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New Traffic Signals Added to Enhance Safety

The City has added the following new traffic control devices at various intersections throughout Garland to increase public safety for drivers and pedestrians.

Flashing Yellow Arrow Turn Signal

- Steady Red Arrow** - Drivers must stop and may not enter the intersection.
- Steady Yellow Arrow** - Drivers are warned the turning signal is about to turn red. Do not enter the intersection if you can stop safely. Vehicles in the intersection should safely complete their turns.
- Flashing Yellow Arrow** - Drivers are allowed to turn after yielding to oncoming traffic and pedestrians. (Oncoming traffic has a green light.) Drivers must determine if there is an adequate gap before turning!
- Steady Green Arrow** - Drivers making a turn have the right-of-way.

Flashing Yellow Arrow

New signal operations have been implemented at four signalized intersections: Shiloh Road and Walnut Street, Buckingham Road and North Garland Avenue, Buckingham Road and Glenbrook Drive, and Jupiter Road and Marquis Drive. The new national standard for left-turn traffic signals is an all-arrow signal head that includes a Flashing Yellow Arrow (FYA) display. After a 10-year study, researchers have

newly approved supplemental safety devices that have proven to increase driver awareness and compliance at pedestrian crossings. RRFBs have been installed at 21 crosswalks in Garland, mostly at school crossings located on arterial streets. RRFBs function solely as a warning beacon and have been found to increase driver compliance of yielding to pedestrians at crosswalks by more than 80%. Along with RRFBs, yield line pavement markings and "Yield Here to Pedestrians" signs have been installed in advance of the crosswalks to provide a designated point for vehicles to stop and allow pedestrians to cross the street.



When a pedestrian pushes the button to activate an RRFB, rectangular yellow lights flash in an irregular pattern that is similar to flashers on emergency vehicles. This indicates to drivers that a pedestrian is intending to cross at the crosswalk and vehicles are required to yield.

found that the FYA display is better understood by drivers and may decrease traffic accidents. The FYA display replaces the circular green display and permits a left turn movement when opposing traffic is clear. Additional traffic signals will be converted to the FYA display as funding permits.

Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons

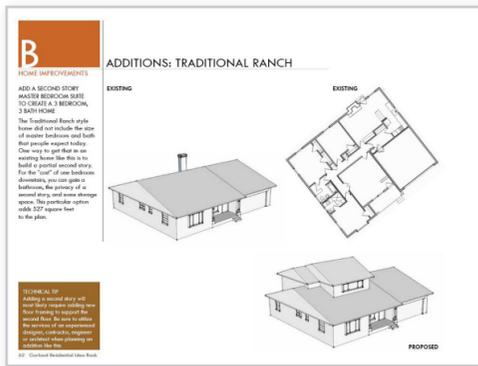
Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFBs) are

Remember to drive safely and obey all traffic laws and traffic control devices.

Idea Book Created to Encourage Neighborhood Enhancements



The City of Garland has released its *Residential Idea Book*, a collection of creative ideas and best practices for homeowners who want to improve and invest in their single-family homes. The book includes a variety of enhancement ideas, ranging from boosting a home's curb appeal to planning a major home addition. Some ideas are modest in cost, but big in impact, while other ideas are intended to significantly transform a home to meet its family's needs.



In addition to design ideas for many of Garland's most common home types, the book provides great tips on how to get the job done, from selecting a contractor, to getting the right permits, to picking the perfect paint colors. Residents who are not sure where

to begin are encouraged to check out the "Top Ten" improvements chapter for some simple projects to get started.

Encouraging quality investment in its housing stock to meet the needs of today's homeowners and future homebuyers is essential to the long-term health of Garland's neighborhoods. Envision Garland, the City's comprehensive plan, supports the development of educational and technical resources like the *Residential Idea Book* to stir interest in investment in the community. Download the book at GarlandTx.gov. The book also is available in hardcopy format and on CD at the Main Street Municipal Building, 800 Main Street. For more information, call 972-205-2445.

Firewheel Golf Park Moves Up in 2012 DFW Public Golf Rankings List



The Firewheel Golf Park Bridges Course ranked first for Most Improved golf course in *Avid Golfer* magazine's public golf rankings list. The Bridges Course also ranked fourth among the Top 5 Mid-Priced courses, fourth for Best Renovations, and 22nd out of 65 in the 2012 DFW Public Golf Rankings list—up ten spots from the previous year.

Upgrades to the Bridges Course were completed this past summer that included renovated bunkers re-lined with white sand. The bentgrass greens were revamped on the Traditions nine and the finishing hole was tweaked, while cosmetic and colorful touches were added throughout the course.

"We are honored to be recognized by *Avid Golfer* magazine," said Mayor Ronald E. Jones. "The City of Garland is extremely proud of its municipal course—Firewheel Golf Park—and we will continue to provide the public with an excellent golfing experience at a reasonable price and top-notch customer service."

Firewheel Golf Park opened its first 18-hole course in 1983, and has grown into a 63-hole premier public golf complex that features three regulation courses: Bridges, Lakes and The Old course. The Bridges Course features three unique nines—Masters, Champions and Traditions—that boast sculpted fairways with bentgrass greens lined with large oak and pecan trees. The Lakes Course is considered the toughest 18 holes of the three, while The Old Course is considered the most user-friendly. A brand new short game area secured The Old Course with the 47th spot on the annual list. Additional improvements are planned for the Old Course that will include new white bunkers.

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OFFICIAL TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY
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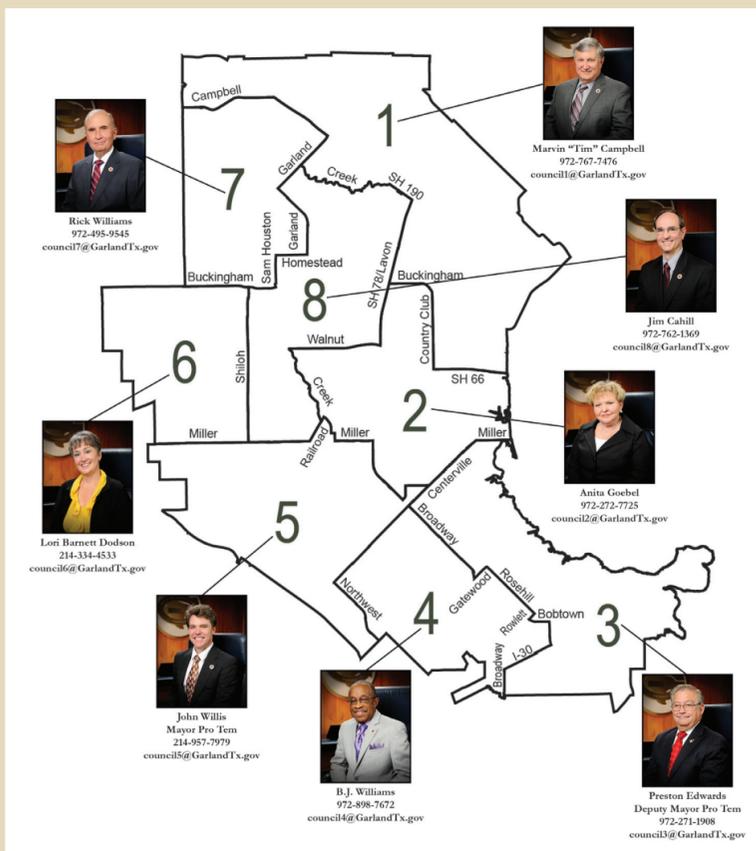
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HOLIDAY PET ADOPTION

Communications Survey

The City of Garland wants to know ... how do you like to receive information on City news, projects and events?

Complete a brief online survey at GarlandTx.gov available now through the end of January. Select the Communications Survey button on the home page to let us know what you think.

City Council District Map



Message from the Mayor



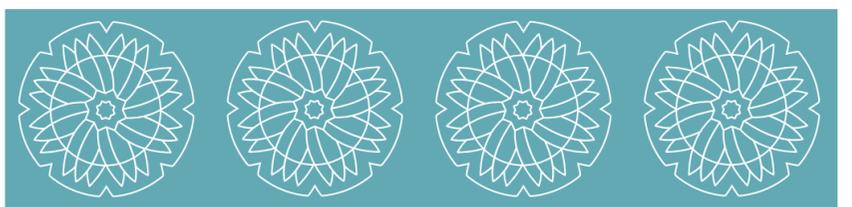
Mayor Ronald E. Jones
972-205-2400
mayor@GarlandTx.gov

As we come to the close of this calendar year, it gives me time to reflect on the great accomplishments of this Council. This year proved to be a very productive and eventful time for Garland. We were able to pass our budget unanimously while keeping City services at a premium level and bringing in new development and redevelopment to areas in need. Garland continues to come out of the economic decline as our unemployment rates decrease, and our sales tax revenue and property tax values have increased.

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 972-205-2471 or email edattomo@GarlandTx.gov.

At the beginning of the year, I will be updating residents as well as the business community on more achievements Garland has had over the past year with my State of the City Address. I look forward to highlighting the major accomplishments our City has had and encourage you to watch the presentation on CGTV or attend the Chamber luncheon in February.

Thank you for your continued support in making Garland the City of Choice! I wish you and your families a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year this holiday season. I am thankful that the City Council continues to work for the good of the community and the residents, and for the staff that carries out the directive of the council.



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) or Channel 44 (Verizon FIOS).

Garland City Council Profiles



Marvin F. "Tim" Campbell, City Council District 1

Council Member Campbell and his wife Jane were high school sweethearts who have been married for 46 years. They both graduated from Texas Tech in 1967. Campbell received a master's degree in mechanical engineering from SMU and he also completed post graduate work at Arizona State and the University of Dallas.

The Campbells have lived in the Dallas area off and on for 50 years, with 21 of those years spent in Garland. They raised two children, Allison Paige and Gregory Todd, and have three beautiful granddaughters, Caroline, Courtney and Madeline.

Campbell retired from General Dynamics Satcom Technologies in 2011, after 20 years of service, where he held the positions of chief engineer, marketing director and general manager. The Campbells also are members of Canyon Creek Presbyterian Church where he is an elder.

Council Member Campbell wants to promote Garland as the fine city that it is. He also wants to achieve as much high quality development, specifically in District 1, where there are large tracts of open undeveloped land. Campbell was inspired to get involved in community and public service saying "America has treated me and my family well. I believe that it is the duty of each capable American to give something back to his/her community. I was unable to serve in the military as a young man, so I am working to fulfill this responsibility as an older adult." The Campbells love to travel and are both certified scuba divers. Campbell also is a private pilot and part owner of a light sport aircraft.



Anita Goebel, City Council District 2

Council Member Goebel was born in Grand Saline, Texas, and she is the seventh of 11 siblings. Employment with Texas Instruments brought Council Member Goebel to Garland in 1966. After retirement, she began her own photography business.

Prior to her election, Council Member Goebel participated in the process for redrawing the boundaries of District 2. She was on the Neighborhood Police Officer Board and the Housing Standards Board. Goebel also has earned the Texas Open Meetings Act Certificate, and is a graduate of the Garland Citizen Police Academy, Garland Citizens on Patrol, Garland Fire Citizen Academy, as well as the Garland Neighborhood Management Academy. She has served as a volunteer for the City's Neighborhood Summit and was president and founder of the Chandler Heights Neighborhood Association. Goebel received the Mayors Good Neighbor award and was an honoree for Black History Month.

Council Member Goebel wants to enrich and maintain a good quality of life for everyone in her district. She also wants to work with City staff to secure services for District 2 residents including: police and code enforcement, street and sidewalk maintenance, transparency in government, economic development, neighborhood vitality and the stabilization of rental properties, as well as continuing the development of Garland's historic downtown square.

"I got involved because I believe that every neighborhood has a right to be clean and safe, and to get residents involved in their own neighborhood," said Council Member Goebel. "I believe that residents have the right to have a great life, and as a leader I can share what I know to get them where they need to be in the neighborhood." Council Member Goebel's hobbies include photography, gardening, cooking and walking.



B.J. Williams, City Council District 4

Quality and affordable single-family housing is what enticed Council Member Williams to move to Garland in 1971. He and his wife, Dorothy, have resided in Garland for 41 years. They have one daughter, Chonda. Council Member Williams is a retired human resources manager for the Social Security Administration.

Prior to being elected, Council Member Williams served on several City boards and commissions including the Garland Police Department Interview Board, the Housing Standards Board, the 2007 Charter Review Committee, and as a two-term chair to the Plan Commission. He also is a member of the Garland ISD Multi-Ethnic Committee, the Texas Scholars Program, and he served on the 2002 Garland ISD Bond Committee. In addition, Council Member Williams is the former president of the NAACP Garland Branch, and is a graduate of the Garland Citizens Fire Academy and Leadership Garland.

Council Member Williams is passionate about maintaining the non-partisan delivery of top quality City services to every resident, visitor and business. He plans to do so by making sound, fiscal and budgetary policy decisions that will preclude any property tax increase. Council Member Williams also wants to revitalize and increase economic development, specifically for the small business sector. His main objective is to remain accessible and responsive to the quality of the life service needs of the residents and businesses of District 4.

Council Member Williams states his main reason for getting involved in community and public service as follows: "My passion is to give back to our community for all of the opportunities for personal and professional growth it has offered me. To whom much is given, much is expected." His hobbies include traveling, reading and physical fitness.

2012-13 District Updates

Each year, City Council members host a District Update presentation on CGTV to provide updates on important developments and issues concerning their districts. Upcoming presentations will be held at 7 p.m. on CGTV Channel 16 (Time Warner Cable) and Channel 44 (Verizon FIOS) on the following dates:

Dec. 13
Rick Williams, District 7
Jim Cahill, District 8

CGTV also is streamed live at GarlandTx.gov.

District 4 Quarterly Conversation with your 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.

City Holiday Schedule: Christmas, New Year's and Martin Luther King Jr. Day

City Offices (including Utility Customer Service) – Closed Dec. 24-25; Jan. 1 and 21

Libraries – Closed Dec. 23-25; Will close at 6 p.m. Dec. 31; Closed Jan. 1 and 21

Recreation and Senior Centers – Will close at 5 p.m. Dec. 31; Closed Dec. 24-25; Jan. 1 and 21

Environmental Waste Services – Offices closed Dec. 24-25 and Jan. 1 and 21

- No garbage, recycling or brush/bulky goods collections Dec. 25 or Jan. 1; Tuesday collection routes will resume on Wednesday, Wednesday routes will resume on Thursday, Thursday routes will resume on Friday, and Friday routes will resume on Saturday.
- Regular garbage, recycling and brush/bulky goods collection schedule Jan. 22-25

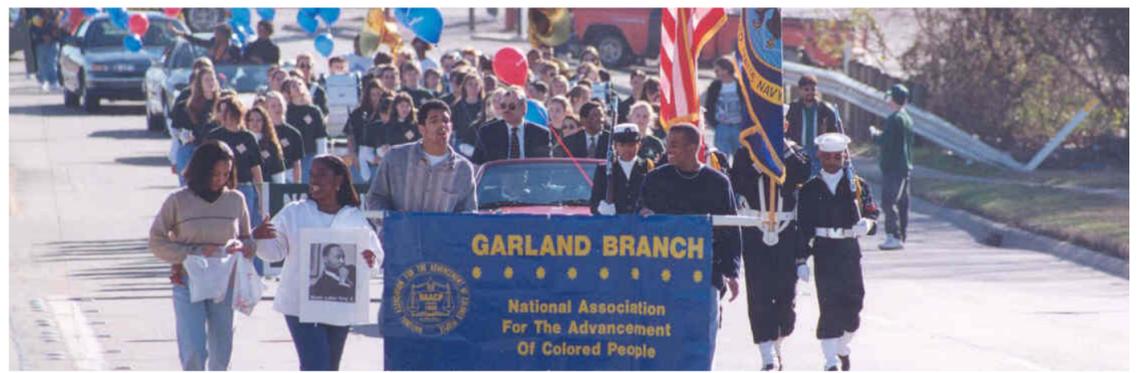
Recycling Center – Open Dec. 24 and 31 (8 a.m. to 3 p.m.); Closed Dec. 25; Jan. 1 and 21

Transfer Station – Open Dec. 24 and 31 (8 a.m. to 3 p.m.); Closed Dec. 25; Jan. 1 and 21

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 21



24th Annual MLK Parade to be Held Jan. 19



Celebrate the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. in Garland Jan. 19 and 20. The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) Garland Branch will host its 24th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Parade and March at 10 a.m. Jan. 19. The 2013 theme is *Recognizing Outstanding Men on MLK Day*. The events are free and open to the public.

Street. The parade will end at the Granville Arts Center, 300 N. Fifth St.

MLK Commemorative Program

The MLK Commemorative Program will immediately follow the parade and march at the Granville Arts Center, 300 N. Fifth St.

MLK Youth Extravaganza

The celebration will continue at 4 p.m. Jan. 20 at the Granville Arts Center. Youth groups from area churches will showcase their spiritual talents in praise dance, step routines and military style drills.

For more information, call 972-381-5044 (voice box 5) or visit GarlandTxNAACP.org.

Parade Route

The parade will begin on Dairy Road at Garden Drive (near Embree Park) and proceed north on Dairy Road to Highway 66 (Avenue D) and west (left) on Highway 66 (Avenue D) to First Street. The parade will continue north (right) on First Street to Highway 66 (Avenue B), then turn west (left) on Highway 66 (Avenue B) to Fifth Street and north (right) on Fifth Street to Austin

Police Officer Recognized in Competition

Officer Alexis Crockett, who is assigned to Garland's Traffic Unit, recently competed against police officers throughout the state in a Commercial Vehicle Enforcement contest. The competition included areas of enforcement in Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration regulations and Texas and City of Garland rules, laws, ordinances and regulations that govern the use of commercial vehicles and their drivers. The competition consisted of physical vehicle inspections, written tests and verbal interviews.



Officer Crockett finished 7th in the overall competition and was awarded the following places:

- 1st place – Motor Coach/Bus Inspection
- 2nd place – Hazardous Materials Inspection
- 3rd place – Personal Interview
- 3rd place – Level 1 Inspection
- 3rd place among the Motor Safety Carrier Assistance Program agencies

City Accepting Applications for Lawn Care Assistance Program

The City of Garland Code Compliance Department is accepting applications for the Lawn Care Assistance Program. The program provides summer mowing for seniors (60 years and older) and disabled Garland homeowners who are physically and/or financially unable to maintain their yards and have no other assistance available to them to keep in compliance with City codes.

Applications may be picked up at the Code Compliance Office, 210 Carver St., Suite 101. Residents who are unable to pick up an application may have one mailed by calling 972-485-6400.

Submit applications to: Code Compliance-Lawn Care Assistance Program, 210 Carver St., Suite 101, Garland, Texas, 75040. Applications must be filled out (completely) and returned to Code Compliance along with required documents by March 15. All applications are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Please note, prior participation does not automatically reinstate assistance; you must resubmit applications annually for consideration. Space is limited based upon available funding. Incomplete applications will not be accepted. For more information about the Lawn Care Assistance Program, call 972-485-6400.



What to Do: 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 other miscellaneous work. These properties may be subject to further action.

For a listing of property owners with open abatement liens visit:

GarlandTx.gov
(select Online Services)

972-205-2696

Property status also may be checked by visiting the Dallas County Clerk's Office at RoamDallasPropertyRecords.com.

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Glass Bottles and Jars
Botellas y Envases de Vidrio

Aluminum, Steel and Tin Cans
Latas de Aluminio, Acero y Estaño

Chipboard
(i.e., cracker and cereal boxes)
Cartoncillo Gris (por ejemplo, las cajas de cereal)

Small Flat Corrugated Cardboard Boxes
Pequeñas Cajas de Cartón

Bagged Shredded Papers
papel triturado en bolsas

Plastic Containers and Jugs
Botellas de Plástico

Magazines, Catalogs and Junk Mail
Revistas, Catálogos, y correo basura

Newspapers
Periódicos

GARLAND ENVIRONMENTAL WASTE SERVICES

DO NOT RECYCLE

- Paper Towels
- Facial Tissue
- Toilet Paper
- Wax Coated Food and Drink Containers
- Plastic Utensils and Plastic Straws
- Plastic and Foil Packaging
- Plastic Bags
- Styrofoam Peanuts
- Plastic and Styrofoam Food Containers
- Styrofoam Plates and Cups
- Paper Serving Items

QUESTIONS?
Call 972-205-3500

2013 Recycling Schedule

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

GARLAND ENVIRONMENTAL WASTE SERVICES
972-205-3500
Customer Service

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Animal Services News

Garland Pawsibilities' low-cost pet sterilization program has been very successful with more than 600 sterilizations in 2012. Pawsibilities has teamed up with the Texas Coalition for Animal Protection to provide these low-cost services at Pawsibilities Firehouse Adoption Center located at 3136 S. Shiloh Road. Sterilizations as low as \$35 for cats and \$55 for dogs are available twice a month along with low-cost vaccinations and other services.

Garland Pawsibilities provides these and other pet friendly services in an effort to increase adoptions from the Garland Animal Shelter and to lower the number of unwanted animals through pet sterilization. Pawsibilities operates solely off of donations of time and money. Visit GarlandPawsibilities.org for more information on how to help.

With winter setting in, be sure to consider the welfare and comfort of your animals. Outdoor pets need access to shelter, as well as food and water. The fence enclosure also should be inspected to ensure that pets cannot escape.

Also, make sure pets are currently registered with Garland Animal Services. Registration is a pet's ticket home. Visit GarlandAnimalServices.org for more information.

Special Thanks

Animal Services would like to extend a special thank you to residents and organizations that have donated more than \$1,150 in September. All donations are used to sponsor animals for adoption or to provide care and comfort for animals. Notable donations include:

- Dawn Bobolz – \$200
- Joy Casady – \$90
- Ron Grounds – \$240
- Robert Whitehead – \$80
- Rick Williams – \$80



Holiday Stocking Stuffers

Adopt a pet from the Garland Animal Shelter and give your family a special gift this holiday season!

All puppies and kittens are \$20 during the month of December. Adoptions include surgery, rabies vaccination and registration. Stop by the shelter at 600 Tower St. or visit GarlandAnimalServices.com to see animals that are available for adoption.



Neighborhood Summit Honorees

The City of Garland would like to thank those who attended the 10th Annual Neighborhood Summit: Celebrating Our Neighborhood Stories. The following residents were honored for making a difference in Garland neighborhoods.

Garland Neighborhood Management Academy Graduate Honorees

Garland Neighborhood Management Academy Graduates were recognized for completing five or more courses within a certification area. Participants may be recognized for Citizen Engagement, Leadership Development or Neighborhood Management. Participants who complete all three tracks receive the Pinnacle Award.

Honorees include:

- Dorian Brammer, Citizen Engagement
- Cornelia Cunningham, Citizen Engagement
- Lisa Gonzalez, Citizen Engagement
- Rubina Iqbar, Citizen Engagement
- Betty Roberts, Pinnacle Award
- Daniel Salas, Citizen Engagement
- Neil Sheffield, Citizen Engagement

Neighborhood Story Contest Winners

- Most Inspiring Story – Camelot Neighborhood Association
- Best Community Response to a Neighborhood Challenge – New World Crime Watch
- Best Neighbor Appreciation Story – Patricia Nolan Butts

Felisa Connor, Neighborhood Vitality manager, also was recognized for her dedication and service to improving Garland neighborhoods.



GNMA Graduates (from left to right): Cornelia Cunningham, Sandra Purdom, Dorian Grammer and Betty Roberts.

GP&L's Energy Saver Program May Help Offset Cost of Weatherization Upgrades



A warm home during cold winter weather feels good, but it can also increase utility bills. To keep heating costs manageable, Garland Power & Light (GP&L) recommends that homeowners take steps to keep their home energy efficient.

GP&L's EnergySaver Program can help customers make home weatherization upgrades more affordable. Energy efficiency measures such as adding ceiling insulation, installing Energy Star® windows or doors and replacing ductwork may qualify customers for utility bill credits to help offset the cost of the upgrades. Certain upgrades to heat pumps are also part of the program.

"So much heat can be lost from a home that doesn't have enough insulation or from leaky windows and doors," said

GP&L Commercial Accounts Administrator David Koliba. "Participation in the EnergySaver Program will help customers save money on energy costs for many years to come."

Koliba also reminds customers to set their thermostats at 68° in the winter, clean or replace heating system filters once a month, and keep flue dampers closed when the fireplace is not in use.

To learn more about the EnergySaver Program, visit GarlandPower-Light.org/energysaver or call 972-205-2929. More energy efficiency tips can be found at <http://www.GarlandPower-Light.org/utilconstips.html>.

Streetlight Repairs

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

972-205-3483
info@garlandpower-light.org

Be sure to provide the following details:

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

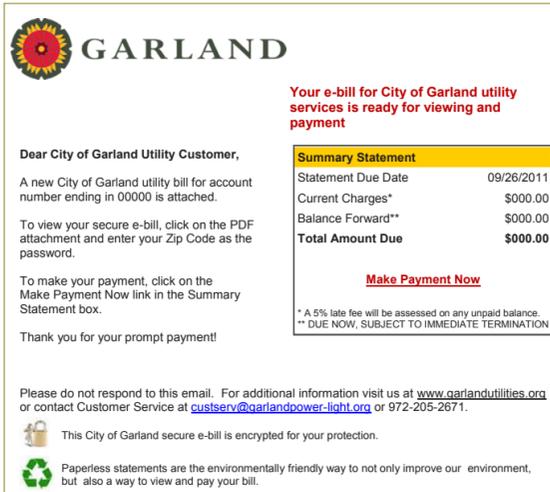


Phone Number Request

In the event of a power outage, Garland Power & Light (GP&L) customers may call the Emergency Outage line at 972-205-3000 to report the problem and initiate service restoration. The quickest way for GP&L to identify your service address is by using your phone number. Unfortunately, we do not have current phone numbers for many of our customers.

Please take a moment to confirm or update the phone numbers associated with your service address by using the Online Account Management tool located on GarlandUtilities.org or by contacting Customer Service at custserv@GarlandPower-Light.org or 972-205-2671. Be prepared to provide the account number to which the phone numbers apply.

Electronic Billing Now Available for Utility Customers



City of Garland utility billing statements are now available electronically. Customers can sign up for the new E-Bill Program by visiting GarlandUtilities.org or calling the Utility Customer Service Department at 972-205-2671. New customers can select the option when applying for utility service.

After signing up for E-Bill, customers will receive a monthly email with a PDF of the billing statement attached. Once signed up for E-Bill, customers will no longer receive a paper bill by mail.

Customers may pay with a debit or credit card by clicking on a link in the email that goes to the existing Western Union payment site. Customers also may pay their bill by using any of the many other payment options available, including automatic bank draft.

"We are very pleased to be able to offer E-Bill to our customers," said Managing Director of Customer Service Kevin Slay. "Many people prefer to receive electronic bills, and this new option also will reduce the amount of paper used in the billing process."

Customers who sign up for E-Bill will receive their electronic bill in an email like the sample above.

CGTV Listings

City Council Meetings

- Live broadcast – 7 p.m.
Dec. 4 and 18, Jan. 8 and 22
- 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. 4 and 18, Jan. 7 and 21
- 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. 10, Jan. 14 and 28
- Rebroadcast following the meeting
Tuesday, Thursday and Friday – 9 a.m.

Billboard

- Daily schedule posted at GarlandTx.gov

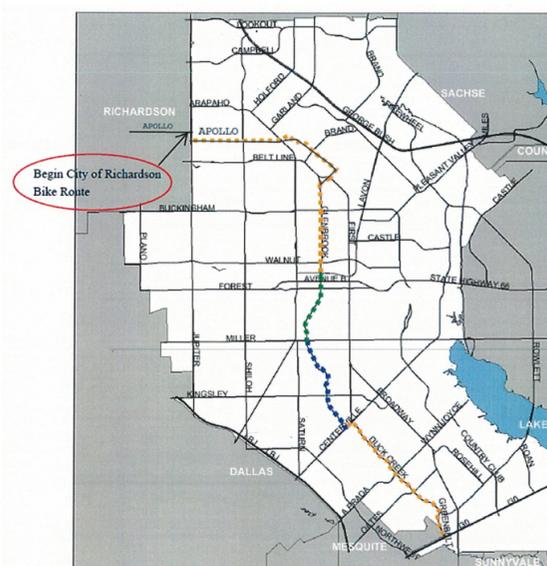
Meeting dates and times subject to change.

City Begins North-South Bikeway Project

The City of Garland is working on the first phase of its North-South Bikeway Project, which will provide bicyclists with a route that connects Garland with Mesquite and Richardson.

The portion of the project currently being implemented includes the addition of various bike routes, bike warning signs, and pavement markings from Greenbelt Parkway and Interstate Highway 30 to Apollo and Jupiter roads. The only section of the bike route that will have dedicated on-street bike lanes is on Glenbrook Drive between Miller Road and Main Street. This section is being reconfigured from a four lane undivided street to a three-lane street that includes a two-way left turn lane and a bike lane in each direction.

When completed, the North-South Bikeway Project will connect Garland with Mesquite south of Interstate Highway 30, Richardson north of Campbell Road at Breckinridge Park and the Duck Creek Greenbelt trail. Future connections to these bikeways and trails are in the design phase with construction expected to begin in late 2013 or early 2014. The estimated cost to complete the project is \$2.5 million with a little more than \$2 million being funded by a grant from the North Central Texas Council of Governments.



Garland Welcomes New City Secretary



The City of Garland is pleased to introduce a new member of its government team. Earlier this fall, the City Council named Lisa Palomba as City Secretary. Palomba previously served as City Secretary in Duncanville, and also has a background in planning and development. She earned a Master's degree in

Public Affairs from the University of Texas at Dallas. She is a north Texas native who has also taught government and economics in Garland and Wylie schools.

Residents who are accustomed to visiting the City Secretary's Office on the first floor of City Hall will now find that office on the fourth floor. The office maintains the official minutes of City Council meetings, assists the public in accessing public records, and facilitates candidate filings for Garland municipal elections.

"The functions of the City Secretary's Office are so closely intertwined with those of the City Manager's Office, we thought it would be more efficient to house both departments in closer proximity," said City Manager William E. Dollar.

"We are delighted to have Lisa join our team," said Mayor Ronald E. Jones. "She brings a strong commitment to public service and excellence in government."

Residents may still access general information at the City Hall information desk on the first floor. The City's Public & Media Affairs Department also has re-located to the first floor to assist with resident inquiries.

How Do I...

Obtain a garage sale permit?

To request a garage sale permit, call 972-485-6400 or visit GarlandTx.gov and click on Citizen's Request Center.

Report fraud, waste and abuse?

Anonymously report fraud, waste and abuse of City resources 24 hours a day at 972-205-2739.

Bid on an impounded vehicle?

Auctions for Police impounded vehicles are scheduled for the third Friday of each month at the City Impound Lot, 1630 Commerce St. Gates open at 8:30 a.m. and auctions begin 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 is." Auctions may be cancelled without notice. For more information, call 972-205-2415, email joepippinauctioneers.com or visit GarlandTx.gov.

Rent space at the Garland Women's Activities Building?

Room rentals for club meetings, banquets, reunions, showers, wedding and receptions are available by contacting Karla Pajot at 972-272-5024 or email gwab@verizon.net.

Bid for City business as a Minority- and Women-Owned Business?

The goal of Garland's Procurement Inclusion Program is to include minority- and women-owned suppliers to be considered for and awarded City business. For details, call the Purchasing Department at 972-205-2415, email purchasing@GarlandTx.gov or visit GarlandTx.gov.

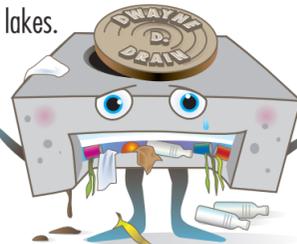


Don't be a pain on the drain!

Trash on the ground, streets and parking lots...

Trash goes down our storm drains and to our local creeks and lakes.

Please pick up trash and dispose in a proper manner.



GARLAND
STORMWATER MANAGEMENT

HELP KEEP GARLAND CLEAN!

North Texas Municipal Water District Wholesale Water Rate Increase

The North Texas Municipal Water District (NTMWD) increased the wholesale water rate charged to Garland and its other member cities by 14% in October. This increase was necessary to cover the cost of a water transmission pipeline that will restore the Lake Texoma water supply, which was taken off-line in August 2009 due to an infestation of zebra mussels. The new pipeline will allow NTMWD to safely access Lake Texoma, prevent the spread of zebra mussels, and restore the 28% water supply the lake once provided.

All NTMWD member and customer cities have had to manage this 14% rate increase within their own utility systems. The City of Garland has implemented a 9% increase for the 2012-13 fiscal year that was effective Oct. 1. The average residential customer in Garland uses 8,000 gallons per month. Based on this, the typical residential monthly bill will increase by \$3.30.

To offset increased water rates, residents are encouraged to implement water conservation practices.

Water Conservation Tips

- Turn sprinkler systems off during the winter months. Grass goes dormant in the winter and requires very little supplemental watering.
- Teach children to turn water faucets off quickly and tightly after each use.
- Inspect plumbing systems to make sure there are no leaks, and if leaks are found, repair them promptly.
- Take short showers instead of a bath. A four-minute shower uses about 8 gallons of water, while a full bath uses about 50 gallons of water.
- Run dishwasher only when full using a short cycle.
- Do not let water run continuously while washing dishes.
- Brushing teeth can take up to 2 gallons of water if the tap is left running during the brushing versus 1 pint to wet brush, turn off faucet, and rinse briefly.
- Shaving can take up to 5 gallons of water if the tap is left running versus 1 gallon to fill sink and then turn on faucet briefly to wet cloth to rinse off face when finished.
- The total water used washing one load of clothes ranges between 20 and 57 gallons. Remember to use the appropriate water level setting.



Get Social

The City of Garland offers several ways to stay up-to-date with latest and greatest through social media. Follow us, like us, watch us!

Twitter
[@GarlandTxGov](https://twitter.com/GarlandTxGov)
[@GarlandLibrary](https://twitter.com/GarlandLibrary)

Facebook
[GarlandParks](https://www.facebook.com/GarlandParks)

Facebook
[GarlandYouthCouncil](https://www.facebook.com/GarlandYouthCouncil)

YouTube
[GarlandTxGov](https://www.youtube.com/GarlandTxGov)



Enjoy Free Movies at the Plaza Theatre



The Plaza Theatre in Downtown Garland has returned to its roots and is showing movies once again. The City of Garland will continue to show free movies year-round in an effort to attract people to the Downtown area, which features many wonderful restaurants and businesses.

Upcoming Movie
7 p.m. Dec. 22 – *White Christmas*

"I have heard stories from many longtime Garlandites about spending their Saturdays at the Plaza: their memories of the balcony and 25 cent movies with cartoons at the beginning," said Plaza Theatre Manager Kim Pajot. "We may not have cartoons, but the movies are back and even cheaper than in 'the good old days!'"

Brief History

The Plaza Theatre is an arts facility owned by the City of Garland with assistance given by the Garland Cultural Arts Commission. The state-of-the-art facility, renovated in an art deco style, seats 350 and includes a beautiful motorized waterfall curtain, spacious domed lobby area featuring a chandelier, and luxurious velvet seating.

The original building dates back to 1918 and served as the Cole & Davis Drygood Store. The Plaza Theatre officially opened on April 4, 1941. The Plaza was the third theatre on the Downtown Square, all of which were owned and operated by H.R. (Bis) and Jennie Bisby. The Plaza opened as a cornerstone location and was the most modern complex available. In 1950, the current façade was designed by Dallas architect Jack Grogan. Following the advent of television, the success of local area theatres suffered. The Bisbys removed themselves from active participation in the late 1950s and rented the facility to other theatre operators. In the mid to late 1970s, the facility was used as a performance center for local country-western groups. John Skelton, trustee of the estate, donated the Plaza Theatre to the City of Garland in December 1991.

Over the years, the Plaza Theatre has been a landmark and focal point for Garland. The brilliant neon of the Plaza façade is a beacon that draws people to this showcase in the heart of Downtown Garland. The Plaza Theatre provides a perfect setting for the finest in stage productions, concerts, business meetings, receptions and all other special events. To schedule a musical production, concert, style show, seminar, reception, pageant or fundraiser, call 972-205-2782.

Garland Symphony Orchestra



The sensuous rhythms and exotic melodies of Spain will highlight the 24th concert season of the Garland Symphony Orchestra (GSO), which will run through May 10. Titled *Viva España*, the 2012-13 season will feature native Iberian composers such as Albéniz, Granados and Turina, as well as many composers from other nations.

Upcoming Performances

- **Dec. 14, 8 p.m.** – Feel the excitement as the GSO and Maestro Austin celebrate the holiday season. Performances will include Donizetti's *Overture to La Favorita*, Granados' *Intermezzo from Goyescas*, Chadwick's *Noël* and a holiday carol audience sing-along ... perfect for families and children of all ages.
- **Jan. 18, 8 p.m.** – Daniel del Pino, one of the leading Spanish concert pianists in the international scene, will perform.

All performances will be held at the Granville Arts Center, 300 N. Fifth St. For more information, visit GarlandSymphony.org or call 972-926-0611.

Art Exhibit



Jane Hopkins Art Exhibit
Jan. 22-Feb. 28

A collection of outdoor paintings that document travels to New Mexico, Colorado, California and Texas, will be on display at the Granville Arts Center, 300 N. Fifth St. Viewing hours are from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, and during all performances.

Visit GarlandArts.com to stay up-to-date on arts in Garland. Email theatre rental inquiries to Arts@GarlandTx.gov.

Performing Arts Shows and Events

Plaza Theatre, 521 W. State St.

Cricket on the Hearth • 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. Dec. 7. Adapted from the Charles Dickens' book. May Fielding is Christmas shopping while a miserly store owner, Mr. Tackleton, has her fiance Edward kidnapped. Ten years pass, and two days before Christmas, a mute stranger appears making it a happy Christmas Day. For tickets, call 972-658-3915 or visit ActingForChildren.org.

FrUitCaKes • 10 a.m. Dec. 12 and 13; 7 p.m. Dec. 14; 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Dec. 15. Mix together a batch of fruitcakes, Christmas trees, 10,000 outdoor Christmas lights, a chicken pox epidemic, two southern spinsters, a lost cat named Tutti Frutti and a Christmas hog named Buster, and you've got the recipe for a fun-filled evening with holiday cheer. For tickets, call 972-658-3915 or visit ActingForChildren.org.

Rekindled • 7 p.m. Jan. 12. This stage play is about how the fire can sometimes go out in relationships and the challenges that are faced to re-light those flames. Purchase tickets at <http://Rekindled.EventBrite.com/>.

Levee Singers • 7:30 p.m. Feb. 9. The Garland Summer Musicals Guild will present the Levee Singers as they celebrate their 50th anniversary. For reservations, call 972-205-2790. Tickets are \$22 each.

Granville Arts Center, 300 N. Fifth St.

Christmas in México /Navidad en México • 7 p.m. Dec. 8. 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. To reserve seats, call 972-429-1082 or email info@mexico2000.net.

The Nutcracker • 7:30 p.m. Nov. 30 and Dec. 1; 2 p.m. Dec. 1 and 2. The Dallas Ballet Company returns to the Granville Arts Center for the 26th year to present this holiday classic. Tickets are \$20. Call 972-205-2790 or visit DallasBalletCenter.org.



Rankin Brothers Classic Christmas Show • 8 p.m. Dec. 13. The Rankin Brothers will replicate the sounds of the original artists! The first half of the show will include rock-n-roll hits from performers such as Elvis, Buddy Holly and The Everly Brothers. The second half of the show will feature Christmas Classics. Call 972-205-2790 for tickets.

Upcoming Shows Presented by the Garland Civic Theatre

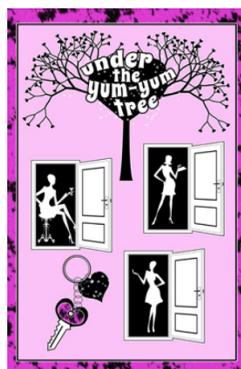
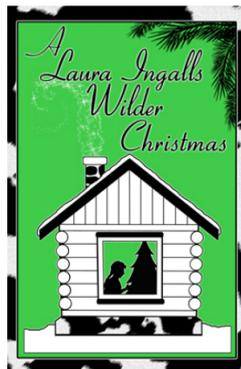


New Year's Eve Casino Party

8 p.m. | Dec. 31
 Branding Iron Restaurant
 Firewheel Golf Park
 1535 E. Brand Road

Join us for a casino night featuring a silent auction and prizes. Cost is \$75 per person and includes dancing, free beer, full Italian dinner, cash bar and a champagne toast at midnight. Proceeds will benefit the GSM Guild.

For tickets, call 972-205-2790.



Legally Blonde The Musical – After Elle Woods' boyfriend dumps her for someone a little more serious, she puts down the credit card, hits the books, and sets out to go where no Delta Nu has gone before: Harvard Law School. This Hollywood blockbuster turned feel-good Broadway musical proves that fashion-savvy girls can be taken seriously and reminds us along the way that being true to yourself never goes out of style. Performances will be held at 2:30 p.m. Dec. 2 and 8; and 8 p.m. Dec. 1, 7 and 8. Tickets are \$17-\$22 with group rates available. *May not be appropriate for children younger than age 13.

A Laura Ingalls Wilder Christmas – This original play presents the story of the "missing" two years in the life of the Ingalls family—the only period that Laura chose not to include in her Little House books. Told with period songs, humor and depth of character, the show celebrates the importance of enduring family bonds. Tickets are \$12 with group rates available. Performances will be held at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 27-30 and 2:30 p.m. Dec. 29 and 30.

Under the Yum Yum Tree – Garland Civic Theatre will present this comedy with style, pace and a dash of satire. It tells the story of a sneaky and pushy landlord who seeks true love and romance from the tenants of his rentals—all beautiful, newly divorced women in need of consoling. Another fun and spirited comedy written in the style of last season's favorite—*Pillow Talk*. Tickets are \$22 with group rates available. Performances will be held Jan. 17-Feb. 9.

To purchase tickets, visit or call the Granville Arts Center Box Office at 972-205-2790 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Firewheel Golf Park



Firewheel Golf Association 9th Annual Toy Drive

Donate new toys to families in need this holiday season. Drop off items at the big sleigh in the Branding Iron Restaurant, 1535 E. Brand Road. The association will be accepting toys throughout the month of December.

Breakfast with Santa 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. | Dec. 15 Branding Iron Restaurant, 1535 E. Brand Road

Enjoy a breakfast buffet, crafts for the kids and pictures with Santa! Tickets are \$9.95 for adults and \$6.95 for kids. Call the Branding Iron to make a reservation (required) at 972-205-3958.

Bird Feeder Ornaments

Youth groups are invited to decorate living holiday trees with biodegradable bird feeders from 10 a.m. to noon Dec. 1 at Spring Creek Forest Preserve, 1787 Holford Road. Biodegradable bird feeder ornaments must be brought to the park ready to hang and may include:

- Pine cones coated in peanut butter and rolled in bird seed
- Strings of fresh or dried cranberries
- Strings of non-buttered popcorn
- Suet balls
- Birdy shortbread



Biodegradable bird feeder ornaments should be hung from cotton yarn or string, which birds will use to make their nests. Metal hangers are dangerous for birds and wildlife that might ingest them and injure themselves. Younger children may easily prepare bread cookies for the tree, following these simple steps:

- Cut out large ornaments in day-old bread with cookie cutters.
- An adult or older child can make a hole near the top for hanging.
- Air dry or bake at 225° F, then insert a string for hanging.

Free guided walking tours of the natural areas by the holiday trees will begin between 10 and 11:30 a.m. All tours will be completed by noon. For more information, call Ginny Wilcox at 972-271-1133 or visit <http://www.SpringCreekForest.org>.

Senior Informational Meetings

3rd Annual Ms. Senior Garland Pageant Informational Meeting • 1:30 p.m. Jan. 4, Garland Senior Activity Center, 600 W. Avenue A. Senior women age 60 and older who are interested in competing in the 3rd Annual Ms. Senior Garland Pageant are invited to attend an informational meeting. The pageant will be held at 7 p.m. Feb. 17. For more information, call 972-205-2769 or email rmaxwell@GarlandTx.gov.



Senior Travel Meeting • 1:30 p.m. Jan. 18, Garland Senior Activity Center, 600 W. Avenue A. Learn about the great extended trips that are planned for 2013-14, as well as the many scheduled day trips. The award-winning travel program offered through the Garland Senior Activity Center provides a great way for seniors to travel in the comfort of a group at affordable prices to both well-known and unique destinations. For more information, call 972-205-2769.

No-Melt Suet

- 1 Cup crunchy peanut butter
- 1 Cup lard
- 2 Cups quick-cook oatmeal
- 2 Cups cornmeal
- 1 Cup white flour
- ½ Cup sugar

Melt peanut butter and lard together then stir in other ingredients. Pour mixture into cook cutters or form into balls and freeze. Raisins and/or nuts may be added to the mix prior to freezing.

Birdy Shortbread

- ½ Cup vegetable shortening
- 2 Cups flour
- ½ Cup packaged brown sugar
- ½ Cup nutmeats
- ½ Cup cranberries or raisins

Preheat oven to 350° F. Cream the shortening, flour and sugar together; stir in nuts and cranberries. Mixture should be crumbly. Add water if needed. Cut into ornaments and bake until brown (about 15 minutes).

Library Programs and Events

Children & Family Programs

Spring Storytimes Schedule • Storytimes will be held Jan. 7-April 27 at the following library locations:

Central Library, 625 Austin St.

- Toddler Storytime, Mondays, 10 a.m.
- Preschool Storytime, Mondays, 11 a.m.

North Garland Branch Library, 3845 N. Garland Ave.

- Wee Read, Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m.
- Toddler Storytime, Fridays, 10 a.m.
- Preschool Storytime, Fridays, 11 a.m.

South Garland Branch Library, 4845 Broadway Blvd.

- Toddler Storytime, Wednesdays, 10 a.m.
- Preschool Storytime, Wednesdays, 11 a.m.
- Family Storytime, Saturdays, 10:30 a.m.

Walnut Creek Branch Library, 3319 Edgewood Drive

- Family Storytime, Tuesdays, 7 p.m.



Cookie Decorating • Children and families are invited to enjoy stories and cookie decorating. Each child, age 12 and younger, will receive one cookie to decorate, with decorating supplies provided by the library. Registration is not required, but space will be limited.

- **Dec. 11**, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. – South Garland Branch
- **Dec. 12**, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. – Central Library
- **Dec. 13**, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. – North Garland Branch
- **Dec. 15**, 2 to 3 p.m. – Walnut Creek Branch

Adult Programs

Book Discussion Group • 7 p.m., Central Library, 625 Austin St. Booklovers are invited to join Page Turners—the library's book discussion group—which meets one Thursday a month. Call 972-205-2502. Upcoming discussions include:

- **Dec. 13** – *Travels with Charley* by John Steinbeck
- **Jan. 24** – *11/22/63* by Stephen King

Senior Social Hour @ the Library • 2 p.m., Central Library, 625 Austin St. The Nicholson Memorial Library System offers Senior Social Hour @ the Library—a free program series for senior citizens age 55 and older sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Doors open 30 minutes prior to performances. Call 972-205-2502. Upcoming performances are as follows:

• **Dec. 11** – Professional accordionist and jazz musician Matt Tolentino returns for a second engagement. Tolentino, a native of Dallas, specializes in popular pre-swing music from 1895 to 1935. He frequently performs at theatres and clubs in Dallas and leads three bands: the smaller Matt Tolentino Band; a seven-piece group, The Royal Klobasneks; and an 18-piece fox trot orchestra, The Singapore Slingers. For this performance, Tolentino will take the stage solo to present jazz, polka and holiday-themed music on the accordion and other instruments.



• **Jan. 12** – Guys & Dolls Vocal Group performs both a cappella and with recorded accompaniment and specializes in pop, rock and jazz standards of the 1950s and 60s. Members of the group include Bruce Smith, Gary Applegate and Joellen Long.



Christmas on the Square Booth

Visit the Nicholson Memorial Library System's festive booth at Christmas on the Square from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. Dec. 6 in Downtown Garland. Children will enjoy making free holiday crafts. Be sure to stop by for information about library services and programs and meet Curious George from the popular children's picture book series by Margret and H.A. Rey.

Due to weather conditions, Christmas on the Square events are subject to change and/or cancellation. For more information, call 972-205-2517 or visit ChristmasOnTheSquare.com.

Technology Programs Available at the Library

The following workshops and classes are part of the library's Tech-Know How program series, which offers educational technology events each month.

Drop-In Downloadable Books Clinics

6 to 8 p.m. Jan. 17
Central Library,
625 Austin St.

10 a.m. to noon Jan. 26
South Garland Branch Library,
4845 Broadway Blvd.

Those who have an e-reader or tablet may download fiction and nonfiction books at no charge through the Nicholson Memorial Library System. The library provides this service and many others for cardholders. Downloadable books check out just like books in the library's collections, but are accessible 24/7 online and there are no fines for returning them late. Learn more



at one of the Nicholson Memorial Library System's Downloadable Books Clinics. At these drop-in events, library staff will be available to show attendees how to navigate the library's downloadable books catalog and select items before checking out the materials. Bring library cards, laptops and devices to the clinic.

I Plugged It In, Now What? Getting Started with Computers

7 p.m. Jan. 10
South Garland Branch Library, 4845 Broadway Blvd. Develop basic computer skills such as using a mouse, opening and closing programs, and desktop navigation.

Up and Running: Getting on the Internet

7 p.m. Jan. 31
Central Library, 625 Austin St. Discover the ins and outs of getting online, identify website components and practice basic Internet searches.

Recreation Center Programs and Events

Zumba Fitness • Dec. 4-27, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 7:30 to 8:30 p.m., ages 14 and up, \$32 per person, Bradfield Recreation Center, 1146 Castle Drive. Combine fast and slow rhythms to learn aerobic routines to the sounds of Latin and international music. Call 972-205-2770 or brc@GarlandTx.gov.



Competitive Cheer Prep • Jan. 9-30, Wednesdays, 5:15 to 6:30 p.m., ages 8-17, \$32 per person, Granger Recreation Center, 1310 W. Avenue F. Learn gymnastics and cheer skills that will condition you for major associations and organizations. A one-time administration fee for \$16 is payable to the instructor. Call 972-205-2771 or grc@GarlandTx.gov.



Awesome Art • Jan. 2-23, Wednesdays, 10 to 10:45 a.m., ages 3-5, \$20 per child, Fields Recreation Center, 1701 Dairy Road. Learn about a different artist each week including Jackson Pollock, Kandinsky and Monet, and then use their style to create your own work of art. Call 972-205-3090 or frc@GarlandTx.gov.

Basketball Skills • Jan. 5-26, Saturdays, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. (ages 6-12), 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. (ages 13-17), \$22 per person, Audubon Recreation Center, 342 W. Oates Road. In-depth instruction designed to improve all aspects of your game. Learn the fundamentals of dribbling, passing and shooting. Call 972-205-3991 or arc@GarlandTx.gov.

Cooking for Kids • Jan. 5-26, Saturdays, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., ages 6-12, \$27 per person, Hollabaugh Recreation Center, 3925 W. Walnut St. Explore and prepare new dishes using seasonal fruits and veggies. Gain insight to better nutrition while developing safe kitchen habits. Call 972-205-2721 or hhrc@GarlandTx.gov.



Laugh & Learn Family • Jan. 28-Feb. 18, Mondays, 10:45 to 11:30 a.m., \$34 per child, Holford Recreation Center, 2314 Homestead Place. Enjoy singing, dancing and playing instruments. Focus on gross and fine motor skills, taking turns, social skills, and active listening. A one-time supply fee for \$10 is payable to the instructor. Call 972-205-2772 or hrc@GarlandTx.gov.

Special Events

Sweetheart Dance • Feb. 2, 5 to 7 p.m. (ages 4-7), 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. (ages 8-12), The Atrium, 300 N. Fifth St. Sugar and spice and everything nice! Dads, granddads, and uncles watch your little one spread her wings and shine. The evening will include dinner, dancing, a professional 5"x 7" photo, and each little girl will receive a special gift. If you have an angel in each age group, you may pick your time. For details, 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, and save \$2 per person.



Pancakes with Santa



7 a.m. to 1 p.m. | Dec. 8
Central Fire Station, 1029 Austin St.
\$5 per person (includes photo with Santa)

Open house will be available for children and parents who want learn more about radio operations. Sponsored by the Garland Amateur Radio Club.

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December

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Legally Blonde – Granville Arts Center The Nutcracker – Granville Arts Center
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9	10 Plan Commission	11 Senior Social Hour @ the Library	12	13 Rankin Brothers Classic Christmas Show – Granville Arts Center Council Districts 7 and 8 Update Broadcasts	14 Garland Symphony Orchestra – Granville Arts Center	15 Breakfast with Santa – Branding Iron
16	17	18 City Council Work Session and Meeting	19	20	21	22 White Christmas – Plaza Theatre
23 A Laura Ingalls Wilder Christmas – Granville Arts Center	24 City offices closed	25 Christmas Day – City offices closed	26	27	28	29
30	31 New Year's Eve with GSM Guild – Branding Iron					

January

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13	14 Plan Commission	15	16	17	18 Senior Travel Meeting – Senior Activity Center Garland Symphony Orchestra – Granville Arts Center Under the Yum Yum Tree – Granville Arts Center	19 MLK Parade – Downtown Garland
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27 Under the Yum Yum Tree – Granville Arts Center	28 Plan Commission	29 District 4 Quarterly Conversation with your Councilman	30	31 Under the Yum Yum Tree – Granville Arts Center		