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A LETTER from the PRESIDENT

Dear Neighbors:

You recently received a colorful invitation announcing our **Neighbors' Night Out** coming up on October 1. WLPCA Treasurer **Cynthia Trigg** and Newcomers Committee Co Chair, **Debbie Villeneuve** have devoted many hours and countless footsteps to make this event fun. We hope each of you will attend! Thanks to the continuing generous hospitality of Debbie, **Philip Barnard**, and their immediate neighbors, we will meet again this year in the courtyard of One Hackberry Lane. Please be sure to **r.s.v.p. to the email address in the box, right**, so Debbie and Cynthia can finalize plans.

The purpose of Neighbors' Night Out is to have a good time and get to know your neighbors, and that's important to our little community. The better we know each other, the stronger we are.

While NNO is all about fun, your civic association has been working. Right now, we're taking bids to plant **larger trees in the Richmond esplanade**, and to install a **sprinkler system** to irrigate them. Landscaping the southern entrance of West Lane Place will improve the entire neighborhood. We already have received commitments from residents for donations to help fund this project. If you would like to donate, too, and make sure these improvements materialize, we would love to hear from you! Please email me.

Our **Crime Watch** volunteers continue to patrol our streets regularly, and their efforts are having a good effect. But, several cars have been broken into recently. We urge each of you to **keep your cars locked** at all times, and to **never leave ANYTHING in your car**; to do so invites theft and encourages the thief to prey habitually upon West Lane Place.

We look forward to seeing you on October 1!

Sincerely,
Mohammad Bayegan,
president@wlpca.org

*******Neighbors' Night Out*******

When: Tuesday, October 1

From 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Where: Courtyard, One Hackberry Lane

Who:

Councilman Pennington, representatives from the **Houston Police Department, Houston Fire Department**, your **WLPCA Board members**, and **your charming, delightful neighbors**

What else:

Hot and Delicious eats will be served by **St. John's Fire Gourmet Food Truck**
www.stjohnsfire.net *Bring some cash!*

Wine and bottled water generously donated by our neighbor, **James Brodnax**, of Keller Williams Realty.
Bring other beverages with you if you wish!

Limited Seating will be provided
Bring a chair with you for a guaranteed seat!

R.s.v.p. to **newcomers@wlpca.org** with the number of people from your household who will be joining us, and if you will be dining from the food truck.

ALL FUN, NO BUSINESS!
You don't want to miss it!

Tree & Limb Pick-up Schedule for WLP

OCTOBER

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	J	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31	*NNO*	

NOVEMBER

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
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24	25	26		28	29	30

DECEMBER

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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JANUARY

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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 = Tree waste; **J** = Junk & tree waste pick up

Weekly household trash pick up each Monday. NOTE: Recycling is every other Monday, on highlighted days in boxes. Please have your bins out on the curb by 7 am and in by 10 pm.

“Tree Waste” is defined as “clean wood waste such as tree limbs, branches, and stumps (lumber, furniture, and treated wood will NOT be accepted.)” *

“Junk Waste” is defined as “items such as furniture, appliances, and other bulky material.” *

* Junk and tree waste may be left on the curb a day or two prior to collection day.

On Community:

What I Learned from my Professor by Truett Latimer

When I was in college at **Hardin-Simmons University**, in Abilene, I had the good fortune to study with an extraordinary man, **Dr. Rupert N. Richardson**. I was enriched by all my studies at that fine school, but this particular professor profoundly influenced my path from those days forward.

Dr. Richardson taught History along with a big dose of Responsibility. He taught me that we are supposed to learn from the past, and we also are charged with preserving it for the future. Dr. Richardson practiced what he preached! A longtime member of the **Texas State Historical Survey Committee**, now the **Texas Historical Commission**, he was dedicated to expanding the historical markers we enjoy along our state highways today, for which he received the **Ruth Lester Lifetime Achievement Award** in 1972.

After spending a few years in the fields of insurance, state government, and real estate, I found myself following in my professor’s footsteps when I became involved with the **Texas Historical Commission**, serving for sixteen years as its Executive Director. Eventually, I worked with the **Houston Museum of Natural Science**, and the interest in preservation that was nurtured in Dr. Richardson’s history class became my life’s passion. Although the commitment to community and service may have been forming before I went to Hardin-Simmons, the time I spent with Dr. Richardson underscored my belief that we owe our Community a debt of loyalty, to preserve the beauty of the place and the legacy of those who were here before us.

The same can be said of the smaller community in which we now live, West Lane Place. While we jog around our streets, ride our bicycles, or walk our pets, we should think about how fortunate we are to be here in this very special place and time. Let’s make an effort to know our neighbors and care for our neighborhood, our trees, our streets, and our friends. We owe it to each other **because we are our community**. Together we can protect it and preserve it! ♣

Announcements

NNO Don’t forget October 1 is **Neighbors’ Night Out!** (See page 1 for more details.) There will be a gourmet food truck, wine, guests, and neighbors. It’s a fun and important event! **Seeing Green Things?** The **Elhardts**, Mid Lane, and the **McDaniels**, Hackberry Lane, tell us green parrots were visiting their yards a few weeks ago. Have you seen them? **Musical Mail.** We hear that WLP mail has been delivered to the wrong address pretty often of late. It seems our regular carrier has been on vacation but will return soon and service should improve then. Unfortunately, **Kenny**, our faithful letter carrier for the last several years, has been reassigned to another area and will never return!