



# WYNNWOOD N O R T H

Official Newsletter of the  
Wynnewood North  
Neighborhood Association

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## From the President, Denise Requardt



Happy New Year everyone!

I am honored to have been elected President of WNN. I was Treasurer 2014 – 2016 and Vice President 2017 which allowed me to grow and get a great understand of our neighborhood needs and goals. I am very passionate about WNN and proud of all the accomplishments that continue to be made. WNN is considered one of the best neighborhoods in Oak Cliff, but I feel it is the BEST!!

A little bit about myself and how I ended up in Wynnewood North. In 2008 due to developers buying out the properties where Brenda and I lived for 13 years off Westmoreland between Ft. Worth Avenue and I-30 in our comfortable nook overlooking 360 acres of land we were on a search for a new home. After either passing by or actually viewing over 100 homes we came across the home at 708 Woolsey Dr.

When we entered the home and saw how it was laid out and actually had a room large enough for the 8 foot oversized pool table... we said this is it!! Brenda and I bought our home in September 2008 and immediately started renovations. We knew we had updates in mind, but had no idea to what extent once we got in the home. We purchased it 'as is' which had been empty for about 2 years. We didn't actually move in until January 2009 and lived through a construction zone for about 6 months. As of today we still have work that needs to be completed!!

I work at Aetna as a Business Consultant for the Provider Data Services Department and have been with the company for 16 years. Within those 16 years I've had the opportunity to move through several positions which has enabled me to learn and grow. Each year as I get older I hope to retire here!!

I have been active in animal rescue for many years and it is a big part of my life. You may have seen my posts on Nextdoor and Fido Facebook. I am grateful for the neighbors in Wynnewood North that work together to ensure animals in need or lost are taken care of. I thank you all for what you do.

Brian, Cindy, Dean and Chris as outgoing board members, I would like to thank you for your hard work and dedication. Our new board members are highlighted in the 'Spotlight' section of the Newsletter. Please welcome Ric Shanahan, Vice President; Pat Parrish, Secretary; Kristen Hensley, Social; and, Janet Barter, Webmaster to our board.

There has been a tremendous turn over in homes sold and new neighbors in WNN. I encourage all neighbors to get involved and participate in the neighborhood functions and general meetings. It takes all of us to help ensure all the needs and goals of the neighborhood are met. We need all of your voices. If any of you have suggestions, concerns or great things you have seen going on in our neighborhood please let me know.

## IMPORTANT MEETING

### Future of Wynnewood Village

January 18th at 6pm

*Details on page 3*

## Wynnewood North Neighborhood Association

### General Meeting

## RESCHEDULED

January 25th - 7:00 PM

*Details on page 17*

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## Beautification—Cynthia Michaels:

### Congratulations to the Homeowners Voted Yard of the Month

Each recipient of Yard of the Month receives a \$25 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.*

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**November - 443 Mayrant** Courtney & Ashlie Stamper



**December — 548 Bizarre** David Norwood



**January — 741 Mayrant** Mike Powell & James Sharp



## IMPORTANT MEETING—All should attend!

Neighbors are invited to this very important meeting with developers about plans for Wynnewood Village - January 18 - 6:00pm - Wynnewood Village, Suite 100 next to Rainbow.

# LEARN MORE ABOUT THE FUTURE OF WYNNEWOOD VILLAGE

THURSDAY  
**JAN 18**  
6:00 PM

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## Beautification—Cynthia Michaels

### Wynnewood North Curb Address Painting Grant

What an awesome project this was. The neighborhood received a grant from Heritage Oak Cliff (a/k/a Old Oak Cliff Conservation League) to help off-set the cost of the painting of the house numbers on the curbs. Due to unforeseen circumstances, the cost of the project was more than what was submitted in the grant application. As a result, the Board approved the additional expenses for this worthwhile project. In addition, some residents have made donations that will help to defer the additional cost.



There was a 97.5% of the homes participated in the project, with only a few that exercised the opt-out option. I've only heard positive comments about the numbers. I think it certainly has added to the look of our neighborhood. Not only that, now all of the house numbers can be easily seen from the street which is a great benefit to first responders responding to an emergency.

The company (Dallas Curb Painting and Parking Lot Striping) did an awesome job and was very easy to work with. I thoroughly enjoyed interacting and working with various people in the neighborhood that had issues or questions.

I want to thank Lynn Sulander and Denise Requardt for their help with this project. I also want to thank all the Block Captains and others that helped pass out the flyers at the beginning of this project. You are one of the reasons this project was so successful.

### Winners



**631 Mayrant – Ramon and Gerardo Garcia**

**515 S. Manus - Rachel and Russell Bryce**

**519 Woolsey – Cynthia Michaels**

Thank you everyone who decorated their house for the Holidays. This year the Board decided to determine the winners differently than have been determined in the past. Usually the Board decides the winners without any input from the neighborhood. This year people were asked to nominate homes that you felt were worthy to be entered into the Holiday light decorating contest. Thank you to all who nominated houses. We had 10 nominations. The nominations were: 509 Hoel, 525 Mayrant, 519 Woolsey, 637 Mayrant, 631 Mayrant, 515 S. Manus, 1330 Llewellyn, 1607 Shelmire, 506 Woolsey and 316 N. Manus. Congratulations to all who received a nomination. Being nominated is certainly an honor.

From the houses nominated, the Board voted on the three they thought were the best decorated houses. The following houses were the 3 winners recognized by the Board. 631 Mayrant – Ramon and Gerardo Garcia. 515 S. Manus – Rachel and Russell Bryce and 519 Woolsey – Cynthia Michaels. Each will receive a \$25.00 gift certificate. Congratulations to all! Wouldn't it be awesome if next year every house was decorated!!! Years past, I remember that being the case. Guess I can always dream!!!  
Cynthia Michaels, Beautification Director



## Crime Watch Director—Jeff Sappenfield

As we come to end of 2017, I thought might be great idea to do a sort of year in review. I will try to give a summary of numerous programs, types of crime, changes in Dallas Police Department (DPD), Volunteers In Patrol (VIP) Training, and the VIP program that effected Wynnewood North in 2017.

**Crime Activity** This year we had 25 reported crimes which fell only behind 2014 with 29 crimes and tied the year of 2012. Around 50% of the crimes committed were vehicle thefts whether a tailgate was stolen, stole items from inside a vehicle, or hit the vehicle and kept going. Other crimes consisted of outdoor thefts, stealing contractors tools and equipment, stealing packages off of porches, and stolen A/C compressors. Reminder: if you see a suspicious car or suspicious behavior call 911.

**VIP Program** The VIP program started in 2009 and in fact the 1<sup>st</sup> patrol was February 13, 2009. The first VIP's to patrol were Donna Libby and Pam Weste-heide, both women are still active VIPers in 2018. We had record setting patrols in 2009 and in 2017. The latest record is 297 patrols (approximately 372 volunteer hours) for 2017. In August of 2017 we also set a record for the most patrols in 1 month which was 31 patrols. In 2009 we had 38 VIP's do at least 1 patrol in 2009 and in 2017 we had 33 patrol at least once in 2017. We had numerous VIP's move out of the neighborhood, but we still have 11 of the original VIP's who patrolled in 2009 with us. As they are patrolling wave to them and let them know you appreciate the hours they put in to keep this neighborhood safe.

**VIP Training and Changes at DPD** In most years the DPD sets up VIP Training classes for new VIP's about 4 times a year. The last class we had was back in April of this year. Most classes have been held at the Southwest Precinct on Illinois, but will most likely be moved to the Southeast Precinct on Jim Miller Road which is about 20 minutes away. I have been approached by quite a few neighbors who are interested and will be working with Officer Lamar Glass to set-up a VIP class in the very near future. As we know a new police chief was hired this year and some more changes are coming, but the new chief understands how important the VIP program is to the neighborhood and the DPD. Our NPO (Neighborhood Police Office) is still currently Officer Brian Martinez.

**Becoming a VIP** The Crime Watch Director (CWD) works with the DPD to set-up classes for those who are

interested in becoming a VIP. The class is usually anywhere from 1 hour to 2 ½ hours long. The class teaches you how to be aware of your surroundings, what is suspicious behavior, the do's and don'ts of when you witness a crime while on patrol or at home, and many other interesting tidbits that help you if you are patrolling or just want to take the class to help yourself be more aware of your home and the neighborhood. If you're interested in becoming a VIP and do Patrols, you will be paired up with one of our many skilled VIP's to learn the ins and outs of patrolling. If your able give up 4 hours a year or more you can help keep this neighborhood safe. Here are a few points on why patrolling is fun.

- Great way to get to know your WNNa neighbors
- Easy way to give back to the neighborhood
- Be a part of keeping our neighborhood safe
- Win a \$50 gift card to a local restaurant
- Dress up your car with a yellow flashing light & WNNa VIP Sign

If your interested please email the Crime Watch Director at [crime@wynnewoodnorth.org](mailto:crime@wynnewoodnorth.org).

### **Crime Watch Communication**

There are many ways communication is important to making sure our neighborhood safe. We have attempted to improve all communication throughout this year.

**Nextdoor** – all crime prevention tips, crime activity, suspicious behavior or vehicles, etc. is posted on Nextdoor. This is very useful tool for so many reasons.

**Out of Town or Long Term Construction** – if your going to be out of town for a period of time or planning to have Long Term Construction please first tell your neighbors and email [crime@wynnewoodnorth.org](mailto:crime@wynnewoodnorth.org) so the CWD can let the VIP's know when they are on patrol.

**VIP Directory** - I suggest everyone enter their phone numbers and other information on the WNNa Directory, but just so you know we have a VIP Directory that is only seen by VIP's when they are on patrol. This way if your garage door is up or something may look a bit suspicious the VIP's are able to get ahold of you.

**E-Blast** – Crime Watch usually only uses this communication tool when the CWD feels the criminal activity or suspicious behavior is urgent enough to reach all neighbors.



## 2018 Board of Directors:

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## Spotlight On Our New Board Members



### **Pat Parrish—Secretary**

I was not born in Dallas, but I got here as quickly as I could! I grew up not too far from here, quite frankly, I was born and raised in Marshall, Texas (home of the Great Debaters). In 1969 I migrated to Dallas to attend college and the rest is history. I met my other half Greg Parrish at Bishop College, we married, had a son Patrick and have lived in Oak Cliff for over 40 years. Greg is from Memphis, TN and of all things is a Washington Redskins fan (no worries, he eats Thanksgiving dinner at the kiddie table especially when that other team plays the COWBOYS!)

We have lived in Wynnewood North since 2005. Being Business Administration graduates and government employees, our initial plans were to purchase our duplex on Heyser as investment property, stay here for five years and sell. We all know what happened in 2008, however, the housing market downturn resulted into the best decision being forced upon us. We love our neighborhood, as a resident and landlord, thus we have a vested interest in maintaining the character of the neighborhood.

I am pleased to serve as the Secretary for the Association, I have enjoyed meeting each of you, serving as Block Captain and am excited about the enthusiasm

that I see when I show off the neighborhood to my friends that visit our family.

Because of a Traumatic Brain Injury in 2015 our only son Patrick returned to our home for rehabilitation and recovery. I have been working for the neighborhood for quite some time. I am a former city of Dallas employee and during my tenure I made sure that Oak Cliff was not ignored. I hope to use my experience and exposure to continue making sure that our neighborhood is not ignored or forgotten.

Wynnewood North has been described by some of my visitors from the burbs and the north as the best kept secret in Dallas. I started my own small business management consulting firm in 2017 discovered that our neighborhood is a HUBZONE, so if you have any small business economic development ideas, please send them my way!

Please don't hesitate to call, email or come by if there is anything I can do for you in my role as WNNa Secretary and as your neighbor.



### **Janet Barter—Web Master**

I'm really excited to be joining the WNNa board this year in the Web Master role. I was born and raised in Arlington, Tx and lived in the metroplex area all my life. Although I have only moved 20 miles east, the community I have found in Oak Cliff feels more like home. The first 2 houses we



bought were in Winnetka Heights and that is where I met Becca and Reese Leonard (and found a fellowship of porch drinkers). We remodeled a house on S.Manus in 2015 and sold that to 2 other Winnetka Heights transplants, Kevin and Rebecca Dean. Now I live on Mayrant with my 7 year old son Will and hope our moving days are far behind us!

I have worked at the Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children for 10 years in IT and have been a volunteer for Dallas CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate) for 4 years. Coincidentally, it is the same place that Becca works but I got there first :).

I look forward to getting to know more of my neighbors, thank you for this opportunity!

### **Kristen Hensley—Social**

Happy New Year, Wynnewood North neighbors! Can you believe that it's already 2018?! I hope that you are as excited for the new year as I am. One of the things that I'm looking most forward to in 2018 is becoming the WNN Social Director. I have made a resolution to increase participation in neighborhood activities so I'm incredibly hopeful that each of you will assist me in making that a reality (and if I'm being honest, it's probably the only resolution that I will keep).

My husband and I moved to Kessler Park in 2013 and to Wynnewood in 2016. Although new-ish to the area, I have lived in Dallas my entire life. The Wynnewood North neighborhood is definitely home. This is primarily due to

the wonderful residents. Many of you have graciously opened your houses, your arms or your wine, and for that, I am eternally thankful. It is so important to me that everyone feel that same sense of connection within our small community so I will be doing my part to make that happen by planning an assortment of events in 2018. I challenge each and every one of you to do your part by attending at least one event this year.

By day I am an attorney with Conifer Health Solutions. I have a supportive husband, Bryan, a beautiful two-year old daughter, Emmeline and two wild dogs, Atticus and Sawyer. When it is warm, we are usually engaging in some outdoor activity. Please feel free to email, call or drop by if you need anything (or just want to provide me with your ideas). I appreciate your confidence and look forward to seeing each of you at an upcoming event.

### **Ric Shanahan—Vice President**

I moved to Wynnewood North with Colter Hoggan in Sept 2011 Uptown (Dallas). I am at REALOR with

Keller Williams Realty and have been since 2009 and I love what I do.

I went to high school and college in Iowa. I spent 25+ years working in big box retail stores throughout the Midwest and Texas!



## **Pet Spotlight**

Nelson the Bulldog and Annie the lab/pit mix who was rescued from living out of the dumpster at Kroger are fur-babies belonging to Robert Stahl and Jim Jordan.



Boomer Westerhide has moved on to greener dog parks



## Pet Corner—Denise Requardt

**The Gift of Free Spay/Neuter!** Dallas FREE FIX, Rabies, Parvo/Distemper and Microchip.

FREE spay/neuter for dogs and cats, rabies vaccination, Parvo/Distemper vaccination, FVRCP vaccination (cats) and microchip package for dogs and cats. Owner must live in one of the zip codes below. Must receive spay/or neuter to qualify for free vaccinations and microchip. Zip code, 75224 is a qualifying zip code. There are two organizations participating in this important event. Specific details on the websites or by calling: SPCA (214-742-7722) - <https://www.sPCA.org/spayneuterappt> Spay Neuter Network (972-4720-3500) - <http://spayneuternet.org/dallas-clinic/>

### WHY SPAY/NEUTER?

Every litter of puppies adds to animal overpopulation and therefore roaming dogs. Benefits of Spaying and Neutering: Reduce Number of Roaming Dogs/Cats and Attacks, Prevent Female Dogs/Cats from Going into Heat, Avoid Care and Expense of Puppies and Kittens, Avoid Fees & Penalties, Reduce Animals Suffering in the Street, Male and Female Dogs/Cats will Likely Live Longer, Greatly Reduce Risk of Cancer in Dogs/Cats

### SPAY/NEUTER MISCONCEPTIONS

#### MYTH:

Females should have one litter before spaying.

#### TRUTH:

The best time to spay a female is before her first heat. This also greatly reduces the threat of breast cancer.

#### MYTH:

Behavior and personality are altered after surgery.

#### TRUTH:

Changes in behavior are positive. These include reduction of territorial spraying, less fighting, and less urge to roam.

#### MYTH:

Animals become fat and lazy after surgery.

#### TRUTH:

In most cases, animals become fat and lazy because they're overfed and inactive.

#### MYTH:

Males don't need to be neutered because they don't have litters.

#### TRUTH:

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## Communications—Janice Coffee

We have two new neighbors we need to welcome. The first is at 646 Monssen Drive. Their names are Joseph Marts and Samantha Schaffner. The second is David and Debbie Williams at 670 N. Manus. Please extend your greetings to these new people. If you are aware of new neighbors, please call me at 214-942-7029 so that I can welcome them with a gift basket. We had neighbors move from 630 Mayrant to 440 N. Manus. We're happy Belinda and Michelle decided to stay in the neighborhood. Please let our Communications Director, Janice, know of anyone who has moved into Wynnewood North, so we can give them a proper Wynnewood North welcome.

### Volunteers in Patrol (VIPs) Raffle Winners:

**July — Denise Requardt**

**August—Terry Thomas**

**September—George Roberts**

**Total patrols for the year was 297**

**A new record , MOST EVER!!!**

*The October, November and December winners will be drawn at the October General Meeting*

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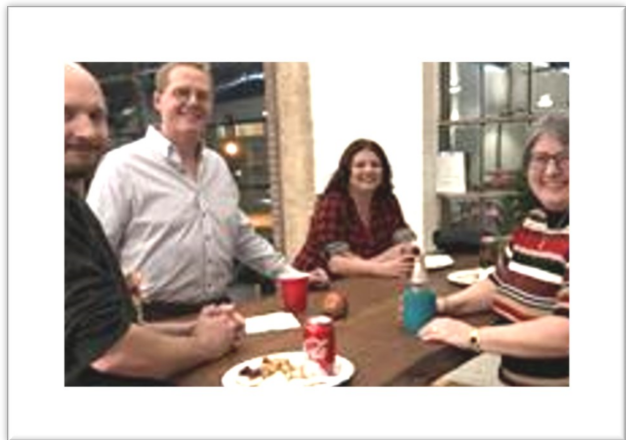
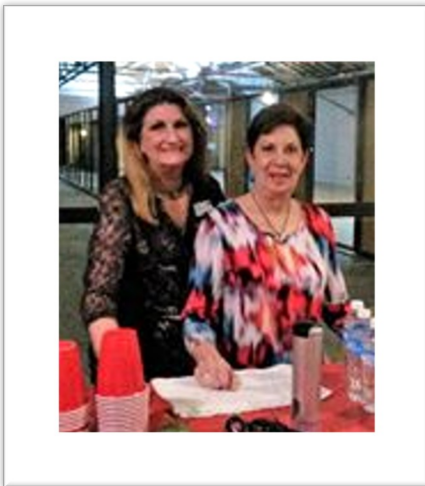
## Activities of the Season in Wynnewood North

**Holiday Caroling** On a beautiful Sunday afternoon in December, WNNa neighbors joined together to bring Christmas cheer to the seniors in our neighborhood. After fueling up on cookies, snacks and treats at the home of Shelly Morgan, the group walked the neighborhood and stopped to sing Christmas carols to our senior neighbors. Everyone had a wonderful time and truly got into the spirit of the season!



## Holiday Party

Lots of good food, great conversation with neighbors and enjoying the comfort of an amazing event space. A special thanks goes out to Bo Bartlett for the opportunity to host the party at the Tyler Station event space this event. This was a fabulous venue and enjoyed by all. A caterer provided the meats and dressing, but all the delicious side dishes and desserts were brought by our neighbors.





## Fall Wander

Thank you to the hosts of the Fall Wander - Mike Wicker and Bob Wolf, Reese and Becca Leonard, Caleb and Merrie Trotter. The evening was perfect for a neighborhood gathering with a relaxing garden atmosphere and fabulous hors d'oeuvres to get the party started, an outdoor picnic with great ambiance keeping the party flowing, and amazing deserts in a very comfortable setting to end the evening. There were 62 attendees and a great time was had by all! Thank you as the proceeds help fund numerous activities, events and projects in the neighborhood.





## Tales from 506 Woolsey – Didn't I Just Make New Year's Resolutions Last Year?

When a new year approaches, I tend to create fantasies about what the next year will bring: untold riches, a size six in jeans, and the chance to meet Sandra Bullock. In the past I would make a few half-hearted resolutions knowing full well I would be doing good to follow them for a few weeks. This year, I am trying to make my resolutions a bit more realistic:

1. Never again take a sleeping pill and laxative on the same night. I don't think I need to go into any details on this one, just trust me, it's a bad idea;

2. Work towards being as fat as I was when I first thought I was fat. Think about, it will make sense to you eventually. For me, I would need to weigh the same as I did in 1982. While this is a goal, I am realistic enough to know that the last time I burned 2000 calories was when I left the chocolate chip cookies in the oven too long. Mary said to me, "you know, we really need to get back to the gym, so we can start off the year with exercise..." I turned to her and said, "did you say you want extra fries? Isn't it amazing how much those two phrases sound alike? Exercise/extra fries... silly Mary. I have been doing a low carb diet for several months and while I have had some success, I must tell you, I have missed my carbs. I remember when I started at Fannie Mae I told the other paralegals that if they forgot my name to just holler "donut," and I will turn around and look. I love donuts and all things bad. I love pasta, although I will admit I have never been successful in just making 2-4 portions of pasta. According to the serving size on a package of spaghetti, I am apparently a family of eight. I pray for the strength to not eat carbs; but, then Satan whispers in my ear and says, "even Jesus loved carbs - not once did He say he was the broccoli of life, or give us this day our daily sprouts, carbs are good, have a donut." The "diet" resolution is one of those resolutions that we will just have to see how it goes. However, if given the choice of giving up my Whataburger Patty Melt or catching a flight – I am going to give the nice lady my Patty Melt. Seriously, would you sit and wait for another flight just to eat your Patty Melt? On a positive note, I get to cook absolutely everything with butter. I feel just like Paula Dean and have noticed my southern accent has even got stronger.

3. Drink more coffee. This is one resolution wherein I have achieved perfection. Of course, this did not require any sort of life-style change at all. I already drink coffee at levels that should scare me, but don't. Honestly, don't worry about my coffee consumption – do worry about what I will do to you if I'm not allowed to indulge my coffee addiction. I will readily admit I am a procaffinator. I don't think that is an actual word (according to spell check), but I don't do anything until I have had my morning coffee. But then, I

drink caffeinated coffee all day long, including up until I go to bed at night. Mary constantly tells me to drink more water, that water is the most essential element of life, blah, blah, blah, blah, blah. I of course agree with her, water is essential. Least we forget, without water, you can't make coffee.

4. Spend more time with friends. This is another resolution that looks promising. Wouldn't it be a great idea to start a dinner club and use your friends as Guinea pigs for new recipes? Or, try a new restaurant at least once a month, or take a cooking class with a bunch of friends! We are going to travel more with our friends. That way we can see how good of friends we all are, or we might realize we made a horrible, horrible mistake and want to kill them and bury their bodies in the desert. To be honest, that has yet to happen, but one never knows! The possibilities are endless!

5. Don't sweat the small stuff – this is the catch all resolution. My mother used to say this to me frequently, and as usual, it was wise advice. By not sweating the small stuff, you are able to enjoy just living. If you're house isn't cleaned to perfection, who cares? Is that any reason not to invite your neighborhood friends over for coffee, wine or a game of cards? Doggie pee-pads cover our den and we should own stock in the company that makes them. As tired as I get of our house never being "company ready," I am thankful we are able to enjoy the time we have left with our fur babies. They are old, they are blind, they both have diabetes, but they still give us joy and laughter as regardless of their age, they still exhibit their stubborn little personalities that they have their entire lives. We have too many dear friends who have had to say good-bye to their beloved pets to not appreciate that we are blessed to still have ours. You don't realize how much a pet fills your life until you experience the hollow place they leave when they're gone. Until the day comes that we have to say good-bye, I will not worry that our den rug is actually 25 pee-pads laid out on the floor. I continue to cherish hearing doggie toenails on the hardwood floors at 6:00 a.m. on a Saturday morning, and enjoy the loud "thunk" noise when Trevor does his throw-down to have his belly scratched. They will be gone before I am ready for it, and I will miss them both tremendously when that day comes. So, this year, I am resolved to learn to let go and not sweat the small stuff. Life will happen regardless if my bed is made or not.

*This Tales from Woolsey is dedicated in loving memory to Boomer Westerheide.*





## Treasurer - Gail Moore

Wynnewood North Neighborhood Association  
 Statement of Activity  
 12 Month Period Ending 12/31/2017

2017 Activity

|                                   |             |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| Beginning Cash Balance 01/01/2017 | \$11,759.90 |
| Receipts                          | \$15,487.77 |
| Expenditures                      | \$17,253.77 |
| Net Operating Expenses            | \$1,766.00  |
| Ending Balance 12/31/2017         | \$9,993.90  |

Cash in Banks

|                            |                   |
|----------------------------|-------------------|
| CD #1                      | \$3,095.66        |
| CD #2                      | \$3,095.66        |
| Cash in Bank-Texas Bank    | \$3,802.58        |
| <b>Total Cash in Banks</b> | <b>\$9,993.90</b> |

**Note from the Treasurer:** It has been a very profitable year for our association. In 2017 we had a 69% increase in our donations and grants over 2016 which is due the outstanding Spring and Fall Wanders and other efforts to raise funds to help fund all the projects we had planned for the year. This is offset by an increase in our expenditure of 47% over 2016, which was primarily due to our curb painting project and other initiatives to beautify the neighborhood. Thanks to all of you for your contribu-

## Support Wynnewood North

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

- **Online:** <http://www.wynnewoodnorth.org/donate>
- **Mail:** WNA Treasurer / P.O. Box 3872 / Dallas, TX 75208
- **In Person:** Cash, Check, or Credit with Treasurer receipts are provided upon request.

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### Real Estate Statistics for Wynnewood North



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- \* Sixteen properties exchanged ownership in 2017.
- \* Lowest overall sold price was \$218,000.
- \* Highest overall sold price was \$645,000.
- \* Maximum sold price/square foot was \$258.10.
- \* Average asking price is \$414,319.
- \* Average sold price is \$415,856.
- \* Average sold price/square foot was \$183.86.
- \* Average days on Market 57 days.



### 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

Business card: \$75

1/4 page: \$125

1/2 page: \$175

Full page: \$225

Full back page: \$325

Ad costs per single issue

Business card: \$45

1/4 page: \$60

1/2 page: \$75

full page \$125

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

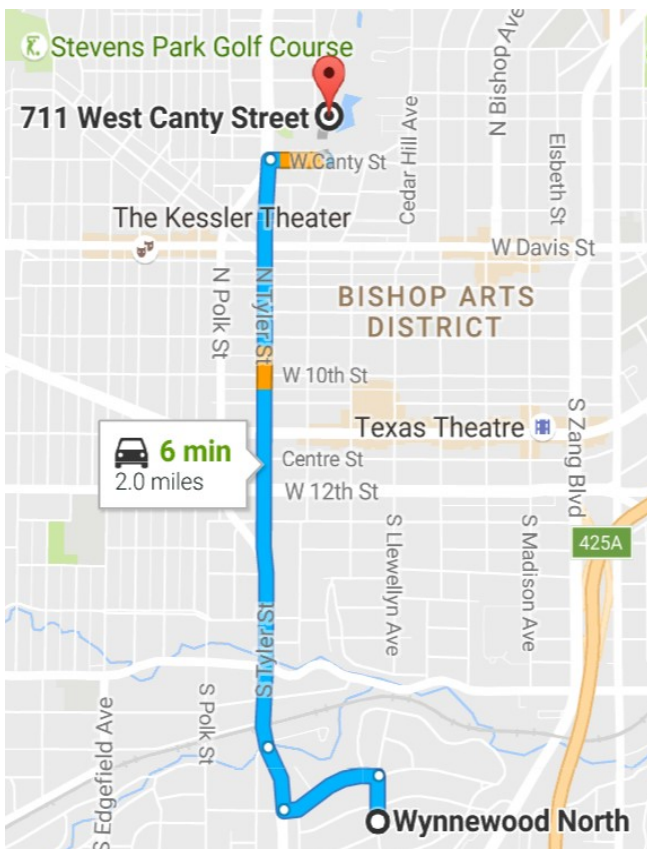
WNNA ..... wynnewoodnorth.org

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## Neighborhood General Meeting Location

### Kidd Springs Recreation Center, 711 W. Canty Street



**Handicap Parking:**

FIRST entrance

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