



# Mistletoe Express

Photos By Jim Peiper  
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## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

I was elected to be your president in 2012 after living in the neighborhood for only a few months. I have a wife, Stephanie, and a seven-month-old son named Colton who thinks he is a super hero. After hosting the Mistletoe Drive block party, I realized that I have not done a good job of letting you know who I am and where I hope to lead the neighborhood. With the advancement of the internet and game consoles, the idea of spending time outside with a neighbor has become foreign and, many times, awkward. I have numerous online friends but often find myself lonely. I talk to them daily but none of them really know me. Our kids' daily routines have changed from when we were kids. We talked with our friends face-to-face or on the phone, but now we speak to a name on a screen. In many ways, social media is anything but social; we open our computers only to shut our doors.

My goal is to remap these routines. My goal is to engage you to volunteer yourself back into the neighborhood, back into life. I have the opportunity to reach out to you once a month through this newsletter. I pray that someone finds something in these letters to be of value. Something that helps relieve some of the weight of life. In this issue, I have chosen to write some thoughts of fatherhood. I watch my son change day by day



Kyle Jensen 

and it scares me to know the pace of my clock has changed.

I don't know what your parenting experiences have held, but if you are anything like me, you are clueless about being a first-time dad. I really don't want to screw this up. I am on a journey to find out what it takes to be a good dad and now that my son is here, I have been asking others what works for them and what doesn't. My imagination has led me to think that the perfect quaint family has a home with plenty of room, a new SUV, a lawn that someone else mows and a dad that has it all figured out. I am afraid that doesn't exist. Every one of us have a story about our fathers and his influence on us; maybe he wasn't there, maybe he was there too much, maybe you feel it was your fault your dad bailed, maybe your last memory of your dad was when he hit your mom, maybe your dad made the journey a real labor of love.

Out of all the people I have talked to, there are very few that I would consider to have what I would call a normal dad. It is rare to hear my dad was awesome. We are still close. We shot hoops last night. Apparently there is no normal. I think I have been trying to paint the wrong picture. There is only one you, with the unique life experiences you bring to the world. So for the rest of us that are not running on the beach in white linen, there is good news! You're not alone. This neighborhood is full of dads that can relate to the everyday struggle of parenting. Your dad might not have been the best; you may not know your dad; or if you are like me, you don't know what you are doing half the time. I am an ordinary dad with ordinary flaws, trying to do my best.

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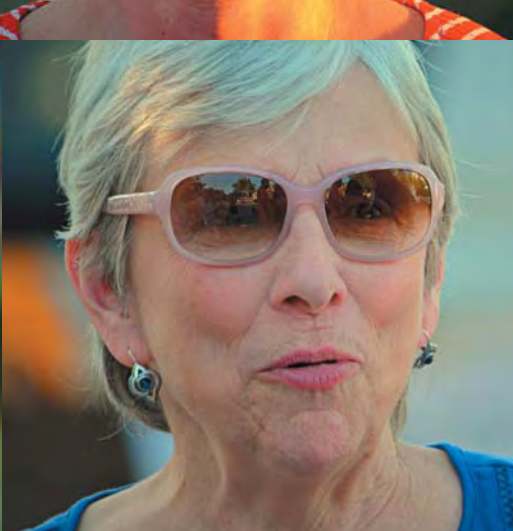
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# What's Up in the Neighborhood



Photos By Jim Peipert





# Join Us Friday at 6:30 p.m. July 4th

Annual Fourth of July Parade at the Triangle!  
Decorate your bike, wagon, child, and pet!  
NO MOTORIZED VEHICLES! Ice cream social to follow.

## 2223 Harrison

The WELCOME sign at 2223 Harrison is almost a redundancy at June's Yard of the Month: The porch itself with its delightful potted plants moves beyond 'welcoming' all the way into 'beckoning.' When we walk by we just kind of want to go sit a spell on that porch. The potted plants and especially the color scheme created thereby give an Italianesque feel to the place. If a porch and the effect created can be cozy, this one certainly is.

The homeowners have also created a foundation line planting effect on the side of the house in front of the wooden privacy fence - with attractive color pots and trellises. The result is both unusual and attractive.

The yard itself is meticulously maintained and nicely landscaped with plant

materials that both reflect the historical nature of the property and also compliment the architecture of the house. The overall effect is a formal one. Many of us are gardening in a space that is defined by the hard lines and right angles of the sidewalks and driveways. Mr. and Mrs. Hornsby have taken their space and enhanced it with good taste.

Visual interest is supplied by a row of Crepe Myrtles on one side of the property. This both defines and encloses the yard to a delightful end. The sidewalk approaching the front door is bordered with lush Liriope. The yard has St. Augustine turf which is currently under repair in one small area. The yard itself is a little higher than the public sidewalk and the slopes are covered in luxuriant Ivy. The overall effect is both colorful and provides high contrast.

And while on the subject of contrast, the stone treatment of the two parkways carries the high contrast principle all the way to the curb. The entire yard provides wonderful contrast in color and in hard/soft materials. And there's some whimsical yard art, too... and a little whimsy goes well in this setting.

It is obvious to us that this yard is not only well designed and well-manicured, but also (and more importantly) well loved! It has curb appeal; however, it has the lived-in feel sometimes lacking in formal landscapes. Thanks to the Hornsby's work the entire block benefits!

—Bruce Horn



## Yard of the Month

# History of Mistletoe Heights

Mistletoe Heights is one of the oldest neighborhoods in Fort Worth. On May 9, 1890, a man by the name of Harvey C. Lawrie filed the first Mistletoe Heights plat. (see below) It was a subdivision of E. S. Harris 640-acre survey. The neighborhood was undeveloped land on the edge of Fort Worth. The streets on the plat are shown as "Graded and Graveled." This first plat did not include any lots on the bluff overlooking the Trinity River. The only street names that have survived from the original plat are "Mistletoe Avenue" and "Jerome." I do not know if any houses were built on lots following this original platting.

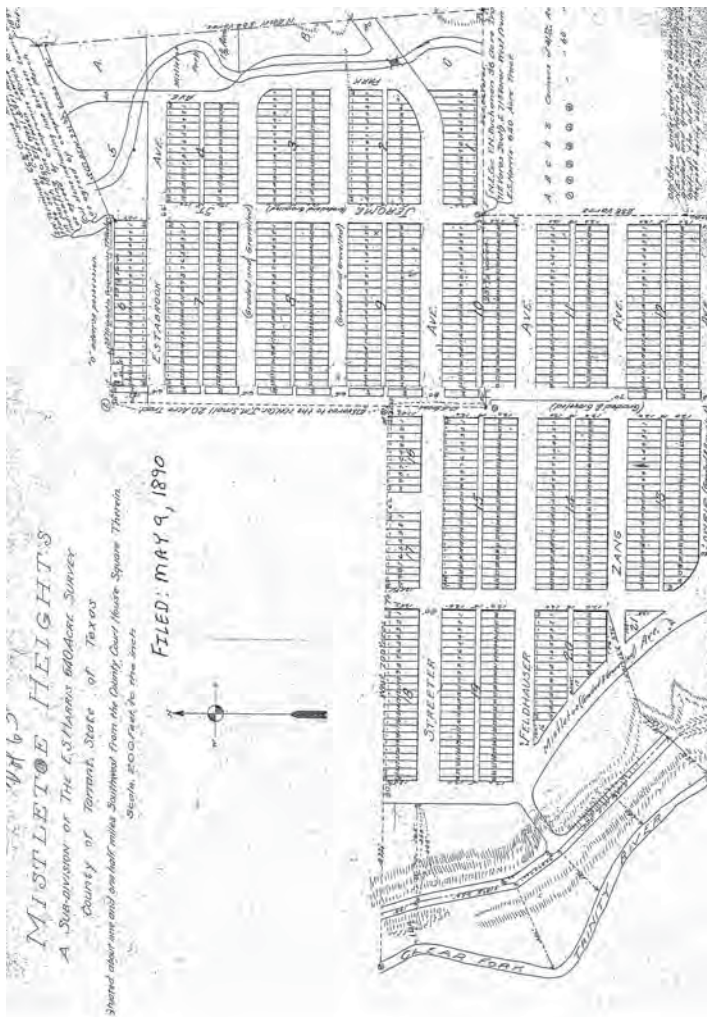
On August 15, 1911, a revision of a portion of the "Mistletoe Heights" Addition to Fort Worth, Texas was filed by Mistletoe Heights Realty Co., the corporate owner. (see below) The 1911 platting more closely resembles a part of our neighborhood today. It also included platting of some lots on the bluff. The streets were probably paved by then, however, many of the street names have changed location since this early replat. For example, what is shown on the plat as Rosedale is now Mistletoe Boulevard and part of what is shown as Mistletoe Avenue is now Mistletoe Drive. This platting also included some deed restrictions for the development of the neighborhood. My favorite restriction provides that if a residence is built on a lot, "the same shall cost not less than four thousand dollars, exclusive of all other improvements, and shall be a two story brick veneered house."

I believe that the first houses in the neighborhood were begun shortly after the platting in 1911.

The Mistletoe Heights neighborhood today includes the 1911 platting and parts of several other additions, which were platted later. These include parts of Sangamo Park Addition, North Mistletoe Addition, Forest Park Place, and Frisco Addition.

If anyone has any historical information or documents about the neighborhood, I would like to get copies to include in future articles. If you have any stories about famous or infamous persons who owned or lived in our house please let me know.

—Luke Ellis, Historian



# Thank You, Mary Dulle

For the many, many months, while we've stood back and watched as roads around us have closed, opened, been built and have been destroyed, the residents of Mistletoe Heights have all been fortunate to have the email voice of Mary Dulle, a Berkeley resident, guiding us through it all.

The massive number of email alerts she's dutifully sent out have no doubt saved us all endless extra minutes and extra miles. Had we not had her guidance, we would have all been left to our own devices, taking on our own individual trial and error methods of determining our routes, as we've been in the middle of the largest roadway construction event of our lifetimes, with the possible exception of the building of the "mixmaster" some fifty years.

Mary's been timely, accurate, and ever willing to be the bearer of bad news at times, a task she's done as our good neighbor.

You may want to say a silent thank you to Mary the next time you're successfully navigating the Chisholm Trail Parkway or crossing the amazing 7th Street Bridge. Or better yet, shoot her an email or drop her a note of thanks. She's truly been there for us all.



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### Mimosa Run 5k

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## What would you like to see in the newsletter?

We want your feedback! What topics would you like to see in the newsletter? Send us your suggestions: [newsletter@mistletoeheights.org](mailto:newsletter@mistletoeheights.org).

# Good Will

Share your stories, interests, and pictures with us! Email newsletter@mistletoeheights.org with your recipe ideas, gardening tips, fun stories, and artwork and we will share them with the neighborhood.

Kyle,

I found your article about “paying it forward” to be more than ironic, as I read it literally the night the following events happened.

We had a garage sale (couldn't do it the weekend of the neighborhood sale!), and our girls (ages six and three) decided to do their first lemonade stand at the sale. They enlisted help from three of their friends, who live three doors down. They charged twenty-five cents per glass and early in the day, a woman bought two cups, handed them a dollar, and told them that she was “paying it forward” for the next two customers. She explained what that meant to the kids. The kids thought that was great and proudly told the next customer it was free, compliments of the last customer. That customer gladly followed suit, as did literally every single customer thereafter. Literally all morning long, people paid it forward, as they enjoyed their “free” cup of lemonade.

We were happy with our garage sale efforts, which were modest, but we were all THRILLED with their lemonade sales that were anything but. I had to go to the store to purchase more lemonade by mid morning! It was a great lesson in generosity for our girls and a reminder to us that the sweetest things in life are often free “Paying it forward” is now a normal part of our family life.

—Becka & Mike  
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Bragging about my fast kid Keris who won her age group for females in the Cowtown and zoo runs.

# Another Successful Easter Egg Hunt

This year's Easter Egg Hunt was a phenomenal success. According to our records, this was the biggest egg hunt yet. We collected eggs for 110 children from 64 different families. That's a lot of plastic eggs! Parents, grandparents, and friends had fun watching the children quickly gather up the eggs scattered around Newby Park. Within minutes, every egg had been found. After the egg hunt, the Easter Bunny came by to meet the children and pose for pictures. Everyone enjoyed seeing their neighbors and stayed awhile to chat over bagels, juice, and coffee. It was the perfect day to be at the park—sunny but not too hot. We are fortunate to have a park like Newby in our neighborhood, and I'm grateful to all of the residents who helped build the pavilion over a decade ago.

A big THANK YOU to the Shelton family, whose four children have made sure we had an Easter Bunny at the egg hunt for many, many years. The Sheltons have been helping out the Easter Bunny for so long that we've lost count of exactly how many years they've been doing it. Their youngest child, Betsy, is graduating this year, which brings an end to the Shelton Bunny Dynasty. Another big THANK YOU goes to Kelley Reece, who helps us set up the park every year. Also, special thanks to Anne and Cate Schuster, River and Ruby Reece, and Mia and Bella Pressley who were all great helpers. We simply couldn't do it without you!

There's one more thing I'd like to mention. Each year more and more children participate in the egg hunt. One reason is because more and more families are moving into our neighborhood. Please remember that all these kids are about to be let out of school for the summer. They will be playing outside, riding bikes, running back and forth across the street to friends' houses, and so on. These kids do NOT always look both ways for cars before they dart out in the middle of the street, even though their parents might have told them to do so a million times. Please slow down when you see kids playing outside. Expect them to do the unexpected. Thanks!

—Susan Pressley



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It has been brought to the attention of MHA that the benches at the Triangle are in need of repair. Please either donate your time in helping rebuild them or donate funds for the association to have them repaired. Funds can be mailed to Jeri Jo Blackmon at 1408 Mistletoe Drive. Please clearly note on your check that the funds are to be used for the Triangle.

**A special thanks to Mark and Susie Mitchell for their donation to this project, and to Steve McReynolds for donating his time and skills!**

Please contact Kyle Jensen for more information, president @mistletoeheights.com.

To subscribe to the Mistletoe Heights Residents mailing list, go to [mistletoeheights.org](http://mistletoeheights.org), click on "Email list" and look for "Subscribing to Residents." Enter your name and email address, and then click "Subscribe." Note: You may need to add [residents-bounces@mistletoeheights.org](mailto:residents-bounces@mistletoeheights.org) to your address book to receive emails. If you have questions or concerns, contact [moderator@mistletoeheights.org](mailto:moderator@mistletoeheights.org).

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## President's Corner

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For the next month, I will be exploring what it looks like for the rest of us. I will need dads to be more intentional, more present, and more aware of what it means to be a good dad, and then tell me about it. Please share with me your experiences at [president@mistletoeheights.org](mailto:president@mistletoeheights.org).

Last month we asked you to share about your life and you did. Wow! We had lots of proud parents. If you missed out last month or want to share more, send it to [newsletter@mistletoeheights.org](mailto:newsletter@mistletoeheights.org). Keep the good news coming. It is fun to read what is happening around us. We are continuing to accept your experiences of "good will."

Our neighborhood is alive and well. We are communicating better than ever before.

Get connected. Be more engaging. We have lots of avenues to help you create a happy, health life.

1. Facebook Chat Room [www.facebook.com/groups/mhneighbors](http://www.facebook.com/groups/mhneighbors)
2. NextDoor page [www.mistletoeheights.nextdoor.com](http://www.mistletoeheights.nextdoor.com)
3. Webpage [www.mistletoeheights.org/contact](http://www.mistletoeheights.org/contact)
4. Next neighborhood meeting
5. The back of the newsletter

Join us as we make an effort to clean up our neighborhood and improve the quality of life for all those that live here.

—Kyle Jensen, MHA President

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*June Wayne: The Tamarind Decade*  
through July 6

*Underground: Photographs by Kathy Sherman Suder*  
through August 17

*Enriching the Collection: Gifts from Joan and John Richardson* through August 17

*Alfred Stieglitz: The Art of Photogravure* opens May 10  
*Lone Star Portraits* through October 19

*No Place Like Home: American Scene Painting in the Sinquefield Collection* through October 19

*Archibald Motley: Jazz Age Modernist* opens June 14  
*Fresh Perspectives: Benito Huerta and the Collection*  
through January 11

### Kimbell Art Museum

*Permanent Collection*

*Samurai: Armor from the Ann and Gabriel Samurai: Armor from the Ann and Gabriel Barbier-Mueller Collection* through August 17

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7-10 pm  
 June 13  
 July 11  
 September 12  
 October 10  
 November 14

## MHA Needs Your Help!

We need more volunteers! Help us make this neighborhood better.

MHA is looking for four to five people to join the Historical Preservation Committee. Help us ensure the integrity of the architecture in our community.

We also need two to three people to help with email moderation. Ideally, this person is in front of their computer for most of the day and is available to approve emails to send out to the neighborhood via our email serve list.

The association is looking for a web designer/content manager.

We are also looking for someone to host the Mayor's Triathlon Cheer Station on Sunday, July 13 at 7 am.

Contact Kyle Jensen if you are interested, [president@mistletoheights.com](mailto:president@mistletoheights.com).



*Help the Tarrant Area Food Bank  
feed those in need!*

*June 9 to August 11, 2014*

For more than 20 years the City of Fort Worth has held an employee food drive benefitting the Tarrant Area Food Bank (TAFB).



**Join us for the neighborhood food drive kick-off meeting on Tuesday, June 3 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the Hazel Harvey Peace Center for Neighborhoods located at 818 Missouri Avenue. All you need is a volunteer to serve as your neighborhood's food drive coordinator who can attend the kick-off meeting and get your neighborhood food drive going!**



Each month the TAFB distributes food – working with more than 300 partner charities in Tarrant and 12 neighboring counties – to 47,000 or more households, helping families from all walks of life.

In an effort to increase the amount of aid we can bring to the TAFB, this year the drive is being expanded to include participation from Fort Worth neighborhoods.



The neighborhood that collects the most pounds of food and/or monetary donations will be recognized by Mayor Price and earn bragging rights as the winner of the neighborhood donation competition.

*Your support in this worthwhile effort is appreciated.*

# Mistletoe Heights Association Annual Dues Drive

All residents of Mistletoe Heights are members of the association and dues donations are completely voluntary. Any amount is welcomed and appreciated. In addition to the seasonal social gatherings, landscape maintenance, newsletter and directory publications, dues donations fund a number of special projects.

Our annual dues drive begins in May and continues through October. You will see this flyer in our newsletter each of those months as we collect dues donations for our neighborhood association. We will recognize donors in EVERY newsletter through October with the final recognition published in our December issue.



Levels of giving for this year are:  
Mistletoe – up to \$25  
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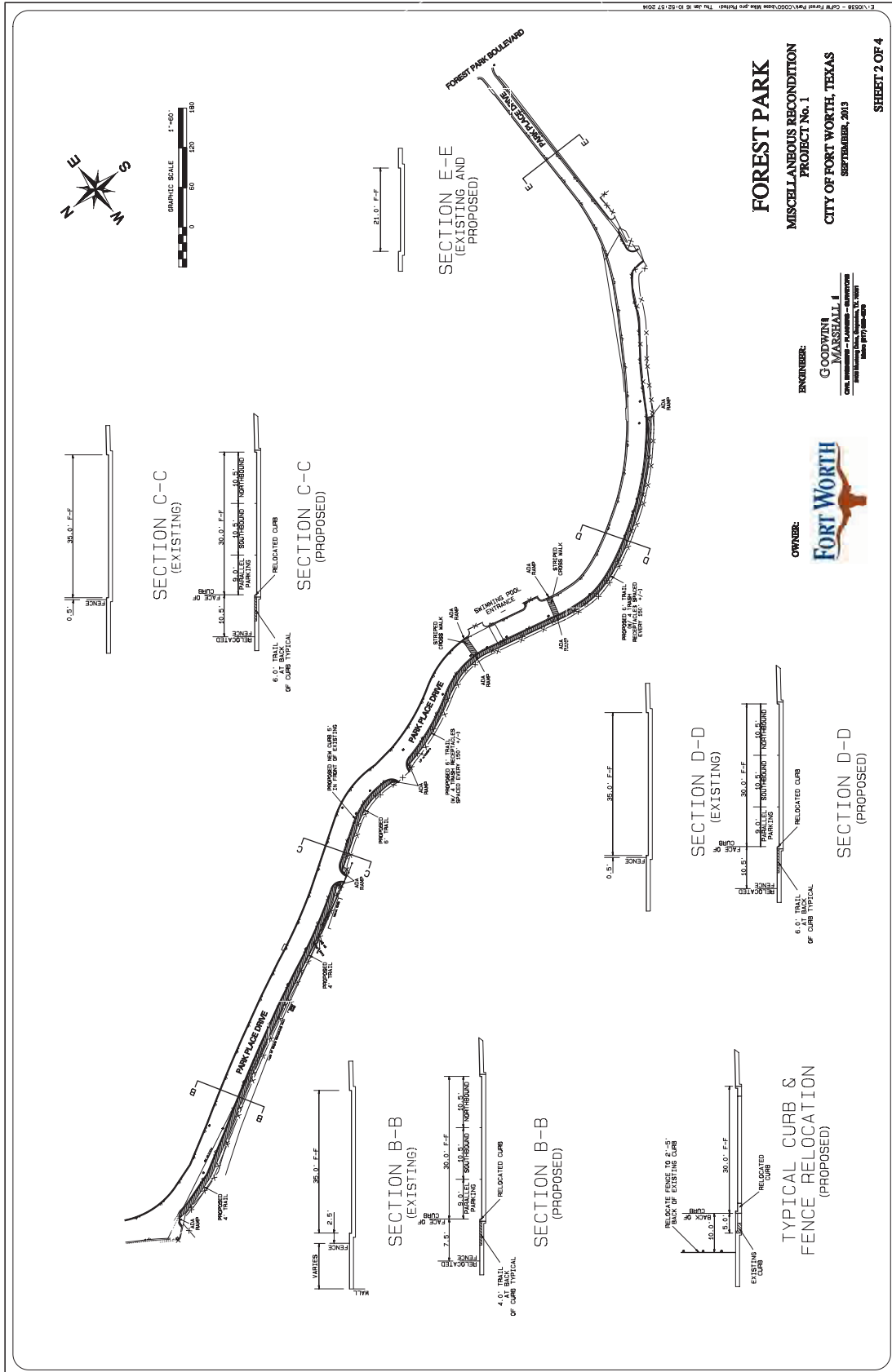
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# Zoo Additions

## These are the Final Design Schematics





# Mistletoe Heights Neighborhood Meeting

## May 20, 2014 7-8:40pm

Officer Attendees: Kyle Jenson, Jeri Jo Blackmon, Ben Belsher, Stephanie Piwetz, Scott Ewing.

Other Attendees: 20 Mistletoe Heights Neighbors.

Guest Speakers: Barry Cram and Pamela Cannell

Secretary: Valerie Ewing

7:05pm Kyle Jenson, President of Mistletoe Heights Association, started the meeting with a brief reminder of inclement weather and safety concerns for the residents of our neighborhood. A map of home plots with street names in Mistletoe Heights was passed around with requests to highlight homes with basements. Then the first guest speaker was introduced.

7:12pm Guest Speaker #1: Barry Cram Field Organizer, Fort Worth with NEXTDOOR, Building stronger and safer neighborhoods, together. [www.nextdoor.com/fw](http://www.nextdoor.com/fw)

Mr. Barry Cram is an employee at Nextdoor, a website focused on community involvement. Nextdoor is a social platform and grassroots concept that anyone can start. What you put into it you get out of it and you set the boundaries. Individuals can join but a business cannot.

Three Concepts: Local, Secure and Useful

1. Local: Nextdoor is Geo-Specific. You cannot join Mistletoe Heights if you do not live in Mistletoe Heights. This applies to every neighborhood within Nextdoor.
2. Secure: You have to sign in with your real name and address. You can be verified by typing in your phone number, social security number, etc. There is no charge to join, it's a free site where your information is not sold nor shared.
3. Useful: Nextdoor is for your neighborhood. For instance, a place to list favorite contractors, service people like plumbers, businesses, garage sales or individual items for sale. It's also useful for crime prevention and safety as it establishes a means of communication between neighbors especially when nefarious activities are observed. In addition, members can opt to receive texts in the event of emergencies or urgent notification.

7:31pm Guest Speaker #2: Pamela Cannell – a Mistletoe Heights resident who represents the Fort Worth Drowning Prevention Coalition: 2 Seconds is too long. She shared some unfortunate facts: Texas is the #1 state for pool drownings. Tarrant County is #2 county for pool drownings. Drowning is a silent killer, a public epidemic in our area. If you see someone in a pool flailing their arms then that is someone who is getting air into their lungs. Someone who is actually drowning, you will not hear it that is why it is imperative for all children to be watched at all times in and around swimming pools. The Fort Worth Drowning Prevention Coalition is a volunteer driven group. Some eye-opening stats: 70% of African Americans cannot swim, 60% of Latino Americans cannot swim and yet most drowning deaths that occur between the ages 1-4 are Caucasian occurring in their own backyard pool. There are 3500 fatal, unintentional drownings per year in America – averaging 10 per day.

The drowning coalition is focused on drowning prevention, not stroke work. Classes will be held at the Forest Park Pool next Tuesday thru Friday beginning May 27 at 6pm. The cost is \$5. They are also looking for volunteers to help teach kids drowning prevention. They are in need of lifejackets if you can donate any you're either not using or would like to purchase for the cause: they can be bought at Sports Academy for \$12. Other sessions will be held at the Westside and Eastside YMCA: for more information: [www.swimsafeFW.org](http://www.swimsafeFW.org) or you can call: 817-392-6862 or email: [fire.safety@fortworthtexas.gov](mailto:fire.safety@fortworthtexas.gov)

7:42pm Meeting called to order  
Committee Reports

7:43pm Ben Belsher – Development Report: 1. Price Hulsey structures are up with four 2-story buildings available for rent when complete. For more information: [www.mistletoeheightstownhomes.com](http://www.mistletoeheightstownhomes.com) 2. Westbend shopping center, located on University Ave across from University Park Village, construction is happening now: There will be a Fresh Market grocer with completion date summer 2015. 3. The area near Torchy's and Hilton Garden will have a Jason's Deli but presently construction is being held up by City issues. 4. Zoo is expanding; they are adding a water park and Africa Exhibit. 5. Work will be starting immediately to add curbs and sidewalks that service Forest Park Pool.

# Mistletoe Heights Neighborhood Meeting

## May 20, 2014 7-8:40pm

7:48pm Rosaline Takes – Sound Wall Report: The sound wall had a previous completion date of June 2014 which is now delayed. Joel Burns' office called the NTTA regarding the delay and was told that the recent freeway opening held up the wall construction. However, the builders on the sound wall are not working on the freeway. When the builder was questioned, it was discovered they were pulled off the sound wall to work at a project in Houston.

Backstory on the sound wall: Wall discussions started in 1995, 4 homes were involved, the residents voted yes with the wall being built on top of the berm. Shortly afterward, a resident called NTTA saying they represented the Mistletoe Heights residents and requested it be moved and this was approved. The other residents wanted it changed back, NTTA said no but allowed concessions, i.e., landscaping. About a year ago a similar thing happened when a Mistletoe Heights resident called NTTA asking that the wall not be built so now NTTA is fed up with Mistletoe Heights. At this point, if any resident has a concern about the sound wall, please contact Rosaline Takes as she is our liaison for the sound wall and NTTA communication.

7:59pm Stefanie Piwetz - Newsletter Report: Newsletter will be out shortly, thanks to all who sent in goodwill notes for our newsletter.

8:00pm Kathy Jo Rogers/Diana Brandenburg – Welcome Report: after taking over the welcome baskets for Alex and Beth, there have been 6 welcome baskets delivered. If you know of a new resident, including those who are renters, please notify the new welcome committee. Any information is useful: name, address, children or pets? Kathy Jo: 817-688-0905 Diana Brandenburg: 214-734-9140

8:07pm Scott Ewing – Website Report: We are still in need of help with the Mistletoe Heights website: updating, chasing down information. For instance, a person asked for a number to reserve the Newby Park picnic area because the number on the website was incorrect.

8:09pm Aaron Shutt – Gas Well Report: no new reports or changes.

8:10pm Andrew Clogg – Sidewalks on Jerome Report: Principle of Lily B Clayton submitted letters to City on behalf of Mistletoe Heights. The sidewalks are included in the Bond money. Joel Burns says they are on the list but remember, with Bond money, the city sells the bonds to get money and then they prioritize where and how it is spent. So the Jerome sidewalks are a year out at least. Overall the impression is positive but it will take a while. In Fall 2014 the “walk with the Mayor” will include walking along Jerome to help highlight the safety concerns.

Q&A: A discussion between those present on whether a contractor has to be licensed with the City in order to put in a sidewalk in our neighborhood.

8:21pm Jeri Jo Blackmon – Treasury Report: Handout listing income and expenses was passed around for viewing. Not much in dues has been received yet. Money has been donated for Park Bench repairs at the Triangle.

8:24pm Volunteers Needed:

- Historical Preservation: need someone to help in monitoring homes being built (Example the house on Harrison) as well as monitoring the preservation and integrity of original homes.
- Web Design – need help keeping the website up to date on a month to month basis.
- Webmaster – looking for someone who can take over this position.
- Email Moderator – Kelly Holsey has volunteered to be the moderator. Richard Yantis will help with the transition.

8:32pm Miscellaneous topics: Garage Sale was a success this year. Movie night had 92 people in attendance, next one is this Fall. Triangle Benches: Donation to repair benches was sent in by Susie Mitchell. Steve McReynolds has volunteered to repair the benches. July 4th Parade will be at the triangle, actual time to be announced later by Kyle Jenson. Please, no motorized scooters. Mayor's triathlon will bike through Mistletoe Heights with a cheer station on FPB.

8:36pm Susie Mitchell - National Night Out: This occurs on the first Tuesday of October. Residents turn on their Porch lights and lights on in the house then go outside. It is meant to increase awareness about police programs in communities, such as drug prevention, town watch, neighborhood watch and other anti-crime efforts.

Car Stickers – will be discussed next meeting.

8:37pm Meeting Adjourned.

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