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LINDALE PARK NEWSLETTER
MAY 2019

Quarterly Meeting DATE CHANGE
Tuesday, May 21 / 7 – 8 p.m.
Clubhouse / 218 Joyce St.

Due to the Memorial Day holiday weekend, the next Quarterly Meeting of the Lindale Park Civic Club will be at **7 p.m. Tuesday, May 21.**

We look forward to hearing from and welcoming three guest speakers, including **Elizabeth Santos**, HISD Board of Trustees, District 1, who will update everyone on the happenings of HISD. **J.P. Cortez**, community executive director for the M.D. Anderson Family YMCA, will speak about the YMCA's summer programs. Lastly, **Jason Holoubek**, director of Rental Housing & Economic Development for Avenue CDC, will provide input on the Gale Wind project.

Quarterly Meetings also are a chance for our residents to bring their comments and concerns to the attention of the Lindale Park Civic Club board of directors. Please join us!

Parade Celebrates 20th Anniversary

No one can forget last year's annual 4th of July Parade in Lindale Park, which carried on despite heavy rainfall, wind and flooded streets. This cherished event, celebrating its 20th anniversary year, will again be marching in style – RAIN OR SHINE – along the traditional route down Irvington Boulevard at **10 a.m. Thursday, July 4!**

The route begins on Irvington Boulevard at Eleanor Street and marches south to Gale Street before making a U-turn and heading north on Irvington Boulevard ending on Eleanor Street.

Parade Grand Marshall will be **U.S. Representative Sylvia Garcia**. Joining Rep. Garcia will be many local favorites, including *Art Cars*, *Low Riders* and community high school bands!

Your support of this annual event is key to its community success and fun! Contact us at info@lindalepark.org if you are interested in being a parade volunteer or parade participant.

If you would like to make donation, you may do so by making checks payable to the Lindale Park Civic Club, Attn: Parade Committee, 218 Joyce St., Houston, TX 77009. Donations help cover expenses related to permitting and managing the parade.

We thank YOU and all our community partners for the continued support we receive during this cherished event.

- LPCC Parade Committee with Camille Webb, Newsletter Editor

4th of JULY
CELEBRATION

Lindale Park Annual Parade

10 AM ON THE 4TH OF JULY
DOWN IRVINGTON BOULEVARD

Glass recycling

is back! After a two-year hiatus, Mayor Sylvester Turner announced April 4 the return of glass recycling to curbside green bins. Residents may recycle glass bottles and jars made from clear, green and brown glass.

Glass, along with other items accepted in the recycling bin – paper, cardboard, aluminum, tin cans and plastics – should be clean, dry and empty before recycling.

One more thing: motor oil is **NO LONGER** accepted curbside for recycling. The City of Houston asks citizens to take used motor oil to the appropriate recycling centers. Go to www.houstonsolidwaste.org to find a detailed list and for more information.

If you're new to Lindale Park and need a green bin, call 311 to request one.



Sour Weather Brings Sweet Lemonade

Despite a one-week delay due to a rainy weather forecast, neighborhood kiddos mixed up their best lemonade



recipes to submit for judging and to sell at the third annual Lemonade Contest held May 11 at the Lindale Park Playground.

younger who get to sell lemonade to neighbors and keep all the money. Lemons and water must be the main ingredients in each recipe, but kids are encouraged to try add-ins like fruits, vegetables and spices.

Several judges take turns tasting samples of the sugary and fruity beverages. Scores are based on overall lemon flavor, overall general flavor, sweetness, color and texture.

Siblings **Fiel and Florence** (above left) scored the **First Place** prize, while siblings **Daphne and Oscar** (right) won **Third Place**



for their Mega Berry Lemonade. **Elijah** (top left) won both **Second Place** and the prize for **Best Lemonade Stand**.

Going forward, the Lemonade Contest will be a rain or shine event with no delays because of “sour” weather forecasts.

- Camille Webb, LPCC Secretary / Newsletter Editor



Daniel sold his famous Watermelon Lemonade recipe again!


Yard of the Month Winners – May 2019
1005 Joyce St. – Willie Montemayor & Oscar Favela
413 Gale St. – Milam Wentworth & Daphne Hadly
809 Sue St. – Mario & Sandy Oropeza

We extend appreciation to our one-person Beautification Committee – Vicky Salinas Colorado! Vicky drives up and down all the streets in Lindale Park to find the best cared for lawns and the most beautiful spring flowers.

We would love YOUR NOMINATIONS for Yard of the Month. Send nominations to info@lindalepark.org with “YOM Nominations” in the subject line.

Summer is right around the corner, and that means something special for all students: **free rides on METRO local and commuter buses and our trains.**

Students from K to 12, plus college and university students, ride free from June 1 through Aug. 31 with a with a Student METRO Q Fare Card. If students already have a Q Card, they’re good to go. Just tap – but nothing will be deducted from the balance. On Sept. 1, the card reverts to a discounted student card, and students are charged half price. Get your fare card today! Apply online at RideMETRO.org.



HOU DOTR
HTX LITERARY PROJECT

ALDINE
Baker Ripley East Aldine
3000 Aldine Mail Rte Rd,
Houston, TX 77039
May 18th and May 25th
9am-11am

NORTHSIDE
Baker Ripley Leonel Castillo
Community Center
2101 South St, Houston, TX 77009
June 1st and June 8th
9am-11am

Register online at houdotr@gmail.com
Create a short story or poem, be part of a community book, and be on the radio!
OPEN TO 3RD - 12TH GRADE STUDENTS
WORKSHOPS LED BY POET, WRITER, & RADIO HOST DENIZ LOPEZ

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Greater Houston Neighborhoods

Free HTX Literacy Project

The Houston Department of Transformation received a Go Neighborhood grant to create a book of poems and short stories by our youth for the community.

Exposure to the art of writing creates an

avenue of creative expression when life is tough, exposes youth to the art or career of writing and gives students the opportunity to read their works at community events and on the radio.

The program is open for students from third to 12th grade. Students are asked to commit to both workshops at the location of their choice. **All workshops are free!** Send email to houdotr@gmail.com to reserve a seat.

Scholarships Available for Seniors

Lindale Park Masonic Lodge has four \$500 scholarships available for selected high school seniors graduating this year.

Interested students should apply with the following information: name; high school graduating from; GPA; college they plan to attend; and major they will pursue.

Send information to kspark.sr@gmail.com with "Scholarship Application" in the subject line or mail to: Lindale Park Lodge No. 1347, 202 Ave of Oaks St., Houston, TX 77009.

Preparing your Vehicle for an Evacuation

The first of June marks the start of hurricane season, which means it's time to get prepared.

If you've lived in southeast Texas for more than one year, you're likely familiar with disaster supply kits for your

home. But do you also have one for your vehicle? And, is that vehicle ready for a potential evacuation?

To get ready for hurricane season, one of the first items on your to-do list should be auto maintenance. Make sure your vehicle is running properly.

Check your car's windshield wipers, fluid levels, belts, tires and battery. Keep your fuel tank at least half-full to ensure you and your loved ones can get to safety if an evacuation is called.

Next, put together an emergency vehicle kit to be kept in your vehicle at all times. Include jumper cables, a tool kit, tire jack, first-aid kit, motor oil, phone charger, flashlight and battery-operated radio.

Download the Houston TranStar mobile app (from the Apple or Android store) and look for roadway flood warning icons that will show you which roadways are highly likely to be flooded.

To learn about evacuation plans, ready kits and more about preparing for hurricane season, go to READYHARRIS.ORG.

-Dinah Massie, Graceland Street Resident/Newsletter Contributor

Congratulations to Henry Zaleski who graduated May 19 from Episcopal High School. He will be attending Louisiana State University to study psychology. He has won many service awards and music awards throughout his high school years.

- Contributed by Deanne Zaleski



I-45 NORTH HOV
OPEN ON WEEKENDS
MAY 4 - JULY 28
10 A.M. - 7 P.M.

METRO is opening the inbound I-45 North HOV lane on weekends! Designed to make summer travel more efficient, this program will run **Saturdays and Sundays, May 4 through July 28, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. - inbound travel only.**

Ride the lane for **FREE** no matter how many people are in the car!

METRO
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Reading Intervention Summer Program

When I moved to Lindale Park, I had no idea what a great community it was. So many people in Lindale Park help neighbors in their own special ways.

This July, I want to experiment with a way that I can help, too. I am looking for a few elementary students to participate in a six-week summer reading intervention and small group reading instruction program at St. Alban's Episcopal Church.

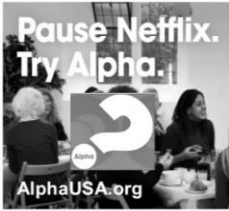
Despite all the dedicated, hardworking educators in our schools, many children are falling between the cracks. In the past six years, I have worked with children in third, fourth and fifth grade who came to me not reading at all. I feel strongly that these children need intervention before years of failing takes a toll on their well-being.

All children learn differently. There is a saying, "If a child doesn't learn the way you teach, then teach the way they learn."

I enjoy finding out what individual students need to make them more successful readers and writers. I also strive to help children build their confidence and develop a love of reading. This takes time and patience. Support from home and community makes a huge difference.

I appreciate St. Alban's for supplying a safe place for me to work with children. Dates for the reading intervention program will be July 8-Aug. 2, and the fee will be \$10 an hour (24 hours for \$240). Please reach out to me with questions at nebrowngarden@sbcglobal.net.

- Nancy Brown, Lindale Park Resident



Alpha at The Playground Church

We believe everyone should have the chance to explore the Christian faith, ask questions and share their point of view.

Location: 420 Woodard at Helmers

Starting: June 8, 2019 at 6:30 pm

Dinner—Program—Discussion

Call: Gwyn Guidy 713-851-2702 or email: gguidy@gmail.com

Quarterly Security Tip – May 2019

Don't give burglars a reason to break into your car! Besides having to have the damage to your vehicle repaired, you lose what was taken in the process.

Burglars can imagine almost anything as being valuable. For them, it's worth getting caught breaking into a vehicle, even if it's for such a prize as a fancy diaper bag.

Whenever you leave your car parked anywhere and a burglar can get to it, do not leave anything in sight through the windows that can be mistaken for being valuable. It's better to put it in the trunk before you drive to where you're going to park your car. (Many times, trunks can be opened by breaking the driver's window and simply pushing a button.)

By using glass breaking tools, burglars can break a window, grab your valuable and leave – all in less than 5 seconds.

Tips to Prevent Car Burglaries:

- Put items you don't need at your destination in the trunk before you go there.
- Park in an area where there are lots of people, as opposed to a far corner of a structured garage. Park under or near a light, if you're going to be parked at night.
- Hide all valuables or things that can be mistaken as valuable. Take wallets, credit cards and loose change. Don't leave anything valuable in cup holders, on the console or on the dash.
- Make sure all doors are locked, and if your alarm button is separate, make sure it's on when you leave your car.

- Mike Bowlin, Canadian Street Resident/Newsletter Contributor

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