

#### From the President

We've reached the end of a very busy year in Wynnewood North. We are truly blessed to know the great neighbors and friends that live here. Vicki and I are now starting our ninth year in this house, and we are always telling people that we chose the neighborhood first, and the house second. The reputation this neighborhood has beyond our borders is well known and respected. Much of that has to do with each of you and the kindness and generosity you have shown to each other. The commitment to a better neighborhood propels all of us on the board to work very hard for you!

This is what the 2014 Board and their volunteers accomplished this year:

Communications Director created fourteen Welcome Baskets provided to new neighbors; Publications created four 8-10 page newsletters; and 6 flyers about important information and events to residents. The Beautification Director added new landscape and repaired the irrigation system at both triangles; a new Wynnewood North Sign on the southwest side of the neighborhood installed; new trash bins in the greenbelts added. Our neighborhood had social events galore thanks to our Social Director... Spring Fling and Egg Hunt,

Lynn Sulander President - WNNA

July 4th Celebration, two major fundraisers (Spring and Fall Wanders raised new record amounts), neighborhood Holiday Party with around 75 participants, new Parent Liaison organized a children's carol group that sung to some of our senior neighbors, and Movies on the Lawn viewing Mamma Mia. Two neighborhood clean-up days involved 76 Wynnewood Residents with 18 Kroger volunteers. 265 VIP Patrols done

by 38 active VIP patrollers this year, nine new Crime Watch Volunteers bringing the total up to 59 residents that have taken the formal Official Newsletter of the Wynnewood North Neighborhood Association

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Wynnewood North Neighborhood Association

## **General Meeting**

January 15, 2015 - 7:00 PM

Meet and Greet Starts at 6:30 PM

Orion Ballroom—Bank of America (400 S Zang Blvd)
Watch the Website and e-Blast for Meeting Agenda

Crime Watch Training Course administered by the Dallas Police Department as at-large team keeping watchful eyes on neighborhood. The Next Door participation has grown this year by 35%. Our Social Director organized three very successful Happy Hour events for residents to mix and mingle; our Webmaster has totally redesigned the association web site including a Neighborhood Directory available on demand from the secure section of our website, implemented an automated Yard of the Month nomination and voting process. The board with expert help completely re-wrote the By-Laws to make us compliant with Texas Law for 501©3 organizations. Seventeen block captains have faithfully delivered newsletters and flyers to all households. All these accomplishments while maintaining our budget and financial stability!

Whew, what a year!

# Wynnewood



#### 'Tis the Season for Sharing

am sure that we can all agree that there is something truly special about the holiday season that inspires us to share our homes, time, and milestones with our friends and family. However, I can honestly say that in Wynnewood North, the season for sharing happens throughout the year, not just during the holiday season. We have the best neighbors who have dedicated their time and many who have graciously opened their homes for numerous social events this year including Happy Hours, 2 Wanders, the Spring Fling/Easter Egg Hunt, the Neighborhood Garage Sale, Movie on the Lawn, National Night Out, Holiday Caroling, and the Holiday Party. Thank you all so much for your countless efforts with helping make these events a success. A special thanks to all of the neighbors who have hosted events at your homes. As I always say, this is truly the spirit that makes our neighborhood so special.

#### National Night Out & VIP Appreciation

The National Night Out Block Party & VIP Appreciation was the first event we held since the last newsletter. National Night Out is an annual event designed to strengthen communities by encouraging neighborhoods to engage in stronger relationships with each other and with their local law enforcement partners.

More than 70 residents gathered in the neighborhood throughout the evening for this event. We had 2 officers from the police department address the crime statistics as well as enjoy hot dogs and soft drinks with our neighbors. The children also seemed to enjoy the coloring station as well as riding their bikes on the street and running with no traffic.

Jeff Sappenfield also recognized those residents who make our neighborhood a safer place to live, our VIPs/Neighborhood Watch. Not only did Jeff do an amazing job honoring our VIPs, he also did a fantastic job with introducing and coordinating the police officers present. Thanks so much Jeff.

A very special thanks to the neighbors on Hoel Drive, Llewellyn Avenue and Monssen Drive who allowed us to block off the street another year for the event and all of the neighbors who helped make the event a success.

#### **Fall Wander**

A cold and rainy night did not stop our neighbors from gathering for the Fall Wander. Approximately 65 guests including our hosts enjoyed a merry evening mingling with our neighbors. Each home featured a wow factor that had the neighbors talking all night.









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We kicked off the night at the beautiful home of Mike Wicker and Bob Wolf. The home's interior was amazing, but it was their backyard landscaping and pool that left neighbors speechless and should definitely be featured in someone's landscaping publication like yesterday. The next stop was directly across the street at the home of Joseph Hernandez and Jeremy Ratliff. These 2 are the Kings of Hosting and it was party time as soon as you entered the home. Jeremy was the mixologist who kept the drinks flowing and they even had a featured drink of the night which definitely gave neighbors something to buzz about. We ended the wander at the home of Judy Thornton and the neighbors could all feel the warmth of the fall season; with the fall-themed Christmas tree and the warm, cider beverage, all of the neighbors ended the night with a touch of autumn spice.

Again, special thanks to our 3 host homes! We could not have done it without your generosity.

#### **Holiday Pre-Caroling**

We rang in the holiday season with none other than, holiday caroling. On December 6<sup>th</sup>, 17 neighbors, including children, helped spread some holiday cheer by singing holiday carols to our Wynnewood North elders. Families enjoyed caroling and children had an absolute blast singing many well-known holiday songs.

A special thanks to Shelly Morgan who coordinated the event and making caroling fun for the kids, parents, and most of all, our elders by mixing cheery music with lots of holiday spirit.

#### **Holiday Party**

The Holiday Party was our final event of the season. Thanks to Ric Shanahan and Colter Hoggan for hosting this fun event. We all know that the holiday season is full of commitments so we are truly grateful that Ric and Colter committed part of their holiday season to the Wynnewood North family. Thanks to all of the neighbors who brought the most incredible dishes this year; there were so many tasty dishes this year to name all of them. It was also a pleasure to see some of our new neighbors and other neighbors who have not been able to attend some of our other events earlier in the year.

During the holiday party, we also announced the 4 winners of the Holiday Lights Contest. The homes of Lisa Kleypas/Jessica Hamilton, Andrew/Rebecca Ford, Judy Thornton, and Cynthia Michaels all deserved their recognition this year. We also recognized Woolsey Drive, East of Llewellyn and the featured Holiday Lights Street.

Thanks to all of the neighbors who have made our neighborhood beautiful with lights and making this holiday season bright. May you have a prosperous new year.















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#### Treasury Report - 2014

Beginning Balance—YTD 2014	\$11,255.13
YTD Income:	9.619.54
YTD Expenses:	-10,056.24
Ending Balance @ 03/31/13	\$10,818.43
General Account Balance:	\$4,682.45
Bank CD 5373:	3,067.99
Bank CD 5340:	3,067.99
	\$10,818.43

#### Supporting Wynnewood North

Wynnewood North Neighborhood Association is an IRS designated 501(c)3 non-profit organization. Donations are tax deductible and can be made at general meetings, PayPal on the website, or by mail. Receipts are provided upon request.

Online: http://www.wynnewoodnorth.org/donate

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#### Beautification

Winter has arrived! With winter comes preparation for our next growing season.

The Triangles are being prepped for the spring. They continue to be a nice point of rest and gathering for neighbors and pets. The greenbelts will continue to be stocked with dog bags and trash emptied.

We had a great Fall Clean Up Day with the sponsorship of Kroger, providing both breakfast and manpower!

What are your thoughts on the new Wynnewood North sign on Vernon? The Board would like to know. Send us your thoughts to beautification@wnna.org.



#### Kroger and Our Community

F or many of us that have lived in Wynnewood North for a number of years, we're noting change at our Community Kroger in Wynnewood Village.

The store is clean, better stocked and personnel are friendly and willing to assist. This has also been noted through a cleaner parking lot and securing the trash dumpsters to keep the general area much cleaner.

Our Kroger neighbors are also participating on our neighborhood activities. They partnered with us on our Fall Clean Up. They provided breakfast, and were so generous, the area firefighters got a treat!

Kroger also had 20+ area employees join us on the clean up.

Wynnewood North is now enrolled as a participant in the Kroger Community Rewards program. If you have not updated

your Kroger card to indicate Wynnewood North as a recipient, please consider doing so. This will benefit Wynnewood North regardless of which Kroger you shop. Across the river or across the nation!

The Kroger team will be joining us at our January meeting. They have promised to provide a sugar load (cookies) for the social time at the beginning of the meeting. They will present on the services and reward programs offered......and will save time for Q&A. Also, look forward to receiving a new, reusable shopping bag!

There will also be a raffle. Bring a Kroger receipt from the Wynnewood Village Kroger Store dated January 1 thru 14<sup>th</sup>, 2015 to be entered in the raffle for a Kroger gift card.

We look forward to strengthening our partnership with our neighboring Kroger!





#### Yard of the Month

Congratulations to this quarters recipients of Yard of the Month:

• October: Lance Ivy & Dwayne Privott

September: Lynn Sulander & Vicki Patsdauter

• December: Gabriel & Yesenia Casas

Each of these recipients received a gift card compliments of Calloway's.

For the winter season, they YOM focuses on Winter color and yard maintenance. Please remember to nominate yards each month. Simply visit WNNA.org and click **Beautification** > **Yard of The Month Nomination** or contact our Beautification director. We limit each home to receiving this designation once per year. Also, please support Calloway's business as gratitude for supporting Wynnewood North.

#### Timely Tips for Winter Gardeners

FROM CALLOWAY'S AND CORNELIUS NURSERY

January is a good time to evaluate your gardens and start planning for the Spring. Prepare a sketch of your landscape complete with all permanent fixtures including the house, sidewalks, fences and trees. Keep notes of what did well and what needs to be replaced. Remember, your landscape is a continual work in progress!

Now is the time to prune fruit trees and grapevines. Shade trees and evergreen shrubs can be trimmed to maintain shape and to remove damaged or low lying branches. Do not top Crape Myrtles; only prune to remove damaged branches. Trim summer blooming shrubs and vines to tidy their appearance. Leave a smooth cut flush with the trunk or branch from which you pruned. A

Plants that flower in the spring produce their flower buds the previous growing season. They should be pruned immediately after flowering. Examples of these plants are Azalea, Carolina Jessamine and Wisteria.

Summer flowering plants generally bloom on new growth so they can be pruned in mid-winter to early spring. Examples are Crape Myrtle, Butterfly Bush, Spiraea and Honeysuckle. Pruning paint is not necessary unless you are pruning Oak trees during the growing season.

February is the best time for pruning most Roses. Remove any old and diseased canes then cut remaining canes back by 50 percent. Make your cuts above a bud that faces away from the center of the plant. Remove spent blooms on bush roses and you will get more flowers later in the season. Prune climbing roses after they finish blooming in the spring.











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#### **Crime Watch**

We set another record for the number of patrols we had this year. With over 265 patrols, we topped out 2013 by 35 additional patrols.

On the other side of the coin, we have had over 30 reported crimes in our neighborhood, and most of these are due to the outdoor thefts that occurred in many yards. These included thefts of lawn equipment, plants/trees/shrubs, pots, construction equipment, and other items that were stolen from vehicles. We have not had any reports of such thefts since November 8th.

In the month of November, there were five crimes. These included one outdoor theft, one vehicle tailgate theft, and three homes burglarized. Please note that if someone unknown to you knocks on your door asking for work, for random items, with inquiries for residents who do not, nor have never lived at your address, or other odd and not-so-odd questions, please call 911. They may be scoping out your house and your activity patterns. Details are always on Nextdoor and e-Blasts. If you want more information please contact crime@wynnewoodnorth.org.

I want to welcome seven new members of our VIP Crime Watch Patrols. They are Derek Valz, Andy Goodall, Will Huggins, Beth Mecci, Michael Roth, Mike Marr, and Jim Goddette.

Reminder that we are always looking for new VIPs and will be having another class in January or February. Office Hejke has agreed to work with WNNA's VIP program by having a VIP class just for our neighborhood—based on both his and our availability. The classes are about an hour long and there are usually three to six seats available. Please contact me at <a href="mailto:rime@wynnewoodnorth.org">rime@wynnewoodnorth.org</a> if your interested.

Keep calling 911 if you see anything suspicious.

#### **Crime Stats**

September (0) | October (2) | November (5)





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### January 2015

- 01/15 | 7:00 PM | General Meeting (6:30 Social)
- 01/28 | Bulk Trash Pickup Ends

#### Calling all WNNA Families with Children

he New Year ushers in a new beginning for me as the new ▲ Parent Liaison to the WNNA board. After being a WNNA neighbor for 14 years, I am excited to be part of the board this year.

As a parent liaison, it will be my role to help connect our WNNA families with children, and to keep you updated on events in our neighborhood and our surrounding community.

If you are a WNNA family with children, expecting, or planning to adopt soon, please contact me so I can send out email communication about family specific events and happenings.

I welcome suggestions you might have for future familyfocused events.

Shelly Morgan

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