

The Marlborough Messenger

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President's Message

Our spring general meeting is coming up on Tuesday, April 2, at 6:30 at Spring Ridge elementary. We will vote on a slate of new officers that evening and make plans for the year.

Exciting things are coming for the MSNA. New year. New officers. New ideas. The new electronic newsletter has been launched, the new website is in development, and updates to the membership directory are underway. Getting memberships in as quickly as possible will speed up completion and distribution of the new directory. Sign up now!



present and nominations can also be made from the floor that evening. We'll also ask you to add your name to whatever event or committee you are willing to help with. We

couldn't have a better group of people than we have in our association. You consistently turn out to help with some part of our events and serve on ongoing committees. I am

always proud to talk about you and what great neighbors you are. On a personal note, thank you for your support over the last three years. I've had fun and learned a lot. It's been a great experience.

We have an excellent slate of nominees to

Margy Veatch, President

MSNA Neighborhood Association General Meeting



Where: Spring Ridge Elementary

When: Tuesday April 2nd

Dinner: 6:30 p.m.

Provided by Desperados Mexican Restaurant
Tacos, beans, rice, chips, salsa, drinks
\$5 per person

Business Meeting: 7:00 p.m.

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Cottonwood Art Festival

Cottonwood Art Festival is a bi-annual event which features works from the nation's top visual artists. Located in scenic Cottonwood Park in Richardson, Texas, this prestigious art show has been a part of Richardson life for over forty years. Admission is free. This is a rain or shine event.

Cottonwood isn't just about the art, though. The festival also features local bands who perform the best in rock, country, jazz, blues, swing and folk. Be sure to check out the Lakeside Courtyard, where you can sit in the shade by the lake and relax while you enjoy



the music. Food and spirits are also available in the courtyard. The beautiful atmosphere and ambience of the courtyard is created and designed by Donal McKinney, owner of Green Sculptor.

When

Saturday, May 4, 2013: 10 am - 7 pm (Live music until 8 pm)

Sunday, May 5, 2013: 10 am - 6 pm

Where

Cottonwood Park, 1321 W. Belt Line Rd.
Richardson, TX

Visit www.cottonwoodfestival.com for more info.

MSNA Website

Want to know what's going on in the neighborhood and community? Now you no longer have to wait until the next Newsletter to see what is going on in Marlborough Square. The New MSNA website will be up and running in March. Stay tuned!

Getting Fit in Richardson

Want to get back in to shape in 2013? Want to shed a few pounds? Whether it's the large gym chains, recreation centers, or parks, you will find it in Richardson. If you prefer to belong to a gym that you can access whether you are home or on vacation, check out 24 Hour Fitness and LA Fitness. The hours are flexible for those workaholics and/or early risers. The City of Richardson also has facilities you can workout at: Huffness Recreation Center, Heights Recreation Center, Senior Center, Gymnastics Center, and the Tennis Center. Check out the Parks & Recreation [website](#) for more details. If you prefer the outdoors, check out the city parks. Close to Marlborough Square is Berkner Park, which has a playground for children, a baseball field, and a walking trail. If you are feeling adventurous, go visit the beautiful Spring Creek Nature Preserve and Galatyn Woodland Preserve located near Lookout and Greenville Ave. Let's all get in shape in 2013!

Cirro Energy - Giving Back to MSNA

Did you know that by choosing Cirro Energy as your electric provider you will be giving back financially to MSNA? Cirro Energy donates a portion of proceeds from all the households in Marlborough Square that receive electrical service from them back to MSNA. This is a perfect way of giving back to the neighborhood without any effort! Did you also know that Cirro Energy is based right here in Richardson, Texas, so you will not only be helping out the neighborhood, but the local economy! If you wish to participate, contact Cirro Energy and let them know you live in Marlborough Square and would like to participate in the program.

THIS IS NOT AN ENDORSEMENT

Neighborhood News

Coyotes in the Neighborhood

Coyotes have been seen in the neighborhood. Please keep your small animals inside if possible. When it's necessary to take them outside, always keep them on a leash. Also, try to put your trash out the morning of trash pick-up so you are not accidentally feeding the coyotes the night before. Furthermore, try to feed your pets inside and remove pet food from outside. If you do spot a coyote, please call COR Animal Services at 972-744-4480.

Water Restrictions

The City of Richardson is still under Stage 2 Water Restrictions. Watering is allowed on **Tuesdays & Saturdays** at addresses that end in **even numbers** (2,4,6,8,0). It is permitted on **Wednesdays & Sundays** at addresses that end in **odd numbers** (1,3,5,7,9). Watering is prohibited every day between 10 am & 6 pm, & residents are encouraged to skip watering if it rains within a couple days of a scheduled watering day.

Speeding in the Alley

SPEED LIMIT is 10 MILES/HR.



There may be children playing in the alley, a pet that has escaped, or someone backing out – many of us have driveways that do not give a view of the alley due to fences.

Please slow down in the Alleys!!!

Way to go!

Andrew Davis, the grandson of Ray and Carolyn Davis, 1410 Potomac, a senior forward on the A&M Commerce Basketball team has been named First Team Capital One Academic All-American by the Collegiate Sports Information Directors of America. It marks his second-straight year that Davis has been recognized. He is the 2012 Lone Star Conference Player of the Year and boasts a perfect 4.00 GPA. Stop by and let Ray and Carolyn know you are rooting for Andrew!

Lunchtime Lecture Series

Marlborough Square resident Richard Cudlipp, 1503 Stonecrest, is presenting a Lunchtime Lecture Series titled "Focusing on the Civil War." Lectures are all from 11:30 am to 12:45 pm in the Basement Program Room in the Richardson Public Library. The program is free and no registration is required. Feel free to bring your own brown bag lunch. For more information call 972-744-4376.

**Lunchtime Lecture Series Dates:
March 19 , March 26, April 2**

Local Proud

Local Proud is a grassroots movement to help encourage consumer spending at locally-owned businesses. The program centers around a free Perks card distributed by participating local businesses. The Local Proud Perks card allows consumers to receive discounts when they show their card. These perks may be everyday discounts, special offers or even free stuff! Visit <http://www.localproud.com/index.php/richardson>

Crime Prevention Conference

The Richardson Police Department Crime Prevention Unit is announcing the fourth annual Faith-Based Crime Prevention Conference.

This free event will take place on Saturday, March 23rd, from 8am - 12:30pm at Canyon Creek Baptist Church. The theme for this conference is "Women and Crime Prevention".

This conference is open all women. Topics will be geared towards women & how they can reduce their risk of becoming a victim of crime. Seating is limited, to register & learn more visit our webpage at: <http://www.cor.net/index.aspx?page=1282>

Contact the Crime Prevention Unit with any questions at 972-744-4955.

2013 State of the City

Richardson Mayor Bob Townsend delivered the annual State of the City Address January 30, 2013 at the Richardson's Eisemann Center. Mayor Townsend's remarks focused on the City Council's statement of goals in various "areas of excellence" and the City's major accomplishments during 2012 in each of those focus areas. Significant projects identified were: creation of a \$1.5 billion, mixed use, transit-oriented development project on property adjoining the DART Bush Turnpike Station, Construction of Methodist Health System's new, \$120 million regional hospital at its Renner Rd Campus, and Alamo Drafthouse Cinema began construction last year and is scheduled to open in May 2013. Also, a new Heights Recreation Center and Family Aquatics Center will open in the late spring, early summer. For more information on the 2013 State of the City, visit the City of Richardson website at www.cor.net and click on the State of the City link.

Wildflower Festival



Wildflower is an award-winning, multi-day eclectic arts and music festival featuring three main outdoor stages, a Singer/Songwriter stage, the Wild! Marketplace, the Taste of Texas Food Garden, the family friendly Kidz Korner, Game Zone, Art Guitar Auction and a whole lot more!

Musical Acts this year include Cowboy Mouth, Rocket Man, Uncle Kracker, Le Freak, Reverend Horton Heat, The Toadies, and Robert Earl Keen.

Richardson residents may purchase discounted tickets starting April 15th, 2013 at the Heights Recreation Center, Huffhines Recreation Center and Senior Citizens Center. Children 4 and under get in free each day.

When: Friday, May 17, 2013 - Sunday, May 19, 2013

Friday, May 17	6 p.m.	to midnight
Saturday, May 18	11 a.m.	to midnight
Sunday, May 19	12:30 p.m.	to 8 p.m.

Where: Galatyn Park Urban Center, 2351 Performance Dr.

Visit www.wildflowerfestival.com for more info.

Garden Tips

MARCH GARDENING REMINDERS

- ◆ Fertilize all planting areas if not done in February
- ◆ Mulch all bare soil
- ◆ Amend vegetable beds with Compost
- ◆ Prepare all garden beds for planting
- ◆ Make a plan of what you want to plant
- ◆ Visit nurseries

APRIL GARDENING REMINDERS

- ◆ Plant spring bulbs
- ◆ Plant Caladium Bulbs the 15th
- ◆ Feed Trees & Shrubs with Tree & Shrub Food
- ◆ Watch for fungus and brown patch; and apply Fungaway or Fungicide
- ◆ Prune shrubs
- ◆ Apply Green Light Wipe-Out for broadleaf weeds
- ◆ Plant Spring annuals, perennials & fertilize

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If you would like advertise, submit an article or have a suggestion for the newsletter, contact Nick Robison at msnacommunications@gmail.com.

Membership— Join us!

MSNA Membership Drive 2013 is underway! Marlborough Square Neighborhood Association is a voluntary neighborhood organization and membership is open to all Marlborough residents whether you are home owners or tenants. The purpose of the association is to assure the beauty, safety, and stability of the area and the surrounding community, to promote neighborliness and pride among the residents, and to form a base for representation in matters affecting the community.

Your MSNA dues help support the beautification of the neighborhood, social events, neighborhood directory, plus much, much more! **Membership dues are only \$40 a year.** We would like to thank those residents that chose to contribute more than the \$40 membership.

Help make Marlborough Square a beautiful, safe place to live and raise our families. See the Membership form at the end of the newsletter to join. **JOIN TODAY!**



Marlborough Square Neighborhood Association (MSNA) is a voluntary organization of residents that come together to enhance the quality of life, preserve the value of homes, and promote a safe neighborhood in Marlborough Squares. Membership is open to all residents whether you are home owners or tenants.

Trash-Bash 2013

The City of Richardson will be holding Trash-Bash 2013, a City-wide cleanup that removes litter from the streets, parks and waterways. All citizens, social organizations and civic groups are invited to participate in this event to help clean up the community from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, April 6. Groups/individuals can register online at www.cor.net or by phone at 972-744-4076. During the event, the Richardson Environmental Action League will give each Richardson household a free roll of 26 blue recycle bags.



Also, simultaneously a clothing drive will be taking place at Richardson City Hall. The clothing will be donated to The Network of Community Ministries, Inc. Items that are needed are clothing and coats for men, women and children.

In conjunction with Trash Bash, document shredding and electronics recycling will be taking place at City Hall on the same day. Bring your bags and boxes of old documents and electronics. Documents will be destroyed on site, safely and securely.

