



# L STREETS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

Serving our Lake Highlands community since 1994

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## Board of Directors

President: Joe Hardin  
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## Free & Fun Activities

### Dallas Farmers Market

Open seven days a week from 7 a.m.- 6 p.m. Local farmers display and sell a mouth watering and eye pleasing selection of fresh fruit and vegetables, herbs and floral plants at the open air market. A perfect place to take a leisurely stroll. 1010 South Pearl Street 214-939-2808

### Arts District Stroll

Take a one-hour guided walking tour of the Dallas Arts District where trained docents lead you through the largest arts area in the country. First Saturday each month. Meet at the Crow Collection of Asian Art. 10:30 a. m. Please R.S.V.P. Arts District Friends 2010 Flora St. 214-953-1977

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## Quarterly Meeting

**Tuesday, February 12 at Lake Highlands Elementary School.**

The L Streets 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter General Meeting will be held in the Lake Highlands Elementary School Cafetorium at 9501 Ferndale Rd. from 7:00pm – 8:30pm.

Park in the lot located north of the school on the west side of Ferndale. In addition, limited parking is available in the circle drive and should be reserved for those in need of easy access to the building.

Enter through the front doors located near the red and white Lake Highlands Elementary marquee sign. A wheel chair ramp and a set of steps lead up to the door.

After entering the building, take a right down the hallway and the Cafetorium will be on your left.



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**Become a V.I.P.  
(Volunteers in Patrol)**

Don't be afraid or frustrated by crime, get involved.

You can become a "Volunteer in Patrol" by completing an upcoming one-day or three-day class. You will learn how the 911 system operates and how to report crime in a non-confrontational manner. You can set your own schedule to patrol the neighborhood with your friend or spouse who completes the class. Applicants must pass a background check.

If you are interested in joining our neighborhood patrol, the next training will be on March 24th (Mon.), 25th (Tues.) and 27th (Thurs.) from 7 – 9 p.m. The first two classes will be at NE Division, 9915 E NW Hwy, and the third class will be at Dallas City Hall, 1500 Marilla, in the 9-1-1 office.

To receive an application, call the voice number, 214-967-5081 or contact Corporal Ron Carpenter: [ronald.carpenter@spd.dallascityhall.com](mailto:ronald.carpenter@spd.dallascityhall.com)

For more information, visit the VIP website at: [www.northeastcrimewatch.org/30.html](http://www.northeastcrimewatch.org/30.html)

**Seniors' Support Program**

All of us need help once in awhile, and when we do it's nice to know that we have helping neighbors to count on. That's why the **L Streets Seniors' Support Program** was formed. Whether you need assistance or would like to volunteer, please contact us at: [seniors@lstreets.org](mailto:seniors@lstreets.org) or call **214-914-3863**.

**Letter from the Association President**

As we begin the new year, I wanted to take a moment to reflect on our accomplishments as a neighborhood association in 2007 and encourage each of you to consider becoming involved with the exciting opportunities awaiting us in 2008.

Certainly, the biggest news of 2007 was the City Council's rezoning approval that will allow the redevelopment of the Northwest Terrace Apartments with our future neighbor and developer, Churchill Residential and their planned senior living campus. It has taken over five years of patience and the dedication of many to reach this accomplishment. Thanks to all those involved – you have truly made a difference in our neighborhood and have sent this property in a positive direction.

We've continued to see improvements in our communication channels including email, blog and our online calendar. Our website is now averaging over 2,500 hits per month, up 150% from the previous year; and our quarterly newsletter has also been enhanced, as evidenced by this edition. The standing committees, including Volunteers in Patrol, Yard of the Month, Events Committee, Welcome Committee and Block Captains, continue to serve and add a high level of value to the association. Special projects that we have been able to facilitate in 2007 include curb number repainting and distributing L Street refrigerator magnets with our holiday letters.

But certainly none of this could have been accomplished without the help of our volunteers. We have been very fortunate to assemble such a high quality group of individuals who make up the volunteers of the L Streets. With the many projects and events we'd like to implement in 2008, we are always looking for new volunteers, new ideas, and new talents we can leverage as a neighborhood association. If you want more information on volunteer opportunities, please visit the "Get Involved" section of [www.lstreets.org](http://www.lstreets.org). I'd also encourage anyone who is looking to get plugged into serving the L Streets to contact me or any of the Board Members directly.

I look forward to serving as your President in 2008.

*Joe Hardin*

**ABOUT THE L STREETS N.A.**

The L Streets Neighborhood Association was incorporated February 1, 2004. The neighborhood is comprised of 463 homes located within our boundaries of McCree Rd., Plano Rd., Ferndale and Northwest Hwy.

**PURPOSE**

- to preserve, protect, and advance the common interests of the neighborhood in which its members reside,
- to disseminate information of interests to those residents, and
- to promote a spirit of community among its members.

**Become a Member**

Membership is open to all residents and authorized representatives of businesses. Applications are available online at [www.lstreets.org](http://www.lstreets.org).

Non-voting members do not pay dues. Dues-paying members are eligible to vote. Dues are \$15 per year for single-family membership with one vote and \$25 per year for family membership with two votes.

**OFFICERS** (see front page sidebar)

**COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS**

- Communications, Blog & Newsletter: Donna Peebles: 214-340-7371
- Webmaster, newsletter layout: Bill Rogers
- VIP Chair: *Position Open*
- Welcoming: Adrienne Hill & Amy Canady
- Yard of the Month: Pam Lehr
- Crime Watch: Nancy Willis
- Events Coordinator & Seniors' Support Group: Brandi Stringer

**L Streets N.A. Block Captains**

(as of November 2007)

Lanarkshire

Brandon Reese

Lanshire - 10200 & 10300 Block

Karen Gatman

Lanshire - 10400 Block

Robey & Amy Canaday

Larchwood - 8800 Block

Brian & Julie Barnes

Larchwood - 8900 & 9000 Block

John & Condy Salling

Leaside

Mike McQuinn

LeMans - 10500 Block

Anne Hufstetler

LeMans - 10600 Block

Howard Plough

Linkwood

Jorge & Dawn Chavez

Liptonshire - 8800 Block

Amy Chester

Liptonshire - 8900 & 9000 Block

Amy Chester

Livenshire

Amy and Ebrahim Ghoreishi

Lockhaven - 8500 Block

Mike & Lawanna Robinson

Lockhaven - 8600 & 8700 Block

Karen Olson

Lockhaven - 8800 & 8900 Block

Mike Medley

Longmont

Maria Owens

Lullwater

Bennie & Paula Haynes

Lydgate

Marilyn Jackson

Lynford

Sharry Evans

Plano Road

Open

San Souci

Matt & Phyllis Ensign

## Donna Peebles Appointed Vice-president

Katherine Fell and her family recently moved from the L Streets to Richardson. She submitted her resignation as Vice President of the L Streets N. A., and the Board of Directors unanimously voted to appoint Donna Peebles to fill the vacancy. We will miss Katherine and her invaluable contributions to the neighborhood.

Donna brings management and government organizational experience to her new position. She is currently the supervisor in the

Office of the Area Director for South Texas in the Dallas Region of the Social Security Administration. Donna has 27 years with the federal government. She taught high school English and does private tutoring in English as a Second Language (ESL). Donna holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in English with teaching certificates in English and ESL.

Donna is currently the L Streets Communication Chair and the newsletter editor. Donna and her daughter, Bethany, have lived in the L Streets since 1998.

## VIP Chair Volunteer Needed

Due to unforeseen circumstances, Ellen Markey will be unable to continue her work as VIP Chair for the L Streets N.A.

If you are looking for a unique volunteer opportunity that will enhance your leadership and teambuilding skills, the L Streets Neighborhood Association is looking for an individual to chair the Volunteers in Patrol (VIP).

Qualified individual must become VIP-certified through the City of Dallas. The VIP Chairperson:

- Builds and maintains relationships with divisional and city police leadership
- Builds and maintains relationships with other crime watch groups
- Seeks opportunities for crime watch summits and other beneficial courses regarding education of crime prevention
- Recruits and encourages VIP participation
- Manages log of monthly patrol hours for each VIP patrols each month
- Manages reward program for VIP participation
- Works with Communications Chair to communicate appropriate information to the neighborhood regarding crime
- Attends quarterly crime watch summits sponsored by the NE Police Division
- Arranges neighborhood watch meetings
- Monitors crime activity through crime statistics from the police department and news from adjoining neighborhoods

To apply, contact Joe Hardin at 972-814-5960, or via e-mail at [president@lstreets.org](mailto:president@lstreets.org).

## 4th Annual Run the Highlands 5K & 1 Mile Family Walk

The Lake Highlands Women's League presents the 4th Annual Run the Highlands 5K/ 1 Mile Family Walk, Saturday, April 26, 2008 benefiting the Lake Highlands North Recreation Center's Pond Restoration Project. Registration will begin mid-March, online at [www.lhjwl.org](http://www.lhjwl.org) and [www.runontexas.com](http://www.runontexas.com).

Brochures will be available at area businesses. The Race will begin and end near Lake Highlands High School with a Community Carnival following at Lake Highlands North Recreation Center's park.

For questions, contact Jennifer Toombs at 214.503.1631

## Yard of the Month

### Congratulations to the Holiday YOM winners:

Steve & Shannon Jones  
10450 Lanshire

#### Runners Up:

- Bill Smith & Karen Olsen  
8710 Lockhaven
- Laura Bosma  
10635 LeMans
- Alfred and Judy Mendoza  
9066 Leaside

### Nominate a yard today!

Simply email your nomination to [yom@lstreets.org](mailto:yom@lstreets.org).

Nominations must be received by the 27<sup>th</sup> of each month, March through September. View past Yards of the Month at [www.lstreets.org/yom.html](http://www.lstreets.org/yom.html)

The **Yard of the Month** is generously sponsored by **Calloway's nursery**, who donates a \$50 gift certificate to each month's winner.

## HC3-HOME CHEMICAL COLLECTION CENTER

11234 Plano Road  
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#### Hours of Operation:

Tuesday: 9 a.m. – 7:30 p.m.  
Wednesday: 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
Thursday: 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
Second and fourth Saturday of each month: 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

#### ITEMS ACCEPTED

Pool and yard chemicals, Craft/hobby supplies, Batteries of all kinds automotive fluids, oil filters, used motor oil, paint and home repair products, household cleaners and chemicals, fluorescent light tubes (those leak mercury vapor so don't just toss them in the trash!), home computers and cell phones.

#### DO NOT BRING:

Business or medical waste containers larger than 5 gallons, explosive or shock-sensitive materials, common recyclables (aluminum, plastic, glass), smoke detectors or other radioactive materials.

## Calloway's Checklist for February Gardeners

1. Plant potatoes and onion slips.
2. Plant transplants of cool weather vegetables, such as broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower and Brussels sprouts.
3. Finish transplanting trees and shrubs now.
4. Finish pruning trees and shrubs this month.
5. Remove the oldest/tallest Nandina canes to the ground.
6. Continue to divide and transplant fall and summer blooming perennials.
7. Trim back ornamental grasses.
8. Prune roses (not climbers) in mid-February. Cut back by half and remove any dead, dying or diseased canes. Prune climbing roses after they have bloomed.
9. Apply corn gluten meal as an organic fertilizer and pre-emergent.
10. Late February, apply pre-emergent to prevent summer weed and grass seeds from germinating.
11. Fertilize fescue and rye grass lawns with Calloway's Premium Lawn Food.
12. Fertilize your pansies and other winter color annuals.
13. Prepare your garden and beds for Spring-work bags of compost into the soil.
14. Mow Asian Jasmine, Mondo grass or Liriope to keep them low and to remove any winter damage.
15. Lower the setting on your mower to remove grass clippings and thatch.

Download a Calloway's coupon worth \$5 off each \$25 purchase at: [www.lstreets.org/sponsors.html](http://www.lstreets.org/sponsors.html)

## Waste Not

Ever wonder what to do with those accumulated hazardous materials in the garage such as old bug spray, household cleaners or leftover paint from last spring's home improvement project? Or perhaps you have old computer hardware that's wasting valuable space in the attic. As Dallas residents we have a free, convenient solution just minutes from our own neighborhood: drop-off service at the Home Chemical Collection Center (HC3).

The center is located at 11234 Plano Road, one mile north of LBJ Freeway. The facility is the first building past the railroad tracks (heading north on Plano Road) on the east side of Plano Road.

Just bring your driver's license and a recent utility bill stub to prove residency. See sidebar for details or get more info online by Googling: "home chemical collection center".



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