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FREE SCHOOL SUPPLIES EVENT AND FAMILY WORKSHOPS OFFERED

Bachman Lake Together, an area non-profit dedicated to helping families in the surrounding neighborhoods around Bachman Lake, is holding their 6th Annual Back-to-School Campaign Fair on Saturday, July 25, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., at the Bachman Lake Together Family Center (9507 Overlake Dr, Dallas, TX 75220).

In addition to the fair event which involves giving a free backpack filled with school supplies to 500+ children from Pre-K to 6th grade, Bachman Lake Together is offering families free workshops throughout July on education, health and wellness, parenting support, and social-emotional development.



A volunteer poses at last year's back-to-school event with some of the 500+ assembled backpacks to be given to area children. (Photo from Bachman Lake Together event website)

Parents who are interested in participating in the event and in the July workshops can go to the event website (<https://www.bachmanlaketgether.org/back-to-school-fair>) to learn more. Just select the Register Now button ([click here](#)) to sign up. Volunteer and donation information can also be found on the event website. Keep in mind the 500+ backpacks with school supplies are available while supplies last so make plans to attend early.

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ETNP News: Message from the Publisher

Hello Neighbors:

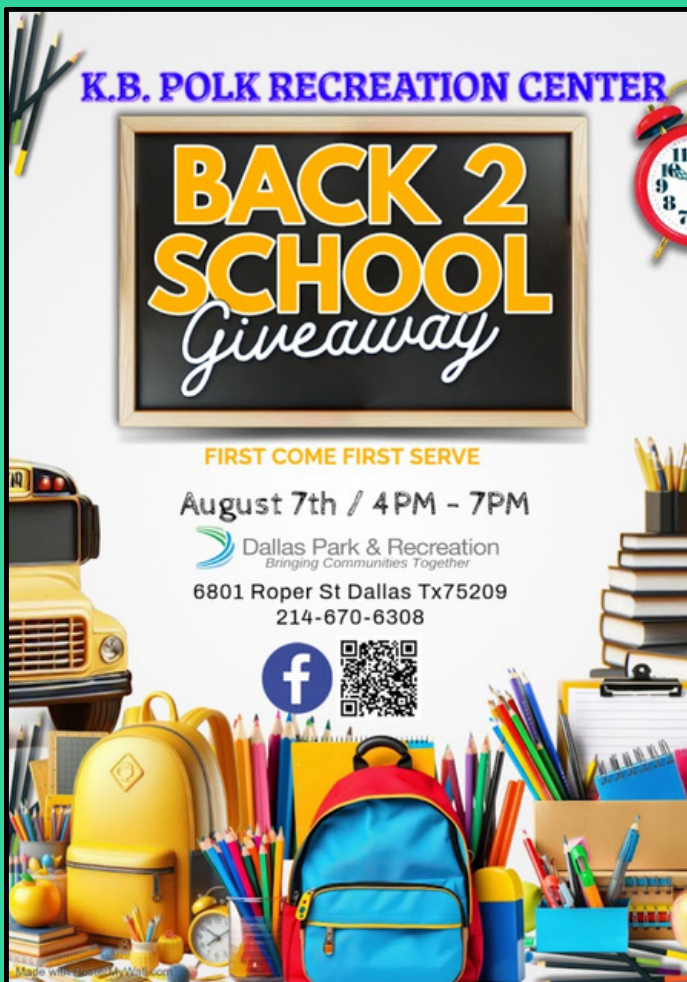
Here's hoping everyone is able to stay cool this summer and enjoy the 4th of July holiday. The neighborhood splashpark is getting a lot of use. It's good to see so many neighbors taking advantage of such a great neighborhood gem for their kids to have fun. The splashpark is located on Thedford Avenue between Victoria Avenue and Tyree Street. It is open to the public every day from 10 am to 8 pm except on Wednesdays when it opens at 2 pm. If you have not taken your children there then they are missing out on a fun time. The pavilion tables are also great for a family picnic too, but plan to get there early to save your spot.

As is typical, the July issue of the newsletter is four pages. We are taking some time to redo the Save Elm Thicket website to keep things fresh and to make it easy for neighbors to find information easily. For instance, we have created a new tab that gives information on zoning issues. You can find it here <https://save-etnp.com/zoning-1>.

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**ELM THICKET/
NORTHPARK**

Even though space is limited, there are two last-minute items that our wonderful staff at the K. B. Polk Recreation Center asked us to include. It involves the Elm Thicket/Northpark Community Garden and the Back 2 School Giveaway so Elm Thicket/Northpark students have a good start to the upcoming school year. The flyers are below.

Your neighbor,
Gus



K. B. Polk Seniors Page

Joyful Goldies Celebrate Juneteenth and a Birthday



Left: Active Senior Adult Program (A.S.A.P.) members, also known as the Joyful Goldies, set up a bake sale table at the Juneteenth celebration event on June 13. The money raised helps cover the activities like field trips, arts and crafts, and exercise classes.



Right: Mrs. Jewel Roberson celebrates her birthday with her Joyful Goldies friends with a lunch outing at Ojeda's Tex-Mex restaurant.

If you are a senior and would like to make some new friends, please call the recreation center at 214-670-6308.

Print & Play Puzzle Corner: July Word Search

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Family	Sparklers
Firecrackers	SprayPark
Fireworks	StarSpangled
Holiday	Sunglasses
HotDogs	Sunny
IceCream	Sunscreen
IcedTea	Swimming
Independence	Vacation

Answer Key can be found at www.save-etnp.org/etnp-news.

Providence Demolishes Another Home as Neighborhood Encroachment Continues

In December 2024, officials with the Providence Christian School of Texas (5002 W. Lovers Lane) presented an expansion proposal to several neighbors. This was reported in the January 2024 edition of *ETNP News* ([click here](#)). On April 27, 2026, per DCAD records, the school purchased the home at 7719 Caillet St. next to the school. By June 14, the home was completely demolished.

Given that no communication with the neighborhood has taken place since December 2024, Save Elm Thicket is still under the impression the school wishes to encroach further into the neighborhood despite strong opposition from neighbors who attended those meetings.

The plan presented in 2024 involved re-routing Caillet St. around the property and merging it with Morton St. on the east side. They also proposed a two-level, 200-space underground parking garage where their current east-side parking lot is located and then put a new school building (up to 70,000 sq. ft.) on top of that to add more classroom space and increase enrollment. For a full view of the proposed map, go to <https://save-etnp.com/zoning-1>.

Save Elm Thicket will continue to keep an eye on the school's continued encroachment into the neighborhood and report if any zoning plans are filed with the city. To be clear, Save Elm Thicket is against any loss of homes to a private business, especially one that does not serve the community.



Se Ofrecen Talleres Familiares y un Evento de Entrega Gratuita de Útiles Escolares

Bachman Lake Together, una organización local sin fines de lucro dedicada a ayudar a las familias de los vecindarios que rodean Bachman Lake, celebrará su 6.ª Feria Anual de la Campaña de Regreso a Clases el sábado 25 de julio, de 8:30 a. m. a 12:30 p. m., en el Bachman Lake Together Family Center (9507 Overlake Dr, Dallas, TX 75220).

Además de la feria, que incluye la entrega de una mochila gratuita con útiles escolares a más de 500 niños desde preescolar hasta sexto grado, Bachman Lake Together ofrece a las familias talleres gratuitos durante todo el mes de julio sobre educación, salud y bienestar, apoyo a la crianza y desarrollo socioemocional.

Los padres interesados en participar en el evento y en los talleres de julio pueden visitar el sitio web del evento (<https://www.bachmanlaketogether.org/back-to-school-fair>) para obtener más información. Simplemente seleccione el botón "Register Now" ([haga clic aquí](#)) para inscribirse. En el sitio web del evento también encontrará información sobre voluntariado y donaciones. Tenga en cuenta que las más de 500 mochilas con útiles escolares se entregarán hasta agotar existencias, por lo que le recomendamos llegar temprano.