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Dear Lochwood Neighbors,

Happy New Year from the Lochwood Neighborhood Association (LNA)! Thanks to all of you who put your passion, talent, and money to work during 2023 to enhance this amazing neighborhood. You have advanced our three primary objectives of **SAFETY, COMMUNITY** and **BEAUTIFICATION**. One page 2 of this letter I have highlighted several events & initiatives and those who spearheaded them. THANK YOU! And thanks to all who came alongside to assist, to those who participated, and to those who supported financially.

Your financial donations enable us to support many of these events & initiatives.

The Extended Neighborhood Patrol (ENP) program is the major beneficiary of the LNA funds. We average close to 35 hours of patrol by a uniformed officer in a DPD cruiser each week. Any time you are out of town, be sure to call the ENP phone number (214) 478-3678, leave the dates you will be away and how you can be contacted. They will stop by your house during each of their patrols. They will walk the perimeter of your home, and call you if the situation warrants.

Second to ENP, the next highest expense is the maintenance of the flower beds. In 2023, we opened another new flower bed in Lochwood Park at the corner of Lochwood and Ferndale. So we now have 2 beds at Lochwood Park, and 1 at the Lake Highlands entrance on Ferndale. We also have a secondary bed at the corner of Creekmere and Easton

The LNA P&L statement for 2023 has been posted on our website lochwood.com.

In 2023, we came very close to having to cut back on the ENP budget. The homeowners in Lochwood who participate in the membership campaign have been very generous. However, the participation is less than 35%. *If you participated in 2023, I hope you will continue to participate in 2024. If you didn't participate in 2023, I invite you to help us by giving us a donation in 2024.* We have a number of ways to donate. The enclosed membership form is for donors who wish to pay by check. If you want to pay online or by credit card, the information is available on our web site.

As promised, here are *some* of the great things we did last year and those who led the charge:

SAFETY HIGHLIGHTS

- National Night Out – Thomas Buck
- Crime Watch Messaging Alerts Telegram app – Ray Todd
- Volunteers in Patrol (VIP) – area coordinators Norm Howden, Susan Hill, Carol Newman
- Quarterly Crime Meetings – Scott Robson
- Expanded Neighborhood Patrol (ENP), *they logged 300 hours in '23* - Scott Robson

COMMUNITY HIGHLIGHTS

- Blood Drive – Amy St. Peter
- Breakfast Club of Lochwood – Coletta Squires
- 4th of July Parade – Lochwood Parents Group
- Lochwood Pickleball Mixer – Tony Watson
- Lochwood Young Adults Pickleball – Rachel Brown
- Lochwood 5K Turkey Trot – Haley Ruffner
- Lochwood Mom's Group Wine Night – Heather Kolodziej
- Reilly Elementary Veteran's Day Celebration featuring Lochwood neighbors who served – Rolando Melendez
- RTBAR (Ready to be a Ram) – Reilly Elementary School Doughnuts and Veteran's Day Card Craft & Play Date – Maria Nance
- Holiday at the Park – our Lochwood family Christmas celebration with train rides to Christmas decorated homes, hot cocoa, and treats- Candice Brandvold, Elena Richey, Heather Kolodziej, Lori Hooper (Lochwood Parents Group)
- Christmas Crawl – Neighbors offering food & drinks to ring in the Christmas season - Stephen Smith

BEAUTIFICATION HIGHLIGHTS

- Flower Beds Creation, Maintenance, and Enhancement – Hilary Kilam (*Lochwood Beautification Chairwoman*) and her team at Moss Lichen
- Clean the Green – Thomas Buck
- Lochwood Park Tree Planting – Thomas Buck and Dallas Park and Recreation

What can we do as a community this year to advance Lochwood's **SAFETY, COMMUNITY, and BEAUTIFICATION?**

If we all do a *little*, it will make a great **BIG** difference...

Scott Robson, LNA President