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DISTRICT 1 UPDATE

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District 1 To Hold Neighborhood Meeting Regarding Animal Services and Loose/Stray Animals

My office has received a number of phone calls these past few weeks about loose/stray animals in your neighborhood. I have requested Animal Control Services to do a sweep of the various neighborhoods with the problem areas. Additionally, my staff has been mailing out letters to the residents in the affected areas advising people of this matter and providing city ordinance and educational information.

I will also be holding a neighborhood meeting on this matter. At this meeting you will meet the new Manager of Animal Services, Mr. Willie McDaniel, where he will discuss his strategies to address this issue. I hope you can join us!

Thurs., March 1, 6:30 p.m.

Methodist Medical Center,

Gossard Conf. Rm. #201

(in the Service Building off of Colorado and Bishop Ave.)

City of Dallas and SPCA create Dallas Animal District

The City of Dallas and the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA) have partnered to create the Dallas Animal District, a new animal service community near the site of the city's new animal shelter, currently under construction at 1818 N.

Westmoreland. The District will help the city become a model for animal services and strengthen the shelter's relationship with other local animal welfare groups. For more information, please visit <http://dallascityhall.com/pdf/pio/AnimalDistrict021207.pdf>



**The City of Dallas will be closed Monday, Feb. 19, 2007,
in observance of Presidents' Day.**

Clean-Up of Lake at Lake Cliff Park

This week, the Park Department will begin clean-up of the lake at Lake Cliff Park. Employees will be pulling what they safely can from around the banks. The vegetation is water soaked and heavy, for that reason, it will be left on the ground to dry out before it is hauled off. The clean-up is expected to be completed in about a week, weather permitting.

Beverly Hills Park Pavilion – Public Input Meeting

PLACE: Martin Weiss Recreation Center

DATE: Tuesday, February 27, 2007

TIME: 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

For questions or additional information, please contact Raul Acosta, AIA, Park & Recreation Dept., (214) 670-1806.

City of Dallas Graffiti Program



This is a program aimed at covering unsightly graffiti and assisting citizens victimized by graffiti on their property. It's free! There is no cost to the property owner. For more information about



the program, please contact Lisa Fullerton, Graffiti Coordinator at 214-670-6362 or go to http://dallascityhall.com/code_compliance/graffiti.html

SAVE THE DATE

City-Wide Graffiti Clean-Up – Saturday, May 19, 2007

The next CITY-WIDE GRAFFITI CLEAN-UP will be on Saturday, May 19th, 8 am-12 noon. We will enlist a team of volunteers to help clean graffiti in District 1. More details will follow.



Hampton Illinois Library Upcoming Events

Vistas Film Festival to Present Free Screenings

Beginning this Saturday, February 17, the Vistas Film Festival will present a free screening every other Saturday at 1:00 p.m. for the next six weeks (Feb. 17, Mar. 3, Mar. 10, Mar. 17, and Mar. 31). The screenings will be held in the library's new black box theater. For those who haven't checked out the theater, it is a very cool space and a nice way to spend an afternoon. Here's the info on our first screening:

Saturday, February 17, 2007, starting at 1:00 p.m.

Hampton-Illinois Public Library, 2210 W Illinois Ave, Dallas

Real Women Have Curves

February 9-17, 2007, at the Hampton-Illinois Branch Library

The City of Dallas Office of Cultural Affairs and the Latin Arts Association of Fort Worth are proud to present Teatro de la Rosa's production of Real Women Have Curves, at the at the Hampton-Illinois Branch Library Black Box Theater. For more information go to <http://www.dallasculture.org/hamptonblackbox.cfm> or call the Rose Marine Theater Box Office at (817) 624-8333.



City Seeks Public Input on Dallas Fire-Rescue Department

The City is conducting an efficiency study of the Fire-Rescue Department, and as a part of the study, is hosting a series of public meetings to determine what Dallas Residents are encouraged to attend and give feedback. For more information go to

<http://dallascityhall.com/pdf/dfd/DFRMeetings0207.pdf>

The City of Dallas to co-sponsor "Celebrating Life 2007"

An event designed with the mature Texan in mind

Saturday, Feb. 24, 9a.m.-6p.m., at the Dallas Convention Center

This free community event is for seniors, the adult of children of seniors, and their caregivers. Free parking, free admittance and free health screening, and over \$35,000 in prizes and give-a-ways. To find out more, go to

<http://dallascityhall.com/pdf/pio/Celebratinglife.pdf>

"Too Good To Throw Away" More Options... Less Hassle Recycling has never been easier. You can now recycle these items:

- Glass (all colors)
- Plastics #1, #2, #3, #4, #5, #7
- Newspapers, magazines, junk mail,
- telephone books
- Steel, tin, aerosol & aluminum cans
- Chipboard & corrugated cardboard



And it's not too late to order your Big Blue recycling roll cart. For more information, please go to <http://dallascityhall.com/html/recycling.html>

City of Dallas Office of Cultural Affairs to Provide Workshops for Dallas Arts Organizations

The City of Dallas, through the Office of Cultural Affairs Cultural Projects Program, offers assistance in developing cultural resources in the city. The Cultural Projects Program is designed to provide financial assistance, on a matching basis to small professional, cultural organizations and neighborhood organizations, which are dedicated to community service, are professionally directed, and have demonstrated high standards of performance and administrative ability. For more information, please visit http://dallascityhall.com/pdf/pio/OCA_CCPworkshops.pdf



SAVE THE DATE!

OAK CLIFF EARTH DAY

Sunday, April 22, 2007, 11:00am – 5:00 p.m.

Help make Oak Cliff Earth Day one of the largest Earth Day celebrations in Texas!

The event will be held in Lake Cliff Park (at Zang and Colorado Blvd.).
A community festival including...

- Local garden clubs and parks groups such as Friends of Oak Cliff Parks, Oak Cliff Garden Forum, Dallas Parks Foundation
- Information booths by conservation and environmental groups such as Sierra Club, Arbor Day Foundation, Dallas Historic Tree Coalition, Audobon Society, Twelve Hills Nature Center, Cedar Ridge Preserve, etc.
- Alternative transportation such as Railways to Trailways and other hike and bike trail groups, running and cycling clubs, and DART
- Renewable energy companies, hybrid cars, tree nurseries, organic farms, and other "green" businesses

To volunteer or find out more information, please e-mail OakCliffEarthDay@aol.com

"A Taste of Oak Cliff" Coming in April to Bishop Arts

The event will feature restaurants selling authentic ethnic food, local businesses showcasing their products and services, local and regional talent will perform live shows on main stage, activities for children, arts and crafts booths and plenty of fun for the entire family. The event will take place in the Bishop Arts District on Sunday, April 22, 2007, 12 noon- 8 p.m. For more information, contact Raymond Macias at 214-403-7124