

FOREST HILLS NEWS

November - December 2018 www.foresthillsdallas.org



Cover pictures are just some of the great yard sculptures in Forest Hills. Thanks to all our neighbors who share their art with everyone!

FOREST HILLS CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Neighborhood Tree Lighting December 2nd Forest Hills Fall Cleanup November 11th White Rock Shore Spruce-Up 2nd Saturday each month Newsletter articles and ads due Saturday, December 1st for January/February

BULK TRASH November Trash can go out Thursday 8- Sunday 11 With pick-up starting the week of Monday, November 12 December Trash can go out Thursday 6- Sunday 9 With pick-up starting the week of Monday, December 10

http://dallascityhall.com/departments/sanitation/pages/brush_and_bulky.aspx

THE PRESIDENT'S LETTER

With our end of year activities in full swing and our last neighborhood event set to take place in a few weeks, I'll use this

President's letter to reflect a bit on the seasons of change and what's important per your feedback over the years.

The first and foremost thing to share from all my fellow board members, former board members and lifetime volunteers is, stay involved. This simple lesson and commentary is so true and meaningful in an older neighborhood like ours where we have the blessing of making good friends over time and building long term relationships. Staying involved in both neighborhood events and block events keeps the lifeblood of the community alive and well.

Another commentary from some folks starting back in July and occurring again more recently in October, is to make time. The simplest of things can often be missed, forgotten and lost if we don't pause and make the time and take the effort

to engage. Seasons come and go and whereas we may not always be able to spend time together, it's always best to make a point of creating the opportunity versus simply waiting for it to happen on its own. You may have heard the Latin term carpe diem – seize the day that says it in a nutshell.

The last comment I want to capture in this letter is one of good health. For those wanting to stay strong of mind and spirit, a neighbor shared with me recently an Atlantic article titled: "The Health Benefits of Volunteering". This story highlights the value of volunteering in one's community and the positive effects it has on both mind and body. So it's actually good for you and simply a good feeling to act on behalf of something to generate positive results or make progress.

So, as you go forward into this late Fall and early next year, I'd like to thank you for your support and hope you stay involved, make time, and volunteer, both for your good health and the health of the neighborhood! Thanks.

Chris McCauley, President Forest Hills Neighborhood Association

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Pay homeowners dues either through PayPal or by check. Additional donations of any amount are always appreciated.

www.foresthillsdallas.org FH Association PO Box 180897 Dallas, TX 75218 Please Contribute - Volunteer - be part of the FHNA spirit!

FOREST HILLS FALL CLEANUP SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11TH 2018

Come Help Us Cleanup Our Beautiful Medians!

We will be picking up trash and debris as well as doing some light trimming at various locations throughout Forest Hills.

Meet us at the corner of Forest Hills Blvd and Breezewood drive at 9am. There will be a list of issues that we want to address and we will be there to help explain what needs to be done. We will split up from there into smaller groups prioritizing the areas that need the most help. If you cannot meet us at 9am just come look for us working and join in! There is plenty to do and any help is greatly appreciated - whether you come for a couple of hours or stay all day.

All we have to do is pile up the trash into stacks and the city will hall it off! Bulk trash pickup is on the following Monday/Tuesday. Questions: Tim Simmonds (214) 532-6793 *t.simmonds@working-plants.com*



Come be part of our wonderful Forest Hills Community and enjoy a beautiful fall day while we cleanup our mediums.



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Forest Hills Security



Big Shout Out to Forest Hills Security Program!

On August 23, 2018, we discovered just how important our Forest Hills Security Program is. At 2:30 AM our dog, Sophie started barking, which woke us up to discover that two men had broken into our backyard and were currently robbing us. A quick phone call to 911 dispatched Officer Cody Clark, one of our Forest Hills Patrol Officers, who promptly arrived at our house, followed quickly by back up of 13 additional police cars! Officer Clark was

able to apprehend suspect number one and after bringing in the K-9 squad, suspect number 2 was apprehended as well! The officers literally surrounded our home and blocked the criminals' vehicle. Not only were they unable to escape, we were fortunate to be able to retrieve all of our belongings and those of earlier heists elsewhere from the vehicle. It's never a good situation to be burglarized, but our event could not have worked out any better, thanks to the quick response of one of our own! Having only moved into the Forest Hills community a year ago, we are determined not to let this damper our love of the area.

We are very thankful that no one was hurt and that we participate in our Forest Hills Security Program – Our success story shows that it works! So glad we "Got IN"! — Lisa and Bill Daves

The Forest Hills Security Program is launching its first Annual "Sign In" day January 23, 2019.



Our "IN" Coming 1-23 signs will be around the neighborhood to promote awareness for this

campaign. Let's make this the day when we rally our friends and neighbors to Join In, Stay IN and Get Back "IN" to keep our neighborhood safe and secure!

More Patrol Hours = Less Crime

It is proven with more Patrol hours, we have decreased crime. Let's reach our goal of 80% of the residences "IN"vested in maintaining the beauty, safety and security of this idyllic neighborhood.

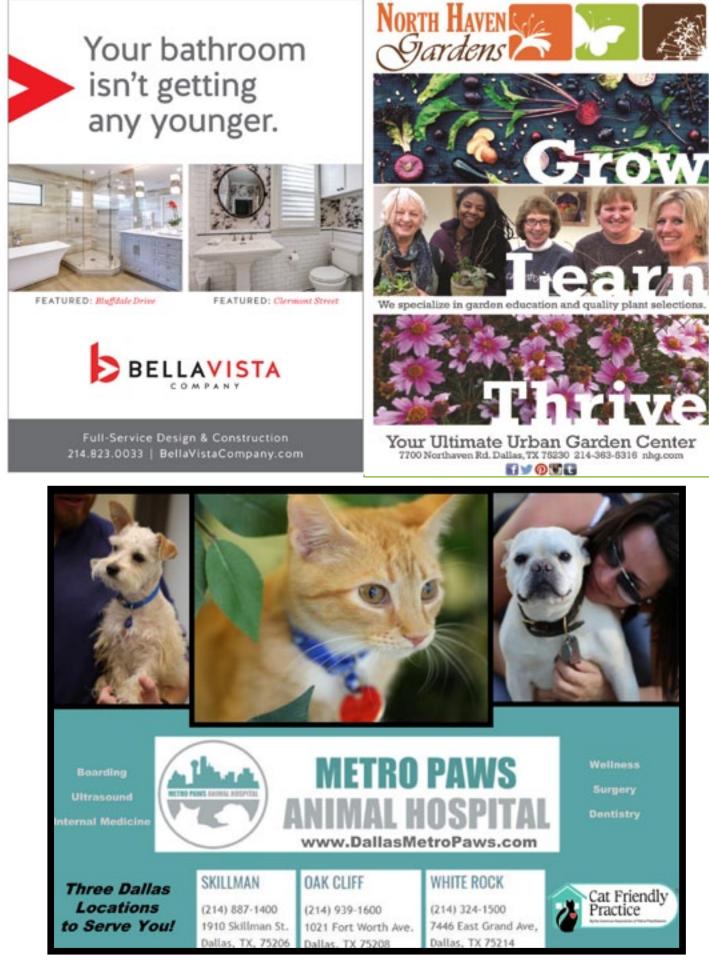
This once a year January revenue allows the Security Program to forecast with certainty, the police patrol coverage for the whole year.

Please go to www.foresthillssecurity.org choose your level and 1-2-3 CLICK and you are "IN". Join Us!

Keeping Your Home Secure

If you are a Security Program member and are current on your payments, you have the benefit of using the Home Watch Program. When you are away for an extended period of time or your home is under construction or vacant, a patrol shift officer will check on your home according to your requests. The home watch form and instructions can be found online at foresthillssecurity.org or requested from fhspenp@aol.com.

FHSP is a 501 (C)(3) Non-Profit Organization. Your contributions are tax deductible in accordance with IRS regulations.



Come to our Neighborhood Tree Lighting Sunday, December 2!

This annual event is fun for the whole family and a great way to kick off the Christmas season. From 5:30 – 7:30 pm there will be activities, food, drinks - something fun for everyone. Santa Claus will make his appearance as well. The tree lights up at dusk. We plan to add some fire pits this year for adults to hang out around while the kids play. So bring your lawn chairs and join your neighbors (and grown-ups, it is okay to BYOB). At the corner of Breezewood and Forest Hills. See you there!



Spotlight on a Forest Hills Teenager Andrew N. Tunell

Andrew Tunell, now a sophomore at University of Texas in Austin majoring in mechanical engineering,

has lived in Forest Hills for 15 years. He recently discovered a new passion - ceramics! During his freshman year in high school he took a class at Creative Arts Center and became inspired. Several pottery classes later he had mastered throwing on a pottery wheel and glazing techniques. He purchased his own wheel and kiln on Ebay and has turned his hobby in to a small business.



Andrew produced and sold many pieces this summer with the help of his Etsy page and own website A neighbor was visiting his studio and offered to loan him another pottery wheel and this allowed him to teach other students his passion. Andrew's initials are ANT and he named his website ANThillpotterystudio.com. He signs all his work with an ant on the



bottom or side of his pieces. Our neighborhood has always supported the arts. Forest Hills is filled with artists and now we have one more!

PARENTS: Want to nominate your teen for the Spotlight on a Forest Hills Teenager? **Contact Andie** - *andiecomini@aol.com*

Forest Hills Neighborhood Garage Sale Good News - Bad News

Good News: On Saturday, October 13 Forest Hills held our 6th Annual Garage Sale at the Good Samaritan Episcopal Church on Highland Road.

Bad News: It rained and rained and rained and rained the whole day... Some of the donated items were in the Parish Hall but the rest were outside on the lawn. With all the rain we literally had items and volunteers floating away!

Good News: Bob Lander and his son Steve arrived early Friday morning to set up a 20 x 20 tent tarp for us to put some of the better non rain proof items under. Greatly appreciated!

Lara and Brad Huddleston arrived Friday afternoon with homemade sandwiches and drinks for the Volunteers. Greatly appreciated!

Steve Lamberti, for the second year in a row, sent in a check for \$300 to help with expenses. Greatly appreciated!

Carol Lander put the word out to Forest Hills parents that if their children needed Service Hours to come help with the Garage Sale. Carrie Bevers, Kellie Hammonds, Kelly Lamont and Nicole Ross went to work rounding up help! Greatly appreciated!

Evan Bogar, head of Donation Pickups, kept his crew Bruce Borrett, Tony Cornell, Randy Field, Bill Frey and Denny Hunt busy racing around the neighborhood collecting all kinds of items.

Bad News: Sadly, unlike in the past... this Garage Sale was not a big success. While we made around \$7,500 last year, sadly this year we only made around \$3,500 before expenses.

Donations: This year we are donating \$2000 to our wonderful Forest Hills Security for extra holiday patrol. Also donating \$400 to Alex Sanger, \$400 to Animal Alert!, \$100 to the Good Samaritan Episcopal Church and \$100 to our local White Rock Center of Hope on Garland Road with any remainder going to the Forest Hills general fund.

Any items that were left after the sale were picked up by East Lake Pet Orphanage in hopes of generating some income for them.

The Good Samaritan Episcopal Church is located in Forest Hills and here for us. If looking for a church to attend, please consider visiting with them. They could not be a nicer group of people!

The Church sponsors the "Alex Sanger Santa's" in which they collect bicycles during the year to donate at Christmas to kids in need. Have an old bike you no longer want and would like to donate? Please give Forest Hills resident Lori Bailey a call (214) 797-3301.

And all this could not have happened without all the wonderful Donations and Volunteers. THANK YOU! Plans are already underway to hold our 7th Annual Garage Sale at the Church again!



Chair: Andie Comini Co-Chairs: Susan Bailey - Lori Bailey - Evan Bogar - Denny Hunt - Annelisa Pedersen

Volunteers:

Allison Field Andrea McCauley Anna Seo **Barb** Michaels Bibba Wilde **Bill Foerester** Bill Frey Bob Lander Brad Huddleston Brandon Ross Bruce Borrett Carol Lander Carolyn Laivins Carrie Bevers Cheryl Cole Chris McCauley Darryl MacNair Debbie Knight

Doug Gilpin Emma Ortman Evan McCauley Haley Ross Hope Lamont Julie Fineman Kellie Hammonds Kelly Lamont Korbet Annis Lane Bogar Lara Huddleston Lee Glenn Lee Lamont Linda Ortman Linda Roby Maura Cornell Nicole Ross Pat Cage

Randy Field Reed Huddleston Renee Bogar Ryann Huddleston Shannon Carr Sophie McCauley Tony Cornell Vikki Rae Espinosa Wayne Cage

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Abigail Estes Ben McLean Claire Cardenas Dillon Lohr Edie Hoesterey Grace Clerkin Grace Lamont Jack Hammonds Jack McLean Lanham Bevers Luke Lamont Lydia Fontaine Sierra Ross

Church Volunteers:

Betsey Attel Bob Oglesby Bob Via Denise Jones Dianna Hatfield Father George Monroe James Gunter Lisa Tomaselli Mary Anne Via Obie Obenour



Rossi Walter Tessa Oglesby Tony Delise

Others:

Alex Sanger School East Lake Pet Orphanage White Rock Storage White Rock Weekly



Forest Hills Fall Meeting

Board Members Needed

On October 4, Forest Hills neighbors gathered at Times Ten Cellars for an update of the past year and a look forward. Our President, Chris McCauley, stepped down after two years of dedicated service. His enthusiasm and smiles will be missed! The Board showed their appreciation of his hard work by gifting him with a very nice bottle of wine.

Forest Hills is a wonderful neighborhood we all are proud of but to keep things moving along we are in need of more people stepping up and taking responsibility by joining the Board and other Open Positions. Just a little time on your part can go a long way to keep Forest Hills on track.

Please look at the list of Open Positions (inside front cover) and consider helping. Remember it is not a life time commitment! Being part of what makes Forest Hills "tick" is a wonderful

> Interested in knowing more about an Open Position?

Check with Andie Comini - (214) 328-0508 andiecomini@aol.com

3G – SH78/Garland Road update

There's a final November meeting coming up to take input on the Garland Road/ Gaston Road intersection. After multiple rounds of public meetings dating back to 2016, there's now a final plan (Option 2) that has been selected based on community input. A group of interested Forest Hills residents will attend and an electronic update will be shared for interested parties.

Garland Road (White Rock Church) development

The planner and developers who intend to redesign the White Rock Church and surroundings attended our meeting and shared their initial plans. The overall

intent is to repurpose the church for other retail uses and to construct a high-quality upscale apartment complex that is aligned with the surrounding neighborhoods needs concerning design and traffic impact.

Forest Hills Security Program & Dallas PD make a stick up...

FHSP updated everyone on our crime levels and what can be done. At present, crime is very low thanks to all that have contributed, but we're hitting high crime season, so more donations are needed to beef up support. Dallas PD that are part of our program recently made an arrest at a burglary off (XYZ street), so it definitely works and is something we should really keep supporting financially.

Pet Safety During the Upcoming Holidays East Dallas Veterinary Clinic

The holidays are quickly approaching and so is one of the busiest times for veterinary clinics across the country! As exciting as the holiday season can be, they can be difficult for many household pets. Follow these simple rules to keep your holiday season safe and calm for both you and your furry friends!

Food: For the simplest way to keep your holiday season stress free for pets, be sure that all table food stays away from your pets! Avoid the sad puppy eyes and give your pets' safe treats to curb any table food. Turkey, desserts and all side dishes are meant for humans, not our furry friends. Decorations and Plants: Table centerpieces are great additions to make our homes welcoming for the holiday season, but our pet's curiosity can get the best of them! Place all floral arrangements and other decorations up and away from the sight of curious dogs and cats. Candles create a welcoming environment, but be sure they are out of the way of any pets. Make sure that your Christmas tree is safely and properly secured as falling trees can cause injured pets. Ensure that breakable ornaments are placed high enough where curious noses can reach them. Some decorations look extra edible to animals and can lead to upset stomachs. Lilies are harmful for cats and pine cones can create a blockage or perforate the intestines of pets if eaten. Poinsettias, holly, and mistletoe can all cause irritation, vomiting and diarrhea in pets. Always keep a close eye on your pet while they sniff around the

Christmas tree! Pine needles from Christmas trees can also puncture pets' intestines and cause serious damage. Fireworks: Planning on ringing in the New Year with some fireworks? Animals don't always find the firework shows as exciting as we do. The loud noises and bright lights often scare dogs and cats and they may try to find a way out of wherever they are. Be sure that your pets have a secure collar on with proper identification tags. If your pet is microchipped, always double check that their contact information in the registry database and is up to date. This way, your pets can always get back home to you safely. Place pets indoors during fireworks and ensure that they are adequately taken care of until the fireworks are over.

The holidays are a wonderful time to spend with family and friends - not in the emergency pet clinic! Be sure to follow these rules to ensure that your furry friend is able to enjoy the holidays too!

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September

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September's yard of the month is very calm and serene. Tall trees and planting beds work together harmoniously leading your eye through the yard. The planting beds are lush and filled with Japanese maples, variegated privet, roses, azaleas, monkey grass and nandina.



October

Chris and Andrea McCauley 8163 Santa Clara

October's yard of the month is one of Forest Hills architectural gems. The landscape has been kept low and classic to let the architecture of this home shine! The entrance to a curved walk is planted with roses and seasonal annuals that greet you as you approach. As you continue down the walk to the front door you will notice planting beds that wrap around the home that are composed of Indian Hawthorne, Carisa holly, hydrangeas, salvia hot lips. .

Celebrate Christmas at the Dallas Arboretum

The Arboretum's 12 Days of Christmas at Night exhibit runs from November 14 to December 30 this year. Touted by Southern Living magazine as one of "The South's Best Holiday Experiences" the display features 12 gazebos encasing life-like moving scenes that each depict a day from the beloved holiday carol. Nestled throughout the park beneath 500,000 twinkling lights, the gazebos are hand-crafted, three-dimensional works of art. So come wander the park on a cool evening from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm during the program and let the Christmas spirit fill your heart. Tickets are available on the Arboretum website at http://www.dallasarboretum.org/12days.

Prefer to visit during the day? Then consider making a reservation in the historic DeGolyer tearoom before or after viewing the gorgeous gazebos in the daylight. Enjoy a delightfully delicious, three-course, holiday tea surrounded by festive, seasonal decor. Reservations are required and should be made 26 hours in advance. Guests must be age 13 or older. For questions or to make reservations, please call 214-515-6511 or contact the tearoom at *teas*@ dallasarboretum.org.

If the family is coming to your lovely Forest Hills dwelling for the holidays and you wish to wow them with your skills in the kitchen, register for the Holiday Brunch Workshop at A Tasteful Place. Taught by chef Lorie Fangio, you will learn techniques for baking vanilla cinnamon scones and preparing a juicy pecan bourbon-glazed pork loin to grace your holiday table. Parmesan-crusted potatoes, festive green bean and cranberry salad and a delectable pear tart complete this perfect holiday meal. The class will be held on December 15 from 11:00 am - 1:00 pm in the Donald and Charlotte Test Pavilion. Cost is \$65 or \$60 for members. Register online at http://www.dallasarboretum. org/named-gardens-features/a-tasteful-place/cooking-events-a-tasteful-place.



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If you have just arrived or if you have a new neighbor, let us know! For oversights, please contact fhspenp@aol.com with names /addresses so we can give our new neighbors a big welcome.

Apologies if we have overlooked anyone. Newcomers can be missed when move-in is delayed for remodeling or when a home is purchased directly from builder or previous owner.

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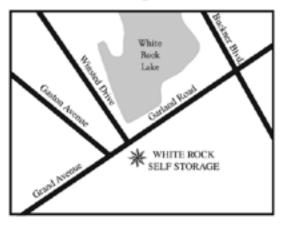




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