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Come to the Fire Station to see what's up at the City of Dallas Department Expo on Friday, May 29, 2015, from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.

All our departments will be there to showcase the services they provide our residents. It's a great place to find out what your tax dollars provide, and to give us your input on existing programs and planned activities.

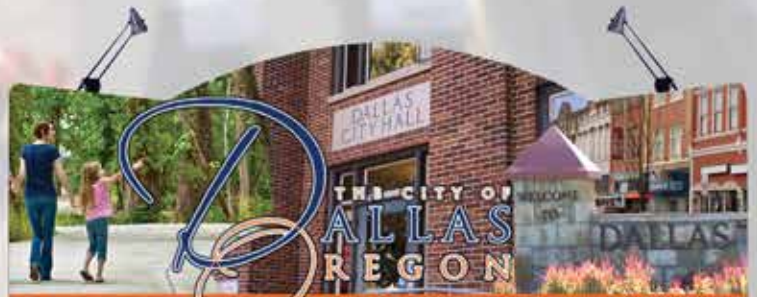
Visitors will have a chance to see equipment from the

- fire
- ambulance
- police
- public works
- much, much more.

Staff and Council members will be available to answer your questions. Enjoy a free hot dog (while supplies last).

For more information, please call 503.831.3502.

**We hope to see you there!**



**DEPARTMENT EXPO  
2015**

**Friday, May 29, 2015  
4:00 - 6:00 p.m.  
Dallas Fire Station**

## MAYOR'S SPACE

Small things matter in our small town. Examples abound.

In many places, the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) is regarded as a hellish deathtrap of a bureaucracy, where wait times are excessive and the staff is surly. Not in Dallas. In my personal experience, and by widespread reputation, the Dallas DMV staff is friendly, helpful, knowledgeable and even cheerful. Folks even travel from out of town to come here because it's a good experience.

Another nice thing is the friendliness and appearance of our local post office, particularly that the lobby and parking areas around the building are remarkably free of litter. I assumed that the post office had a cleaning crew that policed the place every day, but they come just once a week. The cleanliness is largely due to the actions of the patrons, both being careful not to litter and to pick up what little there is. Remarkable.

A further plus is that the LaCreole Middle School opens up its excellent track to the community. Built in large part by local donations, it has a modern rubberized track in excellent condition. It is open every day and many people in the community use this little known facility regularly.

Also, we have the smartest stop light in existence at the corner of Washington and Levens. It seems to know where everybody is at all times and changes quickly to keep things moving. Wish all stoplights were this bright.

Finally, on a different note, as Mayor it's a pleasure to get letters from citizens, most highly positive, some involving situations that are easily resolved and a few that challenge us to do better. All are welcomed and useful. But occasionally I get anonymous letters. Aside from their being remarkably unpleasant, what am I supposed to do about an unsigned letter with no return address? Some claim to represent a large group of people. Really? I obviously can't answer these folks individually, so here's what I'll do to it collectively: Dear Anonymous Letter Writer. Wonder what I did with your passionate letter? Well, I opened it, skimmed it to get the general idea and then filed it in my dead letter file. I did not pass it around or discuss the contents with anyone. Don't get me wrong Anonymous Letter Writer, I want to hear from you, no matter how critical you are of our ways (or me). But, if you want to be taken seriously, sign your darned letter.

Otherwise, life is good.

## AED FACTS

### Facts about AEDs and Sudden Cardiac Arrest

#### AED - Automated External Defibrillator

- Every year more than 300,000 Americans die from sudden cardiac arrest (SCA) – a condition in which the heart unexpectedly stops beating.
- It can happen anywhere, to anyone, at any time, even to those with optimal heart health. And when it occurs – seconds count.
- Each minute delay represents a 5% drop in chances of survival.
- Studies have shown a 70-80% chance of survival if an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) is used within minutes on an SCA victim. For many victims, a shock from an AED is the only chance for survival.
- Community members have the unique opportunity to save valuable time by delivering a shock quickly while waiting for EMS to arrive.
- AEDs are safe for anyone of any level of training to use. AEDs will not deliver a shock unless the patient absolutely needs it.

It is important for the Fire & EMS Department to know the locations of AED's at your address so that we can add them to our current list and into the Pulsepoint App.

Please contact  
503.831.3533  
to inform us of  
your AED location.



**LIBRARY NEWS**

**CHILDREN'S ROOM**

**STORY TIME**

Stories, art, crafts, songs, and games for children, parents, aunts, uncles, grandparents, and caregivers. First Tuesday of the month Story Time includes the Building Readers program where toddlers work on their early literacy skills through play.

Infant/Toddler                      Tuesdays 11:15 – 11:45 a.m.  
 Infant/Toddler/Preschool      Tuesday 3:30 – 4:00 p.m.  
 Preschool                              Thursdays 11:15 – 11:45 a.m.

**Story Time themes for May are:**

- May 5 - Maypole
- May 7 - Mothers
- May 12 - Red
- May 14 - Police
- May 19 & 21 – Peanut Butter & Jelly
- May 26 & 28 – Fairies and Elves



**SPECIAL MOVIE EVENT FOR KIDS**

May 23 at 3:30 p.m. - Meet the Robinsons

**"CULTURAL GO PASS" FOR DALLAS PATRONS!**

- AC Gilbert House
  - Polk County Museum
  - Evergreen Aviation Museum
- \*May be used 1 time per year per family.  
 Sponsored by the Friends of the Library

**TEEN'S CORNER**

Check out the new and improved area for our young adults!

- Wed., May 20 @ 3:45 p.m.      TAB (Teen Advisory Board) Meeting
- Wed., May 20 @ 4:30 p.m.      Teen Book Club: "Dragon spell" By Donita K Paul
- Fri., May 15 @ 5:30 p.m.      YA Movie Night – "Captain America, First Avenger" Free Pizza!
- YA Art on display all month – See who won the FanArt Contest! Winners announced May 11th!
- Book Raffle – New Book each month – Tickets \$ 1.00



**READ TO THE DOGS**

Call 503.623.2633 to make an appointment for your child to read to Petrie, Bella, Davos, or Percy our wonderful therapy dogs.



**THINGS TO DO IN APRIL**

Check out your library!

- May 5 7:00 p.m. Friends of the Library Meeting – All are welcome!
- May 7 12-1:00 p.m. Book Discussion – "And the Mountains Echoed" By Khaled Hosseini
- May 9 12-2:00 p.m. LEGO Your Saturday! Build & Create with LEGOS!
- May 9 12-2:00 p.m. Hobby Day – Card Making with Jeena Huntzinger
- May 11 4:00 p.m. Percy – Read to the Dog
- May 13 4:00 p.m. Bella – Read to the Dog
- May 15 5:30 p.m. YA (Young Adult) – Movie Night - "Captain America, First Avenger"
- May 20 3:45 p.m. TAB Meeting – Teen Advisory Board
- May 20 4:30 p.m. Teen Book Club – "Dragonspell" By Donita K Paul
- May 20 4:00 p.m. Davos – Read to the Dog
- May 23 3:30 p.m. **Special Movie Event for Kids – "Meet the Robinsons"**
- May 27 4:00 p.m. Davos – Read to the Dog
- May 2 – Jun 2 Shell collection in display case courtesy of Marci Reid

**PETRIE IS RETIRING!**

It is with a heavy heart that we say goodbye to Petrie. He has been an incredible reading buddy over the years and will be missed greatly! Enjoy retirement Petrie.



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**NOTIFY ME**

Stay informed of all the events and sign up for Notify Me!



Sign up for "Notify Me" with your email address. Go to the website [www.dallasor.gov/library](http://www.dallasor.gov/library) and click on Notify Me.

## HAZARDOUS WASTE EVENT

- WHO?** Any Polk County resident, including residents of Dallas, Falls City, Independence, Monmouth, and West Salem.
- WHAT?** FREE household hazardous waste collection event.
- WHEN?** Saturday, May 23rd, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- WHERE?** Polk County Public Works, 820 SW Ash Street, Dallas, OR. 97338
- WHY?** To maintain a healthy home environment for the residents of Polk County, as well as make it safer for firefighters who respond to house fires.

Questions? Contact Jim Solvedt, REHS with Polk County Environmental Health at (503) 623-9237

## BOUNTY MARKET

The Polk County Bounty Market is a program of the Dallas Area Visitors Center and aims to feature growers, producers, and artisans from the Polk County area with all offerings being grown, produced or assembled in Oregon by the vendor. Our purpose is to provide a direct outlet for the local growers, and producers and a source of fresh, high quality farm & artisan products to customers while enhancing the vitality of Polk County.

The Dallas Bounty Market is celebrating its 6th year! Hosted on Thursdays, starting May 7 thru September 24, from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. on the Academy Lawn.

We are currently seeking event sponsors, vendors, and volunteers! Please contact Bonnie Dreier, Market Manager, directly at [pcb@dallasoregon.org](mailto:pcb@dallasoregon.org) or 503.623.2564.

Join us for special events and shopping the Markets each week. As the weather changes, so do the offerings!

**Come to the  
FREE  
HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS  
WASTE  
COLLECTION EVENT!**

Bring in any of the items listed below and we will dispose of them for you, in a manner friendly to the environment.



**FREE Mercury Thermometer Trade-in**  
Bring in your mercury fever thermometer to the HHW event and get a new digital thermometer for free! Help us get mercury out of your home and the wastestream. Limit 3 replacement thermometers per household.

**IMPORTANT:**

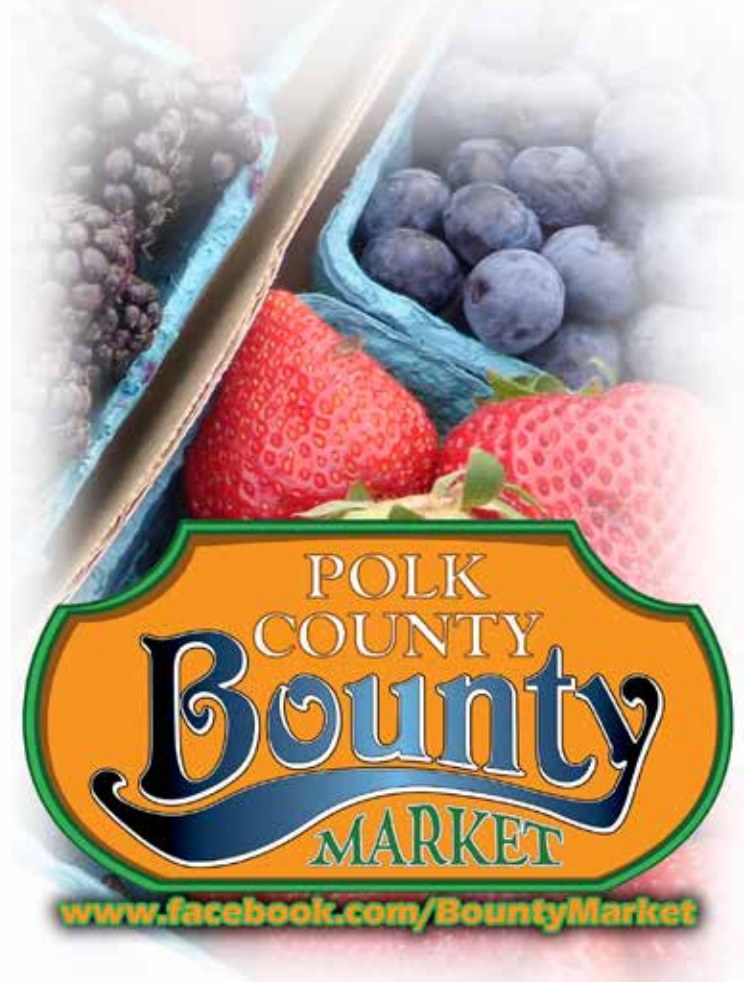
- Keep products in original containers if possible.
- Do not mix any products.
- Keep away from passengers while transporting.

**WHAT TO BRING:**

- Aerosol Cans
- Antifreeze
- Brake Fluid
- Degreasers
- Engine Cleaners
- Fluorescent Tubes
- Furniture Stripper
- Herbicides
- Household Batteries
- Kerosene Gas
- Lab Sets
- Lighter Fluid
- Mercury
- Oil Based Paint
- Paints
- Paint Thinner
- Pesticides
- Pool Chemicals
- Rose Dust
- Rust Remover
- Sharps Containers
- Slag Bait
- Solvents
- Spot Remover
- Thermometers
- Thermostats
- Transmission Fluid
- Turpentine
- Weed Killers
- Wood Preservatives

**WHAT NOT TO BRING**

- Explosives, Latex Paint
- Radioactive Waste



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## AQUATIC CENTER INFORMATION

### Our Facility Specials & Pool Closures

#### Moonlight Swims

Come join us for an adult only 18+ recreational swim time, where the lights are turned down low and music is playing.

Monday, May 4 - 8:00-9:00 p.m.

Tuesday, June 2 - 9:00-10:00 p.m.

Members: Free

Non-members: \$2.50

#### Three on Tuesday

Buy two admissions and get the third one for "free" on Tuesday nights.

#### Tot Time

11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Costs: \$3.00 for caregiver and child

\$1.50 for additional playmates.

#### Mothers Day

Sunday May 10, 2015 all suits half off.

#### Annual Pool Closure

All pools will be closed from Monday, June 15 - Friday, June 20 for maintenance and cleaning. We will reopen Saturday, June 20 at 9:00 a.m.

#### Summer Recreational Swims

Starting June 22 there will be recreational swims

Monday- Friday from 1:00-4:00 p.m. all summer long.

#### Recreational Swims

Swim includes use of the slide, water fountain, rope swing, river, and diving board.

	Before June 22	Starting June 22
Monday	No Rec. Swim	1:00-4:00 p.m.
Tuesday	7:00-9:00 p.m.	1:00-4:00 & 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Wednesday	No Rec. Swim	1:00-4:00 p.m.
Thursday	7:00-9:00 p.m.	1:00-4:00 & 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Friday	3:00-5:00 p.m.	1:00-4:00 p.m.
Saturday	7:00-9:00 p.m.	7:00-9:00 p.m.
	1:30-5:00 p.m.	1:30-5:00 p.m.
Sunday	7:00-9:00 p.m.	7:00-9:00 p.m.
	2:00-5:00 p.m.	2:00-5:00 p.m.

The wading pool is available to infants during swimming lessons for \$1.50. Other pools are closed to children until Recreation Swim.

#### Pool Closed

Monday, May 25, 2015 for Memorial Day

### Junior Lifeguard Program

The Dallas Aquatic Center Junior Lifeguard Program is for responsible kids ages 11-14, who want to volunteer at the Aquatic Center and learn a variety of skills that can be used later in life. Junior Lifeguards will learn what it takes to operate the pool; acquire the basic knowledge, attitude, and skills needed to be prepared for the American Red Cross lifeguarding course; and be a role model for younger kids. The course content covers a variety of topics over about a 25 hour time period. We meet once a month to cover various topics. Meetings to cover material are held the first Friday of the month at 3:00 p.m. at the pool. Junior Lifeguards are required to volunteer 2 shifts a month (apx. 6 hrs) during the school year and once a week during the summer. Volunteering at the Aquatic Center includes dispatching swimmers at the top of the slide, operating the rope swing, cleaning, and shadowing lifeguards while they are on stand. If interested call Gretchen: 503-623-9715.

#### Some of the topics included are:

- Filling out a job application
- Interviewing skills
- How to follow verbal and written directions
- Customer service skills
- Handling confrontation
- Preventing accidents
- Responding to emergencies
- Basic First Aid, CPR and AED
- Basic rescue techniques
- Basic lifeguarding skills
- How to assist at the snack bar
- How to assist with teaching kids to swim
- What a business does to keep clean and safe
- Teambuilding and trust
- Peer pressure and how to deal with it

#### Things to know when visiting the Aquatic Center

- Children must be accompanied by an adult 18+ during non-recreational swim times.
- Children 8 and under must be accompanied by an adult at all times.
- Our adult to child ratio during adult swim is 1:2.
- We do not allow any outside food or toys.
- We do not allow snorkel masks in any of the pools.
- All pro-shop sales are final.
- Swim diapers are required for swimmers 3 and under.
- You must be at least 48" to ride the slide.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Infant/Toddler Storytime at Dallas Public Library  
Tuesdays at 11:15 a.m. & 3:30 p.m.
- Preschool Storytime at Dallas Public Library  
Thursdays at 11:15 a.m.

### MAY

- Dallas City Council Workshop  
May 4, 2015, at 5:30 p.m.
- Dallas City Council Meeting  
May 4, 2015, at 7:00 p.m.
- Budget Committee Meeting - to follow Council meeting  
May 4, 2015, at 7:00 p.m.
- Urban Renewal District Advisory Committee Meeting  
May 5, 2015, at 5:30 p.m.
- Planning Commission Meeting  
May 12, 2015, at 7:00 p.m.
- Dallas City Council Meeting  
May 18, 2015, at 7:00 p.m.
- Budget Committee Meeting - to follow Council meeting  
May 18, 2015, at 7:00 p.m.
- Park Advisory Board Meeting  
May 19, 2015, at 5:30 p.m.
- Economic Development Commission Meeting  
May 21, 2015, at Noon
- Admin/Building & Grounds Committee Meetings  
May 26, 2015, at 4:00 p.m.

### JUNE

- Dallas City Council Workshop  
June 1, 2015, at 5:30 p.m.
  - Dallas City Council Meeting  
June 1, 2015, at 7:00 p.m.
  - Urban Renewal District Advisory Committee Meeting  
June 2, 2015, at 5:30 p.m.
  - Planning Commission Meeting  
June 9, 2015, at 7:00 p.m.
  - Dallas City Council Meeting  
June 15, 2015, at 7:00 p.m.
  - Parks Advisory Board Meeting  
June 16, 2015, at 5:30 p.m.
  - Public Safety/Public Works Committee Meetings  
June 22, 2015, at 4:00 p.m.
- Meeting dates and times are subject to change. Please check our website at [www.dallasor.gov](http://www.dallasor.gov) for updates, cancellations, and additional events.

## FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

**Sunday, June 21**  
**7 a.m. to 11 a.m.**  
**Dallas Fire Hall**  
**\$5**

**Come have breakfast with your local volunteer firefighters and celebrate Father's Day!**



## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

If you would like to subscribe to the e-newsletter, please call the City Manager's office at 503.831.3502 or email [jeremy.teal@dallasor.gov](mailto:jeremy.teal@dallasor.gov). You can also visit our website at [www.dallasor.gov/notify](http://www.dallasor.gov/notify) and sign up to receive notifications about various events in the City. Make sure and sign up for our new emergency notification service Civic Ready on our website and download our app on your Android phone or iPhone from your marketplace.

For up to the minute information on City events, please visit our web page at [www.dallasor.gov](http://www.dallasor.gov) and scroll down to the "News and Announcements" section. We post all meetings and special Library and Aquatic Center activities on the calendar section of the web page and on our Facebook page.

If you have questions about anything in this e-newsletter, please contact the City Manager's office at 503.831.3502. We welcome your ideas and comments.

## VOLUNTEERS

The City welcomes volunteers of all ages and skill levels. There are many different tasks available within several departments with the City and it's a great way to give back to your community. For more information and to download a volunteer application form, visit our website at [www.dallasor.gov/volunteer](http://www.dallasor.gov/volunteer).

