

# RICHLAND NEWS



Richland Park/Richland Oaks Homeowners' Association Newsletter  
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**March 2009**

## CALENDAR

March 7	Neighborhood Trash Collection Morning
March 8	Daylight Saving Time Begins
March 13	RISD Student/Staff Holiday (if not needed for snow day)
March 16-20	RISD Spring Break
March 17	St. Patrick's Day
March 20	Spring Begins
April 4	Neighborhood-Trash Collection Morning

## Neighborhood Crime Watch volunteers honored for their service by the COR

Richardson Crime Watch Patrol volunteers were treated to a dinner and recognition for years of service Jan. 22 hosted by the City of Richardson. The western-themed event also included a western wear competition which was won by Richland Park/Oak's own Bob McClure who also serves as our neighborhood crime watch patrol coordinator. Bob also won an 8-hour patrol in a Richardson Police Department patrol car.

New car signs were also presented to Richland Park/Oaks and Richardson Heights signifying their 15 years of excellent service to their neighborhoods and the community.

In all, 29 patrol members throughout the city had 15 or more years of service. **Of the 29, Richland Park/Oaks had 20 such members.** Crime Watch Patrol volunteers received recognition pins based on years of service.

### Fifteen or more years of service

Dave Coppedge, Ron Coyne, L.C. Craig, Gary Knecht, Alberta Hammond, Syd Hammond, Alta Holland, Tom Holland, Keith Kent, Louise Kent, Calvin Kinney, Jan Kurka, Ken Lilly, Ernie Mansfield, Gwyne Stockton, Van Stockton, Carl Wenholz, Nancy Wenholz, Harry Wood and Jean Wood.

### Ten to Fourteen years of service:

Barbara Crockett, Bill Jones, Ruth Jones, Bob Markell, Perry Martin, Bob McClure, Charles Peavy, Vern Ruuska, Thomas Schafer, Cecil Slattum.

### Five to Nine years of service:

Jack Johnson, Carol Levy, Steve Sanchez, Carolyn Sherman, Mary Shumway

### One to Five years of service:

Jim Archer, Melanie Ayer, Rebecca Campbell, Steve Campbell, Chuck Fiedler, Jim Hagan, David Kirkland, Michael Millet, Carolyn Murphy, Clement Obenwa, James Ode, Karen O'Halloran, David Pomajzl, Daniel Raz, Bonnie Roth, Diana Ruuska, Ken Schuman, James Teague

According to McClure, there are now seven areas in Richardson with Crime Watch Patrols and the city is working hard to get foot patrols for the apartments on Buckingham next to the wall on Park Bend.

"If you look at the city crime reports," McClure said, "there is just too much activity going on over there and they believe foot patrols, along with regular patrols would work out great."

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**Curtis Dorian**

## President's Message

**Dear Residents,**

I hope you all had a fantastic Holiday Season and I wish you a good 2009.

I always like to thank our board, our volunteers and crime watch. Without your contributions we would not be able to accomplish our on-going goals.

We are always looking for volunteers. We need individuals for the following:

- \* Membership Chairperson
- \* Sub committee members for all board positions
  - Architectural/Beautification
  - Block Captains
  - Crime Watch
  - Membership
  - Newsletter
  - Data Base
  - Website

To volunteer, contact the appropriate board member listed on this page.

Traffic Calming is now enforced by the City of Richardson. For more information, visit our website at [www.richlandhoa.com](http://www.richlandhoa.com) or [www.cor.net](http://www.cor.net).

Entry Designs: According to the City of Richardson, we are still on schedule for April/May construction for the entrances on Walnut and Audelia. Several of the entry designs approved by the residents at the Fall General Homeowners' Meeting appear on page 6 of this newsletter.

It is also time to renew your membership in our neighborhood association. If you haven't received a membership form in the mail, feel free to use the form on pages 7 & 8. Your membership is vital to the success of our neighborhood.

***I am here to serve you.*** If you have any suggestions, concerns, or just want to talk, contact me at [president@richlandhoa.com](mailto:president@richlandhoa.com) or call 972-235-0230 (home) or 214-698-9936 (office). My door is open!

Sincerely,

***Curtis Dorian***

Curtis Dorian, President, RHA

## 2008 Crime Watch Report

Hi Neighbors,

Hope everyone had a great 2008. Some in the neighborhood did not. Last year crime spiked to an all time high for our area. Even with all the efforts of CRIME WATCH PATROL we can't be everywhere at all times.

**The stats for Richland Park and Richland Oaks were:**

<b>Burglaries</b>	<b>36</b>
<b>Thefts from motor vehicles</b>	<b>33</b>
<b>Car Thefts</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>Criminal Mischief</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>Attempted Robberies</b>	<b>2</b>

Most of the **36 burglaries** were from UNLOCKED DOORS AND WINDOWS. As to the **33 thefts from motor vehicles**, if you leave it in your car or truck you can say goodbye to it. Thieves walk our streets and alleys day and night checking door handles. If it's unlocked, they take what they can get. If you leave your purse, laptop, GPS unit, wallet, keys, anything of value, they will smash your window to get it. Guess what! Most car alarms don't go off until a door is opened, so they just reach in and grab.

Of the **18 car thefts**, I know of six that were taken in connection with home burglaries. The rest were taken off the streets and out of our driveways. Some cars even had the keys left in them.

The **28 criminal mischief** stats had to do with damage of some kind to property and here's the scary one—**two attempted robberies** in our alleys. If someone is following you up the alley and you don't know who it is, DO NOT PULL IN YOUR DRIVEWAY OR GARAGE! Keep driving and if you have a cell phone, call 911. If no cell phone, blow your horn and keep driving toward Beltline and Greenville to the Police Station.

Folks, this was by far our worst year ever, and with all the lay-offs, it is bound to get worse before it gets better. We all need to think about safety. Keep an eye out for our neighbors as well. Learn their home and work numbers to alert them and the Police if you see anything out of place. If you see repairmen, check it out. Watch for delivery people. They could just be checking doors to see if they are locked or if anyone is home. This is a common practice done on our streets every day.

There is also a **web scam** going on. They send you an email or call you asking you to take a survey from Walmart and they will credit your credit card or bank with \$150 for taking the survey. Walmart is NOT connected in any way with this survey. Don't fall for it.

**We still have too many OPEN GARAGE DOORS** during the day. I know, you are just mowing your yards or planting flowers out back but it only takes 30 seconds for a thief to grab something he can pawn for drugs. I was guilty of it myself recently. The motor to my electric window broke and I was trying to get the window up. Went into the house for another tool, wasn't in there 30 seconds and my phone rings. "Hey Bob, your garage door is open." It was a Crime Watch Patrol person. They just love to bust my chops. So please, let's keep those doors down.

**We always need more people for Crime Watch** so if you have an interest PLEASE give me a call at 214-763-0589. It is really quite rewarding and you are NEVER in any danger. I could use some late night patrollers from 10 p.m. until 6 a.m. It's not an 8-hour shift—just whatever time you can spare. Cars on the streets with Crime Watch Patrol signs really work.

**Stay safe out there.**

**Bob McClure, crimewatchone@yahoo.com, 214-763-0589**

## Quick Tips

The latest thing going on in our neighborhood is somebody who knocks on doors (lately a tall, slender black male) along with a couple of other black males who wait in an older model blue Plymouth while the first guy asks for directions to one of the streets in the neighborhood.

Knocked on several doors on Hilton in mid-January and possibly others since.

**If this happens at your home, do not open the door. You can let them know you're home and give directions through the door. However, you then need to call the Richardson Police and report it.**



**Then there's this** from the Highland Terrace Neighborhood Newsletter . . .

On Nov. 21, 2008, a Richardson Police Officer arrested a suspect for Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle and Evading in a vehicle. **The vehicle was taken from one of the burglaries in Richland Park.**

The subject said he helps pick out houses to be hit by crews that work only during the day.

He said they knock on doors numerous times to make sure nobody is home before kicking in the back door.

If somebody answers the front door they offer to do yard work and then leave to "get their equipment" without returning.

According to the subject the group picks houses with low or no fences so they can have a good view of the back in case they need to make a fast escape.

He also said that they try to stay to the south side of the neighborhood because they can jump the wall into the nearby apartments and disappear.



## SAFETY/INFORMATION

### City passes ordinance to help alleviate congestion on streets

Richardson City Council is hopeful that recently-passed regulations for motor vehicle overnight parking on public streets adjacent to residential lots will help reduce on-street parking and ensure that residents have a space to park in front of their own homes.

According to Don Manger, director of Neighborhood Services, excessive on-street parking in residential neighborhoods has been one of the most frequent complaints registered by residents for the past few years. The most common concerns include limited visibility, blocked sidewalks, problems maneuvering around cars and limited parking in front of one's own home.

#### Here is a summary of the ordinance.

It is an offense for a person lawfully in the possession of a motor vehicle to park between 2 and 8 a.m. on a public street adjacent to a residential lot unless that person is a resident or occupant of the residence.

The restrictions do not apply to motor vehicles that have stopped temporarily while the operator or passenger is making deliveries to the residence, loading or unloading passengers or goods or stopped temporarily to make emergency repairs.

“It is important to note that residents and their visitors/guests who are occupying the home overnight may park on the street adjacent to that home at any time. Under no circumstances do the new restrictions prohibit you or your visitors/guests from parking in front of your own home,” Manger said.

The ordinance will be enforced on a complaint-only basis in a joint effort between Richardson's Neighborhood Services and Police Departments. Neighborhood Services will take the lead in investigating complaints and will work with residents to achieve compliance.

#### Frequently Asked Questions About the New Ordinance:

*Published in the February 2009 edition of “Richardson Today”*

#### **Q. Where can my family and friends park if they are visiting for the weekend?**

*A. Guests, such as family and friends, who are staying overnight at your home are considered occupants of your home during that time. Their vehicles can be parked on your property or on the street adjacent to your home.*

#### **Q. Will the new restrictions impact my ability to host a dinner party, church meeting or other similar event at my home?**

*A. No. The ordinance is intended to address overnight parking only. The new restrictions apply to parking on the street between 2 a.m. and 8 a.m. only.*

#### **Q. How many vehicles can I park on the street in front of my home?**

*A. Vehicles can only be parked on the street directly adjacent to your property. The number of vehicles is limited to that which may be legally parked in accordance with all applicable parking ordinances.*

#### **Q. How do I express a concern about a possible parking violation?**

*A. Contact Neighborhood Services between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. at 972-744-4166, file a complaint online at [www.cor.net/ns](http://www.cor.net/ns), or call the City's 24-hour Response Center at 972-744-4111.*

### Got a scooter? Then you need a permit

If your child got a scooter during the holidays the Richardson Police Department (RPD) reminds you that operators of electric or motorized scooters age 12 and older who don't have a valid driver's license must get a City of Richardson Scooter Permit.

To get a permit scooter riders must complete a free scooter safety course sponsored by the RPD. Scooter operators under age 12 are restricted to public sidewalks for riding.

Pocket bikes or mini motorbikes cannot be legally operated on public roadways or sidewalks in the State of Texas.

Scooter safety classes last from 45 to 60 minutes and are every Wednesday at 4 p.m. There is also a class on the second Saturday of the month at 10 a.m. by appointment only.

For more information, call 972-744-4800.

### **Yikes! Change those clocks in March**

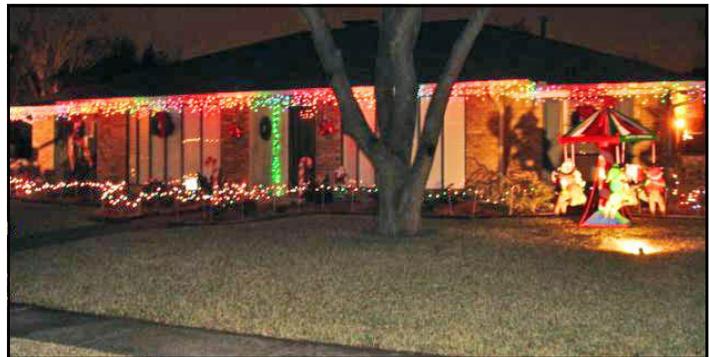
Daylight savings time starts early this year. Turn your clocks forward one hour on March 8.

March 8 is also a good time to replace the batteries in your smoke detectors.

ARCHITECTURE, LANDSCAPING, BEAUTIFICATION

*A few memories of Christmas Past*

*Photos by Curtis Dorian*



# ARCHITECTURE, LANDSCAPING, BEAUTIFICATION

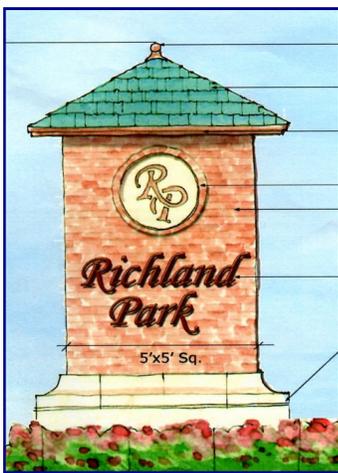
## Residents approve new designs for neighborhood entrances

*Designs presented at Fall HOA meeting accepted for spring construction*



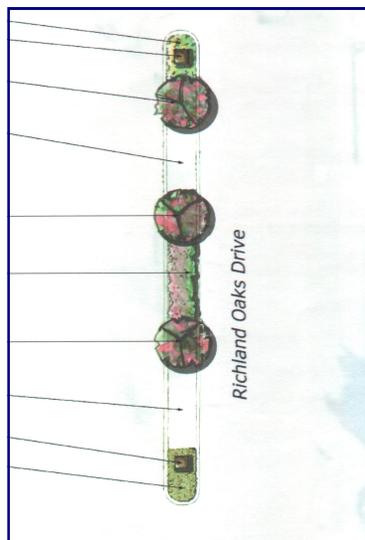
Park Bend at Abrams will have an iron fence with a bronze mark AND a new brick screening wall to match the existing brick wall.

**Park Bend Iron Fence Entry**



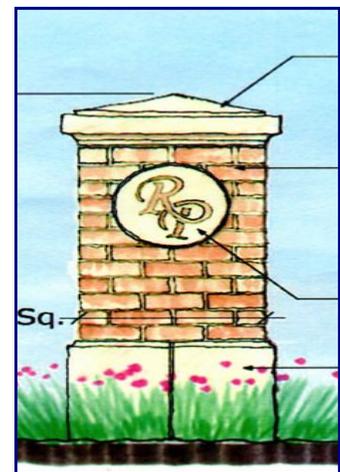
**Entry Monument**

This 11 ft. Entry Monument will be in the center median at Richland Park Drive. Made of earthtone brick it will have a copper roof crown, faux slate roof, copper trim & fascia, a cast stone base and Mark inset plus raised painted aluminum letters.



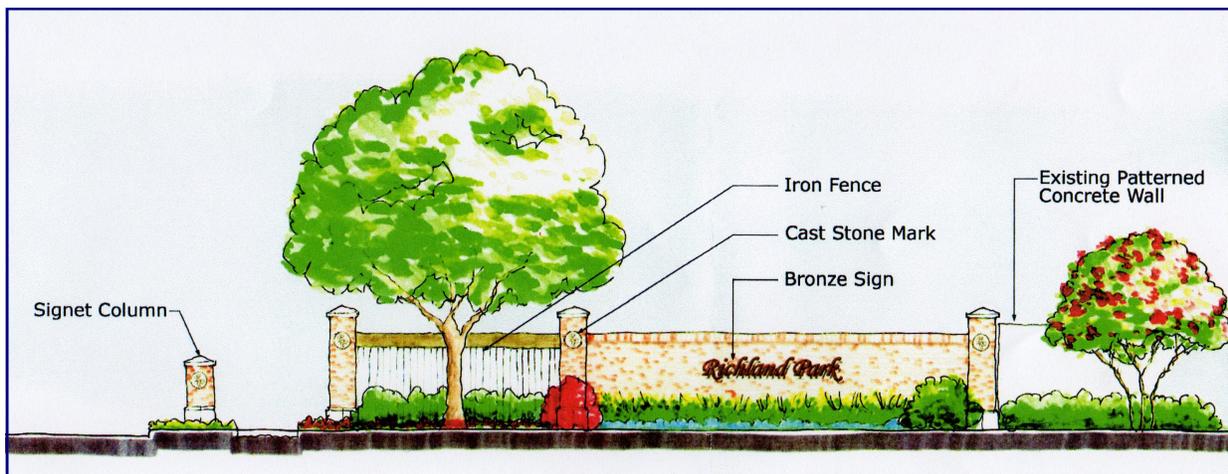
**Richland Oaks Drive Center Median Entry**

Two Signet Columns and new plantings will frame Richland Oaks Drive.



**Signet Column**

Five foot, four-inch Signet Columns will be placed at the Audelia entrances of Wentworth, Stillmeadow and Tiffany Trail. They'll be of earthtone brick similar to existing flagstone with a cast stone Mark inset and base.



This is a rendering of how the Audelia entrances will look at Wentworth, Stillmeadow and Tiffany Trail. A matching Signet Column will be installed on the opposite side of the street at each of these entrances.



# Richland Park/Oaks Neighborhood Association 2009 Membership Application

**Membership Dues for Jan. 1 through Dec. 31, 2009**  
**Membership open to ALL Richland Park/Oaks residents**  
**whether you own or rent.**

Dear Neighbors:

It's time for our 2009 Membership Drive. Richland Park/Oaks continues to be one of Richardson's most desirable neighborhoods because of **your** membership and people like you that volunteer their time.. **THANK YOU!**

Dues are only \$40.00 a year. These dues help to provide valuable services, contribute greatly to our sense of community, and include the following services and benefits:

- \* **Crime Watch Patrol (all patrol members are trained volunteers)**
- \* **Maintenance & updating of entry landscaping**
- \* **Social activities for all ages**
- \* **Representation at City of Richardson meetings**
- \* **Interaction with RISD, Richardson Police and Fire Departments**
- \* **Seasonal yard awards**
- \* **"The Richland News" neighborhood newsletter**
- \* **Neighborhood Directory (available only to association members)**
- \* **Neighborhood Website**

**For accurate information to our Crime Watch patrol and Neighborhood Directory, please complete and return this form today. Please print clearly! Thank you again for contributing to making this a great neighborhood in which to live.**

**Name(s)** \_\_\_\_\_,  
(Last), (First) (Last), (First)

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**Primary Phone** \_\_\_\_\_ This will be used for the directory & Crime Watch.  
( ) Check to opt out of publication of your number in the directory (ONLY delivered to paying Members)

**Secondary Phone** \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) Cell ( ) Work ( ) Other \_\_\_\_\_  
Work and Cell phone numbers will be used ONLY by Crime Watch Patrol if the need arises when you are not home.

**E-mail(s)** \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail addresses will NOT BE PUBLISHED. Check here ( ) to receive important neighborhood information/alerts via e-mail. Information will NOT include advertising.

To continue to provide and improve upon these services, we are asking each resident to join and/or volunteer in some capacity Please complete the information on the back of this page and return this entire page with your \$40 check today (made payable to RHA) to:

**RHA, PO Box 852636, Richardson, Texas 75085-2636**

**For questions or comments, contact Membership Chair, Angela McCants, 972-380-3441.**  
*The Richland Park/Oaks Homeowners' Association is a registered non-profit corporation in the state of Texas*



# WE NEED YOU TO VOLUNTEER!

Richland Park / Oaks is such a great neighborhood because of the residents that volunteer their time and expertise into the community.

We are looking for people to help!

Please check or “rank” where you are able to volunteer in the following areas:

- Board Member**
- Crime Watch patrol**
- Membership Committee**
- ALB (Beautification) Committee**
- Website Committee**
- Block Captain**
- Newsletter Committee**
- Special Events Committee**
- Elder Care Assistance Committee**
- An interest we haven't listed:**

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**Any Details we should know?**

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**The Committee Chair(s) will get back to you.**

## INFORMATION

### Coalition reports latest COR activities

Below is a recent report from Richardson Coalition, part of Richardson Residents for Responsive Government, a PAC comprised of residents who economic progress while preserving quality of life and values.

You can learn more about this coalition by visiting the Richardson Coalition website at [www.richardsoncoalition.org](http://www.richardsoncoalition.org).

**Community Revitalization Awards for 2008** were announced at the February 2009 Homeowners' Presidents' Meeting. To be eligible to receive tax rebates for improvements to a property, the owner must have completed at least \$20,000 worth of improvements.

The five residential awards went to:

- Hammel residence, 1093 Edith Circle
- Novak residence, 431 Fall Creek Drive
- Stegich residence, 6 Round Rock Circle
- McKeen residence, 402 Canyon Creek Drive
- Johnson residence, 104 North Gentle Drive

The five non-residential awards went to:

- Lennox Retail Village
- Richardson Heights Shopping Center
- Richardson Village Shopping Center  
(1400 block of East Belt Line Road)
- Dal-Rich Shopping Center
- Breckinridge Montessori School

**DART Leadership**—Richardson was asked to showcase the Spring Creek DART station design at the International Economic Development Council Leadership Summit. Almost every month Richardson has representatives from other communities coming to see what we are doing with the DART rail system.

**Richardson's Neighborhood Vitality Program** has 13 projects underway. The \$8.1 million provided by the combined bond programs of 1997 and 2006 fund this effort.

**Apartment Excellence Program**—City staff recently briefed City Council on the progress in developing an Apartment Program Excellence Award Initiative to recognize apartments within Richardson. The program will involve quarterly apartment managers' meetings and annual awards.

**Apartment Standards**—the 16-unit La Salle Apartments is the third complex to be warned by the Buildings Standards Commission of problems with its structures. Corrective action is required by March 23. The complex is behind (to the east of) the China Town Shopping Center on Greenville Ave.

**HOV Access**—Access to US 75 HOV lanes from Richardson was incorrectly reported in a recent newspaper article. The City is still working with the Texas Department of Transportation (TX DOT) to obtain Richardson access to and from the HOV lanes as well as other issues involving the expressway.

**Sales Tax revenue through February** is up 11% because of good sales during December. This is in contrast to a 5% to 15% drop in other cities. In the first four months of the budget year, sales tax income is up \$135,000 or 2%.

**The North Texas Municipal Water District** has purchased a long, large sewer line from Richardson for \$1.47 million. The line extends from Renner/US 75 to just south of Jupiter/Lookout. It was installed to meet Richardson's needs long ago but then became a regional use line.

### Discounts for trash collection now available

If you are age 65 or older you are eligible for a discount on your residential trash collection.

The city requires that the person signing up for the exemption be the one whose name is on the city's water account. However, in the instance of a married couple, either party may fill out the form.

To qualify you need to complete an application form in the Water and Sewer Customer Service Office, Room 101, Richardson City Hall. You should bring one form of identification with you—a valid Texas driver's license, a Texas ID, a birth certificate, a U.S. passport, military discharge papers, printouts from the Social Security Administration or baptismal papers will be accepted as proof of age.

With the discount you'll pay \$13.33. Regular fee is \$18.

For more information, call the Water & Sewer Customer Service Department, 972-744-4120.

## Craftivity

Check out the  
Richardson Library's

Craftivity  
Program

**Saturdays**

April 25, June 20,  
Aug. 15, Oct. 10  
3 to 5 p.m.

**Basement Program Room**

Fun for the whole family. Everyone invited. No registration needed.

**972-744-4358 for information.**

## NEIGHBORS

### Welcome to all new neighbors

Here is a partial list of new neighbors for Richland Park and Richland Oaks. As always the list is a moving target and based on the most current information we have at press time.

If you have moved into our neighborhood within the last three months and you don't see your name here, please contact Block Captain Chairs, Dave and Millie Harrison, either by telephone (972-231-2748) or via e-mail (milliecxc@aol.com). They will dispatch a block captain with a welcome packet to your door.

We're glad you're here.

**Yeni Gutierrez**

422 Birch

**Joni Avery**

610 Fieldwood Circle

**Raymond Sandoval**

504 Goodwin

**Eric & Annette Ferrell**

602 Wentworth

**Wayne & Shirley Davies**

644 Wentworth

**William & Lynn Brollier**

414 Winding Brook

### Neighborhood Home Sales Report

The home listings below are taken from reports prepared by ntris listings and trulia, an on-line real estate search engine at www.trulia.com.

The average cost per square foot these days ranges from \$79.27 to \$69.70 depending on the condition of the home as well as other factors. This list is published only to give an idea of today's home market. In most cases, what you see is the "list price" not the final sale price.

Some of the homes listed have been sold recently. Others have contracts pending while still others remain on the market.

400 blk. Birch	\$181,500
400 blk. Birch	\$182,500
400 blk. Goodwin	\$190,900
400 blk. Goodwin	\$209,900
500 blk. Goodwin	\$205,000
500 blk. Goodwin	\$189,900
500 blk. Harvest Glen	\$175,000
600 blk. Harvest Glen	\$189,000
600 blk. Harvest Glen	\$189,900
600 blk. Harvest Glen	\$195,000
600 blk. Park Bend	\$175,000
1200 blk. Richland Oaks	\$135,000
400 blk. Sheffield	\$150,155
400 blk. Sheffield	\$177,500
400 blk. Sheffield	\$224,700
500 blk. Sheffield	\$195,900
500 blk. Stillmeadow	\$205,000
500 blk. Stillmeadow	\$164,500
400 blk. Winding Brook	\$179,000
400 blk. Winding Brook	\$219,900

### In Sympathy

To **Alice Kelley** and family on the death of her father in November.

To **Dee Jacobs** and family on the death of her father Nov. 17.

To **Jim Archer** and family on the death of his mother Dec. 3.

To **L.C. Craig, Leonard Craig** and their families on the death of long-time Richland Park resident **Martie** who died Jan. 18 following a long illness.

### Neighborhood Directory corrections/additions

**Correction:**

Change Ellen & George Nagode to Ellen & **Greg** Nagode, 517 Sheffield.

**Additions/Deletions**

**Add** Eric & Annette Ferrell, 602 Wentworth, 972-664-0433 and **Delete** Linda & Doyle Dean.

**Add** Yeni Gutierrez, 422 Birch Lane, 214-477-8055 and **Delete** L. Delafield

**Add** Joanie Avery, 610 Fieldwood Circle, 972-918-0444 and **Delete** Brian Smith.

Telephone numbers for other new neighbors have not been confirmed. We will pass that information along as soon as we get it.

# NEIGHBORS

## Letters . . .

*To all neighborhood dog walkers,*

*It is so nice to see you all out and about, as it brings life to the neighborhood. So many of you are conscientious and clean up after your animals, which is much appreciated by all.*

*But to whomever it is that is bagging their dog's waste and then throwing it over the fence into our back yard (several times as of this writing) we ask, **WHY BOTHER!***

*When you throw the dog waste over the fence you have just negated the good deed you have done of bagging your dog's waste. Certainly the courteous thing to do is to bag and then transport the bag with you; but if you are unwilling to do this, we would prefer you just leave it on the outside of the fence where it will eventually decompose, and not be a bag of dog waste. (It is a mysterious bag, you see, until it is picked up and the contents "confirmed".)*

*We have to pick up and "store" it where it may "linger" a few more days, awaiting the trash man to cometh forth down the alley, when it may be disposed of properly.*

*Thanks for your cooperation,*

**Rick & Nichelle Tuman**

**Dear Neighbors,**

*We have lived in Richland Park for 10 years now. That's essentially a new neighbor to some of you who built houses when this was just a meadow with a little brook running through it.*

*For the first five years we just enjoyed the neighborhood—the people out walking, the beautiful homes and yards, and at Christmas—well—we had never seen anything quite like the decorations around here.*

*We kept seeing calls for volunteers in the neighborhood newsletter and finally figured out that WE needed to see if we could be helpful in some way. We're now involved in a number of committees and have met wonderful neighbors along the way..*

*You are all very busy—working, raising children, volunteering for community groups but Jim and I hope you will add just one more thing to your life by volunteering for one of our neighborhood committees.*

*It takes very little time and the benefits are many but the bottom line is this.*

***To keep a neighborhood vital and an excellent place to live is not up to the HOA Board, or the Crime Watch Patrol, or the block captains or even your next door neighbors. It's up to EVERY ONE OF US and we need your help.***

*Call a board member and ask what you can do. **Call today!***

*Thanks for reading,*

**Jim and Valenda Archer**

## 2009 Block Captains

### Birch

- 400 Carol Levy 972-234-8069
- 500 Jewel Click & Margaret Watt 972-783-7606
- 600 Cassie McCampbell 972-235-1166

### Country Side

- 400 Marshall & Lucy Bateman 972-889-2922

### Fieldwood

- 400 Pam & Daryl Crum 972-690-6091

### Fieldwood Circle

- 600 Janet Kurka 972-699-0913

### Goodwin

- 400 Jim & Valenda Archer 972-238-9434
- 500 Vickie & Steve Tesmer 972-238-5971
- 600 Vinod & Traute Malhotra 972-669-1970

### Harvest Glen

- 400 Jim & Valenda Archer 972-238-9434
- 500 Beverly Peavy 972-235-8518
- 600 David & Faye Galvan 972-680-8759

### Hilton

- 1100 Judy Blome 972-783-7069

### Park Bend

- 400 Pam Crum 972-690-6091
- 600 Gwen Turner 972-235-2152

### Richland Oaks

- 1100 & 1200 Blocks Carol Ann Thomas 972-680-3392

### Richland Park

- 1200 Jim & Valenda Archer 972-238-9434

### River Oaks

- 400 Alice & Jamie Kelly 972-437-9053

### Sheffield

- 400 James & Juanell Teague 972-238-5863,  
Karen Atkinson 972-480-8712
- 500 Ron Coyne 972-690-5397, Michael Pinto 972-231-5381
- 600 Open

### South Lois Lane

- 1000 Janet Kurka 972-699-0913

### Stillmeadow

- 400 Jim & Valenda Archer 972-238-9434
- 500 Gary & D'Nelle Lyons 972-238-8560
- 600 Dorthy & George McKearin 972-238-9308

### Tall Oaks

- 400 Carolyn & Ed Murphy 972-234-6043

### Tiffany Trail

- 400 Susan Mather 972-690-4123
- 500 Barbara & Russell Reed 972-234-1726
- 600 Pamela & Robert Tharp 972-690-0931

### Wentworth

- 500 Andrea Harris 972-690-8536
- 600 Millie & Dave Harrison 972-231-2748

### Whispering Oaks

- 1100 & 1200 Blks. Neal & Florence Frager 214-766-4384

### Winding Brook

- 400 Sara Johnson 972-644-7349

**To volunteer as a Block Captain, call:**

Millie & Dave Harrison  
972-231-2748  
milliecxc@aol.com

# NEIGHBORS

## Monthly rubbish collection is March 7

Join your neighbors in collecting wind-blown rubbish from our neighborhood the first Saturday of each month.

The group meets at 8 a.m. at Richland Park (Lois Lane side) and it takes only 30 to 45 minutes to “work your assigned area.” It makes a real difference in the appearance of the neighborhood.

You should wear gloves but you’ll be provided with a blue City of Richardson recycling bag.

Coordinator is Gwen Turner. For more information, call Gwen at 972-235-2152.

**Include your number**

Before you tell us not to include your number in the Neighborhood Directory please know that this little book goes ONLY to paid members of the homeowners’ association. You will not be contacted by vendors.

## Stillmeadow Block Party brings old & new friends together

Photos by Dorothy McKearin

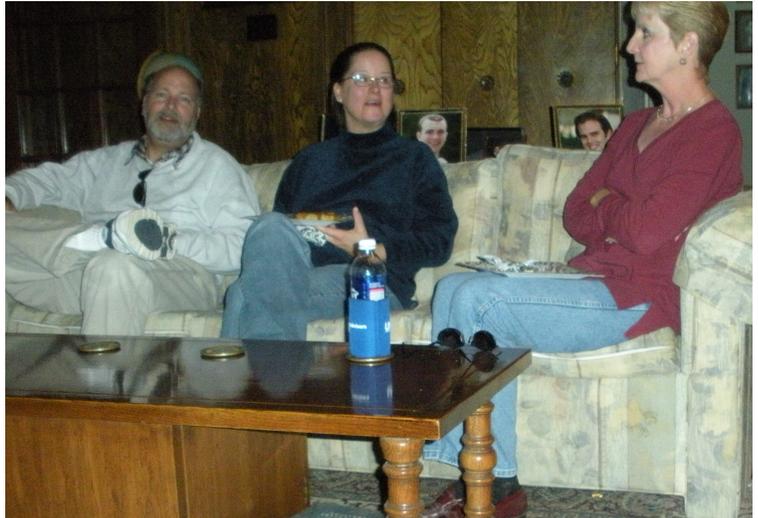
George and Dorothy McKearin threw their first block party last spring—an outdoor event that brought some 20 or so neighbors together for a pot luck picnic.

The McKearin’s latest block party was November 16, 2008, and, according to Dorothy, it was another potluck of good food and good company. Smiles on the faces below confirm that a good time was had by all.

Send your block party photos to Valenda Archer at [vk\\_archer@sbcglobal.net](mailto:vk_archer@sbcglobal.net).



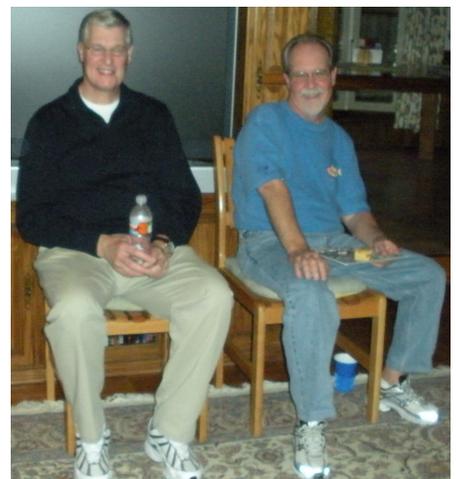
**Roy Turner, Vern Ruuska, Gwen Turner & George McKearin**



**Rick & Nichelle Tuman & Judy Ward**



**Diana Ruuska, Susie McEwen, Almarie Smith**



**Steve Smith & Jimmy Ward**

# NEIGHBORS

## Celebrations!

Send corrections and additions to Valenda Archer, vk\_archer@sbcglobal.net. To protect your privacy, dates will be removed before posting this page on the HOA website.

*Happy  
Birthday!!*



### FEBRUARY

Belated greetings to you!  
Hope your day was wonderful!

Joel Holliday  
Gabrielle Steagall  
Sue Wagner  
Declan Dooley  
Susan Mather  
Mike DuBois  
Sandy Jones  
Ariana Arenivas  
Patsy McAdam  
Michael Pinto  
Lesia Howard  
Missy Campbell  
Michelle Perkus  
Terry Baughn  
Lou Ann Martin  
Vance  
Curtis Dorian  
Vonna Louise  
Johnson  
Connie McClung  
Becky Whitaker  
Rebecca Sandles  
Almarie Smity  
Wanda Campbell  
Larry Lee  
Lisa Johnson  
Carolyn Sherman  
Lily Watson  
Pat Alexander  
Keysha McCloud  
Janet Maher  
John Jones  
Dawn Rummel  
Gerald Singleton

### MARCH

Emily Martin  
Ann Whitaker  
Gina Scheer  
Chalynn Peabody  
David Sandlin  
Judy Hinman  
Colin Campbell  
Dwayne Rockwell  
Jung Woong Bang  
Mark Medley  
Britany Singleton  
Rebecca Campbell  
Kay Tabor  
D'Nelle Lyons  
Ashley Hughes  
Patty Tarlton  
Jolie Holliday  
Michelle Patchen  
Eddie Jeffers  
Vinod Malhotra  
Julie Upton  
Stan Bullock  
Teva Smutz  
Kathy Lee  
Neal Tarlton  
Ahmed Alkarboly  
Paul Brabham

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Sarah Gutierrez  
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Melissa Tarlton  
Richard Tuman  
Bob Bailey  
Keith Kent  
Laurie Schneider  
Thomas Tarrant  
Michael Bahr  
Alice Kelly  
AJ Howard  
Bob Landwermyer  
Pamela Tharp  
Connor Wetherington  
Jamie Kelly  
Ron Lee  
Barbara Lawton  
Judy Blome  
Pete Fenner  
Pete Ylda  
Judy Ward

*Happy Anniversary !!*



### FEBRUARY

Carolyn & Robert Sherman  
Dottie & Jim Lovelady  
Millie & Dave Harrison  
Avonne & Stan Bullock  
Janelle & Marv Macicek  
Laura & Mike Bray

### MARCH

Lisa & Dennis Hines  
Judy & Jimmy Ward  
Valenda & Jim Archer  
Liz & Kevin Wetherington  
Gerry & Jack Broome  
Jeanne & Gaines Lawrence  
Judy & Robert Blome

Maria & Jesse Gonzalez  
Lana & William Thompson  
Diana & Verne Ruuska  
Betty & Johnny Moffitt

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Christi & John Barnes  
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