

# RYAN PLACE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

## NEWSLETTER

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### DON'T FORGET

RPIA Monthly Meeting  
Monday, August 21, 7 p.m.

### Important Numbers

#### Fort Worth Police Dept.

(non-emergency)  
817.335.4222

#### NPO 8 on Magnolia

817.871.8885

#### Officer Andriotto

817.991.8478  
817.998.0708 pager

#### Code Compliance

817.392.5158 ext. 1804

## FYPD Seeks Participants for Citizens Police Academy Program

The Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association provides an opportunity for residents to help in your community and volunteer inside the Police Department.

### Q. What is the Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association (CPAA)?

A. CPAA is a group of citizens who have completed a 12-week course learning more about the Police Department. Some of the courses covered are: the Swat Team, K-9 Team, Narcotics, Gangs, Traffic, Domestic Violence, Homicide and many more.



### Q. What do I have to do to enroll for these classes?

A. Contact your neighborhood police officer (see number at end of story). Fill out the attached application and mail it to:

Fort Worth Police Training  
c/o Officer Heidi Autrey  
1000 Calvert Street  
Fort Worth TX 76107

After a brief background check, you are accepted into the Academy.

### Q. What do I have to do after I have completed this course to become an Alumni Member and what does it cost?

A. After you have successfully completed the course you will graduate and be issued

an official CPAA uniform, along with a Certificate and CPAA Badge. You automatically become an Alumni Member. Currently there are no dues required to be an Alumni Member, however this could change in the future.

### Q. How much time do I need to commit to the CPAA?

A. Only the amount of time you want to. Many of the current members are so excited about all the events and meetings that we have that they don't want to miss any of them. We have field trips to many different places such as the "Crime Lab." To further your education about the Police Department, we have specialized law enforcement speakers. We also have community "Good Deed" projects monthly.

### For more information contact:

Officer Ron Andriotto at 817.991.8478

## **From the Ryan Place Improvement Association President**

I hope everyone has enjoyed this summer. Even with the heat and water restrictions, Ryan Place Neighborhood looks great. Thanks to all of you who monitors the bulky waste pick up dates and place your discards at the appropriate time. Code Compliance has worked specially hard this year to get disabled cars from yards and remind people to keep their grass mowed.

If you missed July 4th activities in Ryan Place you missed a ton of fun. The day started with the 5K run which was better attended than last year and brought quality runners to the neighborhood. Following the run was the parade which many thought could not better last years parade; but it did! More floats, more bikes more cars and attractions. It was the best ever. And then the concert was held on the porch of a generous Elizabeth Blvd. neighbor. Neighborhood kids young and old sang and danced. It was a sight you had to see. Topping off the morning was the generous demonstration by the Fire Dept. of their pumper truck that sprayed water high into the air for a refreshing shower for kids, adults and pets.

A very heart felt thanks go to all those who helped put together the Day-O-Fun. Especially to Gina Roberts, who coordinated the day and brought together volunteers, donations of goods and money and planned the run, concert and food sales. Please tell what a great job she did for the neighborhood. Fighting a vicious summer cold, Angela Crum produced the best parade in a Fort Worth Neighborhood.

Please congratulate Angela

for a great job. And to all of those who had a hand in set up, clean up, run production and the decorations we say thanks. You are the ones that make Ryan Place special.

August will start the push to reconstruct sidewalks and streets in Ryan Place. Do not miss the Association Meeting August 21 at 7pm, at Angel of Hope Church. Your help is needed to monitor development of Ryan Place.

See you there.

*Dan Roberts*



## The Shop Around the Corner *by Rainey Dukes*

*This is a monthly reminder to all Ryan Place Neighbors that it is important to support the shops and businesses in and around our neighborhood. Every dollar we put back into our community's economy goes to ensure quality of life for Ryan Place and the rest of the near South side.*

### **Perez Family Dental PA (Solo practice--Azzah Mary Perez, D.D.S.)**

**2715 W. Berry St.  
Fort Worth, TX 76109  
(817) 922-8552**

Azzah Perez, a Ryan Place resident, has been in practice since 1999 and Perez Family Dental has been open since November, 2000.

Azzah's practice has steadily grown to over 4,000 active patients and the secret to her success is her fantastic, loyal employees. She has maintained and expanded from the original two employees to five full-time employees.

The practice accepts various insurance and indemnity plans, but does not accept DMOs (Dental HMOs).

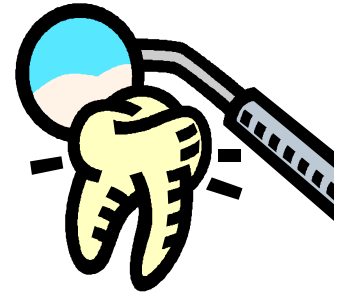
Dr. Perez strongly encourages eligible families to apply for

the Children's Health Insurance Plan (CHIP).

Perez Family Dental provides a broad range of general and cosmetic dentistry for children and adults.

New Patient Exams, for patients without insurance, including exam, x-ray, and cleaning, is \$95.00.

Dr. Perez has many patients from Ryan Place and loves to meet her neighbors. No wonder Ryan Place has so many fantastic smiles!



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## RPIA Street & Traffic Committee Update

By John Kline and Bart Bradford

The Sidewalk Replacement Program is going better than expected. The Street & Traffic Committee delivered a total 57 petitions from Ryan Place residents to the City for participation in the 25% property owner - 75% City cost sharing project.

The following events must take place before sidewalk reconstruction begins:

- All the "letter petitions" will be delivered to the City on or about July 5
- The City will investigate and evaluate each sidewalk
- The City will solicit construction bids. After a successful bidder is selected the city will notify each property owner as to the total price and his/hers 25% share
- The property owner will send a check to the City
- Sidewalk reconstruction will begin.

On June 19, the City told the Street & Traffic Committee:

- The handicap ramp at 6<sup>th</sup> and Cantey ".... should be repaired soon."
- The City "...shall build/replace as needed" the sidewalks in the vicinity of Daggett Elementary School. (This is consistent with the City's policy to provide sidewalks to service schools.)
- The City is assessing the handicap ramp needs of the RPIA area and the Street & Traffic Committee will "receive a reply once the assessment is complete."
- The reconstruction of James Avenue "should proceed within 1 to 2 months."
- The reconstruction of College Avenue is scheduled for 2008.

RPIA President Dan Roberts asks that every Ryan Place resident send a letter to the Water Department requesting cost participation in the reconstruction of parts of 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> and Willing Avenues because of the many water main break repairs over the years.

The Street & Traffic Committee also met with Fort Worth South, Inc. to discuss common problems and to initiate a dialogue on building a common effort to improve the neighborhoods.

## RPIA Newsletter Advertising Rates

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Business card: \$25 (3.5 x 2 inches)

### Ad materials due:

Sept. newsletter — August 27

Oct. newsletter — Sept. 30

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**Only 4 Months  
'Til CCRP:  
A Message from  
CCRP President  
Sian Borne**

Summer will soon be over and Christmas will be here before we know it!!!

Whether you are new to Ryan Place or have lived here for many years, Christmas in Ryan Place would not be the same if we did not open the holiday season with the Annual Candlelight Tour of Homes in Ryan Place.

This year's tour will take place on December 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Putting a tour together takes a lot of people and many of you have graciously stepped forward in previous years to help us. We hope that you will help us again this year by volunteering and if you have not had the chance to do this before, we would love to have you.

Please let us know that you would be willing to docent for a shift at one of the homes or if you are willing to help in any way. You can contact any of the CRRP board members or contact Sian Borne at [sianb0803@hotmail.com](mailto:sianb0803@hotmail.com) or call 817-923-8683.

**Candlelight Christmas in Ryan Place  
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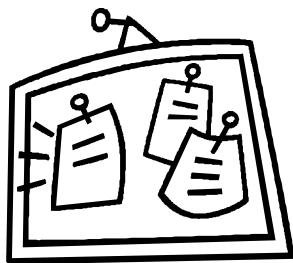
**LANTERNS FOR SALE**

CCRP has lanterns for sale again this year at last years prices - \$20 each. These lanterns are a tradition in our neighborhood at Tour time but there are so many other times of the year that you can decorate and use them for festive events or holidays. If you have not purchased some for your yard or if you need additional ones, please contact Rita Thomas at 817-923-3625. We don't how long we can keep these prices so call and get them while you still can.

Are you looking for your DREAM HOME? Thinking of selling your house? Call me, I can help! I live in the neighborhood and I want to be your REALTOR.



Crystal McGee  
(817) 913-7278



# Neighborhood Bulletin Board



We are happy to report that the Annual Christmas Tree of Lights will live on, thanks to **Ian Morfeld and Nancy Butcher** who have agreed to co-chair the Annual Tree Lighting. Thank you for your commitment to keeping this tradition glowing!



**Officer Ron** reminded everyone to be on the look out for ANY suspicious activities and to call 911 in that instance. There have been reports of stolen items from porches, so be especially aware of trucks parked where they shouldn't be or suspicious prowlers in the neighborhood.



Thank you to our new Welcome Committee Chairperson, **Barbara Tumlin**. In addition to being an active cyclist and world-traveler, Barbara is an always smiling and active participant in most Ryan Place activities.

Barbara will be a wonderful asset in helping to make our new neighbors feel at home. If you are interested in being a part of the Welcoming Committee, please contact Barbara at 817-921-0158 or [babsnrnico@charter.net](mailto:babsnrnico@charter.net).

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## BACK TO SCHOOL TIP



By Mary Jackson  
a teacher in Fort Worth

The best way parents can prepare their children for going back to school is to move bedtime back to "school time" at least a couple weeks before school starts.

A child's behavior, attention span and ability to concentrate are all greatly affected by his or her sleep. This includes "the big kids" (middle school and high school students).

If you know your child needs to get ten hours of sleep, make sure he/she gets that amount even before school starts.



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## Guest Columnist of the Month: Colleen Fitzpatrick of De Plata Pura Jewelry Studio

Now that the temperatures outside have soared to the upper 90's, it is an excellent time to pursue "inside" hobbies! For those of you who love jewelry (what woman doesn't!) and would like to make their own unique silver jewelry but don't have any metalsmithing experience, Art Clay Silver is the perfect material.

Art Clay Silver is tiny particles (only about half the diameter of a human hair) of pure silver suspended in an organic binder and water that is modeled exactly like child's modeling clay. After the piece is completed, it is fired (in a kiln, with a torch or with any one of several other commercially available firing devices), burning off all the binder, leaving a pure silver piece of jewelry.

Creating a very special piece of jewelry in Art Clay Silver is simple, fun and fast! You no longer need to spend weeks (or sometimes) months learning complex metal forming techniques since Art Clay Silver is clay, just like the clay you played with as a child, and can be molded, rolled, stamped, extruded, textured – the list of modeling methods is almost endless and is only limited by your imagination!

Each step in the learning process, from a basic appliquéd pendant to intricate filigree, is an exciting, fun adventure with the satisfaction of having a beautiful, new piece of pure silver jewelry in a matter of hours.

Art Clay Silver is very forgiving, and you never need to worry about "wasting" your materials. While the clay is still wet, you can fix your "mistakes" or if you really don't like the piece, just re-roll it and create an entirely different piece! If

the clay has dried, it can be chopped up, re-hydrated with a little water and used just as if it were "fresh out of the package". You can even re-use the fired pieces by cutting them up and adding bits and pieces to add interest to other pieces. And since the fired material is .999% pure silver, it can always be sold to a silversmith or metals dealer! You just can't lose with Art Clay Silver!

Creating a piece of silver jewelry with traditional metalsmithing techniques can be very costly, requiring expensive tools and equipment, but the tools used with Art Clay Silver are simple, inexpensive and easy to find. Simple manicure implements can be used to form the clay and finish it, a small piece of PVC pipe becomes a "rolling pin", rubber stamps can be used as molds, combs can be used to texture the clay – a quick tour of your own home can result in many unique "tools" that can be used with Art Clay Silver.

Classes at De Plata Pura, beginning with a basic pendant and earrings, and progressing to more complex projects, are each four hours long and are designed to teach the student the basic methods of using Art Clay Silver – rolling, texturing, extruding, molding – as well as more advanced techniques such as incorporating gemstones or glass into the design.

They are conducted in my home, in a casual, relaxed atmosphere and in order to give each participant individual attention, are limited to a maximum of three students. All materials and tools are supplied, as well as snacks and a light lunch.

A detailed description of each class, as well as the costs, is listed on my website, [www.deplatapura.com](http://www.deplatapura.com), or you may



contact me at 817 926-7975 or [gltrz@sbcglobal.net](mailto:gltrz@sbcglobal.net).

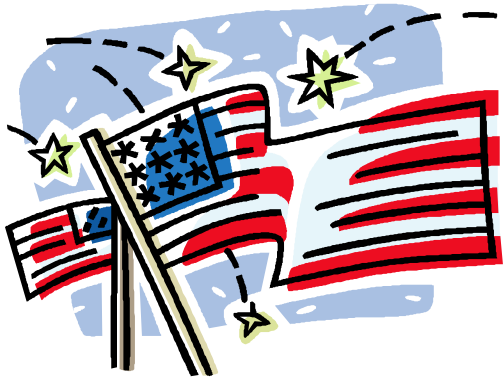
### Streetlight Campaign Update

The response to my letter of appeal has been great to date. During the past two-and-a-half weeks, those return envelopes have brought over \$4,000 into the Streetlight Fund.

More is still needed, of course (keep these envelopes coming in), but the goal of finishing out streetlights for the neighborhood in the immediate future is becoming reality.

I have heard, however, that some households did not receive letters, and I apologize for the oversight. The intent was to include everyone in the neighborhood. If yours is an address that was missed, call or email me (817-926-3963/[jshipley@fwcds.org](mailto:jshipley@fwcds.org)) and I will send you the letter with that all-important return envelope.

Jon Shipley  
CCRP Streetlight Committee



# Ryan Place Celebrates 4th of July

