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SLNA Newsletter

South Lamar Neighborhood Association www.southlamar.org

From the President



Greetings from your new President! No million dollar extravaganzas celebrating my induction (at least none I was invited to!), but it's official nonetheless. I hope 2005 will be a productive year - both personally for each of you, and collectively as a neighborhood.

Along with this new year comes the changing of hats for practically all of the SLNA 'leadership': Check out the "SLNA Contacts", and maybe even cut it out and post it on your fridge....

For me personally, probably the most exciting change is our new Newsletter Editor, Beth Troell. I enjoyed the task, but two years was enough. Beth and her husband Waldo and their cute mutt 'Tulum' live on South Oak, and have been in the 'hood for over a year. Beth does this newsletter stuff professionally, having won numerous awards.

She currently works with the Dept of Labor's Job Corps program. Waldo is an archaeologist for TxDoT, with a special interest in the Mayans (thus the dog's name!). If you want to submit articles for future newsletters, call or email Beth directly: 626-9709 or beth@directwriting.net.

Also in 2005, we hope to foster a **SLNA community service program**: SLNA residents working together toward volunteer projects both within and outside SLNA's physical boundaries. Currently, Jennifer Marine is spearheading a Bake Sale for Tsunami Relief, Chad Hymel is leading our quarterly Keep Austin Beautiful cleanups, and Ann Lacker has us signed up to help build a Habitat for Humanity house on May 7th! If you're interested in helping coordinate similar projects, please let me know and I'll put you in touch!

I hope to see lots of new faces at this month's meeting, as well as some I've not seen in a while. If you have any announcements you'd like to share at the meeting, just let me know beforehand and we'll work you in!

Carol Gibbs, 2005 SLNA President

New Year's Dues Renewal: 10\$/20\$

Continuing members: It's time to renew your dues: **10\$** for membership **20\$** for Big Bubbas & Bubbettes. Please bring a **check made to SLNA** to the next meeting or contact **Don Ewalt**! His phone number and email are listed in the Officers & Contacts list, below. Interested in becoming a member? See page 2 for the **SLNA membership application**!

Membership Statement

- Membership in the Association shall be issued on the basis of residency (**renters** and **homeowners**) and timely payment of annual dues.
- SLNA boundaries: **North** - Oltorf; **South** - Ben White; **East** - Union Pacific Railroad; **West** - S. Lamar / Manchaca.
- Persons meeting the above criteria but who are unable to pay membership dues may **request a reduction in dues or a waiver**.
- The privilege of introducing **motions and voting** shall be limited to those who have joined the Association at least ten days prior to any regularly scheduled or special called meeting.
- **Complete bylaws** -- and **links** to lots of other useful information -- are available at www.southlamar.org.

Next Meeting:
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17
7:00 to 9:00 P.M.
UNITY CHURCH
MAIN BUILDING
2806 Del Curto Road



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February SLNA Meeting Agenda Highlights

The following visitors will join us in the 'Hood for the February meeting.

- Our District Representative from **APD**, Robert Barboza, will talk about neighborhood disturbances.
- The **Town Lake Trail** Foundation reps (www.townlaketrail.org/) will show us ways to maintain, improve, beautify and expand the trail with our help.
- **ACC** Board Trustees will discuss the current status of their South Campus.
- Also, come hear news about a developer interested in the remaining **trailer park** land.



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**Neighborhood Cleanup
February 12th!**

by Chad Hymel
Come help clean up the corner of **Del Curto** and **Cinnamon Path** on Saturday, **February 12th** from 10:00am to Noon before the poison ivy comes back in the spring. This work session will focus on the brush and overgrowth as well as litter along the sidewalk and in the creek bed. Bring your work gloves and yard tools like loppers, rakes, shovels, edgers (nothing electric). We'll supply the leaf bags and trash bags.

SLNA Calendar Highlights

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| February 12th | Cinnamon Path & Del Curto cleanup |
| February 17th | SLNA meeting |
| February 19th | <i>Tentative</i> Tsunami Relief Bake Sale |
| April 9th | Keep Austin Beautiful Clean Sweep, location TBA |
| April 21st | SLNA meeting |



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Renewing Member _____

Please complete the following. Couples, please use both first names.

NAME(S): _____
MAILING ADDRESS: _____
CITY, STATE, ZIP: _____
AREA CODE & PHONE NUMBER: _____
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☐ Check here if you want to join SLNA's Yahoo Email Group.

If you live outside SLNA's borders, please note the address of the SLNA property you own:

Membership is **\$10 per year** per household
(due in **January** each year)
Or be a "Big Bubba/Big Bubbette" for \$20 (or more) per year.

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

☐ Request Hardship Waiver of Membership Fee
Make checks payable to "South Lamar Neighborhood Association"
Mail/Deliver to Don Ewalt, 1605 Lightsey Rd., Austin, TX 78704
Check out the SLNA Website at www.southlamar.org

**Homemade
Tsunami Relief:
Bake Sale**

by Beth Troell

Jennifer Newcomb Marine is organizing a bake sale to benefit **tsunami relief** for a fishing village in Argumbay, Sri Lanka.

Jennifer is personally involved because she has a dear friend, Nazreen Phillips, who lives in Colombo, Sri Lanka. While Nazreen and her family are fine, they are coordinating efforts to help neighboring villages that were devastated. For more information on how you can help (baking, working the event, etc.), contact Jennifer at **447-0415** or texajen@gmail.com.

