



2008 "Lighter in the Heights"

—By Emily Guyre, LITH Garage Sale Captain

Are you ready to clear out the garage and help support WH neighborhood events? Then look no further. The Woodland Heights Civic Association is sponsoring its 4th Annual "Lighter in the Heights" Garage Sale on Saturday, **October 11th**. This year the LITH committee has set a goal to raise \$5,000, so we need your support to make this happen! This might even be a good opportunity to coordinate with your neighbors for a block garage sale! Proceeds will be used for street security during the 2008 Lights in the Heights® event.

Here's how it works: Contact **Emily Guyre** at emily.guyre@sbcglobal.net or **(832) 723-0560** if you would like to participate. I will provide you with a sign-up form that asks you to indicate how much of your sales you will donate to LITH (minimum 20%) and whether you want to have your "leftovers" picked up by a not-for-profit group. We will be advertising in the Houston Chronicle, the Green-sheet, on Craig's List, on the Infoline, and on the WH website. On the day of the event, we will post signs, mark participating homes with balloons, and hand out route maps.

We hope that the 2008 "Lighter in the Heights" neighborhood garage sale will build on the success of the previous year's sales and become a traditional Woodland Heights fundraising event. Remember that we have set a pretty significant goal, so we need your help! If you are interested, please let me know. I can be reached at **(832) 723-0560** or emily.guyre@sbcglobal.net. Thank you in advance for your support.



Hogg Middle School Silent Auction and Gala

—By Anne Baumgarten



What's all the hype at Hogg Middle School? There's a SPARK Park coming soon! Hogg's Park is expected to include a walking path / track, outdoor theater and classroom, beautiful artwork to brighten the neighborhood, and much more.

SILENT AUCTION AND GALA: September 13th at 205 Bayland, the residence of Bill Baldwin. Tickets will be available August 15th at Hogg Middle School for \$25. All proceeds go toward building the community park. Dress to impress, as we are "Roarin' Back to the 20's" and celebrating the restoration of a historic Heights landmark. Join us on September 13th to help reach our goal! Contact Principal Imelda Medrano or **Anne Baumgarten** at **(713) 802-4700** or email acobb1@houstonisd.org.

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2008 Family Picnic Fun for All!

—By Louise Moss

The Norhill esplanade was the place to be on Saturday, May 31st, for the 2008 Woodland Heights annual picnic, bake sale and silent auction. Hundreds of Woodland Heights neighbors of all ages gathered in the rather warm afternoon sun at 4 PM and reluctantly departed at 8 PM when the temperature had dropped and a slight breeze appeared.

The DJ and MC for the event was Charlie Earthman, a fellow resident in our neighborhood, who played an excellent variety of music. Charlie's "freeze" selections for the children proved that it is possible to have a number of children frozen in place for at least a few seconds. The children also enjoyed the face painting and clown, as well as the moonwalks.

The silent auction was organized by experts Pat Schaper and Deborah Dunten. Area businesses or individuals who contributed to the silent auction included: Air and Tent Party Rentals, Andy's Home Café, Anne Skupin, Another Place in Time, Arbonne, Arbor Care, Backyard Gardener, Barefoot Adventures Party Rentals, Berryhill Baja Grill, Bliss on 19th, Buchanan's Native Plants, C & D Hardware, Carter & Cooley Deli, Central Market, Cheryl Browning, Cosa Bella, Cricket's Creamery & Caffè, Curves, Dacapo's, David, Etc., Deborah McLeod, Dharma Café, Donna Gray, Dorie Kerr, Doug & Don's, Eclectic Home, Elegant Notions, Eye to Eye, Firehouse Studios, Grace Hart & Company, Heights Lights and Things, Heights Spa, Houston Tamale Factory, J. Harding & Co., Janet Tallichet Landscaping, Joshua's Native Plants, Jubilee, Kaboom Books, Kathy Barr, Kojak's Café and Deli, Lovejoy's Antiques, Main Ace Hardware, McCain's Market, Mardi Gras Grill, Mercader Antiques, Montalbano Tire & Auto Repair, Mosquito Café, My Dog and Me, Newton's Nursery Houston, Nia Moves, North Main Tool Rental, Olive Anne, Onion Creek Coffee House, Oo-La-La, ParkView Nails, Patrick Talley, Phil Waldrop, Pizzitola's Bar-B-Cue, Quality Feed Company, R&F Antiques, Rebecca Lankford Designs, Riario, Rick Montes, Sara's Bed & Breakfast, Scoop le Poop, Shade, Shane Cook Design, Sharon Greiff, Stude Park Jazzercise, Spanish Flower Restaurant, Sycamore Heights B&B, Texas Gourmet Traveller, The Manor Lady,

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**Operating Budget for the Woodland Heights Civic Association
April 2008-March 2009**

—By Randal Ellis, WHCA Treasurer

The Woodland Heights Civic Association works to promote civic activity, with the goals of improving our life in the inner city and preserving the historic heritage of the Woodland Heights as one of Houston's oldest and most scenic areas. In order to accomplish these goals, we must raise funds to cover the basic expenses of our neighborhood association. Your annual membership dues cover these costs. Below is a summary of this year's annual budget.

Projected Income

<i>Membership Dues</i>	\$17,700.00	
<i>Donation with Membership</i>	\$ 7,050.00	
<i>Newsletter Sponsorships</i>	\$ 600.00	
Total Income		\$24,850.00

Projected Expense

<i>Administration (Basic offices supplies, postage and printing, event insurance)</i>		\$8,663.80
<i>Beautification (Maintenance and mowing of neighborhood esplanades)</i>		
<i>Watson St. Esplanade</i>	\$ 300.00	
<i>Norhill Esplanade</i>	\$2,400.00	
<i>Houston Ave. Esplanade</i>	\$ 300.00	
<i>Total Beautification</i>		\$3,000.00
<i>Deed Restrictions/Land Use (Enforcement of neighborhood deed restrictions and standards)</i>		\$1,890.00
<i>Membership Expenses (Printing and postage of annual membership drive)</i>		\$2,130.00
<i>Newsletter (Printing cost for 10 issues)</i>		\$3,604.00
<i>Web Page (Monthly upkeep and maintenance of neighborhood website and bulletin board)</i>		\$1,980.00
Total Expense		\$21,267.80

Estimated Net Income

\$3,582.20

Your membership counts! WHCA sponsored projects and events are funded by your membership dollars. If you have not yet become a member, please use the form on the back of this newsletter or go to www.woodland-heights.org and join! Thank you again to all of our 2008 members!

2008 WHCA Family Picnic





NOON 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM

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Tulips & Tutus, The Glass Wall, Under the Ivy, Venus Hair, White Horse Academy of Martial Arts, Wind Water Gallery, and Yol Art Custom Framing.

Forty-five of our neighborhood’s fabulous bakers furnished cakes, pies, cupcakes, cookies and brownies for the bake sale, which was organized by Vianey Gonzalez and Rick Montes.

Special recognition must be given to our sponsors for the picnic, including Greenwood King Properties as picnic sponsor, Dawn Shumway & Associates as silent auction sponsor, Suzanne Anderson Properties as entertainment sponsor, and Karen Derr and Associates Realty as bake sale sponsor. Fiesta Mart provided the hot dogs and condiments and thanks goes to Greg Gallardo for arranging this donation.

Proceeds from the silent auction were \$5,544, the bake sale contributed \$1,067.80, and picnickers donated an additional \$464.76 at the food tent. Income from the picnic totaled \$8,476.56, which includes the income from our sponsors. Our expenses totaled \$1,282.50, providing a net income of \$7,195.06 that will be used for future neighborhood projects. THANK YOU NEIGHBORS!

The picnic committee sincerely thanks our neighbors, sponsors, auction contributors, and volunteers for their generosity and support. The success of the picnic confirms that Woodland Heights is a wonderful neighborhood in which to live.

CALENDAR

August 4	Recycling
August 4	Heavy Trash, E of Watson
August 11	Heavy Trash, W of Watson
August 18	Recycling
August 27	PIP Meeting; 7:00 pm
September 1	<i>Labor Day Holiday</i> NO TRASH PICK-UP
September 2	Recycling
September 2	Heavy Trash, E of Watson
September 8	Heavy Trash, W of Watson
September 9	WH Board Meeting <i>7:30 pm; Zion Lutheran</i> <i>3606 Beauchamp</i>
September 13	Hogg Silent Auction
September 15	Recycling
September 24	PIP Meeting; 7:00 pm
September 29	Recycling

Woodland Heights Newsletter

The Woodland Heights Newsletter is a publication of the Woodland Heights Civic Association (WHCA), and seeks to keep the community informed of board activities and developments of interest to area residents.

WHCA General Meetings are held the **second Tuesday** of every month (except June, July, August and December). Unless otherwise noted, meetings are located in the meeting room at Zion Lutheran Church, 3606 Beauchamp.

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WHCA Membership Drive

—By Vicky Bettis, VP—Membership

As of July 19, 2008, 429 residents have responded to our March Membership Drive, providing dues and contributions totaling \$19,140.00. That lags last year comparables by \$710 and 48 residents!

Our goal is not only to meet our budgeted Projected Income, but to break last year's record of \$26,395 contributed by 618 residents. To reach that goal, it is imperative that you forward your dues as soon as possible. You can use the form provided in this newsletter or go to www.woodland-heights.org and click on our pay pal link. Your dues support green space maintenance, monthly newsletter financing, and deed restriction enforcement, to name a few projects. A more detailed list is available at our website under the membership article.

Our Super Neighbors for July are: Carolina Alaniz, Catherine & Mike Hay, David & Debbie Hall, Denise & Greg Carraux, Douglas & Alice Laguarta, Elizabeth Martin, Janet Yun & Robert Mallan, Jim & Frances Weston, Kevin Dubose & Glenda Owen, Nick & Melissa Erwin, Robert & Andrea Hayden and Yezdi M Rustomji.

WHCA Newsletter Accepts Sponsors

—By An Armstrong, VP—Newsletter Sponsorship



Monthly sponsorship fees are \$50/month for a 2 x 3.5 inch (business card size) sponsorships/promotions block. The WHCA Board will review all applications for sponsorship. Individuals interested in becoming WH Newsletter sponsors, should contact the WH Newsletter Sponsorship VP, An Armstrong at newsletter@woodland-heights.org for further details.

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Membership Year April 1, 2008 to March 31, 2009

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