

# President's Podium



UNIVERSITY ESTATES NORTH HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION

# “The Buzz”



Believe it or not it is Fall. Outside temps may not confirm this but I am hoping that we get a touch of cool weather in time for our National Night Out coming very soon on Tuesday, October 7<sup>th</sup>. We will begin by gathering at the Richardson Woman's Club at 5:30 PM (don't forget it gets dark about 7:30PM).

This year we are combining our National Night Out Event with our Annual Meeting. It is very important that you come and sign up for Crime Watch so we can main-

tain our status as a Crime Watch Neighborhood and so you can be on hand for the election of officers for 2009. Please mark your calendars for Tuesday October 7<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM and join us for a barbeque dinner and lots of fun.

In preparation for our Annual Elections, David Roffino is chairing the Nominating Committee. The UENHA Board is always looking for volunteers and this year we need to fill several positions. If you or someone you know would like to be in-

involved as a committee chairperson or an officer on the board please give David Roffino a call @ 214-850-3900 or give me a call @ 972-740-6721.

Our UENHA WEB SITE has been updated and looks great! There are many new important information items that have just been posted to the site. Check it out so you don't miss out: [www.uenha.org](http://www.uenha.org).

See you soon,

David Frank  
President

## Coming Events

- *New Yard of the Month Program*      *Oct.*
- *National Night Out*      *Oct. 7th*
- *UENHOA Annual Meeting*      *Oct. 7th*
- *Annual Holiday Lights Party*      *Dec. 14*



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## Sidewalk Repairs

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Dear Neighbors,

We are exploring options to getting our sidewalks repaired to fix trip hazards. Our slabs are basically in pretty good shape, but some have settled or raised causing uneven walkway panels. There is no money left from the 2006 Bond. If we are to have the city fix them, we will need to pass a new bond. However, there is no guarantee that any of that money will find its way to our neighborhood as we are still considered a "new" neighborhood, even though we are about 30 years old.

The city has assessed \$1.3 million in repairs needed in our neighborhood but older neighborhoods will most likely use up new bond funds for repairs which means we will have to wait for yet another

bond after that one. More than likely, we might get our sidewalks ramped at cross streets to meet ADA requirements.

The city has contracted with several companies who will replace your panels at about \$100 per panel. I have explored using a company specializing in leveling concrete by mud-jacking the panels into alignment for my own sidewalk. Personally, I like this option as it does not give a patch-work quilt appearance to the neighborhood. I am trying to see if there might be some funds from other departments and programs to get some help with this.

If you have any interest in fixing your sidewalk panels, please contact me by e-mail. If there are

enough of us, we might be able to get our panels leveled at a discounted price from this company. With enough interest, a representative would be willing to come to our NNO meeting to answer questions. The city might possibly be willing to support this sidewalk leveling if we have at least 20 or more willing to do it. I want to try to keep the cost at \$50 per panel which is better than the city's contacts. Be aware, each homeowner is responsible for the condition of the sidewalk in front of your house.

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## Benefit Concert for the Defenders of Freedom

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**The Defenders of Freedom is a Dallas area based non-profit organization dedicated to supporting our troops.** Every day DOF greets soldiers as they arrive at DFW Airport to show how much their service and acts of bravery are appreciated. The organization also sends care packages to our troops all around the world and assists wounded soldiers adjusting to civil-

ian life upon returning home. They do this without fail at an ever-increasing cost. **On October 25, 2008, a benefit concert will be held for this organization at the Lakewood Theater in Dallas.** If you are interested in helping by purchasing tickets and attending the evening's activities, please go to their website [www.defendersoffreedom.us](http://www.defendersoffreedom.us) which

has links to the planned activities for the concert. If you like "oldies" music, this is for you! The band, Colt and the Old 45s are providing the entertainment. For a sample of what's in store, please go to their website: [www.coltandtheold45s.com](http://www.coltandtheold45s.com)

## UENHOA National Night Out Against Crime

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Our annual neighborhood NNO has been change to October 7 this year. Please see page 6 for details.

## UENHA joins Calloway's Nursery "GOOD NEIGHBOR PROGRAM"

I am pleased to announce that Calloway's Nursery, Inc., invited our Homeowner's Association to participate in their "Good Neighbor Program," Calloway's will provide us with new Yard-Of-The-Month signs, gardening tips, and store coupons to publish in the BUZZ. In addition, they will provide a \$50.00 gift certificate to each of our four winners for Yard-Of-The-Month. UENHA will continue to make the yard selections.

We have many lovely yards in our neighborhood, and I am sure this program will be an even greater incentive to make it the prettiest Richardson.

We hope to have this new program up and running in the very near future, so this would be a good time to start sprucing up your yard and take advantage of the coupon included in this issue. Start looking for that new Calloway's Yard-Of-The-Month sign. It may be in your yard!



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## MySpace for Parents

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*What is MySpace?*

*Why is it so popular?*

*How to keep teens safe*

*How to maneuver around the*

*immensely precarious*

*website.*

For more information contact:

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Richardson Public Library  
900 Civic Center Drive  
Richardson, TX 75080  
972.744.4350



## Calloway's Timely Tip for October

As September gives way to the cooler days of October, this is a good time to evaluate your landscape. Did you know that fall is one of the best times to plant trees, shrubs and perennials? Nursery stock planted now will have an opportunity for roots to settle in and become established. When spring arrives, this root system can support and take full advantage of the surge of new growth. Fresh nursery stock is arriving daily so, stop by and take advantage of the selection available and this wonderful time of the year to work outdoors!

We are also excited about more heirloom bulbs from The Southern Bulb Company. Remember, this is the Texas company known for searching out and rescuing "lost and forgotten" varieties. The *Leucojum aestivum*, better known as "Snowflakes", is by far one of the most adaptable bulbs

ever offered in Texas. Clusters of dime-sized blooms emerge in February accented by bluish green foliage. The 'Grand Primo' Narcissus is treasured for its long lasting blooms and robust foliage. This reliable bloomer's fragrance is light and sweet and the flowers appear in late February through March. 'Golden Dawn' Narcissus grows 14" -16" tall and is multi-flowering. Enjoy a sweet, clean fragrance year after year usually in mid-March. As a good "rule of thumb" for most bulbs, plant at a depth about three times the height of the bulb.

Also, new this fall is a program which offers the early purchase of pre-chilled bulbs. Several varieties of Tulips, Narcissus and Hyacinths are available for purchasing now with delivery in December-ready to go into the ground. Gardening made easy!

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# Yard of the Month

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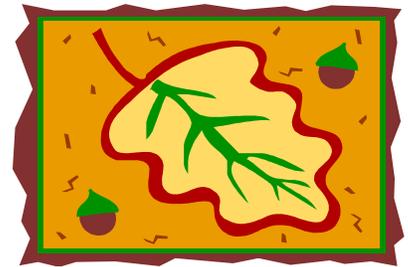
## National Night Out Crime Round-up! October 7th

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- Texas has moved National Night Out to October 7, 5:30-8pm. This should get us out of the August heat. **We will conduct our annual meeting at this event.** This year is the "Crime Round-up". Dress in your western attire. Plans in work for a BBQ dinner (pizza for the kids), western music, stick horse races. Bring a desert to share. Dinner is FREE for members. Not a member? Then bring the 2009 membership [form](#)

and your \$25 dues to eat free.

- One of the two new Richardson Police's K-9 units will be on-hand (or is that paw?) at our National Night Out party.



**Canned Food Drive at the National Night Out:**  
**Please bring canned food items for a donation to the Network of Community Ministries.**