

Next General Neighborhood Meeting — Elections!

Thursday, October 21, 7:00 pm Orion Ballroom, 15th floor, Bank of America Building

Fall Wander

BEN BLEDSOE

Fall Wander

Saturday, October 16th at 6:00pm Tickets are only \$35/each again!

We very much appreciate our hosts this year:

<u>Terry Thomas and Janice Coffee — 737 Mayrant</u> <u>Drive</u>

Featuring catering from <u>Hula Hotties Café & Bakery</u> owner Jill Inforzato and musical entertainment from owner Roger Simpson (located right here, in Bishop Arts District)

Suzanne O'Brien — 526 Bizerte Avenue

Thanks to neighbors Greg & Beth Gormley and Lisa Tully & Mary K Trostman for sponsoring the food and drink

Thanks to neighbor & caterer Michelle Bealmear of Cater2Dallas.com for preparing the food

<u>Victor Elam and Tom Froehlich — 733 Monssen</u> <u>Drive</u>

Victor and Tom know that the last home always has people lingering long after an hour has passed

Neighborhood Directory

JOHN SARLAY

Fall Directory... coming soon!

We plan to create an updated neighborhood directory to distribute this fall. If you have changed phone numbers or e-mail addresses, please submit these changes to us so that we can have accurate contact information. All households received a directory last year, and new residents should have received one in their welcome basket. If you do not have a copy, please contact me and I can let you know what information we have for you so you can know whether to submit any changes.

Visit our website and look for the link on the left navigation pane "<u>Informational Updates</u>" to submit your changes online.



Contact Us





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WNNA Block Captains

In addition to distributing the WNNA newsletter and other flyers, these dedicated volunteers help you and the entire community in various ways. They contact our newest neighbors and update our directory. If you've just moved in or if you've changed your contact information, give them a call. These folks are your first point of contact, so get to know your Block Captain and thank them for their time and commitment.

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Fall Wander

BEN BLEDSO

Believe it or not, autumn has finally arrived here in Texas. The days are turning shorter, the nights definitely cooler. I for one am glad to see the end of 100+ degree days for one more year.

And even though the leaves have not yet started to turn, we here in Wynnewood North turn to our annual fall tradition — the Neighborhood Fall Wander, on Saturday, October 16!

What's a Wander? A Wander is where three homes volunteer to host an hour each to serve drinks and hors d'oeuvres, or dessert at the last house. It's a great chance to socialize with our neighbors while seeing the inside of three of the other beautiful houses in our amazing neighborhood. This year's wander is shaping up to be quite a great event. Janice Coffee and Terry Thomas of 737 Mayrant Dr will be our first hosts, followed by Suzanne O'Brien of 526 Bizerte Ave, both of which will be professionally catered. And finally Victor Elam and Tom Froehlich will host the desserts at their home at 733 Monssen Dr. I would like to express my gratitude to these hosts for opening up their homes to the neighborhood. Thanks also to the donations of neighbors Greg & Beth Gormley and Lisa Tully & Mary K. Trostman, along with catering from Michelle Bealmear Cater2Dallas.com.

"Why do we have an annual Fall Wander?" you ask. Aside from the opportunity to meet and visit with some of our neighbors while enjoying great food and drink, the main reason is to raise money for the neighborhood's general fund. And since the association is a non-profit, it relies on donations and fund-raisers such as these. Why does the neighborhood association need money? Good question. The easy answer is because we spend money. And whether you knew it or not, we all benefit from the money spent. From maintaining our beautifully landscaped triangles on Manus at Woolsey and Monssen to paying for a place for our neighborhood meetings, from providing food at events such as National Night Out, the Christmas Party, and Spring Fling to paying for internet, printing and copying expenses to keep

neighbors informed, and maybe one of the most important? providing supplies for our Volunteers In Patrol (VIP) who regularly patrol the neighborhood to watch out for crime.

As I hope you can see, WNNA does a lot for this wonderful neighborhood, much of it through volunteer efforts, but there is a cost involved. Tickets for the Wander are \$35 per person this year. I know for many of you, that may seem a lot to ask in these difficult economic conditions, but when you consider what you get -- a night of great food and drinks while getting to know your neighbors, not to mention the investment in the neighborhood -- it's entirely worth it.

So, mark your calendars, and contact me via email at social@wynnewoodnorth.org or by phone at 817-235-8611 now to reserve your tickets before they're all gone!

Neighborhood and Oak Cliff Social Events

Saturday & Sunday, October 9-10 OOCCL Fall Home Tour

Saturday, October 16Fall Wander

Saturday, December 11

Annual neighborhood Christmas party The party is a potluck event, so you can showcase
your favorite appetizer, casserole, dessert or side
dish. Each year we announce the winners of the
holiday decorating contest for homeowners who
really showed some holiday spirit (judging is the
night before, so be sure to have your decorations
up in advance).



JEREMY RATLIFF

Wild Flowers are coming to Wynnewood North!

The Dallas Parks and Recreation District IV has selected sites in Wynnewood North as the future homes for wildflowers. Several locations in the neighborhood have already been marked for flower sowing and mow reduction.

Phase 1 of the process is already complete and included "scalping" the grass and applying weed killer.

Phase 2 is Soil Preparation which includes preparing the seed bed by lightly tilling the surface of the soil to no more than 4 inches in depth. This phase will be complete by 9-30-2010.

Phase 3 will be the sowing of the wildflower seed. If possible, the seed will be mixed with a carrier such as sandy loam. Half of the seed will be spread as uniformly as possible over the prepared soil and the remaing seed will be sowed perpendicular to the initial sowing. The seed will not be covered any deeper than 1/16 of an inch, so some of the seed will remain visable. This step will begin on 10-1-2010.

Phase 4 Enjoy the wildflowers when they bloom!



Board Elections

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Board elections have been moved since last year to the October meeting so that any new board members have a chance to meet with their predecessors to transfer information and knowledge about the position.

Please consider if you would be interested in running for a position on the board. The success of the neighborhood depends on some dedicated people coming forward to help lead our neighbors with various projects and guide changes and enhancements to the neighborhood.

If you know someone you think would be a good board member, please talk to them and see if they're interested. Nominations can be made in advance or on the night of our next general meeting. Elections take place that night and the new board is set. The existing board will continue to serve through the end of the year, but by January the new board should be ready to face the new year.

Block Captains

JANE SULLIVAN

Have you ever thought about becoming a block captain? It takes little time, and is a great way to get to know your neighbors. It involves delivering quarterly newsletters and occasional special informational flyers to the neighbors your block. And now, many residents are receiving newsletters and flyers via email, so there are fewer homes that need actual hardcopy delivery. The other responsibility is identifying new residents, and notifying me so I can prepare a welcome basket for us to deliver to them together.

We especially need for someone from the block of east Bizerte/Pratt/Heyser to volunteer for their block. We are grateful to have a temporary block captain for that area, but we need someone on a more committed basis who actually lives on that block. Please consider stepping up to help our neighborhood. If you need more information, or would like to volunteer, please contact me at communications@wynnewoodnorth.org.

Crime Watch

DONNA LIBBY



From July - September we had 57 VIP patrols and very few problems during that time. There were some plants stolen, and an old a/c unit from a back yard. There were some close calls: men seen driving through an alley, etc. To the people who lost their plants these aren't minor incidents. However, our VIP patrols and diligent neighbors have kept crime incidents to a minimum.

Another thought: One of the incidents this summer was men in a navy Buick driving slowly and then seen walking around a vacant house. They drove off when they noticed they were being watched by neighbors. The next night Larry and I drove around the neighborhood when we returned home about 10PM to see if the Buick was still in the area.

However, many streets were so dark the car could have been in a front yard and we wouldn't have seen it, much less thugs lurking around a house. So, please leave your porch lights on at night! Like roaches, thugs run from the lights. It's not that expensive, especially when compared to lost or vandalized property. Also, please secure your back gates. The a/c unit and some plants were taken from back yards where the gates weren't locked. Again, it's a small price to pay to protect your investments.

Thanks to VIP patrollers and diligent neighbors for keeping our neighborhood safe this summer.

If you plan on being out of town you can call the Police Dept to have them send extra patrols to keep an eye on your house while you're gone. The numbers are: 214-670-7470 or 214-670-6792 or 214-670-6795.



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Tip of the Month

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October — Fresh Fall Color

Transform the appearance of your landscape with fresh, colorful blooms. Blooming Garden Mums offer a wide range of instant Fall color. Choose plants which are just showing color and you will enjoy them longer. Select an area that gets at least six hours of sun a day. Dianthus (also known as "Pinks"), Snapdragons, Cyclamen, Violas and the fragrant Alyssum are also good choices for cooler weather annuals. Ornamental Cabbage and Kale provide striking foliage forms in the landscape as well as colorful foliage. For best effect, limit your plantings to two or three colors per bed.

The key to growing beautiful annual flowers is soil preparation. Select a well drained flowerbed and add lots of organic matter. Calloway's Flower Bed Mix, contains compost plus a boost of fertilizer, water-management crystals and a wetting agent. Add either Calloway's Flower Food or Blood and Bone Meal to the soil at planting to provide the extra nutrients for growth and blooms. When removing the plant from its container, carefully score the roots with a knife if they are growing in the shape of the container. This will encourage the growing of additional roots and produce a sturdier plant. Apply 2-3 inches of mulch to reduce moisture loss and to insulate the soil.

These same annuals can be used in patio containers. Fill your containers with fresh potting soil and plant food. Keep them watered as necessary. "Deadheading" or pinching off faded blooms will encourage repeat blooming.

Drop by any Calloway's Nursery and visit with a Texas Certified Nursery Professional for all your planting needs. Remember, Fall is a great time for planting!



WNNA Yard of the Month Nomination Form

Date:

Address of nominated yard:

Reason for nomination (optional):

Cut out the form and return to:

Jeremy Ratliff or www.wynnewoodnorth.org

Wynnewood North thanks Calloway's Nursery for supporting our Yard of the Month program by providing a gift certificate each month to our winners. Submit your nomination via our website or the form in this newsletter

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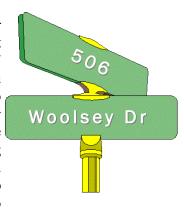
CINDY KIRK

I love the Fall of the year. Leaves turning (at least in other parts of the country), cooler weather, football, and best of all, my birthday. This year is a big one as I turn 50. There have been pros and cons with turning the big 5. 0. Pro - getting to add an additional 5% to my 401(k) as part of the catch-up years. Retirement...here I come! Pro – getting to go anywhere I want for my birthday - so I am writing this from Maine, eating lots of lobster, and watching Mary pay for anything and everything that I point at. Cons to turning 50...well colonoscopy jumps to my mind. I have learned that the term "fleet" doesn't necessarily mean a bunch of ships, and "evacuate" doesn't necessarily mean get out of the building. I have also learned that you should have someone monitor your questions when you are coming out of twilight sleep after a colonoscopy. There are some questions that just shouldn't be asked. But, as Mary told me after I apparently had asked the nurse anything and everything that came to my mind - "I didn't have time to put a muzzle on your mouth..."

As I previously mentioned, we are in Maine for my birthday trip and so far, we have had a great time. The trip started out a little rocky as the weather wasn't cooperating and Mary was determined that we were going to go hiking at a place in New Hampshire called the "Flume". We pulled up to the entrance of the state park and I asked Mary if she noticed anything...like the fact that it was pouring down rain. She acknowledged that it was raining, but she didn't think we would get "that wet" due to the forest canopy that covered most of the trails. I looked at her as if she was insane, but she obviously missed the look that was intended to make hell freeze over. Instead she joyfully bounced out of the car and up the path to the guest information center. I watched her go and wondered if she would miss me when she realized I hadn't followed. In about 10 minutes, she gleefully returned to the car with two rain ponchos in hand – apparently they sold them in the gift shop. Lucky me.

So...we went hiking in the rain. For the record, it was a torrential downpour, and came close to breaking the state rainfall records for the most rain in a 24 hour period. The entire park was flooding – they even stopped selling park passes due to the

dangerously high water levels...but that didn't keep us or the other 137 Japanese tourists from trekking up the trail. Do you have any idea how humiliating it is to be passed up on a hiking trail by 137 little grayed haired Japanese, all who have cameras and who



took even more pictures then me? Mary as usual seemed to be having a great time hiking in the downpour. She was in her little red poncho, she was loaded down with my camera bag, she couldn't see 10 feet in front of her due to the rain, and she turned to me and actually said - "I bet the rain will make for some great pictures!" That is when I almost pushed her down the slippery slope. I was soaking wet - my beloved camera was soaking wet, my shoes were soaking wet – I was wet, cold, and tired. We finally made it to the Flume – and it was flooding with roaring muddy water cascading over the rocks. If I had a gun, I would have shot Mary. But, I had my revenge. When we got to Maine. I made Mary go on a lobster fishing trip. It was invigorating! The salt water sprays hitting us in the face, the roll of the waves and best of all, the catching of lobsters. They would let you bait the lobster trap with the head of a cod fish—actually any oily fish is great bait for a lobster, but for some reason Mary declined to offer to assist in baiting the trap—and she is usually so helpful... The reality is that Mary absolutely abhors seafood, the smell of seafood and in her wildest dreams would never think of touching, holding, or catching anything that swims in the ocean. From my perspective it was probably as fun for Mary as it was for me to hike in the rain. I know, I know, that is so evil of me, but at the same time you have to admit it is also so funny. It was a great excursion. The adventure continues as today we are headed further up the coast and then on into the interior of Maine in the hopes of seeing a moose! We are also hoping to see everyone at the upcoming WNNA Wander! If you want to see pictures of the beautiful New Hampshire foliage glistening in the rain, you are out of luck, but if you want to see pictures of New Hampshire parks flooding let me know!

Greenbelt Reforestation

IFREMY RATILES

Dallas Reforestation Program

The City of Dallas encourages the growth of the urban forest by supplying trees and guidance to the citizens of Dallas. In order for projects to qualify for assistance by this program, the project must be sponsored wholly or in part by a planting group such as community groups or City of Dallas departments. All trees requested through this program must be planted on public property which includes City of Dallas parks, recreation centers, approved medians and parkways.

Responsibilities of the Planting Group

The planting group will provide individuals, a private company, or any other method to dig the planting holes, unload, water and plant the trees on the delivery/planting day. The planting group must commit to maintaining the trees for a period of at least two years from the time of planting. Maintenance includes watering, mulching, weeding, and pruning the trees on a regularly scheduled basis. In addition, the planting group must agree to replace the trees at their own expense if the trees die within two years of planting. The minimum amount of trees that can be requested is 10 per project; the maximum amount is 50 per project.

Please Volunteer!

WNNA will receive trees from this program. We are committed to keeping them watered. Several options are being considered for how to accomplish this, but volunteers will be needed. Whatever help you can provide—as much or as little—will be appreciated and will help beautify our neighborhood for us and future generations. Please contact any officer if you are interested in more information about how you can help.

Treasurer's Report

RICHARD LONDON

As of September 30, 2010

Beginning Balance @ 12/31/09	\$8,809.46
YTD Income	\$3,541.00
YTD Expenses	\$3,452.11
Ending Balance @ 09/30/10	\$8,898.35
General Account Balance	\$2,508.04
Special Project Acct Balance	\$390.31
Guaranty Bank CD 5373	\$3,000.00
Guaranty Bank CD 5340	\$3,000.00
Total	\$8,898.35

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Hope to see you at the October general meeting and thanks for your support!

Check our website

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