

Quick Bits

June/July Calendar

- June 14 - Flag Day
- June 20 - Father's Day
- June 21 - Summer Begins
- July 4 - Fourth of July Holiday

Did You Know?

The JUNE BUG also known as June beetle, is the name for several large beetles seen in the United States during May and June. They are usually seen at night, when the light attracts them.

June bugs eat the young leaves of trees and plants. They deposit their eggs in the ground. The young larvae bury themselves in the soil in the autumn and stay there two years. They then come out in May or June as adult beetles.

Do You Have New Neighbors?

If you have new neighbors or know of someone new to Mistletoe Heights, please report them to Joy Teague at 817-923-2330. Thanks.

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Don't Miss the Annual 4th of July Parade

Be sure to join your Mistletoe Heights neighbors for the annual MHA Fourth of July Parade. Decorate your bicycle, tricycle, wagon or other human-powered small vehicle with patriotic decorations. Don't forget to decorate your favorite pet as well (but please keep them on a leash). Pets are always a big favorite with the parade attendees. You can even decorate yourself by wearing costumes, face paints and carrying flags or banners!



We will meet at the Triangle at 7:30 p.m. For new residents, the Triangle is on the west side of Forest Park Blvd. at Mistletoe Dr. and Harrison. Refreshments (hot dogs, cookies, sodas) will be offered for sale to help raise funds for the Newby Park Pavilion project, followed by the annual Ice Cream Social at Martin and Gay Herring's house (2336 Irwin).

After the parade and food, walk over to the berm and set up your chairs or blankets for a great view of the local fireworks displays. This parade and fireworks viewing is a great Mistletoe Heights tradition and a wonderful way to meet your neighbors.

Friends of Newby Park Pavilion – The List Keeps Growing!

Join our list of "Friends of Newby Park Pavilion". Buy an engraved brick and become a permanent part of this worthwhile and enduring neighborhood project. See Page 4 for application blanks and information. Below is our expanding list of people who have bought bricks. Let us add your name to the list (newest names added at bottom of list).

- Robert & Patsy Slocum (5)
- Steve & Kathy McReynolds
- Anne E. Swenson (4)
- John & Lorri Kendrick
- M. Thielman & Betty Arvin
- Bruce Border
- Jim McDonald
- Barry & Lysta Haynes (3)
- L.M. Hilgart
- Norman R. Stemple
- Wm. & Anjannette Butler
- Kyle Carr
- Martin & Gay Herring
- William C. Parrish
- Jack & Naancy Hobson (2)
- Cheri & Allen Cetto



- Jim & Mary Ellen Peipert
- Rose Lynn Scott
- Jeff Gibbons
- Duane & Kathy Kirkham
- Michelle & John Key
- Walter Virden
- Eric & Nikki Rustad
- Joe & Lillian Greenslade (2)
- Stanley and Lynda Effertz

Only One of the Seven Wonders of the World Still Survives

The Great Pyramid of Giza is the only one of the Seven Wonders of the World that still survives. Can you name all seven? They are:

- 1) The Hanging Gardens of Babylon, which were built on the banks of the Euphrates river by King Nebuchadnezzar II.
- 2) The gigantic gold statue of Zeus was built by the sculptor Pheidias at Olympia.
- 3) The temple of Artemis was erected in the Asia Minor city of Ephesus in honour of the Greek goddess of hunting and wild nature.
- 4) The Mausoleum at Halicarnassus was a huge tomb constructed for King Mausollos, Persian satrap of Caria.
- 5) The Colossus of Rhodes was a massive statue erected by the Greeks in honour of Helios the sun-god.
- 6) The Lighthouse of Alexandria was built by the Ptolemies on the island of Pharos.
- 7) The Great Pyramid of Giza was built near the ancient city of Memphis for Pharaoh Khufu.

Modern Wonders

A list of the seven wonders of the modern world was compiled after World War I (after 1918). The motorcar was omitted from the list, instead naming: (1) the radio; (2) the telephone; (3) the aeroplane; (4) radium; (5) anaesthetics and antitoxins; (6) spectrum analysis; and (7) X rays. An updated list undoubtedly will include the car, television, computer, nuclear energy and nanotechnology.

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June/July Yard of the Month

We have awarded 2201 Mistletoe Avenue, home of the Strout-Dapaz family, as yard of the month for June/July. This is a wonderful example of a Texas landscape. There is so much happening in this yard it was hard to know where to start, but here it goes.

- Red Yucca – Drought and wind tolerant. Attracts butterflies and hummingbirds.
- Wild Rose – Beautiful, multiple rows of petals. Attracts pollinators.
- Yarrow – Flowering herb that repels insects. Its roots give strength to neighboring plants.
- Red and Blue Sage – Will grow 4-6 ft. with beautiful tubular flowers.
- Oleander – This is the real stand out on the east side of the house. Big, pink blooms. **Very toxic - Be sure not to eat it!**
- Rosemary – Strongly aromatic. Belongs to the mint family. Grows as a shrub or small tree.
- Gilardia – Outstanding red and yellow daisy-like flower.
- Black-Eyed-Susans – Yellow flowers with brownish-purple centers. Very competitive with other plants.
- Cone Flowers – These are the large showy flowers lining the walk. Relatives of the Black-Eyed-Susans.
- Orange Day Lilies – Often called the perfect perennial because of its low maintenance & large varieties to choose from.

- Lambs Ear – Low growing, silver-gray velvety leaves which send up stalks of lilac flowers. Bees love this one.

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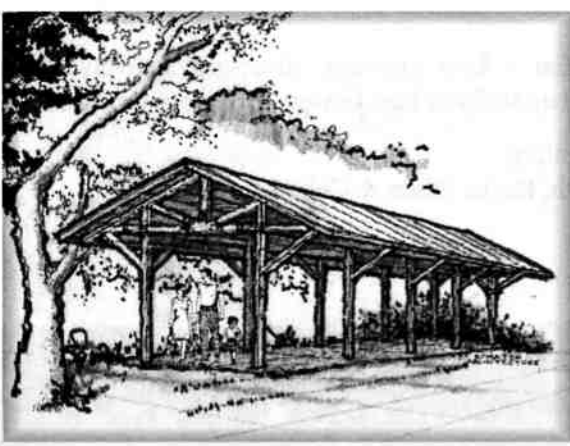
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Calling All Friends of Newby Park



The **Newby Park Pavilion** fund-raising campaign is in full swing! With an estimated budget of \$40,000 in construction costs and an additional \$10,000 for enhancements, fund raisers such as the sales of engraved bricks and a computer laptop raffle will be conducted. We are also soliciting corporate sponsors and support from the City's Park Department. We know you'll want to be a part of this worthwhile and enduring neighborhood project.

This pavilion is for you and your family's enjoyment. With your help, these two innovative fund-raisers will get the pavilion project ball rolling.

LAPTOP COMPUTER RAFFLE

Who couldn't use one? Purchase a chance to win a Dell laptop computer for only \$25 per ticket. Hey, the odds of winning are super! Tickets sales began at our MH meeting on February 10. Enter as many times as you wish. For tickets email name, address and phone to carrk@charter.net or PHSFtW@aol.com.



PERSONALIZED ENGRAVED BRICKS

Be a part of the pavilion and posterity! Purchase a personalized engraved brick for \$100. What a great idea for any friend of Newby Park. Engrave names of family members, friends - even pets. The tokens of love and remembrance are limitless, and it will be there for generations to come. The bricks will be displayed in or around the pavilion. All brick purchases are considered tax-deductible donations.



Engraved Brick(s) Application:

Please print your message(s) below to include up to 3 lines of text with a maximum of 13 letters per line per brick. **Make checks payable to:** Friends of Newby Park, and mail to: 2218 W. Rosedale St. So., Fort Worth TX 76110.

Brick #1

Brick #3

Brick #2

Brick #4

Want to order more bricks? Questions? Call 817-923-5510.

President's Letter

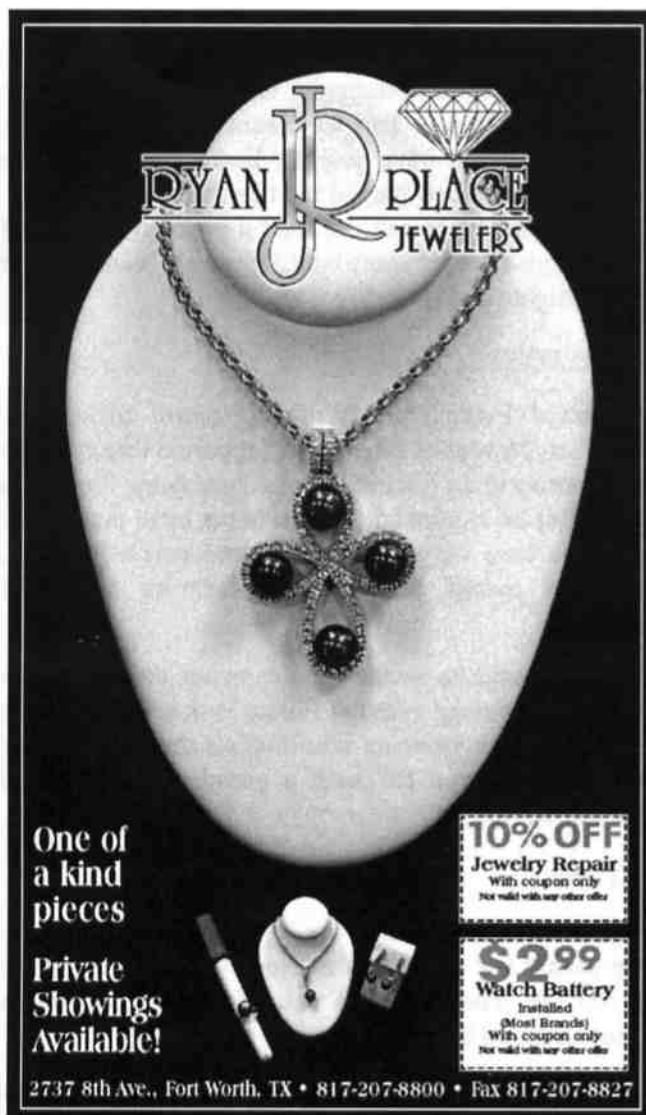
There is a silver lining to the cloud – living in a real neighborhood where neighbors take care of each other. When the recent severe storms hit, everybody in the neighborhood was affected, but some more than others. All homes lost power for a while, but for some, this inconvenience lasted several days. When it became apparent that some homes were going to be without power for several days, barbecues fired up for some of the frozen meats that had thawed and back-yard diners shared the 'bounty'.

Our spare freezer and refrigerator space became filled with steaks, roasts, containers of home made spaghetti sauce and other frozen foods. Some impromptu coffee klatches resulted.

The best storm story we've heard so far comes from Martin Herring, who told us how Steve Kelly, who's home had power, set up his welding generator and supplied power to freezers and refrigerators in three other homes for three days. This is a great example of one of the benefits of living in a real neighborhood.

For those who don't want to wait for the City to pick up your fallen branches and other storm debris, this would be a good time to remind everyone of the FREE Big Trash and Brush Drop-Off Station. Go East on Berry, cross I-35 until you get to 3224 Yuma (this is about 1 mile past I-35). Take a right on Yuma and go to the end of the street (about 3 blocks). Present a water bill or driver's license showing a Fort Worth address and you will be directed to one of several large containers. You can bring any sort of trash except hazardous waste. Hours are Monday – Friday 9 a.m.- 7 p.m. and Saturday from 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

See you in the neighborhood,
Jeff Gibbons



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Mistletoe Heights Association Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the May 18 Mistletoe Heights Association meeting at Lily B. Clayton Elementary School. Vice President Tom Richey presided in the place of President Jeff Gibbons, who was away flying his Triple 7 to London for American Airlines.

ZOO PARKING

Past President John Key said that Mistletoe Heights and Berkeley have stood firm in meetings with the city and the Fort Worth Zoo on the neighborhoods' opposition to any plan to pave the archery fields directly opposite the zoo entrance and turn that area into a permanent parking lot.

He cited association members Carol Zuber-Mallison, Dee Gullede and Councilwoman Wendy Davis as the stalwarts in this "huge community success". The zoo is to focus, instead, on using a city-owned parking lot at River Run Plaza, to be accessed by a new pedestrian bridge across the Trinity River, and eventually building a multilevel parking garage on the east side of the existing zoo parking lot.

SOUTHWEST PARKWAY

Key, who has attended community meetings involving the long-planned Southwest Parkway, said neighborhoods in southwest Fort Worth have recently been putting pressure on planners to keep their part of the thoroughfare attractive. The initial pressure to make the road a parkway instead of an ugly, high-speed, multilane freeway came from Mistletoe Heights and Berkeley.

POLICE REPORT

Officer David Briggs, neighborhood patrol officer for Mistletoe Heights east of Forest Park, reported that crime in the neighborhood in recent weeks has been "next to nothing." But he cautioned that the items most commonly stolen at this time of year are patio and porch furniture, hanging and potted plants, lawn mowers and yard implements.

Officer Briggs said he would inquire about the possibility of providing a crossing guard at Forest Park and Park Place for Lily B. Clayton students who live on the west side of Forest Park. The need for such a guarded crossing was raised at the meeting.

NEWBY PARK

Patsy Slocum advised that the city has approved the building permit for a pavilion at Newby Park and waived the \$1,700 fee. The permit is valid for one year, which means construction has to start within that period.

As of the start of the May 18 meeting, 29 inscribed bricks
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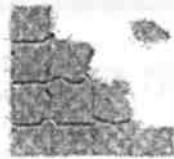
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