HISTORY

White Lake Hills surrounds White Lake in the hills five miles east of the Fort Worth Central Business District. It encompasses six early surveys including the Wm. Franklin White Survey of 1926, from which the lake received its name.

W.F. White was granted 31.47 acres by Governor Miriam "Ma" Ferguson in 1926. Other surveys are the 1864 John W. Haynes Survey, the 1883 Dempsey S. Holt Survey, the 1872 Jacob Brockman Survey and the 1859 Wm. L. Tandy Survey.

The Carter Development Company, owned by Amon G. Carter the founder of the *Fort Worth Star Telegram*, owned much of the land in 1926. The White Lake Dairy was located near this area until residential development began in 1964. White Lake Dairy was known for its rich milk and thick cream. Pangburn Candy was made with the milk from this dairy.

W.F. Boaz, son of early Birdville settler Samuel Boaz, also owned a portion of land on the eastern edge of White Lake Hills in 1883. This land was passed on to C.A. Boaz in 1930.

White Lake Hills is encircled on the west by Oakland Blvd., which becomes Randol Mill Road on the north. In 1856 Archibald Leonard built the first mill in the area. It became a community center where news was exchanged and goods traded while waiting for grain to be milled. This mill burned down in 1860, during a general unrest over abolition. It was rebuilt in 1862. In 1872, it was bought by W.A. Randol and operated until 1922. It finally burned down in 1933. The road past this mill became known as Randol Mill Road.

Sunrise Park Development Company developed much of the land beginning in 1967, after buying it from the Carter Foundation Production Company.

NEIGHBORHOOD DESCRIPTION

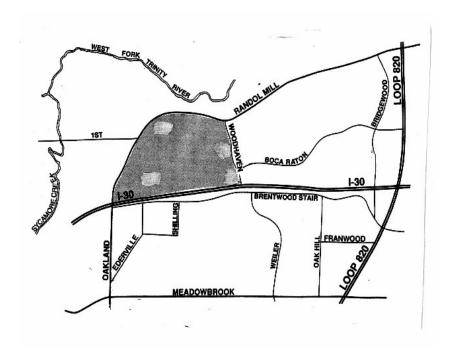
White Lake Hills is hilly with breathtaking views to the west. This secluded neighborhood with limited access, has predominately brick traditional homes with two-car attached garages and a few contemporary styles scattered throughout. One-story homes dominate the area, but a few two-story homes can be found. Restrictions for this area include provisions that the area contains

homes at least 80 percent masonry and a minimum of 1,100 square feet. The usual restrictions forbidding noxious materials, garbage dumps and livestock are included. In addition, drilling for oil is not permitted. Only one apartment complex in located at the eastern edge of the neighborhood. The lake and vistas make this a lovely area.

NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

The White Lake Hills Neighborhood Association has been fighting to remove a sanitary landfill in the area. A settlement was reached where the landfill established a community trust fund for area improvement. Other projects include the cleaning of White Lake, improvement of parks and roads, and work against new apartment construction. Expansion of Oakland Blvd. to Randol Mill Road was approved at the request of the Association. The Association also produces a periodic newsletter and neighborhood roster. Activities include an annual garage sale in May, a July picnic, National Night Out in August and a Christmas decoration contest. They also are involved in Crime Watch.





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SCHOOLS

Elementary: Eastern Hills Elementary, 5917 Shelton St., 817/496-7490 Middle School: Meadowbrook Middle School, 2001 Ederville Rd., 817/531-6250

High School: Eastern Hills High School, 5701 Shelton St.,

817/496-7600

OTHER INFORMATION

Nearest Fire Station: 1051 Woodhaven Blvd.., 817-871-6800, emergency 911 Nearest Medical Hospital: John Peter Smith, 1500 S. Main St., 817-927-1110 Nearest Post Office: Riverbend. 2414 Gravel Dr., 800-275-8777 Nearest Library: Meadowbrook Branch, 5651 E. Lancaster, 817-451-0916 Nearest Grocery Shopping: Kroger, 1050 Bridgewood Dr., Kroger, 6650 N. Beach St. Woodhaven Supermarket, 1211 Country Club Dr. Nearest Mall: North East Mall Nearest Parks: Smith Wilemon Park, Quannah Parker Park City Council District Number: 4

School District Number: 2

Voting Precinct Number: 3277

FORT WORTH FACTS

History: Fort Worth was established as a frontier army post in 1849 and named for Gen. Wm. Jenkins Worth. The outpost became a stopping place on the Old Chisholm Trail and a shipping point for great herds of cattle being sent to northern markets.

Population: 700,000 Land Area: 293 square miles Altitude: 670 feet above sea level Weather: Normal sunshine averages 250 days a year Average mean temperature: 65.5 F Annual avg. precipitation 29.46 in. Medical Facilities: 46 hospitals

Education: 66 elementary schools, 19 middle schools, 12 high schools, 13 special education schools, 11 major private and parochial schools, 9 college and university campuses.

Libraries: 1 main library with 1 regional library and 9 branches Museums: 11 Parks: 9,026 + acres Churches and Synagogues: more than 910 with 45 denominations

Communications: 1 daily newspaper, 2 weekly papers, 10 TV stations plus cable.