



# FOREST HILLS NEWS

September - October 2017  
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## FOREST HILLS CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### BULK TRASH

September

Thursday 7 - Sunday 10

Trash pick-up starts the week of Monday 11 - Friday

October

Thursday 5 - Sunday 8

Trash pick-up starts the week of Monday 9 - Friday

White Rock Shore Spruce-Up  
2nd Saturday each month

Newsletter articles due Friday,  
October 13 for the November/December

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# THE PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Hello,

With Fall approaching and Summer winding down, I imagine you've likely returned from your vacations or other summertime activities to find some random signs around the neighborhood noting, Are you In? If you happen to walk the neighborhood, you will have probably taken the time to determine this is part of the FH Security Program's effort to get residents to explore if they've paid their dues and hence to prompt such activity. With that said, I will ask the same, Are you In?, but in a different context.

Are you In-vested? Have you been contributing to the security program and remained vigilant of activities around you to make sure our neighborhood remains safe and that the incidents that have been posted on Next Door recently and that happened earlier in the summer to kids being robbed of their cell phones as our funding for summer-time patrols was getting slim. Doesn't it seem worthwhile to contribute a nominal \$20/mo or \$240/year to keep the neighborhood safe and your key investment being family and home patrolled by Dallas Police on a more regularly scheduled basis. Are you Invested?

Are you In-volved? We have several events each year during Spring, Summer, and Fall that all require volunteer time and effort. These events include the Garden Tour, Fourth of July Parade & Picnic, Garage Sale, and Christmas Tree Lighting. Some events take more time than others, but none of them happen by themselves, it takes efforts and the time of fellow neighbors. In addition to these events, we have and need greater participation in our tree planting/boulevard beautification as well as our monthly clean up at White Rock Lake. Currently we have no owner for the White Rock Lake activity, so a few of us do this ad-hoc bringing family and friends along to keep things clean and respectable. Is there something here that you can be Involved in?

Lastly, I would like to end on a new endeavor and ask are you In-terested? A few neighbors have expressed interest in getting a neighborhood Chili Cookoff in motion this Fall. We have started the conversation and initial planning, but will need help and participants to show up and bring some creative recipes along for the competition. We're working out the details and there will be more to come via email with a sign-up list for all activities moving forward, please sign-up if you are Interested

So, there's a lot to consider as we're all back and have more time to spend in our great neighborhood. Let's take this change of seasons to be more Invested, Involved, and Interested in getting active in neighborly events, activities and getting to know each other better.

Thanks.

Chris McCauley, President  
Forest Hills Neighborhood Association



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1522 Highland Road  
between San Rafael Drive & Ferguson Road

Having  
your own Garage  
Sale? Please  
consider donating  
what you do not sell  
to the Forest Hills  
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give us a call.

The Garage Sale, one of our biggest fundraisers, raised over \$7,000 last year to help pay for extra security during the Thanksgiving/Christmas holidays and other Forest Hills needs. And, as in the past, a donation was made to Alex Sanger and to the White Rock Center of Hope on Garland Road which helps needy families in our area.

Call with DONATIONS and VOLUNTEER to help!

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# Forest Hills Security Program

Thanks to all of you, who jumped IN! The Forest Hills Security Program (FHSP) campaign!

Your contributions added more patrols.

To those who didn't, we still need you IN! to reach the goal of 40 patrol hours a week, which security experts recommend as optimum for Forest Hills. We are not quite there yet. With more officers leaving the Dallas police force, achieving this goal will be even more important now.

We need you INVESTED as an annual FHSP participant.

IN! Benefits: You receive the extra benefit of police watching your home while you are away. Your home value enhances in a community with a security program. Police cars are on our streets, brought here by the program. It's a small cost for a big benefit to every resident of Forest Hills to feel safe and secure in their home and on our neighborhood streets. Your FH Security Program, a peace of mind INSURANCE is priceless.

We need you INVOLVED as a community member for a safer neighborhood. Since FHSP began in 2003, crime decreased 65%. Studies prove more police patrols, fewer crimes. It works!

We need you INTERESTED enough to engage your neighbor, so that no one has to be that "one", who experiences crime first hand. We are better together. Continue to call 911, when you see suspicious activity. See Something-Say Something. Even if you are unsure, don't hesitate to use 911. Let the police experts decide the importance and priority of your call. And there is a big chance, our FHSP police patrol will be on duty and be there in minutes.

BE IN! Be a FHSP Supporter to help reach the 40 hours of police patrol a week goal.

**Forest Hills Security Program (FHSP)**

A resident funded program hiring off duty Dallas police officers to patrol Forest Hills.  
Providing security and education supporting personal safety and crime prevention.



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## Volunteers in Patrol

Want to take a more active role in crime prevention with the Forest Hills Security Program's Police Patrol by donating your time?

Be a V.I.P.!

"Volunteers in Patrol" is a non-confrontational neighborhood citizen patrol program, which can be another layer of visibility along with the currently

scheduled FHSP Police patrol hours we have each day.

After you receive basic training on how to recognize suspicious or illegal activity, you can patrol one-hour shifts with another V.I.P. partner in your own car marked with a V.I.P magnetic sign or bike, jog or walk the 'hood in your VIP T-shirt to report activity by calling 911 or reporting lighting/traffic signs/animal issues, etc to 311.

John Mitchell, fellow FH resident has just completed the course and will head up scheduling volunteers. Please email him at [jmitchell@c3site.com](mailto:jmitchell@c3site.com), if you are already certified or if you are interested in becoming a Forest Hills VIP.

The Northeast Dallas Police Department's next VIP class will be held (Sat), September 30th at the NE Dallas Police Dept from 9am-1pm. Volunteers must be at least 21 years of age, in good health, have a valid driver's license, and have no criminal record. Applications/Waivers can be found online <http://www.dallaspolice.net/community/SharedDocuments/VolunteerApplication2009.pdf> and must be submitted no later than Tue, September 26th. You can scan and email the application or mail/drop it to the Northeast DPD, 9915 Northwest Hwy, Dallas, TX 75238 Officer Contact: **Kevin Kelley** at [kevin.kelley@dpd.ci.dallas.tx.us](mailto:kevin.kelley@dpd.ci.dallas.tx.us) 214-670-7772.



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# Welcome Newcomers!

If you have just arrived or if you have a new neighbor, let us know! For oversights, please contact [nicolembosworth@gmail.com](mailto:nicolembosworth@gmail.com) with names /addresses so we can give our new neighbors a Woodsy Welcome and a Guide to Forest Hills!

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.

**8400 Block San Benito  
Christopher and Courtney  
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**8400 Block San Pedro  
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# Ash Creek - S Fork Bridges at Lakeland

## Background/History

On April 26, 2016, the Dallas City Council authorized the construction of two replacement bridges on Lakeland.

- \* The contractor - Iowa Bridge and Culvert, LC.
- \* The construction contract - \$3.6 million.
- \* Construction will begin September 11, 2017.

## Traffic/Community Impact

- \* Neighborhood, commuter & Alex Sanger School traffic will be impacted by the closure.
- \* The Lakeland closure takes place in two parts in an effort to minimize traffic impacts.

## First Closure

- \* Lakeland south of Westglen to Ferguson - replacement of the small bridge/culvert.

## Second Closure

- \* 2100 Lakeland Drive just east of the Kansas City Southern Railroad to Arturo - north bridge replacement and utility improvements.



## Planned Action

- \* South Bridge Closure
- \* 1st Phase of Construction (2017) - September 11 through December
- \* Iowa Bridge & Culvert LC will begin work on September 11, 2017.
- \* Project time line is scheduled for 300 calendar days.
- \* Vehicular and pedestrian through traffic of all types are prohibited during the construction period.
- \* All City of Dallas services including emergency services will continue to operate normally.

## Traffic Impact/Action

- \* Detour Plans - all non-local traffic will be directed to Buckner Blvd.
- \* Electric Message Boards placed at:
  - \* Lakeland at Ferguson
  - \* Lakeland at Garland
  - \* Ferguson at St. Francis
- \* Signage on St. Francis and Ferguson and at St. Francis and San Pedro Parkway reads:
  - \* No through Traffic - School Drop-off and Pick-up Only
  - 7:00 AM - 9:00 AM      2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

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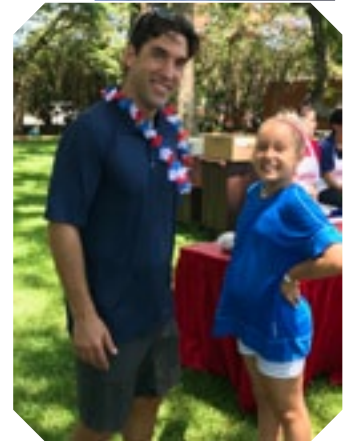
# 4th July Parade

What a blast! The Forest Hills Annual Fourth of July event was once again, a successful get together bringing neighbors, family and friends together. As has become customary, the number of attendees ranged from 350-400 folks and was well received by the many kids and parents who got in a little exercise walking or riding in the parade over the to Keller's beautifully landscaped estate where the event was hosted. The food was delicious too, as BBQ was had by all and its certainly hard to pass up tasty brisket sandwiches with all the fixins and a little ice cream afterwards as the treat du jour...

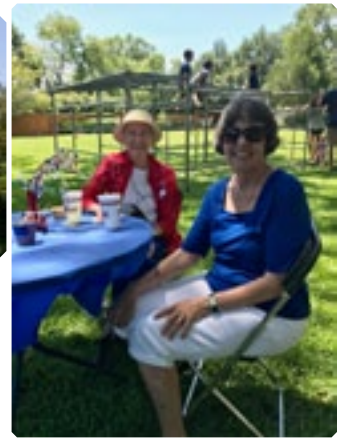


All said, this event would not have been possible without the Keller family's continued support of this event and the help of the volunteers who helped with the set up, take down, and overall coordination of activities. So, many thanks go out to: **David Buhmann, Andie Comini, Evan, Sophie,**

**and Andrea McCauley, Angie Michell, Nicolas Neubauer and Jonathan Wien, Dan and Linda Ortman, Jason Pumpelly, Chris and Tamela Southan and Harrison Wilroy**







# YARD OF THE MONTH

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*July*

8122 Santa Clara Dr.  
Dennis & Vickie Hetrick

English charm was the first thing that came to mind when I spotted this home for July's yard of the month. Beautiful plantings encircle the yard providing a soft buffer from the street. Brick pillars and an iron gate (I suspect is original to the home) punctuate the entrance. Open the gate and you are transported into an English garden where lush plantings offer something blooming spring and summer!



*August*

8342 San Fernando Way  
David & Martine Buhmann

Looking at August's yard of the month you somehow feel cooler even in one of the hottest months of the year here in Dallas. Contemporary, modern, elegant, "cool" describe this home – and its landscape. A Texas black gravel drive and parking area create a soft approach to the home. Step off the gravel drive and onto a concrete pad walkway flanked by cut stone pedestals topped with potted yuccas. The landscape design utilizes potted containers and Texas native plants that compliments the architectural style of this home perfectly!

## Good Samaritan Episcopal Church

Good Samaritan Episcopal Church was organized in the Forest Hills neighborhood in September 1965. The first worship service was held in a private home of a Forest Hills family, and ground was broken in August 1967 for the present church located at 1522 Highland Road. Good Samaritan exists as a special house of worship in Forest Hills, offering a local and inclusive option for the practice of faith and service to the community. Good Samaritan is partnered with Sanger Elementary (and Middle School) throughout the school year, collecting and providing backpacks and school supplies for students in the fall, "Adopt a Family" at Christmas time, through weekly deliveries of donated perishable fruits, vegetables and proteins for students in need, and through quarterly collections of non-perishable foods for same. Good Samaritan is partnered with the Forest Hills Neighborhood Association, and will again host the annual Forest Hills Yard Sale on the church campus October 7th. Service is held at 10:30 am on Sundays, and includes children's church and quarterly adult bible study. Come by on Sunday morning – all are welcome.



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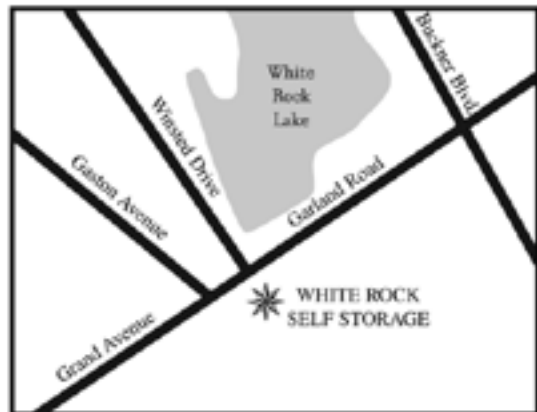
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## HISTORY

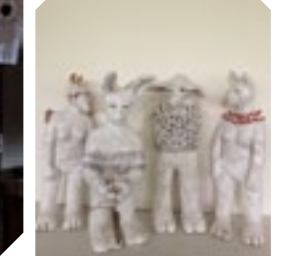
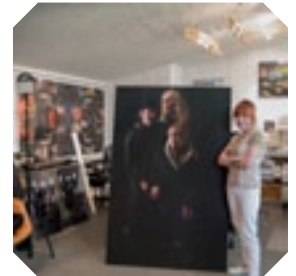
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- Linda Gilpin** - 8138 San Benito
- Michael Obranovich** - 8239 Forest Hills Blvd
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- Rebecca & Ken Boatman** - 8207 Barbaree Blvd
- Bruce Brownlee** - 8158 Barbaree Blvd
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