

“BART”

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THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE BARTON ESTATES NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Happy New Year to all! 2005 is here and with that brings the 5th anniversary of the Barton Estates Neighborhood Association! We will kick off the New Year and our anniversary with a great neighborhood meeting on Thursday, January 13th. Please be sure and attend. We will have the honor of having City Council member, Joe Philipp in attendance along with the newest team member for the Cities neighborhood groups: Tara Kersh. Mr. Philipp will address what council members are working on in regard to code enforcement for the neighborhoods AND topics which will impact the south side of Irving. Ms. Kersh serves as a liaison between neighborhoods and City Hall.

Please mark your calendar and join in this informative meeting.

WHEN: JANUARY 13, 2005
PLACE: BARTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CAFETERIA
TIME: 7:00-8:30PM

And now, a message from our neighborhood President:

As we start the New Year, I wish you all a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year. 2004 was busy. With the assistance and backing of so many of you, it has been a great year. I thank everyone and want to let you know how much all of your help has been appreciated.

Doris Dickey

BARTON ESTATES 2005

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Adopt-A-Child 2004 Christmas project

On behalf of the recipients of the Christmas presents that Barton Estates provided for the children,
THANK YOU

The Barton Estates families that participated are: The Bruhin's, Harmon's, Owen's, Roger's, Wilson's, Young's, Stevens, Swindell's and Dickey's. Thank you so much for your generosity to those that have so little. The children were so excited when they received the wrapped gifts and the parents were very grateful. Thank you again to everyone that helped to make this Christmas a very special one for 17 children.

TSUNAMI VICTIMS

We have so much to be thankful for in America. We have freedom to live where we choose, to worship in what ever faith we believe in. To speak what ever language we wish and go where ever we desire. We are able to work and advance in life. No matter how much or how little we may have, we still are very fortunate.

The day after Christmas, people in areas many of us may have just recently discovered, have been hit by one of the world's most devastating natural disasters, the Tsunami. The people that survived have only their lives. They have lost so much. Families, friends, homes and even the stability of their village or town are gone.

If you would like to make a donation, but do not know how or where to go, please contact Doris Dickey. Doris' church is working with Catholic Charities and **ALL** monies collected go directly to help the people. Doris Dickey 972-986-9524 or e-mail dadickey1@juno.com.

RECYCLE-RECYCLE-RECYCLE

Most of us were taught that the 3 "R's" stand for reading, writing and arithmetic. Here in Barton Estates, we are changing all that! Our 3 "R's" are, **RECYCLE, RECYCLE, RECYCLE!** Irving has one of the best curbside recycling programs in the metroplex. They will pick up glass, plastic (except #6), aluminum cans, newspapers, junk mail, cardboard and many items you are putting in your trash. Our neighborhood consists of 498 homes. ONLY 8% participate in curbside recycling! With the Curbside Blue Bag, EVERYTHING goes in the same blue plastic bag. At this time recycled bags are picked up twice a month. **The 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month.** Blue Bags can be purchased at City Hall with a box of 50 at a minimal cost of \$6.00.



TURKEYS & TAMALES

Dozens upon dozens of turkeys and tamales were delivered to Irving Cares for the holiday season thanks to residents of Barton Estates. A huge thank you to: The Dickey's, the Harmon's, the York's, the Schroeder's, the Balcom's, the Lambert's, the Pearce's, the Dunn's, the White's, the Cox's, the Garrett's, the MacLaughlin's and the Fedak's.



4th of JULY PARADE – WE NEED YOU!

Barton Estates has entered the 4th of July Parade for the last three years. In 2003 we won a trophy for our neighborhood entry. This year, due to a number of factors, we are in need of new help! High School students wishing to earn service hours can help and have fun at the same time. You would receive credit by helping design, build, paint, etc. Get your friends together and flex your talents. Not a student, but want to help? All help accepted, young or mature, talented or not, ideas, donations of supplies gratefully appreciated. There are numerous ways to help. Suggestions welcome. Call Doris 972-986-9524.

Community Partnership Fund

Each year, neighborhood groups are able to apply for grant money from the City of Irving. Once again, Barton Estates will be applying for money which can be used to enhance our neighborhood. Suggestions for this program are needed. What would you like to see take place in our neighborhood? Email your ideas to: kharmontx@aol.com or bring them to the January 13th meeting!

THIS NEWSLETTER IS PRINTED BY MINUTEMAN PRESS. A HUGE THANK YOU TO ALL THE STAFF FOR THEIR ONGOING SUPPORT OF OUR NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION. SHOULD YOU FIND YOURSELF IN NEED OF PRINTING SERVICES, PLEASE VISIT THEM FIRST.



A Special Welcome

Over the past year, many new homeowners have moved into Barton Estates. WELCOME To the Neighborhood! Come, see what our Neighborhood has to offer. Meet your neighbors at the January 13th neighborhood meeting.....

CPR and FIRST AID CLASS BEING OFFERED

Would you know what to do if one day a loved one started choking collapsed and wasn't breathing? The minutes between when this happens and when the paramedics arrive are crucial. We all pray that this scene will never unfold before us, but the chances are there that it will. Know what to do.

A special CPR/FIRST AID class will be offered to residents of Barton Estates through the Irving YMCA. If you would like to sign up for this class, please contact Karen Harmon at: 972-790-7856 or kharmontx@aol.com
Cost: \$50.00 – Y member or \$55.00 – non member. Classes are 4 hours in length and class date will be set for sometime in March.

Sharon Garrett, Betsy & Chester Parrish, Gloria Young, Skip Schroeder, Doris Dickey, Melba Jackson, Jerrie Swindell, Sandra Brady, Janie Everhear, Alan & Millie York, Retha Mund, Flo Stevens, Terry Lamkin, Joy MacLaughlin, Karen & Dillon Harmon, Diane Meyer.

Who are these good neighbors? These are the volunteers that give their time to deliver your newsletter to you! Thank you so much to all of our neighborhood volunteers!



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The Officers & Board Members of the Barton Estates Neighborhood Association, hope you enjoyed this edition of **BART**. Please remember to join us on January 13th!!

HAPPY NEW YEAR