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NATIONAL NIGHT OUT NEIGHBORHOOD BLOCK PARTY!

Vickery Place observes 'National Night Out Against Crime' (NNO) with its annual neighborhood block party on Tuesday, October 2, 2018 from 6:00pm-8:30 pm, 2600 blk of Glencoe (between Miller & Willis Avenue).

While the one night is not an answer to crime and violence, it represents the kind of spirit, energy and determination that is helping make neighborhoods safer throughout the year. Each year Vickery Place makes a huge effort to gather as many neighbors as possible to enjoy food, drink, entertainment and most importantly, an opportunity to get to know your neighbors and build community!

Singer, songwriter and neighbor Salim Nourallah will be back again this year, rocking the block!

We will also feature Lakewood Brewery, food trucks, neighborhood artisans & vendors, face painting for kids, and a raffle to support our newly established VPNA Boosters Club!

Visit with Dallas Police officers, your City Council members and other City representatives. VPNA will have an information table where you can purchase VP merchandise, and commemorative house plagues. Also, visit the Geneva Heights Elementary & the Pre-Geneva school info tables, as well as the Lakewood Library table.

Admission to the VPNA NNO Block Party is free, but be sure to bring some cash for food, drinks, merchandise, and donations.

Calling all neighborhood artisans: if you live in the neighborhood and would like to sell your crafts--email info@vickeryplace.com to save your space.

Sponsors & Volunteers are needed and welcome--email info@vickeryplace.com if you can help!



VPNA STARTS SIDEWALK REPLACEMENTS FUND

The City of Dallas has a Sidewalk Replacement Program that offers homeowners the opportunity to get their sidewalks replaced at a huge discount. Under this program the home owner will pay 50% of the cost of the concrete only.

The contractor charges \$8 per square foot, home owner pays \$4 for the front portion. If you're on a corner lot, the side portion is \$2 per square foot. Costs include: a free design and quote on exactly what you need to make your walks safe to use; documents for your approval prior to starting; start date arranged; removal of all debris; leveling, construction forms, and the concrete; clean-up.

We will have more information and applications at our Annual Neighborhood Night Out Against Crime (NNO) block party event on Tuesday October 2nd, or you can

Bulk Trash Pickup is the
Week of the 2nd Monday

Don't Set Out Trash Before: Thurs, September 6th
Pick Up Week September 11th-15th
Weekly Trash & Recycling Pick-up
Every Monday

Next VPNA General Meeting

Tuesday, October, 2nd, 7pm 2600 Blk Glencoe National Night Out visit the city website,

https://dallascityhall.com/departments/public-works/pages/sidewalkreplacementprogram.aspx

VPNA is currently accepting donations for this project. All funds collected will be made available exclusively as a grant to qualified homeowners on a need scope of repair basis. Look for more information on these grants in future newsletter articles.

~ Joe Seremet, VPNA Board Member



SEPTEMBER I 2TH MEETING - A LOCAL HISTORY LESSON

It's back to school for the kiddos, but why should they have all the fun?! For the Vickery Place NA September meeting we have invited Dallas history aficionado, noted preservation architect, and longtime Vickery Place resident Daron Tapscott, to give us a local history lesson. Sex, Brothels & Bawd Houses in the Victorian Era, to the Origins of Vickery Place--whatever the topic, Daron's presentations are always entertaining, rich with local color and history!

For this month's lesson, Daron will take us back to St. Mary's College of Dallas, once located near Greenville & Ross Avenues. St. Mary's College for women opened its doors in September of 1889. While open less than 50 years, its lasting influences are still seen today with Garrett Park, and St. Mathew's Cathedral.

The meeting will be held Wednesday September 12th, 7pm at Preservation Dallas, 2922 Swiss Avenue (located in the historic Wilson Block). We will meet in the Carriage House located behind the main building—you may park in the lot in the rear or on the side street. Light snacks will be provided.

As we commemorate 107 years of Vickery Place, come learn some of its local history!

AUGUST MEETING RECAP CONSERVATION DISTRICT & CODE

Vickery Place neighbors gathered in August to sip great wines at Times Ten Cellars and learn more about the VP Conservation District, Building Inspection and Code Compliance. Zoning planners Bill Hersch and Trevor Brown, along with zoning inspector for Historic & Conservation Districts Ana Ipina, described what is involved with getting plans through the Department of Sustainable Development and Construction.

Painting your house, doing an interior remodel, building a new fence, getting a new drive, and not sure if a permit or a work review is required? Always check with their department first, as you do not want to get a Stop Work order due to an oversight. (Bill Hersch, william.hersch@dallascityhall.com). Code Compliance representative Jose Ruiz, explained how/when to submit a 311 Service Request, and typical infractions. Our Councilman Philip Kingston and his wife Melissa also joined us. There was a brief discussion regarding the new Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU or Granny Flat) ordinance which was recently approved by City Council.

Their neighborhood, the Belmont Conservation District, is the first to go through the ADU overlay process. Melissa, current president of the Dallas Homeowners League, explained that DHL is working on a presentation for neighborhoods to better understand this process. Sounds like a great topic for a future Vickery Place neighborhood meeting!

A big 'Thank You' to our speakers, guests and neighbors who attended! We know schedules are busy these days, so we appreciate everyone's time and presence. And thanks to Times Ten Cellars for providing the inviting and comfortable meeting space. Cheers!



PRE-GENEVA ASSOCIATION (FORMERLY PRE-LEE)

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It's the start of a new school year which means its time to get involved in new school/neighborhood groups inreflects our support for our neighborhood school, Genefriendly Cougar Cub in and around the neighborhood, but with slightly different branding.

Pre-G's group of young parents already has 100 families that have officially joined and are enjoying tons of gettogethers. Last year and the first part of 2018 included many successful events that continue this neighborhood group's mission to connect parents and kiddos, ages 0-5, with each other and the school including Pre-G Soccer, a successful cornhole tournament resulting in \$1,000 donated to Lee's outdoor science lab, numerous playdates, an exclusive "babysitter directory," 12 Mom Night Outs, 5 Dad Night Outs, a cookie decorating party, a kick-offto-summer picnic at Geneva Heights and countless new friendships. And, we have many more great events this year including Donuts with Dad at the Fire Station 17 on Sept. 22nd as well as the 2nd Annual Tossing for Tots Cornhole Tournament on Oct. 13th.

Check out our website (new website coming soon!) if you want to join or learn more about our group and upcoming events: www.preleedallas.com. Remember, Pre-G membership is open to everyone in our community anyone is welcome as a member, donor, or community business partner. Membership is \$25 per family for the

cluding the rapidly growing Pre-Geneva Association (formerly Pre-Lee). We are excited to have a name that va Heights Elementary. We have begun the process of transitioning into our new name, so you'll still see our

calendar year, and dues are tax exempt because we have our 501(c)(3) status.



PRE-G! GO COUGARS!

Cheers to the start of a new school year which will be marked with a new name, Pre-Geneva Association, or simply put, Pre-G! Go Cougars!

~ Leah Williams, Communications Chair for Pre-Geneva Association

Bring the entire family to the Mockingbird Elementary Carnival on Saturday, Sept. 29, from 11am to 3pm. All proceeds benefit the school, so the more you do at Carnival, the more good you're doing! Check out this year's attractions:

RIDES

Uproar Demolition Mechanical Swings **Bungee Trampolines** Rock Climb Tower Tubs of Fun Pony Rides

MORE FUN Petting Zoo Midway Games Cake Walk Wheel of Wonder Dunk Tank Face Painting Hair Painting Photo Booth

SPORTS Football Toss





Soccer Challenge Shootin' Hoops Basketball Baseball Pitch Challenge

FOOD Chick-Fil-A Piggie Pies Grub Burger Bar Rudolph's Meat Market Snowbaby Steel City Pops Botolino Gel



SEPTEMBER YARD OF THE MONTH

Colonial Williamsburg's symbol of welcome is the pineapple. It was fond memories of shepherding class trips there that sparked former teacher Lydia Wright's addition of a distinctive and auspicious pineapple to her own front door. It is there at 5347 Miller that you will find Lydia, husband Ben, and children Charlie and Gwenie and it is there that we find this month's Vickery Place Neighborhood Yard of the Month.

The Wrights love the neighborhood and knew this is where they wanted to rear their family and Ben practice veterinary medicine. Both lived in the neighborhood, Lydia on Llano and Prospect. Dr. Ben Wright will open a new facility, after an extensive remodel, next year right behind the new Sam's where the gym once stood.

Lydia is from Lubbock and Ben from Wichita, Kansas, a product of K- State. Signs in the Wrights' front yard tout Geneva Heights Elementary and Pre-Geneva. Lydia is the president of the robust pre-school group and an important Peace Pantry volunteer at Geneva Heights (formerly Robert E. Lee). The Peace Pantry serves families who need weekend help. Volunteers donate and stock the food pantry so that students leave school on Friday with a backpack of healthy foods.



Multi colored lantana in deep reds and golds front the house and stay fresh in the summer heat. They harbor a portent of what is to come on the greenway when the October Glory maple trees turn their radiant shades of gold and orange.

Fall is not only the time to enjoy this gorgeous shade tree , but the best time to plant it too.

Congratulations Lydia and Ben Wright and your Yard of the Month

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