



NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER | FALL 2021

KEEP UP WITH JUNIUS HEIGHTS HAPPENINGS AT JUNIUSHEIGHTS.ORG AND FACEBOOK.COM/JUNIUSHEIGHTS

GIVE TO JHHD ON NORTH TEXAS GIVING DAY

Early giving is now open for North Texas Giving Day which ends on Thursday, September 23 at midnight. We know you have a lot of options on where to donate your hard-earned cash and we hope you will consider Junius Heights Historic District this year. Your money will be uniquely dedicated to improving the neighborhood that we all love.

This year, your money could count QUADRUPLE! Thank you to our generous neighbors Caddo Office Reimagined, Marsue Williams | Allie Beth Allman & Associates, Republic Title and Talulah & HESS for kindly providing a match-back program. We appreciate you!

Why give to Junius Heights Historic District?

The JHHD:

- supports our neighborhood schools' food pantries, teachers and PTAs

- coordinates neighborhood beautification and preservation efforts, including paying for the landscaping and maintenance of the Column Parks
- will soon resume hosting year-round neighborhood events such as the Historic Home Tour, Spring Fling, Summer Sizzler and Holiday Party
- is leading the charge to bring the Junius Heights streetcar back home!

How to give:

- Go to NorthTexasGivingDay.org/JuniusHeights
- Click the Donate Now button and make your tax deductible donation of any size
- Once you have donated, tell your friends you gave with the hashtag #NTxGD and don't forget to tag Junius Heights Historic District

Let's be the good together!

OTHER WAYS YOU CAN GIVE BACK TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD

Amazon Smile: Support JHHD every time you shop on Amazon at no additional cost! Here's how:

- Go to smile.amazon.com in a browser or activate AmazonSmile in the Amazon app within the Settings or Programs & Features menu
- Select Junius Heights Historic District as your charity
- Shop as you normally would at smile.amazon.com in a browser or with your Amazon app

Tom Thumb Good Neighbor Program: Add "Junius Heights #9577" to your Reward Card and Tom Thumb will donate a portion of purchases to JHHD! Learn more about the program and print out the registration form at tomthumb.com/yourstore/good-neighbor.html

Neighbor and Boy Scout Beau Aveton's Lipscomb Elementary renovation project:

For his Eagle Project, Beau is renovating two small areas on the Worth Street side of the school to create a place for the children (and parents!) to comfortably wait after school. He is replacing mud with decorative gravel, as well as building and installing benches. He will also be selectively pruning shrubs and resetting misaligned stones lining the garden between the two sets of stairs. For more information and to donate, go to gofundme.com/LipscombEagleUpdates. Donations of \$250 or more will receive special recognition and messaging opportunities. Any unused donations will go directly to Lipscomb Elementary to support ongoing needs and programs!

SAVE THESE IMPORTANT DATES!

Our annual **JHHD Neighborhood Meeting** is scheduled for Thursday, October 21, via Zoom.

Our annual **Junius Heights Holiday Party** is set for Saturday, December 11.

To stay in the know on event details and Zoom links, please join the neighborhood email list by sending your name and street address to JuniusHeightsHD@gmail.com

CONNECT WITH YOUR CITY COUNCIL

Sign up for the newsletters published by our Dallas City Council members to stay current on neighborhood news and issues.

To sign up for Jesse Moreno's District 2 newsletter, email evelyn.amaya@dallascityhall.com

To sign up for Paul Ridley's District 14 newsletter, email max.sanchez@dallascityhall.com

SUPPORT YOUR COMMUNITY & STAY IN THE KNOW: JOIN THE HISTORIC DISTRICT TODAY!
ONLY \$25 PER YEAR PER HOUSEHOLD | JUNIUSHEIGHTS.ORG/JOIN-US



SWAP SOME SPROUTS

The **Junius Heights and Friends Garden Club** is hosting a plant exchange in Lakewood Library's parking lot on Sunday, September 26 and Sunday, October 3 from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. Put those extra bulbs or plants in the trunk of your car and share the surplus with your green-thumbed gardening neighbors.

To join the Junius Heights and Friends Garden Club or for more information about the plant exchange, email gardengal274@gmail.com

WANT A FREE TREE?

The **Branch Out Dallas** program is offering free trees to all Dallas residents (while supplies last). This program was started as an effort to reduce the Heat Island Effect and to increase the overall tree canopy in Dallas. Learn more about the program and reserve your tree today at DallasCityHall.org/BranchOutDallas or send your questions to BranchOutDallas@DallasCityHall.com

Don't delay! The deadline to reserve your tree is September 30.

MOVIE NIGHT MAGIC

In August, we hosted the first **Junius Heights Movie Night** in Munger Park. Neighbors gathered outdoors under the stars to watch Disney's award-winning *SOUL* and a great time was had by all! Special thanks to:

- Barak Epstein and the Texas Theatre for supplying equipment and the labor to set it all up. We're excited to collaborate with Barak on future events!
- Mark Wootton and the Garden Cafe for providing an outdoor café and sneak peeks of the newly remodeled space. The food and staff were wonderful!
- Mara Rothman and volunteers who made it possible!

SCORE WITH FALL DÉCOR

Get your Halloween and Fall décor ready for the **Fall Yard Decorating Contest**. There will be prizes for the best decorated yards out there, so be sure to spruce up your home with festive fall spirit!

If you think a neighbor deserves a prize, submit photos and their address to JuniusHeightsHD@gmail.com

Submissions will be accepted from October 1 to October 29, and the award winners will be announced on Halloween Night!

CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS: MAKING CHANGES TO YOUR HOME THAT DON'T CHANGE OUR NEIGHBORHOOD

A Certificate of Appropriateness (CA) is required for any exterior work done on your home or a building in the Junius Heights Historic District. The goal is to preserve the streetscape of an early 20th-century neighborhood. In addition, residents are assured that something inappropriate can't be constructed next door. 70% of the structures in JHHD have maintained their original architectural integrity. JHHD contains the largest collection of homes in the metroplex built under the influence of the Arts and Crafts movement, and also has significant examples of Tudor, Prairie, Folk Victorian and others. We live in a neighborhood worth protecting.

The front façade of your home or building and 50% of the adjacent front sides are protected. Modifications to the original structure may be made provided that they (1) are in the back 50% of the building, (2) any new height in the rear is not taller than buildings on the block and (3) the application has been reviewed by the Junius Heights Task Force and approved by the Landmark Commission.

Junius Heights does not have restrictions on paint colors other than fluorescents not being allowed. Applicants are encouraged to select appropriate historic colors. Exposed brickwork on any structure should not be painted.

Windows are important features. Repairs can usually be done by qualified tradesman. These antique windows were built using high quality virgin timber not obtainable

today. If you see any wavy glass in your windows, you have the real thing! Back then, manufacturing had not yet perfected the art of uniformity. Today these "imperfections" are prized as part of the patina of an older home.

Routine maintenance does not have to go through the Task Force and Landmark Commission. CA requests for routine maintenance can typically be handled quickly by the city's staff.

Other than getting the appropriate permits from the city, there are no restrictions on the interior of your home.

The best thing about the CA process is that it is FREE! In addition, there are tax incentives available. Save your receipts! There is a sliding scale, but if you spend enough money on your restoration or improvement, your city taxes may be forgiven for 10 years.

To help you understand the CA procedure:

- Go to JuniusHeights.org and click on "Resources" for details and FAQ. Our city staff person is Jennifer Anderson, who can answer your questions and guide you through the process. Email her at Jennifer.Anderson@DallasCityHall.com
- Read through the JHHD ordinance, also available on JuniusHeights.org under "Resources." It gives specific details on what is allowed in the JHHD.

Neighborhood Tips

GARBAGE INS AND OUTS

Every Friday morning, your big grey garbage bin and big blue recycle bin are picked up. Sometimes early. Good to put them out Thursday night.

Every third Monday of the month is bulky trash pickup — tree limbs, leaf bags, old furniture, etc. Some may be salvaged by neighbors before it is collected!

JHHD SWAG FOR SALE

Put your neighborhood pride on display with a Junius Heights T-Shirt (\$12), Pint Glass (\$10), Polo Shirt (\$20), Stemless Wine Glass (\$10), Canvas Tote (\$10), Coffee Mug (\$5) or Metal Sign (\$50). Proceeds benefit your neighborhood. To purchase, email Shelley Vatzlavick at shelleyvatz@gmail.com.