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Garland Voters Select Mayor, Council Members

Garland residents cast their ballots to elect a Mayor and four City Council representatives. Elected officials were sworn in on May 21, 2013. The Mayor and City Council members serve two-year terms and are limited to three consecutive terms.

Douglas Athas was elected to be Garland's next Mayor, replacing Ronald E. Jones who vacated the position due to term limits. Mayor Athas previously served six years on the Garland City Council representing District 1.

District 3 voters elected Stephen W. Stanley to replace term-limited representative and Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Preston Edwards. In District 6, Lori Barnett Dodson ran unopposed for her second term. Scott LeMay was elected to fill the District 7 position, vacated by Rick Williams due to term limits. Meanwhile, Jim Cahill ran unopposed for his second term to represent District 8.

The Garland City Council holds its regular meetings on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 7 p.m. in the Garland City Council Chamber at City Hall, 200 N. Fifth Street. The City Council holds Work Sessions on the Monday immediately preceding the regular Council meeting at 6 p.m.

City Council meetings are streamed live and available on demand on the City's website, and are broadcast on Channel 16 (Time Warner), Channel 44 (Verizon FIO-TV), and Channel 99 (AT&T U-verse).



Mayor Douglas Athas is sworn into office by his son, Shae. Joining them at the podium is his wife, Robyn.



District 3 City Council member Stephen W. Stanley is sworn into office by his niece, Rebecca Rowe. Joining them at the podium is his wife, Daphne; mother, Suzanne Stanley; sister and brother-in-law Sherri and Lynn Rowe; and friend Charles Sprowls.



District 6 City Council member Lori Barnett Dodson is sworn into office by outgoing Mayor Ronald Jones. Joining them at the podium are her parents, Bob and Jerra Barnett.



District 7 City Council member Scott LeMay is sworn into office by his wife, Tiffany. Joining them at the podium is his mother, Kay Gomez, and daughters, Caitlyn, Morgan and Reagan.



District 8 City Council member Jim Cahill was unable to attend the swearing-in ceremony due to his daughter's college graduation. He will be sworn in at a later date.

Downtown Redevelopment Update



Conceptual drawing of City Center - View from State & Fifth Looking Northeast.

Construction for the Downtown redevelopment project is well under way around Garland City Hall. Site clearance around City Hall will begin in July to ready the area for construction on the Oaks City Center development and the parking garage. In preparation for disruptions related to the construction, a Temporary Parking Plan and a new Parking Ordinance will be implemented in Downtown Garland in mid-June.

City Council approved the Parking Ordinance for three-hour, time-limited parking on select streets in the Downtown area at its Public Hearing in May. The new ordinance will support Downtown merchants by discouraging full-day employees from taking prime parking spaces that are needed to serve customers. Enforcement of the ordinance will be phased in during which people will be given warnings. At the end of the warning period, violators will receive a citation with a \$75 fine.

Temporary Parking Plan (July-November)

Visit GarlandTX.gov to see a parking plan map.

- All City Hall and on-street parking adjacent to City Hall will be shut down with limited spaces on the northeast and southwest corners of Fifth and State streets.
- Three-hour, time-limited parking for all on-street parking will be available at the following locations:

- Fifth Street from Walnut Street to State Street
- Both sides of Austin Street from Sixth Street to Fifth Street
- Both sides of Sixth Street from Walnut Street to Austin Street
- North side of State Street from City Hall to Sixth Street
- Sixth Street from State Street to Main Street
- Both sides of Main Street from Seventh Street to Sixth Street
- South side of Main Street from Sixth Street to Fifth Street

In addition, the Landmark Museum (Santa Fe depot) and railcar will be relocated to a large public open space that will be developed south of Walnut Street between Glenbrook Drive and Fifth Street. The Landmark Museum will re-open to the public in the fall following three months of site construction. The Pace House and Lyles House will be moved to a temporary holding location behind the Granville Arts Center while potential long-term solutions are studied.

Utility customers are encouraged to use one of the following bill payment options to avoid the construction area. Options include e-bill, mail, PC banking, automatic bank draft, authorized payment location, credit or debit card via phone or online, drive-thru service or drop

Stage 3 Water Restrictions

Effective June 1

Lawn watering with sprinklers is limited to one day per week—Saturdays only.

- No planting of cool season grass.
- Postpone new landscaping until drought has passed.
- Existing swimming pools/hot tubs may not be drained and refilled.
- No operation of ornamental fountains/ponds except to support aquatic life.
- No washing down of exterior hard surfaces.
- Watering with hand-held hose, soaker hose or drip irrigation is allowed at any time.

Visit GarlandWater.com for tips on how to save water.



box located at 717 W. State St. For more information about these options, visit GarlandUtilities.org or call 972-205-2671.

Visit GarlandTX.gov regularly for updates on temporary parking locations, project schedules and road closures.

Outdoor Warning Sirens

Installation of the City of Garland's new outdoor warning sirens is underway. The first of 15 sirens have arrived and are being assembled. Installation is expected to be complete by the end of June. The sirens will not be functional until all 15 sirens are installed and programmed.

The old siren system was taken offline in 2011 due to lack of reliability with the aged equipment. The new system consists of 15 sirens strategically located to warn those in public outdoor gathering spots throughout the city. The new sirens will feature the latest technology including flashing LED lights that will alert persons who are hearing impaired that they need to seek shelter and additional information.

During this system upgrade, the Office of Emergency Management will continue to monitor severe weather conditions and provide warnings via CodeRED, Weather Warn and Twitter. Remember that the outdoor warning sirens are not intended to be heard indoors. Citizens should be alert to changing weather conditions and have multiple means of receiving emergency warnings. For more information about the outdoor warning sirens and other emergency preparedness issues, visit the City of Garland Office of Emergency Management web page or call 972-781-7222.

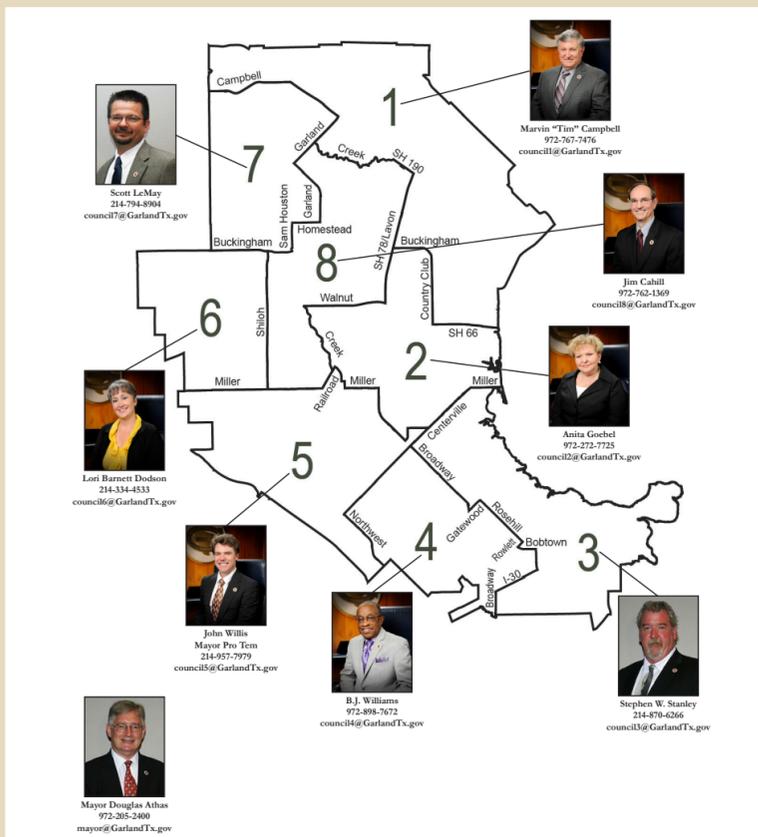


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City Council District Map



City Council Meetings

Garland City Council meets the first and third Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 200 N. Fifth St. Meetings are broadcast live online and on CGTV with several rebroadcasts during the week at 3, 4, 5 and 6 p.m. Visit GarlandTx.gov or watch CGTV Channel 16 (Time Warner Cable), Channel 44 (Verizon FIOS) or Channel 99 (AT&T U-verse).

Garland in the Spotlight: Excellence Made Here

Garland is home to excellent City services. The proof is in the following national and statewide recognitions.



Garland Director Receives National Recognition

Rick French, HR services director for the City of Garland, has received the Lifetime Achievement award from the State and Local Government Benefits Association (SALGBA). The award was based on French's leadership at the state and local level in the field of public employee benefits.



Garland Health Official Receives State Award

Texas Public Health Association (TPHA) presented the James E. Peavy Memorial Award to Victoria Yeatts, MSN, RN, deputy director of Health for the City of Garland. The award is presented annually to the public health worker in Texas who has made significant contributions to the advancement of public health knowledge or practice or who has demonstrated a genuine concern for the health needs of society. It is TPHA's highest accolade for outstanding health professionals.

Parks, Recreation & Cultural Arts Department Wins State Awards

The City of Garland Parks, Recreation & Cultural Arts Department (PRCAD) was honored with two awards at the annual Texas Recreation & Park Society (TRAPS) state conference.

- **Administration & Management Excellence Award**

This award recognizes innovations in administration, management or supervisory actions. The award was given in recognition of the department's new aquatic staff training program.



- **Website Excellence Award**

The Website Excellence Award recognizes the creativity or innovation in the development of one agency's website, communicating and promoting the value of public recreation. PRCAD's web redesign was honored with this award. Visit GarlandParks.com to see this award-winning website.



Applications Available for Leadership Garland Class 33



Garland residents and those who work in Garland who are interested in getting involved in the community are encouraged to apply for Class 33 of Leadership Garland. The program provides corporate leadership training, motivation to encourage civic leaders, and the development of personal leadership characteristics and skills within individuals.

Participants are introduced to state, county and city officials, school board trustees and administrators, community leaders, and community boards and commissions. Visit GarlandChamber.com to print an application. The submission deadline is June 28.

For more information, call Jan Furtick, executive director, at 972-494-0616 or email thepaytongroup@verizon.net.



FIREWHEEL TOWN CENTER

4 p.m. July 4
Firewheel Town Center
245 Cedar Sage Drive

Celebrate the 4th of July with family friendly activities including food, music, stilt-walkers, balloon artists, facepainting, Kidgits Spectacular, and entertainment from the main stage, all leading up to the Fireworks Spectacular at 9 p.m. For more information and vendor inquiries, contact Firewheel Town Center Management Office at 972-675-1041.

How Do I...

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. Auctions may be cancelled without notice. For more information, call 972-205-2415, email joepippinauctioneers.com or visit GarlandTx.gov.

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.



CGTV Listings

City Council Meetings

- Live broadcast – 7 p.m.
June 4 and 18, July 2 and 16
- 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.
June 3 and 17, July 1 and 15
- Rebroadcast following the meeting
Tuesday, Thursday and Friday – 9 a.m.
Wednesday and Thursday – 7 p.m.

Plan Commission

- Live broadcast – 7 p.m.,
June 10 and 24, July 8 and 22
- 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.*



THE MARKETPLACE

HISTORIC DOWNTOWN GARLAND

9 A.M. TO 2 P.M. THE THIRD SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH JULY THROUGH SEPTEMBER
SUPPORTING THE GOOD SAMARITANS OF GARLAND

support local artisans • craftsmen • growers • artists • merchants



Sept. 21 | 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Curtis Culwell Center
4999 Naaman Forest Blvd.

For exhibitor applications and event information, visit GarlandGoesGreen.org

Learn about the importance of personal and environmental health issues at the Healthy Living Expo. The event also will feature the H2O 5k run! Look for updates in issues of the Garland City Press and at GarlandTx.gov.

City Recycling Campaign Receives Award

Environmental Waste Services' (EWS) public information and marketing campaign—Recycle More Now—was recognized by the Solid Waste Association of North America Lone Star Chapter (TxSWANA) with a Finest Award at the annual meeting held in Lubbock in April. The campaign was developed in 2012 to introduce Garland's new single stream and automated recycling programs.

TxSWANA Finest Awards recognize outstanding programs throughout the state in the categories of public information, communication and marketing, composting, integrated solid waste services, special waste programs and landfill design and operations.

EWS partnered with the Community Relations Department to develop the campaign. "We branded our recycling programs to encourage residents to recycle more materials in their red bins and blue carts and to recycle consistently to save valuable natural resources and landfill space," said EWS Programs Manager Glenna Brown.

For more information about Garland's recycling program, visit GarlandEnvironmentalWaste.com or call 972-205-3500.



Lonnie Banks (left), EWS managing director, accepts TxSWANA Award from Michael Rice, TxSWANA president.

Environmental News

Keep Garland Beautiful Recognized

Keep Garland Beautiful (KGB) received the Keep America Beautiful (KAB) President's Circle Award during KAB's 60th Anniversary National Conference, which took place in Washington, D.C. The President's Circle Award recognizes exemplary performance in building and sustaining vibrant communities by certified affiliates of KAB.

City of Garland and KGB also will be recognized by Keep Texas Beautiful at the annual conference in June with third place recognition for the Governor's Community Achievement Award, as well as Silver Star recognition for outstanding affiliate performance.

Electronics Collection, Paper Shredding Huge Success

Garland residents brought nine tons of paper for shredding and recycling to the annual Earth Day event in April. More than 19 tons of electronics were recycled. The event was sponsored by Environmental Waste Services. The next paper shredding and electronics collection will be held Sept. 21 at the Healthy Living Expo at the Curtis Culwell Center, 4999 Naaman Forest Blvd.



Stormwater News

Resident Reminders

A friendly reminder—the Garland City Ordinance states that each property owner must keep the drainage channels and/or drainage and floodway easement traversing or adjacent to his property clean and free of debris, silt, and any other substance that may obstruct the flow of stormwater or result in unsanitary conditions. This includes all necessary mowing, weeding, litter pick-up, and other normal property owner responsibilities. For more information, please call the Stormwater Hotline at 972-205-2180.

Proper Fertilizer/Pesticide Use

Spring time brings warm weather and yard work. Normal yard maintenance often generates yard waste and chemical runoff that could reach our local streams, creeks and lakes. This type of pollution is harmful to aquatic life and possibly causes problems for people.

Fertilizer use:

- Mow more frequently and use clippings as fertilizer.
- Use slow-release nitrogen fertilizers.
- Do not use weed and feed products.
- Sweep up fertilizer that is on any hard surface.

Pesticide use:

- Diagnose the problem accurately by contacting local nurseries or county extension agents.
- Avoid using chemicals and spot treat when possible.
- Use natural remedies such as ladybugs and praying mantis.



Garland Parks and Recreation Joins '10 Million Kids Outdoors' Initiative



Garland Parks and Recreation has joined the National Wildlife Federation and the National Recreation and Park Society in the "10 Million Kids Outdoors" campaign. This three-year initiative encourages children to spend time outside each day to create a generation of happier and healthier children with more awareness and connection to the natural world.

To get kids outdoors, Garland's recreation centers will offer a variety of outdoor-related activities. This summer, the Duck Creek Adventure Camp will offer kids the opportunity to participate in repelling, archery, rock climbing, disc golf, fishing, and outdoor cooking. The STARS Day Camp, a camp for families with limited financial resources, will

give kids the chance to try different sports and outdoor games, cookouts in the park, and swimming. Granger Recreation Center is the place to go for archery lessons and canoeing trips to the Trinity River. This fall, the Garland's Gone Camping event will give families the chance to have a true camping experience at Audubon Park with archery, horseshoes, tug of war, three legged races, a night hike, campfires, an outdoor movie, and sleeping in tents in the park overnight. For details on these activities and more visit GarlandParks.com.

Through outdoor adventure programming, Garland Parks and Recreation strives to improve kid's health and wellness, foster environmental stewardship and appreciation of nature, and ensure safe, affordable, and accessible park and recreation opportunities.

City Pools Now Open

City pools are now open! Bradfield Pool, Holford Pool and Wynne Pool are open daily June 1-Aug. 12. Surf and Swim is open daily June 1-Aug. 26 and Labor Day weekend. Visit SurfAndSwim.org for details and to view special events.



Summer Specials at Firewheel Golf Park

Firewheel Junior Camp

8 to 11 a.m.
June 10-13 | July 8-11 | Aug. 5-8
\$125 per child (golf only)
\$200 per child (golf and tennis;
no tennis in August camp)

The First Tee

6 to 7:30 p.m.
June 18 (4 weeks) | July 16 (4 weeks)
Aug. 20 (5 weeks) | Oct. 1 (5 weeks)
\$40 per child per session

All sessions, except for the October session, will be held at The Old and Lakes Course; October will be at The Bridges Course.

To register, call (972) 205-2765 or email shannonm@golffirewheel.com.



Branding Iron Restaurant Happy Hour Special

4 to 6 p.m. daily
\$2 Domestic Draft Beers, \$3 Margaritas,
\$3 Bloody Mary's, \$3 Glass of Wine
and Complimentary Ceviches.

Friday Night Specials

Every Friday night, the Branding Iron will offer specials and entertainment such as barbecue on the patio and \$2 draft beers with driving range entertainment such as music, lights and beverage carts and putting contests.

Animal Services News

Summer Tips for Animal Owners

Now that summer is in full swing, be sure to check on outdoor pets regularly. It is imperative that pets have access to water and shelter (shade) at all times. Help fight West Nile Virus by cleaning water bowls regularly and keep pets safe by checking your fence to make sure it is secure. Also, make sure pets are registered with the City of Garland. Registration is a lost pet's ticket home.

PetSmart Charities Grant

Garland Animal Services received a grant in the amount of \$83,100 to provide free sterilizations for Garland dog owners living in the 75041 zip code. The grant is provided by PetSmart Charities and is intended to help reduce the number of unwanted animals in the target area through sterilizations. Funding will provide approximately 1,100 sterilizations (dogs only) for more than two years through a contract with Texas Coalition for Animal Protection (TCAP). For more information, visit GarlandAnimalServices.org.

Low-Cost Sterilization Clinics

Garland residents can take advantage of low-cost sterilizations through a partnership between the Texas Coalition for Animal Protection (TCAP) and Garland Pawsibilities, a nonprofit volunteer group committed to finding homes for unwanted animals and to reducing the number of unwanted animals through sterilizations. TCAP offers low-cost spay/neuter services four times per month at Pawsibilities' offsite adoption center located at 3136 S. Shiloh Road. Visit GarlandPaws.org for details on low-cost sterilizations or to find out how to volunteer time or donate money to the cause.

Special Thanks

Animal Services would like to thank the residents and organizations that have donated almost \$2,400 in March and April. All donations are used to sponsor animals for adoption or to provide care and comfort for animals. Notable donations include:

- Laura and Ed Afroimsky – \$80
- Ava Aschbacher – \$80

- Jerrie Bayless – \$240
- Hillary Cordova – \$80
- John Deitz – \$80
- Leanda Elms – \$100
- Ryan Gehrke – \$80
- Gordon Neal – \$200
- Alexander Pich – \$85
- Domenico Piscioneri – \$100
- Sandra Santi – \$200
- Bill and Lan Thelen – \$100
- Kenneth Tyler – \$100
- Mary Wright – \$80



Garland Power & Light Receives Awards

The Mayor and City Council recently recognized Garland Power & Light's 90th anniversary of providing reliable electric service to the residents and businesses in Garland. Commencing on April 1, 1923, with a 75 horsepower diesel generator funded by local businessmen, GP&L has grown to serve more than 68,000 customers, making it the fourth largest municipal electric utility in Texas and the 41st largest in the nation.



GP&L also received national and local recognition for the American Public Power Association's designation of the utility as a Reliable Public Power Provider (RP3). This is the third consecutive time GP&L has received this honor, notably at the higher Platinum Level this year. Only three locally-owned utilities in Texas and 184 nationwide have this designation, confirming that GP&L demonstrates a high level of proficiency in reliability, safety, workforce development and system improvement.



Reliable Public Power Provider

GP&L was named a Tree Line USA utility for the third year in a row. This accreditation confirms that GP&L follows industry standards for quality tree care, trains employees in best tree-care practices, and has tree planting and public education programs.



Residents Warned of Nationwide Utility Scam

The City of Garland warns utility customers about a nationwide scam that residents have reported locally. Scammers call customers telling them that they owe money for delinquent utility accounts and to avoid immediate disconnection of service, they must make a payment within a few hours. Typically, the scammer asks customers to buy prepaid debit cards and call back to make payment, or customers may be asked to pay over the phone with a credit card. Customers may also be asked to call a special number to make a payment, and in other communities, scammers have stated that they will pick up cash payments from customers.

"We want our customers to know that our representatives will never call to demand immediate payment on an active account, and would certainly not ask for credit card, debit card, or bank account information—or offer to come by and pick up cash," said Customer Service Director Kevin Slay. "We do make automated reminder calls on past-due accounts, but any kind of payment is always initiated by the customer."

Customers can make payments by mail, drop box, drive thru and automatic bank draft. They also may initiate a payment from their bank's website, the City's utility bill payment web page or by calling Customer Service and using the phone prompts. Payment also may be made by visiting the City's authorized payment locations, including the Customer Service Payment Center in Downtown Garland. For more details, visit GarlandUtilities.org.

"We encourage everyone to be suspicious of unsolicited utility payment calls and not provide any personal information over the phone if you did not initiate the call," said Slay. "If you have any concerns about your utility account, call us at 972-205-2671, which also is the contact number listed on your utility bill. We'll be glad to assist you."

The Utility Customer Service Department operates from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Another indicator of a scammer calling would be calls made to customers outside these normal hours of service. Customers also should be aware that scammers are increasingly using technology in an attempt to make their efforts seem real. With "spoofing software," they can deceptively display a utility's name and phone number on Caller ID.

If you believe you are a victim of a scam, you are encouraged to report the incident to the Garland Police Department.



Garland Power & Light Financial Report

Garland Power & Light (GP&L) maintained the 1 cent reduction of the RAF (Revenue Adjustment Factor) component of the rate for electric service. On June 1, 2010, GP&L reduced the RAF by 1 cent. This reduction was initially scheduled to end Oct. 31, 2010; however, because of sustained lower energy costs through continued substantive cost measures implemented by GP&L, the utility maintained the rate reduction through fiscal year 2012 and will maintain the reduction through at least Sept. 30, 2013.

CITY OF GARLAND, TEXAS Garland Power and Light

Balance Sheet September 30, 2012 With comparative totals for year ended September 30, 2011 (Unaudited)			Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Retained Earnings Year Ended September 30, 2012 With comparative totals for year ended September 30, 2011 (Unaudited)									
September 30,			September 30,			September 30,						
2012			2011			2012			2011			
ASSETS						LIABILITIES						
Current Assets:						Current Liabilities:						
Cash and investments	\$ 43,856,397	41,884,976	From current assets			Charges for service			\$ 222,228,397	222,638,789		
Inventories	4,639,850	2,847,095	Payables			\$ 35,813,966	22,026,966	Other	1,472,387	866,189		
Receivables and others	43,461,874	36,679,114	Total current liabilities			Total operating revenues			223,700,784	223,504,978		
Total current assets	91,958,121	81,411,185	Long Term Liabilities:			Operating expenses before depreciation:						
			From restricted assets			Fuel purchases/Demand Charges			82,829,698	86,167,423		
			Accounts payable			1,218,386	1,641,809	Operating expenses	40,435,003	34,856,581		
			Retainage payable			14,160	26,700	General and administrative	10,674,684	10,726,365		
			Total payables from restricted assets			1,232,546	1,668,509	Total operating expenses before depreciation	133,939,385	131,750,369		
			Bonds payable and Other			Operating income before depreciation			89,761,399	91,754,609		
			275,370,826			287,469,177	Depreciation and Amortization expense			19,481,133	18,576,466	
			Total long term liabilities			276,603,372	289,137,686	Operating Income			70,280,266	73,178,143
			Total Liabilities			312,417,338	311,164,652	Nonoperating revenues (expenses):				
			EQUITY			Return on investment			(19,451,298)	(19,451,298)		
			Retained earnings:			Earnings on investments			1,393,215	854,835		
			Invested in capital assets, net of debt			121,533,515	119,355,353	Interest expense	(10,739,376)	(11,714,879)		
			Restricted			193,962,533	156,435,062	Other	(1,464,313)	538,293		
			Unrestricted			72,629,760	73,049,894	Net transfers	(732,995)	(862,899)		
			Total retained earnings			388,125,808	348,840,309	Net nonoperating revenue (expense)	(30,994,767)	(30,635,948)		
			Total Liabilities, Contributed Capital, and Retained Earnings			\$ 700,543,146	660,004,961	Net Income	39,285,499	42,542,195		
						Retained earnings at beginning of year			348,840,309	306,298,114		
						Retained earnings at end of year			\$ 388,125,808	348,840,309		

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, 2012. The CAFR report is located on the City of Garland website at www.garlandtx.gov/govaffinancialcomprfinreport.asp



Help kids learn to combat West Nile Virus with a fun, informative video!

- It's free and available online at GarlandTx.gov
- Copies available for educational, nonprofit groups
- Contact Cindy Corley at 972-205-3460 or email ccorley@garlandtx.gov



Have a safe, healthy summer and Fight the Bite!

Garland's Water Quality Report 2012



In 1996, Congress amended the Safe Drinking Water Act requiring community systems to provide customers with an annual report of the quality of their drinking water. We are proud to present our annual Water Quality Report. This report covers all testing completed from Jan. 1-Dec. 31, 2012.

Garland Water Utilities is a municipal water distribution and wastewater collection utility, owned by the City of Garland. It stores purchased water and delivers it to you on demand, tests the water to ensure quality, maintains the infrastructure (pipes and pumps) required to deliver water and remove wastewater, and treats and tests wastewater prior to releasing it back into the water source or selling it. A printable version of this report is available at GarlandWater.com.

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

Where Does My Water Come From?

North Texas Municipal Water District (NTMWD) uses surface water from five sources: Lavon Lake, Jim Chapman Lake, Lake Tawakoni, Lake Texoma and the East Fork Raw Water Supply Project commonly known as the "wetland" with Lavon Lake being the primary raw water source. NTMWD conducts daily tests on both the raw water in Lake Lavon and the treated water they deliver to the City of Garland. The treated water is stored in eight ground storage tanks, three elevated storage tanks and 1,115 miles of pipe network owned and operated by the City of Garland Water Utilities. A centralized water control system and customer call center with on-call maintenance assures that safe, high quality water is available to our customers 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year.

What Can Be In My Water?

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

The sources of drinking water (both tap and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it can acquire naturally occurring minerals, in some cases, radioactive material; and substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Substances that may be present in source water include: **Microbial Contaminants**, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations or wildlife; **Inorganic Contaminants**, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or may result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming; **Pesticides and Herbicides**, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff, and residential uses; **Organic Chemical Contaminants**, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which

are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and which may also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems; **Radioactive Contaminants**, which can be naturally occurring or may be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

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



water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at www.epa.gov/safewater/lead.

Important Health Information

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

Source Water Assessment

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) has completed a Source Water Susceptibility Report for all drinking water systems that own their sources. This report describes the susceptibility and types of constituents that may come into contact with the drinking water source based on human activities and natural conditions. NTMWD received the assessment report. For information on how you may obtain a copy of this report, call 972-205-3285.



Cryptosporidium in Water

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

North Texas Municipal Water District has tested the lake and treated water for the presence of cryptosporidium for several years and it was absent in all of the samples tested.

Lead in Water

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Garland Water Utilities is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to two minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking

Community Participation

Garland Water Utilities is part of the City government. The Garland City Council meets the first and third Tuesday of each month beginning at 7 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chamber, 200 N. Fifth St. Meetings are broadcast live on CGTV, the city government access channel on cable.

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

Sampling Results

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

Coliform Bacteria								
Maximum Contaminant Level Goal	Total Coliform Maximum Contaminant Level	Highest No. of Positive	Fecal Coliform or E. Coli Maximum Contaminant Level	Total No. of Positive E. Coli or Fecal Coliform Samples	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination		
0	5% Positive Samples	0	19	0	No	Naturally present in the environment.		
NOTE: Reported monthly tests found no fecal coliform bacteria. Coliforms are bacteria that are naturally present in the environment and are used as an indicator that other, potentially harmful, bacteria may be present. Maximum level of 5% Total Coliform.								
Regulated Contaminants								
Disinfectants and Disinfection By-Products	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Total Haloacetic Acids (HAA5)	2012	19.56	9.7 - 38.9	No goal for the total	60	ppb	No	By-product of drinking water chlorination.
Total Trihalomethanes (THM)	2012	37.37	23.1 - 48.8	No goal for the total	80	ppb	No	By-product of drinking water chlorination.
NOTE: Not all sample results may have been used for calculating the Highest Level Detected because some results may be part of an evaluation to determine where compliance sampling should occur in the future.								
Inorganic Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Antimony	2012	0.256	0.195 - 0.256	6	6	ppb	No	Discharge from petroleum refineries; fire retardants; ceramics; electronics; solder; and test addition.
Arsenic	2012	1.1	0.951 - 1.1	0	10	ppb	No	Erosion of natural deposits; runoff from orchards; runoff from glass and electronics production wastes.
Barium	2012	0.0389	0.0364 - 0.0389	2	2	ppm	No	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits.
Chromium	2012	2.55	2.35 - 2.55	100	100	ppb	No	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; erosion of natural deposits.
Fluoride	2012	0.66	0.50 - 0.66	4	4	ppm	No	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
Nitrate (measured as Nitrogen)	2012	1.04	0.08 - 1.04	10	10	ppm	No	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks; sewage; erosion of natural deposits.
Nitrate Advisory: Nitrate in drinking water at levels above 10 ppm is a health risk for infants of less than six months of age. High nitrate levels in drinking water can cause blue baby syndrome. Nitrate levels may rise quickly for short periods of time because of rainfall or agricultural activity. If you are caring for an infant you should ask advice from your health care provider.								
Selenium	2012	0.244	0.232 - 0.244	50	50	ppb	No	Discharge from petroleum and metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits; discharge from mines.
Radioactive Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Beta/gamma emitters	4/29/2010	4.4	4.4 - 4.4	0	50	pCi/L	No	Decay of natural and man-made deposits.
Synthetic organic contaminants including pesticides and herbicides	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Atrazine	2012	0.71	0 - 0.71	3	3	ppb	No	Runoff from herbicide used on row crops.
Di (2-ethylhexyl) adipate	2012	0.74	0 - 0.74	400	400	ppb	No	Discharge from chemical factories.
Simazine	2012	0.38	0.11 - 0.38	4	4	ppb	No	Herbicide runoff.
Turbidity								
Highest single measurement	Limit (Treatment Technique)	Level Detected	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination				
1 NTU	1 NTU	0.62 NTU	No	Soil runoff.				
Lowest monthly percentage (%) meeting limit	0.3 NTU	98.16%	No	Soil runoff.				
NOTE: Turbidity has no health effects. However, turbidity can interfere with disinfection and provide a medium for microbial growth. Turbidity may indicate the presence of disease-causing organisms. These organisms include bacteria, viruses, and parasites that can cause symptoms such as nausea, cramps, diarrhea, and associated headaches.								

of unregulated contaminants in drinking water and whether future regulation is warranted. Any unregulated contaminants detected are reported in the following table. For additional information and data visit <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/ucmr/ucmr2/index.html>, or call the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 800-426-4791.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level								
Disinfectant Type	Year	Average Level	Minimum Level	Maximum Level	MRLD	MROLD	Units	Source of Chemical
Chlorine Residual (Chloramines)	2012	3.73	0.5	4.6	4.0	<4.0	ppm	Disinfectant used to control microbes.
Chlorine Dioxide	2012	0	0	0.1	0.8	0.8	ppm	Disinfectant.
Chlorite	2012	0.42	0.08	0.81	1.0	N/A	ppm	Disinfectant.
Total Organic Carbon								
Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	Units	Likely Source of Contamination				
Source Water	2012	4.04	4.22 - 4.94	ppm	Naturally present in the environment.			
Drinking Water	2012	4.16	2.95 - 4.16	ppm	Naturally present in the environment.			
Removal Ratio	2012	39.4%	14% - 39.4%	% removal	N/A			
NOTE: Total organic carbon (TOC) has no health effects. The disinfectant can combine with TOC to form disinfection by-products. Disinfection is necessary to ensure that water does not have unacceptable levels of pathogens. By-products of disinfection include trihalomethanes (THMs) and haloacetic acids (HAA) which are reported elsewhere in this report.								
* Removal ratio is the percent of TOC removed by the treatment process divided by the percent of TOC required by TCEQ to be removed.								
Lead and Copper								
Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Lead	2012	0	0.0013	0.015	0.015	ppm	No	Corrosion of customer plumbing. Action Level = 0.15
Copper	2012	3	1.28	1.3	1.3	ppm	No	By-product of drinking water disinfection. Action Level = 1.3
ADDITIONAL HEALTH INFORMATION FOR LEAD: If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. The NTMWD is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead .								
Unregulated Contaminants								
Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	Units	Likely Source of Contamination			
Chloroform	2012	17.45	9.3 - 21.8	ppb	By-product of drinking water disinfection.			
Bromoform	2012	1.01	1.0 - 1.2	ppb	By-product of drinking water disinfection.			
Bromodichloromethane	2012	13.07	10.1 - 16.7	ppb	By-product of drinking water disinfection.			
Dibromochloromethane	2012	6.59	4.4 - 9.4	ppb	By-product of drinking water disinfection.			
NOTE: Bromoform, chloroform, dichlorobromomethane, and dibromochloromethane are disinfection by-products. There is no maximum contaminant level for these chemicals at the entry point to distribution.								
Secondary and Other Contaminants Not Regulated (No associated adverse health effects)								
Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	Units	Likely Source of Contamination			
Bicarbonate	2011	120	73 - 120	ppm	Corrosion of carbonate rocks such as limestone.			
Calcium	2012	47.5	39.9 - 47.5	ppm	Abundant naturally occurring element.			
Chloride	2012	26	22.8 - 26	ppm	Abundant naturally occurring element; used in water purification; by-product of oil field activity.			
Hardness as Ca/Mg	2012	133	114 - 133	ppm	Naturally occurring calcium and magnesium.			
Iron	2012	Levels lower than detect level	0.00 - 0.00	ppm	Erosion of natural deposits; iron or steel water delivery equipment or facilities.			
Magnesium	2012	3.54	3.5 - 3.54	ppm	Abundant naturally occurring element.			
Manganese	2012	0.00125	.00025 - .00125	ppm	Abundant naturally occurring element.			
Nickel	2012	0.00609	.00563 - .00609	ppm	Erosion of natural deposits.			
pH	2012	8.0	7.7 - 8.0	units	Measure of corrosivity of water.			
Sodium	2012	30.6	27.2 - 30.6	ppm	Erosion of natural deposits; by-product of oil field activity.			
Sulfate	2012	75.7	59.9 - 75.7	ppm	Naturally occurring; common industrial by-product; by-product of oil field activity.			
Total Alkalinity as CaCO3	2012	92	74 - 92	ppm	Naturally occurring soluble mineral salts.			
Total Dissolved Solids	2012	264	229 - 264	ppm	Total dissolved mineral constituents in water.			
Total Hardness as CaCO3	2012	133	114 - 133	ppm	Naturally occurring calcium.			
Zinc	2012	0.00617	.00674 - .00617	ppm	Moderately abundant naturally occurring element used in the metal industry.			

Garland Summer Musicals to Kickoff Season with “Singin’ in the Rain” in June

Join the Garland Summer Musicals (GSM) for its 2013 season opener *Singin’ in the Rain* June 14-23. 1920s Hollywood is the setting for this zany, light-hearted romantic comedy about the early days of sound film when a movie studio found itself scrambling to salvage the career of a silent film star. It’s filled with spectacular song and dance numbers including the show stopping on-stage rainstorm in the title number. Songs include *You are My Lucky Star*; *Good Morning*; *Make ‘Em Laugh*; *You Stepped Out of a Dream*; *All I Do is Dream of You*; and the title song *Singin’ In the Rain*. Leading roles include the amazing performer and tap dancer Joseph Jones as Don Lockwood, the charming Hayley Ewerz as Cathy Selden, and the very talented Carl DeForrest Hendin as Cosmo Brown. Performances are June 14, 15, 21, 22 at 8 p.m. and June 16 and 23 at 2:30 p.m.



GSM’s second and final production of the 2013 season is Dolly Parton’s *9 to 5 The Musical* July 19-28. With music and lyrics by Dolly Parton, *9 to 5 the Musical* is based on the 1980 film where three women team up to take control of their company. In the process they learn there is nothing they can’t do...even in a man’s world. It’s a hilarious story of friendship, revenge and romance! This production stars Kim Borge as Doralee, Morgan Mabry Mason as Judy and Patty Granville as Violet with Gregory Hullet as the “sexist, egotistical, lying, hypocritical

bigot” Mr. Hart and Andi Allen as his faithful secretary Roz. Performances are July 19, 20, 26, 27 at 8 p.m. and July 21 and 28 at 2:30 p.m.

All performances will be held in the Brownlee Auditorium of the Granville Arts Center at 300 N. Fifth Street. Both productions are under the direction of Buff Shurr and are produced by Patty Granville. Tickets are \$23-27 each. Group rates are available. For tickets call the Box Office at 972-205-2790 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

The Garland Summer Musicals are funded in part through special grants from the Garland Cultural Arts Commission, Inc., GSM Guild, Garland Power & Light, Garland Water Utilities, Micropac and Ecolab. For more information, visit GarlandSummerMusicals.org.

Garland Women’s Activities Building
713 Austin Street
Room rentals for a variety of events!
Call 972-272-5024 (M-Th. 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.) or email gwab@verizon.net. Visit GarlandActivitiesBuilding.com.

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

Art Exhibits

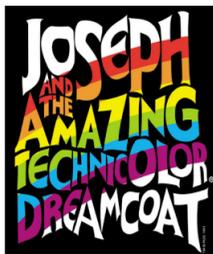
Darkness into Light • Through June 30. Presented by Faith Artists, a group of regional artists committed to promoting and producing faith-based visual art that inspires truth and hope. Docent-led Art Discovery Tours will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. June 22. Visit FaithArtists.com.

Wayne Vee • July 2-31. Wayne Vee was commissioned to paint a portrait of Governor Preston Smith and U.S. Senator Barbara Jordan. Vee has painted George Bush Sr. and Mikhail Gorbachev shaking hands. He was the first artist to paint the acceptable picture of the Marlboro man and his horse on a billboard at the old Dallas Cowboy’s stadium.

Exhibits will be on display at the Granville Arts Center, 300 N. Fifth St., from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, and during all performances.

Performing Arts Shows and Events

Granville Arts Center, 300 N. Fifth St.



Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat • 7:30 p.m. June 28-29; 2:30 p.m. June 29-30. A humorous musical retelling of the Biblical story of Joseph. For tickets call 972-205-2790. For more information, visit DallasYoungArtists.org.

Plaza Theatre, 521 W. State St.

Once Upon a Dream...in 2013 • 3:30 p.m. June 2. Dance And More will celebrate its first Spring Dance Recital. Students will perform ballet, pointe, tap, jazz and modern dance. For details, visit DanceAndMoreDallas.com or call 214-221-1467.

Around the World in 80 Days Unplugged • 1 p.m. June 19; 10 a.m. June 20; 1 p.m.

Free Movies at the Plaza Theatre

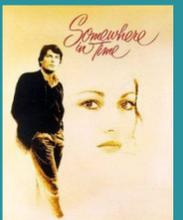
Yankee Doodle Dandy – 7 p.m. July 5

Enjoy this classic film with James Cagney, Joan Leslie and Walter Hutson about the life of the renowned musical composer, playwright, actor, dancer, and singer George M. Cohan. From his early days as a child-star in his family’s vaudeville show to the time of his comeback where he received a medal from the president for his special contributions to the U.S., Cohan produced, directed, wrote and starred in his own musical shows from which he composed his famous songs. There will be popcorn, candy, soda and water available for \$2. Concessions profits will be donated to the Good Samaritans of Garland. This free movie is sponsored by the City of Garland.



Somewhere in Time – 2 p.m. July 14

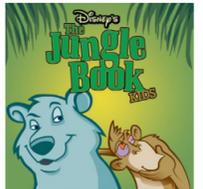
Come see this classic film with Christopher Reeve, Jane Seymour and Christopher Plummer. Young writer Richard Collier is met on the opening night of his first play by an old lady who begs him to “come back to me.” Mystified, he tries to find out about her, and learns that she is a famous stage actress from the early 1900s, Elise McKenna. Becoming more and more obsessed with her, he manages to travel back in time where he meets her. Can their love outlast the immense problems caused by their time difference? And can Richard remain in a time that is not his? This free movie is sponsored by the City of Garland.



and 7 p.m. June 21-22. Join Breilting Youth Theatre for this comedy take-off based on the original Jules Verne story. For details visit ActingForChildren.com or call 972-658-3915.

Cinderella’s Glass Slipper • 9:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. June 27-28; 7 p.m. June 29; 2 p.m. June 30. Enjoy this performance based on the story of Cinderella. Ticket cost is \$10. Group tickets and daycare prices available June 27-28. Call 972-977-7710 for reservations.

Disney’s The Jungle Book Kids • 7:30 p.m. July 12 and 13. Specially adapted from the beloved film, this musical includes all your favorite Disney tunes like *The Bare Necessities* and *I Wan’na Be Like You*. Tickets are \$8 for kids and seniors and \$10 for adults. Visit TheDramaQueens.com for more information.



Central Park Designated as a Legacy Park



The City of Garland’s Central Park was designated as a Lone Star Legacy Park by the Texas Recreation and Park Society at their 2013 state conference. A Lone Star Legacy Park is a park that holds special prominence in the local community and the state of Texas. These parks have endured the test of time and have become iconic to those who have visited, played and rested on their grounds. A designation as a Lone Star Legacy is one of the highest honors that can be bestowed on a park.

The Central Park area has been used as a recreation area and community gathering place for more than 100 years. Central Park was officially purchased in 1948 as the first municipal park and was the beginning of the City’s park and recreation system. As the first municipal park, Central Park was the location of the City’s initial municipal recreation facilities including the City of Garland’s first community center, first municipal swimming pool and first municipal tennis courts.

Today, Central Park has served Garland in many facets and is currently home to the Granger Recreation Center, South Garland Little League, and Garland Pee Wee Football. The Garland Jaycees, whose work helped found Central Park, Optimist Club and Exchange Club continue to support Central Park activities and improvements.

Summer Nutrition Program

To help ensure children eat nutritious meals and remain physically and mentally active, the City of Garland will participate in the Summer Food Service Program. Meals will be provided to all children without charge June 10-Aug. 9. Lunches will alternate between hot and cold entrees, while cold breakfast will be offered at selected sites. Many sites will have games that will incorporate exercise, and activities that will encourage children to think, learn and recall information that was learned during the previous school year.

Meals are open to children up to 18 years of age, and requires no proof of income status. Parents must accompany all elementary school-aged children. The program is offered without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability. Visit GarlandTx.gov or call 972-205-3335 for a complete list of sites and times.



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

July							October						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6				1	2	3	4	5
7	8	9	10	11	12	13	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
28	29	30	31				27	28	29	30	31		

August							November						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
				1	2	3						1	2
4	5	6	7	8	9	10	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
18	19	20	21	22	23	24	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
25	26	27	28	29	30	31	24	25	26	27	28	29	30

September							December						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30						29	30	31				

Great Neighborhoods Made Here: A Tale of Two Neighborhoods

The residents of two south Garland neighborhoods have turned a shared concern into a joint project that is enriching both communities. Waterhouse Boulevard runs between portions of the Windsor Park II and Shores of Wellington subdivisions. Members of both neighborhood organizations were concerned that this entryway to their communities did not portray an attractive image. The right of way lacked walkways and showed only the backsides of houses and yards, sometimes revealing poorly-kept fences and other eyesores.

The neighborhoods joined forces to beautify this important entryway by adding waterwise plantings to screen adjacent homes and fences and improve overall aesthetics and property values. The team also added a meandering de-composed granite pathway on the north side of Waterhouse Boulevard to benefit neighbors and visitors and make the entryway more inviting.

The group raised funds to pay for the improvements and put in thousands of volunteer hours to do the work.

Because of their fundraising and sweat equity, the project qualified for a City Neighborhood Vitality matching grant of \$30,000. The residents of both neighborhoods say the project is an ongoing activity and they are committed to its success.

The City of Garland Office of Neighborhood Vitality has submitted this project for recognition with the national neighborhood organization Neighbors USA (NUSA), along with the City's Garland Neighborhood Management Academy, which is a finalist in NUSA's Best Neighborhood Program category. Results from the NUSA competition will be announced in the next edition of the *Garland City Press*.

2012 Excellence in Neighborhood Service Award

Garland City Council recognized Felisa Conner, winner of the 2012 Excellence in Neighborhood Service Award, for her contribution to neighborhood improvement in Garland this past May. Mayor Ronald E. Jones presented the award for going above and beyond the expectations

and duties of her position with the Office of Neighborhood Vitality by providing innovation and personal commitment to Garland neighborhoods. She has expanded the annual Neighborhood Summit to a highly regarded event, both locally and nationally. Her work can be seen through her involvement with many neighborhood associations, vitality projects, community partnerships, and neighborhood-focused programs and events. The Strategy for Vital Neighborhoods established the award in 2008 to recognize City employees whose qualities and actions exemplify the following philosophy of the Strategy: "Recognizing the strength of Garland is the character of its neighborhoods; we will work in partnership with neighborhood stake holders and community resources to build a stronger community and keep Garland an excellent place to live and invest."



Library Programs and Events

Children & Family Programs

Summer Storytimes Schedule • Storytimes will be held June 10-Aug. 3 at the following library locations:

Central Library, 625 Austin St.

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

Walnut Creek Branch Library, 3319 Edgewood Drive

- Family Storytime, Tuesdays, 7 p.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.



Books and Beyond • 3 p.m. June 15 and July 13, Central Library, 625 Austin St. A free, monthly program for children ages 7-12 that consists of book discussions and activities related to monthly themes.

Afternoon "Bored" Game Club • 1 to 3 p.m. June 18 and July 23, Central Library, 625 Austin St. For ages 6-12. The club functions as a drop-in event where participants play various types of board games.

Harry Potter Celebration • 3:30 to 5 p.m. July 31, Central Library, 625 Austin St. Celebrate the 15th anniversary of the Harry Potter books' arrival in the United States. Participate in several Potter-related activities and crafts such as a house sorting process and the creation of chocolate frog cards, magic wands, and Snitches. Dressing in themed costumes is encouraged. The event is free and open to children ages 7-12 and their caregivers. Adults are welcome to attend the program but must be accompanied by a child. Call 972-205-2516.



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



- 6 p.m. June 12, Central Library
- 6:30 p.m. June 27, North Garland Branch Library
- 2:30 p.m. July 13, South Garland Branch Library
- 6 p.m. July 18, Walnut Creek Branch Library
- 6:30 p.m. Aug. 1, South Garland Branch Library

Family Game Times • Bring the family to the library and play some games. All ages are welcome. Both video game and board game options will be available.

- 3 to 5 p.m. June 22, South Garland Branch Library, 4845 Broadway Blvd.
- 2 to 4 p.m. July 17, Central Library, 625 Austin St.

Adult Programs

Senior Social Hour @ the Library • 2 p.m., Central Library, 625 Austin St. Events in the Senior Social Hour series are sponsored by the Friends of the Library and are free and open to anyone age 55 and older. No registration is required but seats fill up quickly. Doors open 30 minutes prior to show time. Call 972-205-2502.

June 20 – Rose-Mary Rumbley is an author and the former head of Dallas Baptist University's drama department. She is a native of Dallas and has performed with Dallas Summer Musicals and Casa Mañana. She now tours the speaking circuit. This presentation will consist of humorous stories inspired by the book *Madcap May* by Richard Kurin.



July 18 – The North Dallas Trombone Choir is an all-volunteer, trombone-exclusive group of musicians. The choir performs in a range of musical styles from classical to jazz. In honor of Independence Day, the group will present an afternoon of patriotic music and Americana.



Tween Scene • A program for youth ages 8-12 that features book recommendations and activities related to fun and interesting themes. The program takes place twice a month at various library locations on Thursday afternoons and evenings.

June: Mystery Books and a Life-Sized Clue Game

- 6:30 p.m. June 13, South Garland Branch Library, 4845 Broadway Blvd.
- 4 p.m. June 20, North Garland Branch Library, 3845 N. Garland Ave.

July: Fantasy Books with Dragon Eggs and Magic Wands

- 6:30 p.m. July 11, South Garland Branch Library, 4845 Broadway Blvd.
- 4 p.m. July 18, North Garland Branch Library, 3845 N. Garland Ave.

Summer Reading Program

Children and Teen Summer Reading Programs

This year's Summer Reading Program for children and teens is called *Crawl up with a Good Book*. Children (up to age 11) and teens (12-17), are encouraged to participate. Starting June 8, participants may pick up the first of four reading logs at any Garland Library Children's Desk. The first 100 children and teens to register at each library location on June 8 will receive a special prize. Once participants have read for at least 20 minutes a day for 7 days, they can exchange their log for an age-appropriate prize and additional reading log. The last day to get a log is July 27, and the final day to redeem prizes is Aug. 3. Visit www.nmls.lib.tx.us for a list of special performers for children and families.



Adult Summer Reading Program

Adults can join in the summer reading fun too with *Don't Bug Me; I'm Reading*. Beginning June 8, adults ages 18 and older may pick up reading coupons at the Adult Services Desks of any Garland library and fill out a reading coupon for each book read June 8-Aug. 3. Adults may read or listen to any Young Adult or Adult book, e-book, or audio book of their choice. Magazines and newspapers cannot be counted. Reading coupons will be entered into a drawing for prizes such as an e-reader, iPod, and gift cards. Aug. 3 is the final day to turn in reading coupons.

Adult Special Events

All events will be held at the Central Library, 625 Austin St. They are free and open to the public. Call 972-205-2502.

Tom McDermott • 7 p.m. June 13. A storyteller, comedian, singer and percussionist, Tom McDermott is known as a "one man orchestration of story, laughter, and song." He integrates original music and instrumentation with both original and traditional stories. McDermott appears on the Texas Commission on the Arts Touring Roster and is a featured performer at the Tejas Storytelling Festival.



Jerry Young • 2 p.m. June 22. Jerry Young is a storyteller, actor, writer, and educator known as "The Texas Talerattler" among Texas and Oklahoma storytelling enthusiasts. He loves the art of the story and the joy of performing for anyone who will listen. Young focuses on tales, legends and myths that celebrate family. The program, called Growing Up Young, features stories about growing up with his father.

2tone • 7 p.m. July 11. 2tone consists of electric jazz harpist Cindy Horstman and bassist Michael Medina. The pair presents classic popular songs, as well as some original tunes performed and arranged in the jazz style. 2tone has toured nationally for the past 17 years and serves as a roster act for the Texas Commission on the Arts.

Carpenter Brothers • 2 p.m. July 20. This acoustic duet plays music from a range of genres such as country, folk and classic rock. The brothers also present songs from several decades including the 60s, 70s and 80s. Based in Dallas, the duet often appears at area restaurants like Texas Land & Cattle and Hard 8 Barbecue.

Recreation Center Programs and Events



Modeling, Etiquette & Acting • June 3-24, Mondays, 6:15 to 7:15 p.m., ages 7 and up, \$37 per person, Hollabaugh Recreation Center, 3925 W. Walnut Street. Learn about posture, how to sit, table settings, and manners. Cover make up application, wardrobe choices, and modeling stances. One-time administration fee of \$16 and \$4 supply fee payable to instructor. Call 972-205-2721 or hhrc@GarlandTx.gov.

repelling, archery, rock climbing, disc golf, fishing and outdoor cooking. Call 972-205-3991 or arc@GarlandTx.gov.

Boys Summer Basketball • June 17-Aug. 12, ages 9-16, \$350 per team, Fields Recreation Center, 1701 Dairy Road. Games are played at Fields and Granger Recreation Centers. Team registration deadline is June 7. Call 972-205-3090 or frc@GarlandTx.gov.

Family Canoe Trip • July 27, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., ages 7 and up, \$24 per paddler, \$7 per rider, Granger Recreation Center, 1310 W. Avenue F. Discover local paddling locations while experiencing flatwater canoeing. One rider per canoe. Call 972-205-2771 or grc@GarlandTx.gov.



Special Events

Juneteenth Celebration • June 8, 5 to 9 p.m., all ages, Fields Recreation Center, 1701 Dairy Road. Enjoy free live music, games and food while celebrating with friends and family. Watch past Garland basketball legends battle it out on the court and then test your skills in a 3-point shootout. Call 972-205-3090.

Lawnchair Theater • Watch a free family friendly movie with friends and neighbors. Bring a lawn chair or blanket. Movies will begin around 8:30 p.m.

- **June 14** – *Dolphin Tale*, Holford Recreation Center, 2314 Homestead Place
- **June 21** – *Despicable Me*, Hollabaugh Recreation Center, 3925 W. Walnut St.

Sports Combo • June 4-25, Tuesdays, 1 to 2 p.m., ages 8-13, \$32 per person, Bradfield Recreation Center, 1146 Castle Drive. Learn basic skills of different sports and physical fitness activities while developing healthy habits and a positive self-esteem. Call 972-205-2770 or brc@GarlandTx.gov.

Mad Science Camp • June 10-14, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. to noon, ages 7-11, \$149 per child, Holford Recreation Center, 2314 Homestead Place. Join Robot Mania Camp to build your own robot and learn about the use of robotics in our world today. A supply fee of \$25 is payable to instructor. Call 972-205-2772 or hrc@GarlandTx.gov.



Duck Creek Adventure Camp • June 17-21, Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., ages 9-14, \$75 per child, Audubon Recreation Center, 342 W. Oates Road. Outdoor activities include



City Holiday Schedule: Independence Day

City Offices (including Utility Customer Service) – Closed July 4

Libraries – Closed July 4

Recreation Centers – Closed July 4

Senior Centers – Closed July 4

Swimming Pools – Open July 4

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

Recycling Center – Open 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Transfer Station – Open 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

C.M. Hinton, Jr. Regional Landfill and Wood Waste Facility – Open 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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June							1 Stage 3 Water Restrictions Effective City Pools Open Daily
	2 <i>Once Upon a Dream...2013</i> – Plaza Theatre	3 City Council Work Session	4 City Council Meeting	5	6	7	8
	9	10 Plan Commission	11	12	13	14 <i>Singin' in the Rain</i> – Granville Arts Center	15
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		30					31 <i>Cinderella's Glass Slipper</i> – Plaza Theatre

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