

## LGNA Area Crime Information

*Crime has long been a major issue for those of us that call Lower Greenville home. As a result of our big turnout at National Night Out, LGNA will be more involved in crime monitoring and prevention. In the future, you'll be seeing crime reports on the LGNA website and more tips and tools for preventing crime.*

*One tool is the "Grid of 9" print-out – a form to help you collect your neighbors' names and contact information. If you see any suspicious activity at your neighbor's house, first call 9-1-1. Then contact your neighbor. Studies have shown there is less crime in neighborhoods where people watch each other's homes. Plus, this gives you an opportunity to meet your neighbors! You can download the Grid of 9 at [www.LGNA.net](http://www.LGNA.net). Click on Newsletters/Downloads, Miscellaneous, Grid of 9.*

*LGNA is creating a second tool – an e-mail distribution list for LGNA residents interested in crime awareness. Once per month we will send out a summary of the crime reports in our area. We will also be using this list periodically to inform you of Crime Alerts which may arise. If there is a string of burglaries occurring using the same MO, we will tell you about it as soon as we know so that you can take precautions.*

*The mailing list is reserved specifically for Crime Awareness and will not be used for any other purposes. To be added to the mailing list, send an e-mail to [CrimeWatch@LGNA.net](mailto:CrimeWatch@LGNA.net).*

*You can review the city crime stats map on their website, at <http://maps.DallasCityHall.com>. Click on "Crime Maps".*

*Para otros articulos en español vaya ud. a [www.LGNA.net](http://www.LGNA.net)*

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## Planning Commission Acts on Neighborhood Stabilization Overlay

Public hearings were held on August 11 by the City Planning Commission to consider recommendations on the proposed Neighborhood Prevailing Standards and Neighborhood Stabilization Overlay.

With a large audience of interested homeowners, property developers, builders, and realtors, the Commission acted to make significant

changes from earlier ZOAC (Zoning Overlay Advisory Committee) recommendations.

The proposed changes now move on to City Council for final consideration. They are expected to meet in late September. Everyone is encouraged to contact Mayor Laura Miller and Council members with their opinion regarding this issue.

For more information and an overview of the Stabilization Overlay Proposal, go to [www.LGNA.net](http://www.LGNA.net).

## LGNA meeting – be there!

**WHEN:** Tuesday, Sept. 20, 7:00 p.m.

**WHERE:** Greenland Hills United Methodist Church at 5835 Penrose.

**TOPIC:** Sierra Club and Recycling

## Recycling 101 at September 20 Meeting

September's membership meeting will feature a speaker from the Sierra Club. The topic will be recycling – an issue of interest because of the city's proposal to change its schedule for garbage and recycling pick-ups. We will get the latest information on the city's new recycling program and trash pickup, as well as the nuts and bolts of what, where, why, and how to recycle. It should be fun and informative. Don't miss this one! Tuesday, September 20, 7:00 p.m. at Greenland Hills UMC.

## LGNA Plant Sale – Saturday, October 15

This October, LGNA will hold a plant sale just in time for Fall Color to beautify our neighborhood. The sale takes place at the southeast corner of Mockingbird and Matilda on Saturday, October 15, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

This fundraiser will allow you to buy flats of pansies at reasonable prices and help support your neighborhood association. Log onto [www.LGNA.net](http://www.LGNA.net) for more information.

## Boot Camp – Training for Dallas Neighborhoods

Ten volunteers from LGNA attended the 8th annual Dallas Homeowners League (DHL) "Boot Camp" at City Hall. DHL is a citywide alliance of neighborhood associations. Boot Camp

provides neighborhood volunteers with a forum to network with other neighborhood representatives, build local involvement and interact with city officials.

Keynote speaker City Manager Mary Suhm addressed priorities in managing 11,000 city employees and improving service to residents. She encouraged use of the 311 reporting system for service concerns or code violations, as this is an important tool for monitoring whether city resources are operating properly.

Attendees participated in breakout workshops focused on topics that affect our neighborhood quality of life. For more information on Boot Camp, visit [www.LGNA.net](http://www.LGNA.net).

## Where to Find Recycling Information

Every month more residents in the LGNA neighborhood decide to begin recycling. The city of Dallas' website includes detailed information on what, how and where to recycle almost everything from newspapers, plastics, glass and aluminum, to hazardous waste, old computers and other electronics.

To find information on trash and recycling in Dallas, go to [www.DallasCityHall.com](http://www.DallasCityHall.com). Follow links for Life in Dallas, Living in Dallas, Trash and Recycling to get detailed information on residential waste, yard waste, recycling, bulky trash and trash drop-off.

Click on "Recycling" to find a link to all Igloo recycling bins in Dallas, including what items they take. You'll find Igloos in the northeast parking lot at Tietze Park. The money received from recycling at Tietze helps fund park improvements. Greenland Hills UMC's parking lot also has igloos for glass and aluminum as a church fund raiser.

Click on "Recycle Bags" for info on blue bags. The city currently requires blue bags for residential recycling.

However, in September 2004, Dallas rolled out a single-stream recycling program in four neighborhoods for evaluation. At the end of one year, or this month, the city council will evaluate the single-stream program and consider switching to this program for the entire city. To read about the demo program, click on Recycling Demo Program.

## Bulk Trash Guidelines

Our area's bulk-trash pick-up dates are the second full week of the month. The schedule for 2005 includes the weeks of September 12, October 10, November 14, and December 12. Trash may be set out after 7:00 a.m. the Thursday before pick-up week.

City Code Compliance has been actively issuing citations for violations. It was reported recently that a large number of neighborhood residents were fined for putting out brush and bulk trash a week early. Fines range from \$250 to \$1,000.

## National Night Out Was Fun and Educational

Lower Greenville Neighborhood partnered with Lakewood Heights Neighborhood this year for the National Night Out event in Tietze Park on August 2. The evening started on a high with a fly-over from the police helicopter and a visit from one of DPD's brand-new S.W.A.T. artillery-proof vehicles, one of only two on the force. The approximately 600 children and adults attending also enjoyed the opportunity to see the animals from the Canine Unit and the Mounted Horse Unit.

Many police and sheriff department officers stopped by to talk with residents about crime prevention and safety. Police Chief David Kunkle and Sheriff Lupe Valdez topped off the evening with a visit.

Evolving from the event is the LGNA Crime Watch and monthly stats reporting. (See article in this newsletter.) Read more about the NNO event at [www.LGNA.net](http://www.LGNA.net).

## Neighborhood Event

A family event at the Lakewood Theater is scheduled on Tuesday, September 13. Local artist Karen Blessen and filmmaker Jeremy Gilley will preview their book and film Peace One Day. Children's reception 6:30-7:30, with film screening, discussion, and reception to follow.

## July Potluck

The annual July potluck dinner was an enjoyable evening with camaraderie and excellent food. Our good neighbors Pollo Fiesta at 2023 Henderson generously provided delicious chicken, and members brought a bounty of salads, casseroles, breads, and desserts. After dinner, LGNA board member Steve Howard reported on progress of the city's zoning overlay proposal, responding to questions and facilitating a discussion among those present.

## Please Don't Forget Your Membership Dues

Do you like what LGNA is doing? Would you like LGNA to do more? Become a member and participate. Your ideas and help are valuable. Annual household dues are \$10. Seniors 65+ are \$5. Mail to LGNA, P.O. Box 720067, Dallas, TX 75372.

Your neighborhood association can remain active and grow only with resident participation. If you can also give of your time, please let us know.

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