

January — February 2016

# WINLOW *Place*

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**Tuesday February 9, 2016**

**GENERAL MEETING — 7:30 P.M.**

**St. Stephens Church, Havens Hall**

**(Next to the Chocolate Bar)**

## **WINLOW PLACE AND SECURITY**

“Even burglars like to celebrate Christmas”.

We had 7 incidents since early December, (house and car break-ins) but this was nominal in comparison to other neighborhoods, particularly those north of Westheimer where the townhomes lend themselves to nefarious activity in the back that no one can see.

The positive effects of the Constable Patrol are manifesting themselves in the reduced activity.. Nevertheless, several of the home break-ins were not tracked immediately because the home-owners had not turned on their alarms, or some subscribers had not contacted their alarm company to change over to the Constable number instead of HPD. We urge all of you—even if you are only running to the store for 5 minutes—to turn on your alarms! It's there for your protection.

Please email [info@mwpatrol.org](mailto:info@mwpatrol.org) for information on how to subscribe, or with any questions you may have.



## DUES TIME

As a non-profit civic organization, we do not mandate dues, but we gratefully accept your participation.

**What do we do with the money?** This covers your newsletter and electronic communications (website hosting, stamps, envelopes, printing etc.) We had a wonderful party to celebrate many years of our existence last November at the Ice House, and we covered all the legal filings for the updating of our deed restrictions. We have spent money on enforcing our deed restrictions when necessary, hiring a surveyor in one case, and hiring legal advice for updating and maintaining them. We keep a PO box for mail, and a safety deposit box for the originals of the signed and updated deed restrictions and we recently instituted a welcome basket for new residents. We are also diligent about keeping funds in reserve if we ever have an aggressive legal challenge to our deed restrictions.

As you know, the labor involved in these activities is an all-volunteer effort. We are currently looking at ideas for 2016, such as putting WP sign toppers on each street sign—several designs will be explored with the membership in the near future.

## LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Winlow Place Residents,

It is with great difficulty that we will be missing the presence of Tony Carroll here in Winlow Place. Many of you have already heard the news of his sudden and untimely passing over the holidays. Our hearts go out to Bruce – please do support him during this time.

In lieu of flowers or gifts, Bruce has asked that we consider contributing in Tony's name to Homeless Gay Kids-Houston. Memorial donations can be made through the organization's website at [www.homelessgaykidshouston.org/news/remembering-tony-carroll](http://www.homelessgaykidshouston.org/news/remembering-tony-carroll)

Tony's generosity and love for Houston and Winlow Place will be greatly missed. Just about every one of you have enjoyed a conversation with Tony, who served on our board for many years. Tony is 100% the reason that Ben and I became so involved in our neighborhood. If you've spoken to either of us in the past three years, we've probably told you the story of how Tony and Bruce invited us back to their house the first night we met them at a Winlow Place Civic Club meeting, and we stayed and drank and talked until the wee hours of Wednesday morning. This was the first evening of many.

Tony is responsible for bringing together our residents through the formation of Cocktails & Conversation while serving as Social Chair, additionally served on the Mandell Winlow Security Foundation board, and has been an inspirational leader and advocate in Houston for decades. We are lucky to have known him, and we pay our deepest respects.

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A Memorial service will be held at Bradshaw Carter on W. Alabama on Saturday, January 23 between 4-6 p.m. You can access their website for further information and for a full obituary.

## **MONTROSE TIRZ**

We are pleased to announce that the Houston City Council unanimously passed the proposed Montrose TIRZ. Our Winlow Place President, Caroline Garry, will sit as one of the Board members, along with Stephen Costello (Chair), Reverend Lisa Hunt, Joe Webb, Kathy Hubbard, Jaqueline Martin and Paul Dickerson.

This Board is very representative of the make-up of Montrose, and we applaud the City for appointing community leaders from within our Montrose neighborhoods who contributed large amounts of volunteer effort to the initial proposal. We look forward to learning more as the Board reports back after its initial meeting.

We are excited that the long-term goals of the Montrose TIRZ include projects around: infrastructure improvements; pedestrian-friendly and cyclist-friendly environments through the reconstruction of streets, infrastructure and sidewalks, with lighting and streetscape amenities; facilitation of completion of transit corridors; economic development and growth; reinforcement of pedestrian-attractive retail developments and mixed-use developments along the major corridors; parks and related amenities; and workforce housing.

## **NEW BOARD MEMBERS / CHANGES / SECURITY PATROL**

We welcome Ximena Wood who has volunteered to take over the job of looking after the Yard of the Month nominations and selections. Also Pat Walsh, who, as of March, will be Lindsay's Aldrich's husband, has offered to chair the Welcome committee, aided by Kristina and Todd Bush. Thanks to all of you and welcome to the group.

Tony Carroll's passing has left some incredibly big shoes to fill. As you know, he was our committed Social Chair for several years, and we would like to continue his legacy of Cocktails & Conversation in his honor. Without Tony, these events would have never come to fruition, and many of the friendships we have forged with one another may not have, either. Please email [president@winlowplace.org](mailto:president@winlowplace.org) to discuss if you are willing to step up to this role.

Benjamin Garry and Mark Schultz will be joining Mike Hawash in efforts for the separate Mandell Winlow Security Foundation as Winlow Place representatives. New subscribers are welcome anytime—go to [www.mwpatrol.org](http://www.mwpatrol.org), and don't forget to change your alarm / security system notification number from HPD to the Constable's number. All current subscribers should have received car and window stickers identifying you as part of the program, as well as a tax deduction receipt. If you have not received yours, please email [info@mwpatrol.org](mailto:info@mwpatrol.org).

## **UPCOMING MEETINGS FOR 2016**

**Board meetings:** May 12, August 4, November 10

**General meetings:** June 7, September 6, December 6

## NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

## 2016 OFFICERS

<b>PRESIDENT</b>	Caroline Garry
<b>VICE PRES</b>	Lindsey Aldrich
<b>SEC.</b>	Brandy Laakso
<b>TREASURER</b>	D. Hanks / D. Leflar

## 2016 COMMITTEE CHAIRS

<b>WEBMASTER</b>	T. Boncagni
<b>DEED RESTRICTIONS</b>	R. Hicks/ B. Garry / L. Aldrich
<b>PUBLICATIONS</b>	M. Needham
<b>MEMBERSHIP</b>	D. Leflar
<b>YARD OF THE MONTH</b>	Ximena Wood
<b>SOCIAL</b>	(OPEN)
<b>HISTORIAN</b>	A. Georgandis
<b>NEARTOWN REP</b>	K. Warhol
<b>WELCOME COMM.</b>	Pat Walsh , and Kristina & Todd Bush

## Other News Sources

1. [www.citizens.net](http://www.citizens.net)
2. [www.neartown.org](http://www.neartown.org)
3. [www.winlowplace.org](http://www.winlowplace.org)
4. [www.richmondrail.org](http://www.richmondrail.org)

Crime Stoppers: 713-222-TIPS (8477)

## EMAIL ADDRESSES?

Do you get the email updates on the crime stats? In-between-newsletter news? If not, visit [www.winlowplace.org](http://www.winlowplace.org) and subscribe to receive emails.

## 2016 DUES ARE DUE

Suggested amounts: Patron: \$100.00

Regular: \$50.00

Seniors : \$10 or what you can afford.

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

(Or take advantage of the fact that our computer wizards have made it possible to pay on line and save the stamp!)

Go to: [www.winlowplace.org](http://www.winlowplace.org) and click on the tab marked "Get Involved" this takes you directly to a pay system.

## 2016 BLOCK CAPTAINS/ NEWSLETTER

1700 Hawthorne	Pam Jenkins	1707 Hawthorne	713.927.2880
1900 Hawthorne	Marg. Nunez	1900 Hawthorne	713-529-2549
1700 Harold	Janet Ossmann	1716 Harold	713.529.3191
1800 Harold	Connie Reilly	1829 Harold	713.524.9821
1900 Harold	Ken Wiesehuegel	1911 Harold	713.446.2472
1700 Kipling	Lillian Anfosso	1720 Kipling	713-529-3367
1800 Kipling	Lee Loe	1844 Kipling	713-524-2682
1900 Kipling	Mike Hawash	1840 Kipling	713-417-1468
1700 Marshall	Michael Drifmeyer	1724 Marshall	713-523-0624
1800 Marshall	Ron Bland	1808 Marshall	713-703-6208
1900 Marshall	Denise Hanks	1911 Marshall	713.520.1277
1800 w. Alabama	Terrie Frankel	1902 w. Alabama	(713) 228-9445

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