



# FOREST HILLS NEWS

## Substation underway

Nashville Electric Service has finished the blasting and large movement of dirt and fill for its new substation on 20+ acres at the corner of Hillsboro Pike and Old Hickory Boulevard.

Discussions are underway between the City of Forest Hills and NES to preserve the part of the site not being used by NES as green space and as a gateway entrance to the City.

### Status of small cities lawsuit

The lawsuit filed by the City of Lakewood against Metropolitan Government and joined by the other five satellite cities is moving slowly through the Court system.

The suit seeks more equitable public funding for local services between Metro and the six municipalities—Belle Meade, Berry Hill, Forest Hills, Goodlettsville, Lakewood, and Oak Hill.

Chancellor Claudia Bonnyman denied

Metro's motions for dismissal. No date has been set for hearings on Motions for Partial Summary Judgment filed by each of the satellite cities. We will keep you informed.

### Parke Company contracts extended

The Commissioners voted to extend The Parke Company's contract for brush removal/mowing to June 2007 and for chipper service, bag leaf pickup, and emergency tree removal to April 2007.

### Vote November 7

The Forest Hills Municipal Election is Tuesday, November 7, when we will elect two commissioners.

John Lovell and Bill Coke, both long-time commissioners, are running unopposed.

They have given years of good work to the City. Be sure to vote Tuesday, November 7. 

## The Mayor's Corner



BY CHARLES EVERS

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## Neighborhood Watch public meeting is Nov. 2

A public meeting on Neighborhood Watch programs will be held November 2 at Hillsboro Church of Christ, 5800 Hillsboro Pike.

It will follow a brief meeting of the Board of Commissioners scheduled to begin at 5 p.m.

Conducting the public meeting will be Captain Mickey Miller, commander of the West Precinct of the Metropolitan Police Department; Sergeant

Connie Tripp, Neighborhood Watch officer; and a detective.

They will answer questions and provide information about organizing and implementing Neighborhood Watch programs in Forest Hills.

"The Board of Commissioners encourages everyone interested in participating to attend," said Mayor Charles Evers. "This is one way our citizens can become proactive and



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assist the Metropolitan Police Department in reducing crime of all types in Forest Hills.

He also stressed the importance of reporting all

incidents no matter how small to the police as patrols are allocated on the basis of frequency of reports of criminal activity of any kind. 

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# Commissioner election is Nov. 7

Forest Hills residents will choose two commissioners for four-year terms November 7.

Commissioners William G. Coke and John Lovell are unopposed for re-election.

Mayor Charles Evers, who was re-elected to a four-year term in 2004, and the two newly-elected commissioners will select a mayor and vice mayor for two-year terms at the first scheduled meeting after certification of the November 7 vote.

Coke, a commissioner since 1999, said "The city of Forest Hills is a unique place to live. My goal as a commissioner is to maintain this uniqueness through continued proper planning. With the other two Commissioners, we will strive to see that the beauty and the viewscapes are maintained and that the cultural and natural resources of the City are preserved."

Lovell, currently serving as vice mayor, is a candidate for his fourth four-year term.

"In the coming years the pressures to develop in Forest Hills will continue," he said. "I would like to encourage communication with and input from the citizens in planning how best to preserve the open spaces and resources that make our City special. I would also like to work with the

other Commissioners in coordinating efforts with the City of Nashville to provide Forest Hills with improved services in areas such as better police protection and less intrusive tree trimming."

Coke, a resident of Forest Hills for 31 years, was appointed to the Board of Commissioners in 1999 to fill an unexpired term and was elected to a four-year term in 2002. The retired food broker and his wife Fletch were active in a land use group in the eighties to prevent heavy development in Forest Hills. Coke has supported the establishment of the newly formed Cultural and Natural Resources Committee for the City of Forest Hills and was instrumental in the publication of the book *Historic Homes of Forest Hills*.

A Forest Hills resident for 22 years, Lovell is president of J.T. Lovell Company, a promotional products distributor. He was first elected in 1994, defeating the incumbent commissioner by three votes. He agreed to a special election in February 1995, which he won substantially, when the vote was challenged because the voting machines were not set to exclude non Forest Hills residents. He has served as vice mayor since 1995. 

# City has new Code of Ethics

The Board of Commissioners has established a code of ethics for the City of Forest Hills as mandated by the Tennessee General Assembly in the 2006 extraordinary session.

It applies to all full-time and part-time elected or appointed officials and employees, whether compensated or not.

It defines "personal interest" and covers disclosure of personal interest by officials involved in voting or nonvoting matters, acceptance of gratuities, use of information, use of municipal time and facilities, use of position or authority, outside employment, complaints, and violations. 

## What is Neighborhood Watch?

Neighborhood Watch is a strong tool to fight crime by promoting awareness techniques and reporting crime.

The Neighborhood Watch concept is designed to target specific geographical areas and to assist citizens in these areas to:

- Establish an organizational structure and create an information sharing network.
- Help to introduce neighbors and create social ties that will help them work together.
- Allow police to train citizens on how to be proactive by preventing crime and how to recognize and report criminal activities.
- Access information and assistance from police and other government agencies that can help to improve living conditions.
- Provide the community with a strong unified voice to inform community leaders on programs and actions that the "people" support. 

# Election voting sites and dates

Forest Hills residents vote in the Forest Hills Municipal Election at precincts at Percy Priest School and Hillsboro Presbyterian Church on November 7 from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Early voting continues through November 2 at the following sites:

## Belle Meade City Hall

4705 Harding Pike

## Bellevue Mall

7620 Highway 70 S, Suite 286

## Bordeaux Library

4000 Clarksville Pike

## Davidson County Election Commission

800 Second Avenue South

## Edmondson Pike Library

5501 Edmondson Pike

## Friendship Baptist Church

1109 32nd Avenue North

## Goodlettsville City Hall

105 South Main Street

## Green Hills Library

3701 Benham Avenue

## Hermitage Library

3700 James Kay Lane

## Hickory Hollow Mall

5252 Hickory Hollow Parkway, Suite 2127

## Madison Library

610 Gallatin Pike South

Hours for early voting are 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday, October 27, Tuesday, October 31, Wednesday, November 1, and Thursday, November 2; 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, October 28; and 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday, October 30.



Commissioners meeting agenda hotline  
**298-5389**



# Web site revised, expanded

The City's website, [www.cityofforesthills.com](http://www.cityofforesthills.com) has been revised and expanded. Minutes of all meetings—Board of Commissioners, Planning Commission, and Board of Zoning Appeals—can be found by clicking on Online Information then on Public Notices.

In addition to contact information, you can find out about the history of Forest Hills and how to purchase the four-color book—*Historic Homes of Forest Hills*.

Practical information on permits, codes and planning, zoning (including map), building inspections, site development, checklist for your project is just a click away.

Please visit the site and add your email address to the City's electronic communication database.



# Commissioners now meet twice monthly

The Board of Commissioners now meets on the first and third Thursdays of each month.

The second meeting was added because of the volume of business coming before the board and the desire to have more time for communication with Forest Hills citizens.

On the first Thursday, the Commissioners will have a brief meeting beginning at 5 p.m. followed by an open forum similar to an old fashioned town meeting. Citizens can comment on

whatever is on their minds with no time limit.

The third Thursday meeting will begin at 5 p.m. with public comments when citizens are limited to three minutes each, followed by the regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners.

The Planning Commission meets on the third Thursday at 6 p.m. and the Board of Zoning Appeals the third Friday at 8 a.m.

All meetings are held at the city offices at 4012 Hillsboro Pike.



# \$10,000 reward authorized by City of Forest Hills

The City of Forest Hills is offering a \$10,000 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person(s) responsible for certain cases of criminal activity on Otter Creek Road currently under investigation by Metropolitan Police Department.

Anyone with information related to this investigation should contact the Metro Police Sex Crimes Unit at 615-862-7540.

To be eligible for this reward, the

informant must give written notice to the City Manager of the City of Forest Hills that information has been provided to investigating authorities. All information shall be confidential.

A series of rapes and attempted rapes (the "criminal activity") occurring within the City of Forest Hills and Southern Davidson and Northern Williamson Counties, have been reported to the Metropolitan Police Department according to the ordinance authorizing the reward.



# Show House open Dec. 2-17

Fountainview at 6123 Hillsboro Pike will be the Junior League of Nashville's Decorators' Show House December 2-17.

The 22nd Show House will be a Holiday Home and Marketplace and an extraordinary backdrop for the area's finest designers, landscapers, and gift purveyors.



Show House tours are scheduled Mondays through Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Fridays and Saturdays 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sundays 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

The Bread & Company Bakery and Cafe will be open for lunch from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Show House Days except Sundays. Desserts and beverages will be available every day except Thursdays.

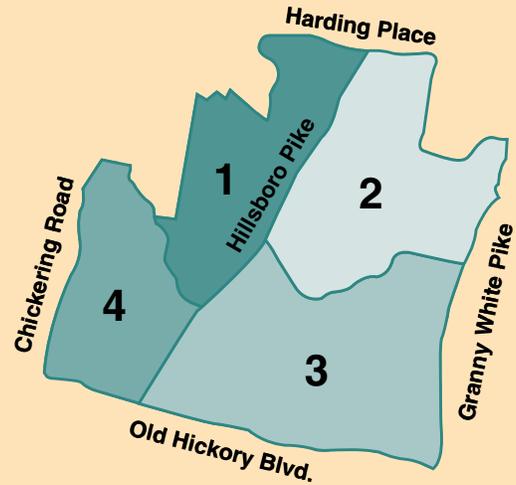
For ticket and other information call 615) 269-9393. 

# Leaf pickup begins in November

The chipper service for the City of Forest Hills will be picking up bagged leaves in the months of November, December, and January only.

Leaves must be placed close to the street in plastic bags. Make sure the bags are securely fastened.

The chipper service will continue to pick up sticks year-round. Remember, sticks must be four inches or less in diameter, no rootballs or stumps, and no debris left by professional lawn or tree companies.



**Chipper service and leaf pickup is provided in these four areas on a set schedule:**



- Area 1** First week of each month
- Area 2** Second week of each month
- Area 3** Second and third week of each month
- Area 4** Third and fourth week of each month



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