garland's existing housing stock through energy-efficient and aesthetic upgrades while maintaining the architectural integrity of Garland's more mature neighborhoods. The program offers creative financing terms, which not only benefit the buyers of the homes, but provide a dollar-per-dollar return on investment back to the City.

Garland Fire Department Earns Highest ISO Rating

The Garland Fire Department has received an Insurance Service Office (ISO) rating of "1," the highest rating possible. Such a high rating is a positive influence on economic development efforts, and could potentially lead to lower fire insurance rates for Garland homeowners and businesses.

The ISO is an organization that provides statistical information on risk, and their ratings have a large impact on fire departments nationwide. ISO ratings range from 10–1, with "1" as the highest rating. In determining an ISO rating, almost every aspect of a city and its fire department is evaluated. Points are given for everything from the fire department's training aids to the distance between fire hydrants. Currently, there are more than 40 cities in the U.S. with a rating of "1," which is a huge accomplishment considering the thousands of communities nationwide.



In August, Bank of America partnered with Green Extreme Homes and the City of Garland to provide U.S. Army veteran SPC Leo Perez and his family a newly renovated, mortgage-free home in Garland.

Perez planned to make a career in the Army, but was suddenly disabled six years into his service. The family believes having a home of their own will be a solid first step toward a stable environment and building a new future.

As part of Bank of America's efforts to help revitalize communities and support the housing needs of those who have served and sacrificed for our nation, the company has donated more than 1,900 homes nationwide to military veteran-support charities and other nonprofit, community-based organizations.

Green Extreme Homes Community Development Corporation is taking a leadership role to promote the Department of Energy's Zero Energy Ready Homes (ZERH). Green Extreme Homes, along with its partners, is providing healthy, energy-efficient homes to the most vulnerable veteran population who are at greatest need for affordable housing options.

Healthy Living Expo Recap

On Saturday, Sept. 19, the City of Garland partnered with Garland ISD, Baylor Garland and the Garland Chamber of Commerce for the annual Healthy Living Expo. The event provides information to residents about health, safety and environmental issues or products that can be helpful in leading a healthy life. Below is the Expo's success represented by collection and participation numbers:

Expo attendees: **~3,000**
 Cars through Recycle Row: **773**
 H2O 5K participants: **407**
 Paper shredded: **19,320 pounds**
 Medicine collected: **636 pounds**
 Eye glasses collected: **471**
 Shoes collected: **100 pairs**
 Immunizations: **144**
 Blood glucose tests: **600**
 Cholesterol tests: **414**
 Stop & Learn attendees: **210+**
 Volunteers: **133**



Thank you to our partners, exhibitors and volunteers for a great day!

City of Garland Wastewater Treatment Receives Peak Performance Awards

The City of Garland Water Utilities was selected by the National Association of Clean Water Agencies (NACWA) to receive the 2014 Gold Peak Performance Awards for both of its wastewater treatment facilities.

The Rowlett and Duck Creek Wastewater Treatment facilities received the award, which honors treatment operations that have achieved 100 percent compliance with their National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit for an entire calendar year.

"These awards demonstrate the commitment and dedication our employees have for being responsible stewards of the environment," said Wes Kucera, Garland's Wastewater director. "This is accomplished by

a cohesive team effort from operations and maintenance group to the laboratory and pretreatment staff."

"Garland Water Utilities is an outstanding example of environmental efforts. NACWA is honored to showcase the achievements of the Garland Water Utilities and our nation's public wastewater utilities through the Peak Performance Awards Program." Ken Kirk, NACWA's chief executive officer.

Garland Water Utilities was recognized during NACWA's 2015 Utility Leadership Conference and 45th Anniversary Annual Meeting this summer in Providence, Rhode Island.



Garland Brings Home Video Production Awards

The City of Garland brought home eight trophies from the 14th Annual Texas Association of Telecommunications Officers & Advisors (TATO) Programming Awards in October.

The City of Garland received first place awards in five categories:

- Documentary – "Fire Class 47"
- Public Education – "Park Politely, Please"
- Profile of an Organization – "Texas Made Here"
- Public Service Announcement – "Park Politely, Please"
- Overall Excellence in Programming

Garland earned second and third place in Magazine Format Series for "This Week in Garland" and "Garland Spotlight," and third place in Event Promotion for "Healthy Living Expo."

In addition to the awards, Garland Video Services Coordinator, Dan Bach, was appointed to the TATO board as North Texas Region Representative.

"We are gratified to be recognized by our peers statewide. Our creative staff strives to tell Garland's story and help people learn more about our great community," said Public & Media Relations Director Dorothy White.



FLOOD SAFETY

The City of Garland is dedicated to minimizing the loss of life and property associated with flooding events. Education and prevention are valuable and proven tools that help communities become resistant to these natural disasters. The City of Garland recognizes that its entire community is susceptible to flooding, not just those structures located within Special Flood Hazard Areas (SFHA). The following information has been provided to help inform property owners located within the SFHA flood-prone areas and other areas within Garland.

Flood Hazard

Garland is subject to riverine flooding from Duck Creek, Rowlett Creek, Spring Creek, and their various streams. Most flooding events occur during the spring and summer months; however, severe flooding may be produced by rainfall events at any time. Garland has experienced numerous flooding events during the past century. After large floods in 1990 and 1991, the City partnered with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to complete a channel improvement project to Duck Creek. This project was completed in 1998 and resulted in the removal of more than 370 homes from the Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA).

Large floods also have occurred on Rowlett and Spring Creeks; however, these floods have not been as damaging as those along Duck Creek due in part to the strict land use controls in place for area development.

Flood Insurance

Federal flood insurance is highly recommended. Basic homeowner's insurance policies do not cover damage from floods. The City of Garland participates in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), which means that federally subsidized flood insurance is available to everyone in Garland. There is a 30-day waiting period before a policy becomes effective. Some people have purchased flood insurance because it was required by the bank or loan company when they obtained a mortgage or home improvement loan. Usually these policies cover the building's structure and not the contents within. Remember that a flood insurance policy must be renewed each year.

The mandatory purchase requirement of flood insurance applies to all forms of federal or federally related financial assistance for buildings located in an SFHA. This requirement affects loans and grants for the purchase, construction, repair or improvement of any publicly or privately owned buildings in an SFHA including machinery, equipment, fixtures and furnishings contained in such buildings. If a building is

located in an SFHA, the agency or lender is required by law to have the recipient purchase a flood insurance policy on the building.

For more information about flood insurance, visit or contact GarlandTx.gov, FEMA.gov/nfip, The Nicholson Memorial Library System, an insurance agent or the City of Garland Engineering Department.

Property Protection

Do not wait for a flood to occur. Act now to protect property from flood damage. Various alternatives are available to help minimize flooding. If the floor level of a property or structure is lower than the Base Flood Elevation (BFE) located on the City's Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM), consider ways to prevent flooding by retrofitting the building. Retrofitting measures include:

- Elevating the building so that flood waters do not enter or reach any damageable portion of it.
- "Dry floodproofing" to make the building walls and floor watertight so water does not enter.
- "Wet floodproofing" to modify the structure and locate the contents so that when flood waters enter the building there is little or no damage.
- Preventing basement flooding from sewer backup or sump pump failure.

Information on retrofitting is available through the Nicholson Memorial Library System, as well as on the Internet. Note that retrofitting may require a permit from the Building Inspection Department.

Flood Protection Assistance

For information on flood protection assistance, contact the Engineering Department at 972-205-2170. Services provided include:

- Names of contractors/consultants who are knowledgeable or experienced in retrofitting techniques and construction.
- Information on how to select a qualified contractor

and what recourse residents have if they are dissatisfied with a contractor's performance.

- Site visits to review flooding, drainage and sewer problems and advice to property owners.

Advice and assistance is available on retrofitting techniques such as elevating buildings above flood levels or the Base Flood Elevation (BFE), dry floodproofing, wet floodproofing and protecting basements from sewer backup. Also, information on the installation of barriers, levees, and floodwalls around individual buildings or structures is available.

Natural and Beneficial Functions

Garland's undisturbed floodplain areas and wetlands provide a variety of benefits to the human and natural ecological systems. They provide flood storage and conveyance, and reduce flood velocities and peak levels. Water quality is improved through the wetlands' ability to filter nutrients and impurities from runoff and process organic wastes. Local streams and wetlands provide breeding and feeding grounds for fish and wildlife, create and enhance waterfowl habitat, and protect habitats for rare and endangered species. Garland's floodplains also provide open space for various recreational uses.

Drainage System Maintenance

It is illegal in Garland to dump any type of debris into a stream, river or drainage ditch. Debris may become entangled in culverts, shallow streambeds, or drainage ditches, causing the flow of water to back up. Residents and property owners also should keep drainage channels and ditches on their property free of debris, foliage and vegetation that would impede the flow of water. Debris dumping may be reported to the Engineering or Stormwater departments by calling 972-205-2170 or 972-205-2180.

FLOODPLAIN DEVELOPMENT PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

All development in Garland must be permitted and must conform to all requirements of the City and any other applicable public agencies. Contact the City's Planning Department at 972-205-2445 or Engineering Department at 972-205-2170 for advice before building, filling or developing. The flood damage prevention ordinance (Code of Ordinances, Chapter 31, Article VII) has special provisions regulating construction and other developments within floodplains. Without these provisions, flood insurance through the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) will not be available to Garland property owners. Development in the floodplain without a permit is illegal; such activity may be reported to the Engineering Department at 972-205-2170.

SUBSTANTIAL IMPROVEMENT REQUIREMENTS

The National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) and the City of Garland require that any reconstruction, rehabilitation, addition or other improvement of a structure (the cost of which equals or exceeds 50% of the market value of the structure before the start of the construction of the improvement) must conform or meet the same construction requirements as a new building and be constructed above the minimum Base Flood Elevation (BFE) listed on the City's Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM).

Substantial damage means damage of any origin sustained by a building or structure when the cost of restoring the building to its pre-damaged condition would equal or exceed 50% of the market value of the building before the damage occurred. Substantial damage is determined regardless of the actual repair work performed. The City of Garland requires by ordinance that any substantial improvement or substantial damage improvement must have a building permit. Building permit information is available at the Building Inspection Department, 800 W. Main St., or by calling 972-205-2300.

Flood Safety Tips

Learn the safest route from your home or business to higher, safer ground, but stay tuned to reports of changing flood conditions.

- If emergency officials tell you to evacuate or leave your home, go immediately to a safe shelter, hotel or relative's house.
- Turn off all utilities, gas and electricity at the main switch. Stay away from power lines and electrical lines. Be alert for gas leaks.
- Do not walk through flowing water. Drowning is the number one cause of flood-related deaths. Currents can be deceptive; six inches of moving water can knock you off your feet.
- Do not drive through a flooded area. More people drown in their cars than in any other location. Vehicles also push water into homes and cause additional property damage.

Flood Warning System

If flooding is imminent and evacuation of any part of Garland is advised, the Office of Emergency Management will notify residents through CodeRed, a 24-hour automated telephone system. A pre-recorded message will inform affected residents who are signed up for CodeRed of flooding hazards or other emergency situations, including any action necessary such as evacuation. To sign up for CodeRed, visit GarlandTx.gov, click on the CodeRed icon and follow the prompts. Additionally, the City will receive information from NOAA Weather Station Radio broadcasts weather information at 162.400 MHZ 24 hours a day from the National Weather Service Offices in Fort Worth.

Flood Information

Information on flooding, flood maps, mandatory flood insurance purchase requirements, flood insurance requirements and flood zone determinations is available at the Engineering Department, 800 W. Main St., or by calling 972-205-2170.

Elevation certificates of properties in the Special Flood Hazard Areas (SFHA's) are on file at the Engineering Department, and copies are available upon request. If a property does not have an Elevation Certificate on file, or if the existing certificate has been superseded by map changes, a new Elevation Certificate may be obtained from the City or from a private surveyor. Fees for the completion of a new certificate may apply; contact the Engineering Department for more details. Real time river gauge information is available at USGS.gov.

FEMA.gov | NOAA.gov | Weather.gov

How We GROW GARLAND

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

Garland Firefighter Pays Blessings Forward

In December 2012, Devon Colbert was a career firefighter for the Garland Fire Department and a volunteer firefighter in Rockwall. Just a few weeks before Christmas, a serious car crash left Devon paralyzed from the chest down. Doctors told him he would never walk or lift his arms again, which pushed Devon to launch into physical therapy with grit and determination.

“My team with the Garland Fire Department covered my shifts so that I could continue to take care of my family,” said Devon. “Both the Garland and Rockwall departments raised money to help with physical therapy and other needs. I don’t know where I would be without this extended family.”

The group organized several fundraisers to help the Colbert family meet their financial needs during Devon’s recovery. In 2013, the Garland Firefighters Association

worked with the Rockwall volunteer firefighters to organize a black tie fundraiser, the Firefighters Ball, which was a huge success.

The Colbert family graciously accepted the support; however, they wanted to pay it forward and help other firefighter families who might find themselves in similar circumstances. As Devon recovered, his wife, Emily, turned her focus to establishing a way to assist families facing financial conflict brought on by illness, injury or other circumstances. She partnered with friends and colleagues to make the Firefighters Ball an annual event, which led to the creation of The Colbert Project and its mission: No Brother Battles Alone.

Each year, dozens of businesses and organizations donate silent auction items and financial contributions to the Firefighters Ball. Proceeds from the silent auction and ticket sales are used to support firefighters and their families living in the Metroplex. In 2014, The Colbert Project selected Dallas firefighter Jeff Patterson, who was badly burned while on duty, to receive funds raised by the organization. In 2015, the proceeds assisted another Dallas firefighter, Tracy Beard, who is battling ALS, also known as Lou Gehrig’s Disease.

According to Devon and Emily, “It is our own trials and hardships that continue to drive us as a family to be that smile, that hug and God’s word to others during their own hardships. As we continue to grow, our mission is just that.”

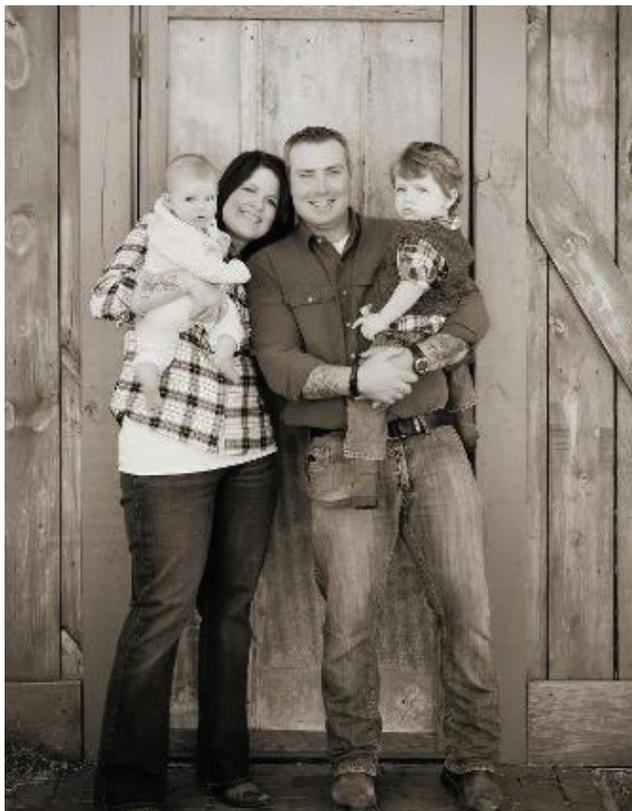
In October 2014, Devon’s determination and support paid off, as he returned to the Garland Fire Department in a full-time administrative position with the Fire Marshal’s office.

The next Firefighters Ball and fundraiser will be held in August 2016. For details about the event and to learn more about The Colbert Project, visit TheColbertProject.org.



“ I don’t know where I would be without this extended family. ”

DEVON COLBERT



Neighborhood Highlight: Camelot Neighborhood Association Celebrates 35th Anniversary

In 1980, several residents in the neighborhood bound by Campbell, Shiloh, Arapaho and Jupiter, came together to form what is now the Camelot Neighborhood Association (CNA). Distributing signs and fliers, CNA members invited all neighbors to join their association and crime watch. A handful of dedicated members even personally knocked on every door in Camelot to encourage participation.



Over the years, the CNA has addressed several neighborhood issues such as safety, median maintenance and others, advocating for the best interest of the entire neighborhood. "I've always been impressed by the friendliness of the neighborhood," says Reba Collins, CNA president. "Even though the neighborhood is large, when a need or occasion arises, people come to help."

CNA also has established programs to celebrate their neighbors such as Yard of the Month and the Excalibur Award, given once per year to a person or group for "exemplary civic duty and community involvement on behalf of the citizens of Garland and Camelot." CNA's annual picnic also is a great way to meet neighbors, have fun and engage in some friendly chili cook-off competition. The nationally-recognized monthly newsletter, *The Knightly News*, keeps Camelot residents informed on City and neighborhood updates.

"Camelot residents know what it means to have a great neighborhood, and we must all continue to work together to keep it great," says Collins.

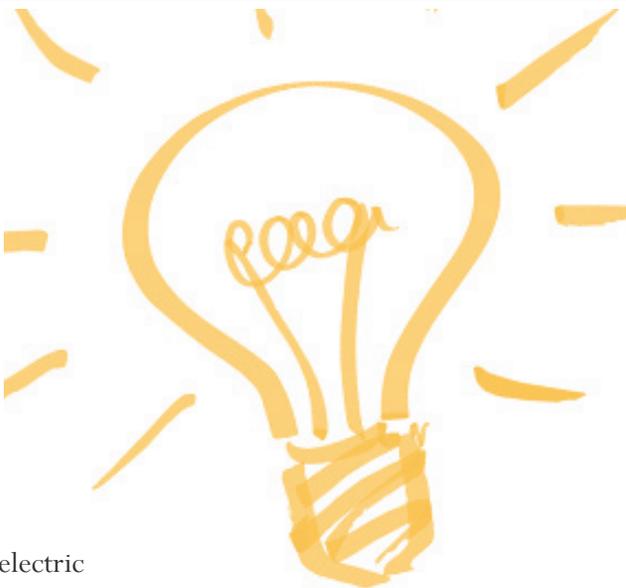
Lower Power Cost for GP&L Customers

Garland Power & Light (GP&L) customers will pay less for electricity starting Oct. 1, 2015. With residential customers using an annual average of 1300 kWh per month, consumers will see monthly bills decrease on average from \$140.04 to \$130.29, for a savings of \$9.75 per month or \$117 per year.

"We're committed to providing reliable and competitively priced electric service to our customers. I'm pleased to say that this 7% decrease keeps us competitive with offers seen in deregulated areas," said GP&L General Manager and CEO Jeff Janke.

The reduction in cost comes as GP&L lowers the Recovery Adjustment Factor (RAF) component of the electric rate from \$0.0544 to \$0.0469 per kWh. The decrease in the RAF reflects lower prices in the Electric Reliability Council of Texas (ERCOT) wholesale energy market, attributable to low natural gas and wind power prices. GP&L's continued cost management activities and success in pursuing incremental revenue from expanded endeavors also made the change possible.

The reduction is effective for residential and commercial customers whose electric rates contain the RAF component.



MEET & GREET

Neighborhood Association

Thur. Dec. 3, 5 to 7 p.m.

The Generator Coffee House

107 N. Sixth St., Downtown Garland

Calling all neighborhood leaders— swing by before Christmas on the Square and enjoy a cup of cocoa on us! This come-and-go event is a time to relax and celebrate the accomplishments of the year. Be there or be on the square!

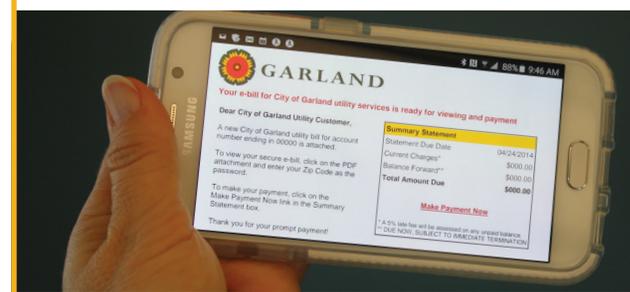
For information, contact 972-205-2451 or Neighborhoods@GarlandTx.gov.

Go Paperless with E-Bill

With E-Bill, there's no need to check your mailbox for your City of Garland utility bill — after enrolling, you'll receive your utility bill by email. Not only will you receive your bill faster and save paper, but the E-Bill may be accessed anytime, anywhere. The 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, customers may pay their E-Bill with any other accepted payment method.

To enroll, visit 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.



Going Tarpless May Result in Fines

When planning a trip to the City of Garland Transfer Station or the Hinton Landfill to dispose of bulky waste or debris, remember to secure your drop-off load with a tarp. Litter and waste materials escaping from vehicles may pose safety hazards to other drivers, are costly to clean up, and give an unsightly appearance to roads and green areas.

Drop-off loads should be covered and secured from the beginning of the trip to the disposal site; an improperly secured load will result in a surcharge assessed at the site. While the transfer station and landfill will sell tarps onsite, putting on a tarp in the parking lot defeats the purpose of taking proper precautions before transporting the waste.

City of Garland Code of Ordinances, Chapter 52, Article III, Sec. 52.30(D) specifies that “all vehicles hauling solid wastes to the transfer station or landfill must have a suitable cover placed over the load to prevent trash from blowing or falling from the vehicle...” Tarping rules also are covered under the State Transportation Code, Title 7, Chapter 725, Sec. 725.021(c).

“Officers will stop vehicles with portions of the load spilling or blowing on the roadway. Failing to secure your load is a Class C Misdemeanor, and fines can range from \$25 to \$500,” says Officer Alexis Crockett, Traffic Officer for the Commercial Vehicle Enforcement division of the Garland Police Department.

Avoid these fines and surcharges by properly securing your drop-off load and ensuring no waste escapes on your way to the disposal site. The control of litter on the roads and safe disposal starts with you.

Visit GarlandEnvironmentalWaste.com or call 972-205-3500 for more information.

Recycling at the Recycling Center

If you need to recycle before your normal collection day, visit the Drop-Off Recycling Center, 1434 Commerce St. The recycling center accepts all regular recycling items, as well as others that are not accepted curbside, and is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturdays. All recycling items must be placed loose in the receptacles onsite or

in clear bags. If your recycling is in a black bag, empty the contents into the receptacles onsite. As a safety precaution, black bags are not accepted at the recycling center and will not be opened by the personnel sorting the recycling. Help us to maximize your recycling efforts by following these simple guidelines.

The infographic lists the following items accepted for recycling:

- AUTO BATTERIES, USED MOTOR OIL & FILTERS
- MILK & JUICE CARTONS
- STEEL ALUMINUM & AEROSOL CANS
- FLATTENED CARDBOARD BOXES
- NEWSPAPER, MAGAZINES & JUNK MAIL
- PLASTIC BOTTLES & CONTAINERS
- OFFICE PAPER & ENVELOPES
- CLEAN CARDBOARD PACKAGING
- TELEPHONE BOOKS & CLEAN PAPER BAGS
- SCRAP METAL, METAL FURNITURE & APPLIANCES
- GLASS BOTTLES & JARS

GARLAND ENVIRONMENTAL WASTE SERVICES

Fats, Oils and Grease Oh No!

Fried turkey is a popular and festive entrée that will have a place on many tables in Garland this holiday. But beware, what happens to your home’s plumbing after the meal could upset your stomach.

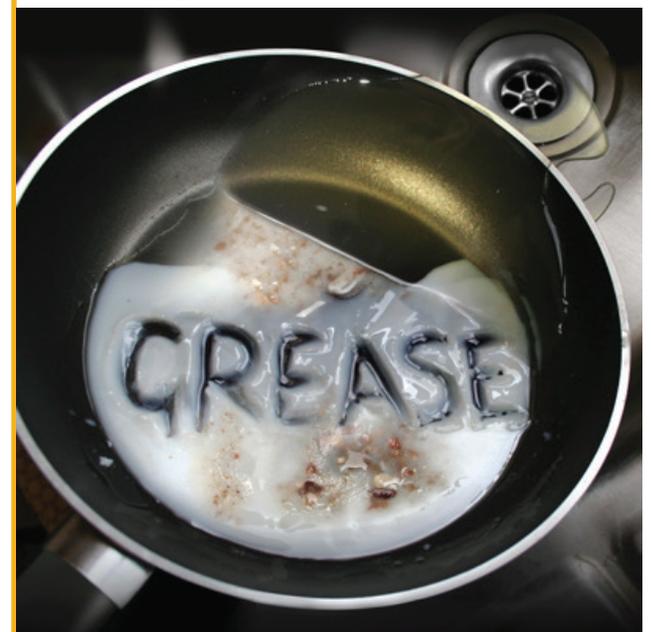
Many times, fats, oil and grease (FOG) from meat, cooking oil, lard margarine and butter are washed down the kitchen sink. Improperly disposing of FOG can cause property damage, health hazards and environmental problems.

Pipes may be blocked by oils poured directly into the sink and as sewer pipes back up. Property damage from sewage backups can result in expensive clean-ups and plumbing repairs. Clogged sewers also may lead to overflows, which can runoff into the street and into the storm drain system, consequently polluting Garland creeks and streams.

How you can reduce the harmful effects of FOG:

- Filter and freeze used cooking oil once it has cooled and reuse it for another meal.
- Small amounts of cooking oil, such as meat drippings, can be soaked up with a paper towel and thrown in the trash.
- After it has cooled, pour the used cooking oil into a sturdy, closed-lid container (like a coffee can) and dispose of it at:

Dallas County Home Chemical Collection Center, located at 11234 Plano Road. For hours of operation, call 214-553-1765.



Library

Programs & Events

Children/Youth Programs

Fall Storytimes | Through Nov. 28

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 Library • 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 30 participants. Registration may be completed by phone or in person beginning two weeks prior to each event.

- Nov. 7, Letter Art
- Dec. 5, Block Printmaking

Tween Scene • Designed for youth ages 10-13. Consists of book discussions and activities related to fun and interesting themes.

November: Zentangles, Flexangles and Math Games

- 6:30 p.m. Nov. 5, South Garland Branch
- 4 p.m. Nov. 12, North Garland Branch

International Games Day, 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. Nov. 21, South Garland Branch • Participants of all ages may choose from a wide variety of board games and card games. Registration is not required.

Books and Beyond, 2 p.m., Nov. 14, Central Library • A free program for children ages 6-12 that consists of book discussions and activities related to monthly themes. The theme for November is Native American History and Culture.

Block Party at the Library, 2:30 p.m., Dec. 19, North Garland Branch • This free event allows children ages 4-12 to build creations based on a theme. Children ages 6 and younger must be accompanied by an adult. Supplies will be provided. Call 972-205-2804.

Noon Year's Eve Party, 11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Dec. 31, Central Library • For children ages 8 and younger. Consists of stories, dancing, and a countdown to noon. Once the clock strikes noon, participants may wish each other "Happy Noon Year's" and enjoy refreshments.

Adult Programs

Senior Social Hour @ the Library, 2 p.m., Central Library • A free program series for senior citizens sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Events are open to anyone 55 years of age or older. Seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Doors open 30 minutes prior to the performance. Call 972-205-2502.

- Nov. 19, Storyteller Dorayne Breedlove • Breedlove is well-versed in the art of storytelling and music, puppetry and theatre. She has been performing for over 20 years. She will share stories from different Native American tribes and introduce her audience to authentic Native American artifacts.
- Dec. 10, North Dallas Trombone Choir • This all-volunteer, trombone-exclusive group of musicians, established in 1994, performs a variety of musical styles from classical to jazz. For this performance, the group will present an hour of holiday music.

Holiday Card Workshops, 2 p.m. • Learn how to make your own holiday cards with a demonstration of greeting card construction techniques followed by an extended period of craftwork. Participants may create up to four individual cards of different designs, including one Thanksgiving card, two Season's Greeting cards, and one New Year's card. All cards include envelopes. The libraries will provide all craft supplies.

- Saturday, Nov. 7, North Garland Branch
- Saturday, Nov. 21, Walnut Creek Branch

Each program is limited to 12 individuals ages 18 years and older, and registration is required. To register, call 972-205-2803 for the North Garland Branch Library or

972-205-2587 for the Walnut Creek Branch Library.

Holiday Film Festival • Doors open 15 minutes prior to the event. Open to adults ages 18 and older. Children must be accompanied by an adult. No registration required; seating is limited. Popcorn and water will be available while supplies last.

Central Library

- 2 p.m., Nov. 28, The Nightmare Before Christmas (PG)
- 2 p.m., Dec. 5, Elf (PG)
- 6 p.m., Dec. 10, Scrooged (PG-13)
- 6 p.m., Dec. 17, National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation (PG-13)

South Garland Branch Library

- 6 p.m., Dec. 1, The Shop Around the Corner (NR)
- 6 p.m., Dec. 8, A Christmas Carol (NR)
- 6 p.m., Dec. 15, White Christmas (NR)
- 6 p.m., Dec. 22, It's a Wonderful Life (PG)

Visit the Library's Booth at Christmas on the Square

Children can enjoy making free holiday crafts at the library's booth at the City's annual Christmas on the Square event in Downtown Garland. The festive booth will be open from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. Dec. 3. Stop by for information about library services and programs, and meet Curious George from the classic picture book series by Margret Rey.

Due to weather conditions, Christmas on the Square events are subject to change and/or cancellation. For more information, call 972-205-2516. For event details, visit ChristmasOnTheSquare.com.



Performing Arts

Shows & Events

At the Granville Arts Center, 300 N. Fifth St. Garland Civic Theatre presents *Mrs. California* | 8 p.m. Nov. 6-7 • This production pokes fun at the pretentious nonsense of a hotly contested homemakers' competition. **Tickets: \$22 at GarlandArtsBoxOffice.com or 972-205-2790.**

Garland Symphony Orchestra presents *Cellist Kalin Ivanov* | 8 p.m. Nov. 20 • This season will explore masterpieces inspired by visions of riches. From Auber's *Overture to The Crown Diamonds* to Lehar's *Gold and Silver Waltz*, it promises to be a glittering array of musical treasures. **Tickets: \$17.50-\$37.50 at GarlandArtsBoxOffice.com or 972-205-2790.**

Garland Civic Theatre presents *Clue: The Musical* | Nov. 27-Dec. 19 • The popular board game is now a rousing, fun-filled musical that brings the world's best-known murder suspects to life. The audience may play along to solve the mystery of who killed Mr. Boddy, in what room and with what weapon. Show times are 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, Nov. 27-Dec. 19, with Sunday performances at 2:30 p.m. Nov. 29 and Dec. 6. Additional Thursday performance at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 3. **Tickets are \$27 at GarlandArtsBoxOffice.com or 972-205-2790.**

Dallas Ballet Company presents *The Nutcracker* | Dec. 4-6 • Under the artistic direction of Brent and Judy Klopfenstein, Dallas Ballet Company returns to the Granville Arts Center to present this holiday classic, an annual tradition since 1989. Complete with elaborate sets and scenery, the journey begins with the dream of a young girl Clara and her Nutcracker Prince. Performance times are 7:30 p.m. Dec. 4, 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Dec. 5, and 2 p.m. Dec. 6. **Tickets available at 10 a.m. Nov. 2. Reserved Seating at \$25. GarlandArtsBoxOffice.com or 972-205-2790.**

Garland Symphony Orchestra presents *Holiday Treasures and Carol Sing-Along* | 8 p.m. Dec. 18 • Garland Symphony Orchestra continues the 2015-2016 *Symphonic Treasures* season with Concert III, *Holiday Treasures!*, featuring performances of holiday favorites and a Christmas Carol sing-along! **Tickets: \$17.50-\$37.50 at GarlandArtsBoxOffice.com or 972-205-2790.**

Mexico 2000 Ballet Folklórico presents *Christmas in Mexico* | 7 p.m. Dec. 12 • With more than 100 on-stage participants, Christmas

in Mexico relives the birth of Jesus Christ through traditional Mexican song and dance. **Tickets: \$15, \$12 for Seniors and children under 6 at Mexico2000.net, info@Mexico2000.net or 214-364-2629.**

At the Plaza Theatre, 521 W. State St. *Free Movie at the Plaza – Holiday Inn* | 7 p.m. Dec. 4 • In this Irving Berlin musical starring Bing Crosby, Fred Astaire and Marjorie Reynolds, Jim and Lila are members of a performing trio who plan to quit and run a country hotel. When Lila says she has fallen in love with the dancer in the act, Ted, Jim leaves town with a broken heart. After turning the inn into a holidays-only live entertainment venue, Jim winds up booking--and falling for--Linda. **Admission is free and open to the public.**

Free Movie at the Plaza – White Christmas | 7 p.m. Dec. 5 • Starring Bing Crosby and Rosemary Clooney, the 1954 classic *White Christmas* is, perhaps, the most well-known of all holiday films. A successful song-and-dance team becomes romantically involved with a sister act, and teams up to save the failing Vermont inn of their former commanding general. **Admission is free and open to the public.**

C.O.R.P. presents *Fruitcakes* | Dec. 10-13 • Mix together a batch of fruitcakes, three dozen Christmas trees, 10,000 outdoor Christmas lights, a chicken pox epidemic, two southern spinsters, an estranged old man, a lost cat named Tutti Frutti and a Christmas hog named Buster, and you've got the recipe for a fun-filled and touching evening of holiday cheer. **Tickets are \$12 at GarlandArtsBoxOffice.com or 972-205-2790.**



Firewheel Golf Park

Celebrate the Holidays at the Branding Iron

The Branding Iron at Firewheel Golf Park invites you to book your holiday dinner party today! Impress your family, friends or coworkers with a private dining experience here in Garland. Dates are available Nov. 16 through Jan. 16. Our holiday menu, starting at \$16.95 per person, is sure to please both you and your guests.

Reservations are available for parties of 25 to 100. For more information or to book your dinner party, contact Preston or Karen at 972-205-3652.

Sample Menu: Smoked Turkey & Pit Ham, Candied Sweet Potatoes, Traditional Stuffing, Green Bean Casserole, Cranberry Sauce, Garden Salad, Dinner Rolls, Apple Cobbler

Additional Menu Options Available



Chandler Heights Neighborhood Association volunteers, Kris Beard and Sarah Railing, installed 83 storm drain markers while walking in their neighborhood.

It is important to mark the inlets to remind residents that the storm inlets drain to nearby creeks and lakes. Items like trash, leaves and grass clippings that are left in the street, sidewalk or yard end up in our local waterways harming the aquatic life.



21st Annual Pancakes with Santa

7 a.m. to 1 p.m. | Saturday, Dec. 12
Central Fire Station, 1029 Austin St.

\$6 per person
(includes all the pancakes you can eat, sausage, milk or coffee and a photo with Santa & Mrs. Claus)

Hosted by the Kiwanis Club of Garland and Citizens Fire Club of Garland.

KiwanisClubofGarland.org

Parks and Recreation

Programs & Events

Snacks with Santa

5 to 8 p.m. | Tuesday, Dec. 15

Fields Recreation Center
1701 Dairy Road

He is making his list and checking it twice! Join Fields Recreation Center for a fun evening filled with holiday cheer. Activities will include picture flip books, reindeer games, Santa's favorite snacks and Santa's craft workshop. Pictures with Santa will be available for \$5. Call 972-205-3090.



Tree Power Free Tree

The Tree Power Free Tree program teams Garland Power & Light with the Parks, Recreation & Cultural Arts Department to provide a free tree for Garland residents in an effort to conserve energy and beautify the community.

7 a.m. to 5 p.m. (or until supplies last)
Saturday, Nov. 7

Haskell L. Roach Garden Center
1221 Spring Creek Drive (in Winter Park)

One tree per household. Must provide a Texas driver's license with a Garland address or a current City of Garland utility bill.



Receive a four- to six-foot tall Shumard Red Oak, Chinquapin Oak, Bur Oak or Live Oak. Planting and care instructions will be provided.

Call 972-205-3588.

Yogalates | Nov. 2-30

Mondays and Wednesdays, 6:30 to 7:45 p.m./6 to 7:15 p.m., Ages 16 years and up, \$45 per person, Audubon Recreation Center, 342 W. Oates Road. This mix of Pilates and yoga works your core and challenges strength, endurance and flexibility. Contact 972-205-3991 or arc@GarlandTx.gov.

Soul Line Dancing | Nov. 3-26

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 7:30 to 8:30 p.m., Ages 16 years and up, \$18 per person, Bradfield Recreation Center, 1146 Castle Dr. Learn new and old R&B, soul and hip hop line dances while burning calories. Contact 972-205-2770 or brc@GarlandTx.gov.

Tae Kwon Do | Nov. 2-28

Days and times vary, Ages 5 years and up, \$20 per person, Granger Recreation Center, 1310 W. Avenue F Learn the fluid movement of kicks, punches and jumps while adding other martial arts for well-rounded physical fitness. Contact 972-205-2771 or grc@GarlandTx.gov.

Gymnastic Tumbling | Nov. 7-Dec. 5

Saturdays, 10:15 to 11 a.m., Ages 5-7 years, \$39 per child, Holford Recreation Center, 2314 Homestead Place Learn the basics of gymnastics with a variety of equipment including mats, balance beam, trampoline and more. Contact 972-205-2772 or hrc@GarlandTx.gov.

Skyhawks Soccer | Nov. 14-28

Saturdays, 10 to 11 a.m., Ages 6-9 years, \$31 per person, Hollabaugh Recreation Center, 3925 W. Walnut St. Learn the essentials of soccer in a structured environment where the focus is fun. Contact 972-205-2721 or hsrc@GarlandTx.gov.

Dance Combo | Days and times vary

Ages 2-12 years, \$35 per child, Fields Recreation Center, 1701 Dairy Road Learn body movements associated with various styles of dance including modern, lyrical, ballet and more. Contact 972-205-3090 or frc@GarlandTx.gov.



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Celebrate the New Year safely – City ordinance prohibits the possession or use of fireworks within the City limits (except for permitted events).

Closed Nov. 26-27 & Dec. 24-25

Holiday Schedule

City Offices (including Utility Customer Service)

Libraries - Closed at 6 p.m. Nov. 25, Dec. 23 & 31;
Closed Jan. 1; Central Library will close at 5 p.m. Dec. 3

Recreation Centers and Senior Center - Closed
at 5 p.m. Nov. 25 and Dec. 31; Closed Dec. 24

Environmental Waste Services Offices - No
collection on Thursday, Dec. 25 or Jan. 1; Thursday
collection moves to Friday; Friday collection moves to
Saturday

**Recycling Center, Transfer Station, C.M.
Hinton, Jr. Regional Landfill and Wood**

Recycling Facility - Open Dec. 24 and Dec. 31 - 8
a.m. to 3 p.m.; Closed Dec. 25 and Jan. 1

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217 N. Fifth St.
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December

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