

From the President, Brian Davis

The idea of Spring Cleaning can be a delight for some, and a notion that creates dread in others. For most of us, I think it's a combination of both. I have a weekend ritual of watching CBS Sunday Morning over coffee and toast, and recently enjoyed a piece that highlighted Marie Kondo's bestselling book on the art of organizing, called Spark Joy.

The premise of her writing is that when we are cleaning out our lives, we should examine each item and determine if keeping it "sparks joy."

This can apply to almost anything, from clothing and furniture, to jobs and relationships. We live in a busy world, and gaining the ability to free our lives of clutter is perhaps the most necessary of luxuries.

As you're looking around your home and deciding what needs to make an exit, be sure to also ask yourself who your old items could spark joy for. Some of my favorite donation recipients are Goodwill, AmVets, Genesis Women's Shelter, and Family Gateway. You might also want to try selling some treasure at the Wynnewood North neighborhood yard sale. Be sure to check our website for dates and times, and to get guidance on obtaining your permit from the City of Dallas.

Start small, maybe one closet or room at a time...it gets easier by the minute. You'll be impressed with your ability to let go, and you'll love the feeling of passing on your old things to people who really will be thrilled to receive them.

Happy decluttering!

-Brian Davis

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Neighborhood Events Coming Soon.....

April 15th ... 12n-3p Spring Fling & Easter Egg Hunt

April 20th6:30pm WNNA General Meeting

April 22nd .. 9a-12n It's My Park Day Need your help, is neighborhood clean up

April 22nd ...12n Story Time with Logan Ragsdale

May 13th ... Spring Wander

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Wynnewood North Neighborhood Association General Meeting April 20, 2017 - 7:00 PM Meet and Greet Starts at 6:30 PM Kidd Springs Recreation Center 711 W. Canty Street, Dallas 75208 Directions and Parking Info on Page 17



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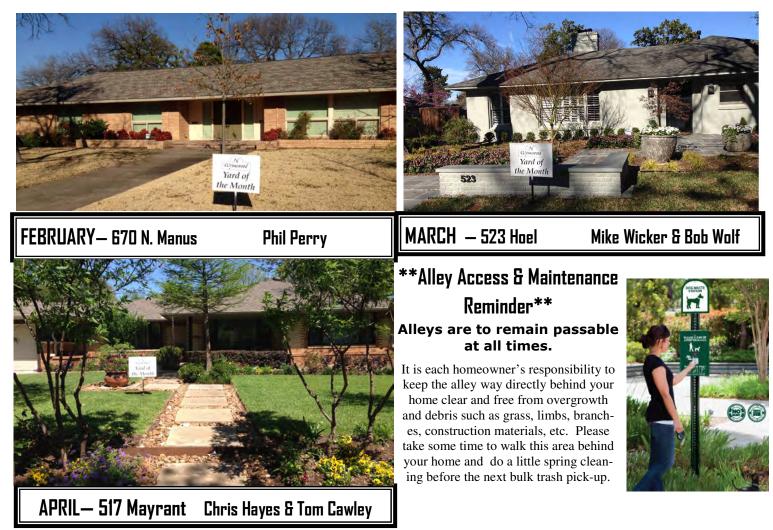


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Beautification—Cynthia Michaels—Yard of the Month Recipients:

• ongratulations to the homeowners voted Yard of the Month

Each recipient of Yard of the Month receives a \$25 American Express gift card compliments of Wynnewood North Neighborhood Association. We have many beautiful yards in our neighborhood. Please remember to nominate homes for Yard of the Month. An eblast is sent out notifying residents when it is time to nominate homes for Yard of the Month. We will limit each home to receiving this designation only once per calendar year.



Daggy Bags In cases you didn't know there is a Pooper Scooper Law (City Code, Sec 7-4.8) which requires pet owners to pick up after their pet if it defecates on public or private property that is not their own. There are several pet waste stations along the greenbelt. Soon two dog waste stations will be relocated to N. Manus. One across from 350 N. Manus along with a trash can. The other one will be close to the fire hydrant at N. Manus and Llewellyn along with a trash can. An additional trash can will be placed close to the dog waste station on S. Manus. We have lots of dog walkers in our neighborhood. Most are diligent about picking up after their dog. Unfortunately, not everyone picks up their dog's poop. If you don't, please start picking up after your dog. It is the law. Besides, pet waste adds harmful bacteria to the water. Thank you in advance in eliminating dog waste in our greenbelt and our neighbors' front yards.





Beautification—Cynthia Michaels

Bulk Trash If you are wondering when it is time to put out your bulk trash....wonder no more. If you see this sign...then it is time. If you Don't see the sign...then it is not time! The

schedule can be confusing. So, always look for the neighborhood sign. There are several located at entrances to our neighborhood: Shelmire and Monssen, S. Manus and Vernon, and Llewelyn and Heyser. You can also go to our website

www.wynnewodnorth.org and look under Upcoming Events. There you will see



the Bulk Trash Schedule. There is also a new collection reminder app from Sanitation Services. The link to this app is on our website. So, no excuses for not knowing when the correct time to put out your bulk trash!!

The Beautification Committee for 2017 is: Phil Perry, Terry Thomas, George Roberts, Denise Requardt, Marilyn Jolly, Charles Jones and Cynthia Michaels, Director

Neighborhood Events !!!!

Annual Spring Clean Up of Wynnewood North

Neighbors we need your help. April 22, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm. Wynnewood North and the City of Dallas are once again partnering in the annual "It's Your Park Day – Dallas". We will be picking up trash along the green belt and in the creek (for those brave souls willing to go into the creek). There really is LOTS of trash in the creek.

Please meet at the Monssen triangle at 9:00 am where we will have donuts, water and waiver forms for you to sign. Please bring gloves and you might want to wear long sleeves and long pants. It is very important for you to put on bug spray!!! Thank you in advance for your participation. Please address any questions or concerns to: <u>beautification@wynnewoodnorth.org</u>

Spring Fling & Easter Egg Hunt Saturday April 15th

We are EGGcited to announce the return of the annual Spring Fling and Egg Hunt! The EGGstravaganza is open to everyone and free of charge,. The event is scheduled from 12 p.m. to 3 p.m. in the park area at Mayrant Drive and South Manus Drive. WNNA will provide hamburgers, hot dogs, water, soft drinks, and juice boxes for kids. Please bring you're a favorite food or dessert to share. There will also be a bounce house and kids activity station.

Questions or volunteer inquiries for the Spring Fling, please contact Chris Quadri: social@wynnewoodnorth.org or 214-499-0103

Easter Egg Hunt and Kids Station questions, please contact Becca Leonard at: parent@wynnewoodnorth.org or 214.228.1601

Spring Wander

Saturday May 13th

Host Homes

Home 1 - 612 Woolsey Drive Hosted by Megan & Clark Smyth

Home 2 - 750 S. Manus Drive Hosted by Kimmi & Chris Quadri

Home 3 - 545 Hoel Drive

Hosted by Elizabeth & Kyle Phelps

Early Bird Tickets (Available thru end of day April 30) are \$40 per person which includes drinks and appetizers or dessert at each home.

Tickets purchased on / after May 1 are \$50 per person which includes drinks and appetizers or dessert at each home.





Crime Watch—Jeff Sappenfield

Review of 2016

The year has been a year that as a neighborhood we have really come together as far as watching out for our neighbors. The website Nextdoor.com has been a huge reason for such great communication throughout our neighborhood. We still have crime activity occurring in the neighborhood, but the more we look out for each as neighbors and call 911 when we see suspicious behavior – I believe we either decrease the criminal activity or at least catch those criminals who are committing these criminal acts. We did have a total 19 reported crimes in 2016, which unlike other years was spread out throughout the year with the most crimes occurring in December (4 crimes).

The VIP patrol program just finished its 8th year and currently we have a total of 61 VIP 's which includes 44 active VIP members who you have patrolled at least once in 2016. Most of our VIP's do about 2 patrols a month, but we do have about 5 or 6 VIP's that patrol anywhere from 4 to 8 times a month. This year we did set a record for the amount of patrols in one year. We had a total of 286 patrols in 2016, which computes to 23.8 patrols per month or 31 hours a month. In April and June we set a record of 27 patrols in one month. Our goal for 2017 is to average 25 patrols per month and as always looking for new VIP's to help keep Wynnewood North Safe.

As we prepare for 2017 the WNNA board is working on other ways we can decrease the crime in the neighborhood by opening up more communication with nearby neighborhoods, increasing our VIP membership, and finding out what other neighborhoods through Dallas and beyond are using as far as crime prevention tools. If you have any suggestions please email crime@wynnewoodnorth.com.



TAILGATE THEFTS

There has been a rash of tailgate thefts that have been occurring throughout Oak Cliff and that would include 3 tailgate thefts in our own neighborhood. The thieves are very brazen as they steal the tailgates in the middle of the night and the truck can be 5 ft from the door. I know investigators are working on these thefts, but not sure where they stand as far as a priority. Therefore, I suggest if you do not have the capability of parking your truck in your garage, there are locks that can be purchased for around \$35 or more. Just one way to prevent our truck owners in the neighborhood from being a victim of these tailgate thieves.

2017 VIP Classes

We will be having probably about 4 VIP classes throughout the year. We've already had the first class of the year. If you think you will be interested in becoming a VIP in 2017, please email me at <u>crime@wynnewoodnorth.com</u> and I will send you the paperwork and we can figure out what time of year will be best for you to become a VIP on patrol.

CRIME WATCH COMMUNICATION

The best way to stay up-to-date with current crime or crime prevention tips is to become a member of Nextdoor.com. You can set your membership up to just receive information from Wynnewood North, from 3 or 4 neighborhoods, or all 11 neighborhoods surrounding Wynnewood North. Neighbors utilize this site to let other neighbors of suspicious behavior, suspicious vehicles, or suspicious people in the neighborhood. I will communicate with neighbors through this website when there is a crime and the police at times use this site to pass information on as well. Nextdoor is used for so much useful information as well. If your not on Nextdoor.com please email me at <u>crime@wynnewoodnorth.com</u> and once we have confirmed you live in the neighborhood will invite you to be a part of Wynnewood North Nextdoor.

OUT OF TOWN / LONG TERM CONSTRUCTION

Just a reminder that if your going to be out of town or have long term construction, make sure you email your name, address and the dates involved to <u>crime@wynnewoodnorth.com</u>. This way the VIP's will be aware and make sure check that all is well around your home during the dates you gave us. Just a tip please tell your closest neighbors when you are out of town or have long term construction. Reason being these neighbors who live closest to you are the ones that will notice suspicious behavior before anyone else if you are communicating as neighbors.

VIP Gift Card Winners

Oct - Jay Sullivan Nov - Jan Nunn Dec - Nell Garcia

LET'S KEEP WYNNEWOOD NORTH SAFE



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Come Walk Our Labyrinth—Mary Anne Reed, Resident

When Jennifer and I bought our home at 325 S Manus in 2005, we bought small and on one level. We wanted to stay put for many years to come! But soon, we began to get itchy for more living space. Instead of adding on or up, we decided to grow out – into the yard! With the help of Jamie and Sandra at Gardens for Texas, the grass in the back yard soon gave way to a garden oasis where we and the birds, bees, butterflies, and humming birds - are nurtured by Texas native and drought resistant plants, walking paths, a sheltering pergola, a bubbling fountain, a cozy fire pit, an arbor covered in blooming vines, and a Japanese meditation garden. It is where we enjoy coffee and newspapers in the morning, a drink at the end of the workday, and it quickly became our favorite place to entertain! The next phase was to enlarge our front yard flowerbeds, and last year we installed a garden labyrinth in our side yard under the pecan tree.

Labyrinths have intrigued me since 1992 when I first read "A Twisting Walk to Inner Peace" in the New York Times and saw a photo there of the canvas labyrinth at Grace Cathedral in San Francisco. I finally got to walk that labyrinth in 1995, ultimately trained at the cathedral in how to facilitate labyrinth walks for others, and soon after spent a week at Chartres Cathedral in France walking the ancient labyrinth in the stone floor. When I returned home, I helped create and lead The Labyrinth Project at The Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration here in Dallas and watched labyrinths pop up all over the DFW Metroplex. I have a small canvas labyrinth I use in my practice of psychotherapy, and now we have one in our yard, a labyrinth you are invited to visit and to walk!

The point of a maze is to find its centre. The point of a labyrinth is to find your centre.

A labyrinth, unlike a maze, is not a puzzle to be solved. You won't get lost. There is only one path from the entrance to the center; a complete labyrinth walk takes you on the path from the "mouth" of the labyrinth, to the open space in the center, and back again on the same path to the entrance. While there are no rules for walking a labyrinth, I can offer a few suggestions:



- Stand at the entrance and pause briefly; take a moment to pray or set an intention for your walk.
- Begin to walk, slowly, finding your own pace on the path as it winds over and around the entire labyrinth.
- When you reach the center, stop and meditate. Listen with care, both inwardly and outwardly.
- Complete your walk, following the same path from the center of the labyrinth back out to the entrance.
- At the entrance, turn and face the labyrinth. Honor your time there, give thanks for the gifts you have received, and return gently to your life.

The design of the labyrinth is ancient; labyrinths have been found all over the world, some dated as far back as 2500 BC. Its path can be a metaphor for birth, life, death, and rebirth. Walking the labyrinth can be a spiritual practice – the path in to the center a time of letting go, preparing to receive inspiration at the center, the path out a reflection on how to take the new learning back into one's life. People walk the labyrinth to heal memories or grief, to celebrate a birthday or anniversary, to untangle confusion, to find their calm center in the midst of anxiety, for help in determining the "next step." Our labyrinth is the St. Paul design, an adaptation of the labyrinth pattern found in Chartres Cathedral. But there is no dogma attached to the symbol of the labyrinth – it belongs to us all, no matter our beliefs. It means what we perceive it to mean, based on our own guiding principles and values.

Our labyrinth is oriented so that the entrance faces due east. The four directions are clearly marked by turns in the labyrinth's path. Soon, Jamie and her crew will help us install four wind sculptures by Lyman Whitaker near the labyrinth. The sculptures are the four Elements – Air, Earth, Fire and Water. We invite you to use and enjoy our labyrinth. Let it be a reminder that we are stewards of this earth – and it is up to us to care well for its elements. And, no matter the direction of our origin, the source of our identity, we can learn to walk gently together on the earth, honoring our rich diversity.

All is one.

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Wynnewood North Kids Korner

Spring has sprung and we are all ready for the flowers to bloom and the sun to shine!



Things to do this Spring:

Spring Fling & Easter Egg Hunt - WNNA Greenbelt at S. Manus & Mayrant Drive

Story Time at the Little Free Library

Dallas Zoo- 2 miles from WNNA 650 R.L. Thornton Fwy, Dallas, TX 75203 Adults: \$15, Children (3-11): \$12

Annie Stevens Park- 3 miles from WNNA Plymouth Rd and Oak Cliff Blvd, 75208



Good Local Market-1.5 miles from WNNA Tyler Street Farmers Market

Across 1 Alice in Land 4 Favorite Island Princess 7 The season we are in currently 9 Lives in a pineapple under the sea Recently retired Crayola 12 crayon Down 2 101 **3** State flower of Texas 5 Our favorite local sno-cone Aunt The person who developed 6 Wynnewood Shopping Village and the surrounding neighborhood. 8 The alto ego of Clark Kent 10 Popular tree in Wynnewood and the state tree of Texas 11 Batman's partner





OOCCL Grant Ideas

Old Oak Cliff Conservation League (OOCCL) offers member neighborhoods the opportunity to apply for grants to improve their neighborhoods. The OOCCL grant provides the awarded neighborhood the guarantee to pay 60% of the cost to complete the project, with the awarded neighborhood responsible for the remaining 40%. Annually Wynnewood North has taken advantage of this great opportunity to complete major projects to improve the neighborhood. It is that time of year, when Residents decide which projects the Board should submit grant proposals to the OOCCL for consideration.

Some of the potential ideas presented for approval by residents at the General Meeting April 20th are: Kidd Springs Swim Program, Publications expenses, VIP signs and flashlights, Curb Address Painting, Triangle Maintenance, Street Sign Toppers with WNNA logo, Alley Addresses.

OOCCL Home Tour Committee is looking for volunteers to help find home owners willing to be on the tour, touring proposed homes for the tour, selling ads for the Home Tour Program and volunteering to porch sit during the tour. Contact Phil Leven, Chairman hometour@ooccl.org

Crime Watch Resources

Quarterly Crime Watch Meetings DPD Southwest Substation

Contact: Donna Thurman Senior Corporal, Crime Watch Coordinator, 214-670-6795 Donna.thurman@dpd.ci.dallas.tx.us

Crime Watch Websites/Links

policereports.dallaspolice.net/ spotcrime.com <u>p.landfair@att.net</u> dallasareawatch.com North Oak Cliff Crime Watch facebook page



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If you have any questions please email beautification@wynnewoodnorth.org





Adamson High School—Janice Coffee, Adamson Class of 1961

To Caring Neighbors

As many of you know, our neighborhood is once again in the W. H. Adamson High School District. My sister, Judy, and I have asked for help in collecting different items for the Adamson students many of whom are from needy families. Mrs. Garcia is the parent liaison at Adamson and has contact with all the families. She knows who are the neediest and strives to help them any way she can. I would like to mention neighbors who have contributed food, clothing or other items. Sue May on N. Manus gave the athletic department energy bars a couple of years ago; Chuck and Helen Schneider gave a refrigerator last year; Suley Castillo clothing items for males and females; Joni Whitehead; Becca

Leonard, Joan Buccola, Clay Chancey and Bill Martin, and Donna Libby.

Thanks to these folks, many Leopards will be well dressed for their proms and job interviews. Thank you for responding in a Texas size way to our call for help.







Communications—Janice Coffee

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We have had a busy time with the coming and going in our neighborhood in the last eight months. I hope everyone has welcomed their new neighbors on their block. Some of them moved in before our directory was published so they are listed. Below are some of the newer people; please make them welcomed by saying hello when you see them.

Jerry Tate 623 Mayrant Brian Ham 533 Woolsey Jose & Maria Martinez 635 Bizerte Leslie & Travis Damerau 756 Bizerte Steve & Amii Foster 415 S. Manus Courtney and Ashlie Stamper 443 Mayrant Caleb and Merrie Trotter 622 Mayrant Chukwurah Chukwuemeka 766 S. Manus

Edward Johnson, Jessica Maxwell & daughter Vivian 612 N. Manus

I would like to take this time to thank our Block Captains who are listed in this newsletter. Sometimes they have just several days to get out the newsletters or flyers and not always in the best of weather. We do have a new captain for the east side of Mayrant; she is Judy Thornton. She is replacing Lynn Sulander who is now doing this newsletter. Silver Poteet was the block captain for many years and we wanted to give her a rest. It will probably be time for me to give it a rest soon, but as long as I have ibuprofen I'm good. I am looking for someone to volunteer to be block captain for the west side of Monssen. Any takers? Give me a call at 214-942-7029.

If you know of anyone who has moved in or out of Wynnewood North, please let me know so we can say hello.







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Treasurer Report—2017 YTD

Beginning Balance - 2017	\$11,759.90
YTD Income	\$5,160.73
YTD Expenses	\$1.716.42
Ending Balance 3/31/17	\$15.204.10
General Fund Balance	\$3,095.66
Guaranty Bank CD 5373	\$3,095.66
Guaranty Bank CD 5340	\$9,012.78
Total	\$15,204.10

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Wynnewood North Neighborhood

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Donations are tax deductible and can be made at

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- Online: http://www.wynnewoodnorth.org/ donate
- Mail: WNNA Treasurer / P.O. Box 3872 / Dallas, TX 75208





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Tales From Woolsey - Cindy Kirk, Secretary

Some vacations are planned and others are pop-up ideas after a transformer blows in the neighborhood. Mary, Dean, Scott, Joseph, Jeremy and myself all decided going to dinner was better than sitting in the dark. As we sat sipping our Margaritas and checking Next-Door to see if anyone had power, the conversation turned to travel. Somehow, we decided that it would be a great idea to go to Jackson Hole. Wyoming. I will admit that maybe Mary and I talked up Jackson Hole just a little bit. Maybe we expounded on the natural beauty and how breathtaking the Grand Tetons were, and how fascinating Yellowstone is in the winter, and that thousands of Elk wintered in the Elk Reserve, but overall, as a group we decided Jackson Hole was our next group destination. I think Joseph turned a little pale when we Googled Jackson Hole weather and the current temperature was a negative 6 degrees. However, he gamely committed to going as well. If you haven't guess by now, I am the planner. I immediately went home and started researching hotels and things to do. I pulled out my old materials from when we had gone at Christmas time, and I put together a nice long email, with links to snow mobiles, restaurants, hotels, sleigh rides, spas, snow tubing, snow shoeing, and art galleries. I'm sure they never read it.

That is how we all ended up in Jackson Hole on a beautiful Thursday afternoon. After we had landed, got our rental cars and eaten lunch, I excitedly told the guys about this neat road that ran behind the Elk Reserve and chances are we might even see bighorn sheep, antelope or possibly even buffalo! Dean indulgently smiled at me and asked me if I had ever heard of Google images. I hate him sometimes... Regardless, of Dean, we still drove down the road, and guess what? We saw bighorn sheep, and antelope and three smart asses in the car behind us. When we later asked how they liked seeing all the animals they said, "We didn't really have to look very hard. We knew every time your car stopped, the window went down and the camera lens came out we should stop talking and start looking around for animals." I will admit, their sarcastic remarks about me and my camera might possibly have some limited kernel of truth, but just the same, I should have given their car a flat tire.

The next morning, we were up bright and early to go snowmobiling It had snowed about 5-6 inches and the roads had not been plowed. But what's a little snow to a bunch of Dallasites who never drive in that stuff! We had assumed we could just use our Google Maps app, to locate the little town of Alpine, but in certain parts of Wyoming, the internet is just wishful thinking and there is no service. Fortunately, two of us aren't totally reliant on technology and we had printed off a map before we left. If you automatically assumed the two old ladies of the group printed off the map, you would be correct.

We all arrived on time and after much huffing and puffing, a lot of grunts and groans, we finally all got suited up for our snowmobile ride. We all looked like Ralph's little brother Randy from a Christmas Story. We were all bundled up and appropriately attired for our day of fun in the snow. We waddled out to the front desk where we were advised to avoid powdered snow close to the mountains as it could cause a possible avalanche, and if we wrecked their machines, it would cost us a fortune. Last, but not least, they went over the trail systems with us in detail. Three of us listened intently. Three of us did not. Remember that later. The guide let us to the trail head and then we were off and running on the Grey trail system. The trail is beautiful and runs along the Snake River. We all had an absolute blast. Bonus points - there is no guide, and you can go as fast as you want! We all roared ahead, and even Mary managed to keep up (after we stopped and waited for her). We were about an hour into our ride when Dean realized he had lost his cell phone. The loss of the cell phone while problematic, wasn't as important as the fact that Dean's I.D. was with his cell phone. Gone...they were all gone, and without his I.D., Dean wouldn't be going back to Dallas with us. At that point, we turned back and started looking for Dean's phone. I had already turned around and thought I would go as far as to the place we had first stopped for pictures. I thought everyone else was behind me. I was wrong. About 30 minutes later Mary caught up with me, we then turned back around and headed back up the trail. We finally found everyone else, and Dean let us know that they had found his phone and driver's license back at the office. Everything was good, so off we went again. Don't ask me why, but for some strange reason, I thought it was Mary who was ahead of me and had taken off like a speed demon. If you think about that logically, you know that couldn't even have been in the realm of possibilities. Mary=fast driving? That would mean that hell had officially frozen over. But I took off, intent on catching up with "Mary," who it turns out was Jeremy. Poor little Mary was off and running trying to catch up with me, and somewhere along the way, we lost Joseph, Scott and Dean. We never saw them again. Remember those trail instructions that the front office gave us? They were easy, basically, you stay on the main trail and just keep going forward and in about 30 miles you will see the Box Y Lodge ranch where you can stop and have lunch. Unfortunately, the three people who had been listening to the instructions were all together, and the three who had not listened were also together. The three of us continued up the trail and even though we stopped and waited, and stopped and waited and stopped and waited, the other three never caught up. We thought that surely, they would catch up with us at the Box Y, so we arrived at the ranch, warmed up, ordered lunch and waited, and waited, and waited until we decided we needed to head back before it got too late. We made it back to the trailhead, but other than pointing out where we needed to fill the machines back up with gas, there had been no instructions on how to get back to the actual office. We filled up with





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gas, but by that point, we were all so tired, no one could get my machine re-started. Jeremy and Mary headed off to seek a way back to the office, and I sat on my machine and continued to flood the engine with the pull start. Note to self, next time rent a trail machine that starts with the push of a button. I eventually got this big, burly guy to start my machine, and I headed off to look for Mary and Jeremy who it turns out were headed back to the gas station. We tried various routes, and in the end, we called them and they showed us the way back, which ended up being on the main road with NO SNOW. At least that is how Mary and I got back. Jeremy somehow found his own way home. We turned in our machines and walked into the building to return all our gear and guess who were waiting for us and had been there for at least two hours...yep, Dean, Scott and Joseph. Apparently, we had lost them when they made a pit stop. Remember I told you we were bundled up and mobility was limited. Apparently answering the call of nature took a while and the three of us got so far ahead of them that they never caught up. Of course, they also didn't know which trail to take and didn't remember the answer was "trail A." They also got in a little bit of deep powder and Dean disappeared. Fortunately, between the three of them they could turn Dean's machine back upright and continue their ride non-the-worse for wear. Regardless, snowmobiling was two tons of fun and we can't wait to go again!

On Saturday, we asked the group if they wanted to join us on the sleigh ride to see the elk herd. Dean sent me a Google image of the sled and politely took a pass. However, the day drinkers, Scott, Joseph and Jeremy all gave a resounding thumbs up and said they would be bringing Dean as well. I think that was the alcohol talking, but that my friends is how Dean ended up on a sled in the middle of an Elk Reserve on the coldest day of our trip at a balmy 19 degrees below zero. Yep. It was cold! Joseph, who had been the most concerned about cool temperatures showed up dressed as Nanuck of the North. He was wrapped from stem to stern and while not toasty warm, he was well shielded from the elements. Dean on the other hand, started out with his coat and gloves, and ear muffs. As the wind continued to howl around us, the scarf went further around his neck, and the blankets that were in the sled were wrapped tightly around him. Our guide continuously stopped the sled to let us take pictures of the elk and to explain about the reserve, the number of elk that migrated to the reserve in the winter, and the history of the area. We lost Dean somewhere on the first or second stop. His neck kept sinking further and further down, until finally he looked like the neckless man with just a head sitting on a pair of shoulders. His face was red from the cold, his head was red from the cold, but every hair was in place because he refused to wear a hat. At some point, I think he even put the beanie on his frozen head and surrendered his hair to the bone-chilling cold. I don't think I have

ever seen anyone look as miserably cold as Dean did. Being the good friends that we all are, we laughed and laughed and laughed. While it sounds like a miserable time, Dean later admitted that he enjoyed seeing the animals, but the guide shouldn't have been allowed to stop as that wasn't an efficient use of time.

While we did lots more things and had lots more fun while in Jackson Hole, I am out of space. I will close by saying that one of the best things that ever happened to us was moving to Wynnewood North and making lifelong friends. I hope the rest of our neighbors will be as lucky as we have been.

Pet Corner—Denise Requardt

Flea and Tick Prevention

Spring has sprung and summer is peeking around the corner! As the chilly winter fades, the lure of the great outdoors calls to us and our family pets. Unfortunately, it also rings in the full-blown season of fleas, ticks and mosquitos.

I have found for the first time living in WWN a serious tick problem in my back yard, which is affecting the animals and I am battling the situation. So, I thought I would share some information that may be helpful to our neighbors.

The way animals get fleas is some other flea-infested animal - a stray dog or stray cat, or some other neighbors' dog or cat, or urban wildlife, mainly opossums and raccoons - travel through our neighborhood, your yard, and the female flea is laying eggs and the eggs are basically rained off into your environment. Those eggs developed into adults and those fleas jumped onto your pet.

Our pets generally get ticks because they're out in that environment, walking through the woods or high grass, and these ticks undergo what's called questing, where they crawl up on these low shrubs or grass, generally 18 to 24 inches off the ground and they basically hang out. And when the dog walks by or we walk by and brush up against these ticks they dislodge and get onto us. Ticks don't climb up into trees. That's an old myth. They just lie in wait for us. It's sort of an ambush strategy. They can live well over a year without feeding.

Protect your home

Cut the tall grass, trim back the bushes and shrubs, rake up all the leaf litter under the bushes. Leave it just bare ground. There are some lawn and garden insecticides that are approved by the EPA to be applied under shrubs, under bushes, in crawl spaces, along fence lines, to control fleas and ticks outside. Fleas and ticks are really sunlight and humidity sensitive. In most situations they are found under shrubs, under bushes, under porches, in shaded, protected habitats. Apply the compounds of your choice in a limited fashion under those locations. Let it dry on the foliage for three to four hours before allowing pets and children in the yard. **Continued on page 13**

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Cedar mulch repels fleas and ticks. Use it to border areas where your pet likes to play or rest to keep insects from migrating into those areas. Place cedar mulch along the edges of your yard to form a barrier.

<u>Flea Circus</u>

Itching and scratching, redness, flaky skin, scabs, hotspots, hair loss. If you pet has an allergy to fleas, you can relate to all of the symptoms and more. The bite of one flea can send your pet into a whirlwind of scratching, biting and digging at their skin.

Prevention is the perfect answer to these problems

You may not be able to control all of the parasites in your environment, but you can control protecting your pet year-'round. There are many products available for both dogs and cats. Talk to your veterinarian and decide which prevention products will work best for your pet, and environment. **Ticks, Ticks, and more Ticks!**

They can cause infection, abscesses, paralysis and even death. In addition, ticks are the host of several debilitating diseases. These diseases can be very difficult to recognize and are easily misdiagnosed due to varied and vague symptoms. While these parasites rarely cause obvious discomfort, it is a good idea to check your pet regularly, especially if he spends a lot of time outside. https:// www.bayeradvanced.com/articles/10-easy-ways-to-rid-yourlawn-of-fleas-and-ticks



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Serving Senior Neighbors of Wynnewood

"SSNOW"

Through the years, we have enjoyed socializing with our neighbors at neighborhood happy hours, The Fall and Spring Wander, Spring Fling, Fourth of July and our annual Christmas Party. Around 15 years ago, we realized we also wanted to celebrate our senior neighbors, after all, they were the ones who originally made Wynnewood North special and we wanted to do something just for them. At the time, we still had several seniors who were original to the neighborhood, and they were a fascinating group! Residents like Ernie Rosentreter who held over 250 patents, Mort Iler sold Anchor

Fencing, R.V. Miles who was a major distributor of tires in Dallas during a time when "your word was your contract," Esmond Hardin who was another one of our World War II veterans and retired from Texas Instruments, George Puckett who was fluent in Japanese and helped govern Okinawa during the American occupation after the WWII, Nadine Hobbs and of course Chuck and Helen Schneider who still live on Mayrant. Chuck can tell you lots of fascinating stories about our space program from his many years as an engineer, and let's not forget those early working women like Silver Poteet and Nell Garcia! Many of these folks were some of the first to buy homes in the new subdivision of Wynnewood North, or they had their homes custom built. Back in the day, Wynnewood was also known as "Pill Hill," because so many doctors lived here. Our own Janice Coffee grew up in this neighborhood. Her parents built their home at 511 Mayrant in 1952 and they all moved in on March 1, 1953. We had lots of history to celebrate!

Since we are a group that loves to go to brunch, we thought that would be the perfect event to honor our seniors. The first brunch was held at Janice and Terrys' home and it was a huge success. Janice

and Terry literally moved their furniture out of their den and set up folding tables and we packed them in! Food was cooked and served by other residents in the neighborhood. We had door prizes and raffle tickets as "giveaways", and a good time was had by all. The only black mark on the first brunch is that we inadvertently left out some neighbors who qualified as "seniors." Case in point, Nell Garcia. We didn't invite her to the first event on purpose because none of us believed she was 65 or over. We are still apologizing to Nell for that little snafu, but on the bright side; Nell must of have been drinking from the fountain of youth because we thought she was one of the "younger" neighbors that would help to serve the seniors!

We continued hosting the SSNOW Brunch in the neighborhood, but attendance outgrew what we could accommodate at individual homes. When that happened, we just kind of put the SSNOW Brunch on a shelf and forgot about it. We all got too busy with our own lives and forgot to stop and smell the roses, and to do something for those who have done so much for us. Many of our "originals" have now passed away and we realized we needed to get the SSNOW brunch up and running again. With hard work from the SSNOW Brunch Committee members: Fallyn Jones, Denise Requart, Shelly Morgan, Cindy Kirk, Janice Coffee and lead by Lynn Sulander, we brought back "SSNOW" last year. But, we couldn't have done it without all our wonderful Wynnewood neighbors who once again stepped up to the plate to volunteer to cook and then deliver food to Kidd Springs Recreation Center. We had more food then we could eat and it was ALL good. We are lucky to have some wonderful cooks in our neighborhood! Those neighbors who weren't comfortable cooking for the masses volunteered to shuttle seniors who were unable to get to the brunch on their own. We had some great entertainment and a good time was had by all.

In keeping with our newly revived tradition, we are having our SSNOW Brunch June 10th at the Hitt Auditorium at Methodist Hospital. We will have a meet and greet at 10:00 a.m. with brunch being served promptly at 10:30. Entertainment will start around 11:30 a.m. Methodist Hospital has graciously agreed to host this year's event and they are even providing the food! Brunch is open to all our senior neighbors 65 years and older. Methodist has requested a head count, so if you want to go, or plan on going, or even think you might want to go, please put **June 10th** on your calendar now and call Janice Coffee at 214-942-7029, to let her know you are coming! The sooner you let us know, the better! If you need a ride, let Janice know that as well. If you want to volunteer to help serve, or act as a shuttle service, let Janice or any Board member know and we will add you to the list! Trust us, whether you are attending or volunteering, you will have a great time, so mark your calendars NOW for SSNOW!





Story Time— At the Free Little Library (Located at the Monssen Triangle)



Next Story Time— April 22nd 12noon

"Plants Can't Sit Still" By Rebecca Hirsch

Do plants really move? Absolutely! You might be surprised by all the movements that plants can make. Plants might not pick up their roots and walk away, but they definitely don't sit still! Discover the many ways plants (and their seeds) move.

Story Time with Logan Ragsdale at the Little Free Library (at Monnsen/N.Manus triangle). Wynnewood resident, Logan Ragsdale, will read Plants Can't Sit Still. Each child will go home with a small pot and seeds to grow! Snacks and drinks will be provided.

Saturday April 22nd 12noon –1pm at Monnsen Triangle



Wynnewood North Little Free Library Charter #45465 Https://littlefreelibrary.org



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Wynnewood North Directory

Update Your Directory Information Now—Here is how



Ability to Specify Emergency Contact Information

Please be sure to log-in and check the directory information listed for you. If your phone number has changed or your email address, please make the correction. Also, you will notice an Emergency Contact has been added. This was added in case there was an emergency and someone needed to be notified about the situation. Our VIPs use the directory

frequently. Notifying owners of garage doors left open, packages left on porches, dogs loose, etc.



Ability to Register Your Pet

It could be a life saver! Accidents happen, your pet gets loose without you knowing it. If you register your pets in the neighborhood directory our residents have another source to help return them home safe.

Did you know in 2016 the Board of Directors, with the help of an Old Oak Cliff Conservation League Grant, purchased a pet micro-chip reader! Denise Requardt has volunteered to be the Master Scanner for Wynnewood North. How cool is that! We can find out quickly who owns the loose pet if they have a micro-chip on board.

A great number of our dogs were registered during the very successful Wynnewood North Tail Waggers Event in November. If you were unable to attend the event, you still have the opportunity to enter the data and picture of your pet(s) into the Wynnewood North Directory. The pet information should appear when you search for you name and click on it.

How to Upate Your Information in the Directory—It is simple!

Simply Log-in to the Wynnewood North Web-site (www.wynnewoodnorth.org). Go to the Directory and do a search for your name. After the search, your name will appear in the upper right hand corner of the page. Click on your name and then you will see a button on the left hand side that states "Edit". Click on the button, scroll down until you find the **To see the WWN directory**, Click on the button, scroll down until you find the Emergency Contact information. Enter the information into the various spaces. Be sure and click on the "Save" button before you exit the page.

If you are not computer savvy, contact your Block Captain or Janice Coffee (Communications Directory) to help you get your latest information in the system.

Please NOTE the directory is only available to those who live in Wynnewood North. It is private and not available to the public.







Newsletter Advertising Information

Advertising can be purchased on a yearly or issue-by-issue basis. Businesses can promote special events, sales, etc. with a single issue add, but discounted rates are offered for yearly contracts.

Yearly contract: January, April, July and October. However, payment can be made on a pro-rated basis for a single issue or partial year.

Ad costs per year	Ad costs per single issue
Business card: \$75	Business card: \$45
1/4 page: \$125	1/4 page: \$60
1/2 page: \$175	1/2 page: \$75
Full page: \$225	full page \$125
Full back page: \$325	full back page \$175

Did you know Wynnewood North Neighborhood Association has a fan page on Facebook?

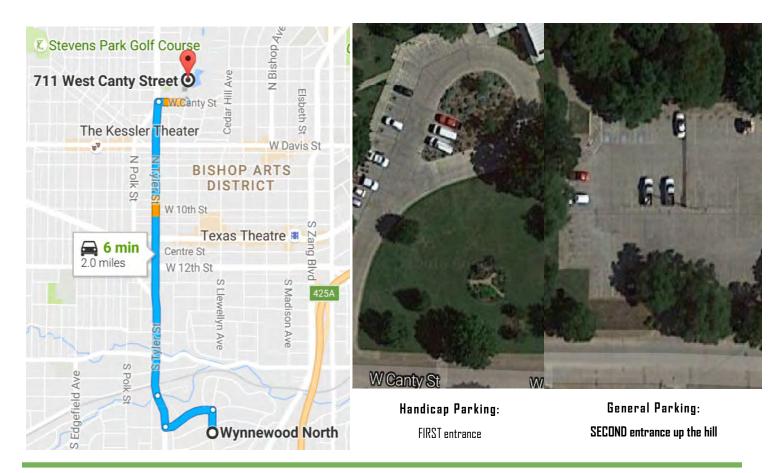
If you have an account, just search for us and join. You can see photos from neighborhood social gatherings and post on the wall.

Internet and Web Connections

WNNA	wynnewoodnorth.org
Facebook fac	ebook.com/wynnewoodnorth
Nextdoorwy	nnewoodnorth.nextdoor.com

Neighborhood General Meeting Location

Kidd Springs Recreation Center, 711 W. Canty Street







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