

THE BUZZ

It's That Time...



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 Jan 1 – March 31

Make an investment in your neighborhood!

Become a member of the Greenland Hills Neighborhood Association, the Greenland Hills Crime Watch / Extended Neighborhood Patrols program or BOTH! The annual budgets of each the GHNA and the GH Crime Watch program depend on membership participation. The more memberships, the more the GHNA can do and more ENP patrol hours we can schedule. Thank you for doing your part as a Greenland Hills neighbor!





 March 14-15

Neighborhood Prep for St. Paddy's Lower Greenville Block Party

Each year the GHNA works with the City of Dallas and the Lower Greenville St. Paddy's Day Block organizers to place No-Parking signs throughout Greenland Hills.

Thank you to this year's Volunteers who got it done!



 Sat, March 23  10:30 am
Easter Egg Hunt in Glencoe Park



GHNA Easter Egg Hunt is a time honored tradition in Greenland Hills. Complete with a visit from the Easter Bunny. "The Hunt" consists of 2 areas: one for ages 0-5 years and the other for 5 and up. Bring your camera and a basket to collect!! Age appropriate surprises in every egg. The hunt starts at 10:30 am SHARP!

Special Thanks to the return of our Hunt Partners: Starbucks-Lower Greenville will be providing complimentary coffee service and Crisp & Green - Lakewood will be providing tasty fruit smoothies again! All Greenland Hills residents are welcome.

Thurs, April 11 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm
GHNA 3rd Annual Volunteer Appreciation Night and Happy Hour–Smithy’s on Henderson

It’s time to celebrate the efforts of all our neighbors that volunteered their time assisting with events, delivering The Buzz, serving as neighborhood Block Captains, Centennial Committee volunteers and more. Join the GHNA in recognizing your fellow neighbors, who gave their time and talents for your neighborhood!

Valet parking is complimentary courtesy of Smithy’s. Smithy’s is also generously providing complimentary wine and appetizers!!

Volunteers look for your special invite in March!

All Greenland Hills residents are welcome to join up at Smithy’s on Henderson. {2927 N. Henderson Ave, Dallas, TX 75026}

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Tues., April 23 7:30 – 8:30 pm doors open at 6:45 pm
GHNA Membership Meeting

Join us for the annual Member Meeting held at Unity on Greenville {3425 Greenville Ave., Dallas, TX 75206}.

We’re closing out another GHNA term with special reports, updates from the Crime Watch Committee, and housing our board elections. Plus, stay for this year’s special guest speaker and former Greenland Hills Resident and one of the many consequential Board Presidents Bobbi Bilnoski. In honor of the 40th Anniversary of the GHNA, Bobbi will be with us to talk about a subject dear to her heart: community organizing. Through Bobbi we will relive parts of the exciting GHNA history of advocacy. Long time neighbors, we’d love for you to join us for a mini GHNA and Crime Watch reunion! Reception will follow.



Former GHNA President Bobbi Bilnoski will be in Greenland Hills on Tuesday, April 23, 2024. Meet up at Unity to hear some of stories and what led Bobbi’s future as a professional community organizer.

Dear Neighbor,

If your household isn't a member of the Greenland Hills Neighborhood Association & Crime watch, you're missing out on some valuable safety and community benefits.

Greenland Hills Neighborhood Association is a registered non-profit 501 (C) 4 organization whose mission is to promote the social welfare of Greenland Hills. The GHNA is managed by an all-volunteer board of GHNA residents, elected for one-year terms. GHNA volunteer members consistently work together to create and nurture a neighborhood that fosters friendships and trusting neighbors.

The GHNA let you get more out of living in Greenland Hills. We're **delivering the infamous "M" Stickers auto decal**, hosting neighborhood meeting and events, keeping you in-the-know about important activities that affect our neighborhood, coordinating and supporting our network of Block Captains, and fundraising for the GHNA Crime Watch/ENP program.

Crime Watch is a separate organized committee that works with the GHNA to fund the off-duty Dallas Police Officers who provide extra patrols in our neighborhood.

Join GHNA now and begin to enjoy these benefits:

- Informative emails regarding neighborhood news and events
- Member events such as "Visit with Santa" and members-only meetings

Join Crime Watch now and begin to enjoy these benefits:

- Home monitoring; regular patrols and visits to your home while out-of-town
- Dedicated regular patrols by off-duty Dallas Police Officers
- Targeted patrols to eliminate recent, identified crime trends
- Email alerts to members about recent crime watches and warnings

Our 2024 GHNA and CW/ENP Membership Drive is Going On Right Now!

This the most important time to join or renew your membership. Your membership during the drive helps the GHNA and Crime Watch set our annual budgets.

Thank you for supporting the Greenland Hills Neighborhood Association and Crime Watch.



Step 1: Choose Your Membership

- CW/ENP & GHNA combined: \$255
- CW/ENP only: \$225
- GHNA only: \$30



Step 2 Choose How to Pay Your Dues

- Scan this QR code to visit our 2024 Membership Page to complete transaction.
- Zelle (greenlandhills@GHNA.com) Please include your street & house number along with your email in the memo section
- Check (make payable to GHNA) Send to: Greenland Hills Neighborhood Association, PO BOX 600213-0213, Dallas, TX 75360.



Processed Memberships will be sent a Membership Confirmation Email.

Please note memberships paid by check may require more time to be received.

Contributions to the Greenland Hills Neighborhood Association [GHNA], a section 501(c)(4) organization, generally are not deductible as charitable contributions for federal income tax purposes. They may be deductible as trade or business expenses, if ordinary and necessary in the conduct of the taxpayer's business.



If you choose to pay by check, please print and include this section.

Membership First and Last Name(s): _____

Address [e.g. 5526 Morningside) Ave.: _____

Phone #: _____

Primary Email: _____

Secondary Email: _____

Send to: Greenland Hills Neighborhood Association, PO BOX 600213-0213, Dallas, TX 75360



The Mission of the GHNA

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Fundraising Report

Thank you everyone for supporting your neighborhood association. We take pride in being able to do special things for Greenland Hills.

- Proceeds from Greenland Hills Centennial were just over \$4,600! These funds are currently in reserve as we await delivery and plan for the install of the Texas Historical Commission marker. Any remaining proceeds from the Centennial will be added to the new Neighborhood Improvements Fund.
- December's Poinsettias SOLD OUT raising just over \$1,000! Poinsettia proceeds were added to the December ENP Patrol schedule boosting patrols an average of 5 additional hours per week

Crime Watch Sign Plan Crime Watch Membership Yard Signs are NEW!



A 2009 Study on crime prevention confirmed that Crime Watch Program signs are one of the best ways to communicate to criminals to "move along". These signs indicate that Greenland Hills is a cohesive neighborhood where residents watch out for each other. The City of Dallas has made these signs easier and affordable to order. The GHNA is working with the Crime Watch Committee sign plan and placing orders as funds become available. *The GHNA would like to extend a special Thank You to the overwhelming support of members who have included the contribution in their 2024 member ship. Every \$5 helps GHNA finish this plan faster!*

The GHNA would also like to extend a special thanks to 5600 Mercedes Ave. Block Captain Katie Lilbeck and her husband David for their work in making a thorough "sign inventory" of each Greenland Hills intersection! Their work has made placing orders for these signs very efficient

We DID It! After years of brainstorming how to provide Crime Watch Member yard signs showing their status and support, the GHNA, in collaboration with the Crime Watch Committee, arrived at a solution. This year current Crime Watch members will receive a sign installed near their front porch or street-side door steps.

How We Are Doing It:
In the history of GHNA investments, like the "M" Sticker, a single neighbor stepped up to assist with up front cost. For this project it was 5600 Merrimac Ave. Neighbor Andrea "An" Armstrong. In her experience living in other sweet Texas neighborhoods like Greenland Hills, she's witnessed first hand the positive influence membership yard signs have in building a strong and positive Crime Watch Community. Not only did An step up with a sizable monetary contribution, she invited other Crime Watch members to join her in a matching campaign raising approximately 2/3rd the initial investment. An's proposal allowed the GHNA to take on the topic and proceed to coordinate this long time dream of Crime Watch Members into a reality.

Welcome Cups
If you're new to the neighborhood and have not received your welcome cups, let us know at ghna@mstreets.org



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Learn more about the GHNA with this QR code.

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A Message from Crime Watch ENP Officer, Sergeant Lucas Turano

When to Dial 9-1-1

It may come as a surprise to know, but the city of Dallas prefers we use 9-1-1 not only while a crime is in progress, but also when you think someone is in danger or when there is a presented risk on property.

The key is to call 9-1-1 as the suspicion or event is happening. Online reporting is not ideal for these situations later.

It is critical that you provide the police call-taker with information that is as accurate and complete as possible. Try to remain calm, and speak slowly and clearly. While the information you provide will vary with the incident, there are some critical details that you should communicate in almost every instance. These include:

- A brief description of the crime, incident or suspicious person(s).
- Time of occurrence.
- Exact location (include street and house number, if applicable).
- Extent of injuries or property damage, if any.
- Description of any suspects: gender, race, age, height, weight, clothing, hair color/style facial hair...
- Description of suspect vehicle: make/model, color, tag numbers...Are there temporary tags on this vehicle?
- Direction of suspicious person(s): down what street/alley; on foot, bicycle or motor vehicle.
- Give the call-taker your phone number- especially if you are calling from a wireless phone- so the police can call back if they need additional information
- Weapons visible, include a description.

A benefit to having the Crime Watch Extended Neighborhood Patrol on Duty in Greenland Hills:

From the time a door is kicked open by a thief, the lag time to police notification by your alarm company is absolute minimum of ninety (90) seconds. If a Greenland Hills ENP officer is working in the neighborhood, the officer will be within several blocks of your home and can respond almost instantly, thus the best-case scenario for police response will be almost two (2) minutes. Again, this is the best-case scenario. If the ENP is not currently working the neighborhood, an officer must respond from somewhere else inside the division to answer the call, assuming higher priority calls are not held in the division.

By joining GHNA Crimewatch you increase our neighborhood participation. The more participation, the more hours Greenland Hills can engage the ENP to be present in the neighborhood.

Crime Activity November 2023 – January 2024

<p><i>November</i> 5100 Block Vanderbuilt Ave: UUMV</p> <p><i>December</i> 5100 Block Vanderbuilt Ave: UUMV 5500 Block Vanderbuilt Ave: Theft 5600 Block Ridgedale Ave: Theft 5100 Ridgedale Ave: Theft 5500 Ridgedale Ave: Theft 5600 Block McCommas Blvd: Theft</p>	<p><i>January</i> 5200 Block Morningside Ave: BMV and Buglary of Habitation-No Forced Entry</p> <p>***UUMV= Unauthorized Use of Motor Vehicle ***BMV= Burglary of Motor Vehicle</p>
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