



NEW CITY WEBSITE

New Website.....1

With the beginning of the new year the City of Dallas will be launching the new website to our citizens. The new website has clean navigation and easier to read pages. With a navigatable calendar, event section, and easy to read news flashes.

Mayor's Space.....2

With a clean fresh look this website will offer our citizens insight to the City's inner workings and help answer questions quckier and with pertinent information.

Cold Weather Safety.....2

The pages will feature the beautiful sights of Dallas and give you the ability to pay water/ sewer bills, make park reservations, and stay current on the Council meeting schedule.

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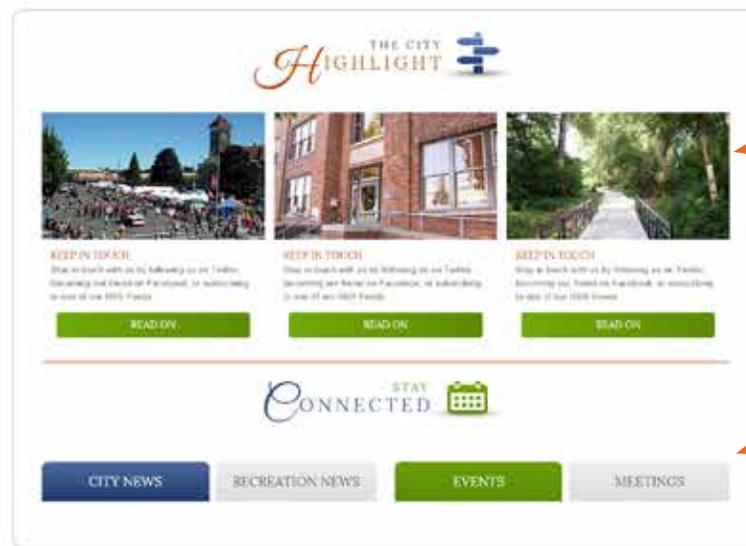
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Navigation

Clickable Slideshow

Pay Bills

Report A Concern



News Flashes

Meetings & Events

MAYOR'S SPACE

Hoping to put Dallas on the "must visit" map along with Cicily, Alaska and Oz, here are the headlines I would like to see in the Itemizer-Observer this year:

Restored Blue Garden Opens - Michelin Guide Issues Two-Star Rating ("Excellente, mérite un détour")

Gates Foundation, Confusing Dallas, Oregon with Dallas, Texas, Grants \$10,000,000 for City Library Expansion

Dexter Dragon DNA Test Proves Related to Tyrannosaurus Rex, Not Klu Klux Klan

Governor Brown Visits Dallas - First Governor to Visit Dallas Since Mark Hatfield Moved to Salem in 1938

Goat Museum Finds New Home in Restored Carnegie Building

Now 106 Churches - Dallas Declared the Church Capital of the World - Rumor Number of Churches Matched by Number of Taverns Largely Unfounded

Lost Lewis and Clark Campsite Found at Old Armory Site During Excavation for New Trader Joe's

Summerfest Changed Back to Krazy Dayz - Straw Poll Favors Change 450 to 1

Drone Deliveries from Salem Costco Begin - Minimum Order 100 Pound Pallet

Third novel by Harper Lee discovered. Set in Dallas, Oregon - Atticus Finch is Medical Marijuana Grower

Moose Herd in Rickreall Watershed - Global Warming Blamed

Justin Bieber to be Grand Marshal at Krazy Dayz Parade - Girls Swoon, Security Tight

Stephen Colbert, Now Leading Republican Presidential Race to Visit Dallas - VP Candidate Pharrell to Join Him

Johnny Limbo Signs 100-year Contract for Summer Concert Series

Old Courthouse will be Seismically Sound During Big Earthquake - Courthouse Annex Will Disappear in Dust Cloud

Genetically Engineered Caterpillars Released in Dallas - Eat Himalaya Blackberries, Scotch Broom and English Ivy

License Fee Set to Pump your Own Gas at \$100 - 40-Hour Qualification Classes Start First of the Year

Dallas High School Graduation Rate 108% - Explanation Complicated Says Vice Principal

News Outside Dallas - University of Oregon Takes National Pickleball Championship Title. Newly Hired Coach Chip Kelly Delighted

COLD WEATHER SAFETY

With many parts of the country continuing to be in the deep freeze, there are fire dangers associated with heating equipment, the improper use of heating equipment can be incredibly dangerous and their misuse is a leading cause of home fire deaths.

Half of home heating equipment fires are reported during the cold months of the year. Half of the home heating fire deaths resulted from fires that started when something that could burn was too close to the heating equipment.

Here are a few tips you can follow to ensure a safe and cozy winter this year:

- Keep anything that can burn at least three feet away from heating equipment like the furnace, fireplace, wood stove, or other space heater.
- Have a three-foot "kid-free zone" around open fires and space heaters.
- Never use your oven to heat your home.
- Have heating equipment and chimneys cleaned and inspected every year by a qualified professional.
- Test smoke alarms monthly.
- Remember to turn portable heaters off when leaving the room or going to bed.
- Make sure the fireplace has a sturdy screen to prevent sparks from flying into the room and burn only dry, seasoned wood. Allow ashes to cool before disposing in a metal container, which is kept a safe distance from the home.
- Install and maintain carbon monoxide (CO) alarms to avoid the risk of carbon monoxide poisoning.
- Make sure all fuel-burning equipment is vented to the outside to avoid carbon monoxide poisoning.
- Have a qualified professional install stationary space heating equipment, water heaters or central heating equipment according to the local codes and manufacturer's instructions.



LIBRARY NEWS

January 18th - CLOSED
Martin Luther King Day

Back by popular demand...
COLORING Night !

ADULT



Thursday
January 21st
5:00 - 7:00 p.m.
In the library



KIDS

Storytime

Tuesdays 11:15 am & 3:30 pm
Thursdays 11:15 am

PAWS to READ

- Jan 04 Percy @ 3:30 pm (Mon)
- Jan 06 Bella @ 4:00 pm (Wed.)
- Jan 13 Davos @ 4:00 pm (Wed.)
- Jan 27 Davos @ 4:00 pm (Wed)

LEGO Building

Thursdays 2:30 - 4:30 pm
Bring your creativity!



ADULT

Book Discussion

Thursday, January 7th
Noon—1:00 pm

Books to Share & Recommend

January Art @ the Library

Art Wall

Judy Audin - Art of Needlework

Display Case

Doll Collection - Betty Simpson

E-Reader Help - Library2go

Saturday January 23rd @ 9:00 am

Please call 503.623.2633 to
RSVP and find out what you
need to bring.



KIDS AND FAMILY

Movie Event

Saturday, January 9

"Minions" 3:30 pm



TEEN PROGRAMS

Jan. 15th—Teen Friday Night Movie

Antman - 5:30 pm

Jan. 20 TAB Meeting 3:45 pm

Book Club* 4:45 pm

*Help make book selections for 2016!



In Celebration of **COURAGE**

Please join us for a very special evening celebrating the courageous and generous people that live in our community.

59th Annual Community Awards Banquet

hosted by the



On February 19, 2016, we will gather at the Oregon National Guard's Nesmith Readiness Center to recognize, honor, and thank those individuals and businesses that have made an impact on our community. All citizens are encouraged to nominate someone!

The selection committee, made up of previous award winners, will base their selections upon the documentation that is provided. If you would like, you may include a testimonial letter with your nomination. If your nominee is selected, you will be notified immediately. We do notify the winners ahead of time,

so that they can invite loved ones. The Chamber will provide one admission ticket for the winner and one ticket to the presenter.

Nominations can be submitted online at www.dallasoregon.org/awards, or by printed form in the office or via eMail to chamber@dallasoregon.org. Our webpage has the lists of previous award winners for you to review.

Everyone is invited to attend the ceremony! Tickets are \$40 per person and are available at the Chamber office and City Hall. We do typically sell out – so get your tickets early!

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

City staff responsible for emergency management planning reminds you of the importance of readiness: preparing yourself—and especially your family—for emergencies or disasters which might strike. Make it a priority to talk with family members about what might occur, develop a plan and try to assemble an emergency supplies kit well in advance of an emergency. Be sure to include enough supplies for each household member and pet for several days. Plan where you would go and how you would communicate if you and your family were separated during an emergency. Ask about emergency plans for school, work, church or other places you frequent often.

Disasters of significant magnitude can overwhelm existing emergency services personnel to the point that community members may be responsible for helping themselves and their neighbors. Realistic discussions and building a basic kit to take care of you and your family for three to five days will greatly enhance your survival and recovery should a disaster impact our community.

Both the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the American Red Cross have a variety of resource information available, much of it readily accessible through their respective websites.

Information regarding preparedness can be located on FEMA’s website at:
[http://www.fema.gov/plan-prepare-mitigate;](http://www.fema.gov/plan-prepare-mitigate)

as well as on the American Red Cross website at:
[http://www.redcross.org/prepare/location/home-family.](http://www.redcross.org/prepare/location/home-family)

Additionally, the American Red Cross has mobile applications available to help you better prepare. More details are available online at: <http://www.redcross.org/prepare/mobile-apps>



UPCOMING EVENTS

JANUARY

- **New Years Day - City Hall Closed**
January 1, 2016
- Dallas City Council Workshop
January 4, 2016, at 5:30 p.m.
- Dallas City Council Meeting
January 4, 2016, at 7:00 p.m.
- Urban Renewal District Advisory Committee Meeting
January 5, 2016, at 5:30 p.m.
- Residential Street Task Force
January 6, 2016, at 4:00 p.m.
- Planning Commission Meeting
January 12, 2016, at 7:00 p.m.
- Residential Street Task Force
January 13, 2016, at 4:00 p.m.
- **MLK Jr. Day - City Hall Closed**
January 18, 2016
- Dallas City Council Workshop
January 19, 2016, at 6:00 p.m.
- Dallas City Council Meeting
January 19, 2016, at 7:00 p.m.
- Parks Advisory Board Meeting
January 20, 2016, at 5:30 p.m.
- Economic Development Commission Meeting
January 21, 2016, at 12:00 p.m.
- Admin/Building & Grounds Committee Meetings
January 25, 2016, at 4:00 p.m.

FEBRUARY

- Dallas City Council Workshop
February 1, 2016, at 5:30 p.m.
- Dallas City Council Meeting
February 1 2016, at 7:00 p.m.
- Urban Renewal District Advisory Committee Meeting
February 2, 2016, at 5:30 p.m.
- Planning Commission Meeting
February 9, 2016, at 7:00 p.m.
- **Presidents Day - City Hall Closed**
February 15, 2016
- Parks Advisory Board Meeting
February 16, 2016, at 5:30 p.m.
- Dallas City Council Meeting
February 16, 2016, at 7:00 p.m.
- Public Works/Public Safety Committee Meetings
February 22, 2016, at 4:00 p.m.

Meeting dates and times are subject to change. Please check our website at www.dallasor.gov for updates, cancellations, and additional events.

FACEBOOK



Don't forget about the City Facebook page.

Keep up to date on all the events and weather.

Check us out!

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. You can also visit our website at 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 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.

