



# RYAN PLACE

## IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

### NEWSLETTER

October 2006

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#### DON'T FORGET

RPIA Monthly Meeting

Monday, October 16, 7 p.m.

#### Important Numbers

##### Fort Worth Police Dept.

(non-emergency)

817.335.4222

##### NPO 8 on Magnolia

817.871.8885

##### Officer Andriotto

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817.998.0708 pager

##### Code Compliance

817.392.5158 ext. 1804

### NOMINATING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS 2006/2007 SLATE

The three person RPIA nominating committee (Gilbert Gutierrez, Courtney Morfeld and Bart Bradford) will present a list of officers for your vote at the October meeting.

The following positions are recommended:

**PRESIDENT - Dan Roberts**

**1st VICE PRESIDENT - Keith Head**

**2nd VICE PRESIDENT - Robert Holt**

**SECRETARY - John May**

**TREASURER - Gilbert Gutierrez**

The nominating committee will also present a list of Street Directors and Alternates for the following streets:

Ryan Place Drive

College Avenue

8th, James, Stanley & Livingston Avenues

Willing Avenue

5th Avenue

If you want to help your neighborhood and serve as a Street Director alternate please contact Bart Bradford at 817.926.6777.

### ANNUAL ARTISTS AGAINST AIDS EVENT SCHEDULED FOR SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21

*Event Benefits the Tarrant County AIDS Interfaith Network; Honorary Chair Carter Bowden and Featured Artists Michael Bane and Sue McCans*

The 12th Annual Artists Against AIDS Silent Art Auction benefiting the Tarrant County AIDS Interfaith Network (TCAIN) will take place on Saturday, October 21 from 7 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. at the Fort Worth Community Arts Center.

The presenting sponsor of the fundraiser is Pier 1.

Food, music, an open bar (wine and beer), and a silent auction are high-

lights of the affair, which features a selection of high-quality art from local and regional artists.

Tickets for the Auction and Party are \$35. The Annual Artists Against AIDS Auction has raised \$166,175,000 for TCAIN over the past 45 years.

A selection of works that will be part of the silent auction will be on view at the Fort Worth Community Arts Center beginning Mon-

day, October 2 and will remain on view through the event on October 21.

In addition to the silent auction, a raffle will feature items such as a ceramic vessel by artist Gregory Story and an elegant progressive dinner for eight.

This year the attendees at the auction will have the opportunity to vote on a work of art for the "People's Choice Award." The winning artist will receive a prize of \$1000.



## 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.*

**MacHenry's Pub**  
**1408 W. Magnolia Avenue**  
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**Contact: John Walker**  
**[www.machenrys.com](http://www.machenrys.com)**

Ryan Place is in for a treat!

Please help me welcome  
MacHenry's Pub to the Near  
South Side.

This longstanding Westside attraction has relocated to Magnolia Avenue and will open October 3rd.

MacHenry's features live music seven nights a week and you will find great artists playing a

wide variety of music. The pub is committed to playing "good music" and you will find an assortment of renowned musicians there.



MacHenry's is located in the old Magnolia Pub and is open daily from 3 p.m. to 2 a.m. with Happy Hour from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Cover charge varies according to artist. The calendar is posted on the MacHenry's website.

Wednesday nights are open mike night.

MacHenry's Halloween Bash is October 28<sup>th</sup> and features the Trinity River Whalers.

See you there!

**HELP A NEIGHBOR...SHOP LOCAL!**

*Please help us keep the neighborhood informed of available goods and services. If you would like to include a favorite local business, restaurant or shop, send commentary to Rainey Dukes at [raintex@aol.com](mailto:raintex@aol.com).*



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## Real Estate Connection by Judy Holland of The Helen Painter Group

What a wide variety of homes we have on the market in Ryan Place! They range in size from 1200 to 4100 square feet in size, \$60 to \$160 per square foot, and 1904 to 2006 in date built. Each of these homes makes a contribution historically to our neighborhood. They tell a development story like a layer cake. As you walk this week look at the houses on the block from a historic perspective and you will be able to see how Ryan Place has come together through the years.

Address	List Price	Rooms	Contact
2834 Ryan Ave.	\$79,999	3/1	8/560-2272
2812 Ryan Ave.	\$96,900	3/1+	8/232-9550
2917 Willing	\$154,900	3/2	8/763-9700
2833 Ryan Place Dr	\$178,900	3/2	8/880-8027
2620 S Adams	\$189,900	3/2	8/921-3204
3033 6th Ave.	\$203,500	3/2	8/283-5134
2515 Willing	\$205,000	3/2+	8/731-4421
2832 Ryan Place Dr	\$209,000	4/2	8/924-4144
2741 Ryan Place Dr	\$214,500	3/2+	8/861-6565
2309 Ryan Ave.	\$269,000	3/2+	8/626-2600
1111 Elizabeth Blvd.	\$499,000	4/3+	8/732-8400
1209 Elizabeth Blvd.	\$699,900	4/3+	8/577-9000

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This year's honorary chair is Fort Worth native Carter Bowden, owner of Carter Bowden Antiques on Historic Camp Bowie Boulevard. Michael Bane and Sue McCans are this year's featured artists.

Michael Bane was born in Kansas, went to college in Texas, and lives and works in Fort Worth. For the past fifteen years, Bane's work has concerned itself with an illusionary technique, employing tromp-l'oeil. Working mainly in acrylics, he creates compelling works that command the viewer's attention.

Sue McCans was born in New Mexico and received her BFA at New

Mexico State University. She currently lives and works in the Fort Worth area. In McCans's paintings, the concept of the changing nature of our knowledge and the growth of our understanding of the evolution of the universe in which we live is depicted with graphic simplicity. Circles and rings are her primary forms, chosen for their visual stability and their potential to serve as metaphors. Her work is mainly executed in acrylic on paper and canvas.

TCAIN has been compassionately meeting the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of people living with HIV/AIDS in Tarrant County and seven surrounding rural counties for over a decade. It is a non-profit organization that

depends largely on financial donations and volunteer services. Through a small staff and hundreds of dedicated volunteers, TCAIN provides in-home respite care, health education, spiritual counseling, prescription drug delivery, case management, HIV prevention education, and dental services.

Tickets for the Silent Auction on October 21 are \$35, and are available in advance or at the door. To reserve tickets in advance, call 817-923-2800.

For more information visit the website at [www.tcain.org](http://www.tcain.org). The Fort Worth Community Arts Center is located at 1300 Gendy Street at



**Getting Ryan Place Ready to Shine:  
a Message from  
CCRP President  
Sian Borne**



Ryan Place has welcomed many new residents to the neighborhood during the past year. Some residents have asked some very good questions about the Candlelight Christmas Home Tour. It is really very simple how you can show off our neighborhood! Since it is a CANDLELIGHT Christmas, we celebrate by putting electric or battery operated candles with clear glass bulbs in our windows. How many? As many as you want! The candles are available at Walgreen's, Target, Garden Ridge and most any store where Christmas lights are sold.

Visitors and residents get an awesome feeling when they drive through a neighborhood that is shining in white lights – a feeling of solidarity and community. We also encourage residents to use clear (white) lights on their outdoor decorations during the Tour weekend; after that, follow your heart.

Now that the HOT weather has almost left and it is supposed to be autumn, it is a good time to check around the outside of your house and clean gutters, edge sidewalks, pull up those dead flowers and get ready to rake those leaves. Many visitors walk through the neighborhood to the Tour homes and to also look at our many other beautiful homes. Let's look our best; some of these folks may be our new next door neighbors!

***Thanks for helping make our neighborhood shine!***



**COOKS  
AND  
RECIPES  
NEEDED**

A Candlelight Christmas in Ryan Place is continuing the fabulously successful tradition of using the cooks of Ryan Place and the recipes of the cooks of Ryan Place for the menu for the Soiree.

If you have an amazingly great recipe that can easily be tripled or quadrupled- send it to Gina Roberts at [ginahroberts@yahoo.com](mailto:ginahroberts@yahoo.com).

If you are a gifted chef and willing to make something wonderful for the Soiree, please call Gina Roberts, 817-927- 2478.



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### Committee Chairs

**Mary Schroder**      817-921-5346

## LANTERNS ARE GOING FAST

CCRP lanterns are selling fast and CCRP still has some available for just \$20 each. The lanterns are traditional at Tour time but have so many other uses during the year for festive events or holidays.

If you have not purchased some for your yard or just need extras, please contact Rita Thomas at 817-923-3625. Supplies are limited at this price and once the remaining ones are gone, it is unclear as to when we will be able to order more. Hurry and order while you still can.

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**Green Thumb Club**

October 4 to November 8

After school activities and fun projects for  
you to share with your children (ages 4 to 9).

Wednesdays 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

**Fall Plant Sale**

Saturday, October 14

Now is the best time to plant trees, shrubs, and most perennials.  
Come early for the best selection.

9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Grove.

**Japanese Garden Fall Festival**

Saturday, October 28 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Sunday, October 29 noon to 5 p.m.

Drummers, dancers, face painting, food and more!

For more information visit [www.fwbq.org](http://www.fwbq.org) or 817.871.7686



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## Streetlights Today – UPDATE

By Jon Shipley

Please take a few minutes to read this important appeal – some of you have received this already in the mail but others did not.

The time has come. You've been hearing about streetlights since time began and you've been seeing streetlights installed for the last several years, but now that is all coming to an end. This year marks the last appeal for donations to complete the project. December '06 is the end.

First of all, some thanks are in order. To all of you who worked the tour for year after year, to all of you who opened your homes, to all of you who raised matching funds and now have mid-block lights on your blocks, to all of you who donated outright – you are the people that have made streetlights possible through your support.

The neighborhood through the Candlelight Tour has raised \$230,000 for the streetlight project (yes, you read that correctly), enough for over three-quarters of the lights needed, and that's a huge chunk of money for a strictly volunteer effort. But a little more is needed.

There are still lights unfunded as of this moment, hence this last appeal. **\$11,000 in additional donations**

**is still needed to complete this project.**

Why all this is coming to an end, you may ask. There are several factors:

The City of Fort Worth has been supportive with subsidizing the cost of each light and installing at no cost to us. The City has continued to be supportive even though the original grant that we had with them has run out. We can not count on that support forever.

Every time the Streetlight Committee negotiates another batch of installations, we wonder if this is going to be the last time we receive the subsidy and free installation.

Moreover, the cost of manufacturing the lights has gone up, though we haven't been charged the new cost. So far the City has absorbed the difference, but again, that can't last forever.

Another reason for closing the streetlight project by December '06 is the length of time the project has run. Candlelight has been raising streetlight funds for over a decade, with the research and planning phase going on even prior to that.

It's time to organize one final push that will end with this December's

tour and then declare the project finished. Extending the fundraising indefinitely undercuts our focus with managing the project and dampens neighborhood interest. Streetlights were supposed to be a finite project, not a way of life.

So here's the pitch. We all have a vested interest in lighting the neighborhood. If every household in Ryan Place were to contribute \$150, we could fund the last batch of lights and finish every block.

Yes, many households have already given and have received lights for their block. Those same households may still want to see the project finished. And for those households that have yet to contribute, here is your chance.

Speaking for my household, I can say that I donated once already and thought my obligation was fulfilled. But for this last push, I'm willing to contribute again.

Streetlights were a good cause when we started this project together, and they are still a good cause.

December 31<sup>st</sup> will be the last chance to show your support.

If you have questions, please

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# EPHRAIM DAGGETT TO BE HONORED AT TEXAS TRAIL OF FAME CEREMONY OCTOBER 28TH

Ephraim M. Daggett will be honored on October 28th, 2006, at the 2006 Texas Trail of Fame Induction Ceremony in the Fort Worth National Historic Stockyards District.

The Texas Trail of Fame was established to honor those individuals who have made a significant contribution of our Western way of life.

Ephraim M. Daggett is being recognized for being a Fort Worth Pioneer and the Father of Fort Worth. Since he has no known surviving relatives, Daggett Elementary has been asked to receive this honor on stage for him.

Several Daggett students will go on stage to receive a bronze inlaid marker that will be placed in the walkways of the Fort Worth National Historic Stockyards District.

Throughout the walkways of the Fort Worth National Historic Stockyards District, bronze inlaid markers have been placed in recognition of their achievements. These markers are patterned after a frontier Marshall's badge and are inscribed with the Honoree's name.

On Saturday, October 28th, we will meet here at school at 8 a.m., take a bus to the Stockyards, attend a breakfast at 9 a.m. and attend the Red Steagall Cowboy Gathering where the Texas Trail of Fame Induction Ceremony will take place.

While on stage, students will be allowed to ring the historic

Masonic Bell. This bell was made in London in 1782 and brought to Fort Worth in 1857. It is only taken out on very rare and special occasions and is a tremendous honor, to be allowed to ring it, according to Mrs. Clara Ruddell, manager of Fort Worth Visitors Information Center.

All Daggett students and their families are welcome to attend the ceremony. I would like to see a large group of us attend this ceremony and honor Mr. Daggett. I will order as many busses as needed to transport us.

Melissa Green  
Principal  
Daggett Elementary  
School Phone: 817- 922-6880  
Home Phone: 817-341-0740  
Cell Phone: 817-597-7459



**Ephraim Merrell Daggett  
(1810-1883)**

Ephraim Daggett, merchant, legislator, and early promoter of Fort Worth, was born in Upper Canada on

June 3, 1810.

In April 1840 the Daggetts moved to Shelby County, Texas where they participated as Regulators in the Regulator-Moderator War.

At the beginning of the Mexican War Daggett joined Col. George T. Wood's regiment as a second lieutenant, but he was soon promoted to captain and attached to Col. John C. Hay's rangers.

At the close of the war Daggett returned to Shelby County, which he represented in the state legislatures of 1851 and 1853. At the suggestion of his friend, Major Ripley Arnold, Captain Daggett came to present Tarrant County in 1849 and located land for himself and friends.

As a property owner, Daggett voted in the election that established Tarrant County and Birdville as county seat. E.M. Daggett became a leader in the campaign to move the county seat to Fort Worth.

When the Texas and Pacific Railway planned its line through Fort Worth, Daggett donated 96 acres for a depot and tracts.

Captain Eph, as he was fondly called, devoted most of his time to the promotion of Fort Worth. He was known as the Father of Fort Worth.

Resources, The Handbook of Texas, Mary Daggett Lake papers, Julia Kathryn Garrett, "Fort Worth: A Frontier Triumph"

Clara Ruddell,  
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