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# Little Forest Hills NEWS

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## Association Calendar

January 15, 2013 - **Association Meeting**

**March 11, 2013 - Articles Due**

July 16, 2013 - Association Meeting

## Update from the Editor

Wow 2013! It is hard to believe we have made it here. I hope you all have a wonderful new year. Send in those articles, your neighbors are interested! Thanks,

*Maeleska*

## LFHNA General Meeting Tuesday, January 15, 2013, 7:00 pm White Rock United Methodist Church 1450 Old Gate Lane

We definitely hope to see you at our next LFHNA General Meeting. We have invited the following speaker:

- **Gerald Worrall** – *District 9 Representative on the Dallas Park Board*

Gerald will provide updates on projects affecting White Rock Lake, The Dallas Arboretum and Fair Park. Other Park Board members have also been invited. There will be a Q&A after his presentation.

Local Committee Chairs will provide an update on recent and upcoming events in the Neighborhood.

Please give us your ideas and suggestions on how we can make positive improvements to Little Forest Hills. Door prizes and refreshments will be served.

## A look ahead at some 2013 Springtime Fun!

Little Forest Hills will be hosting it's very own St. Patrick's Run and Neighborhood Wide Block Party. Get ready for this fabulous, funky and fun-filled day!

On Saturday, March 16 plan to gather with your neighbors and celebrate how lucky you are to live in Little Forest Hills.

We will also incorporate a fun run/walk. Plan for a bounce house and other kid-friendly activities, music and food!

This is your chance to get involved. We are looking for planning teams to make this event a success. If you are interested in being a part, please email [lfhblockparty@gmail.com](mailto:lfhblockparty@gmail.com). Volunteer opportunities to come. Thanks in advance.

## Newcomers Message

The weekend of October 13 marked the last distribution of cookies and LFH information packets to neighborhood newcomers for the year of 2012. The influx of new arrivals per quarter stayed pretty much the same. The average has been about sixteen per quarter and this quarter there were thirteen that we were made aware of, this includes lease and purchase of homes combined. Good job and deep appreciation to *Diane Evans, Kris Hundt, Delta Shuman, Kim Hurd, Adrienne Barrett, Pam Hoffman* and *Marilyn Rynearson* for proof, once again, that LFH is indeed the best of the best.

**Pam Proctor**

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or

**Marilyn Rynerson**

[mtwinone@aol.com](mailto:mtwinone@aol.com)

## Garden Tour

The White Rock east artisan and garden tour will be here before you know it. It is the largest fund raiser we have for our neighborhood association and we need your involvement. Our beloved friend Vince Montemayor who passed away last summer held the plant sale for us last year and did a great job. If we are going to have another plant sale this year we will need someone to head that up. We can also use gardens to be on the tour. Let me know if you can share your garden with your neighbors and help your association with this important event. We also need other volunteers to help with various duties for the event such as procuring sponsors, volunteering at the gardens during the tour, and helping with the plant sale. Please call me at **214-676-4326** or email me at [michael.schmitt@sbcglobal.net](mailto:michael.schmitt@sbcglobal.net) to help make this event the success it is known for. **Mike Schmitt**

## Garden Gab – Winter 2013

Throughout 2012, we have featured many approaches and concepts in creating a unique garden. Winter is a great time to envision and start planning your Spring gardening projects.

While you dream on, let a little reality creep in and temper your fantasies with the reality of what we are dealing with here in Texas.

Consider xeriscaping to conserve water and time. A good source of inspiration is, "Native Texas Plants" by Sandy and Andy Wasowski.

When envisioning your garden, think of perennials as your canvas. These plants and shrubs are a wise investment and come in wide varieties; blooming bushes and shrubs, succulents, and salvias.

A fun thing to consider is planting an herb garden. There is nothing more satisfying then going to your garden to snip the herbs for your use in cooking. Herbs can be also be integrated in your traditional garden. Your herbs can also be dried for future use.

Taking a page from many of our neighbors, shop or be on the look-out for "yard art." Thrift stores, curb-sides, yard sales and catalogs are good sources for those items that give your garden your own unique twist.

A wonderful way to fuel your dreams during the gray of winter is to visit a bookstore. Hunker down and browse the Gardening section. The number and varieties of colorful and instructional books will amaze you. Another great source of inspiration is gardening catalogs which are free and plentiful and feature seeds, bulbs, gardening tools, art, etc.

Dream on and enjoy – but upon awakening from the musings of your imagination, apply a dose of reality and examine what works in our neighborhood and what you have time to maintain.

Winter is a perfect time to get your garden tools in order. Rinse with water to get rid of corrosive dirt and chemicals. Scrub them with a wire brush to get rid of any rust, dry thoroughly and oil any moving parts.

## The Presidents' Message

*Denise and Max Davis*

Well, the Mayan calendar wasn't right after all – the world didn't end and 2013 is here!

So now that you have all that extra time – how are you going to spend it?

We are going to continue to look for ways to involve more neighbors in activities. Beginning in 2013, the Board has approved a St. Patrick's Day FUN event for both adults and children. The Funky 4K race has been rescheduled to coincide with this activity. A bounce house and other kid-friendly events will be included, along with food and music.

If you like spending time at local Dallas Parks, like White Rock Lake or the Dallas Arboretum, come to the January 15th LFHNA General Meeting to hear Park Board Representative, Gerald Worrall, discuss upcoming plans.

Plans are underway for replacing the playground equipment at Casa Linda Park. A Friends of Casa Linda Park program is being formed that could really use your time to create a premier retreat for both children and adults.

Other volunteer opportunities to help include:

- For the Love of the Lake Second Saturday Shoreline Spruce up – Contact Don & Karin Van Slyke
- Median clean up (intersection of Buckner & Garland) – Contact Mike Schmidt
- Fix-it-Folks – Contact Linda Calvert
- Alex Sanger Elementary School
- Garage Sale Coordinator – Contact Max & Denise
- 2013 Garden Tour – Contact Mike Schmidt
- 4th of July Parade – Contact Kim & Kevin Vowell
- Animal Alert – Contact Maeleska Fletes
- Volunteer in Patrol – Contact Albert Barbosa

Since the world didn't end – please volunteer and give back to your neighborhood.

Max and Denise  
LFHNA Co-Presidents 2008-2013



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## The Median Magicians

We have a new group of volunteers in Little Forest Hills. As you may know our neighborhood has agreed to take care of the street median on Buckner Boulevard between the **Chase Bank** and **Schlotzkys**. We planted some Live Oak trees and red salvia in the median. The Live Oaks are doing pretty good with the exception of one that was hit by a car and is leaning a little. Most of the salvia are still alive, but have had some struggles with the drought conditions we have experienced. The weeds have actually done very well. We have a dedicated group of volunteers who meet very early on Sunday morning to clean up the median and pull weeds. I would like to personally thank **Karla Marie, Linda Calvert, Max Davis, Denise Davis, Pam Hoffmann, Kay McKinney, Dorothy Philbrick, and Jan Bates** for getting up really early and working on our median. We would like to step up the looks of the median with some Earth Kind roses and maybe some other plants. I would like to invite you to volunteer for this worthwhile group. It does involve getting up right at sunup to work for an hour or two on the median. The reason we need to work so early is because that is the safest time of day with the least amount of traffic. We normally do the work on Sunday morning, but Saturday could also be an option. If you would like to volunteer please call or email **Mike Schmitt** at **214-676-4326** or **michael.schmitt@sbcglobal.net**.

## LFHNA Donations



**Max Davis** presents a \$300 check to Rich Enthoven, President of the "For the Love of the Lake" organization, as part of the LFH Holiday donation project.



Max presented a \$250 check to **Karen Kelly**, director of the White Rock Center of Hope. Also pictured are **Jim and Kathryn**, volunteers at the center.



Denise presents a check to **Randi Rogers**, a worker at the Magdalene House. **Michelle Darrington** is the Executive Director. A donation of \$250 was made.

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**Little Forest Hills Neighborhood Association**

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THANK YOU.

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## Walton's Garden Center – Gardening Tips

Winter is a perfect time to get your garden tools in order. Rinse with water to get rid of corrosive dirt and chemicals. Scrub them with a wire brush to get rid of any rust, dry thoroughly and oil any moving parts. Store in a dry area.

Cover sensitive plants with black landscape cloth during threats of freeze.

Prune Crepe Myrtles in late February, dead-head and prune roses in March. Use an herbicide or be prepared to start pulling weeds in February or March.

In March or after the last freeze, clean and start preparing your beds for planting. You can plant cool weather annuals such as dianthus, geraniums and alyssum. Be prepared for a late freeze.

Aerate and fertilize your lawn. Mulch the leaves into lawn during your first mowing.



# Changes are coming to the Playground!

by Thad Thigpen

Last month we met with city park planning employees and were given an update on the status of the park updates.



They gave us a brief overview of the city's process in building the playgrounds. Key points were they bid the playgrounds to several contractors and playground suppliers to get the best price. They also must pick equipment that will last longer than 20 years to satisfy bond requirements. This will ensure they get a return on their investment. They have come up with a basic layout and now they are in the bidding process.

Below are our selections of the three bidders. These will not be the exact equipment, but just a style from these manufactures. A poll was set up at <http://friendsofcasalindapark.com> to get an idea from neighbors on the style we would like. Visit the link to see the results. The ending decision is truly dictated by price. So if prices for all of these structures fit into the budget our vote will have more bearing.

The approach the city took involved a basic oval layout with two distinct age group play areas. This is done to reduce injury to the little ones. So a structure for the older kids and one for the younger ones. Then one swing set that is split. If the budget permits, we will have the opportunity to include other structures. The ramp/approach is wheelchair accessible and will also access the pavilion.

If we want to add items not included in this plan, we need to make it known to the city and either try to fit it in the budget or raise our own funds and have a city supplied contractor do the install. Items that came up were more benches, tables, and possibly a grill near the pavilion. Please leave us comments if you have any suggestions at <http://friendsofcasalindapark.com>.

Here are a list of Dallas Parks that have been installed recently. If anyone goes to visit these playgrounds, you can look for a small plaque on the equipment for see the manufacturer.

## Traditional:

Lochwood Park  
Peavy/Vandyke(WRL)  
Norbuck (WRL)  
Stone Table (WRL)  
Winstead Park (WRL)  
Samuel Grand Park

## Custom:

Teepee Hill at West Lawther (WRL)  
Lakewood Park  
Lake Cliff Park  
Dixon Branch at Lippitt (WRL)

## Large Playground

Reverchon Park  
Kiest Park from Hampton Rd. entrance  
Kidd Springs (W Fifth and Cedar Hill Ave)  
Bachman Lake near the Rec Ctr.

\*(WRL) indicates locations near the White Rock Lake area.



# LFHNA Sponsored Woodrow Wilson Dance Team

by Maria S. Beltran



The "sweethearts" Drill team participated in the Neiman Marcus Children's Day parade on Saturday December 1st televised on channel 8. Please know that your sponsorship enabled these girls to participate. Featured in the picture is JR Lieutenant **Dyamant'e (DeDe) Wigenton** accepting the check.



Each squad is made up of 10-11 girls and the team is well over 85 members, under the direction of **Lisa Moya-King**. They received recognition as being the friendliest team at Crowd Pleasers Officer Camp in Houston this summer. The officer's dressed in white are Seniors **Cristina Arambula, Elizabeth Alvarez, Brianna Thomas, Kia Forte (Captain), Juniors-Jessica Gonzales, Dyamante (Dede) Wigenton, Dulce Pereya, and Abigail Quintero.**



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## Volunteering As Your Goal

by Linda Calvert

Is volunteering right for you? Why is it that some people seem to crave the activity volunteering offers, while others don't find it in the least bit interesting or attractive?



As I was getting ready to make a plea for workers on an approaching Fix It Folks workday, I was having a particularly hard time getting anyone to sign-up. The most dedicated members that I can always count on, of course spoke-up, but no one new. That's when it dawned on me that the Fix It Folks is extremely lucky to have some of LFH's most steadfast volunteers, and it lead me to wonder what motivates these members to go that extra mile? So I asked this loyal group to join me in explaining what volunteering meant to them and I thought you might want to hear a few of the comments we came up with:

*Volunteering means that I can be around people I like, working together on something that will improve someone's life. Really, it's a way to give yourself a gift, a wonderful and free way to make you feel better; a way to get smiles all around. There's nothing better earned than the satisfaction of helping others.* **Joe Beaudette**

*Volunteering!! One of the best things about America! Having organizations and opportunities to give of your own time and talents, but getting back so much in friendships, skills learned and shared, and just that wonderful "glow-feeling" of making a difference.* **Marilyn Rynearson**

*Every neighborhood has a personality with its' own distinct look. (Unless you live in a HOA where every house's look is strictly controlled) and for me to be a part of a volunteer neighborhood group that cares enough about our neighbors, [preserving] our lifestyle and individuality is a privilege. Besides, it is a great way to get to know my great neighbors.*

**Mark Davis**

*Volunteering means I get to live in the image of my parents. They always taught us, by example, that if we were not living in the service of someone that could use help, then we were leading a meaningless life. Literally, volunteering means I give myself permission to leave a kitchen floor un-mopped, a yard full of leaves, and maybe a refrigerator that needs to be cleaned; all sitting & waiting. And, instead of doing any of those tasks, I push myself out the door, overlooking those nagging "should do's", and go help someone else. It's the best physical and social activity one can find, also the best sleeping pill I've ever encountered because it leaves me satisfied with my life.* **Linda Calvert**



*It seems the first thing I learned in my childhood was/is the golden rule..".Do unto others as you would have others do unto you". Volunteering is a way to "pay it forward" and it pays off 10 fold.* **Pam Proctor**

*He that gives of his time to others is twice rewarded: through the contribution of his skills in a positive way to the task, and by the knowledge that he is easing another's burden and improving their life situation.* **Jim Folgers**

*To me one of the most valuable things you can give someone is your time. It is a commodity that we all have a limited amount of. So it makes me feel good to be able to give someone this precious commodity and to see that they really appreciate it. It has been apparent to me that everyone who we have helped thorough the Fix-It Folks have been so appreciative of our efforts and many of them have joined us in whatever way they could to help on projects after theirs was completed.* **Mike Schmitt**

Studies in volunteerism say that 1 out of 3 American's volunteer today. In my quest to find out why some people do, and some people choose not to, I've learned that the drive toward this admirable behavior of volunteering one's time is to: promote positive feelings within, to promote feelings of being attached, and a true concern for the welfare of others. So if any of these are interesting to you and you have no obvious need for personal gain, the Fix It Folks team can vouch for putting your time into someone else's problem as being the best payoff you will ever receive.

Whether your interests are in Gardening, WR Lake, Art, Crime, Parades, Welcoming newbie's, Running, Home Repair, Pets, or Drinking wine, LFHNA offers plenty of opportunities for you to get involved. I hope you too catch the Volunteering bug. You will like it.



# LFH Christmas Lights!



# Treasury Report

Neighbors: As you know, the neighborhood association relies heavily on the voluntary payment of dues to finance the activities and donations that benefit the neighborhood as a whole. Without such, there would be no Fourth of July parade, no Funky 4-K race, no contributions to our neighborhood park, no funds to be able to do the activities that our neighborhood prides itself on.

Expense	
Administrative	
Presidents Fund	65.00
Meeting Expense	
WRUMC Facility Rental	400.00
Door Prizes	0.00
Total Meeting Expense	400.00
Miscellaneous	17.81
Charity/Donations	
Holiday Charity Giving	1,350.00
Animal Alert	1,100.00
Ferguson Road Initiative	0.00
Alex Sanger	600.00
For The Love Of The Lake	0.00
Benevolent Fund	0.00
Total Charity/Donations	3,050.00
Appreciation Dinner	235.71
Answering Service	33.09
501c(4)	0.00
Total Administrative	3,801.61
Committee Expenses	
Four K Run	178.00
Membership Expenses	0.00
Website	120.00
4th Parade Expense	807.90
Adopt-a-Shoreline	0.00
Casa Linda Park Dev.	132.06
Fix It Folks	500.00
National Night Out	0.00
Newcomers	113.00
Newsletter Distribution	179.40
Newsletter Printing	3,328.28
Storage Unit Rent	516.00
Treasurer	264.69
Volunteer of the Year	0.00
Total Committee Expenses	6,139.33
Total Expense	9,940.94

We are now accepting your 2013 dues (\$15 per household or \$5 for senior-citizens), and would like to invite you to renew your membership or join as a new member! Please send your check to:

LFHNA  
C/O Todd Ramsey  
8915 San Benito Way  
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The expenses incurred since January 1, 2012 are as follows:

If you have any questions or concerns, I welcome your feedback and can be reached at [todd.ramsey@me.com](mailto:todd.ramsey@me.com). Let us continue to make this neighborhood one of the best places to live in the Dallas Metroplex. Your Little Forest Hills Neighborhood Association support is invaluable!

Proud 2012 Little Forest Hills Neighborhood  
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Animal Alert's "adoptable pets of LFH". Those of you that are fostering a pet that needs a home of their own can send pictures and a biography of the pet and we can add it to the newsletter. Send them to [lfbnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:lfbnewsletter@gmail.com)

*Thanks ~maleska~*

Fergie is one of the Maltese dumped by the side of the road by a suspected puppmill in Flower Mound in October, Fergie is learning what it means to be a pet rather than a puppy mill dog. She is still very shy around people but is learning how to accept love. Fergie is making progress on her crate and potty training. Fergie is doing really well in her foster home, and is looking for someone who is willing to give her the time and patience she needs to become whole. Fergie is available through Animal Rescue of Texas. For more info go to

<http://www.animalrescueoftexas.org>



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### Pet Descriptions

Animal's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Male ☐ Female Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Breed: \_\_\_\_\_ Color: \_\_\_\_\_

Size/Weight: \_\_\_\_\_ Identifying Marks: \_\_\_\_\_

Wears a Collar? ☐ Yes ☐ No Description of Collar: \_\_\_\_\_

Collar with Tags?: ☐ Yes ☐ No Types of Tags: \_\_\_\_\_

Is animal Registered? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes - What City? \_\_\_\_\_

Microchip? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Temperament: \_\_\_\_\_

Should strangers show extra caution in approaching your animal? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes - why?: \_\_\_\_\_

Veterinarian: \_\_\_\_\_

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

If animal is injured - will you accept responsibility for veterinary charges? ☐ Yes ☐ No

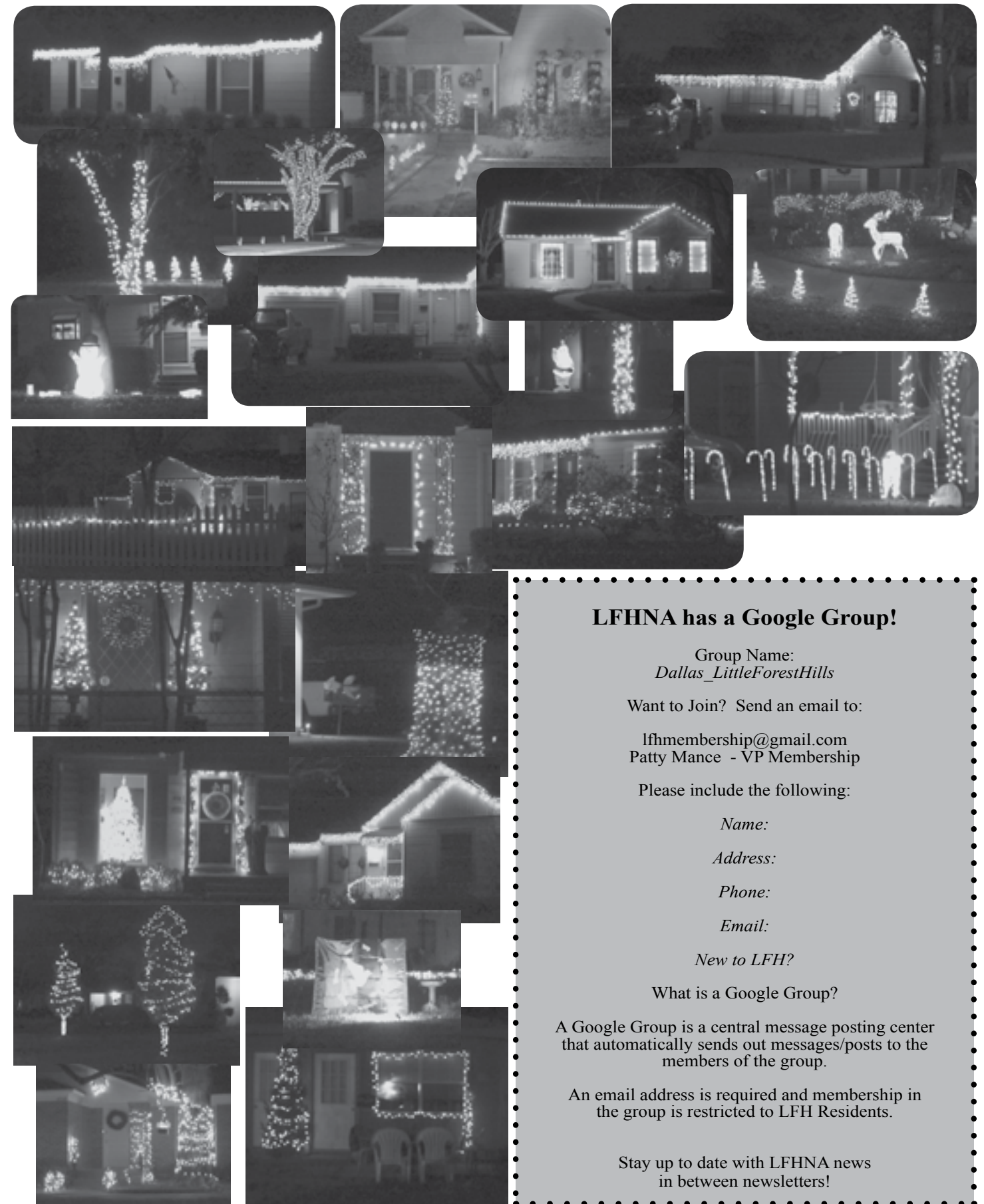
Your signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Any known medical problems? ☐ Yes ☐ No Is your pet on any medication? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes - what? \_\_\_\_\_

**return form to: Maeleska Fletes, 8726 Santa Clara Dr., Dallas, TX 75218**

## LFH Christmas Lights! (more)



### LFHNA has a Google Group!

Group Name:  
*Dallas\_LittleForestHills*

Want to Join? Send an email to:

[lfhmembership@gmail.com](mailto:lfhmembership@gmail.com)  
Patty Mance - VP Membership

Please include the following:

*Name:*

*Address:*

*Phone:*

*Email:*

*New to LFH?*

What is a Google Group?

A Google Group is a central message posting center that automatically sends out messages/posts to the members of the group.

An email address is required and membership in the group is restricted to LFH Residents.

Stay up to date with LFHNA news  
in between newsletters!

# Bulk Trash Infomation



Dallas Sanitation Services picks up brush and bulk trash for customers once per month. Items must be set out **by 7 a.m. on the MONDAY of your collection week**, but not earlier than the Thursday before your collection week. To find out when our crews will be in your neighborhood, see the map in this brochure and the instructions below, or call 311.

### When is My Week?

- Using a calendar, count the number of Mondays in each month.
- If you are a Week 3 customer, your collection is the week of the third Monday of each month and you set out materials as early as the Thursday before your collection week.
- TIP: Do not count the weeks themselves, count the Mondays.
- If there are five Mondays in the month, the City will not pick up brush & bulk trash during that week.
- You could be fined up to \$2,000 for putting items out at the wrong time. **KNOW YOUR WEEK.**

### Count the Mondays

**A P R I L**

1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30

No Brush & Bulk Collection

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### What Goes In?

- Tree limbs
- Shrubbery
- Bagged leaves
- Furniture\*
- Appliances\*
- Carpet\*
- Mattresses\*
- Other bulky items\*

### What Doesn't?

- Construction debris\*\*
- Bricks, concrete, rocks and dirt\*\*
- Grass clippings\*\*

### Remember...

- Put materials on the curb in front of your home. Do not place on vacant lots or medians. Don't place in front of utility poles, traffic signs, utilities meters or hydrants and don't block the pile.
- \*Separate bulk trash from brush, limbs, and leaves.
- \*\*To dispose of construction debris call 3-1-1 to request Cost Plus Service.
- \*\*Bricks, concrete, rocks and dirt should be taken to McCommas Bluff Landfill for disposal.
- \*\*Grass clippings should be mulched back into your lawn or added to your home compost pile.

# Nothing But Love for LFH

by Kimberly Vowell

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I truly believe we live in a place like no other. The more and more I get involved in all of the wonderful facets of Little Forest Hills, the more in love I fall. It has something for everyone from a walking group to a margarita tasting group. If you're not feeling the love, get involved and you'll be sure to have a change of heart. To receive much, you must give much.

I know the reasons why I love living in Little Forest Hills. But why do you?

Below are some of your neighbor's responses when asked "What do you love most about living in Little Forest Hills?"

*I love how welcome I have felt since moving here and the wonderful friends we have made as a result.* **Brandi B.**

*Diversity.* **Todd R.**

*My favorite thing about living in LFH is the barred owl that sings me to sleep in the Spring and Fall.* **Dixie I.**

*I love the feeling of being back in the 1950's and 60's, in a neighborhood with trees and chain link fences and neighbors that know and talk with each other.* **Max D.**

*The sense of community, how it is very easy to meet your neighbors, the artistic expression throughout the neighborhood, and laid back vibe.* **Alandra A.**

*The sense of community and neighborly-ness. We care about each other and demonstrate it often.* **Susan R.**

*I love the fact that my children get to grow up in the city, but live in a neighborhood that has a "small town" feel.* **Amy G.**

*Walking through the neighborhood and seeing all of the unique architecture and lawn decor, especially at the holidays!* **Danette D.**

*The first time I was in Little Forest Hills was in the early 80's and drove down Groveland to show a house for sale. I remember thinking as I drove down this beautiful forested street that I would love to live here someday. It was so beautiful with the rolling hills had huge trees. Then after I moved into the neighborhood in the mid 1980's and got to know the people who live here I found them to be friendly, quirky, and the best neighbors I have ever experienced at any other place I have ever lived. It is like a small town in the middle of the city and a lovely place to live.* **Mike S.**

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# 2013 Membership Form

{Annual membership runs January through December}

\*\* Please return this completed form and payment to: LFHNA, c/o Todd Ramsey, 8915 San Benito Way, Dallas, TX 75218 \*\*

This is a: ☐ Renewal Membership ☐ New Membership

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Member E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Type: work cell home

Belonging to/Display Name: \_\_\_\_\_

If member household includes a spouse/partner/etc:

Secondary Member E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Type: work cell home

Belonging to/Display Name: \_\_\_\_\_

I/We do not have an email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Annual Dues are \$15.00 per household & \$5.00 for seniors.  
Please make checks payable to LFHNA.

I am interested in volunteering for the following committee(s) or goals:

Events: \_\_\_\_\_ Ongoing Neighbor Participation: \_\_\_\_\_

Spring: Garden Tour Committee \_\_\_\_  
Summer: 4th of July Parade Committee \_\_\_\_  
Fall: Funky 4k Run Committee \_\_\_\_  
Winter: LFH Holidays Committee \_\_\_\_  
Garage Sale Committee \_\_\_\_  
National Night Out Committee \_\_\_\_

WRL Shoreline Cleanup / Median Cleanup \_\_\_\_  
Volunteers In Patrol / Crime Watch \_\_\_\_  
LFH Funky Fielders Baseball Team \_\_\_\_  
Fix it Folks Volunteer Crew \_\_\_\_  
Welcoming Newcomers / Cookie Baking \_\_\_\_  
Newsletter Distribution \_\_\_\_

I'd like to help with:

Casa Linda Park \_\_\_\_ Local Artists \_\_\_\_ LFH Animal Alert \_\_\_\_ LFH Website \_\_\_\_ Sanger Elementary \_\_\_\_

## 2012-2013 OFFICERS & COMMITTEE CHAIRS

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Open Position

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Neighborhood Police Officer  
City of Dallas Police Department  
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214-670-4415

City of Dallas:  
www.dallascityhall.com  
City of Dallas Environmental Hotline  
(pre-recorded announcement):  
214.670.1733  
City of Dallas Environmental Health:  
214.948.4429

Dallas Police Department Neighborhood  
Sex Offender Watch and Update  
http://www.icrimewatch.net/index.  
php?AgencyID=54702&disc=54702

Call 311 to report neighborhood  
complaints or concerns.

## Association Meetings

All Association Meetings are held at:

### White Rock United Methodist Church

1450 Old Gate Lane

If you are interested, you are welcome to at-  
tend any board meeting. Contact any board  
member to find out the location and time.

Please e-mail newsletter info to  
Maeleska Fletes by the deadline at  
lfhnewsletter@gmail.com

## Churches In The Community

There are four churches representing  
five denominations in Little Forest Hills.  
If you don't have a church home,  
you are welcomed & invited to attend.

### EL DIVINO SALVADOR PRESBYTERIAN

8822 Angora - 214-327-6310

### LAKESIDE BAPTIST CHURCH

9150 Garland Road - 214-324-1425

### ST. BERNARD'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

1404 Old Gate - 214-321-0454

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