

President's Letter

Fall is here and we are getting ready for the home tour! Come join us in this Ryan Place tradition!

The Candlelight Christmas in Ryan Place home tour is right around the corner. Mark your calendars right now for the weekend after Thanksgiving, Saturday, December 3 and Sunday, December 4. We have six wonderful homes being readied for their moment in the spotlight! We also have a bonus home that has been receiving lots of publicity this month! Plan now to be there, and let your family and friends know to save the dates too.

As I said last month, all profits will go to RPIA as the annual Home Tour is our major neighborhood fundraiser. It takes dozens of volunteers to make it all happen. Please sign up for one or more shifts as a volunteer docent. You'll get a complimentary ticket for each shift worked, and of course an invite to the Wine Down! Know anyone else who would be a great docent? Students who need community service hours?

Here's the link to sign up online: http://goo.gl/cxeiER or call Kris Savage, Volunteer Chair, at 817-507-6742 and she'll find the perfect spot for you.

Together we can make this year's Candlelight Christmas in Ryan Place the best ever!

RPIA is also having a Christmas event at the Bastion on Hemphill. The event will be on Friday, December 2nd. More information regarding this event is inside the newsletter Finally, RPIA's next general meeting is on November 14th at St. John's. This is our annual potluck dinner meeting. We also will have a discussion on the future of Daggett Park. RPIA hired a park planner who will present a proposed new park plan for Daggett Park. This is your opportunity to participate in shaping this park. Come and join us for food, fun and friendly discussion regarding one of the great assets of our neighborhood.

Last, we are looking for volunteers for board positions, street directors, and to work on the Christmas Tour. If you are interested in any of these positions, please let me know!

Cade Lovelace, President RPIA



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2016 Month Copy Deadline Distribution

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RPIA Financial Report

Tour Revenue 2016 Dec 3rd & 4th Mark those calendars NOW!

YTD General Fund Revenue

Newsletter Advertising Sales	\$8,425.00
Tour Money General Fund Donation	\$10,000.00
Neighborhood Contributions	\$7,019.00
Sponsorships	\$1,000.00

Net Expenses YTD

Newsletter Printing & Bags	\$8,026.45
Web Domain set up	\$0.00
Constant Contact	\$0.00
D&O Insurance	\$0.00
PO Box Rental	\$106.00
Meeting Signs	\$0.00
Circles & 8th Ave Gates, Water & Irrigation	\$746.70
Parks & Gate Maintenance	\$4,933.44
Irrigation Repairs	\$729.48
Neighborhood Welcome	\$0.00
Office Supplies	\$0.00
Misc. & online fees	\$46.82
Membership fees	\$285.00
Event Expense Paid	\$2,947.34
Improvement Projects	\$490.41
NET INCOME YTD	\$5,841.83

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WE NEED YOUR DONATIONS

Take a minute and write your check to sustain our neighborhood events, programs, and improvements. Mail your contribution to RPIA at P.O. Box 11122, Fort Worth, TX 76110.

We appreciate your support!



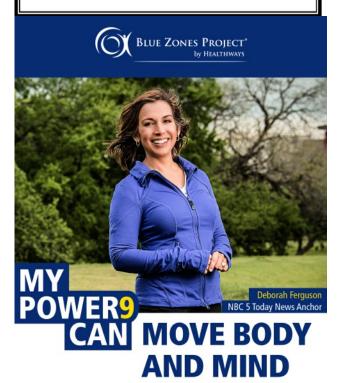


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These donors are listed as reciepts through 10.20.16.

Submitted by Llisa Lewis, Treasurer

Sustaining Neighbor	Donation above \$200	Neighborhood Builder - Continued	
Gary & Deborah Carl	5th	Joan Loicano	Willing
Spencer Tanke	Elizabeth	Hayne & Katie Shumate	5th
Cade & Jennifer Lovelace	5th	Rick & Angela Bettinger	5th
Gary & Terri West	5th	Tiernan	6th
Kitty & Jim Loveless	6th	Kipp Baker	6th
John Angle & Joel Burns	Adams	Robert & Lawrence Trimble	6th
Patricia & Glenn Polenz	College	Brack & Pamm Cox	Adams
Joan Kline	Elizabeth	Steve & Diane Zemkoski	Adams
Randy & Lin Parham	RPD	Robert & Carol King	College
Tom & Llisa Lewis	Elizabeth	Mr or Mrs. Yates Brown	Elizabeth
		John & Danielle Morris	Lipscomb
Community Patron	Donation of \$101 to \$200	Rick Tucker	RA
		Steve & Debra Flanagan	RPD
Wayne & Donna Darner	Elizabeth	James M Kwolek	
Jim & Mary Sadowski	Willing		
Ted & Dana Settle	Adams	Good Neighbor Level	Donation up to \$35
Javier & Patricia Rodriquez	Adams		
Edward & Eugenia Furber	Elizabeth	Javier & Patricia Rodriguez	Adams
Kurt Nielson	Elizabeth	Rachel Shupee	RPD
Elzie & Michael Wilson	5th	Online Donation	
Mary Orzel	5th	Tracy Papa	Elizabeth
Erik & Kathryn Hansen	6th	Kurt & Jill Sprenger	College
Raul & Lisa Pena	Elizabeth	Teresa Crafton	Willing
Ruth Karbach	RPD	Ron & Debra Hughes	Willing
		Deborah Crow & Joan Loica	n Willing
Neighborhood Builder	Donation of \$36 to \$100	Michael & Rita Utt	6th
			Willing
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Home Tour

Saturday, December 3 • Sunday, December 4

The Legacy of Family



The Alpar Home 1416 Elizabeth Blvd.



Carlos Gomez & Eric Prokesh 1604 Elizabeth Blvd.



The Burch Home 2608 S. Adams Street



Hull Historical 2300 Willing Avenue



The Gee Home 2600 5th Avenue



The Renta Home 2701 6th Avenue

"LINDA WILSON HILL: A LIFE IN RYAN PLACE"

1950s-1960s

Linda was a five-year-old when her family moved to Ryan Place. Her parents Jack and Ruth Wilson purchased 2515 Willing, one of the earliest homes on that street. Linda's father worked as a psychologist who was career counselor at TCU. Her mother handled rent collection and record keeping for the real estate investment business of Linda's grandparents but was always available to her daughters.

Linda soon had a best friend Nancy who lived close to her. Linda's maternal grandparents, Herbert and Ruby Ralls, were just four blocks away on Elizabeth Boulevard. Walking home from Daggett Elementary School, Linda and her sister, Pam, made daily stops for ice cream with chocolate syrup made by their grandmother. Another treat was August's Pie Company honey buns that their grandfather would buy for the girls; and Linda still remembers the enticing smell of baking donuts from that Fairmount business. In the fifties, school girls wore dresses, and Linda's skinned knees often showed after falls while skating on the sidewalks and driveways. Linda learned to ride a bike at five, and children in those days spent most of their free time outdoors and unsupervised. Linda felt so big going to the Goolsby College Avenue Drug Store just north of her school to buy bottled ink for her fountain pen. The annual trip to the Skillern Drug Store on West Berry to

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purchase the new school year's supplies was a major event because school children received a free milkshake at the soda fountain.

After three years on Willing Avenue, the Wilsons bought 2310 Sixth Avenue. The family remained there through Linda's years at Daggett Junior High and Paschal High School. By the sixth grade, Linda and two girlfriends and three boys regularly went to movies at the Parkway Theater at 8th Avenue and Park Place. At 12 years old, Linda and her friends started catching the city bus at South Adams to go downtown to The Fair department store.

Armed with a driver's license at age 14, Linda must have heard Chubby Checker's "The Twist" on the radio of her four-in-the-floor maroon Tempest convertible. During two summers, she worked in the western store at the almost new Six Flags. Linda attended a different college every year before graduating from TCU equipped to be a teacher. Some Ryan Place properties were in decline, and in the late 1960s Ruth and Jack Wilson decided to move to a TCU neighborhood. But Linda's grandparents remained at 1112 Elizabeth Boulevard, their home since 1949. The Ryan Place Improvement Association, the first in Fort Worth, was founded in 1968 to address urban blight and safety issues.

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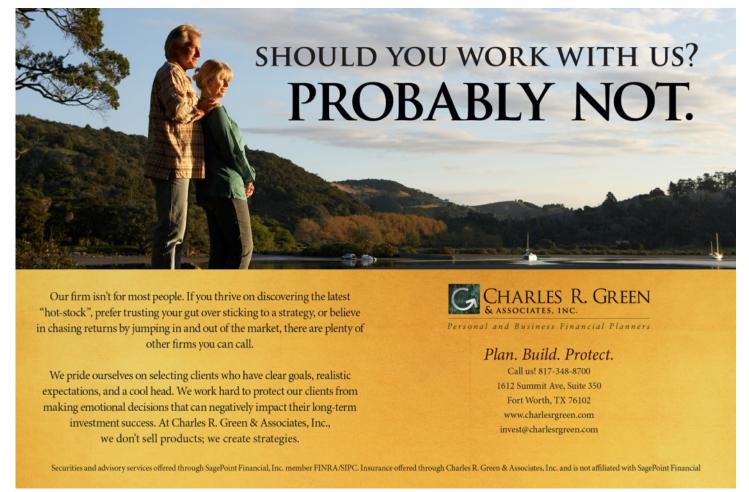
Ryan Place 2016 Fall BBQ

Here is what you need to know about the upcoming fall BBQ Event in December! I know it's December but the fall was very busy and finding time for the BBQ was difficult. This date may not be perfect we hosted the first event in December 4 years ago. Also, do not worry, the Cowboy game is a Sunday evening game. The BBQ event will be held at the home of Tim and Kari Keith on Sunday, December 11th between 2:00 and 5:00. There will be a trampoline for the kids in the backyard as well as some games. We will try to eat as close to 3:00 as we can; please bring your food items ready to eat. As always these events are pot luck style and kid friendly. Please bring your own seats and of course BYOB. We will keep a list of who is bringing what on the FB page. If you

have any questions at all please contact me directly at 817-929-7258 or message me on FB.

Tim and Kari Keith
Address: 2724 Willing Ave, Fort Worth, TX 76110

For those of you who have not been to one of these here is what you need to know. Anyone from the neighborhood or friends of the neighborhood is invited to come and feel free to bring a dish of your favorite picnic appetizer/side/dessert. We tend to always have just about the right amount of food. This is a kid friendly event. Bring your own chair and it's BYOB. It's a great opportunity to meet your neighbors and eat some great food!! We typically have around 100 people for these events. If you have any questions, please let me know! Hope to see you there!



Cowboy Compost by John MacFarlane

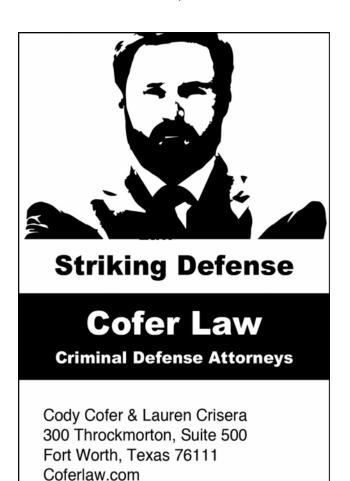


Do you want to reduce your waste? Do you want to turn your food into compost? Do you want to compost but just don't have the time? Well, Cowboy Compost can help. Cowboy Compost is local residential composting company created by two resident leaders in Fort Worth: Fort Worth Symphony Orchestra's Music Director, Miguel Harth-Bedoya, and small business owner and entrepreneur, Johanna Calderón.

They provide the containers (buckets with air tight lids) and you fill them with as much compostable household waste as you can. They come by every two weeks, usually on Tuesday, and exchange the full buckets for empty

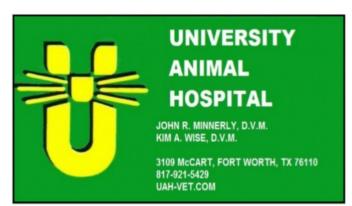
ones for you to fill up again. At the end of the year, they return to you some compost soil, made in part from your own input. The cost of this service is \$7.50 per bi-weekly service, for up to two buckets. This is enough for about 30 or so pounds of residues. Additional buckets are \$2.00. They bill monthly and offer online payment via Square.

They are looking to expand, and Ryan Place/Fairmount would be the perfect neighborhoods. They are also looking for a community composting pickup area for all residents in the area to exchange their buckets. This would reduce your monthly rate. The Fairmount Community Garden would be the best place for this community bucket exchange. Please email me at zedthecat@gmail.com if you are interested, so I can let them know of community interest.



Phone: (817)810-9395







RPIA General Meeting

See the new Daggett Park!

Potluck Dinner – Bring a Dish

St. John's Church 2401 College Avenue

PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE -

Monday, Nov. 14th 7:00 pm

Join us for the final RPIA meeting!!

Bring a dish to share and see the new

Daggett Park proposal!

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1984-Present

When Linda's grandmother died in 1984, Linda returned to Ryan Place with her husband, Roland Hill III, and sons, John MacFarlane III and Wesley Hill, to live in the former home of her grandparents. Wesley started the first grade at Daggett Elementary, the oldest continuous public school in Fort Worth. The year before Daggett Elementary School became the site of the initial Montessori classes. John MacFarlane attended college starting in 1984. Linda Hill taught school, and Wesley had keys to the house for after school hours. During her sons' pre-school years, Linda was an athome mother and that was the norm in Ryan Place until the Texas oil bust of 1986. With the woman's rights movement of the 1960s, many Ryan Place mothers worked before marriage and children; and, as the recession deepened, they re-entered the work force and younger children were placed in day care.

In the eighties, Ryan Place Improvement Association leaders were successful in forming partnerships for Daggett Park and Triangle Park; the neighborhood were filled with trees and crepe myrtles bought at wholesale prices in the early years of the association. Ryan Place moms of the era were heavily involved with Daggett Elementary, and funds from the neighborhood financed improvements to school property. The Candlelight Christmas in Ryan Place tour, founded to fund historic projects in the neighborhood, became a holiday tradition with many families starting in 1984.

Today, Linda and Roland Hill are grandparents to four grandchildren, and until recently their sons lived in Willing Avenue homes next door to each other. Roland and Linda had a challenge revitalizing and maintaining their Elizabeth Boulevard home but remained faithful to the basic design of this 1911 treasure, the first house in Ryan Place. Surrounded by furnishings and decorative items of her grandmother and her great-aunt, Linda follows in their footsteps by purchasing antique light fixtures, furniture, and decorative pieces that complement the spacious home. Roland jokes that he only contributed a Victrola to the nostalgic ambiance. Strongly influenced by Grandmother Ruby, Linda is a member of the Woman's Club of Fort Worth, one of that grand lady's main interests. Linda has lived for almost fifty years in Ryan Place and her family spans five generations in the neighborhood, quite an astonishing record!

Contributed by: Ruth H. Karbach, Director of Membership



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A Christmas Celebration at

The Bastion



Friday, December 2nd

The Bastion
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Reception and Dinner

Stay tuned for more details and announcements!

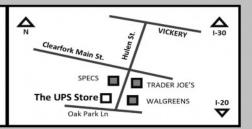
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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR CANDLELIGHT CHRISTMAS TOUR

Volunteer to be host for the *Candlelight Christmas in Ryan Place Home Tour*, Dec. 3-4! You'll earn a ticket to the tour AND an invite to the Wine Down on Sunday evening.

Three easy ways to sign up:

SignUpGenius: http://bit.ly/2e3KGRP
 Email: candlelightchristmas@gmail.com

3. Phone: 817-507-6742 Thanks for your support!

Interested in Bringing Back Yard of the Month?

I'm looking for a person, or persons, to resume the Yard of the Month award. I used to have help; that person has moved, and I simply don't have time anymore. It isn't a difficult process.

Here's what to do:

- 1. Just select a beautiful yard and take a photo.
- 2. Then submit the photo plus a little article about the house/yard to me.
- 3. I will then submit a form and the photograph to Calloway's.
- 4. Calloway's awards the winner a \$25 gift certificate.

Please contact me via email or phone if interested!

Thanks,

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The other day I bought a box of kitchen matches at the Kroger. You know the ones, wood match sticks that you strike on the top of the gas range to light the oven or the broiler. But not any longer! Now you have to light them by striking on the side of the box. Much safer I'm told.

Now, imagine you are driving along Interstate 35 between Austin and San Antonio. Around exit numbers 189 and 188 you cross the Guadalupe River. You encounter a TxDOT installed warning sign: "Bridge May Ice In Cold Weather." Now I am for traffic safety as much as the next fellow, I certainly would not want to be involved in a traffic accident on a bridge's slippery road surface, but are all those signs really necessary especially in geographic areas that freezing road surfaces are not very likely.

Would Texas save money by placing those warning signs only at our borders with New Mexico, Oklahoma, Louisiana and along the wall with Mexico? Texas could spend the money saved by increasing state public education funding, maybe for physics lessons about cold road surfaces, moisture, and speeding vehicles!

Maybe my issues with kitchen matches could be helped by a simple warning label:

"Don't carry a bunch of these matches in your pocket because they might rub together and set your pants on fire!"

I know others have run into this kitchen match problem. Why, you ask? Because there are 'youtube' instructional videos to make the 'safety kitchen' match a 'strike anywhere' match. I won't describe the process here for the fear of influencing minors to act more like kids did back in my day.

In other news from 1955:

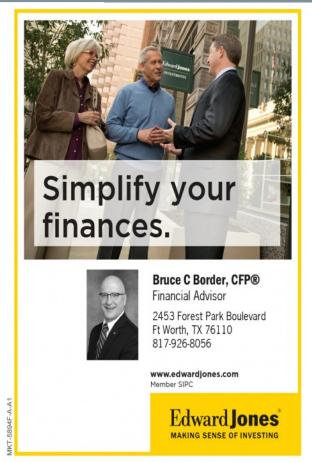
Salsa Limon is moving its building, concrete slab and all from University Drive to a new site on White Settlement Road. The building, for many years, was Topsy's Diner. The cook/owner was the king of his grill. He prepared multiple orders with the seemingly ease of commander of many cooks, but he was actually the only one.

Not unlike the owner of Burger & Shake, a downtown lunch hamburger joint near the office buildings along 7th Street. He had to be seen to be believed.

Well. I hoped this bit of nonsense helped. Now its back to NPR, CNN and whatever is your trusted news source.

Submitted by Christopher Ebert, neighbor

November 2016						
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