

## NEIGHBORHOOD NEWSLETTER

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#### What is The Trees?

The Trees is a group of neighbors who have formed a Children's Neighborhood Network (CNN), a neighborhood-based, neighborhood-led effort to make sure all of the children in the neighborhood are safe and cared for. The Trees has expanded its mission to take an active role in making this possible for all the citizens in the neighborhood.



# Start your Spring Cleaning Now for the 1<sup>st</sup> Trees Community Garage Sale Saturday, March 24

The Trees will be advertising an eight block community sale from Cedar Dr. down to Redbud Dr. in the Star Telegram and there is no cost to you. Trees volunteers will be offering a service to assist in set-up, tear down and will haul away items to Goodwill for a \$15 fee (this will go into the Trees general fund). Volunteers will begin set-ups at 8am and will haul items to Goodwill and assist in tear down from 1pm-3pm. Please contact Cherie Alcorn at 817-915-2037 for this service.

#### Trees Neighborhood "Meet n Greet"

The first Trees "Meet and Greet" Dinner was held February 13th at St. Philip Presbyterian Church. While the weather outside was cold, a hot spaghetti dinner and an opportunity to learn more about the Trees brought people out. There were about fifty people in attendance, many were new faces from the neighborhood and several were members from the Chosen Generation Fellowship Church located at 817 W. Pipeline Rd. Hurst Police Officer Jimmy Meeks (the funniest guy in Hurst) spoke first and promoted the importance of neighbors "pulling together" to prevent crime. He indicated that women are often the target of criminals. Many attendees said they would like more information on self-defense. As a result of those interests look for there to be an upcoming event on self-defense for the Trees neighborhood. Next up were the nurses to talk about the St. Philip Health Fair held on the Saturday following the Trees dinner. For a first ever effort, the turnout was impressive and it was considered a great success. The nurses -Bonnie Skodak, Grace Bosworth and Donna Koenig (all volunteers) have made a commitment to work with and provide health information and resources to the Trees. Finally, the big event of the evening, everyone in attendance celebrated Nash's 4th birthday, complete with cake and singing. He had told his Mom he wanted everyone to come to his party and they did! Thanks to all who worked so hard to make this a great evening and kick-off for 2007 and thank you to everyone that came out!



The US Census Bureau/North Central Texas Council of Governments projections indicate that the largest percentage of growth in Hurst for 2005-2010 is in the age groups of 55 to 64 and 65 to 74. Look in upcoming newsletters or the websites for information and programs for seniors.



### Family Film Night

You are invited to come with your family (children must be accompanied by an adult) to enjoy a family-friendly movie with other Trees members at St. Philip Presbyterian Church (located at the SE corner of Precinct Line Rd and Pipeline Rd). We have free popcorn and drinks. Bring your blankets to spread out on the floor.

Join us Friday, March23 at 7pm and see "Flushed Away"



Would you like to receive emails about upcoming Trees events or just check out what's going on? Check out our websites at www.neighborhoodlink.com/hurst/thetrees and sign up as a member or go to www.geocities.com/thetrees.hurst and sign the guestbook

**News to use:** Do you want to know what is going on around the metroplex that is kid and family friendly? Then check out www.gocitykids.com

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