February - March, 2013

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DUES ARE DUE!

Please see last page and Use your self-addressed envelope.

Thanks!

President's message

Fortunately we have no major crises as of the moment, and I am happy to just reiterate some "regular" news and some pointers.

There is a little farmer's market HEB does about once a week. Great local stuff. Go to www.montrosedistrict.org

Terrie Frankel has agreed to be the block captain of 1800 W Alabama

Parking ordinances - cars have been ticketed recently so please take note of these City rules.

 Always park on the side of the street in the same direction the traffic flows (don't park on the wrong side of the street).

- Never block a sidewalk, even with only your bumper.
- Cars left in one spot over 24 hours on the street can be reported as abandoned and could be towed &/or ticketed
- Park 15' from a fire hydrant.
- Texas law states that one must park 30' from a stop sign
- Park 5' from a driveway.
- Park 20' from a crosswalk.
- Don't park too far from the curb; keep distance less than 12".



FRIDAY NIGHT SOCIALS

Thanks to several great hosts / hostesses, we have had increasingly good turnouts on the second Fridays. Come and meet your neighbors—it is a great opportunity to see who lives where and attach names to the faces that you probably see on a regular basis in the neighborhood. The last one was Feb 8, chez John Wilmore at 1754 Harold. Thanks, John. If you would like to host a social, contact Tony Carroll: Tony@Houstontherapist.com

YARD OF THE MONTH.

Dr. Maureen Mayes of 1833 Marshall was our January winner. December was marked with a tribute to a beautiful lighting display at the home of Michael and Teresa Coley on Harold and the October winners were Karen and Jerry Thomas of 1855 Kipling. Ken Wiesenhuegel in the 1900 block of Harold is the lucky winner for February.

If you want to nominate a yard, have ideas or want to be on the yard of the month committee, please email Steve Helton at <u>SHelton@utmdaccptc.org</u>

HEAVY TRASH PICKUP DATES

Remember that the city is changing our pickup to the FIRST WED of the month!

March 6—Trees; April 3—Junk, May 1—Trees; June 5—Junk

Regular trash remains the same; Monday pickup, & the green bin recycling also on Monday, every second week.

NEWSLETTERS

Thanks to all our block captains for the work they do in getting the newsletters out. Many of our residents do not have email, or subscribe regularly to the

Mandell Place

The Board has had a second meeting with the Mandell Place Board to continue to explore ways in which we can work together to keep our deed restrictions enforced and to enhance the neighborhood "clout" when we have issues with City Council or other entities.

We hope this will lead to greater cooperation between the two "jewel" neighborhoods in our little part of the city, as we know the encroachments from all the surrounding areas continues.

LANIER AND THE BOND ISSUE

We are pleased to report that in the last election, with the approval of the bonds for HISD, Lanier will be receiving a significant allocation for modernizations and improvements.

As one of the premier magnet schools in HISD, we are pleased to see the attention being paid to this fixture.

CITY NEWS.

There was a meeting on January 30 to review both the Off-street parking ordinance and the Land Development Ordnance. The City is making an effort to balance the needs of neighborhoods with the desires of developers, and to this end is trying to improve standards to lead to a better quality product and to give neighborhoods additional tools to help manage their future.

The revisions are posted at

http://www.houstontx.gove/ordinancefeedback.html

For more information, contact brian.crimmins@jhoustontx.gove (or at 713-837-7833)

There clearly has been a lot of discussion—and some strong feelings expressed—about the proposed changes in the parking ordinance. If you have opinions, it is not too late to express them.

WEBSITE Master

Thanks to Joe Francis, who is taking over the website from Vernon Durke—and a very large thank-you to Vernon for his hard work over the years in getting it established.

Remember, you can get updates and check your newsletter on line. Make sure your email is current. Send your email address to president@winlowplace.org. (And if your email has changed recently, remember to send the updated address.)

OTHER NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

Several Lancaster Place residents have asked their Civic Club to try and divert the truck traffic from Dunlavy to West Alabama. Both Mandell Place and Winlow Place Boards, while sympathizing with the inconvenience, have a strong preference for keeping 18-wheelers off West Alabama, and have elected NOT to join any such effort.

CRIME REPORT

No burglary or break-in is minor if it is at your house, and we continue to have the occasional break-in, theft from a porch or open garage, Texas now tops the states with the least amount spent on mental health, and Houston tops the US cities with the most burglaries (27,459 in 2012) vs Chicago with 26,420 and New York at 18,159.

Keep those security lights on—it's cheap insurance. Get your neighbors to take in the paper or ensure that the mail is not sticking out of the mailbox if you are traveling. If you have an alarm system, use it!

An alert community is some of the best protection we can have.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

2013 DUES ARE DUE

Recommended amounts are below. If you have been hit by these tough economic times, please pay what you can.

Mail to: Treasurer, P.O. Box 980712 Houston, TX 77098

Or, just pay at the meeting and save the stamp!

Patron: \$100.00

Regular: \$50.00

Sr. Citizens: \$10 or what you can afford.

Name:_____

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- 1. www.citizens.net
- 2. www.neartown.org
- 3. www.winlowplace.org
- 4. www.richmondrail.org

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YARD OF THE MONTH;

Send your nomination to Steve Helton.

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EMAIL ADDRESSES?

Do you get the email updates on the crime stats? In-between-newsletter news? If not, send your address to

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