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LINDALE PARK NEWSLETTER
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LAST Quarterly Meeting of 2019 Tuesday, October 22 at 7 p.m. Clubhouse / 218 Joyce St.

Join your neighbors, board members and the community at **7 p.m. Tuesday, October 22** for the last Quarterly Meeting of 2019. All meetings take place at the Clubhouse located at **218 Joyce St.**

Council Member Karla Cisneros' office is working with Houston Public Works on a roundabout study at the intersection of Irvington Boulevard and Patton Street. Representatives will be on hand at the meeting to give a presentation about the roundabout study and to answer your questions. Additionally, the civic club will discuss security patrol plans for the holidays.

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

Meet Your New LPCC President

Hello Lindale Park,

Last year, you took a chance on this newcomer to the neighborhood and elected me to join the board of the Lindale Park Civic Club. It was my mission to increase communication for our neighborhood. You might have seen my posts on our Facebook page or Nextdoor about all the things that are affecting this beautiful neighborhood.

In August, my fellow board members elected me as President for the next year. I am grateful for my turn and to be of service to you all.

What I have learned in my short time is that a small handful of volunteers do 95 percent of the work for Lindale Park and about 400 out of 1,200 homes are members of the civic club.

We are going to work very hard to change that.

Look for the 2020 Membership Campaign to kick off in early spring. We will be block walking and trying to encourage ALL our neighbors to participate in this neighborhood we love.

I do not serve you alone and feel proud to be surrounded by board members who are thoughtful and diligent in doing the business of the civic club.

Your Lindale Park Civic Club Board of Directors serving through August 2020

Anthony Fry (President)
Virginia Duke
Gwyn Guidy
Ed Reyes
Camille Webb

Your Lindale Park Civic Club Board of Directors serving through August 2021

Eugene Szymanski (Vice President)
Vicky Salinas Colorado (Treasurer)
Nadia Heffernan (Secretary)
Sylvia Cavazos
Diane Garcia
Manuel Maldonado

Alternates are Linda Morales and Kathy Gutierrez.

Thank you to our legacy neighbors for all your hard work over the years and thank you to our new neighbors for bringing your new energy. We need both!

- Anthony Fry, LPCC President

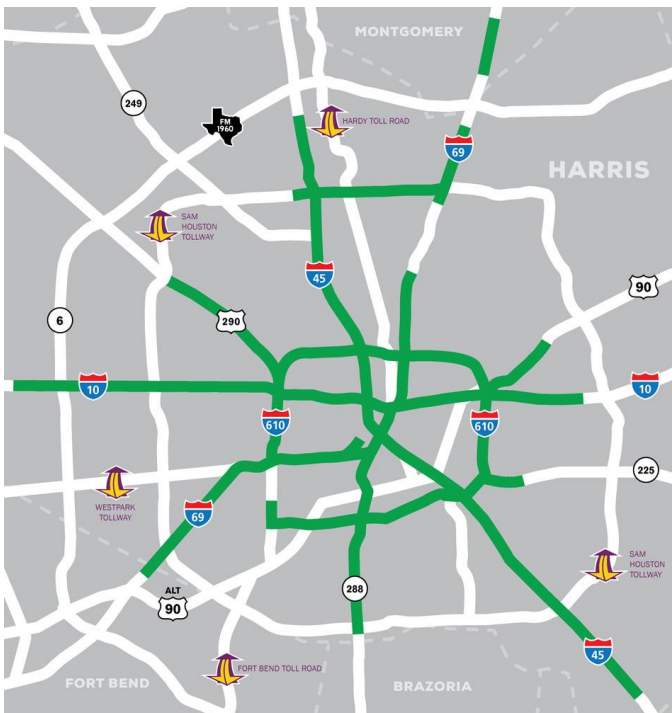


When vehicles break down on heavily traveled freeways, it can be dangerous and scary.

In July 2018, local transportation officials launched the Gulf Coast Regional Tow and Go Program, an effort that keeps drivers safe and traffic moving through no-cost towing for vehicles that break down on local freeways.

The Tow and Go program is currently offered to travelers within the City of Houston. However, operations will soon expand into Harris County and ultimately to freeways in neighboring counties as funding and local agreements allow.

“The Tow and Go Program is an important piece of our region’s Traffic Incident Management efforts,” said David Fink, Incident Management Manager at the Houston-Galveston Area Council. “Safely and quickly clearing vehicles that have broken down from mechanical failure helps to keep traffic moving.”



Tows are authorized by law enforcement at Houston TranStar, and each participating tow operator has met strict selection standards and completed roadway safety and traffic incident management training.

To call for a no-cost tow, motorists can dial 713-881-3333 for immediate assistance or download Houston TranStar’s mobile application, which provides users with direct access to Tow and Go dispatchers.

“TranStar’s mobile application is a tool we want all regional motorists to use,” said Dinah Massie, Executive Director for Houston TranStar. “Not only does it offer real-time traffic data and show areas likely to be experiencing roadway flooding during heavy rainfall, but it also makes calling for a tow very easy.”

For more information about the Tow and Go Program, visit TowAndGo.com.

- Houston TranStar, Guest Newsletter Contributor

Beautification Committee News

Halloween Yard Judging – Thursday, October 24

Our Beautification Committee kicks it up a notch to find the top three yards with the scariest, spookiest and best-looking Halloween themes in Lindale Park.

Holiday Yard Judging – Wednesday, December 18

Our Beautification team will be looking for the merriest and most festive yard decoration and lights in Lindale!

Halloween

will be here before you know it! The Lindale Park Civic Club plans to hire police officers on bicycles to patrol our neighborhood streets during peak trick-or-treating hours Thursday, October 31.

Traditionally, Lindale Park gets an enormous number of trick-or-treaters. Please be mindful of the oodles and oodles of children walking throughout the neighborhood. Be sure to get in place early, so you do not experience any problems entering your block. Drive carefully and cautiously if you must leave your property. Have a safe and happy Halloween!

Pigs Love Pumpkins

Our pigs want your old Jack o’ Lanterns and pumpkins! We raise heritage Red Wattle pigs in Madisonville, Texas. Drop your old pumpkins in the green tubs at 502 Sue St. or call/text 281-705-4249, and we’ll pick them up.

- Nadia Heffernan



National Night Out Brings Neighbors Together

Young and old Lindale Park neighbors mingled with city officials, first responders, candidates for local office and very special guests Tuesday, October 1 at National Night Out held on the grounds of St. Alban's Episcopal Church.

National Night Out (NNO) is held annually across the United States to raise awareness about crime prevention efforts in neighborhoods and to strengthen police-community partnerships.

Across the Houston area, local NNO gatherings observed a moment of silence in honor of fallen Harris County Sheriff's Deputy Sandeep Dhaliwal who was tragically shot and killed September 27.

We thank Rev. Bill Laucher of St. Alban's for leading Lindale Park in a moment of silence, reflection and prayer.

"It was truly a very special and emotional moment in Deputy Dhaliwal's honor," said LPCC board member Vicky Salinas Colorado.



Many guests of honor joined the festivities. Elvis serenaded the crowd with his vocal performance that evening, while U.S. Rep. Sylvia Garcia was happy to be home.

"I need to be home today for National Night Out with my own neighbors," Garcia said.

Harris County District Attorney Kim Ogg thanked our first responders and attendees for gathering to build community and safety awareness.

"Without the eyes and ears of the neighborhood, we are less safe," Ogg said. "If you don't trust our course, then you're less likely to call the police, so we want you to know we're working toward your safety and a fair way."

At Lindale Park's NNO event, neighbors were treated to free popsicles from KICPOPS, while supplies lasted, courtesy of The Mercer Team. As always, lots of great prizes were raffled off to lucky winners. Raffle prizes were

generously donated by The Mercer Team and Monkey's Tail.

Ed Reyes took home the grand prize of the evening – a Ring home security camera set.



Congratulations to all our winners, including Mary Ramos (fire extinguisher); Yvonne from Milwaukee Street (Trigos gift certificate); Susan Garcia (smoke alarm); Liz Castro-Vega (Teotihuacan gift certificate); Manuel Maldonado (Monkey's Tail gift certificate); and Yvonne Leonard.

The evening could not have been a success without the support and time of volunteers. A special thank you goes to Vicky Salinas Colorado for tirelessly organizing this event year after year and to Mike Bowlin Photography for capturing photos. Check out Lindale Park's Facebook page for more NNO photos by Mike Bowlin Photography!

- Camille Webb, Newsletter Editor

Lindale Park Lodge 1347 invites our neighbors to our **Fall Festival and Open House from 3-7 p.m., Saturday, October 26.** The Lodge is located at **202 Avenue of Oaks St.** on the corner of Fulton Street.

The festival is sure to be lots of fun for the kiddos – bounce house, games, face painting, candy and a costume contest for children who come dressed for Halloween! There will be plenty of burgers, hot dogs and refreshments for everyone to enjoy. We look forward to seeing you and your families!

- Lindale Park Lodge 1347

Quarterly Security Tip – October 2019

Benefits of Smoke Alarms

- Three out of five home fire deaths result from fires in properties without working smoke alarms.
- More than one-third (38 percent) of home fire deaths result from fires in which no smoke alarms are present.
- The risk of dying in a home fire is cut in half in homes with working smoke alarms.

Source: National Fire Protection Association

Pick a day each year to check and/or change the batteries in all your smoke detectors (January 1, September 11 or your birthday, for instance).

Smoke detectors are very inexpensive. They come either with built-in batteries that can last for 10 years (approximately \$20) or ones where you change the batteries (under \$10). (Always use new, alkaline batteries in smoke detectors.)

Not too long ago, a house burned in Lindale Park for an extended period of time before the inhabitants knew about the fire because the fire started in the attic. Heat and smoke rise, so a fire starting in the attic is difficult to be detected without having a smoke alarm “in” the attic, so put one on the underside of the roof at the highest point.

All rental units including apartments, duplexes, condos and single-family homes must have smoke detectors as required by the Texas Property Code §92.251 – §92.262, Subchapter F. At least one smoke detector must be installed outside of each bedroom.

Smoke detectors should be mounted on the ceiling or at least no more than 12 inches from the ceiling. If they aren't, move them or have them moved up, so they will detect smoke that rises, earlier rather than later. If you only have one detector, mount it above the return air vent for best detection, but you should have one in each room where someone sleeps.

Houston Fire Department information on smoke detectors:

<https://houstontx.gov/fire/safetyinfo/smokedetectors.html>.

- Mike Bowlin, Canadian Street Resident/Newsletter Contributor

Save the Date – Holiday Party
Tuesday, December 10
6 – 8 p.m.
at the Clubhouse (218 Joyce St.)

From the Office of Diane Trautman, Harris County Clerk



**Choose from 700+ Places
to Vote in Harris County.**

It's never been easier!

Find a polling location near you by
texting **VOTE** to **1-833-YES-0700**.
(937)

Dates to know

Last day to register to vote:

October 7

Last day to apply for ballot by mail:

October 25

Early Voting:

October 21-26 | 7am-7pm

October 27 | 8am-6pm

October 28 - November 1 | 7am-7pm

Election Day:

November 5 | 7am-8pm

HarrisVotes.com | #voteYOURway

Lindale Park Voting locations near you:

Early Vote – October 21-28

Moody Park Community Center
3725 Fulton St., Houston TX 77009

Election Day – November 5

1. St. Alban's Episcopal Church, 420 Woodard St., Houston TX 77009
2. William Booth Garden Apartments, 808 Frawley St., Houston TX 77009
3. Or any of the 700 + voting locations across Harris County... Text **VOTE** to 1-833-937-0700 to find the one nearest you!

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