



MARK YOUR CALENDARS NEIGHBORHOOD SOCIAL FOR JULY

For our July meeting, come on out and beat the heat at the Lakewood Brewery, Saturday July 14, 1pm – 3pm. Visit in the Taproom or relax in the beer garden out back. If you have a Vickery Place T-shirt, please wear it, so we can identify our neighbors. Guided brewery tours are free and on a first come, first serve basis. Tour passes can be picked up at the merch booth when you arrive. Tours convene roughly five minutes before the scheduled time at the top of the hour, and last approximately 15-20 minutes. Lakewood Brewing is located at 2302 Executive Dr., Garland, TX 75041. Please bring a designated driver or use a taxi service of your choice to get to the venue and home safely! Schol!



ALEXAN LOWER GREENVILLE CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Many of you may be wondering how long before the development at the former site of Vickery Towers (and prior to that Hockaday School) at the corner of Belmont and Greenville Avenues, will be completed and open. 'Construction is moving along nicely and on schedule', according to Matt Enzler, Managing Director of Trammel Crow Residential. 'The first crane should come down in the next 60 days or so and the second crane in the fall. We will be close to opening the first homes by the end of the year and are expecting to be complete in early 2019. We do plan to have several tributes to the

history of the site, particularly the Hockaday School', states Matt. So stay tuned!



MAY PARKS & REC MEETING RECAP

The rains held off and it turned out to be the perfect evening up on the roof deck of the Sundown at Granada, for the Vickery Place May meeting!

Our Dallas Park's Board representative Paul Sims, gave a very informative presentation on the amenities being added to both Glencoe and Tietze Parks.

Glencoe Park, established in 1944, will be getting a new much needed shade structure. After reviewing many proposals, the board decided on a design accented with stone columns, mimicking the WPA stone pavilion found at Tietze and White Rock Lake. Construction workers have already broken ground, so completion of the structure will be later this year.

Tietze Park, established in 1924 (originally as Keith Park), will be getting a new Aquatic Center which will include a lap pool, children's pool, and a water slide, as well as a renovation to the stone pavilion/ticket counter/concession stand. But Paul reassured us that Tietze Pool will be open this summer (June 2 thru August 12, 2018), and construction work will begin once the season is over. Paul also touched on other parks getting upgrades and work being done to connect various bike trails.

We would like to thank Paul Sims for taking time out

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**Next VPNA General Meeting
Saturday, July 14th, 1 pm
Social at Lakewood Brewery
2302 Executive Dr, Garland, 75041**

of his busy schedule to meet with US. We extend our thanks to Mike Schoder, Julia Garton and the staff of the Sundown, for providing great service and a great venue.



FATAL DISTRACTION DON'T LEAVE ANYONE IN A PARKED CAR

Summer is here and that means sweltering temperatures in Texas. We read in the paper or see on TV all too often where someone has died from being left in a parked car. Children, the elderly, and pets rely on parents, caregivers and owners to watch out for them.

Do not leave a helpless person or pet in a parked car in the summer heat, EVER. On a day when the temperature outside is 86 degrees, the temperature inside a car can quickly reach 135 or even 150 degrees! Research indicates that leaving the windows open a crack does little to reduce this oven effect. A parked car in our summer heat is deadly. Below are some precautions that you might take:

- Place your purse, briefcase or something else you need in the back seat next to your child so that you will have to check the back seat when you leave the vehicle.
- As tempting as it is to take your pet along when you run errands, during the summer months leave him at home or make sure that your destination is Fido Friendly.
- Keep your car locked when parked on a residential street or in your drive-way to prevent a curious small child from opening the door, climbing inside and becoming trapped.

Lives are busy and stressful, lifestyles hectic—we often become distracted. Please take these reminders to heart and pass them on to others. If you see a child or the elderly left in a parked car, call 911 immediately. If you see an animal in a parked car in the heat, notify the store manager to make an announcement for the owner to return to the car, call 911 or the fire department.

SUMMER VACATION KEEP YOUR HOME SAFE

It's that time of year, when many families leave town on their summer vacation. As you make plans for that ideal get away, consider your home's safety before you go. Burglars target homes that look empty because it makes the process easier for them. With that in mind, it's important to make it look like your home is occupied while you're away.

Hold your mail, newspaper and package deliveries. A pile of unopened mail, unread newspapers, or packages left on the front porch announces to a would-be burglar that your home is empty and ready for intruders. Or have a neighbor pick these things up for you until you return home.

Make it look like someone's home. You can set timers for your lights, television, and other electronics to turn on and off throughout the day. You want your lights to look natural, as if someone's home. Avoid leaving your lights on the entire time you are gone. This will not only increase your electric bill, but it's also suspicious, since most people don't leave lights on all the time when they're home. If you're going to be out of town for a week or more, hire someone to mow your lawn and trim your hedges, so it looks like someone's around and doing the yard work. Ask a neighbor to park a car in front of your house or in your driveway to make it look like someone's home.

Have Neighbors to Keep an Eye Out. Tell your neighbors how long you'll be gone and ask them to keep an eye out for any suspicious activity at your house. Give them your contact numbers and where you will be, in case of an emergency. Have them call 911 if there is any suspicious activity.

Avoid Social Media. While it may be tempting to share photos on Facebook or tweet about your exciting travels, consider holding off on vacation-related posts. Those you are connected to online are typically your friends, but you never know when your information will get into the wrong hands. A friend of a friend may see

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your status update and know that your home is vulnerable. Consider waiting to post about your adventures until you get back.

Nix the Spare Key. If your home is being targeted, the first thing a criminal will look for is a spare key. He will look in the standard places: a conspicuous plastic rock, under the mat, or above the door. If you're going on vacation, think about removing the spare key all together until you are home, or leave a key with a neighbor.



JUNE YARD OF THE MONTH



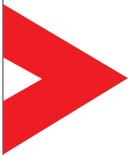
5628 Miller is this month's Yard of the Month. Lauren and David VanWagenen found their dream home in Vickery Place after meeting in high school, attending separate colleges (SMU and Ole Miss), living for seven years nearby on Ellsworth; the birth of their two boys, Will and Brooks, and moving the front door. Repositioning the front door became the

key to making the former Montgomery Ward kit house work for this active family and once moved, the interior first floor became more usable and the porch achieved a symmetry that now allows it to flow into the front yard from its welcoming porch swing. In the front yard, a bench beckons and a small picnic table just right for two small boys brings smiles to passersby. Two manzanas flank the porch and white impatiens outline the flower beds. Impatiens are a North Texas "go to plant". Self-cleaning, once they are settled in and acclimated to the amount of sun they are receiving, they bloom all season with no dead heading. Lauren loves white and these touche-me-not flowers are the perfect foil for the painted gray house. The VanWagenens have also added simple outdoor lighting. Future plans include French drains and a stepped up squirrel defense.

As with all the Vickery Place Neighborhood Association Yard of the Month winners, our friends at North Haven Gardens will be sending out a \$50 gift certificate. Congratulations VanWagenens!

City of Dallas Maximum Twice Per Week Watering Schedule

Last Digit of Address	Watering Days Allowed
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RIDGEWOOD TRAIL - PART TWO

The first marker as we resume the walk along the Ridgewood Trail is at RWT 106. Heading east there is a split: to the north SMU Blvd, to the east the trail bridges over the Plano DART line and then parallels the Rowlett DART line.

RWT 110 - cresting the bridge over the rail, the instinct is to stop and watch the trains. As the path progresses it heads to one of only two street crossings, next to the rail crossing on Worcola (the same, but disjointed, Worcola), at the back end of Kroger.

RWT 111 - marks the start of a slight incline, under the two strands of Greenville, heading up past a utility sub-station.

RWT 112 - is at the top of the incline, but still prone to flooding and muddy conditions. The trains pass at 20 minute intervals in each direction providing a good marker for your timing.

RWT 113 - is at a new apartment complex in the utility corridor. Ideally this would be planted with native wildflowers in the future.

RWT 114 - leads up to the access point for Skillman. This is good connection for those getting off or on the trail.

RWT 115 - is the first of the five tonne bridges on the path. This spans Skillman.

RWT 116 - presents a view of the genuine utility of the corridor. Power. Rail. Path. And hopefully something more eco-friendly than mowed grass.



RWT 117 - the tidy fences on the left belong to the neighborhood area known as Northeast Dallas. To the south of the rail tracks is Caruth Terrace. Again this section of the trail could be enhanced by wildflower planting.

RWT 118 - is marked by the hum of ma-

chinery used to run the railway.

RWT 119 -marks the lead up to the second bridge, this time over the less than accessible Abrams. This is a bit of an anomaly compared to the Skillman access point.

This segment is about one mile long and provides a nice counterpoint to other trails. As with any shared path it is always best for everyone to use the trail in a manner that is considerate of all the other users.

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