

Whispering Hills News

A Community of Neighbors

Serving the Residents of the Whispering Hills Neighborhood

MAY 2022



*Class of
2022*

Congratulations Graduates!!!



Diamond Cooper

Richardson High School

National Honor Society

Varsity Softball Academic
All-District

Earned Girl Scout Bronze and
Silver Awards

Played volleyball, basketball,
softball, and threw shotput and
discus

Was a softball umpire and a
volleyball referee at PSA Plano

Involved in community service
at Hope for Haiti, North Texas
Food Bank and Christian World
Church nursery

Plans to work toward a
Master's Degree in Kinesiology
and eventually own a business
that helps athletes train and re-
cover



Jacob Lord

Homeschool

Richland Collegiate High School,
Dallas College

Honors Student with an
Associate Degree

Is a Boy Scout Eagle Scout

Invited to join Phi Theta Kappa
Honor Fraternity; served as Event
Coordinator for the past year

Started playing piano at 4 years
old and has performed in local
and state piano competitions

Joined the music department at
Richland, playing piano and per-
cussion in the Wind Ensemble
and Big Band

Will attend the College of Music
at UNT, majoring in music
composition.



Delina Tesfaye

Berkner High School

Was Vice President of her
class and gave a speech at
graduation

Chosen as Prom Queen

Was on a country stunt team

Participated with
the Ramblers

Will be going to Texas State to
study nursing, to eventually
become a travel nurse

More Graduates

Katie Khanh Ngoc Phuong To
Berkner High School

Hamza Othman
Berkner High School

WHNA Board & Committee Chairs

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whisperinghills.nextdoor.com

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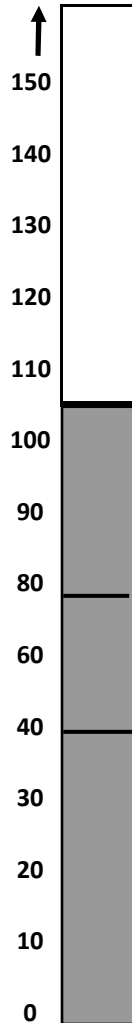
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Membership Drive Coordinator - OPEN

WHNA Membership Is Going Up, But...



The graph depicts an increase of 30 residences that are members of WHNA since the March newsletter, totaling 104. There are still 3 streets that have no representation:

Baythorne, Bernardin, and Daystrom

The Whispering Hills neighborhood includes 615 homes. That means only about 17% of very appreciated residents support the work of the WHNA Board and other volunteers.

Sign up NOW!!
Use the form
on the back page.
OR...
Try the new website

Streets with 20% or More Memberships

Belmark	44%
Bettywood	35%
Cimmaron	33%
Echo Ridge	32%
Branwood	29%
Jennifer Place	29%
Rita	21%
Chisholm	21%
Brentridge Dr.	20%

Some streets had memberships on only the east or west side of WH (i.e. Panther and Deermont). Cimmaron has 58 homes compared to Belmark which has 9, so it skews the numbers a bit.

NOTICE

If you would like to be included in the WHNA directory, submit your membership by the end of June.

It's Garage Sale Season Check QR Code or Website for Requirements

dallascityhall.com/departments/codecompliance/Pages/garage-sales.aspx

Basics

- Permit from City is required
- There is a limit of two (2) garage sales at a premise during any twelve (12) month period (**NOT by calendar year**) and each sale may not exceed more than three (3) consecutive calendar days in length.
- Signs must be placed on private property; Signs placed on medians, public property or utility poles are illegal
- Signs must be removed within 24 hours of sale.
- 1st Garage Sale -No Fee 2nd Garage Sale -\$25.00 (No Cash)



WHNA Announces New Website for the Neighborhood Check It Out at www.whnadallas.com

By Cynthia Houck

The landing or home page gives an overview of the site with links to each section. Sections can be reached by links along the top of the page and throughout the page itself. The vertical column on the left is being used to post WHNA news.

OUR INFO

Contact List – A list of all Board Members and Committee Chairs with their contact info.

Newsletter Archive – Links to all of this year's WHNA newsletters.

Map – An interactive map of the

neighborhood. Moving the little man into the map area opens Google Maps at street level.

CALENDAR

The calendar shows details of upcoming events in the neighborhood.

PAGES & LINKS


How to Join WHNA – A link to joining by Venmo or PayPal, as well as a WHNA Membership Form to be used the old fashioned way by sending a check via U.S. Mail. A copy of the membership form is on

the back of this newsletter for your convenience.


Documents & Pages – Information about the Association, the neighborhood, and the VIP/Crime Watch program.

External Links – to websites of interest to our neighbors

We hope the website will become a helpful reference tool. Please let me know if there is other information that you feel should be added. Emails may be sent to me at WHNAtreasurer@whnadallas.com.



Dallas, Texas 75243

Welcome, Visitor![Sign In](#)
[Find Your Neighborhood](#)

Next VIP Class

The Dallas Police Department Northeast Division announces the next Volunteers In Patrol (VIP) class to be held on Saturday, June 25, 2022, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Lochwood Library, 11221 Lochwood Blvd., Dallas, Texas 75218.

The flier, application, and supporting documents for potential attendees can be found in the Pages & Links section under VIP/Crime Watch.


Applications are due by Friday, June 17, 2022. They can be brought to Northeast Division in person or emailed to amber.oliver@dallascityhall.com

Welcome

Whispering Hills Neighborhood Association

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[Click here to join WHNA using Venmo or PayPal!](#)



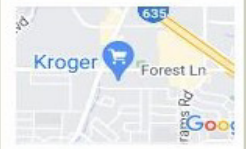
Welcome to Whispering Hills!

Located in North Dallas, bordered by Richardson to the north and Garland to the east, Whispering Hills is comprised of 615 homes built in the late 1970's to early 1980's.

Many are drawn to the neighborhood for its quiet streets, stately trees and magnificent homes. The association's purposes are assuring the beauty, safety, and stability of the neighborhood and surrounding community, promoting neighborliness and pride among the residents, being a focal point for social programs and activities in the neighborhood, and representing residents in matters affecting the Whispering Hills community.

WHNA's mailing address is WHNA, 10323 Cimmaron Trail, Dallas, TX 75243.

Our Info



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Membership

Membership in this website is private. Request membership access.

Calendar

May 23: Brush & Bulky Trash Pickup
Jun 14: WHNA Monthly Meeting
Jun 25: Next VIP Class
Jun 27: Brush & Bulky Trash Pickup

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Pages & Links

Documents & Pages

[JOIN NOW FOR 2022!](#)
[WHNA Membership Form](#)

External Links

[Nextdoor Whispering Hills](#)
[City of Dallas Website](#)

Notes from the May Dallas Public Safety Committee Meeting

Ariya Villegas, Community Prosecution District 10, Coordinator

The Neighborhood Patrol Officers (NPOs) office is continuing to hold crime watch meetings with multi-tenant communities throughout District 10. The crime watch meetings are specific to the multi-tenant community. The NPOs will host the second Multi-tenant Manager Meeting on June 16, 2022 (flyer attached) and will host other meetings throughout the summer.

With the upcoming holidays, specifically Juneteenth and July 4, DPD has diligently coordinated and prepared with Code Compliance, Dallas Fire-Rescue, and Ticket Enforcement to ensure that a solid response plan is in place.

Code Compliance is excited to announce that the department has had a 30% rise in staffing.

Code Compliance has completed its city-wide multi-family pool sweep. In just D10, there were 120 multifamily pools. Code will continue to inspect and monitor the status of the pools throughout D10 to ensure that everyone has a safe and fun summer.

Code, Office of Homeless Solution, Parks, and DART have diligently worked together to address the homeless encampments in D10. While not the exhaustive list of their efforts, the areas that were discussed at our meeting included (1) Forest/75 [scheduled for every Thursday], (2) Cottonwood Creek Trail, and (3) 10300 Forest and the area surrounding the Kansas City Railway [scheduled for 6/1/22]. OHS provided a brief summary of their outreach efforts. OHS also provided history on previous strategies used by OHS to reduce waste left by encampments.

The CP (Community Prosecution) team is working 7 properties in District 10. Six are multifamily and 1 is a single family residence.

At our previous Q1 meeting, community members shared that there were concerns about properties in the community. The CP team and other city departments have evaluated those properties and are collectively working to ensure they are brought into compliance. Specifically, the CP team has followed up on the following reported properties:

9147 Skillman: Vice City and Next Level Lounge

9849 Walnut: Richland Trace Condos

9761 Walnut: FM Food Mart

Whatever Happened to the Wall Painting Project?

In April's newsletter, WHNA was looking for volunteers to help repaint the walls at the south end of the neighborhood. Thanks to all of you that responded, offering your service.

However, due to the delay in getting the portions of the wall repaired that were damaged during a couple of automobile accidents, the painting had to be put off. Then the days got too hot for painting.

It was decided to let the company that is doing the repairs, also do the painting.

Next Volunteer in Patrol Training Join Our Neighborhood Group

When: June 25, 2022

Time: 9:00am-1:00pm

Where: Lochwood Branch Library

11221 Lochwood Blvd, Dallas, TX 75218

RSVP: Saturday, June 25, 2022

Copies of the requirements, application, and waivers can be requested from:
amber.oliver@dallascityhall.com or
bervin.smith@dallascityhall.com

Attendance is required at all 4 hours of this class to be eligible to participate in the VIP program. If you would like to attend this training class YOU MUST turn in a completed VIP application no later than Friday, June 17, 2022.

Applications may be returned by email, or mail to:
Senior Corporal Amber Oliver #10113 at the
Northeast Patrol Division, 9915 E. Northwest Hwy,
Dallas 75238

If you would like more information on how the neighbor group works, contact Mike Gorman at:
WHNAvipcoordinator@whnadallas.com

Remind Service Providers to Lock Their Vehicles

There have been several thefts of equipment from vehicles belonging to service providers while parked unlocked at homes where they are working. Remind them to lock their vehicles.

Work equipment has also been taken from resident vehicles.

Coyote Sightings in the Neighborhood Are Increasing

What to Know, What to Do

From: bedallas90.org/home/coyotes/

Coyote Hotline: 469-676-9813

In order to track and monitor the behavior and movements of coyotes in our city, we ask residents to call this hotline any time they spot a coyote. The hotline goes to a voicemail that is monitored 7 days a week. Aggressive coyotes (approaching or attacking people or pets) should be reported to 911.

Describe in detail what the coyote was doing. Information to provide in your report to the hotline:

- Address of where the coyote was sighted
- Time of sighting
- Whether hazing efforts were successful in startling and scaring off the coyote (Google “coyote hazing”)
- If the coyote was spotted eating trash or food meant for humans or pets
- Any signs of illness or injury

Common Coyote Attractants and Solutions

Pets and Pet Food

Coyotes are opportunistic omnivores and will both hunt and scavenge for food. Unattended pets such as cats and small dogs may present an opportunity for prey to coyotes. Keep cats indoors and do not leave small dogs outside unsupervised, especially at dawn, dusk, and nighttime. As an extra precaution, consider installing coyote rollers. Coyote rollers are devices that can be attached to fencing that prevent coyotes from grabbing a foothold on the tops of fences by utilizing a slick rolling device. These can be purchased online or at hardware stores. Coyote rollers can also be fashioned D-I-Y style from PVC pipes and other materials.

Pet food can also attract coyotes. Feed pets indoors if possible. If you feed your pets outdoors, promptly clean and discard any leftover food in an enclosed trash receptacle, and remove the bowls.

Community Cats

Community cats present a source of food to coyotes. If you feed community cats, set food out only during the day and at a set, consistent time. Pick up and discard leftovers in an enclosed trash receptacle immediately. When you spot coyotes on or near your property, employ hazing techniques to discourage them from returning.

Rabbits

If wild rabbits or other small wildlife are taking up residence underneath your porch or elsewhere on your property, consider discouraging them by lining open spaces like the underside of porches and decks with chicken wire.

Looking for Feature Article Ideas

Sonia Harms, Editor

If you have someone in your household, or know of a neighbor, who is doing something you'd like to share, please let us know. Feature Editor, Helen Meyer, and I are always looking for someone or a group to highlight. Artists? Writers? Teachers? Police officers? Firefighters? Special Talent? Our contact info is on page 2.

When to Call DAS

Aggressive Behavior

If a coyote approaches you, another human, or a domesticated pet, please call 911 for help immediately.

Abnormal Coyote Behavior

Coyotes should not be entering yards, porches, playgrounds, or other areas frequented by humans. Stealing food deliveries off porches, eating from bird feeders, or from pet food bowls are abnormal behavior and cause for concern. Any coyotes appearing injured or ill remaining present in a populated area is also unusual. If you see a coyote exhibiting any of these behaviors, please call the coyote hotline at **469-676-9813**

NOW THAT I'VE LIVED
DURING A PLAGUE,
I UNDERSTAND WHY
MOST RENAISSANCE
PAINTINGS ARE OF
CHUBBY WOMEN
LAYING AROUND
WITHOUT A BRA.

ifunny.co

Hey, Kids!

Here Are Some Pointers About Life from a Speech By Bill Gates

In a speech to High Schoolers, Bill Gates shared eleven things they did not, and will not, learn in school.

Rule 1 : Life is not fair - get used to it!

Rule 2 : The world doesn't care about your self-esteem. The world will expect you to accomplish something BEFORE you feel good about yourself.

Rule 3 : You will NOT make \$60,000 a year right out of high school. You won't be a vice-president with a car phone until you earn both.

Rule 4 : If you think your teacher is tough, wait till you get a boss

Rule 5 : Flipping burgers is not beneath your dignity. Your

Grandparents had a different word for burger flipping: They called it opportunity.

Rule 6 : If you mess up, it's not your parents' fault, so don't whine about your mistakes, learn from them.

Rule 7 : Before you were born, your parents weren't as boring as they are now. They got that way from paying your bills, cleaning your clothes and listening to you talk about how cool you thought you were:

So before you save the rain forest from the parasites of your parent's generation, try delousing the closet in your own room.

Rule 8 : Your school may have done away with winners and losers, but life HAS NOT. In some

schools, they have abolished failing grades and they'll give you as MANY TIMES as you want to get the right answer. This doesn't bear the slightest resemblance to ANYTHING in real life.

Rule 9 : Life is not divided into semesters. You don't get summers off and very few employers are interested in helping you FIND YOURSELF. Do that on your own time.

Rule 10 : Television is NOT real life. In real life people actually have to leave the coffee shop and go to jobs.

Rule 11 : Be nice to nerds. Chances are you'll end up working for one.

If you can read this... Thank a Teacher.

Learning to Speak English Can Be Confusing

Let's face it - English is a crazy language. There is no egg in eggplant, no ham in hamburger; neither apple nor pine in pineapple. English muffins weren't invented in England or French fries in France.

Sweetmeats are candies while sweetbreads, which aren't sweet, are meat.

We take English for granted, but if we explore its paradoxes, we find that quicksand can work slowly, boxing rings are square and a guinea pig is neither from Guinea nor is it a pig.

And why is it that writers write, but fingers don't fing, grocers don't groce, and hammers don't ham? If the plural of tooth is

teeth, why isn't the plural of booth, beeth? One goose, 2 geese. So one moose, 2 meese? One index, 2 indices?

In what language do people recite at a play and play at a recital? Ship by truck and send cargo by ship? Have noses that run and feet that smell?

Here's some more:

The bandage was wound around the wound.

The insurance was invalid for the invalid.

The farm was used to produce produce.

I had to subject the subject to tests.

**Have you ever noticed
that all instruments
searching for
intelligent life...**



**Are pointed away
from Earth**

New!! Classified Ads For WHNA Members

Classified ads are free to WHNA members. Ads will be placed through the membership year (normally 6 times) unless otherwise specified.

Send name, address, email and phone number Along with your copy, to whnanewsletter@whnadallas.com Limit your ad copy to 25 words or less, or complete the form below and mail to WHNA 10131 Panther Ridge Please don't send business cards or graphics.

Examples:

Experienced house cleaner and organizer. References available.

Contact _____ at _____

Former preschool teacher available for after school child care. Contact _____ at _____

Do you prepare cakes for special events?

Have a landscape business?

Repair/Remodeler Expert?

Computer Repair?

Dallas College Offers Emeritus Program for Ages 55 and Over

The Dallas College Emeritus Program is designed for community members 55 years of age and older.

Emeritus Registration is open for Summer and Fall 2022 Emeritus credit courses, as well as wide array of personal enrichment CE classes.

Older adults can enroll in any of Dallas College's 11,000 courses per semester. The Emeritus Program was designed to promote the life-long learning of our 55+ community through a range of **specific academic and personal enrichment courses** that are customized just for older adults.

Dallas County residents who are 65 or older are eligible for a tuition exemption for up to 6 college credits per semester. **That's six college credits for free, each semester!**

Grant Sisk, Senior Manager Special Academic Programs gSisk@dcccd.edu

Minnie Cornelius for registration assistance at: 972-238-6965 Mcornelius@dcccd.edu

dallascollege.edu/cd/senior-adults

CLASSIFIED ADS

Need pet care? Helen Meyer, 469-387-6094 (feature writer for newsletter). Neighborhood dogs & kitties give great reviews on the loving & watchful care! References Available

Reduce pain and inflammation, increase relaxation and circulation. Non-invasive medical device works through your hand FDA cleared
Chuck Laughlin cloughli@sbcglobal.net
214-906-2012
<https://AvacenMedical.com/Laughlin>
for free demo



Classified Ad Form

Member's Name _____

Address _____

Email _____

Ad Copy--- Please limit to 25 words or less.

City of Dallas Cost Share Sidewalk Replacement Program

The City partners with residents to share the cost 50/50 for existing residential sidewalk removal and replacement.

The property owner will pay 100% for the cost of drive approach removal and replacement. The City pays for all other miscellaneous items including barrier free ramps.

Sidewalk removal and replacement are logged in by the date received.

From the initial inquiry it takes two to three months to assess the property and provide a quote by mail. From the time of payment it is approximately three (3) to nine (9) months to project completion, depending on demand.

You may access the program by calling 214-948-4127 or 214-948-4287.



BRUSH & BULK

PICK-UP WEEKS BEGIN:

June 27 and July 25

Set out on curb beginning Thursday,
June 23 and July 21

before 7am on the Monday of pick-up week.

Separate bulky trash from brush.

No glass or electronics

Get the entire 2022 schedule at:
dallascityhall.com/departments/sanitation/Pages/brush_and_bulky.aspx

Take These Items to the Chemical Collection Center at 11234 Plano Rd, Dallas 75243:

Chemical products Cleaners & polishes
Paint & home repair products Aerosol sprays
Batteries of all kinds Fluorescent light tubes
Automotive fluids & oil filters
Computers & cell phones

Recycle ONLY These Items.

DON'T BAG! DON'T CRUSH!

Mixed Paper--newspaper, magazines. Junk mail paper should be postcard size or larger.
No shredded paper.

Cardboard -- heavy (collapse cardboard boxes), and light (like cereal boxes)
Remove the greasy side of pizza boxes.

Cartons--juice, milk etc. No larger than a gallon

Metal cans--aluminum, tin and steel--**cans only**

Glass bottles and jars

Plastic containers--with recycle emblem 1-7

If in doubt, throw it out.

A quick rinse will do, you don't need to spend a lot of time and water washing containers.

Keep plastic lids on the container. Metal lids can be put into the bin separately. Magnets will pick them out.

In case you are not aware, our \$50.00 dues are the main source of income for WHNA. (That's \$.14/day; \$.96/week; \$4.17/month.) Dues enable us to pay for recurring expenses including security, common area maintenance, newsletter, social events, and other miscellaneous items.



2022 WHNA Membership Form



I would like my information to be included in the 2022 membership Directory (circle one): Yes No
2022.MJ.NL

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

<Person 1

Person 2>

Home/Cell

Phone

Home/Cell

Please indicate if number is home or cell number.

eMail

eMail address will be added to the email blast system for community meetings and events.

Dues: **\$50**
(tax deductible)

Additional Donation: _____
(tax deductible)

Please indicate your interest in helping in one or more of the following ways:

- ☐ Volunteer Crime Patroller ☐ Making phone calls ☐ Attending Dallas civic and government meetings
☐ Distributing newsletters or directories ☐ Pet Registry ☐ Helping at neighborhood social events
☐ Judging Yard of the Month/Christmas Lights ☐ Working your street/block for the membership drive
☐ Serving on the Board or committee ☐ Other

Send check (made payable to WHNA) to WHNA at 10323 Cimmaron Trail, Dallas, TX 75243.

For PayPal, go to www.whnadallas.com

2022 Membership Period—January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022

Payments after October 1, 2022, apply to 2023 Membership.