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YOUR NEWSLETTER and RENEWAL FORM enclosed!

See inside for the
ZONING PROPOSAL
LBJ at Hughes Lane

CHECK US OUT!
HillcrestForest.org

You probably know that we have a web site, HillcrestForest.org.
Go there to renew your membership!
There is also information about neighborhood Security Patrols, Zoning, Recycling, Schools, City service phone numbers, and more.
We update our web site more often than we can mail newsletters, so add it to your bookmarks or "favorites" and check back regularly to see what's going on!



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SUPPORT YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD PLEASE RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

Hillcrest Forest needs your support to help us maintain and improve the quality of life in our neighborhood. RENEW for the coming year with the enclosed envelope. Or pay by Credit Card at www.HillcrestForest.org.

Hillcrest Forest membership is still only \$15!

60% Drop in crime in the 5 Star ENP Patrol area
(South of Forest Lane, east of Hillcrest Road)

THE 5 STAR ENP
ASKS YOUR SUPPORT,
to PAY FOR PATROLS
& KEEP CRIME LOW!



YOUR BENEFITS:

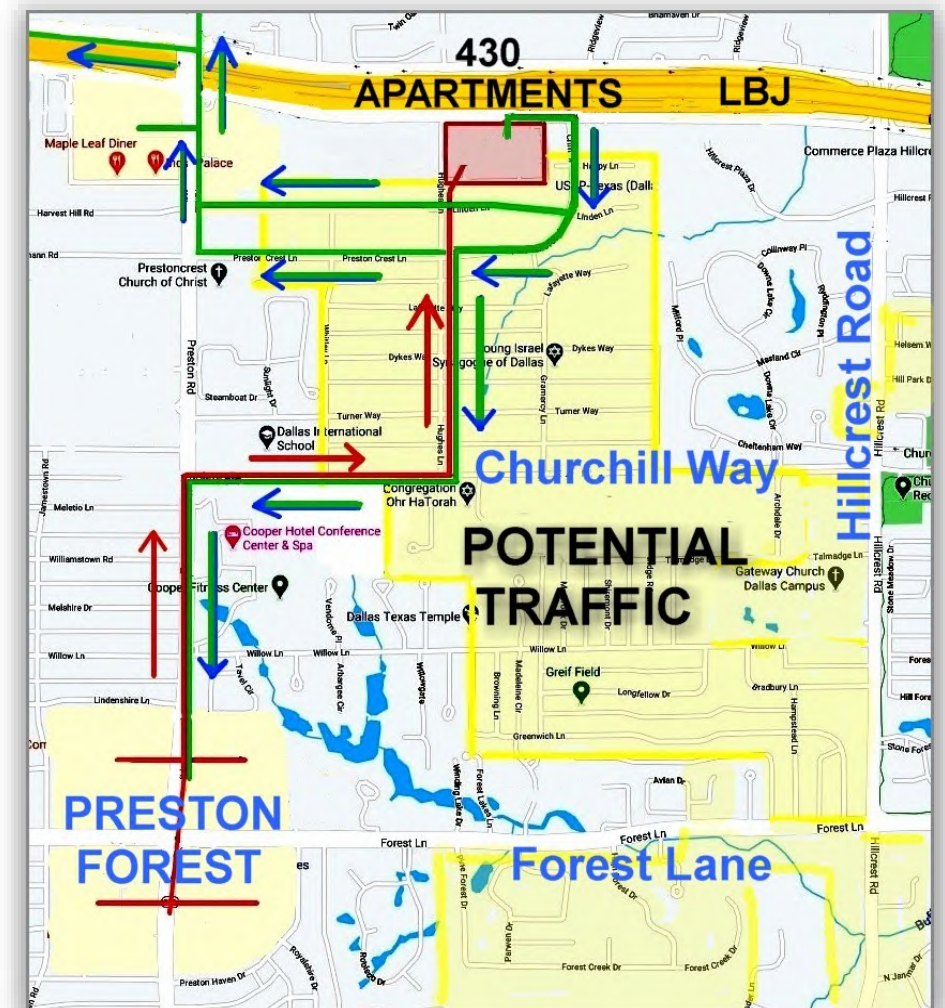
- 4-hour patrols by uniformed **Dallas Police** on weekdays.
- All-night armed security patrols by Smith Patrol (members know when).
- Members receive Smith's late night dispatch number. Add this to your cell phone, and during patrol hours, you can call them direct if you want to report something. If you're away from home and receive an alarm notification during their patrol hours, call Smith Dispatch to have it checked out.
- Members can request added surveillance when out of town.

THE PATROL NEEDS EVERYONE'S FINANCIAL SUPPORT

To pay by credit card, go to www.HillcrestForest.org.

The 5 Star ENP is separate from our Neighborhood Association, but we work closely together. The Churchill Way Patrol, north of Forest Lane, is managed by Hillcrest Forest. Paid Hillcrest Forest members in that area will receive information on the Churchill Way Patrol.

RE-ZONING PROPOSED LBJ at Hughes Lane



A national apartment builder proposes to replace the 2-story offices called the **Concourse** Office Park, on the south LBJ service road at Hughes Lane, between Hillcrest and Preston Roads. It adjoins the Preston Citadel neighborhood, which extends from Churchill Way to LBJ. They plan to build **430 apartments, 7 stories**.

Bruce Wilke, president of Hillcrest Forest, and Carol Scott, representing Preston Citadel, conveyed their concerns to the developers -- about the density of apartments, and also the inevitable 24/7 apartment traffic cutting through the neighborhood to Preston Road, to reach the Preston Forest shopping center or go north on Preston to turn west on LBJ. The only alternative to them using our residential streets is to go a mile out of their way, east on the LBJ service road to Hillcrest Road and then back to Preston.

No further details are available as this goes to press, but we will update our web site, www.HillcrestForest.org. You may also contact our district representative on the City zoning board, Jaynie Schultz, at CPC-D11@DallasCityHall.com for more information.



FROM PRESIDENT BRUCE WILKE
Recycling - "If in doubt, throw it out"

You may have heard that China no longer accepts recycling, and China was the major buyer. Luckily, Dallas has alternatives.

The bad news is that a lot of our recycling still ends up in the landfill. A large part of it is contamination from food residue. Not only does that item have to be pulled out of the recycling stream for disposal, but it often contaminates clean paper and cardboard in the truck.

Another big problem is "wish-cycling", where residents put items in their bin that cannot be recycled. The city says that it's well-intended but does more harm than good. It costs the city money to sort it out and dispose of it. They say, "If in doubt, throw it out."

Other tips: Big Blue container lids must always be closed so rain cannot enter. Rain ruins the paper products, and water in the bin can damage items when dumped in the truck. Also, flatten boxes to conserve space.

And finally, items should be loose in the bin. Collect your recycling in a trash bag if you want, but then empty it into the bin. Closed trash bags have to be pulled from the conveyor belt at the center and opened by hand, adding labor expense and disrupting the flow.

The DALLAS POLICE ask us, "Please..."

The panhandlers seen at major intersections "go where the money is". Your cash only attracts more. Some are aggressive and some are pro's. Others spend the money on liquor or drugs. If you really want to help, our Dallas Police tell us: Instead of giving cash to the panhandlers, PLEASE donate it to the organizations that can provide them with assistance. You will find them online, including The Bridge, Union Gospel Mission, Austin Street Shelter, Genesis Women's Shelter, Salvation Army, The Stewpot, and others.



Look for the street sign Toppers at most entrances to the neighborhood, including along Hillcrest Road, Forest Lane, and Royal Lane. Our sincere thanks to everyone who so generously contributed to this project!

TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP!

Still only \$15. Membership envelope enclosed.

When you renew, you'll receive:

- Newsletters plus periodic emails with timely information.
- Notices of zoning requests or land use changes in your area.
- A "Good Neighbor" Directory in the early spring, with your neighbors' contact information
- Invitations to neighborhood events.

And most importantly, your membership supports our volunteers in protecting the quality of life in our neighborhood!

Use the enclosed membership envelope, or you can pay by Credit Card on our web site, HillcrestForest.org. Doing it now will save us the cost of mailing a reminder, so we can put that money to better use!

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Preston Royal Book Club
Sponsored by the Preston Royal Library
and the Hillcrest Forest Neighborhood Association

Everyone is welcome to join us & discuss the books the members have chosen. For information, go to HillcrestForest.org and click "Book Club"!

BRUSH & BULKY TRASH UPDATE

The City's curbside pickup is the week of the **4th Monday** of the month. (Since the pandemic began, there have sometimes been delays.) By City code, items can be put at the curb **no earlier than the Thursday** prior to that Monday.

We receive occasional reports of bulky trash being put out too early. It can happen to anyone once in a while, but if someone is a regular offender, you can call 3-1-1 and file a report with the City.

Volume is now limited to 10 cubic yards per month. This is equivalent to the size of 10 stoves or standard size washing machines. Removing a large tree could exceed that amount. If necessary, you can reduce volume by cutting up branches so they lay flat and make the pile compact. Also, **once a year**, residents are entitled to set out up to 20 cubic yards by calling 3-1-1 a week in advance for a waiver.

Fall Brush & Bulky Trash Pickup Schedule

Set out Days

4th Monday of Month

Brush and Bulk Collection Days

SEPTEMBER

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DECEMBER

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For the latest updates and a lot of good neighborhood information ...

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