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neighborhood! See you there!

**End of Summer Neighborhood Social**

Please join us for an end of summer neighborhood get-together--our first in-person event in over a year! We will gather on the mezzanine level at **Dodie's, 2821 Greenville Ave, Tuesday August 17<sup>th</sup>** at 7:00pm.

Come meet your fellow neighbors along with Vickery Place board and committee members. Cool beverages and hot cajun bites are available for purchase. Find out what's happening in and around the

**Geneva Heights Design Charette**

On Monday, June 14, 2021, Dallas ISD Bond and Construction Services hosted a virtual school design charette (meeting) for a new replacement school for Geneva Heights Elementary. Officials from Dallas ISD reviewed the design and build process. During the charette, stakeholders worked in online break-out rooms led by the design and project management team to discuss ideas and create a vision for the replacement school. This is the first of several opportunities for community input on the design of new school schools.

**The next Dallas ISD community design charette for Geneva Heights will be on August 30th at 6pm.** You will need to register for the meeting ahead of time. To see

the minutes from the June meeting, and to share your ideas or ask questions, go to: <https://www.dallasisd.org/Page/75178>.

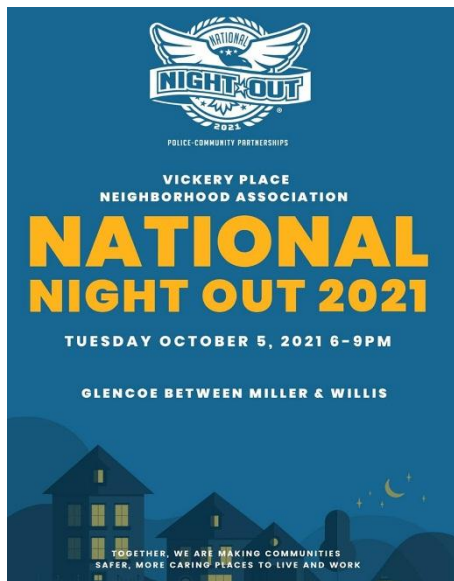
## Meet Your City Council Rep for District 14

Vickery Place NA, in conjunction with Lower Greenville NA, invite you to join them on **Thursday September 2, 7pm for a Meet & Greet with newly elected District 14 City Councilman Paul Ridley**, at Greenland Hills United Methodist Church (GHUMC), 5835 Penrose Avenue (a couple blocks off of Greenville Ave). We will be meeting in the Community Room facing Penrose.



Here is your opportunity to get to know Paul Ridley, ask questions, voice your concerns, or just and hear what is happening in District 14.

Vickery Place is divided between two City Council districts: District 14 represented by Paul Ridley, and District 2, represented by Jesse Moreno. While these two representatives work closely on many issues, we will only be meeting with Rep Ridley of D14 at this meeting. We hope to have an opportunity in the future for neighbors to get to know Jesse Moreno and D2 as well.



## NATIONAL NIGHT OUT Neighborhood BLOCK PARTY!

We are back!!! Join us for our **NNO Neighborhood Block Party** - Tuesday October 5<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 to 8:30 pm 2600 blk of Glencoe (between Miller & Willis Avenue).

NNO is our **most popular family event of the year**. We had to cancel last year's event so you can expect NNO 2021 to be bigger and better than all other block parties! Meet new neighbors, reconnect with old friends and enjoy the neighborhood we all love.

We've got a lot of great family fun things in the works – food trucks, live music, local artisans, to name a few. Visit with Dallas Police officers, your City Council

members and other City representatives. We will also have a VPNA information table where you can purchase Vickery Place merchandise and learn more about the neighborhood.

Want to be part of the NNO Team? We have lots of great opportunities for you to be involved. Email us at [info@vickeryplace.com](mailto:info@vickeryplace.com) if you are interested:

- **Volunteers** – help with raffle, VPNA and beer / wine tables; event set up and tear down
- **Photographer** – take event photos throughout the evening that will be shared on our social media
- **Neighborhood Artisans** – if you live in the neighborhood and would like to sell your craft
- **Sponsorship Opportunities** are available too

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

~ *National Night Out Event Committee*

## August Yard of the Month

In 2017 Elena Squiric and Zachary Littleton, then newlyweds, moved into the beautiful blue craftsman-style home at 5535 Richard Ave. They, with their 2 dogs Bindi and Lady Bird, can now also call their place award-winning as they are this month's Vickery Place Yard of The Month winners!



Elena and Zachary have been quite busy since moving in, making numerous improvements including removing walls inside, remodeling the primary bathroom, and building a pergola in their backyard. But what caught our eye was their lush and colorful front landscaping. Hoping to set a serene “meadow” feel, the couple added salvia, lantana, and plumbago(?) to the rose bush and rosemary plant that were already thriving. We think they nailed the look they were going for and all of the happy honey bees that visit all of the blooms in their front beds appear to also agree.

Elena and Zachary did their research to learn what grows well in our zone before doing their planting. Elena also reaches out to the experts at [www.BloomscapesDesign.com](http://www.BloomscapesDesign.com) for tips and suggestions on what to plant, where to plant, and how much to water.

Some tips we learned from Elena and Zachary include:

- Reaching out to local experts is a suggestion we hear from many of our YOTM winners, including Elena and Zachary. Find one that you trust and let them help you.
- Be patient when growing larger plants. Some grow slower than you'd expect so give them time.

- Pay attention to how much you water and when. It takes time to get it right but it's worth the effort.
- Bees love rosemary and salvia. Plant more for them, if you have room.

Congratulations to Elena and Zachary on their Vickery Place Yard of The Month win for August 2021. We also want to thank [North Haven Gardens](#) for their sponsorship and the \$50 gift card they award to our winners! ~ by *Yard of the Month Committee*



### **What to do With Outdated Meds?**

Unused and expired medications can cause accidental poisoning and pollute our water. **DO NOT FLUSH** them down the toilet! Dispose of unwanted and expired medications properly at the below pharmacies year-round:  
 Walgreens Pharmacy, 5742 E. Mockingbird Lane, 8120 S. Cockrell Hill Rd., Dallas.  
 OR purchase a safe medicine disposal envelope at a pharmacy near you and mail it in.

To find a location nearest you visit: [www.MedicineTakeBack.com](http://www.MedicineTakeBack.com). No inhalers or syringes are accepted.

### **Bulky Trash Pick-up**

Bulky Trash Pickup is the week of the 2nd Monday of the month.

**Bulk Trash Pickup is Aug 9th-13th.**

Don't set out bulk items before Thursday Aug 5th.

Weekly Trash and Recycling Pick-up is every Monday.