



# **Holiday Party**

The Forest Hills Neighborhood Association amounces its annual Christmas Partyeveryone of every age is invited! And in the tradition, the Cooper's Express holiday train will be a-runnin' right on time! And Santa will make a special stop to hand out candy and trinkets to all good (and naughty) boys and girls!

Be there Sunday, December 23, 5:30-7:30pm. Call **Kathe Caire at 214-328-7924** and **Mary-Pat at 214-328-4839** to see what covered dish you might bring along.

#### SHARE THE SPIRIT! BRING A TOY!

Please bring a new, unwrapped toy for any age, and Forest Hills Neighborhood Association will deliver it to the White Rock Center of Hope charity. Would whike to help with all the fun? Call the numbers e. See you there!

# Our Forest is at Risk.

# It's time to implement our Forest Hills Beautification Plan!

According to the City of Dallas Arborist, we may lose our forest advantage if we don't reinvest in our deteriorating mature tree canopy. But there is a plan! In 1994/95, the Forest Hill Association commissioned a master landscape and irrigation design similar to the medians along Turtle Creek Boulevard and along Southwestern Boulevard between Skillman and Greenville Avenue.

Investment in the beauty of our common spaces not only enhances the aesthetic appearance of our neighborhood, but also helps preserve our property values and most importantly, our sense of community pride.

Targeted spaces include the medians along Forest Hills Boulevard, San Rafael Drive, Breezewood Boulevard and the park area at San Rafael Drive and Garland Road. These beautified and irrigated medians could become the reinvestment showplace needed to stimulate replacement of mature trees throughout the neighborhood.

### We need your help, today.

The preliminary estimates for full implementation of the beautification plan is \$250,000. That's less than \$400.00 per property owner if all 650 homeowners were to provide equal support.

See Plan on page 4



# **Thanks** for your Support







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### Forest Hills Home Sales

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\*Property sold more than once



"With sincere appreciation for the support and patronage from the past and present owners of these Forest Hills homes."

Harry H. Morgan 972.380.7707 E CLLEN TERRY

reetings to all Forest Hills residents! I am pleased to be serving as President of the association this year and I am looking forward to a very rewarding and productive year for the neighborhood. The first thing that I would like to express is my deepest appreciation to Robert Shive who has served this neighborhood so well over the past year as President. It was through Robert's leadership and talent that he was able to move the association forward in a positive direction.

Furthermore, I want to publicly thank everyone on our board and committees who has graciously agreed to work with me this year. Many of these individuals have served for multiple years (for very low wages I might add) for the good of our neighborhood. We owe these individuals much gratitude for the work that they have done and will continue to do this year.

This year we want to again provide the platform for many of the social activities which is the signature of this neighborhood as well as continuing to monitor any municipal activities which may affect the quality of life in Forest Hills. In addition to this we have undertaken some ambitious goals

We are mounting an aggressive campaign to implement a beautification plan that was initially explored in 1995. At that time, the neighborhood created a master plan for the beautification of the medians and entrances of Forest Hills. However, this plan laid dormant until recently when the board decided to make a concerted effort to update the plan and move towards the funding of this project so that it may come to fruition.

Residents of Forest Hills have a unique community. There are not many other neighborhoods in Dallas where there are medians and entrances like ours. We believe that everyone in Forest Hills would appreciate having the medians and ntrances looking like a first class neighborhood year round, and that we all could benefit from these beautification mprovements as they can increase our property values. You will be hearing more about this as execution plans develop. Remember, if we the residents of Forest Hills do not take care of our neighborhood, nobody will.

What's more, the funding of this beautification plan is not associated with the neighborhood association dues collected annually from each Forest Hills household. Association dues and other fundraising event monies are reserved for our annual activities. Consequently, we would appreciate you sending in your dues if you have not already. We hope not to sound too much like a door-to-door salesman in discussing these financial issues, but unfortunately without the proper funding of our association, there would not be a vibrant association for the neighborhood to carry out these activities.

Recently, we met with an extremely knowledgeable former Homeowners Association president. He told us that people are very much willing to support their neighborhood, but you simply have to ask.

Lastly, we are considering a neighborhood home tour event, similar to the one in Lakewood. Probably many of you have even been to this event. It is a huge fundraiser for their neighborhood, and we believe that we could stage a similar event for Forest Hills. My understanding is that this event raises in excess of \$20,000.00. An even such as this would give Forest Hills the ability to do many other things for our residents without further individual expense. After all, I believe that our neighborhood attracts just as many people as the Lakewood area. If anyone is interested in working with our exploratory committee for this endeavor, please call Ann Walton at 214-321-5779.



for the neighborhood.

As you can see, we have set some high goals for our community. However, we believe that we have the "cream" of our city residing in our neighborhood and that we can achieve our goals.

In closing, I simply want to say that if anyone ever has any questions regarding any of neighborhood activities, never hesitate to call me or anyone else on the board or committees. Our telephone numbers our on the back of every newsletter, so be sure to keep a copy on your refrigerator.

Richard Garza



The White Rock Preschool PTA held its 2nd Annual Winter Art Fair to benefit Sanger Elementary. This year was a phenomenal success. Not only are congratulations are in order, but a huge thanks goes to the outstanding Winter Art Fair Committee. Due to the commitment and passion of Mary Preussel, Laura Rosenthal, Mary and Courtney Roberts, Liz Tindall, Amy Hogue and Nan Miller and others, the word was out, and the city came to shop. Our own Sanger Elementary had an art fair the caliber of the streets of Santa Fe. No kidding.

The fair featured booths from local and regional artists and artisans, art stations for children and a gallery of work from the Sanger art classes. And this certainly wasn't your typical craft mall fair. Throughout the year, the committee carefully sought out artists known for their unique bodies of work.

"It's such a kick to find an artist who is doing something different of wonderful quality, and then be able to share that person's artwork with our neighbors and friends", says Mary, the visionary of this event.

The White Rock Preschool PTA welcomes volunteers. For more information, or to join next year's Winter Art Fair committee, call Mary Preussel at 214/320-3434.

The purpose of the Forest Hills Association Neighborhood Beautification Project is to create, maintain and enhance beautifully landscaped public spaces within the Forest Hills community! Beautification Plan continued

### The Faster, the Better.

For obvious reasons, the speed of plan implementation will proceed only as quickly as neighborhood funding. So the question is, "Would residents prefer to watch the plan come together for greatest impact during the next couple of years, or are residents satisfied to watch the plan materialize over the next 10 years?"

If we don't take action soon, the existing plantings in neighborhood public spaces will continue to deteriorate. If we don't landscape further and irrigate the public spaces today, they won't be there to enhance tomorrow.

### What can you do?

There are two ways to take action as a Forest Hills resident.

- Make a contribution today to the Forest Hills Association Neighborhood Beautification Project; a pledge card is printed below to facilitate your contribution; and
- Encourage your friends and neighbors to support funding of the Project.

Then, as the plan is implemented, we can all watch the beautification of our public spaces materialize and take pride that you live in one of the most beautiful neighborhoods in the City of Dallas!

If you have questions about the Forest Hills Beautification Project, please contact one of the plans' early advocates and contributors:

Linda and Jerry Bryant: 214-319-9726 Martine and David Buhmann: 214-327-8122 Rosa Lopez and Richard Garza: 214-320-9020 Jennifer Rivers and Tim McCarthy: 214-327-3958 Meaders and Robert Ozarow: 214-321-5300 Carol and David Payne: 214-533-6321 Dunia and Robert Shive: 214-321-2355 Marsha and Bill Singer: 214-320-5992

# FOREST HILLS ASSOCIATION

# **Neighborhood Beautification Project**

	of my neighborhood.	ion is enclosed to help fund
		\$500 Advisory Councilor Other: \$
Name:		
Address:		
Date:		

# bere's the dirt...

Dig this, the Garden Club had a great October meeting at "OF Home Garden Floral Shop" at Skillman and Live Oak. The shop closed just for the Forest Hills Garden Club event that included shopping for unique home and gift items at 10% off. Owner and floral designer, Chris Brown, showed everyone how to make a very impressive fall centerpiece using a pumpkin as the vase. November's meeting had two guest speakers, Jerry Bryant from the Forest Hills Beautification Project and Laurie Anderson, the volunteer manager of the Dallas Arboretum. December's meeting Greg Rohde, the Original Organic Guy, shared all kinds of important gardening tips about winterizing our landscapes. Garden Club members learn all the good stuff, so feel free to come by. Or just join.

### SPRING PLANTING

Once the hustle and bustle of the holiday season is past it is time to begin plans on spring landscaping. Unlike our northern neighbors January and February are great months to prepare garden beds with additions of composted materials so that once the freeze date (mid-March) is passed serious planting can begin. It is important to begin large projects early so that the plants have adequate time to develop a root system before the hot weather hits! So once you put away your holiday catalogues bring out the gardening and seed catalogues and have fun.

#### Meetings and Field Trips resume in February!

Remember, Garden Club meets the FIRST THURSDAY of every nonth. Times alternate between 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. to include as many people as possible. For details and locations, call DELORES CULLIVAN at 214/328-3124 or JUDY BOYLES at 214/321-1648. Guests are always welcome.

### FOREST HILLS GARDEN CLUB MEETING FOR SPRING 2002

February 7 - morning - Home of Debbie Banes March 7 - evening - TBA

April 4 - morning - Home of Jane Hulsey

## Yard of the Month

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November:

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# children's network

We are gearing up for Spring social functions and during this cooler season, we have many play groups operating to help keep the children together. Let us know if your child would like to join. If you are member of the Children's Network, you will be receiving a letter soon giving you all the details

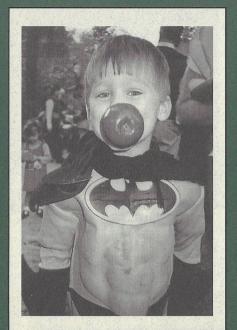
For more information, call Neoma Twining 214/320-0229 or Kathy-Knutson 214/324-3195.



The DeGoyer House is decorated from floor to ceiling with an incredible display of lights, ornaments, trees and ribbons. There's a private collection of 500 nativity scenes from around the world. And Sunday Family Fun until Dec. 23, from 1 to 5 p.m. There's even a Texas reindeer corral, and Santa in his sleigh ready to have his picture taken with all the good boys and girls. You can also take in a horse drawn carriage ride, or sample the music performances of Holiday classics.

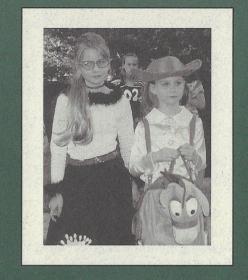
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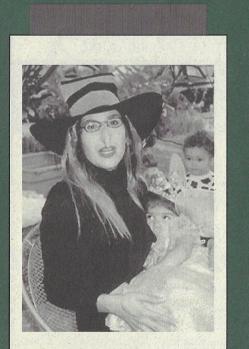
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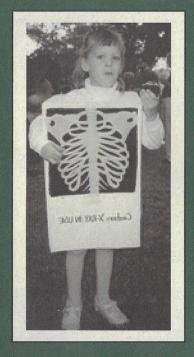


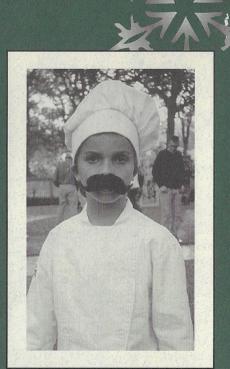














# Max Sangar

Alex Sanger Elementary School has been designated a "Silver School" by the DISD. This means the school is well above average. Alex Sanger is a uniform required school, made up of the neighborhood children, no out of neighborhood children. There are about 555 students, 136 teachers and staff. Call if you need any information 972-749-7600.

#### **WISH LIST FOR 2001**

- 1. Volunteers to work with the children
- 2. Childrens books new and used
- 3. Boy's belts black and/or white
- 4. Campbell soup labels
- 5. General Mills box tops for education labels
- 6. All your paper for the recycling bins in the parking

Albertson' Community Partners cards are available from the school office or call Max Hardesty 214-324-4960. Showing the card everytime you shop will guarantee that a portion is donated to Sanger!



# Not home for the holidays? Take precautions.

- Ask someone to pick up mail and newspapers daily.
- Arrange to have your lawn mowed or leaves raked.
- Even better, have someone stay in your home while you are away, if possible.

## Get a Sign to Deter Crime!



Post a Crime Watch in your alley, on the fence or anywhere on your property. Only \$15.00. Call Martine Buhmann at 214-327-8122.

Neighborhood Alert - For the latest crime report, call 214/967-5077.





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### Forest Hills Winter Calendar 2001/2002

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#### December 23

Service League:

Sanger Liaison:

5:30-7:30pm

Annual Christmas Party! 8101 & 8115 Forest Hills Bring a gift for charity!

**Jennifer Rivers** 

Gina Bender

**David Payne** 

**Max Hardesty** 

Community Affairs: Tommy Johns

Dallas Arboretum: Cheryl Peterman

### **January 8**

**7:00pm** - Second Tuesday of each month Forest Hills Association Monthly Board Meeting Location TBA - Open to everyone!

### January 28

#### 6:30p to 7:30p - KINDERMUSIK!

White Rock Preschool PTA meeting: Tuesday -Pajama Party!!! -This year will feature Miss Lisa from Kindermusik—a unique music and movement program created especially to stimulate our child's total development while nurturing the remarkable bond we share. Latest research onfirmed: purposeful musical activities stimulate the cognitive, language, social, emotional, and physical development that all begin in the very first days and years of our children's lives. Infant to 7 years.

### February 26

**7:00pm - White Rock Preschool PTA meeting** at Sanger auditorium; noted Dallas nutritionist talking about how to get our children to eat vegetables, fruit without the syrup, and granola and plain yogurt and like it!

YMCA at White Rock Winter Calendar 214.328.3849

### December 10

Soccer registration starts (age 3 to 6th grade).

### December 14

6:30 to 7:30p - Crafty Christmas! For \$5 a child crafts a loved one's holiday gift.

### February 18

Baseball registration starts (age 3 to 6th grade). Coaches needed for both sports.

Angel Tree!! Stop by the White Rock YMCA and adopt an angel for the Buckner Children and Family Services.

Parents Night Out - Every Friday night 6:30 to 11:00p \$10 members/\$12 nonmembers; includes dinner! 6 months to 6th grade.