



# THE BOCA NEWSLETTER

BOULEVARD OAKS CIVIC ASSOCIATION

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## METRO Rail Update

After attending many town hall meetings and luncheons called by various civic organizations, METRO, several mobility interest groups, and many meetings and phone conferences with Congressman John Culberson, State Representative Martha Wong, Councilmember Anne Clutterbuck and a host of other private conferences, the BOCA Board and a significant number of active neighbors successfully sidetracked the Westpark-Vassar Easement route for the University Line Light Rail, at least for the time being. BOCA received help and support from many residents, without whom this effort might have failed. It was only through BOCA's paying close attention to what was NOT being said that we figured out that some groups were working behind the scenes with various dignitaries who were under the impression, mistaken or otherwise, that

BOCA would not oppose, and, indeed, even *avored* a Westpark-Vassar route for the University Line.

METRO is still considering a number of alternatives and will not make a final decision on the University Corridor route until sometime during the first quarter of next year. Despite significant pressure from certain dignitaries, the Board remained steadfast in its belief that mass transit will ultimately benefit the neighborhood in the long run, and reiterated its preference for an "all Richmond" route. Nevertheless, Congressman Culberson, Rep. Martha Wong and Councilmember Anne Clutterbuck have publicly and privately committed to not running the rail down the Vassar Spaceway.

## BOCA Annual Fourth of July Party a Hit!

BOCA's 25th Annual 4th of July Party was great fun, as always. The many homemade dishes were creative and delicious, and *Rue Bourbon* kept parents and children dancing in the street with a variety of music including patriotic, soul, blues, Cajun waltzes and zydeco. Jennifer Simmons Nash, 4<sup>th</sup> of July Party Chairman, did a great job

putting the party together, and thank you, Sue Lawson, for continuing to be so involved in this great event. A **huge thank you** to everyone who spent their time, muscle and money making it happen. The BOCA residents who sponsored this wonderful event this year are listed below:

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## Thank You New and Renewing BOCA Members 2006-2007!

A HUGE thank you to those of you who have already joined BOCA this year. Your support is invaluable—we can't operate without it. This list represents all contributions received through September 20, 2006. If you joined and your name is not listed, please call the BOCA office at 713-528-BOCA (2622). Memberships received after September 20 will be listed in the next *BOCA Newsletter*. If you haven't already joined BOCA, you recently received a reminder notice and Membership Form in the mail. Please take a moment to join. You can also visit our web site at [www.boulevardoaks.com](http://www.boulevardoaks.com) and download a Membership Form. Remember—a great neighborhood is not an accident!

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## Poe Carnival Saturday, Oct. 28

You don't want to miss the Poe Carnival, so mark your calendars now for this fun-filled event. The carnival will be held on Saturday, Oct. 28<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. There will be games and prizes, inflatables, ice cream and snow cones, and of course the famous Poe Spaghetti! This year there will be something new—a Fall Bazaar in addition to the carnival. Anyone who would like to sell crafts, jewelry, candles, holiday items, or anything from a home based business is invited to rent a table for only \$50 (which goes to the Poe PTO). The seller keeps all proceeds from his or her sales. This is a great opportunity to sell (and buy!) unique items and gifts before the holidays and benefit our neighborhood school at the same time! If anyone would like to rent a table they can contact Marci Arnold at 713-876-9062 or [marnold5@houston.rr.com](mailto:marnold5@houston.rr.com) or. She will be happy to give you more information.

## Chevy Chase Civic Club Annual Meeting, Oct. 10

The Chevy Chase Civic Club is holding their Annual Meeting on Tuesday, October 10, 2006 at Poe School in the auditorium. 7:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. is social time. The meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. Officers of the Chevy Chase Civic Club will be elected. Anyone who wishes to issue a proxy for voting at the meeting should contact the Secretary - Helen Toombs at 713-348-4626 or [htoombs@rice.edu](mailto:htoombs@rice.edu).

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### Free Rice Owls Movie Nights

Bring your own blankets and lawn chairs and head over to Rice Stadium for free family movie nights! Movies will be shown at 7:00 p.m. on most Thursday evenings. More neighborhood invitations to Rice events can be found at [www.rice.edu/neighbor](http://www.rice.edu/neighbor).

9/21	7:00 pm	"Little Giants" (PG)
9/28	7:00 pm	"The Sandlot" (PG)
10/05	7:00 pm	"Glory Road" (PG)
10/12	8:15 pm	Pep Rally for the Rice Owls
10/19	7:00 pm	"Tommy Boy" (PG)
10/26	7:00 pm	"Dumb and Dumber" (PG13)
11/02	7:00 pm	"Coach Carter" (PG13)
11/09	7:00 pm	"Shrek 2" (PG)
11/16	8:15 pm	Pep Rally for the Rice Owls

### Private Trash Schedule (Edgemont, Broadacres, Cherokee)

Curbside & alley collection	Tues. & Fri.
Recycling	Every Friday
Yard waste	Tues. & Fri.

Call to arrange Heavy trash pickup  
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### City Trash Schedule

Automated curbside collection	Tuesdays
Yard Waste (bagged)	Tuesdays
Heavy Trash	2 <sup>nd</sup> Thurs.

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