THE WILSHIRE HEIGHTS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION Vol. 21, No 3 JUL/AUG/SEP 2023

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Save the Date!

- National Night Out Tuesday, October 3, 5-7 pm, at the corner of Norris and Malcolm. Meet your neighbors and first responders, enjoy a hot dog cookout, adult and soft beverages, a bounce house, and more! WHNA Officer and Board member elections will also take place. See page 3 for more details
- Mockingbird Elementary Fall Carnival -Saturday, September 30, 11 am - 3 pm. Proceeds from this event are used to support the 600+ students at Mockingbird, including approximately 45 deaf or hearing-impaired students.
- St Thomas Aquinas Fall Carnival Bingo Night is Friday, October 20, 6:30 - 9:30 pm; the carnival is Saturday, October 21, 11 am - 6 pm. This years theme is Kidchella!
- Lakewood Home Tour Saturday & Sunday, November 11 - 12, 11 am - 5 pm; Candlelight Tour on Saturday, 7 - 9:30 pm; proceeds support J.L. Long and Woodrow Wilson.
- WHNA Tree Lighting Event Sunday, December 3. Meet Santa at the corner of Norris and Malcolm and then follow the tree to the triangle on McCommas.

Are you keeping up to date with all the neighborhood events and news?

Make sure your Block Captain has your email address so you can receive the WHNA Crime Watch / Event Update email every two weeks. Find your Block Captain on page 7.

Membership Dues to Increase in 2024

Although we do our best to manage costs and be efficient with our funds, like everyone else WHNA has felt the effects of rising prices. It costs more to host events, and printing costs for our popular newsletter are increasing. As a result the Board feels it is necessary to increase our dues. Beginning in January of 2024 dues will increase to \$25 per household and the senior rate will be \$10. Anyone who joins for 2024 before December 31 can still pay at the 2023 rates—so join today!

Even at these higher rates, membership is still a bargain. WHNA hosts several free events throughout the year including National Night Out and our popular Chili Cook Off. We also sponsor our wonderful Volunteers in Patrol, maintain the garden at the McCommas triangle, provide Crime Watch emails, and publish this newsletter four times a year. We think it is well worth it and we bet you will as well!

You Can Pay Your WHNA Dues ONLINE! Our Online Portal is

www.WilshireHeights.org/Membership

Not sure if you've paid your dues already? Enter your address at the Online Portal to review. You can pay with a credit card or PayPal.



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A Note from the President

Howdy folks!

It's that time of year...cooler temps and the great State Fair of Texas! There's no doubt that it has been a hot and dry summer, but we have prevailed! Fall is upon us. I love this season with the gorgeous fall colors on the way, Football, Halloween, and of course our own exciting Wilshire Heights events on the horizon! Are you ready for some fun?!?

Can't wait to see you all October 3rd 5-7pm for our "National Night Out"! Come join your neighbors for hotdogs and drinks, bounce house, meet the local first responders, plus it's time for our Board Member elections.

I received a letter from Santa and his elf and they are thrilled to come join us for another year of "Trim The Tree" December 3rd 3-5pm! Kids, start putting your Wish List together as Santa can't wait to hear what you're looking for! Drinks, snacks, crafts, and bounce house will be provided for additional excitement! Then we'll head down to the triangle to Trim that Tree!

Thanks to all for showing up at Tietze Splash in July. We had an exceptional turn out and so much fun! The sand volleyball court at Tietze Park is in the works as well as other things to enhance this park that we are so fortunate to have close by!

Looking forward to seeing all your smiling faces soon!

Ann

Upcoming Election Information

- **Tuesday, October 10** last day to register to vote; you can check to see if you are already registered and print a voter registration application at <u>www.votetexas.gov</u>
- Monday, October 23 Friday, November 3 Early voting
- **Tuesday, November 7** State of Texas Constitutional Amendment Election; proposed amendments concerning property taxes, university funding, pay increases for retired teachers, and additional funding for state parks are all on the ballot. You can view a sample ballot at <u>www.votetexas.gov</u>

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OCTOBER 3, 2023 • 5-7 PM CORNER OF MALCOLM & NORRIS



Please join us!

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Exciting Days Ahead for Tietze Park

Another summer has come and gone but things are definitely still heating up at Tietze Park. Thanks to the successful fundraising and lobbying efforts of the Friends of Tietze Park (FOTP), planning for the sand volleyball court



continues. And although there is no firm date for construction to commence, the paperwork is moving through City Hall and the hope is to break ground before Thanksgiving. The volleyball court will sit close to the parking lot alongside Clements Street. It will be available on a first-come-first-serve basis during daylight hours.

In August FOTP, Wilshire Heights, Vickery Heights, and Lakewood Heights all contributed towards another successful Tietze Splash. Music, fun, and food and a lot of splashing, sliding, and merriment closed out another successful pool season. A fabulous time was had by all and we are already looking to next year's swim season.

Speaking of 2024, Tietze Park will be celebrating its centennial year with a large tree planting effort. The

Parks department has agreed to provide and plant 23 succession trees. These trees will gradually replace some of the older trees in the park that are reaching the end of their lives. FOTP is working to raise \$9,500 to support the Tietze Centennial Tree Project by covering the irrigation costs until the trees are well established. The preliminary planting date is April 13. You can donate towards this and other projects at <u>www.tietzepark.org</u>

Many thanks are owed to Rudy Karimi, District 14's Park Board member. He has been a tireless advocate for additional funds to replace the aging playground equipment at Tietze. The Park Board is suggesting a \$300,000 budget for a shade structure and playground replacement with a barrier free design so that children of all abilities have the same opportunities for play.

You can support all these efforts and more by writing your city councilman, Paul Ridley, and asking him to support our local parks, voting in favor of the parks in the upcoming 2024 city bond elections, and by supporting the Friends of Tietze Park with your time and talents as well as financial support. For more information about joining FOTP or to learn about upcoming events at the Park, or to rent the pavilion for your next special occasion visit the Friends of Tietze Park website at <u>www.tietzepark.org</u>



WHNA President Ann Krug, Friends of Tietze Park President Lisa Marshall, and WHNA Vice-President Mark Moynahan enjoying the festivities at Tietze Splash

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Meet Marc Freundlich – Wilshire Heights' King of Swag



Marc with WHNA president Ann Krug

Wilshire Heights is home to many successful business owners including Marc Freundlich, owner of SMR Promotions. Marc's firm supplied the wine glasses for the Wilshire Heights wine walk. Marc wasn't always in the "swag" business. Marc grew up in Boston and earned his business degree at the University of Vermont. Marc has led many manufacturing and distribution businesses in the security technology sector all over the world. He lived overseas for many years in Sydney, Hong Kong, and London. Interestingly, Marc returned to New England as President of the same company that first hired him as a manager out of college. Marc came to Wilshire Heights by way of Silicon Valley in 2007, where he led a tech company based in Richardson. In 2014, Marc decided he was ready for a completely new challenge and began to search for a small

business to acquire and operate. A year later, Marc took the plunge with SMR Promotions – a small promotional products business based in the mid cities. SMR originally focused on helping US educators promote their programs and events, but soon grew both its market reach and product portfolio. SMR now works with customers in healthcare, hospitality, and the financial sector. SMR offers a range of custom printed items across three main "vectors". Products (i.e. writing instruments, drinkware, backpacks, etc.), Apparel (T shirts, Hats, Jackets etc.), and Display items (Banners, Table throws, Tents etc.). Probably the most popular items by volume are custom printed pens and totes. One of the more unusual orders Marc processed was a request for 3,000 laser engraved spork kits (a combination of spoon and fork). The catch was they had to be made from 100% titanium! The order was shipped to a very remote spot in Alaska, which turned out to be a listening post for a certain 3 letter government agency. According to Marc, "the day-to-day business is like going on a fishing trip. You never know what you are going to catch. That's half the fun. The other half is to work closely with our customers to help them find the best solutions, then hear how happy they are with the results. That always makes my day."

Get Ready for These Solar Eclipses Coming Soon to a Sky Near You!

On Oct. 14, 2023, an annular solar eclipse will cross the United States. An annular solar eclipse happens when the Moon passes between the Sun and Earth while it is at its farthest point from Earth. Because the Moon is farther away from Earth, it appears smaller than the Sun and does not completely cover the star. This creates a "ring of fire" effect in the sky. In Dallas the Moon will cover 89% of the sun at 11:52 am. It is **never** safe to look directly a the Sun, so order your solar viewing glasses now; and be sure to save them for the upcoming total eclipse of the Sun in the coming spring.

On April 8, 2024 Texas will be ground zero for a total solar eclipse. A solar eclipse happens when the Moon passes between the Sun and Earth, completely blocking the face of the Sun. The sky will darken as if it were dawn or dusk. The city of Kerrville will witness one of the longest periods of totality (and hotels and rentals are flying off the shelf at over \$1,000 per night!); but the experience in Dallas will be almost as good with totality beginning at 1:42 pm and lasting approximately 4 minutes. The Perot Museum, Dallas Arboretum, and Downtown Dallas Inc. are just a few of the organizations already planning events for the big day.

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Autumn Garden To Do List

October

- Plant cool season annuals and herbs, pansies, ornamental kale, snapdragons, parsley, and cilantro.
- It's not to late to plant cool season vegetables such as broccoli, beets, Brussel sprouts, lettuce, spinach, greens, radishes, and cauliflower.
- Fall is also a good time to plant new trees and shrubs. Cooler temperatures help roots to become established before winter.
- Save seeds from your favorite plants, allow them to dry, and store in an envelope for spring.
- Traditionally, garlic is planted on Halloween!

November

- Dig and divide spring blooming perennials.
- Prune back fall blooming perennials
- Plant daffodils and pre-chilled tulips by the end of the month.
- Continue planting pansies, dianthus, and kale as well as those cool season vegetables.
- The average date for the first frost is November 21 but an early freeze is always a possibility. Be sure to have enough cloth to cover plants in case of a freeze. Cover or close vents on a pier and beam foundation. Drain and store hoses. Turn off the irrigation system.
- Supplies run out quickly, so if you are planning on Christmas lights, November is a good time to stock up.

December

- Trim back any perennials damaged by frost, but try and leave seed heads as food for birds.
- Remember that birds need food and especially water in the winter months
- Continue planting cool season annuals. Pansies, violas.
- Add leaves to the compost pile or use a mulcher blade to simply mulch them into the lawn when you mow.
- Take advantage of those warmer days to prepare garden beds for spring.
- Water lawn and all other plants once every three weeks or so, if rainfall is less than one inch in a three-week period.
- Be sure to clean, sharpen, and repair all your garden and lawn tools. Now is also the best time to clean and have your power mower, edger, and trimmer serviced.

Dallas Public Seed Library

Did you know there is a circulating collection of open-pollinated and heirloom seeds located on the 6th floor of the Central Library!

Patrons are invited to check-out seeds from us and plant them in your garden. After the harvest, we encourage you to let your plants "go to seed," and return some of those seeds to the library.

Sharing seeds is a way to increase agricultural biodiversity, ensure the resilience of our food supply, and develop plant varieties that are uniquely adapted to our local climate and growing conditions. And best of all its free! For more information visit the Dallas Public Library website at <u>www.dallaslibrary2.org</u>

WHNA Membership Form

Annual dues for the calendar year are due in January. Membership fee is \$20 per household or \$5 for senior citizen households (65 or older).

Suggested Donation of \$35.00 Would Be Greatly Appreciated.

You can join by logging into our website at <u>wilshireheights.org</u> or simply fill out the information below and mail this form along with your dues to: **Wilshire Heights Neighborhood Association P.O. Box 140601 Dallas, TX 75214**

Or, drop this form and your dues off at Ellen Gray's home at 6213 Mercedes Ave.

Please make checks payable to: Wilshire Heights Neighborhood Association

Name(s):_____

Address:_____

Phone Number(s):_____

Email(s):_____

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WILSHIRE HEIGHTS NEIGHBORHOOD BLOCK CAPTAINS

Several of our streets have two 6200 blocks, so they have been designated with: "A" - 6200 BLOCK BETWEEN CLEMENTS AND NORRIS and "B" – 6200 BLOCK BETWEEN NORRIS AND ALDERSON. For Martel and Revere, block "B" includes 6300 addresses.

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MALCOLM

6200A Leslie Rauscher 6200B Laura Gasko 6300 Monica Shaw

MARTEL

6100 Laura Gigliotti 6200A Peter & Judy Czarny 6200B Mark Moynahan & Linda Farina 6300 Tony Pieper

MCCOMMAS

6100 Dinah Gaspard 6200B Morgan Chase 6300 Lisa Havens

MERCEDES

6100 Ellen Gray 6200A Ellen Gray 6200B Scott/Jeanne Ferguson 6300 Carolyn Brown

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Hello Wilshire Heights Neighbors!

I've been a resident of Wilshire Heights and an active real estate broker for both the M Streets and Wilshire Heights for over 20 years. I'm your area expert and can help you with all your real estate transactions.

Wondering what your nest egg is worth? Call for a complimentary market analysis today!



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REAL ESTATE REPORT

July 1 to September 12,2023

3 homes are listed for sale Average list price \$1,348,000 Average list price per sq ft is \$399.65 Average days of market is 15

3 homes are contract pending Average price \$1,795,000 Average list price per sg ft \$393.38 Average Days on mkt 23

3 homes have sold since March, 15 2023 Average list price \$688,000 Average sold price \$679,167 Average sold per Sg Ft \$421.05 Average sp to list price 98.5% Average days on market 27

Data for this report complied from MLS Data does not reflect off market sales

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Wilshire Heights Crime Watch Report May 1 to September 3, 2023

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	Date	Offense	Address
1	5/5/2023	Theft From Motor Vehicle	6120 Mockingbird
2	5/19/2023	Shoplifting	6120 Mockingbird
3	5/28/2023	Shoplifting	6120 Mockingbird
4	5/30/2023	Motor Vehicle Theft	6334 Mockingbird
5	5/30/2023	Motor Vehicle Theft	4123 Abrams
6	6/12/2023	Destruction/Damage/ Vandalism	6130 Mockingbird
7	6/19/2023	Traffic Violation - Hazardous	6120 Mockingbird
8	6/21/2023	Miscellaneous	6120 Mockingbird
9	6/23/2023	Theft From Motor Vehicle	63xx Winton
10	7/7/2023	Robbery-Individual	4000 Skillman
11	7/28/2023	Theft From Motor Vehicle	62xx Kenwood
12	8/14/2023	Larceny/Theft Offenses	32xx Skillman
13	8/15/2023	Motor Vehicle Theft	62xxAnita
14	8/16/2023	Larceny/Theft Offenses	61xx Ellsworth
15	9/3/2023	Burglary of a Business	41xx Abrams

WHNA Treasurer's Report January 1 to August 31, 2023

Balance Forwarded Jan 1 \$3,880.19

Revenue			
Dues and Donations	\$ 2,490.93		
Advertising Revenue	\$ 300.00		
Wine Walk Tickets	\$ 5,041.98		
Triangle Sign Donations	<u>\$ 983.29</u>		
Total Revenue	\$ 8,816.20		
Expenses			
Newsletter	\$ 607.12		
Events	\$ 4,465.61		
Triangle Sign	\$ 175.00		
Supplies	\$ 208.40		
Charitable Donations	\$ 125.00		
P.O. Box Rental	<u>\$ 194.00</u>		
Total Expenses	\$ 5,775.13		
Ending Balance	<u>\$ 6,921.26</u>		
Total Members, June 2023 = 109			



BULK TRASH COLLECTION DATES

Pickup is the week of the 3rd Monday Monday, October 16 Monday, November 20 Monday, December 18 Monday, January 15

New to Wilshire Heights?

Get more information about our community, links to city services, and information about upcoming neighborhood events by visiting our website at

http://www.wilshireheights.org

or

join our Facebook group at

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