



The Hockaday Herald

Official Newsletter of Hockaday Neighborhood Association Inc.



Year-in-Review, 2016

President's Message



Dear Neighbors,

Happy Holidays! I hope you enjoy this special year-in-review issue of *The Hockaday Herald*. Throughout the year, we share timely recaps and photos of events, news, tips and

opportunities through our HNA email. We hope this print issue reminds you of all the fun we had as neighbors in 2016 and how fortunate we are to live in such a wonderful neighborhood with such special people.

As my term as President comes to a close, I thank you all for this honor, and your trust, to serve our 'hood. It was a wonderful experience to work with so many caring and dedicated neighbors that serve on our board or as block captains.

Over the past two years, we have seen HNA membership reach an all-time high, reflecting increased interest and appreciation of our events and communications. This is a result of the tireless work among many on our board, particularly Marty Forte' (Communications), Suzanne Horne (Membership), Hanne Sagalowsky (VP, Fall Picnic Chair), Ann Gravseth (Civic) and Courtney Joyner (July 4th Chair). And we all rely on Don Thomas, now in his 9th year as Treasurer, as a wonderful steward of our finances.

We have also seen continued growth in Extended Neighborhood Patrol (ENP), now almost 50% of our residents, as more and more realize the benefit of police visibility and more patrol hours to deter crime. Connie Campbell is wrapping up her 8th year chairing this effort and I know many join me in thanking her for all her efforts and as our safety advocate.

Looking to 2017, I am excited to welcome Karen Wiese as our new HNA President. She has served on the HNA board as Secretary the past two years. Karen has been a wonderful support to me in processes and procedures to help us all be more efficient. Thank you, Karen, for sharing your smarts, organizational skills, leadership and caring heart. Please check out the rest of the 2017 Board members on page 9, which includes lots of new faces!

Best wishes to all in the coming New Year,

Susan Parker

susan@separker.com, 214-366-0495

Welcome New Neighbors!

Alta Vista

4206 – Mark & Megan Morrocco*

4238 – John & Bonnie Hooker

Crestline

11342 – Richard Johnson & Amy Byrd

College Park

4435 – Tang Ning

Goodfellow

4217 – Anthony Bradkey & Kimberly Carpenter

Hallmark

4212 – Bryan & Lacey Stevenson*

4341 – Christopher & Kristin Hagge

Hockaday

4319 – Sean Brown & Amy Schatz*

Northview

4246 – Kurt & Theresa Eichenwald*

Welch

11727 – Bryan Boucher & Bonnie Prokesch *

*New HNA Member ☺

Traditional Events Get Even Better!

Fourth of July Event Prevails

Despite an early morning of inclement weather and an uncertain forecast, HNA's July 4 paraders and celebrants couldn't have had more fun at this well-loved event!



Center: Susan Parker & Honey Maher with our Scouts
Above: Kristin & Courtney Joyner with Annie & Zoe



Special thanks to event chair Courtney Joyner, Grand Marshal Honey Maher, chauffeur Bob Callahan, and to our Scouts for carrying and presenting the colors!

Fall Picnic Full of Surprises

A record crowd celebrated beloved mailman Eddie Carter's retirement at the Fall Picnic, filling his personal mailbox to the brim. Stringbini the Clown delighted kids of all ages. The BBQ was delicious! HNA had a ball!



Above left: Connie Campbell & Eddie. Above top right: Bob Horne, Event Co-Chairs Hanne Sagalowsky and Suzanne Horne, and Treasurer Don Thomas; beneath: Stringbini & Suzanne.



Above L: President Susan Parker with Brooke and State Rep Jason Villalba.

Above R: Jack Roper, Councilwoman Jennifer Gates and Susan.

L: Incoming President Karen Wiese (left) with Peggy Reppe.



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Fun Fellowship in the 'Hood

"May the 4th Be With You" ~ Neighbors from the 4600 Block of Hallmark met May the 4th from 5:30-7:30 to visit and share neighborhood news. New connections were made; old relations were strengthened. They hope to make it a yearly event!



Hallmark Block Party ~ On May 15, Hallmark's Crestline-to-Welch neighbors repeated last spring's block party on Matthew Lopez's front circular drive.



Honey Maher's B'day

Henry "Honey" Maher's daughters, Kathleen Beach and Marianne Percy, invited the 'hood to stop by and celebrate his 92nd birthday on June 4th! A 52-year resident of our 'hood, Honey lives on Hallmark and his daughters both live on Alta Vista. Fourth of July parade participants will remember that Honey served as our Grand Marshal. We love you, Honey!



Alta Vista Block Party ~ Alta Vista's Crestline-to-Midway neighbors old and new enjoyed meeting and catching up over burgers and hotdogs on Sunday evening, October 16. Thanks to Steve and Kathleen Beach for opening their yard and driveway, and to Chef Steve for setting up tents and firing up the grill!



Girls in the 'Hood ~ Tricia Bartlett (front) hosted her 12th annual Girls in the 'Hood Christmas coffee December 13. Many have gotten to know one another simply through this sweet annual fellowship. Thank you, Tricia!



HNA Board Transitions ~ President Susan Parker hosted a holiday open house to honor outgoing and incoming boards. The event helped many connect faces and names before the kick-off board meeting in January with incoming President Karen Wiese.



A Backward Glance O're Travel'd Roads



Walt Whitman's prose is in my head as I organize HNA files to pass along to the 2017 Safety Directors, **Chelsea Lichliter** and **Chad Alexander**. Our neighborhood's safety story since 2008 fills multiple file folders and is an uplifting example of our community's culture—ideas, communication, tenacity and problem solving.

In 2007, a core group of HNA homeowners united to pursue the possibility of regular police patrols by an armed officer in a marked car. These caring neighbors wrote significant checks to insure the safety of all our homes within the HNA boundaries. In 2008, the Royal Northaven Association (RNA) approached HNA about the possibility of combining our resources so that both neighborhoods could afford more patrol hours. Our official "3-neighborhood consortium" ENP patrols began in 2008 with 95 HNA households participating, which afforded us 40 patrol hours per week. ENP's momentum grew steadily over the next eight years, and in 2016 we have 187 HNA households contributing to the ENP patrols, which affords us 77 patrol hours per week.

HNA has enjoyed a significant reduction in crime over the past nine years of armed police patrol. Our DPD publishes a quarterly District 13 Crime Watch report with a map denoting the location of both violent and non-violent crimes. Continually, there is a low crime oasis depicted on the map that represents the HNA, RNA and Les Jardins neighborhoods.

I have enjoyed being a member of the HNA Board all these years, and I look forward to watching the "new guard" assume these important leadership positions and infusing this wonderful neighborhood of ours with fresh ideas and enthusiasm.

Be safe,
Connie Campbell,
Safety Director and ENP Liaison



HNA extends enormous thanks to Connie for many years of excellent administration of HNA's ENP participation and for her service as liaison with RNA in this joint undertaking. Connie, this Neighborhood is indebted to you, and very grateful.

Beware of Identity Theft

Shared by Safety Director Connie Campbell

Identity theft can disrupt your finances, credit history, and reputation, and take time, money, and patience to resolve. Identity theft occurs when someone steals your personal information and uses it without your permission.



How to Protect your Information:

- Read your credit reports. You have a right to a free credit report every 12 months from each of the three nationwide credit reporting companies. To order, go to annualcreditreport.com or call 877-322-8228.
- Review your bank, credit card and account statements, and the explanation of medical benefits from your health plan. If a statement has errors, contact the business immediately.
- Shred all documents that show personal, financial, and medical information.
- Do not respond to email, text, or phone messages that ask for personal information. Legitimate companies do not ask for information this way. Delete the messages.
- Create passwords that mix letters, numbers, and special characters. Do not use the same password for more than one account.
- If you shop or bank online, use websites that protect your financial information with encryption. An encrypted site has "https" at the beginning of the web address; "s" is for secure.
- If you use a public wireless network, do not send information to any website that is not fully encrypted.
- Use anti-virus and anti-spyware software, and a firewall on your computer.
- Set your computer's operating system, web browser, and security system to update automatically.

If your Identity is Stolen...

1. Flag your Credit Reports. Call one of the nationwide credit reporting companies and request a fraud alert on your credit report. An initial fraud alert is good for 90 days.

Equifax: 800-525-6285

Experian: 888-397-3742

TransUnion: 800-680-7289

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'Hood Outings

Jesuit Art Tour



This May, HNA-ers thoroughly enjoyed touring Jesuit College Preparatory School's museum of visual arts together. HNA friend Diane Eudy, an enormously knowledgeable docent for the museum, guided us through the school, highlighting various works on display throughout its corridors.



L-R: Ann Gravseth, Marty Forte', Tour Guide Diane Eudy, Karen Wiese, Jane Crutcher and Gina Elliott

Jesuit's art collection is truly amazing. It includes over 500 pieces by such artists as Salvadore Dali, R.C. Gorman, Robert Rauschenberg, Diego Rivera and Dale Chihuly. We could not begin to see them all. A return trip may be in order and if we are able to arrange one with Diane, you won't want to miss it!

Mavs Game

Thanks to hosts Rebecca and Bill DeLoache (far right in the photo below), a group of HNA-ers rendezvoused at their home before a Mavs game together. Joining them were our friend Eddie Carter and his two sons. What a special evening!



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Right: Bob Darse writes Eddie a note while another posts his to Eddie's personal mailbox.

We were touched to receive this gracious thank-you note from Eddie, and are pleased to share it below. What a blessed afternoon in the 'hood!



Dear Hockaday Neighborhood,

I just want to say thanks to everyone who came together and to everyone who could not make it. My heart is still filled with joy. Words cannot express how I feel, but this day and memories will always have a place in my heart. I want everyone to know that each and every one of you had an impact in my life. If I could, I would turn back the hands of time and start all over again as your mailman. But I know there comes a time in life when one must move on. Ecclesiastes 3:1, "To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven."

To the Hockaday Neighborhood, you have been a blessing in my life, the joy that I feel in my heart. I had the opportunity to see children grow up, and every last one of them has a special place in my heart. Over the year during in month of December I have saved Christmas cards with everyone family picture, some when your kids were very young. I am making a photo album and I going to put every picture I have in it. Because when I look back over my life as your mailman I can say that I was truly blessed to be part of each and every family.

I would like to close by using this Scripture, Psalm 1:3, "And he shall be like a tree planted by the river of water that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper." What I'm trying to say is, Hockaday Neighborhood, everyone was like that Tree planted by the rivers of water, because it brought me joy to have been your mailman for over 30 years, and because of the fruit that you have given unto me. The type of fruit I'm talking about is Love, Joy, Peace, Kindness, Goodness, and Meekness. You will always be a part of my life. There is a saying I would like to use (Never leave home without it) but I would like to say it this way, wherever I go you will always be in my heart. And again THANKS ALWAYS,
Eddie Carter

'Hood Notables

Eagle Scout

Congratulations to **Dillon Kirgis**, son of David and Maureen, on award of his Eagle Scout designation, the highest rank in the Boy Scouts of America. Dillon built a concrete walkway for Good Shepherd Episcopal Church and School and the Town North YMCA. He attends Jesuit College Preparatory. We are proud of you, Dillon!



TV Star



Our own **Cary Deuber** is an official cast member of Bravo's **The Real Housewives of Dallas**, which premiered this past April. She is also a certified registered nurse first assistant (CRNFA), dedicated yogi, philanthropist, travel guru and animal lover. Cary is married to **Dr. Mark**

Deuber, a noted plastic surgeon, and assists him in his medical practice. They have three children. Check out Cary's website and blog at carydeuber.com.

Noted Family Doctor



Our 'hood boasts **Dr. Lane Reed Jensen**, whom *D Magazine* recognizes as one of the best in her field. Lane is a family practice physician at Family Medical Center Baylor downtown, having been in the practice for 13 years. She received her

undergrad degree from SMU, medical degree from Texas Tech, and did residency at UTSW. Lane noted, "I have had the honor to be selected by my peers for *D Magazine* for the past several years." Lane and her

husband Brian have two children who attend Good Shepherd Episcopal School. We are delighted she will be serving on the HNA Board this coming year.

Entrepreneur

Our own **Jen Lothamer** is co-founder of **All Out Celebrations**, which



sells kits for kids' parties and events. The company was featured this year in *D Magazine* – "**Two Dallas Moms Deliver Parties in a Box for Stress-Free Memory Making.**" Jen and her business partner Sarah Brice-Calver were friends first, and their similar



Jen (left) and Sarah

parenting styles and concerns grew into a business. They spent "a lot of time, energy and money dreaming up everything from birthday parties and holiday celebrations to first day of school pictures." They wanted to spend more time enjoying the memories and less time sourcing and searching. "This is how All Out Celebrations was born. Our carefully curated and custom designed boxes allow you to enjoy these moments without the stress." Check out Jen's website and blog at alloutcelebrations.com.

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2. Create an Identity Theft Report. This can help you get fraudulent information removed from your credit report, stop a company from collecting debts caused by identity theft, and get information about accounts a thief opened in your name. File a complaint with the FTC at ftc.gov/complaint or 877-438-4338.

From Presentation by Detective Ruben Cervantez, DPD #8101, Property Crimes Division, Financial Investigations

Improvements All Around Us!

Good Shepherd Episcopal Church/School



Good Shepherd has approved a construction project involving (1) a parking lot on the north side of the church, (2) expansion of seating by adding the originally-designed transept chapels, and (3) a porte cochère on the west side of the connecting corridor.

Father Michael Mills shared, "Construction of the transepts may begin as early as next spring, and the parking lot over the summer. We continue to work closely with the YMCA to accommodate people and vehicles when either of us has a major event, and the additional parking will help us minimize impacts on the neighborhood from cars parking along Northaven, for example."



Above is a concept drawing of the church with transepts and porte cochère. Further details are available including a complete landscaping plan that includes the addition of trees to Good Shepherd's parking lot that abuts the YMCA play fields. (If you are interested, email martyforte@sbcglobal.net for a copy of that detail.)



Looking at a view of the church as originally designed, Father Mills noted, "The needs we have identified as the most critical—parking and seating—actually take us back to the 1964 design." He assures HNA will receive notice of the construction when it commences. "Part of our planning involves working with a team with long-standing experience with this campus and sensitivity to neighborhood needs."

Our thanks to Father Michael Mills for keeping HNA informed!

Lamplighter



Two new buildings at Lamplighter have been under construction this year, as part of the School's most recent capital campaign. The new construction includes an Innovation Lab with a teaching kitchen,



an environmental science classroom, a robotics lab, and a wood-working classroom. In addition, a new barn will provide

new classrooms and a new chicken coop, and an extended ring road to allow better usage of existing space for students and learning.

"Our students are the centerpiece of all plans and provide the inspiration and motivation to move forward," remarked Dr. Joan Hill, Lamplighter Head of School.



Our thanks to Ed Ritenour, Lamplighter's Director of Communications and Marketing, for updating us.

The Hockaday School



After nearly two years of planning and building, The Nancy A. Nasher and David J. Haemisegger Family Center for the Arts

opened in the fall at The Hockaday School. Hockaday



Neighborhood was invited to attend the Community Open House and see the new Center for the Arts in action as students rehearsed and displayed their talents in the visual and performing arts. Eugene McDermott Headmistress Liza Lee said, "The Center for the Arts has been meticulously designed as a highly-functional academic space created to give each girl the opportunity to express herself and to showcase her creative talents, and it is also a beautiful, graceful container for all the arts we offer."



More area updates on the next page...

Forestwood Makes Major Headway

After long, concerted, patient efforts, Dallas' Planning and Zoning Commission approved the Planned Development District for Forestwood (NW quadrant of Forest and Inwood). Visit ForestwoodFaq.com for all the details in case you have missed updates HNA has been sending. Many thanks to Susan Parker for representing us in the tedious weekly meetings among the developers and affected neighborhoods.

Tidbits from our Town North YMCA Neighbor



- The adult locker-room/shower renovation is complete and the facility has reopened for the new year.
- The Wellness Center has a redesigned flow with more open space, fitting with trends that are changing in the fitness industry.
- The 7th Annual TNY Turkey Tune-up 5K, presented by Dougherty's Pharmacy, was a huge success with close to 600 runners, the race course winding through our neighborhood. The expanded fitness fair provided a great way for neighbors to connect and enjoy fitness and fun with the whole family!
- For those wanting to kick off a New Year's resolution to get or stay fit, check out the Group Exercise Class! And, be sure to take advantage of the New Year's special joiner fee of \$10 valid through January 31.



Find holiday hours and 2017 class schedules and more at ymcadallas.org/locations/town_north/.

City Notes to the 'Hood

Cease the Grease ~ The City of Dallas' 2016 Holiday Grease Roundup is underway **through January 9, 2017**. Help prevent blocked pipes and sewer backups and overflow by taking your used cooking oil and grease to one of Dallas Water Utilities' regional Cease the Grease Cooking Oil Recycling Station locations. The nearest to Hockaday Neighborhood is Station #35: 3839 Walnut Hill Lane (between Midway and Marsh).



In addition to protecting sewage systems, the City converts used cooking oil and grease to create biogas to generate electricity, and biodiesel on which Dallas County school buses run. For more information, visit ceasethegrease.org.

Save Water Now to Lower Water Bills All Year ~

"Conserving water now saves money later because Dallas Water Utilities uses winter months average billing to determine your sewage charges for the entire year," says DWU. Visit SaveDallasWater.com



for many money-saving tips such as efficient winter watering (which may be never) and replacing old toilets (you may be eligible for a voucher).

Protect Your Small Animals

Remember to keep small animals indoors at night. We continue to receive occasional alerts of coyotes or bobcats spotted in our neighborhood.



NBC recently interviewed Bonnie Bradshaw with **911Wildlife**, which provides animal removal and relocation services, among other things. Ms. Bradshaw said that trapping has proven unsuccessful with these animals because new

ones move in where the old ones used to roam. She also said that most people who see bobcats or coyotes make mistakes by sitting in cars, watching from afar, or snapping a picture, which doesn't scare off the animal. Instead, she recommends being aggressive. "Act like the dominant animal," she said. "Shoo it away, clap your hands, or open the car door to scare it off, rather than approaching it. These animals have a natural fear of humans." (911wildlife.com or 214-368-5911 for more info.)

Greetings from your Incoming HNA Board of Directors



**Karen Wiese,
President**



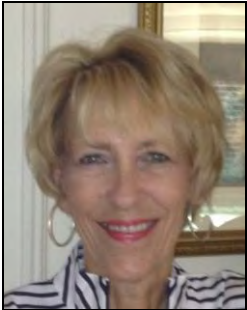
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Tricia Bartlett, Secretary



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**Ann Gravseth,
Director Civic**



**Marty Forte', Director
Communications**



**Suzanne Horne,
Director Membership**



**Chad Alexander,
Co-Director Safety**



**Chelsea Lichliter,
Co-Director Safety**



**Sharon Barbee,
Director-at-Large**



**Nancy Burke,
Director-at-Large**



**Steve Eggers,
Director-at-Large**



**Ana Harshaw,
Director-at-Large**



**Lane Reed Jensen,
Director-at-Large**



**Gretel Kelly,
Director-at-Large**



**Bruce Newsome,
Director-at-Large**



**Rebecca Ordinario,
Director-at-Large**



**Susan Parker,
Director-at-Large**



**Marianne Percy,
Director-at-Large**



**Peggy Reppe,
Director-at-Large**



**Hanne Sagalowsky,
Director-at-Large**



**Eric Shaffer,
Director-at-Large**



**Tim Sutherland,
Director-at-Large**



**Don Uber,
Director-at-Large**

Membership Approves All Annual Meeting Agenda Items



Sixty-seven households participated in HNA's 2016 Annual Meeting. All agenda items were approved unanimously—2015 Annual Meeting Minutes, 2017 Budget and 2017 Slate of Officers (see page 9). This "virtual" meeting format has worked well for us in recent years when there have been no unusual business items to discuss. Thanks voters!

Communications Update



HNA members, you may have noticed our increasing reliance on email for time-sensitive announcements, reminders and timely recaps. Those official HNA emails appear in your e-mailbox from "Hockaday



Neighborhood Association." If you aren't receiving them, please contact Bob Horne with your email address: RCHorne@tx.rr.com. We can accommodate two email addresses per member household.

Thanks to our faithful block captains, we continue to distribute hard-copy major event flyers, annual membership packets, and at least one *Hockaday Herald* annually. We also email everything we distribute in paper format, so we urge you to keep us updated with your most current email. (You'll get the emails sooner and in color!)

Please remember to send us features and photos of neighborhood gatherings and family and neighbor kudos of interest. Snap a picture and email it to martyforte@sbcglobal.net or text to 214-542-4422. Thank you for your help!

Incidentally, emails from Hockaday Neighborhood Association are not to be confused with the interactive **Nextdoor** blog, which is also very useful but serves a different function. Those communications show up from "Nextdoor Hockaday." To join Nextdoor Hockaday, you must be a resident of Hockaday Neighborhood. See next column!

Marty Forte'
Communications Director

Hockaday.Nextdoor.com



Nextdoor Hockaday is a private, interactive website managed by HNA as a service to our residents. Currently 386 residents within the Hockaday Neighborhood have joined. Many are surprised at how useful the site is for contractor recommendations, lost and found pets, info on events of local interest and many other real-time interests. To become a member, email **Hanne Sagalowsky** at Hanne@DavePerryMiller.com.

Updates from Councilmember Gates



If you are not receiving our Councilmember Jennifer Gates' e-updates directly, you can be added to her distribution by contacting her assistant Carolyn Williamson at



carolyn.williamson@dallascityhall.com
(214-670-3816).

In Memoriam

Jean Petree, June 2016

Ann McGee-Cooper, August 2016

HNA Purpose

To promote and advance the common good and general welfare of Hockaday Neighborhood's residents and surrounding community, including the beauty, safety and stability of the Neighborhood, while fostering civic engagement, neighborliness and pride among the residents.

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