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## Healthy Living Expo 2011: Healthy Lifestyles Made Here!

Do you want to create a drought-tolerant landscape for your home? Are you interested in checking your cholesterol or blood pressure? Does your family need help creating an emergency preparedness plan?



You can learn about all of these things and much more at the annual Healthy Living Expo on Saturday, September 24, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Garland ISD Special Events Center, 4999 Naaman Forest Boulevard. The City of Garland, Garland ISD, Baylor Medical Center at Garland, and the Garland Chamber of Commerce are partnering to present a day of interactive exhibits, demonstrations and information-sharing about the importance of maintaining a healthy environment and personal health practices.

"We are delighted to invite our residents and our neighbors to enjoy this fun and

educational experience," says Garland Mayor Ronald E. Jones. "And this year we've added a very important component for healthy lifestyles... safety!"

The Garland Office of Emergency Management will share information on how to prepare your household or business for an emergency scenario. The Emergency Management team will also give away ten NOAA All Hazards radios during the event and offer free programming for any citizen who brings their radio. The Garland Youth Council will be on site with tips and information for making teens safer drivers. And other exhibitors will be on hand to offer safety ideas and resources for your household, traveling, senior citizens and much more.

Healthy You exhibitors will offer screenings for bone density, blood pressure, and cholesterol, along with helpful insights for nutrition, exercise, and more. Flu shots will be offered again this year.

Healthy Earth exhibitors will feature landscaping information, energy-saving advice, recycling information and much more. You will have the opportunity to drop off your documents and old files for shredding, as well as electronics for recycling. See page 5 for complete details.

The first 500 attendees to the Healthy Living Expo will receive a reusable lunch bag, sponsored by Frost Bank, and a reusable water bottle. Please limit yourself to one bag per family.

### Plan Ahead to Learn, Donate and Recycle.

See page 5 for details.

**Pet Adoptions** - Give an adorable pet a forever home

**Compost Classes** - Hands-on demonstrations, door prizes

**Donate Shoes** - Repurpose your used athletic shoes

**Eyeglasses Recycling** - Give the gift of sight to others

**Paper Shredding** - Secure shredding of old files and documents

**Operation Medicine Drop** - Clean out medicine cabinet safely and responsibly

**Electronics Recycling** - Safely recycle used computers and electronics



## School Zone: Slow Down and Watch for Kids!

August 22 is the first day of school for the Garland Independent School District. Throughout the school year, motorists need to remember school zone safety and stay alert.

Youngsters sometimes forget to look both ways before stepping into the street. It is up to us, the adults, to obey laws and observe safety rules to keep our children safe.

You can help by remembering the following safety tips:

The speed limit in a school zone is 20 mph. School zones have a reduced speed limit so that drivers can stop if a child darts in front of them. You could be subject to a large fine if you ignore the signs.

All vehicles must stop behind the painted white stop bar or crosswalk line. Do not block the crosswalk at any time with vehicles. Proceed into the crosswalk or intersection ONLY after all pedestrians are completely clear of the crosswalk or intersection.

The City of Garland provides crossing guards for busy street crossings near elementary schools and some middle schools. Guards are on duty from 7:10 to 8:10 a.m.

and 3 to 4 p.m. Please encourage your children to walk during these times. In addition, be very cautious of heavy traffic and children crossing the street during dismissal times. Share this information with every driver in your family. Let's all work together to have a safe school year.

Questions or concerns regarding school zone safety can be addressed to Sharon

Brown, Transportation Representative, at 972-205-2438.

**SCHOOL ZONE  
20 MPH**



## Back-to-School Health Services

Many people are not aware that the City of Garland has its own clinic to provide services that are often needed for children about to start school. The City of Garland Clinical Services Division at 206 Carver Drive not only provides low-cost immunizations for infants and children through age 18, but also immunizations for adults of all ages. Immunizations are given by registered nurses on staff who have specialized training and experience in the safe administration of vaccines.

In addition to immunizations, well-child exams for infants and children through 18 years of age are offered at the clinic on a low-cost sliding scale basis. Our nurses can make needed referrals as well as provide nutritional and developmental information. Many parents also choose our clinic to obtain their child's athletic physical.

In addition to immunizations and exams, Clinical Services provides tuberculosis screenings and referrals as needed. The clinic is also the preferred site for many north Texas residents to obtain vaccines, such as yellow fever and typhoid, in preparation for traveling to other countries.

If you are a grandparent or family member of an infant, you will want to consider receiving a Tdap vaccination to protect the baby from whooping cough (pertussis) until he/she can be fully vaccinated. Unfortunately, when an infant contracts this life-threatening illness, an older family member is the most likely source of infection.

College students also need to make sure they are up-to-date on the meningitis vaccination before starting classes this fall.

In preparation for the beginning of school, the clinic will accept walk-ins (no appointment needed) during the weeks of August 8 - 12 and August 15 - 19. In addition, Clinical Services will participate in the NAACP 2011 Health Fair with a back-to-school immunization clinic at Gale Fields Recreation Center, 1701 Dairy Road, on Saturday, August 20, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The cost is \$15 per child. Be sure to bring all of your child's immunization records with you.

Don't wait until the last minute to get caught up on immunizations! Call 972-205-3370 to make an appointment or for more information about our services.



### Labor Day Holiday Monday, September 5

City Offices, Libraries, Recreation Centers, and Senior Centers will be closed.

Residential garbage, recycling, and brush will be collected on the regular Tuesday-Friday schedule.

See Page 3 for a complete listing of City closures.

### Volunteers Needed

50 Volunteers

Needed For  
Garland Emergency Corps  
Search, Rescue, Recovery

Ages 21 and up

Contact Greg Fleming,  
Chief of Garland Emergency Corps

214-564-8932

Your support is needed!

## National Preparedness Month: Do You KnowWhat2Do?

Garland residents are all too familiar with how rapidly events change. From severe weather to health epidemics to terror threats, life has trained citizens to be on alert. The City of Garland is hard at work to make sure people are protected. It is a team effort, ensuring that each person will KnowWhat2Do.

September is National Preparedness Month, a time we reach out to the community so we can all learn to KnowWhat2Do to be prepared for disaster. As a Garland resident, did you know that you already have access to a disaster preparedness program?

The KnowWhat2Do disaster preparedness program was developed through the collaboration of our 16-county regional governments,



**KnowWhat2Do**  
Think. Prepare. Act.

including the City of Garland Office of Emergency Management. The program provides Garland residents a wealth of user-friendly, locally-relevant emergency preparedness information and includes a website where residents can build their family emergency plan or find a checklist for building an emergency supplies kit. It also has a kids' website that includes games and activity sheets to teach children about disaster preparedness on an age-appropriate level. Through this regional program, citizens can order bilingual educational DVDs and preparedness guidebooks. It also provides useful information about volunteering and donating to victims.

Preparing yourself and your family before a disaster may protect you in a disastrous situation. Your safety and survival depend on whether you KnowWhat2Do.

Garland residents can access this program by visiting our website at [www.garland-oem.com](http://www.garland-oem.com) or by visiting [www.knowwhat2do.com](http://www.knowwhat2do.com).

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# Message From The Mayor

The City Council and I have had a busy summer preparing for the budget process to begin in August. The City Council held its annual budget retreat in early July to learn more about current economic conditions and their impact on our financial objectives. During the retreat, Council and City management discussed priorities and options for balancing the budget. The City Manager will present his proposed budget to the Council at the City Council meeting on August 2.



Mayor Ronald E. Jones  
972-205-2400  
mayor@GarlandTx.gov

expansions to the President George Bush Turnpike and the DART Blue Line, transportation is of vital importance to each of our cities.

With all the legislative activity in Austin, City Council is discussing a number of bills and their impact on our city. I encourage you to become involved and knowledgeable about these actions. We have already begun discussions on SB 100 relating to municipal elections and will continue those at upcoming council meetings. This bill will potentially impact all citizens, due to the possible changes in voting dates for municipal elections. The Council will continue to discuss our options before a decision is made. I will also explore the possibility of forming a Charter Review Committee and look forward to receiving your input in that process. For additional updates and information, you may follow City Council meetings on CGTV, Time Warner channel 16 and Verizon Fios channel 44, or on our website, [www.GarlandTx.gov](http://www.GarlandTx.gov).

Also in the month of July, the City of Garland hosted the "Partnering for Regional Success" meeting with our surrounding cities: Rockwall, Rowlett, Wylie and Sachse. This quarterly meeting began in the City of Rowlett earlier this year, when the participants discussed the North Texas 2050 initiative, a private, public and academic partnership created to serve as a forum for dialogue and action on important issues relating to the sixteen county region surrounding Dallas and Fort Worth.

Garland had the honor of hosting the second meeting at the Branding Iron Restaurant. Council members, City Managers and leaders from the five cities heard a presentation on "North Texas Transportation." With the upcoming

## Mayor's Evening In

Thursday, August 25  
Thursday, September 29

Mayor's Office ~ 7-9 p.m.  
City Hall, 200 North Fifth Street

To reserve a time, call 972-205-2471  
or email [edattomo@GarlandTx.gov](mailto:edattomo@GarlandTx.gov)

## COUNCIL MEMBER PROFILES

### Lori Barnett Dodson, City Council District 6

Lori Barnett Dodson is a Garland native with a family tradition of public service. Her father has served on Garland's Electrical Board since 1984, and one of her two brothers is a firefighter in Plano.

Ms. Dodson is a certified public accountant with E2M Partners, LLC, a real estate investment fund. Her background in real estate was a strong asset when former District 6 Council member Barbara Chick appointed Ms. Dodson to the Plan Commission in 2006.

"I worked for several years with the Honorable Mrs. Chick and the Parks and Recreation Department to get trees installed in the median of Shiloh Road," says Ms. Dodson. That work led to the Plan Commission appointment.

Ms. Dodson has also served with the West Garland Neighborhood Association, with the Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association, and as a volunteer for the Garland Police Criminal Investigative Division and the Senior Source Money Management Program. She's also been active with the Garland Parent Teacher Association, the North Garland Little League Association and the North Garland Band Booster Association.

"I hope to encourage District 6 citizens to become more involved in the City government process," says Ms. Dodson. In addition to her work and volunteer activities, Ms. Dodson enjoys reading and traveling. District 6 residents are encouraged to contact Ms. Dodson about City issues at [council6@GarlandTx.gov](mailto:council6@GarlandTx.gov) or 214-334-4533.

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He has been active in the Garland community serving with his church, Lavon Drive Baptist Church, where he enjoys working with children and in other church programs. He is currently president of the Creekside Village Homeowner's Association and has served on Garland's I-30 TIF board.

Mr. Cahill has also been active in various local political campaigns and served as a precinct chair. He recognizes the importance of electing people who will work hard to represent the interests of the people, and accepted the call when friends approached him to run for election to the Garland City Council.

As a City Council member, Mr. Cahill says he wants to help Garland remain attractive to families and businesses by continuing to maintain infrastructure and essential public services at a reasonable cost and with minimal regulation. "People need to take responsibility for their family, their property and their business," says Mr. Cahill. "Strong families living together make up vital neighborhoods, which build up great cities."

Mr. Cahill's other interests include camping, hiking and biking. He wants to hear from the residents and businesses in his district at [council8@GarlandTx.gov](mailto:council8@GarlandTx.gov) or 972-762-1369.



### Jim Cahill, City Council District 8

Jim Cahill was elected to represent District 8 in May 2011. Mr. Cahill and his wife of 30 years, Carol, moved to Garland 12 years ago. Jim and Carol have four grown children. He is a tax accounting manager with Texas Instruments, his employer of 34 years.

## CITY COUNCIL DISTRICTS

**District 1:** Douglas Athas, 972-205-2121, [council1@GarlandTx.gov](mailto:council1@GarlandTx.gov)

**District 2:** Laura Perkins Cox, 214-364-9319, [council2@GarlandTx.gov](mailto:council2@GarlandTx.gov)

**District 3:** Preston Edwards, Mayor Pro Tem, 972-271-1908, [council3@GarlandTx.gov](mailto:council3@GarlandTx.gov)

**District 4:** Larry Jeffus, 972-686-5698, [council4@GarlandTx.gov](mailto:council4@GarlandTx.gov)

**District 5:** John Willis, 972-278-7722, [council5@GarlandTx.gov](mailto:council5@GarlandTx.gov)

**District 6:** Lori Barnett Dodson, 972-334-4533, [council6@GarlandTx.gov](mailto:council6@GarlandTx.gov)

**District 7:** Rick Williams, 972-495-9545, [council7@GarlandTx.gov](mailto:council7@GarlandTx.gov)

**District 8:** Jim Cahill, 972-762-1369, [council8@GarlandTx.gov](mailto:council8@GarlandTx.gov)

## 2011-12 District Updates

Every year, each Garland City Council member hosts a District Update presentation on CGTV, Garland's government access cable channel. These broadcasts allow Council members to update their constituents on important developments and issues in their districts.

The 2011-12 broadcast schedule is as follows:

- September 13 John Willis, District 5  
Lori Barnett Dodson, District 6
- October 11 Preston Edwards, District 3  
Larry Jeffus, District 4
- November 8 Douglas Athas, District 1  
Laura Perkins Cox, District 2
- December 13 Rick Williams, District 7  
Jim Cahill, District 8
- January 31, 2012 Mayor Ronald E. Jones

Each broadcast begins at 7 p.m. CGTV is available on Time Warner Cable channel 16 and on Verizon FIOS channel 44. CGTV programming is also streamed live and on-demand at [www.GarlandTx.gov](http://www.GarlandTx.gov).

## Police Impounded Vehicle Auctions

Auctions for Police impounded vehicles are scheduled for the third Friday of each month at the City Impound Lot, 1630 Commerce Street. Gates open at 8:30 a.m., and the auction begins at 9:30 a.m. Vehicles must be removed from the lot by noon the following Monday. All vehicles will be sold for cash to the highest bidder without warranty or guarantees and are offered as/where is. Auctions may be cancelled without notice. Call 972-205-2415 for more information, or visit [www.GarlandTx.gov](http://www.GarlandTx.gov) or [www.joepippinauctioneers.com](http://www.joepippinauctioneers.com).

Look for bicycles at [www.govdeals.com](http://www.govdeals.com) or [www.publicsurplus.com](http://www.publicsurplus.com).

### Minority/Woman-Owned Businesses

The goal of the City of Garland's Procurement Inclusion Program is to include minority and woman-owned suppliers in every segment of the City procurement process, affording them an opportunity, on a competitive basis, to be considered for and awarded City business.

Contact the Garland Purchasing Department at 972-205-2415 or email [purchasing@GarlandTx.gov](mailto:purchasing@GarlandTx.gov) or logon to [www.GarlandPurchasing.com](http://www.GarlandPurchasing.com).



## Registered for CodeRED?

In the case of an emergency or urgent notification, the City of Garland can notify residents via telephone, email and text message through CodeRED. The system allows the City to alert citizens based on their home or business location. A pre-recorded message tells a live person or answering machine about the specific situation and if any action is necessary.

CodeRED also includes automated severe weather warnings, which will be launched as soon as the National Weather Service issues a warning (telephone only).

Whether you have already registered for CodeRED or are registering for the first time, you must "opt-in" for the automatic weather warnings. To do so, go to [www.GarlandTx.gov](http://www.GarlandTx.gov), click on the CodeRED icon and follow the prompts. For citizens without internet access, registration forms are available at City Hall, the Duckworth Utility Services Building and all library branches.

## Planning a Summer Garage Sale?

Don't forget your permit. It's free.

Call 972-485-6400  
or go online to [www.GarlandTx.gov](http://www.GarlandTx.gov)

Click on Citizen's Request Center



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### [www.GarlandTx.gov](http://www.GarlandTx.gov)

Bookmark it and visit regularly for the latest city government news and information.

### Garland City Council Meetings

The Garland City Council meets the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 7 p.m. in the Council Chamber, 200 North Fifth Street. Meetings are broadcast live on CGTV, the City's government access channel on cable television, with several rebroadcasts during the week following each meeting. On Council meeting days, a City Council member briefly discusses agenda items on CGTV at 3, 4, 5 and 6 p.m.

Work Sessions are normally held the Monday before Council meetings in the Work Session Room, first floor, City Hall, 200 North Fifth Street. Specific items and dates are posted outside City Hall on Friday before the scheduled meeting. Work Sessions are also televised live with rebroadcasts during the week.

Watch the City website, [www.GarlandTx.gov](http://www.GarlandTx.gov), Time Warner Cable Channel 16, or Verizon FIOS Channel 44 for meeting schedule updates.

## Do you have a lien against your property?



The City of Garland web site contains a listing of property owners with open abatement liens. Abatement liens are filed when a property owner fails to pay for work the City provided to take care of his/her property according to the City of Garland Code of Ordinances. This includes failure to mow, trim, clean, remove debris, repair, and such other miscellaneous work required for compliance with local code. These properties may be subject to further action.

The open abatement liens listing can be found on the City of Garland home page at:

[www.GarlandTx.gov](http://www.GarlandTx.gov)  
(Click on Online Services)  
972-205-2696

You may also check your property status with the Dallas County Clerk's Office at:  
[www.roamdallaspropertyrecords.com](http://www.roamdallaspropertyrecords.com)

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# ANIMAL SERVICES NEWS

## Summer Reminders

As the dog days of summer drag on through August and into September, remember your pet's health and safety. Water and shelter or shade must be available to outdoor animals at all times, and owners should check on their outdoor animals regularly during the extreme heat of summer. Don't let your pet become a victim of heat stress.

Another effect of the longer days of summer is an increase in the number of lost animals brought to the Garland Animal Shelter. Protect your dog by checking their fence enclosure at least once per week to ensure that there are no escape routes for dogs that like to wander. If your dog is tethered, make certain the tether is at least five times the length of the dog (from the tip of the dog's nose to the base of its tail) and ensure that the dog cannot become entangled by nearby objects. Even tethered animals must be within an enclosure. Finally, keep your animal's City registration current with Garland Animal Services and consider a microchip implant. Remember: registration is the law and is also a lost pet's ticket home.

## Low Cost Vaccinations

Garland Animal Services will host its quarterly low cost vaccination clinic on Saturday, October 29, from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Garland Animal Shelter located at 600 Tower Drive. Bring your pets for great deals on registration, vaccinations, and microchip implants.

## Pet Adoptions

Looking for a new pet? Don't forget about Garland Pawsibilities' regular offsite adoption events at the former fire station located at 3136 South Shiloh Road, just south of Kingsley Road. Regular events are held on the first Saturday of each month from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Visit [garlandpaws.org](http://garlandpaws.org) for more details and opportunities to contribute time or money to the volunteer effort.



innocent victim before reporting the behavior. Overly aggressive dogs are not welcome in Garland. Please report aggressive behavior to Garland Animal Services. Animal Services professionals, including the City Veterinarian, will evaluate the animal's behavior to determine if corrective measures or even expulsion from Garland is necessary.

As stated previously, the summer months are peak months for Animal Services due to a high volume of calls for service and an increase in the number of animals arriving at the Shelter. The thousands of unwanted animals that come through the Shelter each year are almost entirely the result of irresponsible pet owners who fail to spay or neuter their pets. Please prevent unwanted animals by sterilizing your pets.

## Special Thanks

Animal Services would like to extend a thank you to the citizens and organizations that donated almost \$800 in May and June. All donations are used to sponsor animals for adoption or to provide care and comfort for animals.

Notable donations include: Garland Pawsibilities, \$80; Joyce Lahue, \$80; Dana Hopkins, \$80; Tracy Cullens, \$80; Linda Staley, \$100; and Dr. Bob Osborne, \$160.

Special thanks to Allyson Carter who opened a lemonade stand to raise money for the Garland Animal Shelter. Allyson's efforts raised more than \$20 to help animals at the Shelter.



## JOBFAIR

Conquering Connections

Date: August 11, 2011  
Time: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
Location: Richland College  
Garland Campus Gallery  
Address: 675 Walnut St., Garland, TX 75040

**This is where CONNECTIONS are made.**

Garland Chamber of Commerce  
The Conquering Source

For more information contact: Diane Whitlock  
Phone: 469-326-7447  
Email: [diane.whitlock@garlandchamber.com](mailto:diane.whitlock@garlandchamber.com)

# City Employees Tops in Their Fields

## Garland's City Secretary Elected to International Board

City of Garland City Secretary Mary J. Kayser was elected to the Board of Directors of the International Institute of Municipal Clerks (IIMC), a nonprofit organization with more than 9,600 members worldwide. Kayser's region represents Texas, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi and Oklahoma. She will serve a three-year term culminating in May 2014.



Kayser has been City Secretary of Garland since 2006. She previously served the City of Burleson as Deputy City Secretary from 1992-1999, and then as City Secretary from 1999-2006. She earned her Texas Registered Municipal Clerk Certification in 1999, recertified in 2004 and 2009. She also holds IIMC's Certified Municipal Clerk and Master Municipal Clerk designations.

She is active in the Texas Municipal Clerks Association (TMCA) and the North Texas Municipal Clerks Association Chapter (NTMCA). She has served on the TMCA board in all positions and currently serves as president. TMCA selected her as the 2010 Texas Municipal Clerk of the Year.

## Excellence in Service

On May 19, 2011, the Neighborhood Resource Team recognized three nominees for the Excellence in Neighborhood Service Award. Tom Frey - Parks and Recreation, Officer John Capers - Police, and Rio Orticio - Code Compliance were nominated for their outstanding service to neighborhood residents.

Mayor Ron Jones, on behalf of the City Council, awarded Tom Frey the 2011 Excellence in Service Award

for going "above and beyond" the expectations and duties of his job as landscape architect by providing design assistance to the Northwest Terrace, Orchard Hills and New World neighborhood groups, enabling them to utilize Neighborhood Vitality Matching Grant Funds to implement neighborhood landscaping and beautification projects. These neighborhoods are voluntary associations and did not have the funds to obtain professional design assistance from the private sector and. Without Tom Frey's guidance and design skills, these neighborhood groups would not have had the opportunity to utilize Neighborhood Vitality funds to make improvements to their neighborhoods.



Officer Capers was recognized for his work in neighborhoods, making 135 arrests, receiving six Certificates of Merit and two Certificate of Merit Bars, and being nominated for Officer of the Year. Officer Capers' work ethic, his relationship with neighborhood residents and homeowners associations, and his outstanding record of fighting crime have truly made Garland's neighborhoods safer.

Code Compliance's Rio Orticio created the landlord training program and provided classes for landlords regarding the City's neighborhood and housing standards. Because of Rio's efforts and commitment, there has been vast improvement in both single family and multi-family housing conditions and appearance throughout Garland.

The Strategy for Vital Neighborhoods' Neighborhood Resource Team established

the annual Excellence in Neighborhood Service Award in 2008 to recognize a city employee whose qualities and actions exemplify the following philosophy of the Strategy: "Recognizing that the strength of Garland is the character of its neighborhoods, we will work in partnership with neighborhood stakeholders and community resources to build a stronger community and keep Garland an excellent place to live and invest."

## Texas PTA Honorary Life Membership Award

Vikki Yeatts, MSN, RN, Public Health Administrator for the City of Garland Health Department, received the Garland Independent School District Council of PTA's Texas PTA Honorary Life Membership Award at the Annual Spring Luncheon in May.



Since 1909, the Texas PTA has made the Honorary Texas Life Membership as one of the highest honors that may be presented to individuals for outstanding service to children and youth. The recipient does not have to be a PTA member nor must the service for which the honor has been bestowed be connected with the PTA. The only requirement for receiving a Texas PTA Honorary Life Membership is that the recipient is making or has made a significant contribution to the well-being of children and youth.

Vikki Yeatts has been successful through the years in establishing an effective partnership with the Garland Independent School District, resulting in improved health for thousands of Garland's young people. The Clinical Services Division of the Garland Health Department, under Ms. Yeatts' leadership, conducts various back-to-school immunization clinics at GISD schools throughout the year, along with the annual flu vaccines which are available to administrators, staff, students and families in the fall. She also participates in school district health fairs, performs tuberculosis screening for Health Occupations clinical rotation students, oversees Texas Health Steps exams for many local students, and provides health education to GISD families.

As Garland's Public Health Administrator, Ms. Yeatts directs the operation of the public health clinic, which serves more than 20,000 patients per year. In 2010, approximately 30,549 doses of vaccines were administered at the clinic to area residents and their families.

Ms. Yeatts has served in her current position with the City of Garland for fifteen years. Prior to her present occupation, she was a GISD School Nurse for 9 years and worked as a Career & Technology Health Occupations teacher at Lakeview Centennial High School. She currently serves on the GISD Career and Technology Health Sciences Advisory Board and is the Clinical Chairperson for the Public Health Advisory Committee for Dallas County. She received her Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Texas Woman's University and her Master of Science in Nursing from Loyola University.

## Labor Day Parade

Monday, September 5

Hosted by Garland Jaycees

Contact Greg Peebles:

[garlandjaycees@verizon.net](mailto:garlandjaycees@verizon.net)

972-463-1971

Parade applications available at City Hall

# City Employees Participate in Relay for Life to Benefit Cancer Society

In late May, several City of Garland employees participated in the Relay for Life at the Naaman Forest High School. The Relay was a huge success raising a grand total of \$95,123.12! The Garland Stars team members contributed \$5,295.84 to this wonderful cause. Of the money raised by the Garland Stars, \$827 was donated through City department fundraisers. All of the funds will benefit the American Cancer Society.

Relay for Life participants walked laps from 5 p.m. to 5 a.m., remembering loved ones lost to cancer and triumphant victories over the disease.

Some of the team members are pictured at right: Top row, left to right: Rebecca Branum, Cindy Hale, Curtis Hale, Sharon

Bailey, Cheryl Reno, Kate Barnes, Craig Barnes, Maria Arellano, Samantha Woodmancy, Eric Dean, Steve Cox. Bottom row, left to right: Robin Peele, Todd Peele, Karrah Peña, Esmeralda Arellano, Merrill Balanciere, and Sarah Cox.



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Click on the "Citizen's Request Center" icon to find answers to hundreds of frequently asked questions, submit a new question, or request a specific service such as a garage sale permit, new sidewalk estimate, or many more.

## Labor Day Holiday Schedule

### City Offices

(including Utility Customer Service)  
Closed Monday, September 5

### Libraries

Closed Monday, September 5

### Recreation Centers

Closed Monday, September 5

### Senior Centers

Closed Monday, September 5

### Surf and Swim

Open Saturday, Sunday, and Monday,  
September 3, 4, and 5

### Environmental Waste Services

Offices Closed Monday, September 5  
Normal Tuesday through Friday collection schedule for garbage, recycling and brush

### Recycling Center

Closed Monday, September 5

### Transfer Station

Closed Monday, September 5

### C. M. Hinton, Jr. Regional Landfill/Wood Waste Facility

Closed Monday, September 5

## Fraud, Waste, and Abuse Prevention

The City of Garland is committed to the prevention of fraud, waste, and abuse.

Report anonymously fraud, waste, and abuse of City resources 24 hours a day.  
972-205-2739

## TV Listings ~ CGTV

Meeting dates and times subject to change

### City Council Meetings

Live Broadcast - 7 p.m.  
August 2 and 16; September 6 and 20  
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.  
August 1 and 15; September 6 and 19  
Rebroadcast following the Monday meeting  
Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday - 9 a.m.  
Wednesday and Thursday - 7 p.m.

### Crime Watch

Daily - 3 and 6:30 p.m.

### Garland In Focus

Daily - 5:30 a.m., 8 a.m., and 6 p.m.

### Living in Garland

Daily - 7 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

### Plan Commission

Live Broadcast - 7 p.m.  
August 8 and 22; September 12 and 26  
Rebroadcast following the Monday meeting  
Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday - 9 a.m.

### Billboard - Daily

Daily Schedule posted on City of Garland website  
[www.GarlandTx.gov](http://www.GarlandTx.gov)

## HYBRID BUCKET TRUCK FOR GP&L

Garland Power & Light (GP&L) has a new hybrid bucket truck in its fleet of service vehicles. It will save on fuel and help the environment.

The large battery pack located in the truck bed powers the hydraulic equipment, including the jacks and the boom for the bucket. With the battery pack, the engine idles 75 percent less than a regular truck during bucket operations. In addition to using less fuel, the community benefits from the hybrid's reduced carbon monoxide, nitrogen oxide and hydrocarbon emissions.

Furthermore, when the truck is moving less than eleven miles per hour, it operates off the battery. The utility could see up to a 60 percent savings in fuel for this vehicle.

The battery pack charges when the truck's engine is running, with an onboard computer managing the engine and the battery pack.

Manufactured in Garland by International, the vehicle is a medium-duty, standard bucket truck with a reach of about 55 feet. It is considered a "backbone work truck," and will be in service just like any other GP&L bucket truck. Citizens can easily identify it with the green hybrid information labels on the truck.

Federal ARRA funds administered by the North Central Texas Council of Governments' Transportation Department are helping to make this acquisition possible.



## Quiet Zone at RR Crossings

On July 12, a railroad quiet zone was established by the City of Garland along the Kansas City Southern Railroad mainline in order to improve safety and minimize the impacts of train horn noise. The KCS mainline runs from south to north Garland alongside South Garland Avenue and Lavon Drive, as well as throughout downtown Garland. Railroad quiet zones are federally approved groups of railroad crossings at which train horns are NOT routinely sounded.

Below are some important aspects of the City of Garland's new quiet zone and railroad crossing safety:

- The quiet zone includes 21 at-grade rail crossings along the KCS Railroad between Shiloh Road in the south and Murphy Road in the north.
- The quiet zone will be in effect 24 hours a day, seven days a week.
- Even with a quiet zone, the train engineer may always sound the horn in case of an emergency. This includes situations when a person or animal is on the track, when any maintenance work is being done, or other potential danger exists. Train engineers have been sounding horns at Garland crossings for years. It is going to take some time for them to form new habits. The sounding of horns should diminish as time goes by and eventually become a rare occurrence.
- All crossings included in the quiet zone meet the Federal Railroad Administration's (FRA) Final Rule on Quiet Zones. This requires all public crossings to have active vehicle gates, flashing lights, and bells to alert motorists of an approaching train. In addition to



- active warning devices at the crossing, all crossings also have advanced signs and pavement markings to identify the rail crossing. This includes a warning sign with a NO TRAIN HORN legend.
- Safety has been enhanced by adding medians or channelizing devices to crossings that did not already have them, except on one-way streets where the gates cover the entire roadway approach already. Pavement markings have been refurbished at all KCS crossings.
- The quiet zone does not affect train horns on the DART and Dallas, Garland and Northeastern tracks which run in an east-west direction through Garland.
- Driving around lowered gates is both illegal and dangerous. Although the vehicle gates may not protect sidewalks and trails, pedestrians and bicycles should also exercise caution when crossing railroad tracks. Always cross the tracks at a marked crossing location and never cross when the lights are flashing and the vehicle gates are down.
- Trains do not follow set schedules; always expect a train!
- Once the engineer applies the brakes, it can take more than a mile for the train to stop.
- Trains always appear to be moving slower than they actually are.
- When crossing railroad tracks, always: *Look, Listen, and Live.*

For more information, contact the City of Garland Transportation Department at 972-205-2430.

## Meter Access Needed

The electronic-read water and electric meters installed by the City of Garland allow for remote meter reading each month. This means that meter readers do not physically access each of these meters monthly. However, City employees need to access the meters from time to time.

Please help us by making sure we can reach your electric meter and by keeping your water meter lid free from grass and other vegetation.

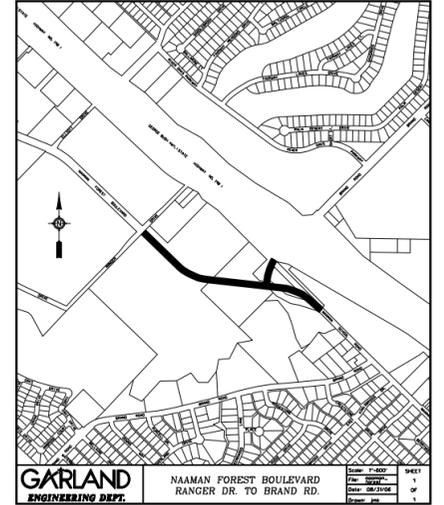
## Road Project to Provide Needed Connectivity

The City of Garland is working on a road project that will provide a much-needed connection between Naaman Forest High School and Brand Road. The Naaman Forest Boulevard extension will also provide improved access to the GISD Special Events Center, the retail shops at North Garland Avenue and the Reserve at Firewheel residential development currently under construction. This project will connect Naaman Forest Boulevard to Naaman School Road between Pleasant Valley Road and North Garland Avenue. This connection will also provide alternate points of access to businesses between Brand Road and North Garland Avenue.

An enhanced real estate value and marketability of these properties is anticipated through the improved access and new utility services. To further enhance these properties, landscape and irrigation in the medians is planned. The concrete headwall on the new culvert crossing will also receive stone veneer cladding to further improve the aesthetics of this new roadway.

The project is scheduled to be completed in early 2012. It includes the construction of approximately 2700 linear feet of a new four-lane divided thoroughfare with associated utilities. These utilities include 2700 linear feet of storm sewer between 21 and 30 inches, 475 linear feet of 10 x 9 feet box culvert, a stone veneer culvert headwall, 2615 linear feet of 6 to 12-foot PVC water line, 1893 linear feet of 8-foot PVC sanitary sewer, 2800 square yards of sidewalk,

median landscape, median irrigation, SWPPP controls, streetlight conduit, streetlight foundations, pavement markings and traffic control items. Additional items include widening the pavement section to add right and left turn lanes with incidentals at the Naaman School Road and Brand Road intersection.



## Where There's Smoke, There's Water?

During the summer months of July, August and September, Garland Water Department personnel will conduct smoke tests on the sanitary sewer mains. The test boundaries are W. Buckingham on the north, Lavon Drive on the east, Walnut on the south, and Garland Road on the west.

Smoke testing of the sanitary sewer system is conducted to identify potential rainwater sources by blowing low pressure, non-toxic, non-staining smoke into a section of sewer line. Smoke emissions from manholes and from the ground indicate defects in the manholes, sewer mains, and sewer laterals through which rainwater may enter the sewer. Reducing rainwater entering the sanitary sewer pipes reduces the cost of treatment at the two wastewater treatment plants.

A door hanger will be delivered three days in advance to streets where the smoke testing will occur. Since rain or high winds reduce the effectiveness of the testing, a test area may be postponed. Residents will be notified if defects are found on private property.

## Streetlight Repairs



Notice a streetlight that is out or damaged?

Contact GP&L at 972-205-3483 or e-mail info@garlandpower-light.org.

Please provide the exact location of the light or a pole number, along with your name, address and daytime telephone number in case GP&L needs to contact you for additional information pertaining to the light.

# GP&L 2010 ANNUAL REPORT

Balance Sheet  
Year Ended September 30, 2010  
With comparative totals for year ended September 30, 2009  
(unaudited)

	September 30,			September 30,	
	2010	2009		2010	2009
<b>ASSETS</b>					
<b>Current Assets:</b>					
Cash and investments	\$ 44,445,575	59,379,412			
Inventories	2,611,588	2,393,927			
Receivables and others	34,056,498	33,853,830			
Total current assets	81,113,661	95,627,169			
<b>Restricted Assets:</b>					
Cash and investments	139,687,064	113,842,084			
Accrued interest receivable	189,426	152,566			
Total restricted assets	139,876,490	113,994,650			
<b>Property, plant, and equipment - net of accumulated depreciation</b>					
	264,824,914	257,795,383			
<b>Other Assets</b>					
	134,796,529				
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$ 620,611,594</b>	<b>467,417,202</b>			
<b>LIABILITIES</b>					
<b>Current Liabilities:</b>					
From current assets					
Payables	\$ 16,134,660	12,209,112			
<b>From restricted assets</b>					
Payables	6,733,955	6,597,482			
Total current liabilities	22,868,615	18,806,594			
<b>Long Term Liabilities:</b>					
Bonds payable and Other	291,444,865	162,187,867			
Total long term liabilities	291,444,865	162,187,867			
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>314,313,480</b>	<b>180,994,461</b>			
<b>EQUITY</b>					
<b>Retained earnings:</b>					
Invested in capital assets, net of debt	111,048,079	114,864,539			
Restricted	115,571,767	82,525,231			
Unrestricted	79,678,268	89,032,971			
Total retained earnings	306,298,114	286,422,741			
<b>Total Liabilities, Contributed Capital, and Retained Earnings</b>	<b>\$ 620,611,594</b>	<b>467,417,202</b>			

Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Retained Earnings  
Year Ended September 30, 2010  
With comparative totals for year ended September 30, 2009  
(unaudited)

	September 30,	
	2010	2009
<b>Operating revenues:</b>		
Charges for service	\$ 231,758,075	229,710,285
Other	710,540	1,420,972
Total operating revenues	232,468,615	231,131,257
<b>Operating expenses before depreciation:</b>		
Fuel purchases/Demand Charges	121,224,176	123,930,475
Operating expenses	34,688,518	33,551,003
Return on investment	19,451,298	18,168,450
General and administrative	10,553,503	9,528,263
Total operating expenses before depreciation	185,917,495	185,178,191
Operating income before depreciation	46,551,120	45,953,066
Depreciation and Amortization expense	17,118,703	11,372,987
<b>Operating Income</b>	<b>29,432,417</b>	<b>34,580,079</b>
<b>Nonoperating revenues (expenses):</b>		
Earnings on investments	1,064,322	3,483,403
Interest expense	(8,651,803)	(5,567,136)
Other	(934,331)	(2,219,621)
Net transfers	(1,035,232)	(229,185)
Net nonoperating revenue (expense)	(9,557,044)	(4,532,539)
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>19,875,373</b>	<b>30,047,540</b>
<b>Retained earnings at beginning of year</b>	<b>286,422,741</b>	<b>256,375,201</b>
<b>Retained earnings at end of year</b>	<b>\$ 306,298,114</b>	<b>286,422,741</b>

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, 2010.

The CAFR report is located on the City of Garland website at [www.ci.garland.tx.us/Home/Departments/City+Administration/Financial+Services/Accounting/A04+CAFR\\_Accounting+landing.htm](http://www.ci.garland.tx.us/Home/Departments/City+Administration/Financial+Services/Accounting/A04+CAFR_Accounting+landing.htm)

GP&L reduced the RAF (Recovery Adjustment Factor) component of the rate for electric service by 1 cent beginning June 1, 2010. This rate was initially scheduled to end October 31, 2010 but will instead remain in effect until at least September 30, 2011. The extended rate reduction was made possible by sustained lower energy costs and substantive cost measures implemented by GP&L to maintain a competitive position.

# Your Healthy Living Expo "Plan Ahead" Guide!

**Make the most of your day at the Healthy Living Expo on September 24. Plan ahead to take advantage of the activities below. Updated event information and an event map will be posted at [www.garlandgoesgreen.org](http://www.garlandgoesgreen.org).**

**Eyeglasses Recycling** - Dropping off your eyeglasses at the Lions Club donation collection box can provide the gift of sight to people around the world.



**Paper Shredding** - Greenstar Recycling will be on site from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. (or until the truck is full) to receive personal documents for shredding. Volunteers will assist with unloading boxes. Acceptable materials include paper, file folders, plastic window envelopes and junk mail.



**Drug Drop** - Help prevent prescription drug abuse and keep our water sources free from contamination. Clean out your medicine cabinet and bring all your unwanted or expired prescriptions and over-the-counter medications to Operation Medicine Drop, where they'll be disposed of safely. For more information, call 972-205-2041.

**Shoe Donations** - Every year, thousands of children in the Dallas area and around the world receive shoes, thanks to those who generously donate to the Shoe Bank. The Shoe Bank will be at the Expo to collect good used children's shoes and men's and women's athletic shoes for distribution in Haiti, where there is still a very real need to help the victims of the devastating earthquake in 2010. A drop-off point, staffed by volunteers, will be set up outside the GISD Special Events Center to receive the shoes from 9 a.m. to noon.



**Electronics Recycling** - The Naaman-Forest High School Class of 2012 will host an electronics collection. Garland

residents can drop off computers, monitors, keyboards, printers, printer cartridges, scanners, radios, televisions, DVD players, VCRs, cell phones, land phones, and other electronic equipment. Drive through, drop equipment off, and be assured the electronics will be recycled responsibly, according to Ginger Steinmetz, working with the Class of 2012.

For more information, contact the Class of 2012 at [nf2012@yahoo.com](mailto:nf2012@yahoo.com) or call 214-674-9024.

**Flu Shots** - Flu shots will be available through the City of Garland Health Department for adults (\$20) and children aged 6 months to 18 years (\$10). Medicare Part B or Medicaid will be filed for those who are eligible. The pneumovax vaccine will be available for \$65, high-dose flu vaccine for \$35 and FluMist (intranasal vaccine) for ages 19-49 for \$30.

**Compost Classes** - City of Garland Environmental Waste Services will host a free compost class at the Expo for Garland residents from 8:45 to 11:30 a.m. Class is limited to 50 participants. Registration is required and will be open until September 19 or until the class is full. Register by calling 972-205-3500. Class attendees will be eligible for prize drawings for six compost bins and Troy-bilt tools.

**Have fun** - Free reusable lunch bags, sponsored by Frost Bank. (500 available, limit one per family.) Watch demos of Garland Parks and Recreation classes showing fun ways to stay active. Plus, bounce houses, face painting, children's activities and more!

**Adopt A Pet** - Garland Pawsibilities will be on-site with adoptable pets from the Garland Animal Shelter. Give a dog or cat a forever home! Garland Pawsibilities will also share information about their mission and goals on behalf of homeless pets. Donations will be accepted!



**2011 Exhibitors** (as of July 20, 2011)

**Healthy You Exhibitors**  
 Achieve Chiropractic  
 American Diabetes Association  
 Autumn Leaves Residence

Baylor Medical Center at Garland  
 Blood Pressure  
 Breast Center  
 Cholesterol  
 Digestive Health  
 Family Residency  
 Heart and Vascular  
 Pulmonary  
 Sleep Center  
 Carter Blood Care  
 Community Dental  
 Li Chiropractic/Accupuncture  
 Galaxy Center  
 1st Heritage Way Adult Day Care  
 Garland Health Department  
 GISD Audiologist  
 GISD Child FIND  
 GISD Parents As Teachers  
 Jason's Deli  
 Leukemia and Lymphoma Society  
 Life Time Fitness  
 Life Scan  
 National Osteoporosis Foundation  
 New Beginnings Center  
 Parkland Health & Hospital System  
 Run On Shoe Store  
 3Q Fitness  
 Smile Magic  
 Spine Team Texas  
 U.S. Food and Drug Administration  
 Valeoquest - Bone Density  
 Walmart Vision Screening  
 YMCA of Garland

**Healthy Earth Exhibitors**

Bath Fitter  
 BSA Venturing Crew 145  
 City of Garland  
 Animal Services  
 Environmental Waste Services  
 Garland Power & Light  
 Office of Emergency Management  
 Office of Environmental Quality  
 Parks and Recreation  
 Stormwater Management  
 Water Utilities  
 Costco Wholesale  
 Dallas Area Rapid Transit  
 Dallas County Master Gardeners  
 Earth Inspired Crafts  
 Energy Attic  
 Frost Bank  
 Garland Citizen Police Academy Alumni  
 Garland Evening Lions Club  
 Garland Pawsibilities  
 Garland Youth Council  
 GeoSource Solutions  
 Greenstar Recycling Mobile Education  
 Greenstar Recycling - Shredding  
 Groom & Son's Ace Hardware  
 Keep Garland Beautiful  
 Natural Grocers by Vitamin Cottage  
 Naturally Slim, Inc.  
 North Texas Municipal Water District  
 Shoe Bank  
 Shaklee  
 The Gleaning Network of Texas  
 WellHome

## Compost Class Registration

September 24, 2011 ~ 8:45 to 11:30 a.m.  
 Garland ISD Special Events Center, 4999 Naaman Forest Blvd.

This class is being offered as part of the Healthy Living Expo. Learn how to make compost, how to conserve natural resources and how to maintain your compost pile for healthy landscapes. Following your compost class, take time to visit the exhibitors and learn how you can have a safe, healthy, green lifestyle.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

How many people are you registering? \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Deadline is September 19, 2011  
 Return this form via email or fax to Glenna Brown at [gbrown@GarlandTx.gov](mailto:gbrown@GarlandTx.gov)  
 972-205-3434 (fax) or call 972-205-3500

# GARLAND ENVIRONMENTAL NEWS

## Going Tarpless Can Result in Fine

When planning to dispose of bulky waste or other debris at the City of Garland Transfer Station or Hinton Landfill, please secure your load with a tarp. Litter and waste materials escaping from vehicles can pose safety hazards to other drivers, and they are unsightly and costly to clean up.

Loads should be covered from the beginning of your trip. An improperly secured load will result in a surcharge assessed at the disposal sites. The transfer station and landfill will sell tarps on site; however, tarping in the parking lot defeats the purpose.

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. Visit the website at [www.garlandenvironmentalwaste.com](http://www.garlandenvironmentalwaste.com) or call 972-205-3500 for more information.

## What to Do With Leftover Paint



Paint should be taken to the Dallas County Home Chemical Collection Center located at 11234 Plano Road, Dallas, Texas 75243. This is a free service for Garland residents. Bring driver's license and utility bill for proof of residency.

Drop-off hours are: Tuesdays, 9 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.; Wednesdays, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Thursdays, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and second and fourth Saturdays of each month, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. This center is closed Sunday, Monday and Friday.

The City of Garland cannot accept any type of paint at the Environmental Waste Services Drop-Off Recycling Center located at 1424 Commerce Street. For questions, call the Stormwater Hotline at 972-205-2180.

## Be Water Smart!

- Garland Water Conservation Ordinance always prohibits:
- Watering a lawn or landscape between the hours of 10 a.m. and 6 p.m., except for hand watering or soaker hoses
  - Watering during any form of precipitation (including snow)
  - Watering impervious surfaces (such as sidewalks or streets) or watering to the extent that there is overflow on a street or drainage area
  - Operating a lawn or landscape irrigation system that has broken or missing heads, or has not been properly maintained in such a way as to prevent waste of water
  - At home car washing, unless it is done using a water hose with a shut-off nozzle

For more information regarding the City of Garland's Water Conservation Ordinance, the Stage 1 Drought Restrictions and ways that you can save water, please visit [www.garlandwater.com](http://www.garlandwater.com), or call 972-205-3285.

## Water Conservation is a Team Effort

In April, Garland city officials declared Stage 1 Drought Response measures to be in effect. While the drought response declaration requires heightened water conservation efforts, Garland citizens should be aware that water conservation ordinances are in effect year-round. Beginning July 11, 2011, the City of Garland Water Utilities, Code Compliance and Building Inspection Departments joined forces to make residents and businesses more aware of conservation ordinance violations. Special door hangers were created for use by building inspection and code compliance officers and water utility field personnel when they witness water use that is in violation of the conservation ordinances. The door hangers serve as a warning only, and are marked with the location and the type of violation observed. The warning notices are tracked using the departments' existing work management systems.

## Fall Trash Bash Set for October 22

Keep Garland Beautiful has scheduled its annual Fall Trash Bash, a citywide litter clean-up event, on Saturday, October 22 from 8:30 a.m. to noon.

"We are calling for volunteers to help make our city more beautiful," said Betty Roberts, Keep Garland Beautiful president.



One of the volunteers discards trash at the Fall Trash Bash supporting Keep Garland Beautiful.

## Don't Kill Your Garden's Best Friend

Instead of spraying chemical pesticides in your garden, consider using ladybugs. They keep aphids, leafhoppers, moth eggs, whiteflies, & mealybugs off flowers & veggies.

For more info. or to report violations, call the Stormwater Hotline at 972-205-2180.



# COMMUNITY/ARTS

## GCT Opens 44th Season in Garland

The Garland Civic Theatre Artistic Director, Kyle McClaran, invites you to a pleasure-packed 2011-2012 Season. GCT's 44th season includes a spectacular line-up of mind-stumping murder mysteries, foot-stomping comedies, and high-stepping musicals and heartwarming tales of star-crossed lovers.

All productions are staged at the Granville Arts Center, Fifth and Austin Streets in downtown Garland. Tickets are available at the Arts Center Box Office or by calling 972-205-2790. Visit the GCT website at [www.garlandcivictheatre.org](http://www.garlandcivictheatre.org) or call 972-485-8884 for additional information.

### Romeo and Juliet

The first MainStage production will be a staging of William Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet*. The most popular love story of all time comes to life as Shakespeare weaves his classic tale of two star-crossed lovers amidst a whirlwind of desperation, love, hate, jealousy, confusion, passion, comedy, and despair unraveled against the beauty and splendor of romantic Verona, Italy.



The production will run Friday through Sunday, August 26 through September 17, with Thursday performances on August 25 and September 1. Tickets are \$22 which includes a service fee. Discounts are available for KERA members and groups of 10 or more. Tickets for the preview on

August 25 are \$17. Thursday performances are at 7:30 p.m., Friday and Saturday evening performances are at 8 p.m., and matinees are at 2:30 p.m.

### The Mikado

Garland Civic Theatre's Children On Stage, made up of youth ages 8 to 18, will begin its season with a production of *The Mikado* by W. S. Gilbert and Arthur Sullivan.



Performances are scheduled for Wednesday through Sunday, August 3 through 7. Evening performances are at 7:30 p.m., with matinees at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are \$17, with discounts available for groups of 10 or more.

Gilbert and Sullivan's operetta has colorful and imaginative characters and beautiful score set in the glorious and colorful background of ancient Japan. *The Mikado's* Japanese setting and costumes masked the fact that it was a send-up of British social customs and pretensions. *The Mikado* has been widely performed in languages other than English and is also one of the few stage musicals that caused a diplomatic fracas. When the Crown Prince of Japan made a state visit to England in 1907, the work was temporarily banned by the British government, a maneuver that backfired when the prince complained that he had hoped to see *The Mikado* during his stay. After more than 120 years, it remains one of the most frequently produced musicals of all time.

**1535 East Brand Road  
600 West Campbell Road  
972-205-2795**

## What's New at Firewheel?

**Associate Pass**  
Starting at \$149 per month  
Includes unlimited rounds with cart  
972-205-3917

**Firewheel Golf Association  
City Championship**  
August 27 - 8 a.m.  
Shotgun Start - Bridges Course  
August 28 - 8 a.m.  
Tee Times - Lakes Course  
972-205-2795

**Joshua Castellano Foundation  
for Traumatic Brain Injury  
Tournament**  
September 10 - 2 p.m.  
Shotgun Start - Lakes Course  
\$110 - Open to first 144 players  
email: [Castellanotn1010@yahoo.com](mailto:Castellanotn1010@yahoo.com)

## DON'T MISS THE SHOW!

### Granville Arts Center

Fifth and Austin Streets

August 6 ~ 6 p.m.

*A World Of Chaos Kiosh* presented by Jabez Entertainment, featuring several types of dance from modern to hip hop. Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$15 at the door. Tickets are available at the Goodwill Baptist Church and Happy Nia Dance Theatre Productions. For tickets or information, call 214-607-2363 or 972-358-0210.



September 25 ~ 6:30 p.m.

*México Influences*, presented by México 2000 Ballet Folklórico. Tickets are \$15 general admission, and \$12 for seniors and children under seven years of age. For information or to purchase tickets, contact Alex Palencia at 972-429-1082.

### Plaza Theatre

521 West State Street

August 4, 5 ~ 1 p.m.

August 6 ~ 7:30 p.m.

August 7 ~ 2 p.m.



*Willy Wonka*, presented by the Company of Rowlett Performers. The production is adapted by Tim McDonald and Leslie Bricusse, with a score by Leslie Bricusse and Anthony Newley. For advance tickets, call 972-977-7710 or go to [www.corptheatre.com](http://www.corptheatre.com).

August 10, 11 ~ 1 p.m.

August 12, 13 ~ 7 p.m.

*The Three Musketeers Unplugged*, presented by Breiting Youth Theatre/CCT. Tickets are \$6 to \$9. For tickets or information, send email to: [actingforchildren@hotmail.com](mailto:actingforchildren@hotmail.com), call Annie at 972-658-3915, or visit the website at [www.actingforchildren.org](http://www.actingforchildren.org).

August 26 ~ 7:30 p.m.

*Early Country and the Big G Jamboree* will return to the Plaza Theatre. Early Country entertains with music from Country Swing to Rock with a little comedy mixed in. Admission is free; donations will be greatly appreciated.



September 10 ~ 7 p.m.

*DD and the Studebakers* takes the audience on a musical journey back to the 50s. Wear your bobby socks and pony tails as you toe tap to songs by Chuck Berry, Elvis, Jerry Lee Lewis, Roy Orbison, Brenda Lee, Fats Domino, Bill Haley and the Comets and many more. Tickets are \$12 and are available at [ddstudebakers.com](http://ddstudebakers.com). No reserved seating is available.



September 25 ~ 3 p.m.

*Settling for Mr. or Ms. Right Now*, presented by WJWiley Productions. Jackson Alexander vows that he will wait on God to send him a wife - but does he wait or does he settle? London Carrington is waiting on God to send her a husband - does she wait or does she settle? Maxi Jones will do just about anything to get the man of her dreams, is she too good to be true? For tickets and information, visit [www.wjwileyproductions.com](http://www.wjwileyproductions.com).

September 30 ~ 7 p.m.

*The Garland Host Lions Club* presents a children's magic show featuring C.J. Johnson. Tickets are \$10. Call 972-432-8982. Doors open at 6:45 p.m.

## GSM GUILD PRESENTS THE LEEVE SINGERS AT THE PLAZA THEATRE

The Garland Summer Musicals Guild will present Dallas' most famous entertainment group, the Levee Singers, on Saturday, September 24. The show, *Busier and Better than Ever*, begins at 7:30 p.m. at the Plaza Theatre, 521 West State Street on the square in downtown Garland.

The Levee Singers began in the early 1960s as the Levee Banjo Band, the weeknight entertainment at the Levee. The group quickly became one of Dallas' best-known and most in-demand entertainment groups. The name was changed to the Levee Singers when the group began appearing on national TV shows and in Las Vegas and Reno.

The Levee Singers are celebrating their 50th anniversary this year. Tickets are \$22 each; for reservations, call 972-205-2790.



## 2011-2012 GCAC Grant Program

The Garland Cultural Arts Commission, Inc. has announced the 2011-2012 Grant Program for local nonprofit arts groups, historic preservation organizations and other artistic entities. Applicant organizations must demonstrate use of funds for promoting and attracting patrons to Garland and serving residents of and visitors to Garland with events that are open and accessible to the public.

Applications may be picked up at the Granville Arts Center Box Office from

10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, August 8 through Thursday, September 29.

An official representative of the organization must sign for each application. An appointment will be set at that time for an interview to be held in October.

Completed applications will be accepted no later than 4 p.m. on Friday, September 30, at the Granville Arts Center, Fifth and Austin Streets in downtown Garland.

## ART EXHIBITS AT THE GRANVILLE

During the next three months, art and photo exhibits will be on display at the Granville Arts Center, Fifth and Austin Streets in Downtown Garland. Viewing hours are Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and during performances. Call 972-205-2780.



### Seen and Unseen

This exhibit by Sue Gibson Parks is a retrospective collection of pastel and watercolor paintings created from 1990 to 2011. Included are a series of mystical pastels and paintings representative of a wild and endangered earth. Parks studied at Garland High School, Texas Tech

University and the College of San Mateo in California. The exhibit runs August 3 through September 6.

### Garland Eyes

The Garland Eyes website showcases images of Garland or by a Garlandite or of a Garlandite. Garland Eyes will celebrate its first anniversary with a photo exhibit, September 7 through October 31, featuring images from [GarlandEyes.com](http://GarlandEyes.com).

Garland Eyes seeks photos that are on the artistic side that moved the photographer one or two steps beyond his comfort zone to bring a new perspective to the common view.



## Health Fair 2011

(Back To School Rally)  
Saturday, August 20  
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**Gale Fields Recreation Center**  
1701 Dairy Road  
(Corner of Miller and Dairy Road)

**Cholesterol/Glucose Screening**  
(Begin fasting at midnight)

**Diabetes and High Blood Pressure Screening and much more**

**Ask a Doctor or Pharmacist**

**Immunizations - \$15 per child**  
Children must have written immunization record and be accompanied by an adult

**Free School Supplies for GISD Students**  
Must present driver license or valid ID with July or August utility bill.  
Limit two supply packages per household, first come, first served.

Presented by Garland Branch of NAACP  
partnering with:  
City of Garland  
Baylor Medical Center at Garland  
Mount Hebron Baptist Church  
Garland Independent School District  
The Lyons Foundation  
Faith Community Seventh Day Adventist Church

## Rock & Roll at the Plaza

On August 27, the Garland Opry will present a *Rock & Roll Extravaganza* featuring C. B. Luce and The Garland Opry Band. Show time is 7:30 p.m. at the Plaza Theatre, 521 West State Street, on the square in downtown Garland. Tickets are \$15, with children 12 and under admitted free. Call 972-494-3835.

Songs of the 50s and 60s will be the focus; hear songs made famous by Elvis, Roy Orbison, The Everly Brothers, Brenda Lee, The Beatles, Buddy Holly, Fats Domino, The Coasters, and Johnny Cash (yes... he did some R&R). Also performing will be rock and roll dancers, guest artists from Garland and the DFW area, and a surprise artist of R&R fame.

**THE BARD AND THE BARD**

The 2011-12 season explores the orchestral literature written for, about, and in response to the plays of William Shakespeare. Actors from the Dallas Shakespeare Festival will frame the music with scenes and soliloquies from the plays.

Season tickets start at \$53  
972-926-0611  
[www.garlandsymphony.org](http://www.garlandsymphony.org)

**www.GarlandArts.com**  
Visit regularly and keep up-to-date on the world of arts in Garland.

## Garland Landmark Society: History In Person and Online

Garland has a rich history dating back to the mid-1800s and several ways for you to experience it. Garland's Landmark Society is a nonprofit organization that serves as the city's historians and manages the collection at the Garland Landmark Museum.

The museum is staffed by volunteers and is open the first and third Saturday of each month from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and by special appointment. But you can also experience the wide array of photographs and historical data online at any time. The Landmark Society launched its website, [www.GarlandHistorical.org](http://www.GarlandHistorical.org), in 2006, thanks to the talents of volunteer webmaster Randy Howald. Beginning with several dozen captioned vintage photographs (see Silvaire photo at right), a brief history of the city's founding and a list of society officers, the menu now includes narratives from local historical markers, as well as maps, charts and exhibits of all sorts. The website provides an expanding local history book, but grows only as fast as volunteer hours permit. While the society appreciates credit when content is referenced, it encourages public use of the material.

The society's objective is promoting a program that 1) stimulates the knowledge



A meeting of the Garland Landmark Society held in the Landmark Museum on Museum Plaza Drive behind City Hall in downtown Garland.

and appreciation of the history of the Garland community; 2) encourages the recording, preservation and presentation of significant evidence of that history; and 3) develops, maintains and perpetuates the Garland Landmark Museum.

The Landmark Society is headquartered in the Santa Fe Depot, a city facility at 200 Museum Plaza Drive (behind City Hall). Volunteers can contribute to the Society's mission with a

wide array of skills, such as accounting, computer, display, financial, legal, oratorical, organizational, research and writing.

Landmark Society work sessions are held at the museum on the first Monday of each month at 7 p.m. Visitors and new members are always welcome! For more information, call the Landmark at 972-205-2996 or visit the website for a list of email contacts.



The Silvaire, an all metal "personal plane," was manufactured by Luscombe Airplane Corporation, which moved its facilities from Trenton, NJ to a 500-acre tract west of Garland in 1945. Shown on a Silvaire's wing circa 1950 are 28 plant employees weighing a combined weight of 3,500 pounds. The Luscombe installation formed the genesis of the current Raytheon/E-Systems plant here.

### ENVISION GARLAND

Envision Garland, the City's comprehensive plan, articulates the community's vision for itself and lays out a strategy to achieve realize that vision during the next two decades. Earlier this year, the City of Garland hosted a series of public hearings on the draft plan, gathering input from community stakeholders. The City Council made several recommendations for modifications based on that feedback.

The next draft of the plan will be available online and at select City facilities later this fall and additional public hearing dates will follow. For more information, call 972-205-2865 or visit [EnvisionGarland.org](http://EnvisionGarland.org).

Why is Envision Garland important now? Garland faces the challenges of redevelopment, regional competition, demographic shifts, and changing resident and retail preferences. A comprehensive plan can help Garland build on its strengths and leverage its assets to take advantage of future opportunities. Residents, businesses, investors, and decision-makers within the community play important roles in the future physical and economic development of our community, along with the City of Garland.

## A SLICK JUGGLER, A CLASSIC MOVIE, A WII GAME, AND A BOOK SALE AT THE GARLAND PUBLIC LIBRARIES

### Nicholson Memorial Library System

**Central Library**  
625 Austin Street  
972-205-2517

**North Garland Branch Library**  
3845 North Garland Avenue  
972-205-2804

**South Garland Branch Library**  
4845 Broadway Boulevard  
972-205-3933

**Walnut Creek Branch Library**  
3319 Edgewood Drive  
972-205-2585

### Adult Programs

#### A Slick End to Summer Reading

The Nicholson Memorial Library System invites all Summer Reading Program participants, children, teens and adults to attend our Summer Reading Wrap-up Party at the Central Library on Saturday, August 6 from 2 to 4 p.m. The party will celebrate the conclusion of the Library System's three reading programs. The winners of each program's Grand Prize drawing will be announced. (Attendance is not required to win.) Juggler David Slick will also perform. Slick holds two juggling world records, one for the longest duration of juggling three objects and the other for the longest duration of juggling four objects. He previously captivated patrons at the Library's Senior Social Hour program and is certain to provide a slick ending to this year's Summer Reading Programs.



#### Model Trains at South Garland

The South Garland Branch Library will host a Model Train Exhibit on Thursday, August 25, 5 to 8:30 p.m., Friday, August 26, 1 to 5:30 p.m., and Saturday, August 27, noon to 4 p.m. The exhibit will feature a variety of model train layouts, representing many eras of railroading from the 1880s to the present day, and will include steam, diesel, freight and passenger equipment.



The free exhibit is co-sponsored by The Spring Creek Model Railroad Club and the Nicholson Memorial Library System. For more information, call 972-205-3931.

### Senior Social Hour @ the Library

The Nicholson Memorial Library System offers a free program series for senior citizens, Senior Social Hour @ the Library, sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Events in this series are held at the Central Library and 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. For more information, call 972-205-2502.

#### Casablanca - Hollywood's Classic Happy Accident

Film critic Larry Ratliff will present his program, *Casablanca - Hollywood's Classic Happy Accident* for Senior Social Hour on Thursday, August 18, at 2 p.m. A long-time critic and movie feature writer for the *San Antonio Express-News*, Mr. Ratliff will use presentation software and movie clips to revisit this classic film. He will reveal little-known information about the film, including the scoop on one of the silver screen's most unusual love triangles (Bogart, Bergman, and Henreid), the origin of the legendary and frequently quoted phrase, "Play it again, Sam," and



the happy accident which resulted in a B-movie becoming one of the most famous movies of all time. Please note that while *Casablanca* will not be shown in its entirety, this presentation of Senior Social Hour will be extended to approximately ninety minutes.

#### The Blue Diamond Trio

The Blue Diamond Trio returns to the Nicholson Memorial Library for a third engagement at Senior Social Hour on Tuesday, September 13, at 2 p.m. The Blue Diamond Trio consists of three instrumental musicians and a singer who specialize in popular tunes from the 1940s. The group includes Bill Chamberlin playing tenor saxophone and supplying vocals, drummer John Weeks, Bill Flynt on keyboard, and vocalist Linda Young. In addition to performing at the Central Library in 2008 and 2009, the Blue Diamond Trio has performed for many Dallas-area senior residences and has provided dance music for the McKinney Ballroom Dance Club on a monthly basis for the past ten years.



#### Library Book Discussion Group

Booklovers of the community are invited to join the Library's book discussion group, The Page Turners. The group will discuss *Cleopatra's Daughter*, by Michelle Moran, on August 25, and *What the Dog Saw*, by Malcolm Gladwell, on September 22. The Page Turners meet on the fourth Thursday of every month, at 7 p.m., at the Central Library. No registration is required. For more information, call 972-205-2502.

#### Ask A Lawyer Returns to the Central Library

The Nicholson Memorial Library System's Central Library will offer another free *Ask A Lawyer* event for adults on Saturday, September 17, from 2 to 4 p.m. Lawyers with the Dallas Area Young Lawyers and the Dallas Volunteer Attorney

Program will provide quick answers to basic legal questions. Topics that the attorneys may address include family law, estate planning, and criminal and business law. Participation is on a first come, first served basis. Attorneys at this event will not be accepting clients or soliciting for clients. Registration at the door is required, and registrations will end at 3:30 p.m.

### Children's Programs

#### September is Library Card Sign-Up Month

To celebrate Library Card Sign-Up Month, the library will provide a scavenger hunt game to each child who receives his or her first library card in September. Play the game and learn about the library. Children who complete the hunt will receive a prize.

### Fall Storytimes for Children and Families

Fall Storytimes begin at Garland libraries on August 29 and run through December 3.

#### Central Library

*Toddler Storytimes, Mondays, 10 a.m.*  
*Preschool Storytimes, Mondays, 11 a.m.*

#### North Garland Branch Library

*Wee Read, Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m.*  
*Toddler Storytimes, Fridays, 10 a.m.*  
*Preschool Storytimes, Fridays, 11 a.m.*

#### South Garland Branch Library

*Toddler Storytimes, Wednesdays, 10 a.m.*  
*Preschool Storytimes, Wednesdays, 11 a.m.*  
*Family Storytimes, Saturdays, 10:30 a.m.*

#### Walnut Creek Branch Library

*Family Storytimes, Thursdays, 7 p.m.*

### Daddy and Me Storytime at the North Garland Branch Library

The North Garland Branch Library will hold a special storytime for children and their male relatives on Thursday, September 8, at 6:30 p.m. Attending storytime helps young children learn how to behave and participate in a group setting, enhances literacy skills, initiates them into the learning process, and allows them to bond with an accompanying parent. This particular event focuses on the bond between children and their male relatives. The storytime will consist of stories read aloud, songs, rhymes, and a craft. For information, call 972-205-2804.

### Teen Programs

#### Top Ten Teen Reads

Teens, voice your choice! Throughout August, teens can pick up nomination forms at the Children's Desk at any Garland library location to vote for their favorite read from the summer. The Garland Top Ten Teen Reads list will be made into bookmarks that can be picked up during Teen Read Week, October 16-22.

#### Teens Get Your Game On at the Walnut Creek Branch Library

Teens, get your game on at the Walnut Creek Branch Library! Drop in any time between 3 and 5 p.m. on Saturday, September 24, and play a variety of games. This event is free and does not require registration. Options may include video games such as Wii and Playstation 2, in addition to card games and board games. For information, call 972-205-2585.

### Friends of the Library Fall Book Sale

South Garland Branch Library

#### Membership Meeting and Members Only Book Sale

Thursday, September 15, 6 p.m.  
with sale preview to follow afterward until 8:30 p.m.

#### Public Book Sale

Friday, September 16, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
Saturday, September 17, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Most books are priced from 50¢ to \$1 each. Children's books are 50¢ each. Bring your own bags for purchases.  
For information call 972-205-3931 or 972-205-2543.

All Garland libraries will be closed Monday, September 5, in observance of Labor Day.

# HIP HOP, ROCKET RIDE, AND GOOD DOG SKILLS AT THE REC CENTERS

**African Martial Arts**  
 September 7 – September 28  
 Wednesdays, 6 – 8 p.m.  
 Ages 8 Years and up  
 \$28 per person  
 Audubon Recreation Center

Learn self defense based on a foundation of dance and rhythm. Engage in grappling, striking, and stick fighting. Contact Audubon Recreation Center at 972-205-3991 or arc@GarlandTx.gov.



**Hip Hop Fit**  
 September 12 – October 3  
 Mondays, 7:15 – 8:15 p.m.  
 Ages 17 Years and up  
 \$30 per person  
 Gale Fields Recreation Center



Build up your strength and endurance through exciting, fast-paced hip hop routines that will get you in shape the fun way. Contact Gale Fields Recreation Center for more information at 972-205-3090 or frc@GarlandTx.gov.

**Good Dog Skills**  
 August 2 – September 20  
 Ages 12 Years and up  
 7 – 8 p.m.  
 \$100 per dog  
 Granger Recreation Center



Learn dog obedience using the American Kennel Club Canine Good Citizens Standards with a focus on rewarding dogs for good manners. Contact Granger Recreation Center for more information at 972-205-2771 or grc@GarlandTx.gov.

**Fundamentals of Soccer**  
 August 1 – August 22  
 10 – 10:50 a.m.  
 Ages 6 – 8 Years  
 \$20 per child  
 Hollabaugh Recreation Center

Learn beginner skills including stopping the ball with the foot, dribbling, passing, and kicking in a noncompetitive environment. Contact Hollabaugh Recreation Center for information at 972-205-2721 or hhrc@GarlandTx.gov.



## GSAC Participates in Senior Awareness Day

The Garland Senior Activity Center (GSAC) will participate in the Third Annual District 112 Senior Awareness Day on Saturday, August 6. The event, hosted by State Representative Angie Button, will take place in the Grand Hall of the Richardson Civic Center from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. This annual information fair will provide exhibitors, entertainment, door prizes, and refreshments all geared toward our senior population. The Garland Senior Activity Center will provide two booths of information: one focusing on the services that the City of Garland provides for seniors and one promoting the Ms. Senior Garland Classic Pageant. Benefits counselors from the Dallas Area Agency on Aging will also be on hand to provide assistance on Medicare, Medicaid, Social Security and other benefits for seniors.

**Dance Combo**  
 September 7 – September 28  
 Wednesdays, 6 – 6:45 p.m.  
 Ages 8 - 17 Years  
 \$25 per child  
 Bradfield Recreation Center

Learn various styles of dance including modern, lyrical, body movements, freestyle, jazz, tap, and ballet. A \$16 one-time administration fee is payable to the instructor. Contact Bradfield Recreation Center for more information at 972-205-2770 or brc@GarlandTx.gov.



**Rocket Ride to Space Camp**  
 August 15 – August 19  
 9 a.m. - noon  
 Ages 6 – 12 Years  
 \$149 per child  
 Holford Recreation Center

Build rockets and planes while experimenting with different kinds of propulsion systems. Contact Holford Recreation Center for information at 972-205-2772 or hrc@GarlandTx.gov.



**Garland's Gone Camping**  
 A Family Campout  
 October 15 – October 16  
 Audubon Park  
 \$30 per family of 4

Grab your tent and sleeping bags for a night under the stars. Enjoy a night hike, games, s'mores, a camp fire, and an outdoor movie. Pre-registration required by October 12. For information, contact Audubon Recreation Center at 972-205-3991 or arc@GarlandTx.gov.



## Surf and Swim Open

Surf and Swim is open daily through August 21 and weekends through Labor Day. Visit [www.surfandswim.org](http://www.surfandswim.org).



**Garland Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Arts is on Facebook and YouTube!**

Get the latest and greatest happenings around the city. Learn about special events and facility closings. See pictures of facilities, parks, and programs. Become a fan today!

august	sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
		1 City Council Work Session	2 City Council Meeting	3 Garland Civic Theatre Children on Stage Presents "The Mikado" August 3 - 7 at the Arts Center	4 CORP Presents "Willy Wonka" at the Plaza Theatre	5	6 Pawsibilities Adoption "A World of Chaos Kiosk"
	7 "The Mikado" "Willy Wonka"	8 Plan Commission	9	10 Garland Civic Theatre Presents "The Three Musketeers" at the Plaza Theatre	11 Chamber of Commerce Job Fair	12	13
	14	15 City Council Work Session	16 City Council Meeting	17	18 Senior Social Hour Central Library	19 Vehicle Auction Impound Lot	20 Health Fair 2011
	21	22 GISD SCHOOL STARTS! Plan Commission	23	24	25 Mayor's Evening In Mayor's Office Page Turners Meeting	26 Early Country & Big G Jamboree at the Plaza Theatre	27 Rock & Roll Extravaganza Plaza Theatre
	28 "Romeo and Juliet"	29	30	31	Seen and Unseen Art Exhibit by Sue Parks runs at the Arts Center from August 3 through September 6		

september	sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
	September is National Preparedness Month KnoWhat2Do Think.Prepare.Act.	Labor Day Parade	Garland Eyes Photo Exhibit at the Garland Arts Center September 7 through October 31		1	2	3 Pawsibilities Adoption
	4 "Romeo and Juliet"	5 Surf and Swim Wave Pool Open Through Labor Day! Labor Day City Offices Closed	6 City Council Work Session City Council Meeting	7	8	9	10 DD and the Studebakers at Plaza Theatre
	11 "Romeo and Juliet"	12 Plan Commission 7 pm - CGTV	13 Senior Social Hour Library Council Update Broadcast	14	15	16 Vehicle Auction Impound Lot	17 Friends of the Library Fall Book Sale GCT Presents "Romeo and Juliet" at the Arts Center
	18	19 City Council Work Session	20 City Council Meeting	21	22 Page Turners Meeting	23 Autumn Begins	24 Healthy Living Expo
	25 Mexican Influences at the Arts Center "Settling for Mr. Or Ms. Right Now" at Plaza Theatre	26 Plan Commission 7 pm - CGTV	27	28	29 Rosh Hashanah Mayor's Evening In Mayor's Office	30 Children's Magic Show at the Arts Center	October 5 National Night Out