

Lake Park Estates

NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Buckner Blvd. to Peavy Road / Lake Highlands Drive to Garland Road

July 2005

LPENA

Block Captain Organization

Block Capt. Coord.	Rory Yocum (214) 324-1025
AREA 1	
Area Coordinator:	Darrell Poage (214) 327-0768
Street Assignment Donegal (all)	Darrell Poage (214) 327-0768
Wicklow (all)	Diane Kauth (214) 327-5208
Bridget (all)	Buck Latimer (214) 321-0410
County Cork (all)	Darrell Poage (214) 327-0768
AREA 2	
Area Coordinator:	Aren Cambre (214) 660-3665
Street Assignment Erin (all)	Aren Cambre (214) 660-3665
Tipperary (all)	Hal & Sylvia Randall (214) 321-2873
Waterford (all)	John Bell (214) 327-9088
Tralee (all)	Shannon Enriquez (214) 328-2526
AREA 3	
Area Coordinator:	Gerry Renaud (214) 324-2431
Street Assignment Buckner (all)	Gerry Renaud (214) 324-2431
Athlone (all)	Terry Hoyle (214) 321-6931
Limerick (all)	Susan Crawford (214) 328-9230
Galway (9500-9723)	Terry Syler (214) 324-4634
Galway (9730-9999)	Sharon Nettle (214) 324-4721
AREA 4	
Area Coordinator:	John Merrill (214) 320-9043
Kilarney (9806-9951)	John Merrill (214) 320-9043
Kilarney (9600-9738)	John Surratt (214) 328-6976
Tranquilla (1114-1197)	Gene & Edna Woods (214) 327-8749
Tranquilla (1000-1067)	Eric Tinsley (214) 324-4715
Peavy (odd #900-1123)	George Burke (214) 328-9064

A Letter to the Neighborhood

By Will White

Summer is here in full swing! I hope everyone is keeping cool and enjoying their summer vacation. This has been a relatively quiet quarter. I would like to thank Todd Howard for his efforts to spearhead our fight against the planned "La Sandia II" bar which was projected to replace the Texas Trap. Based on the history surrounding La Sandia I, we have been working with surrounding neighborhoods to campaign against this. To date, they have not filed for their liquor license. Thanks also go out to all of our neighborhood residents for signing our petition and supporting this campaign to keep these elements out of our neighborhood. We have also completed the required paperwork for the Galway Circle project and hope to get underway with that project in the very near future. Please don't forget about the General Meeting on July 28th. Lucy and I will not be able to attend as we are finally taking our long awaited honeymoon to Costa Rica! We leave you in the capable hands of Richard Fleming, our esteemed new Vice President.

I would like to extend a warm welcome to any new families into the neighborhood. If you have recently moved into Lake Park Estates, please contact Bessie Burke at 214-328-9064 so we can give you a welcoming packet!

- Will



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LPENA Quarterly Meeting

Thursday
July 28th at 7:00pm
Doctors Hospital
West Tower
2nd Floor, Room 206
(Parking available in covered
garage next to the building.)

Support your neighborhood
Meet fellow LPENA neighbors

Join LPENA

Treasurer's Report
(3/25/05)
Year to Date Totals

The fiscal year for the Lake Park Estates Neighborhood Association runs from May 1st through April 30th of the following year. The figures below are for the 2004-2005 fiscal year

Carry over from previous fiscal year:	\$8,543.74
INCOME	
Dues	\$600.00
Newsletter Advertising	\$300.00
Miscellaneous Contributions	\$0.00
Monument Sign Contr.	\$0.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$900.00
EXPENDITURES	
Printing Newsletter	\$144.09
Neighborhood Signs	\$0.00
Crime Watch-Voice Mailbox	\$0.00
PO Box Rental	\$0.00
Neighborhood Picnic	\$987.04
Garland Rd. Cleanup	\$0.00
Tree Trimming	\$0.00
Membership Drive	\$0.00
Checking Account Fees	\$0.00
Island Beautification	\$0.00
Monument Sign Repair	\$0.00
Welcoming Committee	\$0.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$1,131.13
Account Balance	\$8,312.61

Current membership:
Total LPENA Homes: 288
Current Members Dues Paid 2006: 73 (25.3%)
2005 Members that have not paid 2006 Dues: 56 (19.4%)
2004 Members that have not paid 2006 Dues: 31 (10.8%)
2003 Members that have not paid 2006 Dues: 27 (9.4%)
2002 Members that have not paid 2006 Dues: 9 (3.1%)
2001 Members that have not paid 2006 Dues: 13 (4.5%)
2000 Members that have not paid 2006 Dues: 3 (1.0%)
1999 Members that have not paid 2006 Dues: 3 (1.0%)
1998 Members that have not paid 2006 Dues: 12 (4.2%)
Homes that have never had a membership: 61 (21.2%)

Neighborhood Real Estate Stats

The following list provides information regarding all real estate activity for single family homes in the Lake Park Estates, as reported by the Multiple Listing Service (MLS) of the Greater Dallas Association of Realtors:

Real Estate Activity in Lake Park Estates as of 10/02/04

Homes for Sale:	6
Average Sq. Ft.	1602
Average Price	\$193,333
Average Price Per S. F.	\$120.77
Average Days on Market:	50
Homes under contract:	2
Homes Sold:	8
Average S.F.	1701
Average Sales Price	\$213,125
Average Price Per S. F.	\$127.31
Average Days on Market:	43

Statistics provided courtesy of: Kelly Nolan, Ebby Halliday Realtors, 214-355-3135



Kelly Nolan



214-355-3135

kelly.nolan@ebby.com

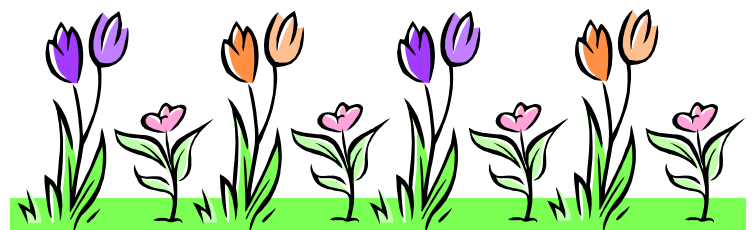
Specializing in
Lake Park Estates and the Casa Linda Area

Ebay Trading Assistants!



Have something to sell?
Too busy to list or manage your auctions?

call Queens of Trade
214-228-5182



WELCOME TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD!

9715 Tralee

Darren & Teresa Cameron

If you know of a new neighbor on your street, please call Lucy White at 214-327-7856 so we can mention them here!

LPENA Advertising Rates

1/8 page (bus. card size)	
\$40. ea 1X	\$40.
\$35. ea 2X	\$70.
\$30. ea 3X	\$90.
\$25. ea 6X	\$150.

1/4 page (4.25 x 5.5)	
\$70. ea 1X	\$70.
\$60. ea 2X	\$120.
\$50. ea 3X	\$150.
\$40. ea 6X	\$240.

1/2 page (8.5 x 5.5)	
\$100. ea 1X	\$100.
\$90. ea 2X	\$180.
\$80. ea 3X	\$240.
\$70. ea 6X	\$420.

Full Page (8.5 x 11)	
\$160. ea 1X	\$160.
\$140. ea 2X	\$280.
\$120. ea 3X	\$360.
\$100. ea 6X	\$600.

1/16 page (1/2 bus. card size)
(Available to individuals under 18 years old)
\$17.50 ea 1X

Our newsletter is distributed quarterly (Jan., April, July, Oct.) to nearly 300 homes located in the NE White Rock Lake Area of Dallas. Advertising in our newsletter is a cost-effective method for community businesses and entrepreneurs to market their products and services. Please send your ad copy or business card (all ads are printed in black and white) and indicate the desired ad size and the number of times you would like your ad published. Be sure to enclose your payment based on the schedule above. Lake Park Estates Neighborhood Association Board reserves the right to refuse advertising deemed inappropriate for the neighborhood.

Send copy to:
LPENA, PMB #262
381 Casa Linda Plaza, Dallas, TX 75218
call: 214-328-3816 or 214-324-4715

Code Enforcement

The City is out enforcing the Bulk Trash dates. Several neighbors on Galway got fined a few months ago for early bulk trash on the curb. This is a \$225.00 fine, NO WARNINGS! BEWARE.



Mike Schmitt Really Gets Into White Rock Lake Real Estate

Serving the White Rock Area for 25 years



Mike Schmitt, CRS/SRES
RE/MAX Associates of Dallas
214.553.2059 24 Hours
800.989.4687 ext. 2059
email: michael.schmitt@sbcglobal.net

For valuable real estate information
visit Mike's web site at:
www.whiterocklakeproperties.com



A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL NEIGHBORS AND LPENA MEMBERS.

Bessie and I would like to thank all of our neighbors for the wonderful response and offers of help after the fire that almost destroyed our home at 9927 Galway on June 4th. It was great to read all of your e-mails and to hear your concern for us. We have removed most of the damage that was done to the interior of our home, and after we receive approval from the building inspectors, we plan to str the rebuilding of it. Thank you again for your considerations. Please call me at 214-328-9064 if you have any concerns or questions.

Sincerely,
L. George & Bessie Burke

THERE IS A NEW UNITED STATES OF AMERICA DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY (DOE) RULE:

Beginning January 23, 2006 all new air conditioning/heat equipment must be a minimum of 13 SEER (seasonal energy efficiency rating). Currently, the existing air conditioning/heat systems in most homes are rated at 10 SEER or below. This means that: if an existing system cannot be repaired, the replacement system must be upgraded to a 13 SEER. The 13 SEER equipment, by itself, will cost approximately 40% more than 10 SEER equipment. Additionally, labor costs will be much higher.

Energy conservation issues began back in the Bill Clinton administration. The government finalized a rule that mandated a 30-percent increase in efficiency for central air conditioners. When George W. Bush came in office, he changed the rule to a 12 SEER standard and the court battle began. After 5 years in the courts, the 13 SEER finally won.

At this point, all parties "have had their say in court." Assistant Secretary for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy David Garman said: "DOE will enforce the 13 SEER standard. In the interest of giving consumers and industry the regulatory certainty they need, it is time for the government and for private parties to stop litigating, and start working towards complying with the 13 SEER standard." The Energy Department had promulgated a 12 SEER standard in 2002, but earlier, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit ruled that the department had done so improperly. The air conditioner manufacturing industry had challenged the 13 SEER, which DOE had issued in January 2001, but recently withdrew its challenge.

"This important ruling will save consumers money, reduce the risk of blackouts, and cut emissions of air pollutants and greenhouse gases" said ACEEE Executive Director Steven Nadel. ACEEE analysis shows that American consumers will save 250 billion kilowatt hours and \$21 billion in electricity bills through 2030.

Over the same period, utilities will avoid building 20,000 megawatts of peak power capacity, saving billions of dollars in capital costs and reducing future electric rates. The energy saved will prevent the emission of over 50 million metric tons of carbon—the equivalent of taking 34 million cars off the road for one year.

The 13 SEER rule takes on additional importance given events that have unfolded since its 2001 promulgation. In August 2003, the nation's largest power blackout affected millions of people; it was driven in part by peak air conditioning loads on the power grid. The 13 SEER standard keeps 20,000 megawatts of peak power demand off the grid; thus, it would limit the risk of future blackouts.

The SEER 13 standard can also help address serious problems in the natural gas industry. With supplies tightly constrained, prices have risen to record levels and show no sign of returning to the low prices of the 1990s. ACEEE recently completed a study of the impact that energy efficiency can have on natural gas prices, showing that as little as a 2% reduction in demand can cut wholesale gas prices by 20%. Much of the savings in the study came from reduced peak electricity use, because natural gas is heavily used for power generation, especially at peak times. The SEER 13 standard, by saving peak electricity use, would thus save substantial amounts of natural gas.

The bad news for most consumers (over 2,000,000 homes in the Metroplex) is that the HVAC system in their house is out of federal code. So, every house that is being sold, that needs new HVAC equipment before the contract closes, is going to be an expensive fix.

If the furnace and evaporator coil are in the attic, when new larger units have to be installed, the homeowner will have to provide "access," which can require construction modification. Roof mounted systems may need structural and access modifications, too.

These are some of the costly extenuating circumstances, because of the larger size, that can face a homeowner:

- A 40% higher cost to purchase equipment.
- Since a coil has to be compatible with a condenser to obtain higher ratings, a consumer could be replacing one unbroken piece of equipment in order to make the system work properly.
- A TXV metering device may be required if repairing an existing coil.
- The copper line set plumbing may need to be replaced.
- It will take 40% more Freon to charge system.
- The larger evaporative coil will probably require sheet metal and transition changes.
- Additional plumbing and electrical installation expenses would be incurred if a unit has to be re-located because the new one is larger.
- Structural changes to support the heavier and larger unit (or to allow access to the unit), especially for roof and attic mounted units, could become costly.
- New stand or pad for the larger condenser (the outside unit) if equipment is relocated.
- Higher transportation costs.
- Higher labor installation costs.
- The higher efficiency units absolutely require a clean system, and may necessitate additional cleaning costs.
- A more efficient condensing unit will require a new thermostat to be installed

All home warranty companies are trying to figure out how to deal with this catastrophic and expensive governmental regulation. Our industry's business is to replace equipment with the 10, not 13, SEER. The homeowner will have to pay the difference for the upgrade from 10 SEER to 13 SEER.

Most home warranty companies, promise to the homeowner that they will fix or replace specific systems and appliances. But, the burden of governmental regulations that mandate any corrections, repairs, replacements, upgrades or additional costs in order to comply with federal, state or local laws are not covered. MOST are preparing an Optional Coverage package, that the homeowner can purchase, that will assist with this huge burden. It will work exclusively for new equipment installation.

Without the home warranty, homeowners would have to face the total burden of replacing 13 SEER equipment. With most home warranty contracts, homeowners can expect that - even though they cannot pay for all the additional costs - they will help by paying our cost for 10 SEER equipment and by getting the best pricing through our trusted air conditioning contractors.

LPENA Committees

This year's committee chairs are listed below. If you would like to help in any of these areas, please call.

Beautification	Suzie Himes	214-321-9161
Crime Watch	Jeff	
Mom's Group	Cindy Syler	214-324-4634
Newsletter	Lucy White	214-327-7856
Welcoming	Bessie Burke	214-321-6336
Yard of the Month	Lucan Watkins	214-324-2062
Block Capt. Coord.	Rory Yocum	214-324-1025
Code Enforcement	Todd Howard	214-321-7147

LPENA "Mom's Group"

by Cindy Syler

July's Recipe Club night theme was luau! We all had a fantastic time at Cindy Syler's home. She made Mai Tai's and Pina Colada's and everyone brought delicious Hawaiian food.



The LPENA Mom's Group playgroup meets the 1st and 3rd Friday of each month from 9:30-11:00am and the Recipe Club meets the second Thursday of each month at 7:00pm. If you are interested in joining or have any questions about the Mom's Group, please contact Cindy Syler at: 214-324-4634 or email her at csyler@sbcglobal.net

RECYCLE!

Recycling pick-up is on Wednesdays.
If you would like more information
about recycling, please call Todd Howard:
214-321-7147



Area Websites

www.dallasarboretum.org
www.bathhousecultural.com
www.whiterocklake.org

Churches in the Community

There are five churches representing five denominations in Lake Park Estates. If you don't have a church home, you are welcome & invited to attend any of the following churches!

EL DIVINO
SALVADOR
PRESBYTERIAN
8822 Angora -
214-327-6310



FIRST FAMILY
CHRISTIAN CHURCH
10715 Garland Road - 214-324-4399

LAKESIDE BAPTIST CHURCH
9150 Garland Road - 214-324-1425

ST. BERNARD'S CATHOLIC
CHURCH
1404 Old Gate - 214-321-0454

WHITE ROCK
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
1450 Old Gate - 214-324-3661



This is our neighborhood.
This is where we live and
play. Please do your part to
keep our wonderful neigh-
borhood clean, beautiful
and free of trash!

Helpers Needed for Lake Spruce-Up!

Help make White Rock Lake shine as bright as the summer sun! Join other community-minded neighbors each month for the Second Saturday Shoreline Spruce-Up. The next few months are among the busiest at the lake. We need your support to keep her shining! Mark your calendar for these "trash opportunities"... August 13, September 10, and October 8. Come on out this summer and help make White Rock Lake shine like the Texas Sun!

Between 8 and 9, register and pick up supplies (trash bags courtesy of Keep Texas Beautiful, recycling bags by Trinity Waste Services, and gloves by Medicine Associates) at the For the Love of the Lake office in Casa Linda Plaza, facing Buckner near Garland Road. You'll have a great time with other volunteers fueling up beforehand with complimentary Starbucks coffee, fabulous baked goods from Great Harvest Bread Company, yummy jams from Marsue's Kitchen, delicious orange juice and chocolate milk from Schepps Dairy, refreshing Rain Fresh bottled water, fresh fruit from Crosby Cafe & Catering, and healthy energy bars from Clif Bar.

The monthly spruce-ups are sponsored by For the Love of the Lake. To learn more about the projects to preserve and enhance White Rock Lake and the informative monthly Volunteer Meetings with great speakers visit <http://www.whiterocklake.org>. Or, contact Daleen Maxwell at or 214-319-9199.

LPENA Membership

Consider participating in your neighborhood by joining the Lake Park Estates Neighborhood Association. The neighborhood will benefit from contributions of your time and/or money. Recent neighborhood improvements such as the Garland/Tranquilla monument sign refurbishment, addition of 4-way stop signs, and tree trimming at the Galway circle were made possible by volunteered time as well as financial contributions.

LPENA dues may be sent by mail to:

LPENA
381 Casa Linda Plaza
PMB 262
Dallas, TX 75218

Thanks!

DISD CALENDAR

8/5/2005 All Day Tax Free Day

8/5/2005 All Day Shop till you drop!

8/6/2005 All Day Tax Free Day

8/7/2005 All Day Tax Free Day

8/15/2005 8:00 am School Starts!

9/5/2005 All Day No School! Labor Day

10/13/2005 12:30 pm Early Release DISD

10/14/2005 All Day Fair Day DISD

<p>NEW LPENA Board 2005-2006</p> <p>PRESIDENT Will White</p> <p>VICE PRESIDENT Richard Fleming</p> <p>SECRETARY Aren Cambre</p> <p>TREASURER Josh Theodore</p> <p>V.P. of COMMUNICATIONS Lucy White</p> <p>MEMBERS AT LARGE Andrea Hosterman Eric Tinsley Valerie Aponte Terry Syler</p>	USEFUL NUMBERS!	<p>City Info Line (non-emergency) 311</p> <p>Animal Control/Removal 214-670-5111</p> <p>Brush Collection (missed service) 214-370-5111</p> <p>City Attorney's Office 214-670-3519</p> <p>City Hall Operator 314-670-3011</p> <p>City Manager's Office 214-670-3302</p> <p>City Planning Commission 214-670-3086</p> <p>Code Enforcement 214-744-3600</p> <p>Code Enforcementyou 214-952-8126</p> <p>Community Crime Watch 214-670-4427</p> <p>Council Member Mary Poss 214-670-4069</p> <p>Crime Stoppers Hot Line 214-373-8477</p> <p>Curb & gutter Repair 214-747-2600</p> <p>Drainage/Erosion Problems 214-948-4690</p> <p>Garbage Collection (missed service) 214-670-5111</p> <p>Illegal Dumping 214-744-3600</p>	<p>Junk Motor Vehicles 214-744-3600</p> <p>Litter & Weed Complaints 214-744-3600</p> <p>TXU Gas Emergency 800-817-8090</p> <p>LPENA Crime Watch Mailbox 214-967-5161</p> <p>Noise Pollution 214-948-4429</p> <p>Office of Housing Compliance 214-670-5334</p> <p>Northeast Police Station 214-670-4415</p> <p>Recycling Information 214-670-4475</p> <p>School Trustee Louis Parrott 214-328-6809</p> <p>Sewer, Water, Hydrant Leaks 214-670-5700</p> <p>Sidewalk Replacement 214-948-4214</p> <p>SPCA 214-651-9611</p> <p>Street Repair/Street Hazards 214-747-2600</p> <p>TXU Emergency (power out) 888-313-4747</p> <p>Water Main Breaks 214-744-5111</p>
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