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President's Letter

As we move into the final month of this very hot summer and past the halfway point in my term as President of RPIA, I would like to thank all who have been so instrumental in this exciting first half.

The rebirth of the Street Dance, a record turnout for our 4th of July Run and parade, and our monthly neighborhood parties have given us many opportunities to meet each other and to get new people involved in RPIA.

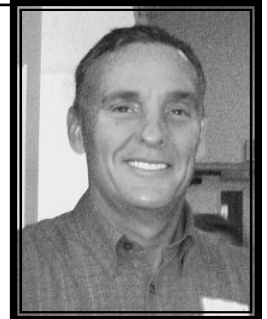
The generosity of our contributors to the Sustaining Membership Program has enabled us to exceed our **annual** goal of \$7,000. Currently, we have collected \$2,000 more than what we received in 2007 contributions – and there are still five months left in the year! This money will go a long way to support our lobbying initiatives, neighborhood improvements, newsletters, and operating expenses.

From now until the end of the year, RPIA will continue to be busy with several very important items before us. First and foremost will be the continued focus and resolution on the proposed 8th Avenue gas drill site and rail road yard development issue. We also intend to make a final decision on the Ryan Place Historic Overlay as well as the Ryan Place Traffic Calming initiative. All of these extremely important issues will impact Ryan Place now and for years to come.

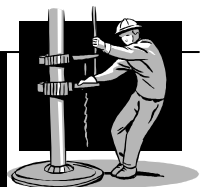
Finally, we have \$75,000 in bonus money from XTO and Chesapeake Energy as a result of the leases signed with both companies by Ryan Place residents. I am in the process of appointing a committee with a charter of developing both short and long range plans for investing and using this money on Ryan Place improvements. The benefits of these improvements will positively impact Ryan Place both now and into the future.

Enjoy the rest of your summer and I look forward to seeing you around the neighborhood!

Keith Head



Chesapeake Comes a-Courtin'



More than 130 Ryan Place residents filled the Westside Unitarian Church on Monday evening, July 21, to hear executives from Chesapeake Energy present plans and answer questions regarding their proposed 8th Avenue gas drilling site. Chesapeake Vice President Julie Wilson engaged the audience of residents with a slide presentation depicting and explaining stages in the process of drilling, aerial maps of the drill site on 8th Avenue at Elizabeth Blvd., reassurances regarding noise levels, traffic, safety, and possible beautification projects after the site is developed. Her promotion concluded with Chesapeake's answers to frequently asked questions.

RPIA President Keith Head collected written questions from the audience which he posed to

the panel of experts sent by Chesapeake. At the close of the meeting, City Councilman Joel Burns reminded residents that he has been against any 8th Avenue drill site as a matter of his representation of the position of Ryan Place residents. He further admonished and encouraged those at the meeting to stay involved in the process, to express their position to him and other City Council members, and to attend the meetings. In no other way can he and other officials accurately represent the interests of Ryan Place.

After the meeting, Ryan Place Street Directors took an informal poll of the position of those in attendance, who were asked the question, "Would you be in favor of an 8th Avenue drill

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**RPIA
Monthly
Meeting**

Monday, August 18
6:30 p.m. Meet & Greet
7 p.m. Meeting

RPIA Meeting

**Westside Unitarian
Universalist Church**
901 Page Avenue
Meeting agenda at
historicryanplace.org,
Discussion Forum

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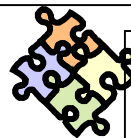
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Friday, August 22

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*Editor's
Note*

Suddenly, we are considering **The \$75,000 Question**, searching for ideas to use the money to improve Ryan Place. So far, sidewalks, curbs, and park development are the main suggestions. What about entry markers of some sort at the Berry Street entrance(s) to Ryan Place? How about bat houses to deal with the mosquitoes? What about matching grants to help homeowners with certain repairs / restorations? There are surely spots that need "adopting" and beautification! Brainstorm! Dream! Let us hear from you! Please remember to do business with our newsletter advertisers and tell them you saw their ad here!

Thanks to all of you who fill my answering machine, my mailbox, and my e-mail in-box — on both my accounts!

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Public Information Meetings on Gas Drilling

The Fort Worth League of Neighborhood Associations and League of Women Voters of Tarrant County are presenting a series of public information meetings on gas drilling issues:

Thursday, August 7, 7:00 p.m. First Presbyterian Church
Gas Pipelines and Eminent Domain

Glenn Sodd, Attorney, Corsicana
Jim Bradbury, Attorney, Fort Worth

Wednesday, August 13, 7:00 p.m. Intermodal Transportation Center

Gas Well Water Disposal: Two Alternatives

*Injection Wells - Woody Sandlin, Chesapeake Energy

*Waste Water Recycling - Jay Ewing, Devon Energy,
and Julia Holden, Fountain Quail Water Management

Two other sessions in the series will focus on gas pipelines and safety, provisions in model municipal gas drilling ordinances, and mineral rights leasing issues. The session on leasing will be provided in Spanish.

The Fort Worth League of Neighborhood Associations encourage

Gas Drilling Task Force Public Information Request

ages you to contact your council member and ask them to support videotaping and broadcast of the gas drilling task force meetings AND the keeping of minutes at the meetings.



The **Let's Talk** Fort Worth Citizen's Committee invites you to attend a **Time To Talk** meeting beginning at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, August 7, 2008 at North Crowley High School, 9100 South Hulen Street, 76123.

There will also be a city wide town hall meeting on September 25, 2008 at Will Rogers Memorial Auditorium. These **Time to Talk** meetings are your opportunity to share your ideas, suggestions, and dreams for Fort Worth. All **Time To Talk** meetings are from 6:30 to 8 p.m..



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Joint Gas Drilling Task Force / City Council Meeting

There will be a Gas Pipeline Workshop on August 7 from 12:00 - 3:00 pm. (Please note the change in start time from 1:00 PM to noon.)

This will be a joint meeting between the City Council and the Gas Drilling Task Force and will include a series of informative speakers. The meeting will be held in the South Texas Room at Will Rogers Memorial Center and will be broadcast on the City of Fort Worth cable access channel.

Letter to the Editor



July 6, 2008

The Fourth of July celebrates the adoption of the Declaration of Independence. It is celebrated with fireworks, picnics, baseball games, concerts, and parades. It is a time to celebrate the history, government, and traditions of the United States, the things that bring us together as a country.

Ryan Place celebrates this special day with a neighborhood parade. Friends, family and neighbors get together to plan a float or just be a part of the parade. It is a day that brings friends and neighbors together regardless of their political affiliation. Politics can be very divisive. The parade was not the appropriate place for a group of people to express their personal political views. I hope next year we will continue to pass out candy and not political stickers and pamphlets.

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Chesapeake

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site with provisions?" The results were:

	Yes	No	Maybe
Alston, Lipscomb	1		
South Adams		3	1
5th Avenue	4	6	1
8th, James, Liv'ston, Stanley	1	2	
Ryan Place Drive	3	2	
Willing Avenue	2	13	
Ryan Avenue	1	4	
6th Avenue	1	4	
College Avenue			2
Elizabeth Boulevard	1	5	9
Totals	14	39	13
	21%	59%	20%

As there were only 66 individuals who participated in the information poll at the meeting, it is evident that it will be necessary to offer more education to the neighborhood. This education will not only involve the impact of a drill site on 8th Avenue, but also the potential future development discussions underway with Fort Worth and Western Railroad.

Over the next few weeks the RPIA board will continue to keep the neighborhood informed via e-mail, website updates, and possibly individual mailings. Before any final "official" RPIA position is taken, all efforts will be made to find out what the majority of Ryan Place residents would like to see happen with the 8th Avenue location.



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Artists and musicians, to participate in ArtGoggle, sign up on our web site.

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WELCOME

to the neighborhood:

Ryan Place welcomes its newest arrival . . . **Antonio Thomas Acosta**, born June 23, 2008. Congratulations to **Fernando and Melissa Acosta** and big brother **Nando**!

The hot, dry weather is apparently good for attracting new neighbors ~ we have gained three new families since June. Please take a moment to greet these newcomers with the friendly hospitality Ryan Place is known for: **Bernie and Victoria Scheffler** on the south end of Willing Avenue; **Dru and Lana Galer** on 6th Avenue; and **Lance and Stacy Buky** on Willing Avenue. **Chuck and Pam Tynan** like Ryan Place so much, they chose to stay in the neighborhood when moving from one home to another here on 6th Avenue.

If you are a new resident (or know someone who is) and would like to be "officially" welcomed to the neighborhood in this column, please e-mail me at junelake.rpia@sbcglobal.net or call **817-921-3463** and let me know you're here.

School starts August 25, so watch for the kiddies when driving through the neighborhood.

Thanks for your kind comments about the appearance of my home. It's very gratifying to know others appreciate the changes.

Til next time . . .

Ryan Place Meet Your Neighbor

Yeh Caicedo



Yeh Caicedo loves living in Ryan Place. For 20 years she has called this neighborhood her home, first living on Elizabeth Boulevard and now on Ryan Avenue. Yeh not only lives in our neighborhood, but she is privileged to work here, also. Many of you know her; she is our cheerful, friendly mail carrier! That's right – the one with a smile on her face and a quick pleasantry, no matter what the weather or how hurried she may be.

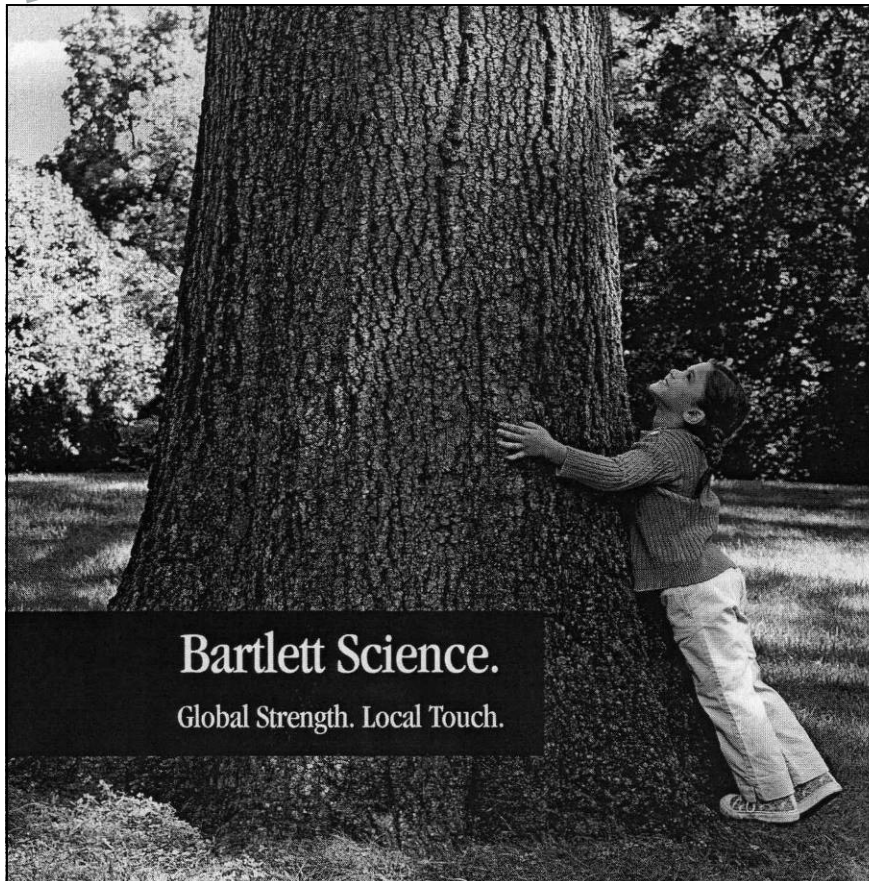
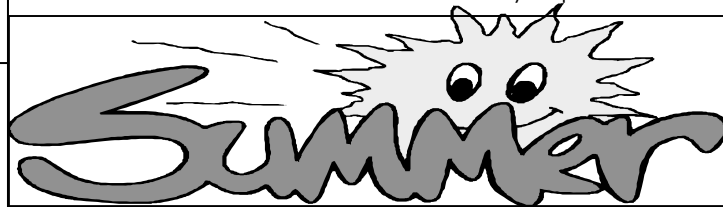
Yeh moved to the United States in 1976 from Columbia, where she and her husband Gustavo, or "Gus," Caicedo met as he was traveling in Columbia. Yeh has provided excellent customer service to her many friends and neighbors on the Ryan Place mail route for the last four years of her nine year history with the U.S. Post Office.

Yeh and Gus have two grown sons, Gus Jr. and Donny. Donny also resides in Ryan Place with his wife Elizabeth and their three children, Sierra (10), Isaiah (7), and Gizelle (2). Gus, Jr. and his wife Kristi have a daughter, Tiffany, who is 10 years old. Yeh refers to her grandchildren as "her life." She also enjoys going to the lake, swimming, and cooking Columbian food. According to Yeh, the best thing about living in Ryan Place is being near her family and all the nice neighbors in such a great area of Fort Worth.

by Stephanie Gutierrez



Looking for a little bit of culture? **The Fort Worth Symphony Orchestra** will be performing the Mahler Cycle Part II at the Bass Hall August 21-24. Part I, presented last year, was a big hit.



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What's going on in Ryan Place



Neighborhood-Garage Sale August 30th

Hey, Neighbors! What time is it?!? Its time to clean out the garage – and the attic, the basement, the closets, the kitchen, and all the rest! Labor Day is almost here and with it the Annual Labor Day Weekend Ryan Place Garage Sale. If you are going to participate in the sale, a permit is required from the City – easy to get and free. It only takes a few minutes by phone, or it can be obtained online. There will be no formal advertising in the newspaper; its not necessary -- people throughout the metroplex come to Ryan Place each Labor Day weekend for the great sales -- its a well-known tradition.

The idea is that all of us will hold our personal garage sales on the same day to increase customer traffic through the neighborhood and get the garage sales out of the way as much as possible for the year.

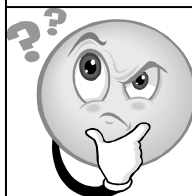
This year's garage sale date is Saturday, August 30th. There will, of course be some folks who have enough "merchandise" to sell through the whole weekend — Saturday, Sunday, and Monday.

If you have questions, please e-mail AAPrigel@aol.com or call **817-924-9924**.

Ryan (Place) Ran the Ryan Run!



Over 170 runners, walkers, strollers, rockers, rollers, and creepers entered the Ryan Place Fourth of July Fun Run – an all time record high! Even in our sagging economic times when underwriters for the event were scarce as hen's teeth, the Ryan Run surprised organizer **Gina Roberts** with an all-time record profit, too. Thanks to all the volunteers, sponsors, parade participants, and runners for making this year's Run the best yet. And when you see Gina, thank her for her tireless efforts for Ryan Place!

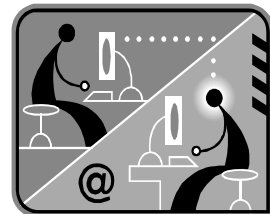


\$75,000 ... and the Question Remains the Same

In addition to the \$60,000 from XTO and Fort Worth Energy for the 500+ Ryan Place property owner gas leases, Chesapeake Energy has contributed \$15,000 to RPIA for the 100+ property owner gas leases that were signed with them. Both of these contributions were as a result of agreements negotiated with XTO / Fort Worth Energy and Chesapeake by Ryan Place's Gas Drilling Committee, headed by Bill Conley. This money will be invaluable as we strive to improve Ryan Place. Should you have your own answer to the (now) **\$75,000** question, "How would you like to use the gas company donations for Ryan Place improvements?"...send your response to RPIA President Keith Head at keith.head@sbcglobal.net

Fort Worth Blogs

By John MacFarlane



Blogging may be new to some, or you may have been blogging with the best for some time. Wikipedia defines a BLOG as: (an abridgment of the term "web log") a website, usually maintained by an individual, with regular entries of commentary, descriptions of events, or other material such as graphics or video. Entries are commonly displayed in reverse chronological order.

There are prominent blogs based in Fort Worth. One is West and Clear (<http://westandclear.com/>), another is Fort-Worthology (<http://fortworthology.com/>). These are great sites to keep abreast of what's happening in Fort Worth. These sites include information on recreation, nightlife, politics, restaurants and many of items of interest. In fact, a Ryan Place resident, Pete Wann, works on the West and Clear site. These sites also offer a place for you to express your ideas and thought with other readers by leaving a message. It's a great way to exchange ideas.



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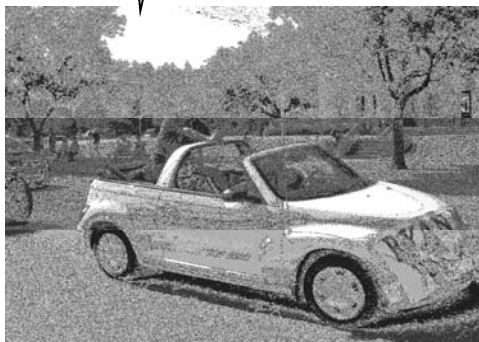
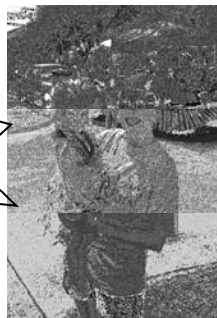
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Real Estate Corner

by Judy Holland

One week ago today my 99-year-old mother died. It was so sweet of some of our Ryan Place neighbors to come to her service in Oklahoma. Earlier on the evening she died, she played the piano in the cafeteria of the nursing home where she had lived for five months. She went to bed that night and simply went to sleep. We had taken her for a ride that week and she loved to look at big old houses. She would look at a house and say that it had probably been there for 100 years. "Just look at those big trees. I bet they've been there 100 years, too!" I hesitated to point out that she had been around for almost 100 years, too! I got my love for real estate from her. She drew out house plans on graph paper and used sugar cubes to build up walls and study her room arrangements. My parents built a beautiful home after years of such planning. I hope it lasts 100 years.

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I know, you keep thinking you will get around to it — after all, its *only* August, for heaven sake! But, trust me, November is just around the corner and that is the time when we *all* decorate the front of our houses for the Candlelight Christmas Tour of Homes. And this is a special anniversary year for the Tour so we want *all* our homes to be festive. Remember, our tour guests trek from hither and yon, buy tickets to the Tour, and "ooooh" and "ahhhh" appropriately. The proceeds from the Tour benefit *all* of Ryan Place. Do your part — put some lanterns out.

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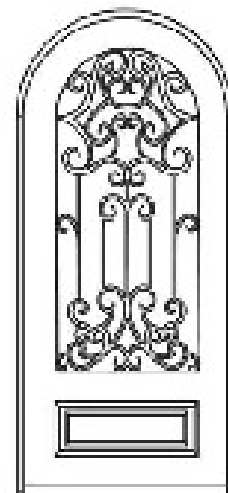
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A Love Affair With a Neighborhood



by Janie Hart
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(The following is the third in a series by Ryan Place resident Janie Hart, which she presented to a meeting at the Fort Worth Woman's Club in 2007. The series will continue monthly in the newsletter.)

In the '60's no neighborhoods were organizing events for 4th of July. I was asked to organize our first 4th of July parade, to be followed later in the day with a pot-luck supper and family games on one of the school grounds. The late Tony Record, Star-Telegram photographer and nephew of Phil Record, Editor, was another of our pioneers. He and Gloria lived on Lipscomb. He knew just what to photograph and what a novelty a "neighborhood" parade was at that time. We got great publicity from it! The Police and other city entities were a big help and even provided an escort. (In the second year, Ross King, one of our newcomers, who still has an organ building company in Fort Worth, formed the "bottom of the barrel band." The band held their annual rehearsal on July 3, and then produced a stellar performance on the 4th for several years thereafter.)

About 1969, a project was presented to us by the City Planning Department that seemed relatively benign and beneficial to everyone. The basic idea was to join the Daggett Elementary playground with the rest of the campus. College Avenue divided the Elementary from its playground. The playground would then be

upgraded and have new equipment as well as an outdoor teaching amphitheater. The Planners already had been given approval by the fire and police departments.

The whole darling project was unveiled at the next RPIA General meeting. To our amazement, the leadership of one of the local churches took exception to this change for the betterment of the children. It was an era when a few hippies and hoodlums took good ideas and sometimes turned them into riots. The project had to rest awhile, but by the late 70's, College was closed, the campus united, Daggett was enlarged and nice playground equipment was installed.

Bill Jenkins, President of Central Bank and Trust, became heavily involved in the revitalization of the Southside, especially around Magnolia and Rosedale. His bank contributed to several Ryan Place events, and promoted new businesses in the Southside.

Neil and Marcella Daniel (5th Avenue) were the driving force behind the 4th of July Ryan Run, which began in the early '70's. From the mid-'70's to the mid-'80's, the same Dr. Daniel (TCU English Dept.) wrote musicals for the neighborhood as part of the evening activities on the 4th of July. The theme was always a vignette about the Ryan Family and the Founding of our subdivision.

(To be continued in September)

Hi, Cleanup Crusaders!



Whether you made or missed the Cowtown Cleanup, mark your calendars for the **Trinity River Trash Bash** on September 20th, sponsored by the Tarrant Regional Water District. Simply sign up at www.trwd.com, look for the Trinity River Tab, then Trinity River Trash Bash. Or, call 817-392-8596.

The 17th annual cleanup will take place from 8:30 AM – 11:30 AM on September 20th, followed by a Trash Bash Party from 11:30 – 1:30 PM featuring lunch, refreshments, prizes and entertainment by Radio Disney.

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Park Improvement Requests Carefully Considered



The grant requests for both Ryan Place (Triangle) Park and Daggett Park were submitted to the City of Fort Worth Parks and Community Services Department on June 30. **Bart Bradford** gets a big "Thank you!" for going above and beyond in completing the outstanding Ryan Place grant applications. The evaluation and award process will be completed by October.

The RPIA Board appreciates the input we received from Ryan Place residents with regard to neighborhood park improvements. In deciding which of the suggested improvements would be included in the grant request, we were mindful of the fact that requested improvements should not encourage park activities that might cause inconvenience or generate undue noise to residents immediately adjacent to the parks (i.e. playgrounds).

While keeping this factor in mind, the Board also considered that the parks were for the use of the entire neighborhood, not just the residents living adjacent to the park. For example, although some adjacent neighbors did not particularly care for the suggestion of a drinking fountain at Ryan Place (Triangle) Park, the Board felt that the neighborhood as a whole would find this improvement useful. In the final submitted request, we included a drinking fountain in each of the grant applications.

If you would like a copy of either or both of the park grant applications e-mailed to you, please contact

keith.head@sbcglobal.net with your name, address, e-mail address and phone number.

An urgent message from the trees:

WATER!!!

By John MacFarlane

This is a critical time of year for your new trees. It's been a hot, dry summer so far. As you may remember, the City Forester asked all new tree owners to water your trees twice a week so they will remain alive. **The trees will not live and some are, in fact, dying for lack of water!** The Forestry Department will be conducting an audit to find out how many of our trees survived. Let's try for 100%. For those of you who purchased 15- and 30-gallon trees, those need to be watered as well.

Sidewalk Replacement / Cost Sharing Program is out of money. Watch the newsletter for any future developments.

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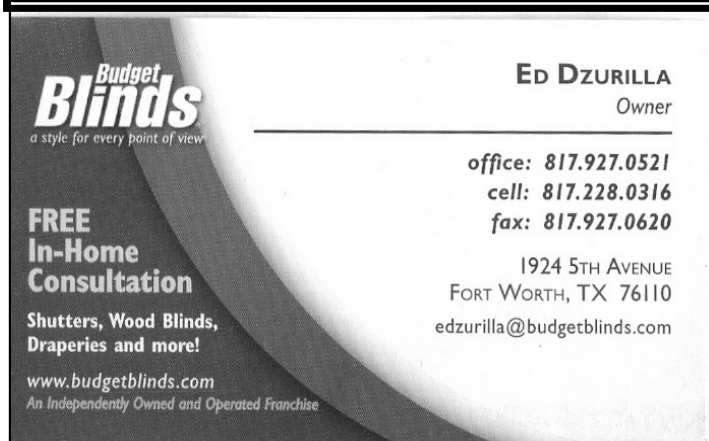
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\$ 75 for HFW members \$100 for non-members
(For reservations or to join **HFW: (817) 336-2344** or www.historicfortworth.org)

Sept. 5 - Sept. 27: FREE Public Art Show & Ongoing Sale
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Open on **Fall Gallery Night**, Sept. 6 until 9:00 pm
Closed on Sunday

Where: Fort Worth Community Arts Center
1300 Gendy, Fort Worth, Texas 76107

Contact: Corry_Smith@historicfortworth.org or call **(817) 336-2344, ext. 100.**

We are invited to:

A Guide to Historic Preservation, Practices, Policies, and Incentives

Historic Fort Worth and the Greater Fort Worth Association of Realtors are offering a workshop on Historic homes. The Neighborhood Revitalization Committee of the Association has extended an invitation to Ryan Place for this opportunity to learn more about historic homes and neighborhoods. While this program targets Realtors, it contains great content that would be of value to anyone with a passion for historic homes and neighborhoods. For more information, please contact **Josh Lambert** at **817-731-7909, 817-456-9613**, or Josh@BuyFWTX.com or **Mary Saltarelli** at **817-336-2344, ext. 107** or Mary_Saltarelli@historicfortworth.org.

August 15, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. GFWAR Auditorium (2850 Parkview Drive)

Cost: \$150 per person



The flag is usually flown from sunrise to sunset, but may be displayed twenty-four hours a day if properly illuminated during the hours of darkness. Only all-weather flags should not be flown in the rain or inclement weather. When displaying festoons, bunting is always arranged with the blue above, the white in the middle, and the red below. Always raise and lower the flag ceremoniously. In the morning, raise the flag briskly. At sunset, lower it slowly.



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Join us for Arts Goggle in Near Southside September 5, 2008!

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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

This month's featured business is:

Esperanza's

1601 Park Place

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Wow, a local favorite has moved even closer! **Esperanza's** has relocated from its home on Hemphill to a new location on Park Place. They are still serving up all the favorites!

For breakfast or brunch, the huevos rancheros, migas, and chilaquiles can't be beat. The breakfast burritos are also amazing. Other traditional options for lunch and dinner include chili rellenos, tacos, enchiladas and a variety of gorditas and tortas. The menu is long and includes soups, seafood, beef specialties and combination plates.

Open Tuesday through Thursday, 7 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and 5 to 9 p.m., Friday and Saturday from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m., and Sunday 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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. Always remember, HELP A NEIGHBOR...SHOP LOCAL!

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Fall Registration for Classes

August 30th, 10am - 2pm

Dance	Tap, ballet, hip-hop, salsa, and tango
Music	Drums, bass, guitar, piano, voice, and more
Visual arts	Sculpture, painting, clay, collage, found objects, and furniture
Theatre	Cultural folk tales, costumes, masks of India
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Upcoming Events

Save These Dates!

August

The Progressive Dinner has been rescheduled to November due to scheduling conflicts at some of the host houses.

Monday, August 18th (6:30 pm - Meet & Greet / 7:00 pm - Meeting)

September

Monday, September 15th (6:30 pm - Meet & Greet / 7:00 pm - Meeting)

October

Monday, October 20th (6:00 pm - Pot Luck Dinner / 7:00 pm - Meeting)

Saturday, October 25th - Monster Bash Party

Friday, October 31st - Trick or Treating on Elizabeth Blvd.

November

Monday, November 17th (6:30 pm - Meet & Greet / 7:00 pm - Meeting)

December

Thursday, December 4th - Soiree

Friday, December 5th - Sunday, December 7th - Candlelight Christmas in Ryan Place Home Tour



Dedicated Ryan Place Board members and residents met outdoors in 100° heat for the June monthly meeting. When no one had a key to the church, the stalwart few found a spot of shade and carried on their business.



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Joel Burns gets RESULTS in Ryan



SOLD

1101 Elizabeth Blvd.

After nearly 8 years in Ryan Place, Dr. Kevin and Deborah Weaver recently closed on the sale of their home. After his honeymoon, buyer Salim Nice will move from his nearby Magolia Green townhome and be joined by his new bride Janice Imrich.



SOLD

1515 Elizabeth Blvd.

Steve and Merianne Roth closed on the sale of their home of 6 years in July and are settling into their new home on nearby Pembroke. New Ryan Place home-owners Kristopher and Carmel Helsley join us from Fort Worth's Arlington Heights.



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2511 5th Ave	2,429'	3 / 3	\$344,900
2425 College	3,704'	4 / 3	\$318,000
2530 Lipscomb	3,344'	4 / 3	\$313,421
2937 5th Ave	2,386'	4 / 2	\$289,900
1116 Elizabeth	3,038'	3 / 4	\$279,900
2523 College	2,570'	2 / 2	\$268,000
2314 Willing	3,654'	4 / 1½	
2901 5th Ave	1,751'	3 / 2	\$200,000
2833 Ryan Pl Dr	1,768'	3 / 2	\$230,000
2421 Ryan Ave	978'	2 / 1	149,500
2713 Ryan Ave	928'	2 / 1	\$129,900
2507 Lipscomb	1,661'	4 / 2	\$84,900
			\$79,000



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