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A LETTER from the PRESIDENT

Dear Neighbors:

It's time to mark your calendars for our 2013 **Annual Meeting, 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 1.** We will gather once again at **Amazing Place** to hear from **Oliver Pennington**, our City Council representative; a speaker from **Harris County Flood Control District; Managing Director, Gregg Wattson**, of the **Oliver McMillan Company** (the company developing what used to be Westcreek Apartments on Westheimer;) and **Patrice Benoit, Manager of Highland Village Shopping Center Management Office.** At this meeting, we also will ask you to elect the next board of the West Lane Place Civic Association.

We propose that the officers who are currently serving on the board, and those directors whose terms expire this year, remain in their positions for another term. There is one vacancy we must fill that was left when board member, Karen Smith, moved away from West Lane Place. **Karisa Gallucci**, of **West Lane**, has agreed to take Karen's position, and this will be the only change we propose to the board this year.

We thank **Amazing Place** for allowing us to meet once again in its beautiful facility. We also thank **Oliver Pennington, Patrice Benoit, and Gregg Wattson** for agreeing to speak to us. Special thanks to **WLPCA Treasurer, Cynthia Trigg**, for organizing the event.

If you are not yet a member of the WLPCA, the Annual Meeting is a perfect opportunity for you to join, and we urge you to do so. In addition to WLPCA business, it will be social, too. There will be refreshments, and you'll have a chance to get to know your neighbors while you're there.

We hope to see each and every one of you that evening!

Sincerely,
Mohammad Bayegan,
president@wlpca.org

WLPCA ANNUAL MEETING

When: Wednesday, May 1

6:30 p.m. Sign in
7:00 p.m. Business starts

Where: Amazing Place

3735 Drexel
at Richmond Ave., behind Houston Metro Urology

Who:

Oliver Pennington, District G City Council Member
Gregg Wattson, Oliver McMillan
Patrice Benoit, Highland Village
Harris County Flood Control District

What else: Election of 2013 WLPCA Board

See proposed slate, below

Soft Drinks and Light Refreshments will be served
On site parking available
You can join WLPCA at this meeting!

Proposed Slate of 2013 Officers and Directors of WLPCA:

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Karisa Gallucci
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Houston's One Bin For All Proposal won Mayor Bloomberg's Philanthropies Mayors Challenge and Fan Favorite.

At this time, **Houston Solid Waste Management Department** operates two types of recycling: **"Curbside,"** the small green bins we previously carried to the curb, and **"Automated,"** the larger carts we now roll to the curb for collection. You may remember that West Lane Place was selected to be an early participant in the Automated Recycling Program that makes recycling easy. Now there is a **new proposal that will eventually make recycling involuntary.**

Recently, **Mayor Bloomberg** ran a competition among cities for the best ideas in how to improve city life, and **Houston won \$1 million** for its innovative recycling proposal. As **Fan Favorite**, Houston won an additional **\$50,000 from IBM** to help implement its idea that will revolutionize recycling, reduce landfills and greenhouse gases, and lower operating costs.

Houston's proposed **One Bin For All** system will allow all garbage to be collected in one container, then taken to a facility that will separate trash from recycleables and allow residents to recycle effortlessly. The plan is still being developed through a public-private partnership, and there is no projected date for its application, but eventually it will **serve as a model for other cities.** In the mean time, please continue to separate trash from your discarded plastic, paper, glass, and aluminum, and roll them out to the curb every other Monday in your lovely large green cart. ♣

Announcements


***AM* Annual Meeting May 1** Don't forget to join us for the **WLPCA Annual Meeting at Amazing Place, 3735 Drexel** at Richmond, behind Houston Metro Urology. (See page 1 for more details.) There will be refreshments, speakers, and on-site parking, plus the election of board members. It's an important neighborhood event. Please plan to join us!

Open Door Policy? Crime Watch Alerter and WLPCA Director, Ann Iverson, asks all of you whose garage doors tend to stay open to please close them. According to Ann, a recent impromptu survey of West Lane Place revealed an alarming number of open garage doors. Ann and HPD tell us that **open garage doors are an invitation to thieves.** With the increased commercial and residential development on Westheimer, and resulting increased traffic on Mid Lane, your open garage door will be advertising to even more potential criminals to invade your home. Please do not expose yourselves or West Lane Place this way. **Please be sure your doors and your garage doors, are closed and locked, whether you are at home or away!**

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 = Tree waste; **J** = Junk waste pick up

Weekly household trash pick up each Monday. NOTE: Recycling is every other Monday, on highlighted days in boxes. Please have your bins out on the curb by 7 am and in by 10 pm.

"Tree Waste" is defined as "clean wood waste such as tree limbs, branches, and stumps (lumber, furniture, and treated wood will NOT be accepted.)"

"Junk Waste" is defined as "items such as furniture, appliances, and other bulky material."