

# Fort Worth South, Inc.

Report to Members & Partners  
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## SEPTEMBER 2008



### This Friday After Work: 1<sup>st</sup> Friday on the Green ENJOY LIVE MUSIC & GREAT FOOD IN THE PARK!

Featuring live music by Blackland River Devils and A.M. Ramblers, with food from FW Weekly Best of 2008 (3 category) winner Chadra Mezza & Grill. The only cost of admission is a **can of food for the Tarrant Area Food Bank**. Sponsored by Fort Worth South, Inc., Fort Worth Weekly, and Miller Lite. Bring your family, blankets and chairs, and tell your friends to meet you there!

**1<sup>st</sup> FRIDAY ON THE GREEN**  
Friday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>  
6-9 pm, Magnolia Green

Music: Blackland River Devils, A.M. Ramblers  
Food: Chadra Mezza & Grill  
Admission: Can of food for Tarrant Food Bank

### ArtsGoggle draws largest crowd ever, gets recognized as “Best Gallery Art Show”

Thank you to all venues, artists, musicians, volunteers and attendees for making the September 5<sup>th</sup> ArtsGoggle the largest one to date. It was truly a historic event, with the streets overflowing with people enjoying themselves on the Near Southside. It was great to hear new visitors say they never knew what these wonderful buildings looked like inside and how much they would like to live here. As a bonus, ArtsGoggle was the Readers’ Choice for Best Gallery Art Show of the Last 12 Months in Fort Worth Weekly’s Best of 2008 issue (see below for other winners). We’ve already received interest from additional venues for next spring, and we welcome any comments or ideas to keep this event fun for everyone.



*ArtsGoggle crowds enjoyed Near Southside businesses and restaurants.*



**27 Near Southside Winners in Fort Worth Weekly’s Best Of 2008** – It’s clear that residents from throughout the region find many of their favorite places on the Near Southside. The district had 27 winners this year, the most ever. This year’s issue honored longstanding businesses as well as newcomers less than a year old. Winners:

ArtsGoggle	Lemon Tree Antiques	Paul’s Donuts, Subs & Gyros
Chadra Mezza & Grill (3 cat.)	Lili’s Bistro	Dana Schultes, Stage West
The Chat Room	Magnolia Ave. Salon	Shamblee Library
Double Exposure	Mama E’s	Spiral Diner
The Fairmount	Nonna Tata	Stage West
Finn MacCools	Old Neighborhood Grill	The Stampede
FortWorthology.com	Panther City Bicycles	Sundance Scooters
Brad Hensarling (Chat Room)	Paris Coffee Shop	Yucatan Taco Stand
Hot Damn Tamales		

**Rocktoberfest** – Mark your calendar for a great time at Finn MacCool’s, 1700 8th Avenue, on Friday, October 17<sup>th</sup> starting at 5 pm. Music by the Fort Worth National Band 5-9 pm. For more information call 817-923-2121.

**Website 2.0 Launched** – Check out our updated website at [www.fortworthsouth.org](http://www.fortworthsouth.org). The site includes information about the district, our organization, information for developers, and a new *Buy Local! Near Southside Business Directory* that provides preferential listings for members of Fort Worth South, Inc. Browse the site and let us know what you think.

**Fortress Youth Development Center** – 1st Annual Dinner and Auction Fundraiser, Saturday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 – 9:00 pm, at the Legacy Church of Christ, 8801 Mid Cities Blvd. Fortress Youth Development Center is seeking partners on the Near Southside to be corporate sponsors and/or provide auction items. Table sponsors are \$500 for a table of 8. Please contact Michael Thames at 817-335-1007 or [Michael@fwydc.org](mailto:Michael@fwydc.org).



*Rocktoberfest at Finn MacCool’s on Friday, October 17<sup>th</sup>*

## NEW BUSINESSES...

**LifeWorks Counseling Associates** ([wefixbrains.com](http://wefixbrains.com)) – This renowned counseling group is opening their Fort Worth office at 1208 W. Magnolia, the two-story historic building being renovated by Fran McCarthy. LifeWorks assists adults, teens, elders, couples, and families with a variety of issues, including depression, anxiety, eating disorders, marital problems, adolescent issues, chemical dependency, codependency, blended family issues, divorce recovery, and elder care. Visit [wefixbrains.com](http://wefixbrains.com) or call 214-357-4001 to learn more, and stay tuned for news about their grand opening events.



**Courage and Renewal North Texas, 1229 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue** – “At one time or another, all of us have needed to rediscover who we are in connection with the work we do in the world. That is the purpose of Courage & Renewal North Texas. During the past decade, more than 3,000 North Texans have used our one-day and extended retreats to rekindle their passion for work and the commitment to serve.” The non-profit primarily works with teachers, principals and other leaders in community life. Stop by and welcome them to the neighborhood and visit [www.couragenorthtexas.org](http://www.couragenorthtexas.org) for more information.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS...

**“Friends of the River” Party in the Village** – Thursday Night, October 23<sup>rd</sup>, University Village, benefiting Streams & Valleys, Inc. 3.4-mile run, walk or stroll along the Trinity River and a mini-mile for kids, fido, and friends. Live music by Pardi Gras, great foods from local restaurants, beer, wine and lots of fun. For more information call 817-926-0006, or visit [www.streamsandvalleys.org](http://www.streamsandvalleys.org).

**Historic Fort Worth, Inc.** – Charity Designer Showhouse, “Readbourne” Inspired by Winterthur Museum & Country Estate, 5101 Cliffrose Lane, November 1–16. City Club Café will be open during hours of operation for lunch, dinner, dessert and beverage. For more information visit [www.historicfortworth.org](http://www.historicfortworth.org).

**Renaissance Ballroom Events, 2100 Evans Ave.** – Sunday, October 12: 84<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration for Judge Clifford Davis, 6-8 pm. Friday, October 31: Halloween Party, 9 pm – 1 am. Visit [jimaustinonline.com](http://jimaustinonline.com) for details.

## FWSI EVENTS...

**Members Breakfast: Wednesday, November 5, 8 am – Ronald McDonald House, 1004 7<sup>th</sup> Ave.** Ronald McDonald House provides help, hope and a “home-away-from-home” for families of seriously ill children who are hospitalized or receiving treatment in Fort Worth area hospitals. Stop by and learn more about this wonderful Near Southside institution. We have 2009 dates open for hosts. Please contact Michel at [michel@fortworthsouth.org](mailto:michel@fortworthsouth.org) or 817-923-1343.

**Member Host Happy Hour: Thursday, October 9, 5:30-7:30 pm, 1208 Magnolia Ave.** Stop by and see Fran McCarthy’s restoration of the former Catholic Charities building just west of his historic Mehl Building project. Please contact [michel@fortworthsouth.org](mailto:michel@fortworthsouth.org) if you are interested in hosting a Happy Hour. We have the November 13<sup>th</sup> date available.



*Rendering of 1208 W. Magnolia*

## THANK YOU...

**Stage West** ([www.stagewest.org](http://www.stagewest.org)) for hosting our September Breakfast!

## HAVE/WANT...

**For Lease** The historic Sawyer Grocery buildings at 201 South Main has fully renovated apartments available. If you need new digs, don’t miss looking at these charming units. There are only six out of 14 apartments left. For information call Suzy Vanston 214-324-1904, and visit [www.oldbuildings.com](http://www.oldbuildings.com).

**For Lease** Beautiful and historically restored retail space available in the Sawyer Grocery buildings at 201 South Main. For information call Tom Reynolds 817-336-8005 and visit [www.oldbuildings.com](http://www.oldbuildings.com).

## MEMBERSHIP...

There are now **325 funding members** of Fort Worth South, Inc. New member:

Law Offices of William T. Fitzgerald    1200 W. Magnolia Ave, Suite 100    William T. Fitzgerald

Membership forms available at [www.fortworthsouth.org](http://www.fortworthsouth.org). Dues support redevelopment and promotion of the district.

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