



## PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Ryan Place Residents,

I hope this letter finds you well. The summer events are coming up and I have a few announcements to make. First of all we are looking forward to the July 4th parade and festivities.

We will have a party the night before the 4th in Daggett Park just like last year.

To start with we are going to have our first ever "Ryan Place Talent Show". This will be an opportunity for kids 18 and under to perform songs, skits, plays or anything creative they would like to do for up to 10 minutes.

We are still working on the details but excited that this will be something we can build on. We will start with the talent show first and when it's over we will have some music like last year.

We are bringing back Chet Stevens and those of you that were in attendance last

year know that he is not to be missed!

Also like last year we will have a new run of Ryan Place T-shirts and hats for us to wear for the July 3/4th activities. We are working on designs right now and will have everything ready to order in a few weeks.

So if you missed your Ryan Place swag last year, this is your chance to get some new stuff or get this years new design!

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*The newsletter also appears online at [ryanplacefortworth.com/newsletters](http://ryanplacefortworth.com/newsletters).*

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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>May</b>	2	3	4	5	6	7
8 Mother's Day	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16 General Meeting	17	18	19	20	21
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No RPIA Board meetings are held in July or December

WATCH OUR FB PAGE AND YOUR EMAIL FOR CONSTANT CONTACT UPDATES. STAY SAFE and STAY HEALTHY.

## PLANNED EVENTS FOR 2022

- May 16, 7pm – General Meeting
- May 30 – Croquet Tournament
- June 20, 7pm – Board Meeting
- June or July (date TBD) – Summer pool party/bbq
- July 3 – Party in the Park
- July 4 – Parade & softball game
- August 8, 7pm – Board Meeting
- September 19, 7pm – Board Meeting
- September (date TBD) – Business mixer/happy hour
- October 17, 7pm – Board Meeting
- October 21 – Triangle Park Movie Night
- November 28, 7pm – General Meeting (board elections)
- December 2 – Holiday Party
- December 3-4 – Candlelight Christmas Home Tour



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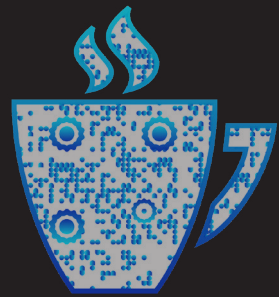
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## President's Letter (cont.)

Please also remember that May is the "Camera" month of the "lights, camera, action" campaign so be sure to switch out those signs.

If you do not have a sign and want one please contact myself or Jason Jones.

Have a great month of May and look for updates to the mentioned events on Facebook and constant contact.

*Tim Keith*

*President, RPIA*

## Candlelight Christmas Update

by Chris Gee, CCRP Chair

The CCRP Committee had a productive meeting in April. The tour homes are about set, several significant sponsors have been secured, and several holiday entertainment attractions have been booked!

This year's tour will be showcasing 5 wonderful old homes whose owners have given them new life! The tour will be held December 3-4, so be sure and save the date!

If you are interested in being a sponsor for this year's tour event, please contact Chris Gee at [chriswgee@hotmail.com](mailto:chriswgee@hotmail.com).



Special thanks to our committee members (L-R): Chris Gee, Alison Gee, Rachel Manning, Malorie Nielsen, Tim Keith, and Casey Creager. Not pictured: Colleen Shutt, Jennifer O'Connell, Kari Keith, and Mary Jane Debenport.

# CAMERAS

Install and monitor motion activated security cameras.

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## **RPIA Senior Columnist - Why Me?**

by *Chris Ebert, Senior Columnist*

We moved to Ryan Place in 1976. We watched the infamous US Bicentennial Fourth of July parade on July 3, 1976. It had been moved to the third so as to not interfere with the City of Fort Worth's official bicentennial celebrations. That was the good news. However Fort Worth was under a NWS severe thunderstorm watch the afternoon of the third. The parade was scheduled for 4:00pm the exact time of the approaching thunderstorms.

The parade started about 15 minutes early and completed its route in record time with the members of the Bottom-of-the-Barrel band holding on for dear life. Needless to say there was no picnic nor performance by the Ryan Place Players afterward.

In May 2004 I wrote a letter to the then RPIA Newsletter Editor with a proposal for a series of "Then & Now" articles about the changes in the neighborhood as described in the old vs. the current RPIA Newsletters.

I thought surely my collection of many back issues

## **A Thank You to Our Welcome Sponsor**

by *Ruth Karbach*

Since its founding in 2016, the Great Harvest Bread Company at 1305 West Magnolia Avenue has been a sponsor for the RPIA welcome program. Owners Jon and Andrea "Andie" Davis have gifted bread made from scratch using freshly milled Montana wheat to welcome new neighbors. Jon and Andie have a more than a decade-long relationship with the neighborhood and recently moved into an

## **Drive Friendly, Keep Kids Safe**

by *Ryan Terry*

It's nearly summer and school will be out soon, but here's a quick reminder to drive safe and friendly around our neighborhood schools.

While efforts from the city are underway to improve our sidewalks, especially those that students are using to walk to school, it is up to those of us who

would yield enough data for a year's worth of columns.

I had been the editor of the Newsletter in 1980-81 and knew that gathering content was the most difficult part of the job. Of course he said yes. However as I read the old for issues that had been solved there wasn't "Then & Now". It was a never ending list of zoning cases that were much the same as "Now" Encroaching Pawn Shops, Convenience Stores and Commercial Dump Trucks. Sure the Ryan Place Neighborhood officers had changed but it was a continual effort to protect the residential qualities of the neighborhood.

Then my focus moved to commenting on issues and activities that serve to highlight the "cafeteria" that is the Ryan Place Improvement Association: Picnics, Christmas Home Tours, Croquet Tournaments, Parades, Easter Egg Hunts and Garage Sale Weekends. Also reporting on the individuals that have been important to the success of our neighborhood.

Let's Keep On Keeping On!

Elizabeth Boulevard home next door to friends.

If you have not tried the Great Harvest Bread Company's selections of delicious salads, specialty sandwiches, breakfast fare, and sweet treats, you can order online via [funktowntownbread.com](http://funktowntownbread.com), phone in an order at 682-708-7228, or walk in between 7:30am to 5:30 pm Monday-Friday and 8 am-4pm Saturday. There is casual seating for dining in. Their catering services is highly rated. Contact by email is [jdavis@greatharvest.com](mailto:jdavis@greatharvest.com).

are driving these streets every day to be alert, drive cautiously, and observe the school zones!

Don't let your guard down when summer comes either! We want to keep our neighborhood safe for all the kids that will be playing in their yards, riding their bikes, and spending time outside this summer.

Be a good neighbor! Drive safely!



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## **Public invited to Botanic Garden master plan first draft reveal**

Published on May 09, 2022 at [fortworthtexas.gov/news](https://fortworthtexas.gov/news)

The Fort Worth Botanic Garden | Botanical Research Institute of Texas invites public participation in a Master Plan Committee meeting from 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 17, when an initial concept for the master plan design will be revealed.

The consultant team for the master plan led by landscape architecture firm Studio Outside has gathered input from the committee, staff

## **Keep Weeds and Grass Mown or Pay Up**

Published on May 09, 2022 at [fortworthtexas.gov/news](https://fortworthtexas.gov/news)

It's the season for grass and weeds—and they're growing quickly. The city began spot-mowing in January, which is the earliest mowing in recent years. Full mowing of rights-of-way and medians started in February.

This year, rights-of-way are on a 14-day mow cycle during the growing season.

Remember: property owners are responsible for mowing the rights-of-way next to their homes and road. Keep your yard, vacant lot or land cut

## **Explore Your Creative Side with Musical Instruments from the Library**

Published on April 29, 2022 at [fortworthtexas.gov/news](https://fortworthtexas.gov/news)

Starting May 1, Fort Worth Public Library cardholders can check out a musical instrument for three weeks.

With financial support from the Fort Worth Public Library Foundation, the Library will now lend acoustic and electric guitars, drum pads, ukuleles, keyboards and more. Like other library items, instrument checkouts can be renewed if no one is on a wait list for the instrument.

members and the general public for the future of the FWBGIBRIT campus. Based on compilation of this data, the team will present its findings and a proposed design that will inform the direction and priorities for the next 20 years of infrastructure and facility improvements across the 120-acre campus.

After a presentation, attendees are invited to provide comment in a conversational format with a dedicated staff member or via a comment card.

The meeting will take place in the Garden Center Lecture Hall, 3220 Botanic Garden Blvd.

to less than 12 inches tall, as provided in the city ordinance. If left overgrown, it can result in hefty fines from the city.

Keeping yards free of tall grass and weeds can prevent mosquitos, rodents and wildlife from invading your property and creating hazards to you, your family and your neighbors. It's particularly important to help prevent mosquitoes infected with the West Nile virus (mosquitoes seek shelter in tall grass during the heat of the day).

Report high grass and weeds by email, phone at 817-392-1234 or via the MyFW app.

Reserve online or find one in your neighborhood Library.

The Library is also helping residents learn how to play instruments in a variety of ways. The Meadowbrook library hosts weekly jam sessions for all ages, a new guitar lesson series is available on YouTube and library cardholders can access LinkedIn Learning lessons.

The Fort Worth Public Library is committed to expanding access to arts and culture initiatives in the city and encourages patrons to explore all the music-related programs offered year-round.



## 37th Annual Ryan Place Croquet Tournament

Memorial Day - Monday, May 30th - 10:00am

2530 Ryan Place Drive

The 37th Annual Ryan Place Croquet Tournament will be held Memorial Day, May 30, 2022 in Historic Ryan Place. The Ryan Place Croquet Tournament is a single elimination tournament with each team consisting of two players.

Play will begin 10:00am Monday morning on the Croquet Tournament's Championship Court at the home of Tommy & Susan Drake, 2530 Ryan Place Drive. Winners of the Preliminary Round will play immediately in the Championship Final.

You may bring a partner or meet a partner at the Preliminary Round. Everyone who comes to the Preliminary Round is welcome to play. All ages and skill levels can compete for a chance to be in the Championship Final.

### Croquet Clinics

Sundays in May - 3:00pm

2530 S. Adams

Each Sunday afternoon in May at 3:00pm Croquet Clinics will be held to review the game rules, teach the techniques and learn the strategies of croquet. Previous winners will be the special guests to share their secrets for tournament success.

### Ryan Place Croquet Tournament Summary of Rules:


The Game: American nine-wicket croquet

Teams: Each team shall consist of two players. Every age is welcomed and encouraged to play. Players do not have to reside in Ryan Place

Pairings: Teams will be paired for tournament play by a drawing to be held at 10:00am Monday, May 30, 2022.

Format: Single elimination until one team is declared the winner.

Check the Ryan Place Facebook page and [historicryanplace.org](http://historicryanplace.org) for up to the minute information from Christopher Ebert, Tournament Director & Croquet Czar, 817-319-2363



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### About our Ryan Place Newsletter

Newsletter deadlines dates are usually the 15th of the month - OR- the 3rd Friday of the month for both content and advertising inserts (or changes), with distribution intended for the first weekend of the following month.

The Newsletter is delivered each month (excluding January and July) to every home in Ryan Place. The newsletter is typically hung on your front door handle and is delivered through the volunteer efforts of Ryan Place residents.

If you do not receive a newsletter, please contact any RPIA director for a copy. The newsletter is also posted online at [ryanplacefortworth.com](http://ryanplacefortworth.com).

Want more news or information, about present and pending Ryan Place matters?  
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  - JULY 4th PARADE
  - FIRE TRUCK RESTORATION\*\*
- NEWSLETTER and WEBSITE with discussions of issues important to our neighborhood.
- PARKS and Infrastructure Improvements
- PROMOTION and PROTECTION of Historic Ryan Place
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