



# White Lake Hills

## News Splash

### Neighborhood Dues

Everyone who lives and owns property in White Lake Hills is a member of the Neighborhood Association. There is a voluntary dues taken up each year of \$20. This money goes towards events such as the July 4<sup>th</sup> parade and picnic, the beautification of our entrances, and other projects. A self-addressed envelope has been included with this newsletter. You can bring your donation to the meeting or mail it to:

White Lake Hills NA  
P.O. Box 8656  
Fort Worth, TX 76124

### Fall Festival

This year's Fall Festival will be held on **Saturday, October 1st**, with something for everyone. The day starts off with a 5K run, then a walk and talk with Mayor Betsy Price. At the park, we will display an historical timeline of White Lake Hills, taking us back to the days when these hills were devoid of houses....and home instead to first the Comanche Nation, and then dairy cows roaming the pastures. There will be loads of fun activities for the children, and a huge potluck of great food from the neighborhood. With so many activities planned, here is a general timeline and description of each.

### Save the Date

#### Fall Festival

October 1st  
8:30am 5K Run  
11:30am Walk with Mayor  
12:15pm Festival at Park

#### Fall Meeting

October 10<sup>th</sup> 7:00pm  
Nolan Catholic High School Auditorium

#### Fall Garage Sale

October 22nd

### 5K run : 8:30am

Beginning and ending at Smith-Wilemon Park. The route provides a nice tour through the neighborhood, and includes a couple of challenging hills reminiscent of the last leg of the Boston Marathon.

### 11:30 a.m.: Walk and Talk with Mayor Price.

Suitable for all ages and abilities, you are invited to walk and visit personally with the Mayor. The 1.4 mile route follows the Fourth of July parade route, beginning on Green River Trail at Chandler Lake and proceeding south toward Saint Lawrence.



Mayor Walking Route

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**12:15 p.m.: Fall Festival at Smith-Wilemon Park.** Planned activities include:

- **White Lake Hills Timeline:** From the Comanche Nation to the White Lake Dairy to development of our neighborhood, you will have an opportunity to learn all about the place you call 'Home'.
- **Kids Zone:** Kiddos will have loads of fun with some special activities this year in their own special Kid Zone.
- **The Great White Lake Hills Potluck:** The Neighborhood Association is providing the entrees, and we're asking you to bring the rest. We will have four food stations, each with a different entrée: Barbecue Brisket, Smoked Sausage, Smoked Turkey and Tamales.

What should you bring for the potluck?

- If your address ends in an even number (2, 4, 6, 8, or 0), please bring a side dish large enough for 6 to 8 people.
- If your address is an odd number (1, 3, 5, 7, or 9), please bring beverages and ice or a dessert for 6 to 8 people.

As we are now a recognized Blue Zones Project Participating Organization, we hope that at least some of you will bring something that is both yummy and healthy!

If you want to eat, but do not want to bring a dish or drinks, you may make a \$10 donation for a household, or \$4 for an individual.

**IF IT RAINS . . . The Fall Festival will go on rain or shine. In the event of rain, we will move indoors.**

**Indoor location to be determined – stay tuned to Nextdoor.com for updates.**



At the last WLH neighborhood meeting, Kathlynn Stone made us aware of the Fort Worth Office of Emergency Management's efforts to enroll those who may need assistance with ambulation, life support systems, oxygen or other specific needs during an emergency event or disaster.

Annual registration with your name, address, phone number, e-mail can be mailed to City of Fort Worth, Office of Emergency Management---1000 Throckmorton St.---Fort Worth, TX 76102 or /[www.snapforyou.org](http://www.snapforyou.org). Information is confidential.

The Neighbors Who Care Committee wants to get this information out to all WLH neighbors *and you can help*. Please, tell and help register anyone who may need this assistance about this program and how to contact the city to register. We hope to invite the head of this program to our Fall Festival or next neighborhood meeting on October 10<sup>th</sup>. For more information call 817.392-6144 or Kathlynn Stone at 817.457-4502.

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## **President's Letter by Fred Fernandez**

A special thank you goes to Mother Nature for the early morning showers that came and went just in time to allow us to have a dry, cool, and beautiful morning for our Annual WLHNA 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade and Picnic. We couldn't have asked for better day!

Our 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade and Picnic Celebration was a success, with everything going pretty much as planned. We did miss the children's activities this time around, but we are committed to having activities for the children in the future as we have in years past. I want to thank our planning committee for all their work on a short schedule following our zoning opposition that occupied much of our focus and efforts.

I want to thank Dr. Donald Goodman for bringing our attention to the need to acknowledge the service and sacrifice of our military veterans of both the Korean and Vietnam conflicts. A list of those veterans was identified, they were contacted and information of their service was documented. Dr. Goodman processed and submitted the applications for these veterans to the State Department to receive the Special Service Pins in recognition of their service to our nation. Several of the veterans that were identified were in attendance, rode in the parade and were presented their Service Pins in honor of their service to this nation in a ceremony from Dr. Goodman. It was a most appropriate occasion for our 4<sup>th</sup> of July and I am so happy that we were able to witness that in our community.

I want to thank Linda Fulmer for taking the initiative in bringing the Blue Zone Project health initiative to our community and for the recognition she and all the other participants were awarded at our 4th of July Picnic. For more information on the Blue Zone Project, please read Linda's entry in this newsletter.

To all those that volunteered in helping in so many capacities from planning, purchasing supplies, food, table & chair rentals, picking up and returning rentals, setting up, breaking down equipment, cleaning up, removing trash, preparing and donating food, donating buns, putting out flags throughout the neighborhood and then going back to pick them up, putting up and taking down signage for the parade route, shopping for decorations, setting up decorations, cleaning pots & pans, etc. , thank you, thank you, thank you. We do this because we care about our neighborhood, and I am so proud to be a part of this White Lake Hills community.

At the last WLH neighborhood meeting, Kathlynn Stone made us aware of the Fort Worth Office of Emergency Management's efforts to enroll those who may need assistance with ambulation, life support systems, oxygen or other specific needs during an emergency event or disaster. We are in the WLHNA have formed the Neighbors Who Care Committee to respond to this issue. If you have an interest in joining this committee or want to learn more about this initiative, please refer to Elaine Edmonds entry in this newsletter.

## President's Letter (Continued)

Mark on your calendars the **2016 WLHNA Fall Festival** on October 1st, from 11:30 am – 1:30 pm. Location: Smith-Wilemon Park. (My son Richard is getting married that day, and I will have to be occupied with various preparations, so I will not be at this event.) At the festival there will be a Walk with Mayor Betsy Price @ 11:30 am and possibly a 5 k run to be announced on NextDoor at a later date. As for food, WLHNA is providing brisket, smoked turkey or chicken, and also a Tex Mex entrée of tamales or other Tex-Mex specialty. The neighborhood participation will be as follows: homes with **even** numbered addresses bringing sides, **odd** numbered bringing beverages, ice, or desserts, (or \$10 in lieu of bringing something to share). We will have a Kids Zone with activities centered on mask painting for the youth and or young at heart. If you're interested in volunteering, there is always much to be done. Please contact me or Linda Fulmer.

Please note: Our WLHNA activities and improvements are supported partly from the collection of voluntary dues of \$20 per house. All money collected is for the benefit of our community. Dues can be paid at the association meetings or mailed to Bob Curtis.

If you're new or haven't been involved in the past, I encourage you consider attending our quarterly association meetings and getting to know your neighbors. For the most part they are pretty decent folks. I'll vouch for almost every one of them but you don't have to take my word for it, come and see for yourself.

Our WLHN association meetings are held at the Nolan Catholic High School auditorium, just next door, west of White Lake Hills. Come and help us become an even stronger and a more vibrant community. Our fall meeting is on October 10th at 7:00 pm. Come see, hear, and **be heard**. The more that participate, the stronger we are as a community.

Please note that I am behind on providing new resident welcome packets. Come to the association meeting and I will have welcome packets there or e-mail me at [fred-fernandez@att.net](mailto:fred-fernandez@att.net) with your name and address and I will get a packet to you.

It's time that we address our WLHNA directory, update listings, find advertising sponsors, and printing. I would like to find someone to chair this effort, if you are interested and able please contact me.

I look forward to seeing the many familiar faces and hope to meet our new residents at this fall's association meeting.

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## **Fall Garage Sale by Terri Bailey**

We will have a neighborhood garage sale on Saturday, Oct. 22. 8 am start time. Participants will need to get a FREE garage sale permit from the City of Fort Worth either by calling 817-392-2222 or online. To be listed on the neighborhood garage sale map, contact Terri at 817-504-0057 or on Nextdoor. This is a great opportunity to get rid of the stuff cluttering up your closets

## **Yard of the Month by Pat Gerard**

The summer Yards of the Month continued with varied and interesting landscapes.

In July, the yard of Terri Bailey of 704 Candlewood , had a mix of rich colorful perennials framing the garden which she is redesigning . The lower garden with walls and walkways had been overgrown so she is working to clear, re-define and plant to her design.

Peggy and Truman Terrell have a mature yard at 5025 Marble Falls. Garden statuaries and banner provide a welcoming entrance in front with circular beds of nandinas under trees for shade. Bright sunny yellow esperanza alternating with sages gave a contrast under the August summer sun.

The September yard of Ben and Jane Cobb is at 4925 Marble Falls. The couple have brought not only the house but the yard back to life. The landscaping has been carefully chosen to add interest to the updated exterior of the house. The design is arranged with textures, shapes and colors from Japanese maples to yuccas, ferns to palms in a mix pleasing to the eye .

We hope you have enjoyed the variety seen in all six of the gardens chosen for the spring and summer Yards of the Month.

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**Market Update for WLH 2016** What a busy Summer it was! Here is my updated report on neighborhood sales over the past 90 days. Again, I will not identify individual home sale prices, out of respect for the owner's privacy. We have five active listings, from \$73.43--\$83.92 SqFt.; four listings are under contract, with an average list price of \$79.62 SqFt.; six homes sold for the average price of \$82.31 SqFt., with homes selling at a range of \$61.68-\$90.77 SqFt. The best prices and fastest sales, are well-maintained with modest updates, and good yards. Ask a Texas Realtor about keeping up the value of your home!

**Upsize, Downsize, I'll Make Sure Your Home is the Right Size For You!**



**Get Ready for**

Time for seasonal changes in temperature and moisture again! Make sure your home is protected against potential water damage, by checking weather stripping and seals around doors and windows. Clear your gutters of leaves and debris, trim trees and bushes away from your home and the roof, so they are not a

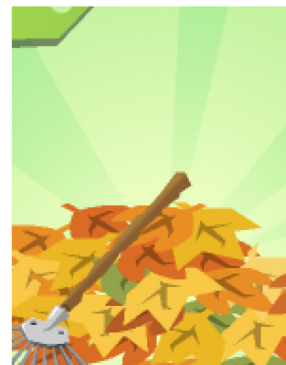


pathway for ants, spiders, and other insects when the weather turns wet. Talk to an expert at a garden center, or nursery for advice on treating your grass and other plants, or adding native plants to your landscaping.

If you need help, or referrals for help, sign up for

**the Fall Season**

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