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LINDALE PARK Q3 NEWSLETTER  
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## Beloved Parade Returns

After a two-year hiatus, the Lindale Park Civic Club proudly presented the neighborhood and community with the return of the 21st Annual 4th of July Parade! The parade began promptly at 10 a.m. Monday, July 4 along Irvington Boulevard from Eleanor to Gale Streets, heading south before turning back northbound to



Eleanor Street.

The LPCC Parade Committee, along with its hardworking volunteers, continued their tradition of putting on a spectacular parade with great participants for the crowd's viewing pleasure.

Plenty of neighbors, families and friends gathered all along the boulevard to watch parade favorites, like bagpipers, low-rider cars and Houston art cars, politicians, clowns and a train (new this year) organized by the newly formed Lindale Park Littles!

Our neighborhood MD Anderson YMCA located at 705 Cavalcade St. opened its pool area free to the public from noon to 4 p.m. on the 4th of July, with the LaMacro Food Truck parked poolside on Moody Street for hungry swimmers to purchase tasty items!

“As you can see, the community has really opened

its hearts and doors once again to making the 4th of July a truly incredible day for all!” says Diana Lerma Pfeifer of LPCC’s Parade Planning Committee. “Thank you all for being supportive residents, not just during this great holiday, but in what you do daily to make this a wonderful place to live.”

Last but not least, the Lindale Park Civic Club and Parade Committee extend appreciation

to Lindale Park Realty for capturing parade day photos. More photos found at <http://www.lindalepark.org/>.

- Camille Webb, English Street, LPCC Newsletter Editor

**Q3 QUARTERLY MEETING**  
**Tuesday, August 23**  
**7 – 8 P.M.**

**IN-PERSON & VIRTUAL**  
**MEETING OPTIONS**  
**AVAILABLE!**

**CLUBHOUSE: 218 JOYCE ST.**  
**MEETING ID: 876 7311 1794**  
**PASSCODE: 372630**

Join the Lindale Park Civic Club’s Q3 Quarterly Meeting + 2022 Board Elections from 7 – 8 p.m. **Tuesday, August 23** in-person at the Clubhouse (218 Joyce St.) or log-on to listen only via Zoom.

**Board Elections:** During the Quarterly Meeting, we will hold board elections where we will elect five (5) board members to serve two-year terms (August 31, 2022 - August 31, 2024).

**Last call for nominations is 7 p.m. Tuesday, August 23!** Candidates will be given two minutes at the Quarterly Meeting to tell voters a little bit about themselves, how long they’ve been in the community and lived in Lindale Park and anything else they’d like voters to know.

## Letter from LPCC President

How is it August already? The hot days of summer don't seem to slow life down at all.

Our residents and Civic Club here in Lindale Park have been busy - the 4th of July Parade, Lindale Park Little's Movie Night and Lemonade Market, Love Lindale Park cleanup events and all the dog-walking, early morning, evening and in-between strolls through the neighborhood that bring neighbors out and make our little corner of the world such a wonderful community.

The fall is shaping up to be no less busy - mark your calendars for Back to School Bingo for our Littles (**August 20**), upcoming Quarterly Meeting (**August 23**), Love Lindale Park Cleanup (**September 10**), National Night Out (**October 4**) and Community Wide Garage Sale (**October 15**).

All these events have one purpose - to bring neighbors out, build connections and strengthen our community. I know for many of our new residents, this was their first 4th of July Parade. I hope you had the chance to meet some new people while attempting to find a smidge of shade. Thank you to the committee for another great parade!

You also may be meeting some new neighbors as volunteers from each block ask for signatures on the Special Minimum Building Line effort. I do hope you'll support this effort when your neighbor asks, as I believe it is a way to protect the character of the neighborhood while still allowing growth and change. If you have questions or would like to get involved, please reach out to [info@lindalepark.org](mailto:info@lindalepark.org).

If you're really ready to get involved, consider running for a position on the Lindale Park Civic Club board or serving as an alternate. Elections take place at the **August 23** meeting, and we would love to have some new faces, voices and ideas. The LPCC Board meets once a month. **Nominations are due by 7 p.m. Tuesday, August 23.**

Lastly, I want to say a sad farewell to Canary Café. We could not have asked for a more community-minded local coffee shop and café. Thank you for all of your support of Lindale Park events. We wish you well at your Montrose location.

I hope to see many of you at the upcoming events. Please don't be a stranger. If you want to get involved, have ideas, questions, concerns or even the occasional gripe, let us

know via email to [info@lindalepark.org](mailto:info@lindalepark.org). In the meantime, I hope you find ways to stay cool.

Your neighbor,  
- *Nadia Heffernan, English Street, LPCC Board President*

## Shining the Spotlight on Local Businesses *El Paraiso Mexican Café*



Roberto and Beatriz Torres have lived in and around Lindale Park for almost 35 years. They and their adult children live in four homes in Lindale Park.

They opened the small family Mexican restaurant located on the corner of Irvington Boulevard and Moody Street at 4707B Irvington Boulevard in May 2020. (Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, they closed the restaurant temporarily only one month later. They were closed for exactly one year and reopened June 1, 2021.)

El Paraiso is a true "family-owned business," as one of the owners' sons, a CPA, is their business accountant, and their daughters help in the restaurant from time-to-time.

El Paraiso was formerly located in the Montrose area starting in 1978. Beatriz's mother opened the restaurant with Beatriz's help. Then, Roberto and Beatriz took over ownership three years later and have operated it ever since.

The recipes used by El Paraiso are mostly old family recipes, including the homemade salsa, original chips, menudo and enchiladas, including the popular green enchiladas. Mole sauce is made from scratch as well and is a favorite of regular diners.

Although they serve beer, wine and margaritas, the drinks are available for the diners to enjoy, as El Paraiso is all about "the food." That's what makes El Paraiso a great asset for all Lindale Park residents.

El Paraiso has donated two \$50 gift certificates for two Lindale Park residents. To be included in the drawing August 23, just before the LPCC Quarterly Meeting, submit your name, address and phone number to [lp.contest@zohomail.com](mailto:lp.contest@zohomail.com).

*Writer Mike Bowlin is a Lindale Park resident, regular contributor to the newsletter and the broker/owner of Lindale Park realty. For all your real estate needs, call him at 713.539.2034.*

## Let's Work Together to Combat Litter

Walking my dogs daily through the streets of Lindale Park always sparks a sense of gratitude for the privilege of being a homeowner in this community dubbed *Houston's Hidden Jewel*.

Unlike many inner-city neighborhoods in our area, our mostly modest bungalow-type homes have ample space between neighbors and are situated on wide-curbed streets. Downtown buildings are easily viewed from the sidewalks on Irvington Boulevard, which is separated by bike lanes and beautiful esplanades.

However, coupled with my sense of gratitude, unfortunately, is dismay at the amount of visible litter along the way. As a sort of public service announcement, I would like to address the litter issue and suggest ways we can help alleviate this problem that defaces and devalues our neighborhood.

Next time you are out, make a conscious effort to note the ubiquitous litter around Lindale Park. There is litter on side streets, along Irvington Boulevard and around surrounding businesses.

Curb litter directly in front of homes includes scratched off lottery tickets, remnants from recycle or trash bins that got away on trash day, uncollected *La Voz* newspapers, empty water bottles, empty beer cans and heavy trash placed on curbs way ahead of collection day.

On Irvington Boulevard, litter includes soft drink and beer cans/bottles, fast food trash, empty cigarette packaging, expired garage/yard sale signs, dirty rags/clothing/or towels, wiring of various sorts or just tiny litter, such as gum/candy wrappers or cigarette butts.

The nearby businesses host an array of litter, despite trash receptacles between gas pumps.

Addressing the litter problem on an individual basis is like "moving the deckchairs on the Titanic." As such, here are easy steps we ALL can take toward a less littered Lindale Park community:

1. Keep your immediate living area clean and free of litter. Ensure your front yard and the street area in front of your home is free from litter and debris.
2. Keep heavy trash off the curb and out of sight until the day before heavy trash pick-

up day. If items are not picked up, remove from the curb until a pick-up date is confirmed.

3. If you walk yourself or your pets, take an extra plastic grocery bag and pick up litter along the way. Once the bag is full, dispose of it properly.
4. Participate in Love Lindale Park events that occur on the second Saturday of the odd months. The next Love LP Cleanup event **September 10** with a focus on Helmers Street. It is great way to help AND to meet people who live in our community.
5. If you have a bus stop at the corner of your street at Irvington Boulevard, please contact METRO Customer Service (713-635-4000) and insist that a trash receptacle be placed there.
6. Politely ask business owners/employees to keep their premises litter-free and offer to assist them in doing so.

- Edith Foret, Woodard Street

**L**indale Park's next community wide "Garage Sale Day" will be from **8 a.m. to noon Saturday, October 15!** Just like the last one held June 26, 2021, residents will hold their own yard sale or garage sale on their properties.

Building on the success of previous community wide garage sales organized by Avenue of Oaks Street resident Kevin Hoffman, Moody Street residents Nate Mack and Sara Eakens are taking the helm to organize the next event.

Advertising will be done to promote the sales on social media outlets, as well as directional signage along Irvington Boulevard and Cavalcade Street.

Plans are in the works to make this a twice a year event with a reputation for great turnout. The more households that participate, the more successful the event will be!

To participate in the October 15 Garage Sale Day, send a message to Sara Eakens at [sara.eakens@gmail.com](mailto:sara.eakens@gmail.com) or drop her a line on Nextdoor to let her know you want to be part of the event.

- Sara Eakens & Camille Webb



**Lindale Park's  
2022 Events to Know**

Lindale Park Littles Back to School Bingo  
**Saturday, August 20 from 5-7 p.m.**

Q3 Quarterly Meeting  
**Tuesday, August 23 from 7-8 p.m.**

Love LP Cleanup  
**Saturday, September 10**

National Night Out  
**Tuesday, October 4**

Halloween Yard Decorating Challenge (Judging)  
**Monday, October 24**

Q4 Quarterly Meeting  
**Tuesday, October 25 from 7-8 p.m.**

Lindale Park Littles Family Halloween Festival  
**Saturday, October 29**

*St. Patrick's Catholic Church invites you to their 142nd Annual Fall Festival to be held on church grounds, 4918 Cochran St., from 2-10 p.m. September 3 & 4.*

**St Patrick Catholic Church**  
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**142nd Annual Fall Festival**  
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**2022 ENTERTAINMENT LINEUP**

<p><b>SAT. SEPT. 3</b></p> <p>1:15P - OPENING PRAYER/DJ Lrod 2:00P - LAST CALL (Classic Rock) 3:15P - LA RAZA CONNECTION 4:25P - ZENTENO SPIRIT 5:30P - MASS - NO MUSIC 6:45P - JOHN LOPEZ &amp; SILVERADO 8:00P - GRUPO FIRME - Conjunto 9:00P - TILLURIDE - Headliner (Country Western)</p>	<p><b>SUN. SEPT. 4</b></p> <p>1:30P - ANNOUNCEMENTS/DJ Lrod 2:00P - LA COMPADRIA NORTENA 3:15P - RAE RAE &amp; THE ZYDECO ALLSTARZ 4:30P - GRUPO DELIRIO 5:45P - GRITO CONTEST 7:00P - GEORGE RIVAS (from SA) 8:00P - LIVE AUCTION / RAFFLE 9:00P - STEVIE D - Headliner (Tejano)</p>
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**RAFFLE DRAWING 8:30 PM SEPT. 4**

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• PETS  
• OUTSIDE FOOD  
• OUTSIDE BEVERAGES

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