

November –December 2016

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A WINNING DEED-RESTRICTED NEIGHBORHOOD OF OVER 400 FAMILIES RIGHT IN THE HEART OF HOUSTON!

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Tuesday December 6, 2016

GENERAL MEETING – 7:30 P.M.

St. Stephens Church, Havens Hall

**SPEAKER: Melanie Scruggs, Prog. Dir.,
Texas Campaign for the Environment**

OFFICERS FOR 2017

Please check page 4 of this newsletter.

Reminder that the December 6th quarterly meeting is also time to vote on our new board slate! We have volunteers to step into the Vice President role and join the Deed Restrictions committee, but we always welcome additional participants!

If you would like to join the board of Winlow Place. Please contact Lindsey Walsh at president@winlowplace.org. We are not only looking for board members, but also residents with new ideas. Some ideas we have for the upcoming year include:

- revision of the bylaws,
- a membership drive, and
- streamlining our communication methods.

We have had enthusiastic participation in the last few years, and we want to continue what Caroline so ably got going so effectively.



RECYCLING

You can still go to Westpark recycling with old electronics, glass, paint, etc, but an imaginative 8-yr old has come up with an alternative you might also like to consider.

<http://www.haulingglasshouston.com/> \$15/month gets you two pickups—we suggest you look at the possibility of combining with 1 or more neighbors—surely we can find a way to keep on getting the glass out of our rapidly filling landfills!

Melanie Scruggs, Program Director for the Texas Campaign for the Environment, will give a presentation at the December 6th meeting. She will be discussing how to use the big green recycling bins properly and an update on the campaign for Zero Waste in Houston

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Need information about the **Constable's Patrol**? Email Mike Hawash at admin@mwpatrol.org

Next Heavy Trash Day Wednesday, December 7, household furniture/ and tree limbs.

A SAD NOTE

Lee and Hardy Loe, who were activists and supporting members of the civic club before some of us were born, lost their lovely daughter on Nov 3. This from Lee.

Our precious daughter Claire Loe, MPH, PHD, died. She was on the Palliative Care ward of MD Anderson having lost her nearly 6 month fight with cancer. The hospital staff found it remarkable that she was so lucid and sharp in spite of her very low blood pressure near the end. She spent the last few hours unresponsive but without pain. She lived long enough to receive her replica of the Conrad Hilton Humanitarian Prize for 2016 earned by her company, Taskforce for Global Health of Decatur, GA, for her help. She worked with their subsidiary, Public Health Informatics Institute. She is survived by her loving parents, Lee and Hardy, her 3 sisters, 3 nieces, 1 nephew, 1 nephew-in-law, and her beloved cat, Smudge.

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

It's been a big year in Winlow Place, with some sad losses in our neighborhood but also new neighbors and friends. I want to thank everyone for all their help in the transition from Caroline to me as President of the Civic Club – proof that it takes the whole neighborhood to run this Club!

I also want to thank everyone who has participated in our neighborhood, whether through paying dues, attending meetings, or simply greeting neighbors on the street. It is that dedication to being neighborly that makes Winlow Place the Jewel of Montrose.

Please feel free to reach out to me if you have any comments or questions about the Civic Club's role in the neighborhood. While our stated purpose is to defend our deed restrictions, we have voluntarily expanded our activities include the social events such as Cocktails and Conversations, and beautifying the neighborhood, such as the upcoming replacement of the Winlow Place signs you may see on some street. We hope to continue the good work next year, including updating our communications lists to make sure everyone is reached. Thank you all again for your support! Lindsey Walsh

SEWER UPDATE

This work appears to have progressed fairly smoothly. If anyone has other comments / questions, please email president @ winlowplace.org

WITH THANKS FOR A LOT OF HARD WORK

The Garry family has moved to Seattle, the home of Amazon and other companies many of us have been involved with in the past! Your Newsletter editor would like to add a formal and heartfelt Thank You” to both Caroline and Ben for their work with the Civic Club during the last few years. Caroline has been especially involved in keeping everyone abreast of what the city is doing, and what the various agencies and departments will or will not be getting up to in the future. This has been invaluable in keeping us informed in a City where there are too many demands on our time, individually and collectively, for everyone to go it alone. So thanks guys—we wish you the very best in your new location. Know you will be well and happy and contributing members of society there.

City seeking citizen input on Plan Houston initiatives for FY2018

In 2015, the Houston City Council adopted the city's first general plan, known as Plan Houston. As part of the effort to translate the high-level goals and strategies contained in the plan into specific initiatives for implementation, the Mayor and City Council are embarking on a process to connect Plan Houston to the budget process for fiscal year 2018, which begins July 1, 2017. The first step in this process is collecting citizen input on priorities for the next budget year. You can share your thoughts on what the priorities should be by responding to a very brief survey, accessible through Nov 25th at www.planhouston.org. At this website, you can also read about all aspects of Plan Houston, including background on its development.

Neartown News

The Neartown Association is the Council for the Neartown/Montrose Super Neighborhood #24. Super Neighborhoods have been created by the city “to encourage residents of neighboring communities to work together to identify, prioritize and address the needs and concerns of the broader community.” The Neartown Association holds meetings monthly on the 4th Tuesday, 7:00 pm at Cherryhurst Community Center. (No meeting in December)

One of the major topics at recent Neartown meetings has been the “kush hotspot” at Spur 527 and Highway 59, of particular concern to the adjacent Montrose neighborhoods. Kush(K2) users and dealers have become an ever-increasing threat to security for these neighborhoods, with users taking up residence in unsanitary conditions underneath unfenced portions of overpasses, often falling into busy street areas, wandering incoherently into neighborhoods, and aggressively demanding money. First Montrose Commons, one of the affected neighborhoods, hosted a meeting in September to hear from a representative of the Mayor’s Office about city efforts to combat this issue and the complexities involved. Neartown is pushing for the city, TXDOT, and social service organizations to cooperate to tackle this problem.

One thing that individual residents can do is avoid giving money to panhandlers, as it was noted that panhandling is a ready source of funds for users to buy the drugs

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

2016 OFFICERS

PRESIDENT	Lindsey Walsh
VICE PRES	OPEN
SEC.	Brandy Laakso
TREASURER	D. Hanks / D. Leflar

2016 COMMITTEE CHAIRS

WEBMASTER	T. Boncagni
DEED RESTRICTIONS	R. Hicks/ L. Walsh
PUBLICATIONS	M. Needham
MEMBERSHIP	D. Leflar
YARD OF THE MONTH	Ximena Wood
SOCIAL	C. Nelson, Jo Fogg
HISTORIAN	A. Georgandis
NEARTOWN REP	K. Warhol
WELCOME COMM.	Pat Walsh , and Kristina & Todd Bush

Other News Sources

1. www.citizens.net
2. www.neartown.org
3. www.winlowplace.org
4. www.mwpatrol.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 and subscribe to receive emails.

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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 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	Mike Hawash	1840 Kipling	713-524-2682
1900 Kipling	Mike Hawash	1840 Kipling	713-417-1468
1700 Marshall	Dave Dennison	1726 Marshall	713-
1800 Marshall	Ron Bland	1808 Marshall	713-703-6208
1900 Marshall	Denise Hanks	1911 Marshall	713.520.1277
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