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Christmas on the Square

Garland will kick off the holiday season with its annual Christmas on the Square event from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. Dec. 5.

The festivities will take place in the Downtown Square, located on Sixth Street from State Street to Main Street. Santa will help City officials light up the square with thousands of twinkling lights at 7 p.m.

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Garland City Press Special Edition Issue

This month marks the 20th anniversary edition of the *Garland City Press*—the first issue came out in December 1993.

The bi-monthly newsletter is sent to every household and business in Garland, and provides the community with important information regarding City news, activities, events and programs. This special edition introduces a new look for the publication. The layout will now be done in a tabloid style to give it more of a magazine feel. The revised design will maintain a clean and modern look that is easy to read. The next issue of the *Garland City Press* will be for the months of January/February. The *Garland City Press* also is available online at GarlandTx.gov.



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20th
Anniversary
Edition

Christmas on the Square, 2012

Message

from the Mayor

If we are to continue to grow and to thrive as a community, we have to tell why we are a great choice for development and investment. To tell that story, we must have a vision, we must identify the opportunities to attract new investment, and we have to improve our development rules that stretch back to the 1950s and have been revised year-after-year, layer-upon-layer, across multiple departments.

We adopted Envision Garland almost two years ago. We are working with the Chamber of Commerce and growing our internal economic development team to find new opportunities and partners. Our last roadblock is to revise our development rules. City staff has been working on a new Garland Development Code (GDC). Working with others, they have been evaluating the City's development-related codes, regulations, processes, and policies with extensive revisions of the current codes and zoning maps under way.

Many existing regulations do not adequately address recent and future development trends. We risk being stuck in the past. As Garland approaches "build-out," our focus should be toward redevelopment, infill and revitalization. The new GDC will shrink the City's various development regulations into a consolidated document, update regulations to meet legislative requirements, and establish more flexible and user friendly regulations and processes, while requiring higher quality development.

Help Garland grow: attend the forthcoming community and stakeholder meetings and give your feedback. Please check the City's website regularly for the latest information. Be involved; we need you!

For more details, see story on page 3.



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

Mayor's Evening In
5 to 7 p.m. Jan. 24
Mayor's Office
City Hall 200 N. Fifth St.

To reserve a time,
call 972-205-2400 or
email Mayor@GarlandTx.gov

CGTV Listings

City Council Meetings

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

Plan Commission

- Live broadcast – 7 p.m. Dec. 9
- Rebroadcast following the meeting Tuesday, Thursday and Friday – 9 a.m.

Billboard

- Daily schedule posted at GarlandTx.gov

Garland Spotlight

- Daily broadcast – 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Arts in Action

- Daily broadcast – Monday-Sunday – 8:30 a.m., Tuesday-Sunday – 6:30 p.m.

Meeting dates and times subject to change.

City Council Meetings

Garland City Council meets the first and third Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 200 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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District 4 Quarterly Conversation with Councilman B.J. Williams

6:30 to 8:30 p.m. | Jan. 29
South Garland Branch Library
4845 Broadway Blvd.

Topics will include the City's recycling and solid waste collection program.



Garland City Council

Profiles

Stephen W. Stanley, City Council District 3,

was elected to his first term on May 11. Stanley and his wife, Daphne, celebrated their first anniversary within a few months of his election. Former Garland Mayor Ronald E. Jones performed their marriage ceremony in August 2012.



Stanley has lived in Garland for more than 25 years, and graduated from South Garland High School and Richland College. As a realtor, Stanley has been active in the area's business and civic community most of his life, having served with many organizations ranging from athletics boosters to professional organizations. During the late 1990s and early 2000s, Stanley lived in Sachse and served on its City Council and Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors.

Upon his return to Garland, Stanley was encouraged to get more deeply involved with his hometown government and ran for Garland City Council. As District 3 representative, Stanley wants to jumpstart commercial development along the I-30 corridor and help Garland residents south of I-30 feel more a part of the city. "I am also looking forward to strengthening the bond between the City and the Garland Chamber of Commerce, while helping both create a friendlier environment for smaller businesses. Those businesses are an important asset for a strong community and economy," said Stanley.

Stanley considers public service to be his way of giving back to his community and his country for all the freedoms and opportunities he's had. He says the military service of his father and six uncles set an example that has inspired him to help others and find solutions that benefit the broader community.

Stanley enjoys spending time with his family and friends, as well as outdoor sports and gardening. He's especially glad to have his granddaughter, Elly, and his mother, Suzanne, nearby along with his two stepsons who recently returned to the area.

Animal Services News

Garland Animal Services' new Pet Adoption Center is open for business at 813 Main St. Its goal—to find forever homes for adoptable pets and engage volunteers and the community to help meet that goal. The site also will be used by the Texas Coalition for Animal Protection (TCAP) for low-cost sterilizations. Volunteers from Garland Pawsibilities will staff the adoption center. Those who would like to contribute time or money should visit GarlandPaws.org.

The Pet Adoption Center's grand opening was held in October. Mayor Athas cut the grand opening ribbon to kick off a day of fun for pets and their owners. Garland Animal Services provided a free vaccination and registration clinic for the pets of Garland residents, while children were welcomed in the afternoon for trick-or-treats. The day wrapped up with a pet costume contest. Adoptable pets were available all day.

Adoption Voucher

Need a perfect Christmas gift for your loved one? Purchase an adoption voucher from Garland Animal



Services for \$80 and give the gift of a new family member to someone.

Special Thanks

Thanks to Garland Lowe's for donating pet supplies to Garland Animal Services. Also a special 'thank you' to those who donated nearly \$700 during the month of October. Donations are used to sponsor animals for adoption or to provide care and comfort for animals. Notable donations include:

- Kelly Glannon – \$80
- Domenico Piscioneri – \$100
- Bonnie Roberts – \$80
- John Tautges – \$80
- Rick Williams – \$115

Community Invited to Review the Garland Development Code

The City of Garland uses development-related regulations to achieve attractive, quality development, which enhances the quality of life for residents and businesses. Such regulations include zoning requirements, subdivision regulations, and other design and development standards. The City is updating its development codes to consolidate these regulations into a cohesive and well-organized document that will help the City respond to changing demographic, market and development trends, while providing more flexible and user friendly regulations and processes.

City staff has worked with a consultant team to develop an initial draft of the updated Garland Development Code (GDC), which is now ready for public review and feedback. The draft GDC will be presented to the community at a series of meetings to increase awareness and understanding of the GDC, and to maximize public input into the review and adoption process. A special website (GarlandDevCode.org) has been established to provide an overview of the GDC, important meeting dates, and links to the draft document and related summary materials. A dedicated GDC email address (GDC@garlandtx.gov) also has been created to facilitate the exchange of information.

Garland residents are invited to attend one of the community meetings to learn more about the proposed GDC, ask questions, and provide City staff with feedback. The community meeting schedule is as follows:

- **Dec. 3**, 6 to 8 p.m. – South Garland Branch Library, 4845 Broadway Blvd.
- **Dec. 12**, 6 to 8 p.m. – North Garland Branch Library, 3845 N. Garland Ave.
- **Jan. 7**, 6 to 8 p.m. – Northeast Church, 318 N. Shiloh Road
- **Jan. 16**, 6 to 8 p.m. – Central Library, 625 Austin St.

After meeting with the community and with other stakeholders in the development process, work sessions and public hearings will be held by the Plan Commission and City Council to consider adoption of the new Code. Look for updates in future issues of the *Garland City Press* and on the GDC website.



2013 Neighborhood Summit

Showing Our Community "the Love"

Nearly 100 community members gathered for the 2013 Neighborhood Summit in October. The annual event offers an excellent opportunity for participants to rethink, reenergize, and reconnect on important topics such as volunteerism, neighborhood investment, community appearance, and diversity. The event also recognized Garland Neighborhood Management Academy (GNMA) graduates. GNMA offers workshops and training for Garland stakeholders in three concentration areas: citizen engagement, leadership development, and neighborhood management. The



Mayor and City Council were present to recognize the following residents:

Pinnacle Award

- Eric Redish (Council District 2)

Citizen Engagement Certification

- Kris Beard (Council District 2)
- Patricia Lewis (Council District 1)

Neighborhood Management Certification

- Doris Lafayette (Council District 6)
- Ginny Wilcox (Council District 4)

The 11th Annual Neighborhood Summit was sponsored by Garland Power & Light, Environmental Waste Services, and the TX APA. For more information visit, GarlandVitalNeighborhoods.org or call 972-205-2445.



[GarlandVitalNeighborhoods](http://GarlandVitalNeighborhoods.org)

Garland Planning & Community Development Department Celebrates Awards

The City of Garland's Planning & Community Development Department has received two statewide awards.

Residential Idea Book

The Texas Chapter of the American Planning Association selected the City of Garland's Residential Idea Book to receive its Honorable Mention award for project planning. The Idea Book was one of four projects selected from 19 nominations. The Residential Idea Book is a collection of ideas and best practices to inspire homeowners who want to improve and invest in their single-family homes. The book can be downloaded at GarlandTx.gov, or obtained from the Planning and Building Inspection departments located at 800 N. Main St.

Certificate of Achievement for Planning Excellence

The association also awarded Garland the 2013 Certificate of Achievement for Planning Excellence. The Planning Excellence Certificate is given annually to municipal planning departments that achieve high

standards for adoption of professional planning studies, ordinances and plans, and whose staff members meet certain levels of training, education and participation in professional planning organizations. The City of Garland has received the Certificate of Achievement for Planning Excellence numerous times in recent years.



BEWARE OF SCAMS!

Garland residents have made the City aware of numerous utility bill payment scams, which are similar to many being reported nationwide. In one commonly reported scheme, a caller will demand immediate payment from the utility customer by threatening them with disconnection of electric service. The scammer may insist on payment by Green Dot prepaid debit card or offer to pick up a cash payment. Also be aware that scammers sometimes use "spoofing" software to deceptively display a utility's name and phone number on the Caller ID. Although scammers have been known to target the elderly and non-native English speakers, anyone can fall victim.

If you are suspicious of any call you receive, especially outside of normal business hours or on the weekend, please consider hanging up the phone immediately. It is important to know the signs of a scam and how to avoid being a victim.

- **Never provide personal or financial information to people who call or email you.** If you did not initiate the conversation, do not give out information such as Social Security numbers, credit or debit card numbers, or bank account or routing numbers. Please note that if you contact us, you will be asked specific questions to identify yourself.
- **Be suspicious of anyone asking for immediate payment or payment by prepaid debit card, especially on weekends or after hours.** The City of Garland will never call and demand immediate bill payment. This is always initiated by the customer. Visit GarlandUtilities.org for a list of approved payment options.
- **Do not let anyone into your home without an appointment or prior notification.** City of Garland utility employees will never ask to enter your home or come to your home to collect payment. Also beware of door-to-door solicitors offering home repair services, and always ask for identification.

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

Christmas on the Square Garland, Texas

This annual event offers many free family activities, including crafts for the children and snow tubing hills. View a live ice carving demonstration, find a new friend at the Garland Animal Services pet adoption booth, or donate an unwrapped toy to the Garland Firefighter's Association's Christmas Toy Drive. Children can get their picture taken with Santa and take home a free souvenir photo button. Attendees will enjoy shopping in the Christmas Bazaar booths or take advantage of a variety of festive foods.

This year, Christmas on the Square is being featured by WFAA Channel 8 as a Family First event. News personality Colleen Coyle will join Santa on stage at 7 p.m. to count down the lighting of the City tree. Be sure to stop by the WFAA booth to say hello!



For parking information and details, visit ChristmasontheSquare.com.

Recycling Program Hits Milestone

One-third of Garland is now on automated recycling collection service, following delivery of an additional 12,500 96-gallon, blue recycling carts in late October. In 2012, 8,100 residents received blue carts. In addition to implementing the automated collection service, the City also began its Single Stream Recycling Program, where all recycling can be placed in a single container, whether residents had red bins or blue containers. Recycling tonnage increased 27% in the first year of the program. Environmental Waste Services is using a phased approach to implement automated recycling collection to meet budget commitments for purchasing new automated vehicles and containers.



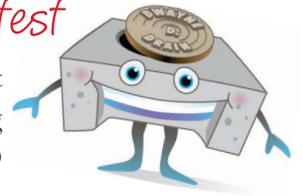
Garland 'Fight the Bite' Video Wins Statewide Award

The City of Garland was recognized with a First Place trophy from the Texas Association of Telecommunications Officers & Advisors (TATO) in the Special Audience category. The Public & Media Relations and Health departments produced *Fight the Bite!*, a video that helps teach elementary school students about West Nile Virus and how to protect themselves. It is intended to reach children who will share this information at home so their families can take a proactive approach toward eliminating the mosquitoes that transmit the virus to people. *Fight the Bite!* is being offered free-of-charge to any educational or not-for-profit organization that wishes to help spread the West Nile prevention message. The video can be found on the City of Garland Health Department West Nile Virus Information page. For a high-definition version of the video, contact DBach@GarlandTx.gov. For more information, call the Garland Health Department at 972-205-3460.



From Streets to Creeks

Essay Contest



The Stormwater Management Department is sponsoring a contest for Garland ISD third through fifth grades. Participating students will write an essay describing how trash, fertilizer, grass, oil and/or other pollutants get into creeks through stormwater. Students also will discuss how this pollution might affect creeks and aquatic habitats, as well as what steps can be taken to prevent water pollution. For each grade level listed above, the City will award the following prizes:

- **1st place:** Kindle Fire HDX Tablet
- **2nd place:** iPod Nano
- **3rd place:** Nintendo 3DS
- **Honorable Mention** (3 per grade level): \$25 gift card

In addition to student prizes, the teacher of each winning student in 1st, 2nd and 3rd place will receive \$100. The teacher of each winning student for Honorable Mention will receive \$25.

A participation prize will be given to all students who enter. Entries must be received by 5 p.m. Dec. 12. Email PBreysac@GarlandTx.gov to request entry form, rules and general stormwater information.

City Center Ground Breaking

A ground-breaking ceremony to celebrate the kickoff of construction of the City Center project was held in November. Construction on the parking garage is already under way and is expected to be completed by next fall. The project will include the addition of apartment units next to City Hall, a parking structure that will serve the public, residential tenants, and those accessing City Hall, and an update to the City Hall façade.



Performing Arts

Shows & Events

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

The Nutcracker | 7:30 p.m. Dec. 6-7,

2 p.m. Dec. 7-8. The Dallas Ballet Company returns to present this holiday classic. Performance times are 7:30 p.m. Dec. 6; 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Dec. 7; and 2 p.m. Dec. 8. Ticket prices are \$23. To purchase tickets, call 972-205-2790 or visit GarlandArtsBoxOffice.com. For details, visit DallasBalletCenter.org.



A Celebration of Music | 8 p.m. Dec. 13 & 14.

Enjoy Big Band Music, Dixie Land, Rock and Roll, Gospel and Country at the Garland Civic Theatre Fundraiser with Lou Griffin, CB Luce and Friends. Tickets are \$25 and are available at GarlandArtsBoxOffice.com or by calling 972-205-2790.

Christmas in Mexico | 7 p.m. Dec. 14. This



choreographic montage is a representation of the birth of Jesus Christ that mixes the biblical story with traditional dances from México

and other countries. Tickets are \$15; seniors and children younger than 6 are \$12. Call 972-429-1082 or email info@mexico2000.net.

Rankin Brothers Classic Christmas Show

7:30 p.m. Dec. 19. Enjoy highlights from the Rankin Brothers' 2013 regular season show, as well as classic Christmas songs. Tickets are available at 972-205-2790 or GarlandArtsBoxOffice.com. Tickets are \$33 (Adult), \$15 (12 or younger), and group rates are \$24 (20 or more).

Art Exhibit

Garland ISD Faculty Art Show | Dec. 10-Jan. 15, Granville Arts Center, 300 N. Fifth St.

Garland ISD art faculty will exhibit personal artworks. This annual show benefits the Kaye Swartz and Terri Smith Scholarship Fund for deserving senior art students in Garland ISD. The public is invited to donate with a tax deductible gift toward this scholarship fund through envelopes provided at the show. Viewing hours are from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and during all performances.

At the Plaza Theatre, 521 W. State St.

Holiday Family Film Festival | 4 & 7 p.m.

Dec. 1, 7 p.m. Dec. 2. First Baptist Church will present a Holiday Family Film Festival that will feature three Christmas movies. For movie titles and ticket information, visit FBCgarland.org. The event is free; however, tickets are required. Contact Cindy Cook at 972-276-5273 x282.



The Life & Adventures of Santa Claus

7 p.m. Dec. 6. Presented by the Classical Center at Vial Elementary, this show tells the make-believe story of how Claus the child becomes Santa Claus. Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased at the school's office or the night of the show. Call 972-240-3710 for more information.

The Lion, The Witch & The Wardrobe

11:30 a.m. Dec. 12, 11:45 a.m. & 7 p.m. Dec. 13, 7 p.m. Dec. 14.

Join the Breitling Youth Theater for performances based on the C.S. Lewis classic. Tickets are \$5-10 each. To purchase, call 972-658-3915 or visit ActingForChildren.com.



Dashing Through the Snow | 8 p.m. Dec. 19-21 & 2 p.m. Dec. 22. Join the Company of Rowlett

Performers for this delightful holiday play. Tickets are \$10 (group tickets and daycare prices available.) Call 972-977-7710 for reservations.



Free Movies at the Plaza

White Christmas | 7 p.m. Dec. 23., Plaza Theatre, 521 W. State St.

The City of Garland will present *White Christmas* for free. This classic holiday movie is the story of a successful song-and-dance team who become romantically involved with a sister act and team up to save the failing Vermont inn of their former commanding general. Popcorn, soda and candy are available for \$2 each. Concession profits on Thursday will be donated to the Good Samaritans of Garland.

Garland Symphony Orchestra

Many great composers have done their finest work when inspired by the beauty of dance. Some, like Stravinsky with *Petrushka*, Delibes with *Coppelia*, or Copland with *Rodeo*, have written full-length ballets intended for virtuoso dancers. Other compositions, like Rachmaninoff's *Symphonic Dances*, Dvorak's *Slavonic Dances*, or Bartok's *Dance Suite*, use the rhythms of dance in works intended for concert performance.

Dec. 20 – The Garland Symphony Orchestra (GSO)

will perform Tchaikovsky's *Nutcracker Suite*, Kallman's *Holliday Hoedown*, and selections from Amahl and the Night Visitors. The GSO also will feature its popular holiday sing-along with holiday favorites.

To purchase tickets, call 972-205-2790 or visit GarlandArtsBoxOffice.com. For more information, visit GarlandSymphony.org.

Garland Civic Theatre

All The King's Women | Through Dec. 7.

Join Garland Civic Theatre for the story of Elvis Presley told through the eyes of 17 women. Performances will be held at 8 p.m. Dec. 6 and 7; and 2:30 p.m. Dec. 1 and 7. Tickets are \$15-\$22. To purchase tickets, visit GarlandArtsBoxOffice.com or call 972-205-2790 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. For details, visit GarlandCivicTheatre.org.



New Year's Eve

Casino Fundraiser

8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Dec. 31

Branding Iron, 1535 E. Brand Road

The event will feature a full casino, prizes, an Italian dinner, desserts, complimentary beer, silent auction, full cash bar, champagne toast at midnight with black eyed peas for good luck. Tickets are \$75 per person. To purchase tickets call 972-205-2790 or visit GarlandArtsBoxOffice.com.



Library

Programs & Events

All libraries will be closed Dec. 24-25 for Christmas.

All libraries will close at 6 p.m. on Dec. 31, and all libraries will be closed Jan. 1, for New Year's Day.

Children/Youth Programs

Spring Storytimes Schedule | Jan. 6 – April 26, 2014

Central Library

625 Austin Street, 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 North 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.

Family Movie Times • Bring a blanket and watch free holiday family movies. Doors open 15 minutes prior and seating is limited. Free popcorn and water will be available while supplies last. Call 972-205-3933.



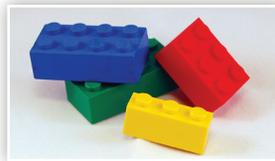
- **Dec. 10, 6 p.m.**, Walnut Creek Branch
- **Dec. 17, 6:30 p.m.**, North Garland Branch
- **Dec. 19, 6:30 p.m.**, South Garland Branch

Exam Cram, 2 to 4 p.m. Dec. 14, Central Library •

A program for ages 13-17 that allows teens to study for their exams for the first hour then relax for the second by playing video games like Wii and Kinect. Snacks and water will be provided; drawings for gift cards also will be held.

Block Party at the Library •

Challenges participants ages 4-12 to build creations based on a theme. The free event will take place at the following times and



locations:

- **Dec. 30, 2 to 3 p.m.**, Central Library
- **Dec. 31, 3 to 4 p.m.**, Walnut Creek Branch
- **Jan. 2, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.**, North Garland Branch
- **Jan. 4, 2:30 to 3:30 p.m.**, South Garland Branch

Children ages 6 and younger must be accompanied by an adult. Supplies will be provided.

Christmas on the Square Booth, 5:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Dec. 5, Downtown Garland • Children can make free holiday crafts at the library's booth at Christmas on the Square. Stop by for information about library services and programs, and meet Skippyjon Jones from the popular children's picture book series by Judith Byron Schachner. Call 972-205-2516 or visit ChristmasontheSquare.com.

Adult Programs

Senior Social Hour @ the Library, 2 p.m. Dec. 7,

Central Library • A free program series for senior citizens ages 55 or older. December's performance will be Kithara Duo, guitarists Fernand Vera and Olga Amelkina-Vera. Seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Call 972-205-2502.

Page Turners, 7 p.m. Dec. 12, Central Library

Booklovers are invited to join the library's book discussion group. The Page Turners meet one Thursday a month. This month's selection is *An Irish Country Doctor* by Patrick Taylor. Call 972-205-2502.

Got your card yet? We did.

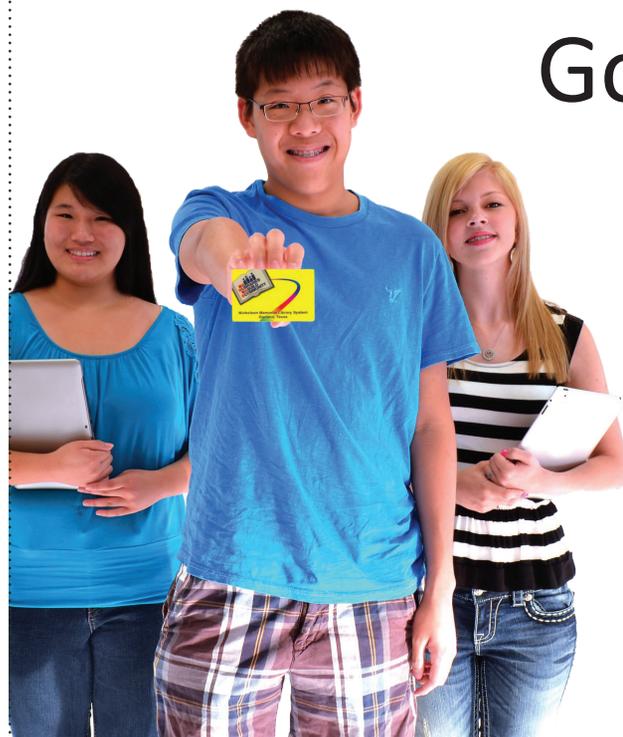
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Established 1933

www.nmls.lib.tx.us

*Elizabeth, Scott, and Kylie of the Garland Youth Council,
Millennial Library Cardholders*



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Congratulations to

Firewheel Golf Park!

AvidGolfer magazine recognized Firewheel Golf Park with the following rankings:

Bridges Course

- Ranked 2nd in the highly competitive mid-priced rankings
- "Best bent grass greens for the money"
- "Overall conditions much improved"
- Moved up 7 places in the best public golf course rankings in the DFW area

Old Course/Lakes Course

- "Best Short short game areas at this level"



GolfFirewheel.com

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Recreation Center

Programs & Events



1701 Dairy Road
 Kids up to 12 years old
 Join Fields Recreation Center for a free holiday party filled with arts and crafts and snacks. Don't miss

pictures with Santa for \$5 per picture. Call 972-205-3090 or frc@garlandtx.gov.

Sweetheart Dance | Feb. 1

The Atrium, 300 N. Fifth Street
 5 to 7 p.m. (ages 4-7),
 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. (ages 8-12)

Dads, grandfathers, and uncles, experience an enchanted evening with your special little one. The evening includes dinner, dancing, a professional 5x7 photo and each little girl will receive a special gift. Register per person. If you have a girl in each age group, you may pick your time. Call 972-205-2772 or hrc@GarlandTx.gov. Cost is \$14 per person. Register by Feb. 1 at any Garland Recreation Center or online at GarlandParks.com. Register by Dec. 31 and save \$2 person.



Environmental Waste Services

Holiday Schedule

Offices closed Dec. 24-25 and Jan. 1 and 20



No garbage, recycling or brush/bulky goods collection Dec. 25 or Jan. 1; Wednesday collection routes will resume on Thursday, Thursday routes will

resume on Friday, and Friday routes will resume on Saturday.

Recycling Center - Open Dec. 24 and 31 (8 a.m. to 3 p.m.); Closed Dec. 25; Jan. 1 and 20

Transfer Station - Open Dec. 24 and 31 (8 a.m. to 3 p.m.); Closed Dec. 25; Jan. 1 and 20

C.M. Hinton, Jr. Regional Landfill and Wood Recycling Facility - Open Dec. 24 and 31 (8 a.m. to 3 p.m.); Closed Dec. 25; Jan. 1 and 20

December Events

- 2 City Council Work Session
- 3 Garland Development Code Meeting
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- 5 Christmas on the Square, Downtown Garland
- 9 Planning Commission
- 12 Garland Development Code Meeting
- 16 City Council Work Session
- 17 City Council Meeting
- 24-25 Libraries closed
- 24-25 City offices closed (including Utility Customer Service)
 Recreation and Senior Centers closed
- Jan 1 City offices closed
 Libraries closed (will close at 6 p.m. Dec. 31)
 Recreation and Senior Centers closed (will close at 5 p.m. Dec. 31)

Pancakes with Santa



7 a.m. to 1 p.m. | Dec. 14

Central Fire Station, 1029 Austin St.

\$6 per person
 (includes photo with Santa & Mrs. Claus)

Open house will be available for children and parents who want learn more about radio operations. Hosted by the Kiwanis and Citizens Fire Club.

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