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VICKERY PLACE DIGITAL NEWS – NOVEMBER 2021



VPNA Annual Meeting – Nov 16th at Pizzeria Testa

The VPNA Annual Meeting will be held at Pizzeria Testa, 3525 Greenville Ave on Tuesday, November 16, starting at 7 pm. The only order of business that evening is the election of the 2022 VPNA Board of Directors. The Nominating Committee will present a slate of candidates to serve as the 2022 Board and a vote will follow. Nominations may also be taken from the floor. You must bring proof of residency in order to vote in the election. (Please show your DL or proof of residency as you check in).

Food & Drink will be available. Come on out, cast your vote, and mingle with friends and neighbors. If you are interested in participating on a committee next year or have an idea for a neighborhood project, we want to hear from you! Looking forward to seeing you on November 16th!

National Night Out 2021 a Big Success!



What an awesome night! Due to the generosity of sponsors and partners, and to all the Vickery Place neighbors & friends who joined us, this year's National Night Out against crime block party was a BIG success! The whole idea behind the NNO movement, is to get to know your neighbors and community, as that is the best deterrent to crime!

A huge Thank You to all who participated:

City Councilman D2 Jesse Moreno, and his assistants Evelyn Maya, Robert Vega

City Plan Commissioner D2 – Joanna Hampton

City Park Board D2 – Fonya Mondell

City Councilman D14 – Paul Ridley, and his assistants Max Sanchez, Kayleigh Rice

City Plan Commissioner D14 – Melissa Kingston

Dallas Police Department - Sergeant Derrick Wright, Officer Herrera, Officer Pham Dung, Officer Erika Brown

City of Dallas Fire & Rescue Dept – Officer Leona Mitchell

Dallas Fire Station #17

Dept of Environmental Quality & Sustainability - Nedra Richard Morgan
Dart – Chris Walters

Geneva Heights Elementary PTA/ Pre-Geneva/ Peace Pantry - Jennifer Saucedo, Lydia Wright, Sandra Jennings, Aubrey Butcher, Leah Ekmark, Erica White

Whiskey Pants Band

Twizel Ice Cream - Katie Grace and Jim Kratus

Paper For Water artworks

Sponsors/Donors:

Natalie Hatchett of Compass / Becky Frey Real Estate Group

Lydia and Dr. Ben Wright of Lakewood Vet Center

Lakewood Brewery

Pizzas - Kale Butcher

All the awesome local businesses who contributed to our raffle:
The Alcove Wine Bar, The Avenue Sports Grill, Blue Goose Cantina, Charlie's Creole Kitchen, Eddie's Tex Mex, Fireside Pies, Gemma Bistro, HG Supply, Hook Line & Sinker, The Old Monk, The Skellig, Son of a Butcher, Spider Murphy's Pub, Subway, Terillis Italian Restaurant, U.S. Cleaners, Veritas Wine Room.

And thanks to the VPNA Board for coordinating, and to all of our wonderful volunteers!

Proceeds from this year's event will go towards projects that benefit the neighborhood, upcoming events, and local charitable works. Hope to see you at our next Vickery Place neighborhood event!

Ready To Get Down and Dirty??

The Vickery Place Tree Planting will be held on **Saturday, November 13th, 2021**. Help us beautify our wonderful neighborhood! We need some able-bodied volunteers!! If you ordered a tree, be ready to plant at your address that morning. If you just want a work out, then grab a shovel and come on out! Or maybe your teenager needs some service hours? We have about 16 trees to plant, so if you can lend a hand (even if it is only a couple hours), please email info@vickeryplace.com. More details will follow as we finalize plans with the City Arborist.



We plan to have this event on a regular yearly basis, so if you did not get the opportunity to order a tree this time, please do so the next go around. This will benefit our neighborhood for many years to come!

DART Re-Routes

You may have noticed the bags over the bus stop signs along McMillian Ave. That is because the bus route is changing as of **Jan. 24, 2022**. Route 24 which currently travels along McMillian from Mockingbird to Henderson to Ross, will move over to Matilda Street. DART riders can visit the DARTzoom.org website or call DART Customer Service at 214-979-1111 to find their new route or GoLink service, if needed.



November Yard of the Month – 5400 Vickery Blvd

~Vickery Place Beautification Committee, Tory Marpe, Michelle Miller, Angela O'Brien



If
your
dog
has
ever

insisted on walking to the intersection of Glencoe and Vickery for a biscuit out of the outdoor treat box on that corner then you've likely seen the beautiful yard and the lovely "Creole Cottage" style home of Taylor and Dylan and their sweet dog, Molly. The Leonoudakis family has been hosting the very popular dog stop in Vickery Place for about 1 1/2 years and it is a fun focal point in November 2021's yard of the month.

Dylan and Taylor moved to Vickery Place 10+ years ago after meeting in college and falling in love. They initially rented on the 5200 block of Vickery (where they became engaged in the backyard!) while patiently waiting to buy the house of their dreams. That magic moment happened in spring of 2021 when they moved into 5400 Vickery Blvd. Shortly after, Taylor and Dylan got right to work turning the outside (and inside!) of their new home into the lush and elegant Louisiana-inspired homestead that we see today.

The freeze event in early 2021 offered many of us in Vickery Place an opportunity for a fresh start to landscaping. Taylor seized the blank slate and replanted her corner lot with evergreen trees, bushes, and plants creating a lush and cool-feeling environment. She adds pops of seasonal color to pots and containers creating an additive feel as opposed to distracting from the overall look. Some of the green-forward plants gracing the north and west-facing sides of the yard include a loquat tree, hydrangeas, boxwoods, ferns and palms.

Some great tips we enjoyed learning from Taylor and Dylan include:

- Don't buy new if you can build it! Dylan designed and built all of the patio furniture that graces their elegant wrap-around front porch. It looks very

high-end and reflects the perfect color, measurement, and style for their taste.

- If you love the signature landscaping of a specific place then take loads of pictures of it and work with a professional landscape designer to replicate the perfect look adapted for north Texas climate and soils. Both being alums of LSU and loving the look of the stately homes in New Orleans, Taylor and Dylan brought a Louisiana look and feel into their Dallas yard.
- Make easy work of frequently watering thirsty pots and plants like Boston Ferns with a flexible airline tubing irrigation system. It can run independently, easily adjust and be concealed from view.
(<https://youtu.be/3uqI43Lq8Ck>)
- Since shipping delays are currently impacting delivery of all kinds of home items, from raw materials to new furniture. Consider recovering or reframing items you already own or even building your own. Talented artisans and design professionals around Dallas can help you bypass the uncertainty and delays of buying new. For example, Taylor and Dylan trust Frame & Décor on Greenville Avenue to reframe their favorite art pieces and a furniture professional to recover 2 favorite living room club chairs.

Congratulations to Taylor, Dylan, and Molly Leonoudakis of 5400 Vickery Blvd. for being our November 2021 Vickery Place Yard of the Month winners! We also want to send a big thank you to North Haven Gardens for their sponsorship and for the \$50 gift card they generously award our winners!

Storming the Drains!

What a glorious day to storm the drains in Vickery Place!! Neighborhood volunteers filled 15 bags of debris in and around the storm drains inlets and glued decals on 70 of them. A tremendous thank you to Kevin Mondy and Nedra Richard-Morgan from the City of Dallas. Kevin delivered all of the necessary tools for our clean up event, and removed the bags of debris. Nedra



took time to come out on a Saturday to provide valuable information about storm drains and ways to protect them, as well demonstrate the proper method to adhere the storm drain decals. And of course we couldn't have done the project without our generous Vickery Place residents: Ryan & Michelle Mathews, Rob Irvin, Jason Spencer, John Cross, David Maddux & Beth Bentley--thank you all for helping to beautify the neighborhood and keep our Dallas waterways pollutant-free!



Fall Back!!

Daylight saving time is coming to a close, meaning we'll get to turn back the clocks an hour and catch up on sleep. This year's time change happens **on Sunday, Nov. 7, at 2 a.m.**, shifting back to 1 a.m. The pro is that there are more zzzs to be had. The con is that now it will get darker earlier in the day. Daylight will shorten each day until the winter solstice on Dec. 21.

Bulk Trash Pickup is Nov 8th-12th.

Don't set out bulk items before **Thursday Nov 4th.**

Weekly Trash and Recycling Pick-up is **every Monday.**