



RPIA PRESIDENT'S UPDATE

It is already August! The summer is winding down and the new school year is just around the corner. We have a fun event coming up and are looking for volunteers for the home tour and to be on the RPIA Board.

First, I want to congratulate the Ryan Place Flyers for a victory in the annual Ryan Place - Fairmount Softball Game. This year's game was thrilling, with the Flyers scoring the winning run in the bottom of the 9th inning. I would like to thank all the volunteers and sponsors for the game; it is such a fun event, and it's great to see everyone in both neighborhoods participate together. I also would like to thank our vice-president Jason Allen for all his work in putting this event together and coaching the winning team. I hope that this event and the Flyers four-year winning streak continues!

Next, we have a back-to-school pool party coming up at Forest Park Pool. The pool party is on Sunday, August 12, at 7 p.m. RPIA has rented the pool for the neighborhood to use. We will have pizza and refreshments. It is a great way to see everyone after the long summer!

Now that school is just around the corner, it is a good time to remind the neighborhood of our local schools. We have two great schools in Ryan Place, Daggett Elementary, and Daggett Montessori. Daggett Elementary is a traditional elementary school that goes through 5th grade. They have a new principal this year, and RPIA will be reaching out to introduce them to the neighborhood. Daggett Montessori is a Montessori-based school that goes through 8th grade. This school and program started as a part of Daggett Elementary and has grown to its own campus on Hemphill.

As part of my last few President Letters, I plan on highlighting our local schools and how our neighborhood can support them.

Finally, both the Christmas home tour and RPIA need volunteers! A new RPIA board will be elected in November, and if you are interested in learning about how our neighborhood runs, let me know! Also, our annual fundraiser, the Christmas Home Tour, will be gaining steam in early fall and needs folks to help. Please let Sarah Rucker know if you are available to help by emailing srucker24@gmail.com.

I look forward to seeing everyone in cooler weather!

Cade Lovelace, President RPIA

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Do you have an idea for something you'd like to see in the Ryan Place Newsletter? Recipes from your neighbors? Photos from neighborhood events? We want to hear your suggestions! Email rpianewsletter@yahoo.com and let us know what you'd like to read about!

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THIS MONTH IN RYAN PLACE

Back-to-School Swim Party

Sunday, August 12, 7-9 p.m. at Forest Park Pool, 2212 Forest Park Blvd.

Join your neighbors for the RPIA back to school pool party at the Forest Park Pool! RPIA has rented out the entire facility and there will be lifeguards on duty. If you have kids this is a great opportunity for them to socialize with other kids in the neighborhood. Pizza and refreshments will be provided. We look forward to seeing you there!



RPIA General Board Meeting

The August RPIA Board Meeting will be held on **Monday, August 20, 7 p.m.** at St. John's Episcopal Church.

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FWISD AND TCU 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR

Parents rejoice! On **August 20**, the Fall semester begins for Fort Worth ISD and TCU. Plan your commute accordingly.

ARTIST TAKASHI MURAKAMI

Don't miss the Modern Art Museum of Fort Worth's vibrant summer exhibition, *Takashi Murakami: "The Octopus Eats Its Own Leg"* on view **now through September 16**. During the exhibition, the Museum will offer half-price tickets on Sundays and free admission on Fridays!

CELEBRATE 40 YEARS OF FALL GALLERY NIGHT!

The Fort Worth Art Dealer's Association (FWADA) invites you to take-in the visual arts and their unique cultural richness during Fall Gallery Night, Saturday, **September 8**. Stroll through participating galleries, museums, retail businesses, and area restaurants, and enjoy the many artists featured during this community event. Gallery Night is free and open to the public. More information at fwada.com/gallerynight.

AROUND DFW

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Experience the most beloved fairy tale of all time, *Cinderella*. Laugh at the zany antics of Cinderella's ugly stepsisters and rejoice as Cinderella finds her prince charming. **August 24 - 26** at the Winspear Opera House. More details at texasballettheater.com.



Jennifer Lovelace

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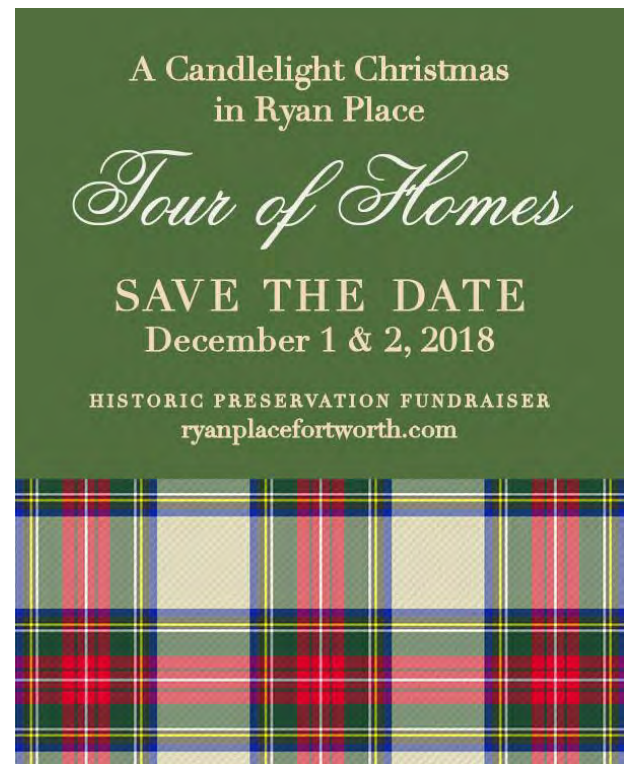
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THE TEAL PUMPKIN PROJECT

By Abby Sehgal

Are you dreaming of fall yet? I've had Halloween on my mind for awhile now, but it's not just due to the scorching heat we've been enduring. No, I'm excited for Halloween because this year, our house will be participating in the Teal Pumpkin Project!

The Teal Pumpkin Project is a movement created by FARE, Food Allergy Research & Education (foodallergy.org). Teal is the color of food allergy awareness, and I stumbled upon the Teal Pumpkin Project while researching celiac disease, which our daughter was diagnosed with this spring.

In addition to our usual assortment of Halloween candy, this year our house will have non-food treats for any child who would like one. One in 13 children in the United States has a food allergy, and by providing an alternative to candy, the Teal Pumpkin Project can help make Halloween more fun and safe for everyone. Even though our little one is not yet old enough to participate in trick-or-treating yet, I want to begin a new tradition that will positively affect her and others in the neighborhood.



Are you interested in participating in the Teal Pumpkin Project? If so, email rpianewsletter@yahoo.com so we can connect and share ideas!

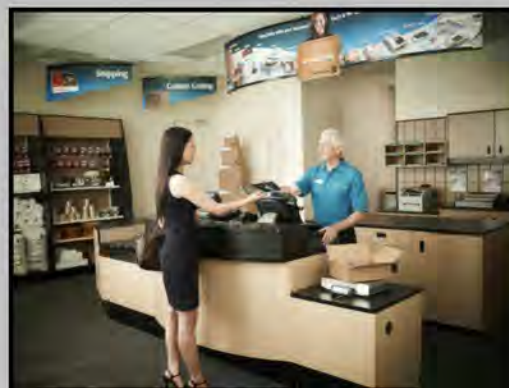
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BACK TO SCHOOL READING

by Layne Craig

Bildungsroman is a German word that literally means “education novel.” This word is used loosely in literature to refer to a coming-of-age story—some *Bildungsroman* many of us have read include *Huckleberry Finn*, *Jane Eyre*, and the Harry Potter series. Back to school season seems like the perfect time to try a new “education novel”—here are a few offbeat ones that I enjoyed.

Fun Home, by Alison Bechdel: You may have seen the Tony-award winning Broadway musical adaptation of *Fun Home*—whether you have or not, definitely check out Bechdel’s original. A graphic novel for an adult audience, *Fun Home* moves back and forth between Bechdel’s childhood spent helping out at her family’s funeral home and her traumatic experiences in college, when her father died tragically just as Bechdel was coming to terms with his—and her own—sexual identity. There are so many intricate layers to this seemingly straightforward family drama, both visually and in terms of its storytelling, that make it fun to read and discuss in a group.

Silver Sparrow, Tayari Jones: Jones’s *An American Marriage* is getting a lot of press right now. If you’re like me and still on the library waitlist for *An American Marriage*, if you finished it and want more, or if you just like complicated friendship stories, check out her previous book, *Silver Sparrow*. The two protagonists who narrate this novel are half-sisters—their father, we learn in its first sentence, has two wives. One protagonist, Dana, knows she is part of a “second” family, but the other, Chaurisse, isn’t in on the secret. In the first half of the novel, Dana narrates coming to terms with her complicated family and seeks a relationship with Chaurisse, and in the second half, we get Chaurisse’s point-of-view on the same events. Jones is very good at relatable but complicated characters, and I found myself shifting allegiances as I read, and feeling deep sympathy for both girls by the end.



A Wind in the Door, Madeleine L’Engle: If you and/or your family’s resident middle-grade reader loved *A Wrinkle in Time*, don’t miss this poignant sequel. Meg is a teenager now, and her beloved brother Charles Wallace is navigating a serious illness. With the help of her friend Calvin and some mysterious supernatural guides, Meg has to confront the darkness that threatens her brother’s life from within. I adored this book as a child and am still moved by it as an adult—the sibling relationship between Meg and Charles Wallace is such a gift to literature, and as in *A Wrinkle in Time*, L’Engle’s characters remain human, and even sometimes humorous, as they set out to save the world.

Bonus: *Ready Player One*, Ernest Cline: Cline’s book—now a movie—is the Common Reading for incoming freshmen at TCU this year. If you’re into layers upon layers of 80s pop culture references and stories where friendship saves the day, this might be a good *Bildungsroman* for you. Beware the all-too-plausible environmental and economic dystopia in which this adventure is set.

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SUMMER 2018 IN RYAN PLACE

We made some great memories during our Fourth of July parade, softball game, and RP BBQ this summer. Thank you to all of our volunteers and attendees!



SIGNPOSTS OF LIFE

by Christopher Ebert

I know I have written about the TxDOT installed warning sign: "Bridge May Ice In Cold Weather" and how the State of Texas could save taxpayer money by investing the cost of those signs by increasing state public education funding, maybe for physics lessons about cold road surfaces, moisture, and speeding vehicles!

But on a recent road trip south on US 281, after a morning snack at the Koffee Kup in Hico, I came upon a sign that seemed to sum up the divisions in our country:

"No Center Line!" (The explanation mark is my addition.) It referred to the dangerous condition of driving on a recently paved roadway without a painted line down the center. But could possibly describe our lack of cooperation, agreement, and compromise about the issues that face our country today.

It got me to thinking about other road signs that can have multiple meanings:

"Seek Alternate Route" – Seen prior to active road construction, this week approaching Bluebonnet Circle is an example. But maybe it is a direction that we need to, as they say, think outside the box to find a solution, a better way forward – an alternate route.

"School Zone" – Is it a warning about young children or busy parents making their way to a school, or is it about how we all need to keep learning throughout our lives?

"End School Zone" – Is about traffic safety for sure.

The power of the freeway overhead sign:

We want to be on the 'look out' for a lost senior in 1986 Buick LeSabre. (Have you noticed they are never driving a 2017 Jeep Wrangler JK Rubicon with removal doors?)

We are a data driven society. We expect our iPhone's GPS app like Waze or a TxDOT freeway sign to actually be able to tell us how many minutes it is to I20, I30 or I820. We want to believe that there is a computer program calculating the time it takes to get from where we are to where we might want to go.

Watch for other TxDOT signs which might have meanings beyond the highway and on to the highway of life. Post those signs on our neighborhood Facebook page so we all can learn the lessons of the road.

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Tips for homeowners to finish strong

Any athletics coach will tell you the start of the 3rd quarter of a game often sets the course for its remainder and how the team will finish. Come out strong and you'll likely finish strong - and win the game.

We are now a few weeks into the 3rd quarter of 2018. As if you need more to do, we ask "How's it going?" Where's that list of projects you made? Next to those new year resolutions? Ever thought about a set of **HOUSE RULES** to help manage them? Here are a few to help manage a strong 3rd quarter, finish out the rest of the year, and keep your home strong:

August: Replace tungsten or compact fluorescent light bulb with LEDs. Consider better security during the vacation season by adding motion sensor controls to lighting or installing cameras.

September: Labor day is a good time to install or test smoke and carbon monoxide detectors and

replace the batteries. Add weather-stripping to pull-down attic stairs or access holes. Insulate backs of panels.

October: Check those doors – replace worn out door sweeps to insulate against heat/cold changes. Clean the gutters and make sure downspouts are flowing freely.

November: Check your foundation and roof for holes or problem areas. First freezes of the season often come in November, so prep for outside faucet protection early and save that plumbing bill!

December: Do you have a FIRE ESCAPE plan? Create one and practice it. Check that household chemicals are out of reach of children. Know who to call and where your poison hotline number is. The NATIONAL number is 800-222-1222, which connects callers to local centers.

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