

FOREST HILLS NEWS

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FOREST HILLS CALENDAR OF EVENTS

White Rock Shore Spruce-Up 2nd Saturday each month

Annual Garage Sale Saturday, October 13th

Forest Hills Fall Meeting Thursday, October 4th

Newsletter articles due Friday, October 1st for November/December BULK TRASH September Trash can go out Thursday 6- Sunday 9 With pick-up starting the week of Monday, July 9 October Trash can go out Thursday 4 - Sunday 7 With pick-up starting the week of Monday, August 13

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THE PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Change is in the air. And while the air is getting cooler, change is also on the horizon for our Forest Hills leadership. It's the time of year that

we revisit our Forest Hills Board positions and take on new members and let others retire from their service as the next year approaches. For my past 6 years on the Board, I've had the good fortune to work with many dedicated and passionate neighbors. These individuals work diligently and quietly behind the scenes, making sure events happen, funds are raised for the neighborhood, and our communication of all activities reaches as many of you as possible.

Thank you from me and the neighborhood to: Anita Alessandra, Bruce Borrett, Nicole Bosworth, David & Martine Buhmann, Andie Comini, Eric Denton, Sharon Hill, Chuck & Darla Hodge, Pat Kirby, Brad & Lara Huddleston, Lottie Minick, Jane Ojeda, Becky Oliver, Tim Simmonds, Greg Stinson, Meredith Talley, and Judy Whalen.



CHRIS MCCAULEY

One other note is our current progress on Forest Hills memberships and fundraising. As of mid-July, we are unfortunately down \sim 50% from last year's totals, having received only 73 membership dues, out of 550+ households; at this time last year we were at 141. Please sign up online or send in a check to cover your FH dues and make sure your security dues are covered as well. Let's not let this lapse as some of our fundraising efforts this year that support the school, neighborhood events, and other activities like tree plantings etc. are running low.

Finally, I'd like to share that we'll have a bit of extra change this year in that I'm officially stepping down as President. There will be elections held at the Forest Hills Fall Meeting, Thursday, October 4th at Times Ten Cellars (2).

There is so much potential for our neighborhood and we need you to join the team and take charge. Thank you in advance to those that will step up into new leadership positions and especially, thank you for the opportunity to serve. We are the best neighborhood in Dallas and I have been honored to have been a part of it.

Chris McCauley, President Forest Hills Neighborhood Association

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TAX DEDUCTIBLE



Welcome Michael!

Michael Christian of the Northeast Police Division is the new director of our FHSP police patrol. A soccer player in his youth, in college and on a semi pro team, he still devotes a generous portion of his spare time kicking and running in a men's league. Welcome Michael to the FHSP team's defender position!

Forest Hills Security Program

Don't Forget When Going Out of Town

- READY! ... When you are planning and packing for an extended leave, one of the FIRST things the Forest Hills Security Program needs you to do is to submit a FHSP Home Watch form EARLY. We need the form with all your requests and details BEFORE you leave. The form should be sent a week in advance of your departure. We have 7 wonderful neighborhood police, who want to do their best to keep your homes safe and secure.
- SET! If you are a Forest Hills Security member current in your payments, you have the benefit of using the Home Watch service. When you are away or if your home is vacant under construction, the FHSP police patrol will check on your home according to your requests.
 - The form and instructions are on line at www.foresthillssecurity.org or by request through fhspenp@aol.com
 - Download the Word.doc form, fill in info with instructions, save the completed form and email it in a word .doc or PDF to fhspenp@aol.com
 - · When FHSP receives the form, it is emailed to the police dept.
 - The police print it and that hard copy is put into the squad car logbook.
 - (The printed form is shredded upon your return).

GO! Since these steps take time, it is imperative you remember to fill out the form early. The Security Program strives for excellence and is proud of their performance. But it is only with your assistance, we can have the information we need to ensure that your home will be watched. The goal is for you to enjoy your time away with the peace of mind, that you have personally secured your property to the best of your ability and your home will be watched while you are away to the best of FHSP and police officers' ability.

More Patrol Hours = Less Crime

"Get IN"? It is proven with more patrol hours, we have decreased crime. Maintaining the beauty, safety and security in this idyllic neighborhood is priceless.





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Spotlight On: The Gorsuch Family, Our New Neighbors on Santa Clara!

By: Nicole Bosworth

Tate and Jason Gorsuch recently relocated to Dallas after many happy years in Rockwall. Tate and Jason have been married for ten years, and are the parents to five beautiful children, Sydney (20), twins Beau and Kane (14), and twins Cole and Kennedy (10). Their full house would not be complete without their two-year old German shepherd, Barret, and a five-year old Yorkshire terrier, Bella.

The Gorsuch family moved to Forest Hills in July in the joy of finding out that their four youngest children were accepted to local Catholic schools- St. Thomas Aquinas and Bishop Lynch High School. While Sydney will be a returning junior at Texas Christian University this fall, her twin brothers, Beau and Kane will start as freshman at Bishop Lynch, and youngest siblings, Cole and Kennedy will be in fifth grade at St. Thomas.

Jason is the President and CEO of Rivershore Resources and works in Dallas, so the move from Rockwall made sense. Tate is often

found volunteering at her kid's schools and event planning. The Gorsuch family honed in on the Forest Hills neighborhood immediately, noting its intimate, warm, and neighborly feeling and the excitement and convenience of the city being minutes away.

In their spare time, the Gorsuch's love to find new restaurants to try in Dallas, and enjoy seeing movies and concerts as a family. They cherish time with their children and love to entertain at home. Tate says, "Whether it be a crowd of 5 or 25, we want our home to be open to everyone". They are excited to get settled in their new home and neighborhood and look forward to making long and lasting friendships.

Please Welcome the Gorsuch Family to Forest Hills!

Fireworks and outdoor festivities are fun for us, but they are factors that can cause harm to your dog or cat. Providing your furry friends a safe, cool place to lounge during the hot days is the best way to prevent any health issues!





Spotlight on a Forest Hills Teenager Emma Ortman

Emma Ortman, a life-long Forest Hills resident, is a sophomore at The Hockaday School where she is a straight A student who enjoys dance and musical theatre. She is also a student at the Amanda Dalton School of Dance.

This summer Emma has been keeping busy in East Dallas. She is interning with Forest Hills' State Representative Eric Johnson where she not only works 12-15 hours each week

in Rep Johnson's office but also has participated in many community events including Dallas Juneteenth Celebration, The Forest Hills 4th of July Parade, and the upcoming MLK Back to School Fair. In June, Emma

participated in and assisted with the AD Dance Recital, and in July she was an assistant teacher at an AD Dance summer camp. This past year, Emma has volunteered at East Lake Pet Orphanage and Ferguson Road Initiative.

Emma's hobbies include reading, dancing, drawing, and travelling. She loves children and animals and has taken care of both for neighbors in Forest Hills.

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



Emma with State Representative Johnson

Fourth of July

The neighborhood enjoyed another great Fourth of July parade and community picnic at the Keller property. There was barbecue, fabulous decorations, giant water slides for the kids and much more. A huge thanks to the Kellers for sharing their wonderful space again, and giant thanks to our President Chris McCauley for again orchestrating the whole thing. Here's what Chris has to say:



"I'd like to share that this year we had another great Fourth of July event at the Keller's property. With over 400 people in attendance per Spring Creek BBQ, we had our largest turnout for this event in many years. This success was achieved by only a handful of individuals who step up each and every year to organize, set up, and breakdown the venue along with helping manage the parade and activities leading up to it. At this time, I'd also like to also recognize these great neighbors as well and say thank you to:

"Susan Bailey, David Buhmann, Andie Comini, Bill and Mindy Foerster, Doug Gilpin, the Keller Family & grandkids Andrea, Evan, and Sophie McCauley, Dan Ortman, Jason Pumpelly, and Chris & Tamela Southan".



Forest Hills Fall Meeting - Thursday, October 4

The general neighborhood Fall Meeting will be held October 4 at 6:30 PM at Times Ten Cellars - 6324 Prospect Ave., Dallas 75214.

This night is a wonderful opportunity to connect with old friends/neighbors and meet new ones. The year's neighborhood events, both past and future, will be discussed. This is the meeting where Board Members are elected, so it's very important to come if you possibly can. Our current President, Chris McCauley, is stepping down after years of dedicated service. Please consider giving your talents as a member of the FHNA Board or in one of the many volunteer opportunities available.

Drinks and food will be served, which makes for a fun event. Come out and show your support for our great neighborhood!

WHITE ROCK ARTISTS' STUDIO TOUR

SATURDAY: OCTOBER 13 & SUNDAY: OCTOBER 14 10 AM-5 PM BOTH DAYS Join the artists in their studios for the 26th year!

FREE, SELF-PACED ART TOUR

Visit artists and see where art comes alive in neighborhoods near White Rock Lake. Over fifty artists and 4 art centers: Visit art studios and see work in all its stages. Talk to artists about ideas, processes, and materials. Explore the places where art happens!

LOCATION

This popular art event is located in neighborhoods that surround White Rock Lake. The area is east of downtown Dallas and is known for its natural beauty, native forests and historic city lake. Visit artists in their studios and learn first-hand why the area is a haven for visual artists.

HISTORY

In 1992 on a fall weekend 6 artists in the White Rock Lake area opened their studios to the public. That humble beginning has continued and grown while providing a rewarding experience for art enthusiasts of all ages. The mission of the Tour is to open connections and understanding about art and artists who work in our community.

Forest Hills & Barbaree Artists

Jerry Allegro Linda Gilpin Michael Obranovich Sharon Shero/Bob Quaglia Matt & Sharon Bagley Rebecca & Ken Boatman Bruce Brownlee Glo Coalson/Britt Coalson Susan Giller

Chris Lyons Marty & Richard Ray Terri Stone Larry Paul Jones Check out the website for a downloadable map and additional information. www.whiterockartists.com









The FHNA Garage Sale is - Saturday October 13!!!

Lots of help is needed for one of our most important fund raisers. See the flyer in this issue for all the details of how to donate and volunteer.

Dates/Times/Location to Drop-Off Items One Week Out Before The Forest Hills Garage Sale!

Dates/Times: SMALL ITEMS ONLY

NO furniture/large items/etc. There is not enough room to store them the week before. Sunday, October 7 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM Tuesday, October 9 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM Thursday, October 11 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM Day Before the Sale:

ALL ITEMS CAN BE DROPPED OFF!

Friday, October 12 10:00AM - late that night! Saturday, October 13 8:00AM - 3:00PM *Garage Sale!*

Pick-up: To schedule a pick-up for LARGE items to be picked up on this Friday and brought to the church please contact: Evan Bogar (214) 327-8861 ehbogar@yahoo.com

Help: Need people/muscles to help pick-up large items and bring to the church!

Location: Good Samaritan Episcopal Church - 1522 Highland Road - in Forest Hills

Donations/Volunteer/Questions: Andie Comini (214) 328-0508 (land line) andiecomini@aol.com

Three Cheers for White Rock Self Storage!

Once again White Rock Self Storage have offered us a FREE STORAGE UNIT to be used to store items for the upcoming Forest Hills Garage Sale -Saturday, October 13. Their generosity year after year helps makes our Garage Sale a success! Need space? Give them a call (214) 319-7777 www.whiterockselfstorage.com

Three Cheers for Good Samaritan Episcopal Church!

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 our community. Good Samaritan is partnered with Sanger Elementary and Middle School throughout the school year. Service is held 10:30 AM on Sundays - stop by as all are welcome! Once again they will host the upcoming

Forest Hills Garage Sale.



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August

Brian & Allison Jorgensen 8514 Santa Clara Dr.

August in Dallas = hot dry scorched landscapes... but not at 8514 Santa Clara Drive!

I am confident in saying that this well thought out landscape looks great all year round! The landscape contours the front elevation of this gorgeous contemporary perfectly. The planting beds are filled with native grasses, Pittosporum, Golden Privet, variegated Yucca, Japanese Yews and Chinese Fringe.

ALLURE OF THE ARBORETUM

Join the community in commemorating the fifth birthday of the Rory Meyers Children's Adventure Garden on the weekend of September 21-23. For that weekend only, RMCAG admission is free with paid general admission.

Since its opening, the RMCAG has hosted more than 1.7 million visitors in its 8-acre interactive garden. Raising the bar for educational outdoor children's facilities, the RMCAG focuses on K-6 life and earth science based on the state of Texas curriculum standards. Here, students can expand their understanding of concepts such as photosynthesis, pollination, the solar system, erosion and energy. Ask any kid who has attended a field trip, on-site program or after school program at the award-winning RMCAG - this is one incredible place for learning!

The RMCAG's birthday celebration coincides with the



opening of Autumn at the Arboretum and the garden's first-ever quinceanera fashion show - both occurring on September 22. With Adventures in Neverland as the theme for this year's autumn festival and pumpkin patch, guests to the Arboretum are invited to join Peter and Wendy for the fun.

"Throughout the weekend, discover excursions fit for pirates, fairies and for those who never want to grow up like playing Lost Boys games, crafting fairy dust and drawing shadows. We'll even have a scavenger hunt for lucky pirate treasure and a giant birthday card to sign," invites Kelsey Carter, RMCAG programs manager.



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