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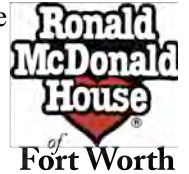
Report to Members & Partners

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1st Friday on the Green— Don't miss this Friday's event with an amazing lineup featuring three of Fort Worth's best: Dove Hunter, the Orbans, and Luke Wade, starting at 7 pm (note later start time). This month's event benefits Ronald McDonald House, and for admission we're asking for paper plates, cups, and individually wrapped snacks for the families that stay there while their children are in the hospital. Friday night will be another great time so make plans to be there!



REMINDER — We ask that you please not bring beer, wine, and food to 1st Fridays. Our production partnership with Coors & FW Weekly allows FWSI to present the events without charging admission. We won't be able to continue if the numbers don't work for our food and beverage vendors, so please leave the coolers at home. Thanks to those that have helped spread the word; there seemed to be far fewer coolers at last month's event. Thanks!

ArtsGoggle's Almost Here: Saturday, October 3rd — Since its inception in 2003, ArtsGoggle has evolved into a renowned grassroots arts and music festival that draws visitors from throughout the region. This free, family-friendly event attracts a crowd as diverse as the Near Southside itself with live music, artistic displays of every kind, food, drink, and fun for everyone. Its popularity is evidenced by ArtsGoggle's selection as the Best Gallery Art Show of the Last 12 Months by Fort Worth Weekly readers in 2007 and 2008. And it's not too late if you want to participate as an artist or venue. Go to our [online sign-up form](#) and submit your information or contact Michel at michel@fortworthsouth.org with questions. Make plans now for Saturday, October 3, 3-10pm.



Vote Today for Near Southside Destinations in FW Weekly's Best Of 2009 — Time is running out, so get your votes in by next Friday, September 11 to make sure the Near Southside is well represented in the annual FW Weekly "Best Of" Awards. Their [online ballot](#) makes it simple! Last year the district had 27 winners, the most ever. Vote today and help set a new record!

New FWSI Member: The Lifeworks Group — We're happy to welcome a new member to FWSI! If you need a little work done on your brain, your life, or your relationships, the Near Southside now has the place for you. The Lifeworks Group, a counseling practice

based in Dallas, has opened an office in the 1208 Building renovated by Fran McCarthy. The offices are groovy, their work is outstanding, and the clinicians are highly skilled in addition to being laid-back and very cool. (Clinician Beth C. Lewis may just have more tattoos than you.) Most importantly, they live and die by their unique collaborative approach to counseling. They actually shut the place down for 3 hours a week so that they can meet as a staff and collaborate on their cases. Which means you get a team of 16 for the price of one. Check out www.wefixbrains.com. 1208 W. Magnolia, Suite 200, 817-870-1087, staff@wefixbrains.com.



New Magnolia activity east of Hemphill.



Magnolia Momentum Jumps Hemphill! — It's been too long since we've seen new businesses thrive on Magnolia Avenue east of Hemphill. (That section of the street didn't get the type of streetscape improvements that were installed west of Hemphill in the 1980s.) So we're happy to see that the former Weinstein Hardware building is now fully occupied by Star Medical and Main View Optical. We expect other exciting announcements soon for that section of Magnolia.

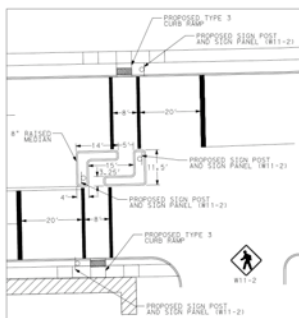
FREE Green Cinema Series: Hosted by Urban Green Build, 1244 Magnolia – Next month kicks off another monthly event. Urban Green Build will host free rooftop screenings of entertaining films that explore a wide range of environmental and sustainability issues. Shown on 2nd Thursdays at 7 pm, snacks provided, BYOB.

October 8: *Trashed* – A provocative portrait of the garbage industry.

November 12: *11th Hour* – The moment for action has arrived. Featuring Stephen Hawking, William McDonough, and other experts.

December 10: *Food, Inc.* – Surprising and shocking truths about what we eat, how it's produced, who we have become as a nation and where we are going from here.

January 14: *Portland: A Passion for Sustainability* – See how business leaders adopted a framework for sustainability.



Proposed crosswalk on Hemphill at Samaritan House

Hemphill Re-Striping and Crosswalk – At a public meeting last month, the City unveiled exciting plans to calm traffic and improve pedestrian safety along Hemphill between Rosedale and Vickery. The existing 5-lane road will be re-striped to a 4-lane with on-street parallel parking, and a midblock crosswalk will be constructed in the 900 block of Hemphill, where the Villages of Samaritan House have facilities on both sides of the street and a large number of pedestrian crossings. We expect installation to begin before the end of the year.

Robert W. Hampton and Impart Financial Arrive on South Main – CPA Bob Hampton can now add urban redevelopment pioneer to his long list of qualifications after successfully transforming a nondescript South Main building into a beautiful new office for Impart Financial. Drop by 1204 South Main St. to see for yourself. Congratulations on the new office!

September 22 Seminar: Evidence-Based Design for Healthcare Facilities – Healthcare providers should not miss a presentation by medical architect and interior designer Dan Lee, AAHID, AIA from Half Associates on Tuesday, September 22 at Alcon Auditorium, UNT Health Science Center. Evidence-Based Design is the process of decision making about the built environment based on best practices to achieve the best possible patient outcomes.

FWSI EVENTS...

Member Breakfast: Scampi's, 1057 W. Magnolia Ave., Wednesday, October 7th, 8 am – Enjoy delicious food while checking out the redesigned interior and outdoor seating at Scampi's, a long-time favorite on Magnolia. Members interested in hosting the monthly breakfast should contact Michel at michel@fortworthsouth.org or 817-923-1343.



Happy Hour: Robert W. Kelly Architect, 209 S. Main St., Thursday, September 24th, 5:30 pm
Located on the Near Southside since 2001, Bob Kelly's firm works on a variety of projects from new airplane hangars to historic restorations, with numerous retail, office, and mixed-use projects throughout the region. See their new space in the historic Sawyer Grocery Building and meet others working to revitalize the district. Contact Michel if you're interested in hosting a Happy Hour.

Thank you to the Tarrant County Medical Society for our September Breakfast and to **Cancer Care Services** for our August Happy Hour!

HAVE/WANT...



311 Bryan in South Main Village – Warehouse lofts for lease, with large windows, concrete floors, granite countertops, stainless appliances, claw foot tubs, 16-foot ceilings, gated parking, and views of Downtown. For true urban living don't miss this opportunity. 700-1,700 sq ft, \$850-\$1,400. Call Susie at 214-850-3408.



MEMBERSHIP... There are now **304 members** of FWSI. Membership dues support the Near Southside's revitalization! Applications at www.fortworthsouth.org. New members:

The LifeWorks Group, P.A.

1208 W. Magnolia Ave, Suite 200

Beth Lewis, Dawn Stilwell, Tara Tripi,

Chris Jones, Melanie Wells

Kimberly Burks-Agoro

The Wellness Village &
Adesubomi Agoro, M.D.

1100 Pennsylvania Ave.

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