



# Buckner Terrace Homeowners Association

## Newsletter September 2008

### From The Chair

*Darlene Reynolds, Chair, BTHA*

**You have a great amount of power!** Do you realize that each person's vote combines with our neighbors and eventually, that is how we elect the leaders of our neighborhood, city, county, state and nation? I vote, in the privacy of my own voting booth. And, that single vote joins with other votes and the people of our country have elected new leaders. When we select who runs this country, every one of their decisions was impacted by our making a decision to VOTE! That is a great amount of power – and so if you are not registered to vote, the last day to register for the November 4, 2008 General Election is Monday, October 6, 2008. For information about voting in Dallas, go to: [www.dalcoelections.org](http://www.dalcoelections.org). Your neighborhood, city, county, state, and nation need you to speak UP and VOTE!

### Election of Officers – It's Time!

Buckner Terrace Homeowner Association will be holding election of officers for the next calendar year. Here's how the process works. First, a Nominating Committee, consisting of two(2) Steering Committee members and dues paying members in good standing shall be chosen at the September meeting.

The Nominating Committee shall present a list of eligible dues paying members willing to serve as officers to the October 28<sup>th</sup> meeting. Nominations of current dues paying members from the floor may also be entertained at the October 28<sup>th</sup> meeting.

The November newsletter shall contain the list of all nominees for office.

The election of officers will be at the November 25<sup>th</sup> meeting. Nominees may make a short statement regarding their election.

If you are interested in serving in any capacity, please make your interest known! The place to start is at the next meeting!

### Are You Ready to Survive an Emergency??

*Lawana Porter BTHA & VIP member*

Does your family have a working fire extinguisher? A first aid kit? How about working smoke detectors and a plan to escape your home in a fire?

A core group of BTHA members recently learned the importance of planning ahead and taking prompt action in a disaster as part of the City of Dallas' Community Emergency Response Team training program. We learned that the odds are great that you will be faced with an emergency like a fire, flood, hazardous chemical spill, tornado or terrorist attack. In any disaster time is of the essence and knowing what to do--and what not to do--can make the difference between life and death for you, your loved ones and neighbors.

Offered by the city at no charge to citizens, C.E.R.T. is a 16-hour hands-on training program that shows ordinary citizens how to prepare for and respond to potential hazards in an emergency. C.E.R.T. teaches you how to recognize an emergency, how to prepare your home in advance to better survive a catastrophe and how to help your neighbors in the first hours until professional responders arrive.

Several BTHA members completed the class; consider how we can organize ourselves and respond to emergencies in our neighborhood. Interested? To sign up for this program or learn more about it, email or contact Cassandra Wallace, City of Dallas Office of Emergency Management, [cassandra.wallace@dallascityhall.com](mailto:cassandra.wallace@dallascityhall.com), or call her at (214) 671-8689 for the next scheduled class.

Hard copy applications will also be available at the September 30<sup>th</sup> BTHA meeting.

**Buckner Terrace Homeowners Meeting Tuesday, September 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.**  
**Eastminster Presbyterian Church ★ 6550 Samuell Blvd**



## Samuell Boulevard Update

*Dale Long, The City of Dallas*

The contractor completed the concrete pour on Cinnabar. This intersection should be open for vehicular traffic by September 18<sup>th</sup>.

The contractor's goal is to open the new concrete pavement on the south side of Samuell Blvd. from Jim Miller Rd. to Buckner Blvd. for vehicular traffic by the first week of October. This is contingent upon Dallas Water Utilities completing their testing/approval of new lines.

The second stage of phase one concrete pour is being done at the NW corner of Ferguson Rd. which should be open for traffic the week of September 15<sup>th</sup>

It's important to note that all of the above items should be done, weather permitting.

## Neighborhood Garage Sale

*Diane Birdwell, CrimeWatch Co-Chair*

Buckner Terrace will have its second neighborhood wide garage sale on Oct 25<sup>th</sup>, a Saturday. If you plan to have one, please contact Diane Birdwell at [bucknerterrace@yahoo.com](mailto:bucknerterrace@yahoo.com). We want to compile a list of addresses to help spread the word, so we can have more customers at every home!

We need permission from homeowners at key intersections to allow us to post a garage sale sign. We want to stay within code on this, so please help us advertise! Just email the address above if you can place a sign in your yard the Thursday through Saturday of the sale.

Anything left over may be left out curbside, since bulky trash week begins that following Monday.

## City Council Contact Information

District 7: Councilperson Carolyn R. Davis  
(214) 670-4689

District 4: Deputy Mayor Pro Tem  
Dwaine R. Caraway  
(214) 670-0781

## Welcome To The Neighborhood!

**Ida Malone Jackson** is BHTA's new SE Quadrant leader and the owner of ROOTS Training Center. She worked previously as a state certified technology applications teacher at Lang Middle School in Pleasant Grove and managed federally funded employment and training programs for 19 years. She is also a songwriter and the author of "**The ART of Learning About Computers®**," a computer theory curriculum created for kindergarten and primary grade students. Her youth and adult computer training center is conveniently located in our neighborhood at 8035 East RL Thornton Freeway, Suite 517-F. If you would like to learn more about training classes, call 214/321-9343 or 214/755-6077.

If you know a great new business in our neighborhood, please e-mail [BTHA@Earthlink.net](mailto:BTHA@Earthlink.net)! We will continue to focus on support businesses in our neighborhood!

## Texas National Night Out - October 7, 2008

*Polita Flemming, NNO Coordinator*

For the State of Texas, National Night Out is October 7, 2008. Are you ready to celebrate with our neighbors?

Buckner Terrace will celebrate National Night Out on October 7, 2008, at Everglade Park from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. The City Police and Fire Departments, Dallas County Sheriff, DPS officers among others have been invited and confirmed. Volunteers to greet the guests, setup and cleanup, for entertainment and serving of refreshments are needed. E-mail [cradpnev@aol.com](mailto:cradpnev@aol.com) or [BTHA@Earthlink.net](mailto:BTHA@Earthlink.net) to volunteer your services or ideas for a successful National Night Out.

See you at the Everglade Park on October 7<sup>th</sup>!!!

## Daily Crime Reports Available online

Are you interested in finding out about the Crime Reports in our neighborhood? Many thanks to Linda Barnum, who found [www.dailycrimereport.com](http://www.dailycrimereport.com).

You can select Buckner Terrace from the menu. After you set it up, you will get daily e-mails that link to the statistics.



## Neighbors in Action!

"There is a destiny that makes us brothers  
None goes his way alone.  
All that you send into the lives of others  
Comes back into your own."

Buckner Retirement Village wishes to publicly send a special thank you to the following members of the Buckner Terrace Homeowner's Association: Darlene and Boyd Reynolds, Tom White, Eugene Thomas, Diane Birdwell and her friend, and Joe Leanos for the wonderful response to our need for help putting hospital beds together Saturday morning in preparation for receiving 35 residents from our sister facility in Beaumont as they evacuated due to Hurricane Gustav. Your help in getting these beds made up and arranged in the rooms was so appreciated. You even helped us get the trash ready to be picked up! **You all are the very best!** Buckner is so fortunate to have concerned neighbors.

Warmly, Alicia Russell

## CHANGES..CHANGES..PLEASE REMEMBER THE CHANGES..

*Carolyn McInnis, Eastminster Presbyterian, CrimeWatch Co-Chair*

There are recycling bins at the church if you wish to donate your recycling. The church was recently notified by the paper-recycling vendor that we could no longer place Cardboard or Telephone Books in our paper recycling bins. There is a difference in the processing of these items and our vendor can no longer bear the cost associated with this processing. DO NOT place any of the following items in the green and yellow bins: Cardboard, Cereal and soda cartons, Food Wrap/Containers, Tissue Products, Telephone Books, Plastics and Glass.

Please place these items in your home recycling containers.

## Who Are You Going to Call To Protect Our Neighborhood??

**9-1-1** if you see something suspicious, something is missing when you come home, if you are in DANGER.

**3-1-1** if something needs to be fixed, but it is not causing an immediate danger.

**THANKS** to all the new volunteers and the faithful deliverers!! We have had a great response.

If you want to help with our neighborhood, please call one of the Quadrant Leaders listed below!

*A Big Thank YOU! to Eastminster Presbyterian Church for opening the church buildings to Buckner Terrace Homeowners CrimeWatch and Homeowners Association Meetings at no cost to our organization. We appreciate it very much!*

## Officers and Committees

<i>Chair*</i>	Darlene Reynolds	214-381-2614
<i>Co-Chair*</i>	Darius McDonald	214-388-8097
<i>Treasurer*</i>	Polita Flemming	214-388-4352
<i>Secretary*</i>	Marian Williams	214-275-6338
<i>VIP/Crime Prevention*</i>	Molly Leanos	214-381-4813

*Newsletter/Website\**

<i>Neighborhood Data Coordinator</i>	Molly Leanos	214-381-4813
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**Newsletter articles are due the 8<sup>th</sup> of every month**

<i>Membership</i>	Darius McDonald	214-388-8097
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<i>National Night Out</i>	Polita Flemming	214-388-4352
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<i>NE Quadrant*</i>	Jim Lewellen	214-388-2238
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<i>SW Quadrant*</i>	Verlene Mitchell	214-388-2438
<i>SE Quadrant*</i>	Ida Jackson	214-321-9343

*\*Steering Committee Members*

If you have an article of interest, please e-mail BTHA@Earthlink.net or call 214-381-2614. Articles must be submitted by the 8<sup>th</sup> of the month to be considered for publication.



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*October is the week of October 27<sup>th</sup>*

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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

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