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# President's Corner:

By Corey Bearden



**Corey Bearden, President** 

# Jerome Street "No Parking" Signs

As you've probably noticed, "No Parking" signs have been posted along Jerome Street near the intersection with W. Rosedale and down the west side of the street. These signs were added in large part because of concerns voiced by MHA residents who were frustrated with the congestion at the intersection. I've traveled this road recently at various times of the day. I believe the signs are positively impacting congestion both at the intersection and

during peak times of Newby Park usage. These signs are a great example of our ability as residents to alert the City to a problem and work together for a common sense solution. Great job, MHA!



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# **Fourth of July Parade** It's almost time for the Fourth of July Parade around

Triangle Park. This is one of my favorite events of the year! Young and old are encouraged to decorate a bike, scooter, tricycle, unicycle, etc. (nothing with a motor, please) in the colors of Old Glory and take a



# Mistletoe/Berkeley Pool Party

The Mistletoe Heights and Berkeley Place neighborhoods' annual Forest Park Pool Party is scheduled for Saturday, June 15 from 7-9 pm. The MHA/BPA associations will provide frozen treats as well as water and lemonade, but neighbors are welcome to bring snacks and (non-alcoholic) drinks. Here's hoping we have a great turnout at the Forest Park Pool Party!

a fireworks show. Hope to see you there!

few spins around Triangle Park. There will be bounce

houses, snow cones, and other activities. The parade

parade and then head to your favorite spot to enjoy

starts at 6:30 p.m. Stick around for fun after the

\*There is no charge for neighbors as our neighborhood association has paid for the pool. \*\*In the event of a weather cancellation, officers will send out a notice via email and on Facebook.



Historic overlay helps preserve character of the neighborhood

Mistletoe Heights is a historic neighborhood, dating from the 1910s.

Wishing to preserve its architectural heritage and identity, most of the neighborhood sincluded in a historic overlay.

Any alterations or additions to the structures should be submitted to the neighborhood Historic Preservation Committee and must be approved by the city of Fort Worth's Historic & Cultural Landmarks Commission (HCLC).

Neighborhood Historic Preservation Committee: Susan Willis, 817-924-4000 or Melanie Smith, 682-225-6921.

Historic & Cultural Landmarks Commission: Murray Miller, 817-392-8574, or Justin Newhart, 817-392-8037. The commission meets the second Monday of the month.

www.mistletoeheights.org, and click on Historic Guidelines.

# **2** Zoning Changes in Mistletoe Heights

Zoning is an interesting subject, if you are in to that kind of thing. As Chair of the Commercial Board of Adjustment for our city, I do happen to be into understanding all aspects of our city's zoning. While this article is not being written in my capacity as a city board chair, and only informally as a resident of Mistletoe Heights, I feel it is important to give the background on my credentials. My grandfather was the city's Planning Director about 50 years ago and I am a licensed Texas Real Estate Broker, so cognition of city zoning has just been something engrained in me. Ann Zadeh's office helped point me in the right direction on this process and the city staff has been ultra-helpful in giving me guidance.

Now let's get to the meat of this. As I mentioned at our last MHA meeting, we have a mixed bag of zoning across Mistletoe Heights. I can only construe that this is due to the wide variety of uses of our land over the last 100-plus years. It is not good planning to have everything from industrial to single family within adjacent blocks. There should always be transitions from heavy commercial gradually down to single family. Because of this practice, the city has a Comprehensive Plan they update frequently that includes future land use designations in it. The 2019 plan can be found here: http://fortworthtexas. gov/comprehensiveplan/2019/. Specifically of interest is the Appendix titled "TCU" in which you will find the map that includes our neighborhood. The city has found that nearly all of Mistletoe should be zoned for single family homes. It is not. We have many zoning designations. Getting into details of the zoning is complex and detailed, but below is a short list with my brief description of them:

A-5: Single family homes and what most people think of when they think of a typical neighborhood. A lot of our homes are this.B: Two family homes which can also be called duplexes. We have many of these today and they are also desired within the city plan in some small pockets of Mistletoe.

**R1:** Zero lot line, up to two family. Essentially B, but even more tightly packed.

**I:** Industrial that is only along the far eastern end of Mistletoe Blvd by the FWWR tracks.

So where and why does this matter? My family and I live on West Morphy and we are currently zoned R1. I'm not a fan of this. Most notably because it does not meet the city's desired zoning in its Comprehensive Plan. The city feels we should be zoned for Single Family ... and I happen to agree. Luckily for us, when things don't line up with the city's desires, they afford us a tool. We as citizens can file a petition requesting a rezoning of our property. It's a free process. The city likes to handle these in larger swaths at a time, so think blocks or block faces, not house by house. The city graciously provided me with some input on our 2100 block of West Morphy and Harrison and I got to work obtaining signatures on the petition. With 50% of the owners of the land mass making up these two blocks, the city will get the ball rolling on their side. They will offer to meet with us to discuss the impact and answer any questions. So, our ball is rolling so to speak, as by the time you read this, our petition will have already been turned in.

By now you are probably asking, why does this matter? Don't we have a historic overlay? Sure, we do. But not across the whole neighborhood. And I'm not one to wait for something negative to happen. If we can work to get ourselves in line (for free no less) with the city's plan, then I'm going to do it. I don't want to sit idle until a developer has pulled a building permit to build a 35-foot-tall duplex (think Paschal area) at which point it is too late for us to react. I love density in appropriate areas. I do not love throwing a 35-foot-tall duplex with 10 bedrooms between two single family homes. As a REALTOR and Broker I can attest that it is a value and neighborhood character killer. You may also be wondering how your property is zoned. Don't assume anything ... there are some odd pockets. Check the city's Zoning GIS mapping system here, https://mapit. fortworthtexas.gov/Html5Viewer/?viewer=zoning, or check out the map renderings in the article (you'll need to go to the site to get down-to-the-minute detail). You'll have to do some zooming in to get down to Mistletoe, but take a look. If you are in one of those odd pockets, shoot our MHA leadership a

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**E:** Neighborhood Commercial which is essentially along the lines of Mr. Jakes.

message or post it on the Facebook group page. I'm happy to help others get their zoning in line with the city's plan. The only people who are going to aggressively work to protect the character of our neighborhood is us, and the time is now.

# Yard of the Month

Many of you know the May winners of Yard of the Month, Teri and Tom Brewer, at 2314 W. Magnolia. Tom, a real estate developer, has lived in this house, built by his grandfather, for his whole life, and he writes the "Blast from the Past" feature for the MHA newsletter. Teri is a retired nurse. The Brewers actually won Yard of the Month four years ago, when their front garden, designed by the neighborhood's James Bryant, was put in. They've done a great job of maintaining it over the years,



making modifications as plants have grown or succumbed to the vagaries of North Texas weather. And it looks just great right now! Who can resist those madly blooming pots of pink



hydrangeas that Teri has placed on either side of the front walk!

As for the beds themselves: While rounded Pittisporum bushes fill the space at the west end of the porch, four Holly bushes provide the structural anchors of the curved garden beds on both sides of the front walk. One stands at each end of the front porch. with two flanking the walk. They've been attractively and

unusually trimmed into soft conical shapes about 4' tall, and are linked by a line of variegated Privet that runs along the porch. (A word to the wise on these two types of bushes: both Hollies and Privet can get very large. Make sure you get a Holly



variety that will stay at a size suitable for its spot in your garden. and be prepared to keep privet trimmed on a

vertical-leafed Cast Iron plants

regular basis.)

appear at several spots in front of the Hollies and Privet, providing structure at a lower level, and are set off by interspersed lighter green Hostas. The eye-catchers in this bed are at mid-level: a large, pale pink Drift Rose, now in full bloom, contrasted with the dark purple leaves of a Chinese Fringeflower (Loropetalum). The lowest level of plantings offers variety in both color and leaf texture:

To the left of the walk, dark green,

a light green, fuzzy, large-leafed Rabbit Ears (Stachys Byzantina, Helen von Stein variety); a swath of red and pink Begonias

with their round. dark, greenishred leaves; and the long narrow leaves of a patch of Mexican Petunia, which will be covered with purple flowers later in the summer and through the fall. The finishing touches in this bed are a low



stand holding a potted red Geranium, a bright vellow butterfly. and a small stone rabbit crouching near the walk.

Most of these plants - Cast Irons, Hostas, Mexican Petunias, Begonias, potted red Geranium, and another pink Rose bush – are repeated in the right-side bed, though in a different arrangement, and here there is also a large patch of Chrysanthemums that will bloom along with the Mexican Petunias later in the season. A pert and pretty "welcome spring" flag near the walk welcomes both the season and the visitor.

Congratulations, Teri and Tom, and many thanks for your on-going efforts to keep Mistletoe Heights both beautiful and neighborly! And thanks to all of the other neighbors for your lovely spring gardens!





4 Volunteers Needed

We need more volunteers, especially some talented and energetic people to take over several key offices in the Mistletoe Heights Association. Help us make this neighborhood better.

Are you new to the neighborhood and would like to get involved? Here are a few great ways, and you will get to meet a lot of interesting neighbors!

**Historical Preservation Committee:** We are looking for any interested people to join the Historical Preservation Committee. Help us ensure the integrity of the architecture in our community.

**Advertising manager:** We need someone to solicit and manage ads from local businesses. You would work closely with the treasurer. It would require only a few hours a month.

**Newby Park Gardening Committee:** We need a group of people to work on a rotating basis to care for the plants and flowers in Newby Park. Rosaline Eastepp Takes will provide information about the specific duties involved and will manage the schedule.

Contact MHA Vice President Mark Philpot if you are interested in any of these positions at vicepresident@mistletoheights.com.

# **Support Our Advertisers**

The officers of the Mistletoe Heights Association encourage you to support the businesses that advertise in our newsletter. These organizations pay to be in our newsletter and support our neighborhood. Their businesses also make this publication possible. Without them we would not be able to provide printed newsletters to every household in the neighborhood free of charge.

# **Advertising Submission Process**

All ads must be paid for by the end of the month prior to the month in which the ad will appear. Artwork for all ads should also be submitted by the end of the month prior. Artwork should be emailed to: advertise@mistletoeheights. org. Should you have any questions, please email advertise@mistletoeheights.org.

# How to reach the Mistletoe Heights Officers:

President: Corey Bearden: michael.corey.bearden@gmail.com

Vice President: Mark Philpot: mark@leaguere.com

Treasurer: Jeri Jo Blackmon: JeriJo@charter.net

**Newsletter:** Hannah and Jeff Parks: hannah.penley@gmail.com, jeffdparks@gmail.com

Secretary: Val Ewing: agdoc05@hotmail.com

# Stay Connected with your neighbors



Get connected. Be more engaged. Please share with us your experiences of good will in the neighborhood to newsletter@mistletoeheights.org

or to president@mistletoeheights.org. Here are some ways to find out what's going on in the neighborhood:

## Facebook Chat Room

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# **Ryan Place Neighborhood Meeting**

### June 3, 2019 7:00-830

**Introduction:** Tim Keith, President of Ryan Place Neighborhood Association, discussed the meeting agenda.

### Guests in attendance:

Jay Chap – Assistant City Manager for FW Ann Zadeh – Councilwoman District 9 Edwin Kraus – Interim Police Chief Lt. Brandon O'Neill – FWPD

### **TOPICS COVERED**

**Community Camera Program:** If you have RING or video surveillance, please register your location with FWPD. This will help the PD identify homes with surveillance in the event a crime takes place and they need footage to assist with an investigation.

**Code Blue:** Citizens on Patrol. Contact FWPD 505 W. Felix Street, Fort Worth, TX 76115, 817-392-4200. Citizens on Patrol meet quarterly with police departments to discuss what is happening in the neighborhood.

**Police academy – citizens police academy:** Get involved with an advisory group that meets regularly with the Police Department. Ideas to keep your neighborhood safe: get to know your neighbors, report suspicious activities, if your child walks to school, identify neighbors along the route and establish "safe" houses.

Amber Alert: Three levels: Regional, State, and National. Regional: guidelines established 21 years ago with advances made since then. Three criteria needed: child abducted is <17yo, child is in imminent danger, and information beneficial to the public to help with the alert is available. Before an alert is issued, effort is made to confirm that information being sent out is accurate. All media outlets get contacted with photos, video, etc. Text messages to cell phones are not sent out between 11:00 pm to 6:00 am. Since the abduction on May 18, they are looking at making changes and improvements.

**Social media:** Excellent tool when information reported is accurate. However, incorrect information is transmitted just as quickly. PD encourages people, if you're posting something on Facebook or other social media, post what is on the police website and not from other sites as it may be incorrect. When the Amber Alert was put out through Facebook on May 18, over 650,000 people were reached.

What caused the delayed Amber Alert? The officer assigned the role of Amber Alerts was out of town and faxed the information on a nonsecure line which created problems with transmission to the field officers. FWPD is aware that an error occurred, and they are making every effort to make changes to prevent this from occurring again. The Amber Alert delay was also due to piecing together numerous photos of the vehicle until they had an accurate picture of the known vehicle. The PD have also been made aware that the public are concerned about the antiquated method of communication via fax with today's advanced technology such as it is. As a result, they are considering alternatives to the fax machine.

People in attendance had questions about the abduction and suspect which went unanswered by PD as it's an ongoing investigation. PD did state that the motive was not sex trafficking. Another question was about when the police officers first searched the hotel room at midnight and did not find the child in the room. PD stated they are addressing that issue presently (vague answer). They also stated the suspect drove the neighborhood for about an hour before taking the child.

The PD mentioned that an abduction like this is extremely rare. Time was spent discussing situational awareness. Nosy neighbors are the best neighbors to have.

**Changes coming:** A citizen app for people to communicate with the City. For instance: right now, if you see a pothole, you can send a picture to the City. This app they are considering would be similar but used for emergencies.

Adjourned: 8:31 pm



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Do you know of a Mistletoe Heights neighbor who has accomplished something great? Tell us about it at newsletter@mistletoeheights.org.



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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.



# **Hardwood Floors**

As many owners of older homes such as those in Mistletoe Heights know, wood floors are a beautiful, natural product set apart from other floor coverings. The ultimate appearance however, is dependent upon the finishing process.

### When is refinishing necessary?

There are several situations when a floor typically needs to be refinished. If you are removing carpet, most times the floor will need to be refinished because the carpet pad wears on the floor and sometimes, unfortunately, the wood floors have been used as a "drop cloth" during prior makeovers. If you want a different color on the floor and/or you have excessive traffic wear patterns, the floors will need to be refinished. If adding new floors to your home, they will need to be refinished.

### Choosing a stain color

Take a look around your room and note the different types and color of furniture, fabric, and paint in the room. The majority of stain colors available (shades of brown) will go with most any décor. Some colors can be very "owner specific" (shades of whites, greys, and reds). Dark stains will visually enlarge a room, and will show more dust on the floor.

### **Coating/Finishes**

This is a personal choice. Polyurethanes are the most common finish and are considered to be the most durable. A waxed floor will give the floor a richer look, but will need to be maintained — the traffic areas will need to be re-waxed once or twice a year.

### **Cleaning hardwood floors**

Standard vacuuming is the best way to remove surface dust and dirt. Wipe up any liquid spills immediately — liquids and wood do not mix! If your floor has a polyurethane finish, use a mixture of water and vinegar. The ratio is a cup of vinegar to a gallon of water. The solution can be put in a spray bottle. After vacuuming, spray the solution on the floor then wipe up with a clean towel.

### Specialty wood finishes

Handscraped floors are becoming more and more popular. In

# Who do you know?

Do you know anyone connected with a business on Park Place, Forest Park Boulevard, Eighth Avenue, Mistletoe Boulevard, Rosedale Street, Magnolia Avenue or Park Hill?

The Mistletoe Express is looking for someone to contact loca businesses to advertise in our newsletter. Over the past few years, the number of advertisers has dwindled, and we need new advertisers to break even on the cost of the newsletter.

Having an advertising manager for the newsletter would be ideal. The position would require a time commitment of only a few hours a month. Until we have one, if any individual neighbor has a contact with a business proprietor and would be willing to speak directly to that person about advertising in the Mistletoe Express, that would be helpful.

If you are interested and able to help, contact Treasurer, Jeri Jo Blackmon, for details about ad specifications, deadlines and pricing, or just look on the back page of the newsletter .. **You know you know somebody!**  By Stanton McKibbin

this process, the floors are scraped by hand to achieve a worn and/or distressed appearance. They tend to show less wear and tear on the floor. If your goal is to have a more formal look, borders, inlays, medallions, and/or patterns can be added. The floors can have almost any type of design.



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Note: You may need to add

residents-bounces@mistletoeheights.org to your address book to receive emails. If you have questions or concerns, contact moderator@mistletoeheights.org.

Check out our website: mistletoeheights.org

Friend us on Facebook: facebook.com/mistletoeheights

# Annual Easter Egg Hunt

On the morning of Saturday, April 20, Mistletoe parents and children gathered at Newby Park to hunt for eggs hidden by the Easter Bunny. Thanks to Susan Presley for organizing the event!











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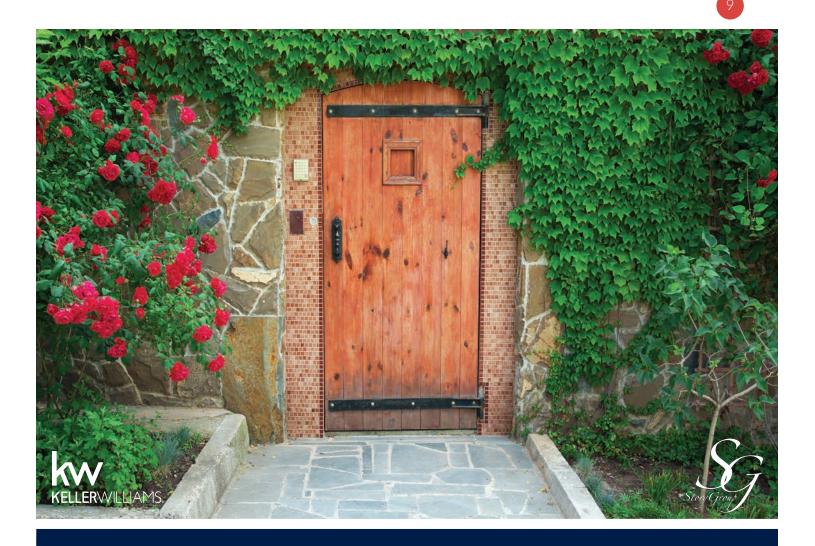
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### MHA Neighborhood Meeting

Location: The Tyson's Home Time: May 21, 2019 • 7:00-8:30 pm Officers Present: President: Corey Bearden. Vice President: Mark Philpot. Treasurer: Jeri Jo Blackmon. Newsletter Editors: Hannah and Jeff Parks. Secretary: Val Ewing

Neighbors: 29 per attendance sheet Guest Speakers:

Jj Grissom, Executive Director of Fort Worth Bike Sharing: 817-348-0043

Tyler Grant, Community Outreach Representative for Trinity Metro: 817-215-8976, tyler.grant@ridetm.org.

### I. CALL TO ORDER:

Corey Bearden began the meeting by introducing guest speaker, Jj Grissom. Mrs. Grissom spoke about the Fort Worth Bike Sharing program. Salient points: nonprofit organization, 40% comes from people using the bikes and the rest is from sponsors and organizations. Goal is to keep it affordable so spread the word. They have electric assist bikes, e-bikes, that provide an excellent means of transportation. Closest pickup locations: Magnolia or Park Place and 8th. Please consult their website to learn about several programs available: www.fortworthbikesharing.com.

**Next guest:** Tyler Grant from Trinity Metro. Trinity Metro operates the region's bus service and two commuter rail lines: TEXRail and Trinity Railway Express (TRE). Check out www.gopass.org to pay your fare via smartphone and see www.nextbus.com to locate where your bus is in real time using the Nextbus app. Bikes can be brought on board as well. Check out the website for more information: www.ridetrinitymetro.org

Next, a Mistletoe Heights neighbor spoke briefly about our public libraries. There are 17 libraries in the FW metro area that plan to keep longer hours. This summer, look for activities like the Summer Reading Program and Story Time. Visit www.FortWorthLibrary.org for more information.

**II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Minutes approved from meeting in February 2019.

#### **III. ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- MHA/Berkeley Pool Party Saturday, June 15, 7:00-9:00 pm at Forest Park Pool
- Fourth of July Parade Thursday, July 4, 6:30 pm at Triangle Park.
- Neighborhood Meeting Tuesday, August 20, 7:00 pm Location TBD
- Movie night was canceled due to weather. Makeup movie night is on hold for now.

#### **IV. OFFICERS REPORTS:**

**Corey Bearden:** Jerome Street has "No Parking" signs installed to reduce congestion.

**LBC Elementary traffic update:** Park Place will not be turned into a one-way street after much objection.

Forest Park Towers have new flags: Thanks to our Mistletoe Heights neighbor, John Key, for getting this done! Triangle Park Irrigation: Sprinklers are on hold for now, but the biggest goal is to get power to the triangle.

**Mary Ellen Peipert:** Mary spoke about a Centennial Celebration — several homes in our neighborhood are turning 100 years old and there is discussion about having a celebration to honor these homes.

Mark Philpot: There is concern among neighbors that car break-ins are increasing. The NPO indicated that there is not an up-tic of petty crimes; however, that may be due to people not reporting break-ins. Please call the non-emergency line and report all break-ins: (817) 335-4222. It benefits all of us if crime activity is tracked as it increases patrols in our neighborhood. Also, do not report crimes to our NPO. For example: if you see a drunk driver, call 911. If you see suspicious activity or panhandlers, call the FWPD. Our NPO is available as a secondary source of information but he is not available for reporting crimes. Mark and our NPO also discussed the kidnapping in Ryan Place that occurred this past weekend. What can we learn from this? What is the best way for the community to respond? Our NPO had a family emergency and was not able to make it to our meeting. Ring: the doorbell that takes a video. If you get one, be sure to register it with the FWPD so they know which homes have video in the event they need help solving a crime.

Jeri Jo Blackmon, Treasury Report: A sheet was distributed among guests listing all income and expenses. The berm's water bill has been high (>\$1,200 to date) and since there is no new growth on the berm requiring water, the water has been shut off. Other news: Email monitors from Mistletoe Heights and Berkeley Place got together to coordinate and monitor for common issues such as lost pets, drunk drivers, suspicious activity.

The Annual Dues Drive: Please donate to the Mistletoe Heights Association. You may send a check to: Mistletoe Heights Association, c/o Jeri Jo Blackmon, 1408 Mistletoe Drive, Fort Worth, TX 76110. Or you can pay your dues through PayPal by logging onto our website: http://www.mistletoeheights.org/dues.html. Look for a dues notice in the May/June newsletter.

American Flag Program: Do you want to participate in the American Flag Program? The cost is \$45 per year. Five times per year, a flag will be placed in the ground in front of your home. Dates: Memorial Day, 9-11, Flag Day June 14, Veterans Day November 11, Independence Day July 4. The Rotary Club of Fort Worth South, PO Box 101224, Fort Worth, TX 76185-1224. Michael Peck 817-475-5244. Pmpeck44@gmail.com

#### V. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Newby Park: A big thank you to the neighbors who planted new flowers and cleaned the flower beds at Newby Park.

# **Free Classifieds**

As a MH resident, you get one free text-only ad per issue. Please submit your ad by 4/28/19 for May/June edition.

### TUTOR

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### **PIANO LESSONS**

Lessons for beginners through intermediate levels, children and adults. "I've been a resident in Mistletoe Heights since 2008 and teaching piano since 1990. Please give me a call and leave a message at 817-927-8876. Thank you." Mary C. Smith • 2300 W. Magnolia Ave.

### LEARN TO SWIM LESSONS

Swim lessons with emphasis on Olympic strokes. Contact Richard Sybesma, Head Swim Coach, TCU, at 817-522-2323 • sybesmaswim.com



If you know of any new neighbors, or if you're a new neighbor, please contact our association president, Corey Bearden, or our newsletter editor, Hannah Parks. They will need your name, address, names of family members, age and gender of children and your contact information. They will then pass your information on to our incredible duo of ladies, Kathy Jo Rogers and Denise Semple, of the Welcome Basket Committee, who would like to present you with a basket of goodies to welcome you to the neighborhood.

Corey Bearden: president@mistletoeheights.org Hannah and Jeff Parks: newsletter@mistletoeheights.org

# Mistletoe Heights Upcoming Events

Mistletoe/Berkeley Pool Party 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 pm

Saturday, June 15th Forrest Park Pool

Thursday, July 4th

Triangle Park

**Neighborhood Meeting** 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, August 13th

Location TBD

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4th of July Parade

6:30 p.m.

# **MHA Meeting Minutes**

**Newsletter:** Discussed the delay in people getting their paper copies.

VI. OLD BUSINESS: Nothing discussed

#### VII. NEW BUSINESS:

Graham Brizendine, Mistletoe Heights resident, spoke about the City's GIS System and future land use plan which allows duplexes and zero lot line duplexes (like what is being built near Pascal High School). The area near his home on Morphy, is being petitioned to limit zoning to single family homes.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:35 pm

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