

In April 2007 Forest Hills announced it is joining the White Rock Garden & Artisans Tour with the first tour on May 24, 2007.

From 2008 through 2023 (with the exception of 2020 due to COVID), Forest Hills neighborhood has participated in the White Rock East Garden Tour & Artisans.

The following pages are from Forest Hills Newsletter issues highlighting the tour and most importantly recognizing the neighbors who opened up the gardens and the volunteers that made the tour so successful.



GARDEN TOUR PLANNING

Garden tour on **Sunday May 24, 2007** (11 AM to 5 PM) will include 3 homes from each of the following neighborhoods: Little Forest Hills, Forest Hills and Casa Linda. Proceeds will be split among the three homeowner's associations.

Looking for corporate neighborhood sponsors for each of the homes - \$500.00 each.

Will include a plant sale - in the past has been donated plants from homeowner's own yards and a raffle with goods donated from local merchants. Plant sale has always made the most money.

Tour will also include artists - a maximum of two at each home. Or more artists if we use the medians in the neighborhood.

Flyer for the event need to be sent out by **May 12**. Would be best if we could coordinate that with our newsletter. LFH and CL hand deliver their flyers. Will advertise in the Advocate, DMN, Observer, White Rocker, etc.

Will need about 20 volunteers - work in two shifts - 11-2 and 2 - 5. Also need plants and help getting corporate sponsors for our neighborhood. Have one home confirmed - Mary and Mike Simons at 8359 Forest Hills and two other potentials. Lottie Minnick will display her artwork and has several other artists lined up.

Barb Michaels attended the planning meeting on March 7 and Judi Boyles will attend the next meeting on March 21. This idea started out at a garden club meeting - purpose is twofold. We would like to make some money for the homeowner's organization and wanted to connect with fellow gardeners in the area.

Note: No article about the Garden Tour was included in the June or July 2007 newsletters.

GARDEN TOUR HUGE SUCCESS

On Sunday May 18, 2008 the communities of Forest Hills, Little Forest Hills and Casa Linda Estates featured a self-guided tour of nine wonderful gardens. Each of the nine gardens had local artisans showcasing their beautiful art for visitors to admire and purchase. Also a great plant sale was held in the greenbelt on San Pedro and St. Francis. Most of the plants sold at the plant sale were from the homes of gardeners from the three communities.



Heart of the Forest Hills Garden Club, Barb Michaels and Forest Hills Garden Host, John Sadler

Proceeds from the tour will be divided among the three neighborhood associations and Forest Hills will be using the money for neighborhood beautification. This was the 7th annual garden tour in this area and the second year that the Forest Hills neighborhood participated. Judging from the enthusiasm of the garden owners and the volunteers, this will be a permanent neighborhood event.

This event would not have been possible without the generous donations from local business owners. Heartfelt thanks go to: Active Advertising and Promotional Sales, Casa Linda Plaza, Dragon Fire Yoga, Harry Morgan from Ellen Terry Realtors, Highland Park Cafeteria, Just Let Lynn Do It, Kelly Clark Builders, Landscape Systems of Texas, Leafland Homes, Rubial's Plants of Texas, Two Men and a Truck, Mike Schmitt, Northhaven Gardens, Raymond James Associates and Bella Vista Builders.

And last but not least we want to thank the garden owners from our neighborhood who gave so generously of their time and opened their back yards for all the neighbors to enjoy the fruits of their labor and their wonderful creativity:

John Sadler and Abbie Meyering — 8407 San Pedro Parkway

Mary and John Ehrenberger — 8152 Santa Clara Dr.

Kathy and Woody Glenn — 8325 Forest Hills Blvd.

For pictures and more information on the tour check out Lottie Minick's blog—www.eastdallasartgardens.blogspot.com.



Volunteer JoAnn Downer, Garden Host John Sadler and Volunteer Judi Bowles



Donna Mason and Lola Boshier

SPECIAL THANKS TO THE VOLUNTEERS

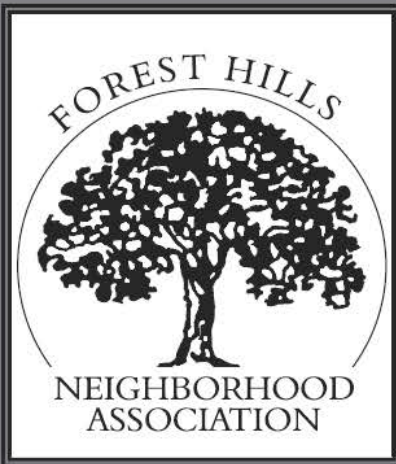
This tour would not have been possible without the help from volunteers. Barb Michaels and Lottie Minick represented our great neighborhood at all the planning sessions. Barb found the three very unique and beautiful gardens and organized the volunteers — also donated tons of plants from her own garden and worked the plant sale. Lottie found all the artists for the gardens and was responsible for the incredible publicity — articles and pictures in the Advocate, Neighbors to Go (Dallas Morning News) and Lakewood People and more!

The after the tour party on Sunday evening for the volunteers and garden owners from all three neighborhoods was hosted by Judy Whalen and Jack Unruh. They were both wonderfully hospitable in setting up for the tour and welcoming all the tired volunteers and garden owners.

And very special thanks to the volunteers who monitored the gardens, answered questions and encouraged the sale of raffle tickets — Vicky Harvey, Kelly Miller, Mike Miller, Anne Carlson, Pat Corrigan, Kathleen Arthur, Mary Deighton, Martine Buhman, Meg Fosha, Jackie Obergall, Katrina Moran, Abbie Strava, Meghan Bakota, Mari Anne Mourer, Shelly Clem, Judy Whalen, Jan Walpole, Judi Boyles, Jo Ann Downer, Carol Lyons, Lori Horowitz and Debra Stearns. Your service to the community was invaluable.



Garden Tour Volunteers Vicky Harvey, Judy Whalen and Mari Anne Mourer



The Reporter

MAY – JUNE 2009 ISSUE

White Rock East Garden and Artisans Tour an Overwhelming Success!



On Sunday May 17, 2009 the communities of Forest Hills, Little Forest Hills and Casa Linda Estates featured a free self-guided tour of nine wonderful gardens. Each of the nine gardens had artisans from these three neighborhoods showcasing their beautiful art for visitors to admire and purchase. Also a great plant sale was held at an empty lot at 1708 Whittier. Most of the plants sold at the plant sale were from the homes of gardeners from the three communities.

Proceeds from the tour will be divided among the three neighborhood associations and Forest Hills will be using the money for neighborhood beautification. This was the 8th annual garden tour in this area and the third year that the Forest Hills neighborhood participated.

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This event would not have been possible without the generous donations from local business owners. Heartfelt thanks go to our garden sponsors: **Bella Vista Company**, 214-823-0033 www.bellavistacompany.com • **East Lake Pet Orphanage**, 214-349-3576, www.elpo.org • **Foster Exteriors**, 214-319-8400, www.fosterexteriors.com • **Harry Morgan, Ellen Terry Realtors**, 972-380-7707, www.ellenterry.com • **Landscape Systems of Texas**, 214-748-1435, www.landscapesystems.com • **North Haven Gardens**, 214-363-5316, www.nhg.com • **Paradise Landscapes**, 214.328.9955, www.paradiselandscapes.net • **Ruibal's Plants of Texas**, 214-744-3434, www.ruibals.com.

And last but not least we want to thank the GARDEN OWNERS from our neighborhood who gave so generously of their time, fruits of their labor and opened their back yards for all the neighbors to enjoy their wonderful creativity: **Lance and Lauren Williams**, 8200 San Fernando Way; **Cindy and Jay Johnson**, 8523 Forest Hills Blvd.; **Andie Comini**, 1737 Whittier Ave. For pictures and more information on the tour check out Lottie Minick's blog, eastdallasartgardens.blogspot.com.

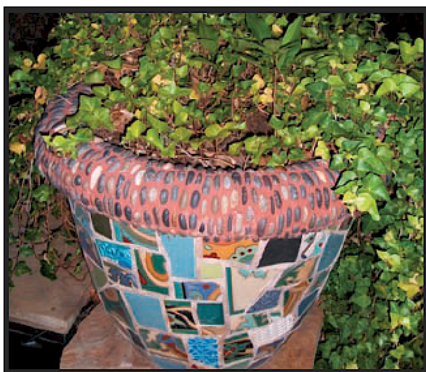
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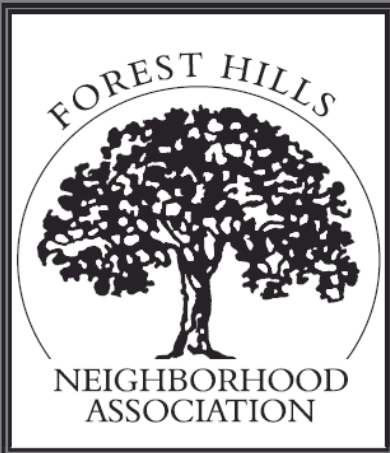
This tour would not have been possible without the help from our volunteers. **Barb Michaels**, **Lottie Minick** and **Andie Comini** represented our great neighborhood at all the planning sessions. Barb found the three very unique and beautiful gardens and organized the volunteers — also donated tons of plants from her own garden. Lottie was responsible for the incredible publicity we had this year! And Andie hosted her own garden in addition to being active on the committee!

The after the tour party on Sunday evening for the volunteers and garden owners from all three neighborhoods was hosted by **Max** and **Denise Tyler** in Little Forest Hills. One of the garden owners thought we

should have commemorative t-shirts saying "I Survived the 2009 White Rock Garden Tour." We tripled our attendance — had 1600 garden visitors and sold all of the plants!

And very special thanks to the volunteers who monitored the gardens, answered questions and encouraged the sale of raffle tickets: **Vicky Harvey**, **Kelly Miller**, **Mike Miller**, **Anne Carlson**, **Mary Deighton**, **Tom Deighton**, **Meg Fosha**, **Jackie Obergall**, **Katrina Moran**, **Abbie Strava**, **Mari Anne Mourer**, **Shelly Clem**, **Judy Whalen**, **Jan Walpole**, **Carol Lyons**, **Mary Ehrenberger**, **Angie Tittle**, **Diana Wilson**, **Denise Siegal**, **Dorinda Duncan**, **Josephine Brown**, **Patty Goya**, **Kathy Glenn**, **Tamela Southan**, **Dawn Gibson**, and **Margaret Smith**. Your service to our community was invaluable.





The Reporter

MAY – JUNE 2010 ISSUE

"Bloom Where You're Planted..." 9th Annual Tour Successful!



On Sunday May 23, 2010 the communities of Forest Hills, Little Forest Hills and Casa Linda Estates featured a self-guided tour of nine wonderful gardens. Each of the nine gardens had artisans from these three neighborhoods showcasing their beautiful art for visitors to admire and purchase. Also a plant sale was held at an empty lot at 1708 Whittier. Most of the plants sold at the plant sale were from the homes of gardeners from the three communities.

Proceeds from the tour will be divided among the three neighborhood associations and Forest Hills will be using the money for neighborhood beautification. This was the 9th annual garden tour in this area and the fourth year that the Forest Hills neighborhood participated.

Garden Tour Montage 2010



May – June 2010 Forest Hills Newsletter

2011 White Rock East Garden Tour and Artisans

On Sunday May 22, 2011 the neighborhoods of Forest Hills, Little Forest Hills and Casa Linda Estates featured a self guided tour of nine wonderful gardens, three from each neighborhood. Each of the nine gardens had artisans from these three neighborhoods showcasing their beautiful art for visitors to admire and purchase. In addition a plant sale was held at Casa Linda Park - great plants and great prices!

Proceeds from the tour will be divided among the three neighborhood associations. Forest Hills will use their share for neighborhood beautification.

We want to thank the garden owners from our neighborhood who gave so generously of their time and graciously opened their backyards for over a 1000 delighted visitors to enjoy.

Garden owners for 2011 were:

Whalen/Unruh garden - 8138 Santa Clara Dr.

De La Fuente garden - 8131 San Cristobal Dr.

Buchanan garden - 8259 San Benito Way.



SPECIAL THANKS TO THE VOLUNTEERS

This tour would not have been possible without the help of our volunteers. Barb Michaels, Andie Comini and Lottie Minick represented our neighborhood at all of the planning sessions. Mary Deighton helped procure sponsors and advertisers. Thanks to Cynthia Daniel (our neighbor on Barbaree) for hosting the great after the tour garden party! And Gary Grass, our treasurer went above and beyond duty in keeping track of all the finances for this event.

And very special thanks goes all the volunteers who monitored the gardens this year: Kelly Miller, Mike Miller, Mary Ehrenberger, James Duff, Hoong Nan Young, Marsha Singer, Gary Grass, Tyler Grass, Carolyn Lacy, Vicki Burns, Larry Burns, Shelly Clem, Joan Schopoff, Patty Goya, Ty Farris, Katrina Moran, Dianne Solomon, Larry Solomon, Abbie Strava, Leon Russell, Sharon Russell, Tamela Southan, Marianne Mourer, Josephine Brown, Billy Brown, Dorinda Duncan, Kathy Glenn, Alicia Alvarez, Terri Stull-Higgins, Lee Higgins, Jane Hulseley, Margaret Smith, Todd Daniel and Rachael Brown. You are the BEST!



2012 WHITE ROCK EAST GARDEN TOUR AND ARTISANS

On Sunday May 20, 2012 the neighborhoods of Forest Hills, Little Forest Hills and Casa Linda Estates featured a self guided tour of nine wonderful gardens, three from each neighborhood. Each of the nine gardens had artisans from these three neighborhoods showcasing their beautiful art for visitors to admire and purchase. In addition a plant sale was held at Casa Linda Park - great plants and great prices!

Proceeds from the tour will be divided among the three neighborhood associations. Forest Hills will use their share for neighborhood beautification.

We want to thank the garden owners from our neighborhood who gave so generously of their time and graciously opened their backyards for over 900 delighted visitors to enjoy.

Garden owners for 2012 were:

Michaels/Davis garden - 8430 Santa Clara Dr.

Pope garden - 8358 San Fernando Way

Headden garden - 8531 San Benito Way.

SPECIAL THANKS TO THE VOLUNTEERS

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And very special thanks goes all the volunteers who monitored the gardens this year: Kelly Miller, Mike Miller, Marsha Singer, Shelly Clem, Patty Goya, Ty Farris, Katrina Moran, Dianne Solomon, Larry Solomon, Leon Russell, Sharon Russell, Josephine Brown, Dorinda Duncan, Robert Smith, Karen Stepcick, Judy Whalen, Denise Seigal, Debbie Knight, Debbie Krumme, Eileen Grass, Margaret Webb, Angie Title, Louie Buchman, Mary Deighton, Pat Corrigan, Kathy Estell, Greg Estell, Sally Rabbitt, Ronnie Davis, Kelly Kemp, Mary Scallorn, Marvel Kewitt, Doug Mourer, Lori Hunt, Laurie Dang, Todd Daniel and Rachael Brown. You are the BEST!



12TH ANNUAL WHITE ROCK EAST GARDEN TOUR & ARTISANS



Barb Michaels - Garden Tour Chair
Rick Sorrells - FHNA President

Was a smashing success due to the hard working committee, our three gardens, charming volunteers and our generous sponsors and advertisers. Neighbors coming together through planning, volunteering, sponsoring and attending are the heart of the tour. For years we were three separate neighborhoods passing each other with a wave. Now we are friends with a common goal - raising money for the beautification of our neighborhoods.

Each of the three neighborhoods this year received a check for \$7460.60. We will be using these funds in Forest Hills to maintain our medians and for the future monuments on Forest Hills and San Rafael.

*A Special Thank You To Forest Hills Committee Members (applause): Andie Comini, Cynthia Daniel, Gary Grass and Lottie Minick who worked tirelessly to pull off the biggest fundraiser of our neighborhood. **Extra special kudos (standing ovation) to BARB MICHAELS who oversaw all 3 neighborhoods while taking on way too many unfilled committee jobs.***

*Several committee planning members are retiring. We need you to step up and help with the planning. Everyone has busy lives. The people on the committee are busy too and cannot take on the extra duties of those retiring. We will be calling, writing and begging for new committee members the first of next year. **This is your neighborhood. Please become involved.***

AGAIN, THANKS TO ALL WHO PARTICIPATED.

2013 Garden Tour HOMEOWNERS:

- Joseph and Carrie Bevers • Brad and Lori Lee
- Margaret and Rick Sorrells

2013 Garden Tour VOLUNTEERS:

Kathleen Arthur, Lola Boshier, Judi Boyles, Josephine Brown, Vicki Burns, Pat and Wayne Cage, Anne Carson, Mary Deighton, Dorinda Duncan, Kathy Estell, Rocky Ford, Trish Franklin, Wes Gilpin, Kathy Glenn, Eileen Grass, Molly and Dan Grogan, Donna Hanes, Rita Hendricks, Bobbi Howard, Ann Karl, Debbie Knight, Mike and Kelly Miller, Chris Morgan, Teri Pierce, Sally Rabbitt, Anna Seo, Marsha Singer, Bob Smith, Diane Solomon, Abbie Strava, Angie Tittle, Elizabeth Watts, Margaret Webb, Judy Whalen and Randy and Linda Zawadzki.



2014 WHITE ROCK EAST GARDEN TOUR AND ARTISANS

On Sunday May 18, 2014 the neighborhoods of Forest Hills, Little Forest Hills and Casa Linda Estates



featured a self guided tour of nine wonderful gardens, three from each neighborhood. Each of the nine gardens had artisans from these three neighborhoods showcasing their beautiful art for visitors to admire and purchase. In addition, the tour showcased the Sanger Elementary garden and our annual plant sale was held there this year to encourage people to visit this very special garden.

Proceeds from the tour will be divided among the three neighborhood associations. Forest Hills will use their share for neighborhood beautification. We want to thank the home owners:

Pat Corrigan - 8367 San Fernando Way

Mitch and Becky Blanchard - 8567 San Fernando Way

Andie Comini - 1737 Whittier

from our neighborhood who gave so generously of their time and graciously opened their yards and gardens for delighted visitors to enjoy.



SPECIAL THANKS TO THE VOLUNTEERS

This tour would not have been possible without the help of our volunteers. Barb Michaels, Andie Comini, Lottie Minick, Becky Bordelon, Rian Purvis, Debbie Knight and Rita Hendricks represented our neighborhood at all of the planning sessions. This is the first time in seven years that Forest Hills has been so well represented on this committee. Thanks to Becky, Rita, Rian and Debbie for coming on board! Special thanks to Cynthia Daniel (our neighbor on Barbaree) for wrangling all the artists AND hosting the “after tour party” in her lovely garden.



And very special thanks goes all the volunteers who monitored the gardens this year: Kelly Miller, Mike Miller, Josephine Brown, Dorinda Duncan, Robert Smith, Judy Whalen, Debbie Knight, Margaret Webb, Angie Title, Louie Buchman, Mary Deighton, Kathy Estell, Lori Hunt, Kathy Wall, Margaret Sorrells, Pat and Wayne Cage, Mary Ehrenberger, Becky Bordelon, Alicia Alvarez, Melissa Knight, Maureen Mann, Bobbie Howard, Lola Brashear, Kathy Glenn, Harry and Ellen Walker, Marci Novak, Candace George, Margaret Wall, Mary Deighton, Rocky Ford, Susan Grundy, Tamela Southlan, Anne Carlson, and Judi Boyles. **You are the BEST!**



2015 WHITE ROCK EAST GARDEN TOUR AND ARTISANS



On Sunday May 17, 2015 the neighborhoods of Forest Hills, Little Forest Hills and Casa Linda Estates featured a self guided tour of ten wonderful gardens. Each of the gardens had artisans from these three neighborhoods showcasing their beautiful art for visitors to admire and purchase. In addition, our fabulous annual plant sale was held at the park in Casa Linda Estates. Proceeds from the tour are divided among the three neighborhood associations.

Forest Hills will use their share (\$6779.00) for neighborhood beautification.



We want to thank the garden owners from our neighborhood who gave so generously of their time and graciously opened their backyards for delighted visitors to enjoy.

The tour was advertised RAIN or SHINE and *the rain miraculously stopped on Sunday morning* just before the tour began. ***Garden owners this year went above and beyond the call of duty!!***

Garden owners for 2015 were:

Amy and Ken Kristofek - 8823 San Fernando Way
Annette and Chuck Anderson - 8367 Santa Clara Dr.
Valerie and Garret Adams - 8171 San Benito Way



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And very special thanks goes all the volunteers who monitored the gardens this year: Kelly and Mike Miller, Josephine Brown, Dorinda Duncan, Judy Whalen, Debbie Knight, Margaret Webb, Mary Deighton, Lori and Denny Hunt, Pat and Wayne Cage, Mary Ehrenberger, Becky Bordelon, Melissa Knight, Kathy Glenn, Margaret Wall, Cathy Webb, Rocky Ford, Rita Hendricks, Mary Scharr, Abbie Strava, Elaine Copeland, Tim Stinson,



Melissa and James Barrow, Linda Zawadzki, Susan Bailey, Patricia Corrigan, Miriana Andreeva, Barbara Ilaoa, JoAnn Reno, Tim Simmons and Julie Bangle. **YOU ARE THE BEST!**

2016 GARDEN TOUR

fifteenth annual fundraiser



The White Rock East Garden Tour & Artisans was a great success for our neighborhood and for our participating artists. We want to recognize our neighbors who are also artists that participated in our three Forest Hills Gardens.

The Palmer Garden had artisans: Patty Goya selling "poor man's Bonsai" plants; Rita Hendricks, a first time tour artist, displaying her pastel still life and landscapes and Krista Dunham with her "Recycled Wood Art" for the home.

In the McNulty/Miketinic Garden: Shelly and Mike Clem displayed their alphabet letters made from old books.

You can see more about them at LetterLounge.net.

The Estes/Timmins Garden featured two metal sculpture artists: Lottie Minick combines fused glass and metal into art to decorate your home and yard.

Cynthia Daniel uses recycled metal for whimsical home and garden sculptures.

Support your neighbors and their art!

Special Thanks to the Volunteers!

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Annual White Rock Garden Tour

On Sunday May 21, 2017 the neighborhoods of Forest Hills, Little Forest Hills and Casa Linda Estates featured a self-guided tour of nine wonderful gardens. Each of the gardens had artisans from these three neighborhoods showcasing their beautiful art for visitors to admire and purchase. In addition, a fabulous annual plant sale was held at the park in Casa Linda Estates. Proceeds from the tour will be divided among the three neighborhood associations. Forest Hills will use its share for neighborhood beautification.

We want to thank the garden owners from our neighborhood who gave so generously of their time and graciously opened their backyards for delighted visitors to enjoy.

Forest Hills garden owners for 2017 were:

Amy & Rob Coke - 8454 Forest Hills Blvd
Julie Dunn & Ron Balentine - 8247 San Fernando Way
Mallory Becker & Matt Hafner - 8523 San Benito Way

This tour would not have been possible without the help of our volunteers from Forest Hills. **Barb Michaels, Andie Comini, Greg Stinson, Tim Simmonds, Rita Hendricks, Becky Bordelon** and **Lottie Minick** represented our neighborhood at all of the planning sessions. Special thanks to **Cynthia Daniel** (our neighbor on Barbaree) for coordinating all the artists.



2018 White Rock East Garden Tour and Artisans

On Sunday May 20th, 2018 the neighborhoods of Forest Hills, Little Forest Hills and Casa Linda Estates featured a self-guided tour of nine wonderful gardens. Each of the gardens had artisans from these three neighborhoods showcasing their beautiful art for visitors to admire and purchase. In addition, a fabulous annual plant sale was held at the park in Casa Linda Estates. Proceeds from the tour will be divided among the three neighborhood associations. Forest Hills will use their share for neighborhood beautification.

We want to thank the garden owners from our neighborhood who gave so generously of their time and graciously opened their backyards for delighted visitors to enjoy.

Garden owners for 2018

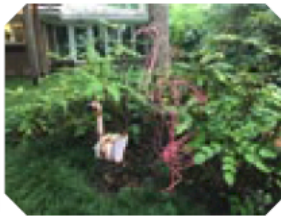
Nancy and Jerry Allegro, 8239 Forest Hills Blvd
 Barbara Clay and Ken Bernstein, 8246 Forest Hills Blvd
 Becky Oliver and Gerald Conley, 8318 San Fernando Way

Thank You Wonderful Garden Tour Volunteers!

A very special thanks to all the wonderful volunteers who worked with set up and at the gardens and plant sale on the day of the Tour. We hope you had as much fun as we did helping and meeting neighbors, and at the closing potluck dinner. This annual event could never happen without so many willing hands.

A MOST special thanks goes to **Greg Stinson**, coordinator of all the volunteers and **Tim Simmonds**, coordinator of the plant sale. These two pitched in in many ways, including hosting a great T-shirt pick-up party for all the volunteers at their home. Three cheers to you!!!

This tour would not have been possible without the help of our volunteers from Forest Hills. **Barb Michaels, Andie Comini, Greg Stinson, Tim Simmonds, Rita Hendricks and Becky Bordeleon**, who represented our neighborhood at all of the planning sessions. Special thanks to **Krista Dunham** for coordinating all the artists this year!



Three Cheers of Thanks to these Volunteers for helping to distribute the Garden Tour Brochure!

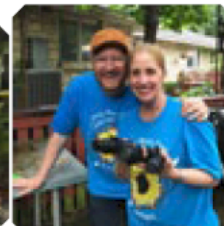
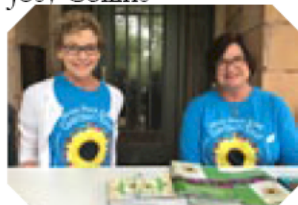
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 Bill Frey

Wes Gilpin
 Kathy Glenn
 Debbie Knight

Gary Kultac
 Barbara Michaels
 Robert Morgan

Jane Ojeda
 Linda Ortman



Extra kudos to Andie Comini for pulling everyone together on super short notice!

Annual White Rock East Garden Tour

Save the Date!

On Sunday, May 19th Forest Hills will be participating in the annual White Rock East Garden Tour, one of our major neighborhood events and fund raisers. Forest Hills, Little Forest Hills and Casa Linda Estates partner to showcase nice beautiful gardens. Three gardens from each neighborhood are selected to be on the tour - each with its own unique style and beauty. The Garden Tour will also feature local artists in each of the gardens and there is a big plant sale in **Casa Linda Park**.

Garden Tour 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Plant Sale 9:00 - 3:00 pm

Tickets are available at www.whiterockgardentour or may be purchased at the gardens or plant sale.

To Volunteer Contact: Greg Stinson (214) 934-5939

CONGRATULATIONS

to the Forest Hills Gardens on the Tour this year!

Kelle & Cary Buresh - 8539 Santa Clara Drive

LuAnn & Gary Tunell - 8210 Garland Road

Maria Schleuning & Richard Giangiulio - 8176 San Benito Way

May – June 2019 Forest Hills Newsletter (July – August 2019 Forest Hills Newsletter is not available.)

The 2020 Annual White Rock Garden Tour was canceled due to COVID.

WHITE ROCK EAST GARDEN TOUR: RAIN



Having canceled last year due to Covid, the Garden Tour this year, held on Sunday, May 16, seemed to be the perfect outing for those that had been socially-distanced for so long. Even with rain and weather sirens blaring, a steady flow

of participants kept touring the 9 gardens, buying plants at the Plant Sale and purchasing art from our local artists.

Thank you to our three homeowners that agreed to be on the tour both last year and again this year - even after The Freeze and losing much of their garden. With a lot of hard work down to the very last minute, they managed to turn their soggy gardens into beautiful retreats full of beautiful blooming flowers and unique features.

- **Michael Ferguson** - Santa Clara Dr.
- **Woody & Kathy Glenn** - Forest Hills Blvd.
- **Michael & Mary Simons** - Forest Hills Blvd.

Special thanks to Andie Comini and Julie Dunn for representing FH and working closely with the 3 homeowners, Greg Stinson for being in charge of the volunteers, Tim Simmonds for heading the Plant Sale and of course, all the cheerful FH volunteers who make the Garden Tour such a success!



From Tim Simmonds: "Back in September of 2020 we had to decide if we were going to have a tour or not and as a group we decided to move forward. I placed a conservative order for trees and shrubs from Oregon growers. Two things happened on the way to the tour date, we finally got a Covid vaccine and then the horrible, horrible winter storm in February that killed so many plants! Even with the rain, people were so excited to come see what plants we had to sell that by 10:30 a.m. almost all the Oregon plants were sold, as well as probably 45% of the perennial plants that we were also selling! In the end the plant sale

brought in as much money as it did in a normal tour pre-Covid! Thanks to everyone who helped us at the sale and who help by purchasing plants!"

A special THANK YOU to our wonderful Sponsors and Advertisers as we could not put on The Garden Tour without their support and smiles! When possible, please support them too.

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2022 White Rock East Garden Tour Recap

It was hot and sunny, but in our shady, breezy backyards it was a beautiful day. Over 1,000 visitors enjoyed this East Dallas favorite that was cancelled in 2020 due to Covid and had heavy rains including a tornado siren in 2021. There were 9 unique gardens each as diverse as the gardeners themselves. Along with our 3 Forest Hills gardens, there were 3 gardens each in Little Forest Hills and Casa Linda Estates. Adding to the charm of the gardens, artists offered all types of art, from jewelry to yard art and everything in between.

The Warren Ferris Cemetery was included for the second time with a newly installed natural rock water feature allowing it to qualify as a Monarch Butterfly Waystation and certified Wildlife Habitat. Herbert the Bodark was also featured.

The Plant Sale returned this year with an incredible array of specifically curated perennials and trees for this area.

This year's tour was another financial success, allowing FHNA to fund neighborhood events, the care and maintenance of our trees and medians and support various

worthwhile projects. Beyond the financial benefits, the Tour provides an opportunity for neighborhoods to work together, build relationships and share ideas.

None of this could have taken place had it not been for our gracious homeowners. A very special THANK YOU TO:

Nicole & Brandon Ross - 8255 Santa Clara Drive
John Spieker - 1414 San Rafael
Sue Benner & Craig Jett - 8517 San Fernando Way

Now you can relax in your beautiful yards while enjoying the results of all your hard work. We can't wait to see what the weather brings us next year for the Garden Tour!

Thanks to Kate and Howie Reed for hosting our post tour party which provided a wonderful ending to the day, the Tour Committee for their countless hours behind the scenes and the over 42 volunteers who dedicated more than 150 hours to this event.



2023 WHITE ROCK EAST GARDEN TOUR + ARTISANS ROCKED!

Amazing weather, blooming gardens, creative artists, and three uniquely amazing neighborhoods were the stars for the 2023 garden tour!



Jeff & Candy Peterson



George & Debbie Kight



Mike & Crystal Androvett



By Susan Bailey and Kathy Glenn

A HUGE THANK YOU to our three garden owners from Forest Hills, who worked tirelessly over the past year to prepare and open their gardens to over 1,300 ticket holders. Our Warren Ferris cemetery and Lottie Minick's "Herbert the Bodark tree" on Breezewood were also fun additions to the tour.

We achieved great success this year with record ticket and plant sales to reach the best ever fundraising total of \$12,500 for EACH of the three participating neighborhoods. Tim Simmons with Working Plants returned after moving from Forest Hills to curate the profitable plant sale. Forest Hills, Little Forest Hills, and Casa Linda Estates each showcased three gorgeous gardens. What a perfect way to present our lush greenery and massive trees to our Dallas neighbors,

many of whom have never entered this area.

Over 26 artists at Casa Linda Park and scattered throughout the nine gardens were continuously busy selling their paintings, sculptures, jewelry, and a variety of crafts. Plus, food vendors located in front of one of the Little Forest Hills gardens were a new hit this year!

Did you know that the Garden Tour donation to our Forest Hills Neighborhood Association provides a significant portion of FHNA funds? That's an important reason to join in to make it bigger and better every year! This money goes into our general fund along with our dues to pay for maintenance of our median trees and other beautification projects as well as supporting this newsletter, neighborhood events and any donations we make to Sanger, Ferguson Road Initiative or other charities.



We couldn't do it without our volunteers!

The approximately 180 volunteers across the three neighborhoods helped make this year's garden tour happen by giving their time and energy in so many ways. THANK YOU ALL! It could not happen without you! Next year is calling you NOW! PLEASE call/text Kathy Glenn at 214.802.2574 to be on the call list next February.

Opportunities include:

- Volunteer your house for the tour
- Advertise by being a sponsor
- Be a garden docent for 2 1/2 hours
- Help move plants to the plant sale
- Sell plants
- Put up signs and flyers
- Find/coordinate artists
- Website help!!!(PLEASE!)
- Computer graphics (map, flyers)
- Manage/create Facebook posts

Benefits of volunteering include:

- Free admittance to the tour
- A Volunteer Appreciation Party Thursday and After Party Sunday
- T-shirt
- Learning gardening tips
- Getting to know your neighbors!

CALL/TEXT NOW to be contacted!
It's fun!