

Ryan Place Newsletter

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RPIA President's Update

Much thanks to Leanne and John Kline, both former RPIA presidents, who are moving to Florida, for exemplary service to the association. Leanne and John's volunteerism has been an inspiration, and their dedication something we can all strive to emulate. They will be missed.

The objectives Leanne leaves will guide us in the coming year: bylaw revisions, policy and procedures, website implementation, strategic planning, parks and circle improvements, among others. It is a big list, but one that will help shape our neighborhood for future residents.

The new website, RyanPlaceFortWorth.com was paraded out on the 4th of July. Many thanks to the website committee: Nicole Havrilla, Kipp Baker, Jill Johnson, and Margaret Risch. Their tireless hours and creativity and expertise have given us a beautiful and functional classic urban website. This site will continue to expand in the coming months. Photos from the parade and softball game will be posted there.

The inaugural softball game between the Ryan Place Chicanes and the Fairmount Ferals was a "HIT", although I can't seem to recall the score. The spirit, congeniality and goodwill are something we can build upon to the benefit of both neighborhoods. Thanks, in part, to our distinguished Captain, Bernie Sheffler. Among the visitors was incoming Councilwoman, Ann Zadeh, outgoing Councilman, Joel Burns, TCU defensive captain, Sam Carter, and Sister Cities Ambassadors from Teluca, Mexico, Monica Rodriquez and Iraris Ochomogo.

Some serious work is in the offing for the entire neighborhood. A new set of bylaws will be presented in various formats, including a forum on August 18th, after the Board meeting, at 8 pm. Please come. A Special Called general membership meeting will be September 15th, to vote on said bylaws. PLEASE COME! Take the time to read, review, study, and contact your Street Director or Board Member with any questions.

On the lighter side...the end of the summer Swim Party at Forest Park Pool will be August 17th. Boo on the Boulevard and a fall bash are coming to a street and park near you. So stay in touch, volunteer to help, and wave hello to a neighbor passing by!

Thanks for all the support and cooperation and any input is always welcome. See you round the 'hood!

Submitted by Terri West, RPIA President



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RPIA MEETING

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Neighbors, I must say that last month I experienced the best Independence Day celebration I have personally ever had. The parade and the spirit was better-than-ever, and for me the highlight was capping it all off with our first-ever Ryan Place-Fairmount championship softball game.

It didn't hit me just what a successful event our neighborhoods were creating until I grabbed my glove and jogged toward the pitcher's rubber to start the game... during that 50-foot jog time slowed down, the DJ started playing crowd-amping music, and the cheers from both sides seemed much louder than just any old neighborhood softball game, and scrappy little Daggett Park was transformed in that moment into a real ballpark. Right then, I knew we were onto something special.

The next moment brought me down to earth a bit, as Fairmountian (and my personal hairstylist, who cuts at the Salon Upstairs on S. Main) Ric Camareno launched my first pitch off the outstretched glove of LF Tyler Stam for a leadoff home run. Ric has already been alerted that if he leads off again next year, we're just going to bean him and put him on first base.

Thankfully, Thomas Menchaca, who was born by midwife on the 3000 block of Willing Avenue, gave me a little breathing room in the next inning with a 3-run homer.

We played a tough game, and until the late innings it was neck-and-neck (we won't bother recounting the score here; we'll just say "the other guys" won the game), but in the end I could not have been prouder of the RP team. With just one practice under our belts, we put on a good show, and judging from our champion-caliber cheering section, it felt like we won anyway. Oh, and next year we're gonna.



If you didn't make it out for the game this year because of other plans or travel, make 100% sure that your 2015 Independence Day plans include staying in Ryan Place for this epic day. I guarantee you won't regret it.

A big RP thank you goes out to everybody who helped make the game a huge success: Terri and Gary West (Terri conceptualized the neighborhood softball championship, recruited me to help make the game happen, and provided many of the necessities of the event—including the port-a-potty), Brandon Garrett for captaining the Fairmount team, Umpire Kippy Jenkins, Scorekeeper Deborah Carl, Fiesta Mart for providing watermelons and ice, ShaveIceParties for bringing the snow cone machine, DJ Gil Loza of Mega-Mix Sound Systems, Christina and Nehme Elibitar for providing refreshments, E.M. Daggett Elementary Principal Melissa Green, District 9 City Council Member Ann Zadeh for loaning me the T-Posts to build our outfield fence, COFW

Parks and Community Services for responding quickly and taking care of a couple trouble spots on our field, Stacy and Eric Leucker for documenting the event with some incredible photos, Victoria Scheffler for staying up late with me to make team uniforms, Megan Henderson and our incredible cheerleaders, and all of our players and fans.

I, for one, can't wait to even the score next July 4. Though the event was so much fun, we may even see the formation of an Inter-Neighborhood Softball league, as Oakhurst, Meadowbrook, and Hemphill Heights have all expressed an interest in fielding teams. Stay tuned!

Submitted by Bernie Scheffler

Photos by Stacy Luecker



The Yard of Month

3000 block of 6th Avenue

The lady of the house tends to this beautiful, sprawling garden. According to her husband, gardening is her creative outlet, helping her to reflect and unwind from the pressures of life. There are knockout roses galore and so much color it will take your breath away! Thanks for spreading your joy and creating such beauty. Your husband is proud of you and so are we!

Submitted by Lisa Pena



Timely Tips for August Gardeners from Calloway's

August is here and needless to say, it is HOT! However, Fall is right around the corner and here are a few tips to get you through the scorching days of August and into the "Second Spring" of the South – Fall. This is usually one of the driest months for our region, and rainfall may be sparse. With new watering restrictions in place, when and how you water becomes even more important.

Make the best use of the water you have by watering early in the morning before the wind speeds pick up. Otherwise, much of the water will evaporate before the plants get to use it. To further avoid excess evaporation, use a sprinkler that produces large drops of water instead of a fine mist. Plants need about one inch of water each week during this long summer period. If you have heavy clay soil adjust the timing of the irrigation zones to make sure water is not running off the landscape. Your irrigation schedule should be adjusted to allow for slow infiltration of the water.

Soil that is exposed can heat up to more than 100 degrees Fahrenheit. This is hot enough to kill those tender root hairs near the surface. Three to four inches of mulch can make the soil 10 to 20 degrees cooler. Besides reducing soil temperature, mulches also conserve water by reducing evaporation, often up to 65 percent.

August is the last month to plant a new lawn before winter temperatures arrive. Newly-installed lawns need at least six to eight weeks to establish a healthy root system.

Prune roses back, but do not remove more than one-third of the plant. Prune and remove spent blooms on annuals and perennials to encourage continuous blooming well into fall.

Tomatoes and peppers planted earlier this year will not set fruit during the heat of the summer, even though they may still be flowering. If the plants remain healthy, they will set fruit again once the temperatures stay below 90 degrees. Side-dress established healthy plants with fertilizer and keep watered to encourage new growth. Set out tomato transplants; look for early maturing variety (65 to 75 days). Our average first freeze is mid-November and tomato maturity slows down as the days get cool and cloudy.

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Ryan Avenue

Page Steed and housemate Gina Harriss live in a house owned by Page's parents Cynthia and Bobby Steed. Page hopes to buy her own Ryan Avenue home when her parents move from Fairmount into this attractive, updated home in November. The Steed family moved from Georgia to Texas in 2009 when Page entered UNT. She graduated with a History/Spanish degree and works as a data analyst for Nielsen Ratings. Page is an avid non-fiction reader and loves museums and wants to explore the lesser known local attractions. Rumanian-born Gina came to Fort Worth from Cleveland, Ohio, to attend TCU. A political science student, Gina has an administrative assistant position with JP Solutions, a project firm for non-profits, communities, and political candidates. She also works at Chico's in University Park. Both Gina and Page are interested in joining the bbq and wine socials and think a neighborhood dance would be a great idea.

Ryan Place Drive

Criminal defense attorney Craig Dameron learned about Ryan Place from residents Sommer and Brian Intermill. The Welcome Lady and Dr. Watson, the Welcome Dog, were enchanted by Lilly, Craig's three-year-old dynamo daughter. From Derby, Kansas, Craig attended Wichita State and studied law at Oklahoma City University. He's an old car buff and is restoring a 1973 Corvette convertible. Lilly is playing soccer, and Craig is a baseball and college basketball fan. Craig and Lilly have already been to a neighborhood bbq, and Craig is looking forward to the next wine social.

Rachel and Stephen Shupree chose a home in Ryan Place to be near Daggett Montessori School where Stephen teaches history to 7th and 8th graders and where Harrison, 5, will be attending school in the fall. Aiden, 2, and Harrison keep the Shupree household in a whirl. Stephen is the third generation of educators in his family, and his grandmother taught at Arlington High School when the Welcome Lady was a student there. Rachel teaches pre-kindergarten students with disabilities. She has been involved with Special Olympics, and she and her husband have been active in Sister Cities. The Shuprees sponsored Japanese visitors through that program. Rachel is into garage sales and antiques. This summer the couple is beautifying their front yard. This family has attended bbq events in the neighborhood and enjoy going to area museums.

Spencer and Julia Thompson came to Fort Worth via scholarships to TCU. From Plainview in West Texas, Spencer was

an offensive tackle on the TCU football team which went to the Rose Bowl. Julia, from Plano, had both academic and soccer scholarships and her twin brother had a Baylor University baseball scholarship. She and Spencer met at a sports team mixer as freshmen. Spencer completed his MLA in his final year on the TCU football team and was recognized for this academic achievement. He is a financial planner with Edward Jones. Julia has a master's from TCU in accounting and works for Price-Waterhouse. You will see this couple out walking Bowser, their rescue dog. Spencer is revved up to join our neighborhood's bbq gurus and has ideas about a bbq competition for Near Southside neighborhoods.

Sixth Avenue

Will and Susan Rucker bought a Wiley G. Clarkson-designed home several months ago but were living in Malaysia until after the birth of their sweet daughter Lili, 8 months. Will is a mechanical engineer who works in the oil and gas industry and is now making business trips to Dubai. He graduated from LSU and is a die-hard Tigers fan. Susan and he are from Midland. Susan attended Texas Tech and has worked in marketing, notably in catering events at the Gaylord. Their two Labrador dogs accompanied the couple to Malaysia and are now happily settled in our neighborhood. This couple enjoys walking their dogs and entertaining friends. Susan's parents and sisters live in the Flower Mound area, and the Ruckers chose their spacious home with holiday gatherings and family celebrations in mind. They are excited about the bbq and wine socials and would love to dance to live music in the park.

Willing Avenue

Ryan Philip Patterson chose Ryan Place for its family feel after living in Fairmount and Sunset Heights. From Tyler, Ryan came to Fort Worth in 2005 to attend TCU and received a BBA in accounting three years later. He is a financial analysis for Tarrant County in their community development (housing) department. He plays golf, weight lifts, and goes to spin class, and is a handy man who also likes yard work. The Texas Rangers and Dallas Mavericks are the pro-teams he follows, but nothing beats TCU football. He's looking forward to the next neighborhood bbq and wine social. Any outdoor neighborhood event appeals to him.

To make an appointment for a visit with the Welcome Lady, please call her at 817-924-9653 or email arkarbach@sbcglobal.net or stop her and Dr. Watson on one of their jaunts in the neighborhood.

Submitted by Ruth Hosey Karbach, The Welcome Lady

Help Needed for Boo on the Boolevard

Hello fellow RP neighbors and moms/dads/grandparents! Are you looking for a fun way to get involved in our neighborhood and meet other families? If so, I have the perfect opportunity for you! We are planning to have another **Boo on the Boolevard** event this year and I'm looking to pass the torch as the main planner. For those of you that are new to the neighborhood, Boo on the Boolevard is our Halloween event held in October. The kiddos dress up and we have trick-or-treating and other fun activities. In the event's two year history (was cancelled due to rain last year) we have planned this event for the Saturday before Halloween, which will be October 25th this year. I will be out of town that weekend this year. However, I'd be happy to help anyone who wants to take this on! It really is fun and was a huge hit with families. There is already a contingency plan in the event of rain, so no chance of cancellation this year! If you are interested, please get in touch with me at karikeith1@gmail.com or 817-682-2452. Thank you!

Submitted by Kari Keith, neighbor

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RPIA Bylaw Revision 2014

The RPIA Board of Directors is pleased to announce the proposed revised RPIA Bylaws has been moved out of the Bylaw Committee. We invite you to join us for an open forum to discuss the proposed revision on Monday, August 18, 2014 at 8 pm at St. John's Mitchell Hall. The actual adoption of the revision will be brought to a vote of the Sustaining General Membership, in accordance with the existing Bylaws, at an RPIA Special General Meeting to be held on Monday, September 15, 2014 at 7 pm at St. John's Mitchell Hall.

Organizations like ours should constantly be reviewing their bylaws to see if it meets current needs. When there are too many changes to be made through the amending process, a bylaw revision is a suitable means to make the desired changes.

The 2014 RPIA Bylaw Committee, comprised of Cade Lovelace, Trey Eason, Chris Gee, and Lyn Parham, did an excellent job of amassing the input from neighborhood forums, many committee meetings, and board review meetings to bring this proposed revision to fruition. In this newsletter you will find a summary of the changes in the proposed revised bylaws compared to the existing bylaws. Both the existing and proposed bylaws can be found in full on the Ryan Place website at www.ryanplacefortworth.com under ABOUT -> ADMINISTRATION. Or you may contact any RPIA Board Member and request a printed copy.

RPIA Bylaw Revision 2014: Summary of Changes

1. Revisions Regarding General Provisions:

- a. Addition of the status of RPIA as a nonprofit 501(c)(4) organization (*Revised Bylaws §1.1*).
- b. Addition of the RPIA mission statement (*Revised Bylaws § 1.3*).
- c. Corrections were made to the description of the boundaries of RPIA (*Revised Bylaws § 1.4*).

2. Revisions Regarding Membership Eligibility and Voting:

- a. **Membership Eligibility** - The (*Current Bylaws §9.02*) created an additional level of membership known as a "Sustaining Member" who qualified by contributing an amount of money established by the Board of Directors. The (*Revised Bylaws §3.1*) removes the concept of a "Sustaining Member" and grants membership to anyone age 18 or over living within the RPIA boundaries (*Revised Bylaws §3.1*). The word "Sustaining" has been removed throughout the *Revised Bylaws*. In addition (*Revised Bylaws §3.1*) removes membership eligibility to property owners within the RPIA boundaries if they do not also reside within the RPIA boundaries.
- b. **Voting Requirements** - The (*Current Bylaws §9.03*) grants only Sustaining Members a vote and limits one vote per property address. The (*Revised Bylaws §3.2*) grants all members a vote.

3. Revisions Regarding the Board of Directors Positions:

- a. **Structure of the Board of Directors** – The (*Revised Bylaws §4.1*) removes the offices of 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer and provides that the Board of Directors will consist of a President, non-voting Parliamentarian appointed by the President, nine Functional Committee Directors, and the existing ten Street Director positions. The nine Functional Committee Director Positions created are: Director of Administration (previously known as Secretary), Director of Finance (previously known as Treasurer), Director of Communications, Director of Membership, Director of Historic Resource, Director of Public Safety, Director of Infrastructure, Director of Activities, and Director of Governmental Affairs.
- b. **Policies and Procedures** – The (*Revised Bylaws §4.5*) allows the Board to create Policies and Procedures which will be maintained in a separate document. *Policies and Procedures* would contain items such as the month in which the Annual Membership meeting will be held, responsibilities for Director positions, and committees needed to conduct business and affairs of the Association.
- c. **Term Limits** – The *Current Bylaws* do not provide for term limits. The (*Revised Bylaws §4.6*) sets term limits for Board of Director positions as follows: allows for a person to serve in a Director position for a two year term, not to exceed two consecutive terms in this one position; limits a person to serving three consecutive two year terms in *any* Director position; a person may not hold two Director positions at the same time.
- d. **Presidential Succession** – The (*Revised Bylaws §4.9(4)*) provide that the Director of Governmental Affairs performs duties of the President in his/her absence.
- e. **Miscellaneous** – The *Revised Bylaws* removes the positions of Assistant Secretary (*Current Bylaws §4.09*) and Assistant Treasurer (*Current Bylaws §4.11*).

4. Revisions Regarding General Meetings:

The (*Current Bylaws §9.06*) require meetings of the Association be held each month, except July and December, of each year. The (*Revised Bylaws §5.3*) require General Association meetings be held a minimum of four times a year including the Annual Membership meeting.

5. Revisions Regarding Meetings of the Board of Directors:

- a. **Quorum** – The (*Current Bylaws §3.09*) establishes a quorum of the Board of Directors be 9 Directors. The (*Revised Bylaws §6.4*) establishes a quorum of the Board of Directors be 13 as a result of the new structure of the Board (*Revised Bylaws §4.1*).
- b. **Presider of Meetings and Conduct** – The (*Revised Bylaws §6.7*) provide that the Director of Governmental Affairs presides over meetings in the absence of the President and that the meetings will be conducted following to Roberts Rules of Order.

6. Revisions Regarding Committees:

a. With the exception of the Nominating Committee, the Elizabeth Boulevard Historic District Standards and Design Guidelines Committee, and allowing the President to designate committees, the standing committees have been removed from the *Revised Bylaws* and will be incorporated into the *RPIA Policies and Procedures*. (*Revised Bylaws Article Seven*)

b. **Nominating Committee** – The (*Current By-Laws §3.16(1)*) provides that the President appoints the Nominating Committee and Committee Chair, and that the Nominating Committee will be comprised of at least five Board of Director Members and up to two members-at-large. The (*Revised Bylaws §7.2*) provides that the Board of Directors appoints the Nominating Committee and Committee Chair, and that the Nominating Committee will be comprised of two Board of Director Members and three members-at-large.

7. Revisions Regarding Vacancies:

a. **Resignation** – The (*Current Bylaws §3.05(2)(b)*) allows the Board of Directors to declare a Director position vacant if the Director does not accept the office either in writing or by attending a meeting of the Board of Directors within 60 days after notice of the election. The (*Revised Bylaws §8.3(2)(b)*) replaces the aforementioned bylaw and states that the Board may declare the Director position vacant if the Director resigns by giving written notice to the Board of Directors, the President, or the Director of Administration of the Association.

b. **Removal** – The (*Current Bylaws §4.04*) allows for the Board to remove any Officer or Street Director by a majority vote. The (*Revised Bylaws §8.3(2)(c)*) allows for the general membership present to remove any Director by a 2/3 vote and (*Revised Bylaws §8.3(2)(d)*) allows for the Board to remove any Director by a 2/3 vote.

8. Revisions Regarding Financial Management:

a. The (*Revised Bylaws §9.4*) allows for financial instruments (checks, drafts, etc.) to be endorsed by either the President or the Director of Finance (previously known as the Treasurer).

b. **Audit Committee** – The (*Current Bylaws §3.16(5)*) states how and when an audit of the Association's financial records will be conducted. The (*Revised Bylaws §10.5*) requires the association to conduct an annual audit of the financial records. How and when the audit will be conducted will be defined in the *RPIA Policies and Procedures*.

9. Revisions Regarding Amendment of Bylaws:

The (*Current Bylaws §7.01*) state that the bylaws can be amended by a 2/3 vote of eligible voting members. The (*Revised Bylaws §11.1*) require a quorum of 30 general members be present at the meeting to amend the Bylaws, and the amending of Bylaws requires a 2/3 vote of the general members present.



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News From A Candlelight Christmas in Ryan Place



The planning of A Candlelight Christmas in Ryan Place is well on its way for the 2014 Christmas Season! This year is stacking up to be a great tour. We have an enthusiastic board in place and we are taking the opportunity to incorporate a couple of different events and exciting new concepts.

Thank you to EVERYONE who took the time to participate in the survey that was sent out earlier this summer. We had an overwhelming response and the CCRP Board is encouraged by the information provided. We also appreciate the comments and questions that were included. Based on these comments, the board realizes many questions exist pertaining to the structure, purpose and finances of CCRP. This year's CCRP Board wants to ensure a greater level of transparency as we move forward.

The Candlelight Christmas Tour in Ryan Place has been in existence for over 30 years and was set up to fund historically significant projects. During that time, the tour has raised an impressive amount of money that has gone directly back to our neighborhood. Substantial projects like the restoration of the entry gates and the ongoing street light project (just to name a few) are a direct result of the tremendous success of the tour. These projects have a huge impact on our neighborhood and would not have happened had it not been for the Candlelight Christmas Tour. As the streetlight project comes to a completion, the board will be looking to the residents of Ryan Place for the next historical improvement that will, yet again, solidify our standing as one of the best neighborhoods in Fort Worth.

Positive change is on the horizon and as the new CCRP Board embarks on this journey it is imperative that the neighborhood rallies with us. We have a great board in place and all we need are the great residents of Ryan Place to get involved and volunteer. So mark your calendars for December 5, 6, and 7 for A Candlelight Christmas in Ryan Place, and we will cross our fingers for an ice free 2014!

Submitted by Anissa Allen, CCRP President
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YTD RPIA Treasurer's Report

Submitted by Llisa Lewis, Treasurer

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Net Revenue YTD	\$11,469.68
Newsletter Advertising	
Sales	\$4,030.00
Crime Communication	
Prevention	\$1,000.00
Event Advertising	\$0.00
Sustaining Membership	
Contributions	\$6,439.68
Net Expenses YTD	\$11,189.59
Newsletter Printing	\$3,666.00
Newsletter Distribution	\$1,172.20
Web Domain set up	\$192.00
Constant Contact	Paid in Dec for TY \$0.00
D&O Insurance	\$0.00
PO Box Rental	\$100.00
Circles & 8th Ave Gates	
Water & Irrigation	\$846.88
Parks & Gate Maintenance	\$3,612.28
Irrigation Repairs	\$531.37
Neighborhood Welcome	\$80.11
Office Supplies	\$64.82
Misc. (paypal)	\$40.38
Membership fees	\$535.00
Event Expense Paid	\$258.55
Traffic Research Impact Fee	\$90.00

NET INCOME YTD	\$280.09
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Please Note: This is taken from the working yearly budget for the Association. Totals do not include investment CD or approved funds for park renovation.

<p>To receive Ryan Place e-mails, go to www.ryanplacefortworth.com NEWS -> STAY CONNECTED</p>



Ryan Place Back-to-School Pool Party
Sunday, August 17
7-9 pm
Forest Park Pool

Back by popular demand - the Back to School Pool Party!
 Hamburgers and hotdogs will be served. Bring your own drinks
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- Create Welcome Boxes
- Spread the Word
- Host an Event
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CRIME PREVENTION & SECURITY

"I'm a sheepdog. I live to protect the flock and confront the wolf."

-LTC (Ret.) Dave Grossman

You may hear someone at some point in time refer to police officers as sheepdogs or wolf hunters. If you've never heard this before here is a brief summary of what a sheepdog is in terms of law enforcement:

"From a very early age, sheepdogs are introduced to their flock to allow them to become familiar with those they are responsible for, to imprint. As they grow, the flock becomes accustomed to the sheepdog's presence and generally accepts it as one of their own, yet remains wary of its obvious differences. The flock recognizes that the sheepdog is more similar to the predators that they try to avoid than it is to them, but trust that it means them no harm. Throughout its life the sheepdog performs his or her duty and asks for nothing in return—its nose turned in to the breeze, its ears alert for the slightest sound. The sheepdog knows that its presence is usually a deterrent and may never have to lash out in anger, but when that day comes, he is prepared to fight to the death. He quite literally guards the flock, the whole flock, with his life. No harm shall come to any in his charge."

LTC Dave Grossman refers to many people as sheep. This is not meant to offend anyone. There's nothing wrong with being a sheep. *"If you have no capacity for violence then you are a healthy productive citizen: a sheep. If you have a capacity for violence and no empathy for your fellow citizens, then you have defined an aggressive sociopath--a wolf. But what if you have a capacity for violence, and a deep love for your fellow citizens? Then you are a sheepdog, a warrior, someone who is walking the hero's path. This is someone who can walk into the heart of darkness, into the universal human phobia, and walk out unscathed."*

LTC Dave Grossman quotes a police officer attending one of his Bulletproof Mind seminars. *"I want to say thank you for finally shedding some light on why it is that I can do what I do. I always knew why I did it. I love my [citizens], even the bad ones, and had a talent that I could return to my community. I just couldn't put my finger on why I could wade through the chaos, the gore, the sadness, if given a chance try to make it all better, and walk right out the other side."*

LTC Dave Grossman expands on the differences between sheep and sheepdogs by explaining the following: *"Here is how the sheep and the sheepdog think differently. The sheep pretend the wolf will never come, but the sheepdog lives for that day. After the attacks on September 11, 2001, most of the sheep, that is, most citizens in America said, "Thank God I wasn't on one of those planes." The sheepdogs, the warriors, said, "Dear God, I wish I could have been on one of those planes. Maybe I could have made a difference." When you are truly transformed into a warrior and have truly invested yourself into warriorhood, you want to be there. You want to be able to make a difference."*

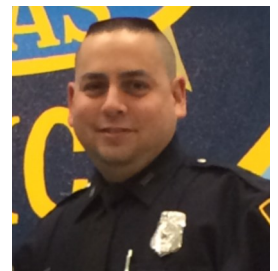
LTC Dave Grossman also points out that, *"While there is nothing morally superior about the sheepdog, the warrior, he does have one real advantage. Only one. He is able to survive and thrive in an environment that destroys 98 percent of the population."*

LTC Dave Grossman has authored several books. The quotes from this piece were taken from his book, *On Combat: The Psychology and Physiology of Deadly Conflict in War and Peace*. If any of you want to enjoy some good reading I suggest you read this book along with his others. His biography is nothing less than impressive and he is well known all over the world.

I just wanted to shed some light on the mind of what police officers go through and why we do what we do. This job is not glamorous by any means. The things that we've seen are things nobody should ever witness. Some of the things we have to do are things nobody should ever have to do. However, we do this job and we do it gladly. We don't do it for fame or medals. We sure as heck don't do it for treasure. We do it because it's a job that needs to be done.

I've got nothing else this month other than I truly enjoy being your NPO. You all have welcomed me with open arms and I hope I am afforded the pleasure of working with all of you and helping you in any way that I can. I hope everyone's summer is going great. Be safe. Watch your six. That is all. Carry on....

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An advertisement for 'Furever Friends Pet Sitting'. On the left is a black and white photo of a woman with long blonde hair sitting on a couch, smiling, with two light-colored dogs (possibly Weimaraners) sitting next to her. On the right is a black background with white text. The text reads 'Furever Friends' in a large, stylized font, with 'Pet Sitting' in a smaller font below it. At the bottom, it lists the phone number '817-734-6820' and the email 'AnneKline40@yahoo.com'.

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Real Estate Corner by Jeff Anderson

During a recent road trip, our family visited some historic properties along the Mississippi River between Baton Rouge and New Orleans. We got to stroll under old growth Oaks dripping with moss. We saw stunning architecture, beautiful magnolias and picturesque settings. Funny enough, we remarked how several of the homes and pockets of Ryan Place offered a similar level of detail, setting and charm. Just another outstanding quality of "The Fort" and a reason to be glad you live in Ryan!! It's been busy. Take a peak at all this activity!



2900 6th Ave	4 bed	2.1 bath	3,990 sqft	\$634,900
1418 Elizabeth Blvd	4 bed	2.1 bath	3,384 sqft	\$589,000
2416 Ryan Place Dr	4 bed	2.1 bath	3,657 sqft	\$510,000
2725 Willing Ave	4 bed	3 bath	2,888 sqft	\$435,000
2533 Ryan Ave	3 bed	2.1 bath	2,440 sqft	\$355,000
2925 5th Ave	4 bed	2.1 bath	1,992 sqft	\$250,000
3025 Ryan Place Drive	3 bed	1 bath	1,862 sqft	\$220,000
2844 S Adams Street S	2 bed	1 bath	1,120 sqft	\$75,000

1200 Elizabeth Blvd	4 bed	3.1 bath	3,847 sqft	Contract
2317 Ryan Ave	3 bed	2.1 bath	2,117 sqft	Contract
2317 Willing Ave	3 bed	2 bath	1,853 sqft	Contract
2617 Ryan Ave	2 bed	1 bath	922 sqft	Contract
2817 Ryan Ave	3 bed	1 bath	1,238 sqft	Contract
2921 Ryan Ave	2 bed	1 bath	1,467 sqft	Contract
1005 W Cantey St	3 bed	1 bath	1,316 sqft	Contract

2505 5th Ave	4 bed	3 bath	2,566 sqft	SOLD
2529 6th Ave	4 bed	4 bath	4,448 sqft	SOLD
2313 6th Ave	3 bed	2 bath	1,872 sqft	SOLD
2515 Willing Ave	3 bed	2.1 bath	2,255 sqft	SOLD
2713 5th Ave	2 bed	1 bath	1,633 sqft	SOLD
2419 Willing Ave	3 bed	1 bath	1,400 sqft	SOLD
2922 Willing Ave	3 bed	1 bath	1,164 sqft	SOLD
2801 Ryan Ave	2 bed	1 bath	1,092 sqft	SOLD
2821 Ryan Ave	2 bed	1 bath	980 sqft	SOLD
2917 Ryan Ave	1 bed	1 bath	1,020 sqft	SOLD

Stage 1 Watering Restrictions In Effect

Monday -

No watering with sprinklers or irrigation systems.

Tuesday & Friday -

Non-residential sites (apartments, businesses, parks, common areas)

Wednesday & Saturday -

Residential addresses ending in 0, 2, 4, 6, 8

Thursday & Sunday -

Residential addresses ending in 1, 3, 5, 7, 9

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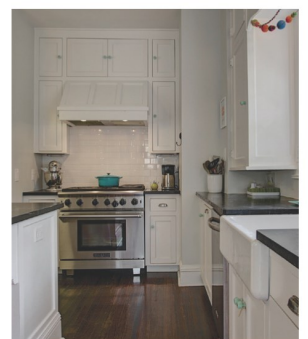
Your parent(s) want to stay in their home, yet you begin to see signs that they need assistance. Although you try to be there as much as your schedule allows, you cannot help on a daily basis and maintain the balance you need in your life. Help with transportation, cooking, cleaning, and medication reminders could make life better for them and take some pressure off you. The solution can be found with an in-home care agency.

Here are some keys to identifying the best agencies:

- The agency should be licensed by the state, bonded and insured.
- Their caregivers should be employees of the agency, not contract labor.
- Background checks should be done continuously per company policy on all employees.
- You should be able to speak to the owner of the company if and when you need to speak to them.
- The agency will carry “hired, non-owned” automobile insurance in addition to general liability if any transportation is required.
- Use locally owned agencies. Franchises are popping up everywhere and the bar is not high to get one. Locally owned agencies have their personal and professional reputation to uphold.
- Make sure the agency you choose has been in business for at least 5 -10 years.

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