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Oakland Lake Park focus of Aug.21 in-person meeting

West Meadowbrook Neighborhood Association's next quarterly meeting will be Monday, Aug.21, at 7 p.m. at the Meadowbrook Poly United Methodist Church. City departments that work to clean, maintain, and improve parks in the city will be in attendance and available to discuss how the neighborhood can help improve the Oakland Lake Park experience. The program will be a chance to share concerns about one of West Meadowbrook's largest and busiest public spaces with the City of Fort Worth.

West Meadowbrook/City of Fort Worth Forestry Partner to replace pecan trees

West Meadowbrook's Civic Affairs Chair Mike Phipps and residents of Oakland, Barnett and Martel Avenues are joining forces to restore old growth pecan trees dying of disease, age and drought. The City of Fort Worth has designated the towering pecans along these avenues as Heritage Trees. Phipps is spearheading an effort to ensure future generations enjoy shade from these mature trees. Although not native to this area, the pecan trees were planted by some of the first residents of West Meadowbrook. According to city forestry department guidelines, those who plant free trees from the giveaway program must agree to a watering and maintenance schedule. Pecans require up to 10 gallons of water a day to establish and must be watered frequently in the summer. For more information on how to participate in the effort, please email WMNA at <u>wmnanews@gmail.com</u>.

National Night Out shaping up

The FWISD STEM truck is making a return visit this year. Reby Cary Youth Library will be co-sponsoring. Vendors are returning to promote public safety. National Night Out on Tuesday, Oct.3, is a big event for WMNA, the City and the State. The nationwide safety awareness observance is held in cities across Texas to promote neighborhood connections. In 2021, WMNA won a a City of Fort Worth neighborhood award for its first NNO at Reby Cary. WMNA's NNO committee needs sponsors, volunteers to arrange set-up and tear down of tables, entertainment, giveaways, music and more. Please let us know at wmnanews@gmail.com if you can help.

Interns in Tandy Hills Nature Preserve

Tandy Hills Nature Preserve college interns, from left, Kimberly Villarreal, Paige Priddy and Jacob Estes worked to mark trails, remove invasive privet and establish a Broadcast Hill trailhead map before returning to school. <u>Tandy Hills</u> is 20 years old this year. Congratulations to Don and Deborah Young on their stewardship of this park. Photo by Greg Hughes.



City rolls our zoning newsletters

Responding to complaints about late notifications for zoning cases, the City of Fort Worth is rolling out district <u>newsletters</u> to help update residents in a timely manner. Sign up for notifications 10 days ahead of hearings to keep on top of what is happening in District 11 and nearby neighborhoods. Email and text options are available.

Upcoming events

Aug.21 – 7 p.m., Oakland Lake Park Walk and Talk, MUMC Poly, 3900 Meadowbrook Drive.

Oct.3 – National Night Out, 5:30-7:30 p.m., Reby Cary Park, 3851 East Lancaster Avenue, Fort Worth, TX 76103.