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One of the biggest privileges of serving RNNA has been the opportunity to join many of you for your "Rock the Block" gatherings. I was fortunate enough to attend six block parties during April – and two in May – and I cannot imagine that any other neighborhood can top our neighbors' generosity, love of community and care for one another. (Not to mention the food – we have some fantastic cooks!) Thank you, Ridglea North neighbors, for answering the challenge to get together and build community right where you live.

This spring, the volunteer RNNA Board hosted several events and activities to connect neighbors and to extend learning opportunities to them. From socials and clean-up events to a brunch for Block Captains and our inaugural gardening event, countless neighbors were able to learn, socialize and get connected here at home. (See page 5 for photos from these events.)

RNNA is able to accomplish many things because of our great neighbors and voluntary membership dues. If you have never joined RNNA or cannot remember if you've paid your \$25 annual dues, please visit our website or use the form on page 7. Thanks for making Ridglea North such a great place to call home!

Andrea Deale
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2018 RIDGLEA NORTH 5K



Get those running shoes ready! It's almost time for the Ridglea North 5K! After inclement weather forced RNNA to reschedule its third-annual 5K, the event is now scheduled for Saturday, May 19, beginning at 9:30 a.m. in Berney Park. Runners and walkers of all levels are invited to join RNNA for the 5K, which will take participants along a new course (It's 2.98 miles for the serious runners!)

Presented by Happy State Bank and sponsored by Patterson Law Group, registration fees are only \$10 for adults and \$5 for kids (under 18). T-shirts will be sold for only \$10 this year, too, thanks to a donation by Worth Noting Designs. Kids are invited to participate in the 5K with their parents or may join in the free Kids Fun Run that starts at 10:30 a.m.

Come early to stretch and warm up with a fitness instructor from neighboring RD Evans Community Center. There will be free food, music and a kids zone, so make plans to walk, run or simply join in the fun!

The Ridglea North 5K will be a fun and active way to raise funds for the continued improvement and maintenance of Berney Park and our green spaces. (See page 3 to learn about proposed new projects.)

Visit www.ridgleanorth.com and click on the 5K logo at the top to register. Once you click through, you can also visit the site's online store to pre-order a T-shirt. Contact RNNA Health & Fitness Director Katie Wade at thewadefam@gmail.com if you would like to help or to get more information. See you there!

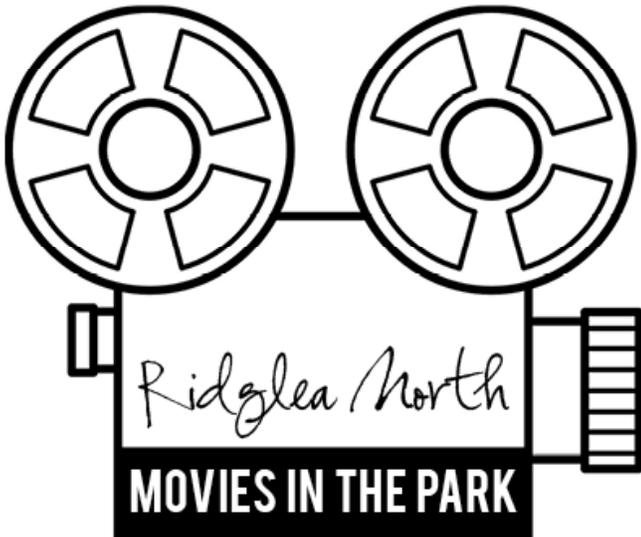
ORDER A T-SHIRT

only \$10

Whether you're signed up for the 5K or not, show off your neighborhood pride all year!

The 2018 Ridglea North 5K T-shirts are now available for only \$10. Visit our race site at <https://runsignup.com/rn5k> and click on the store link to pre-order a T-shirt. You can also stop by the race tent on May 19 to make a purchase. (Please remember, though, that last year's T-shirts sold out very quickly!)

Please read the articles about the 5K and proposed beautification plans to learn more about our reasons for hosting this fun event. Contact RNNH Health & Fitness Director Katie Wade at thewadefam@gmail.com if you would like to help or learn more.



FRIDAY, MAY 11 • 7:45 P.M.



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city mowing schedule

The City's mowing season recently began and will continue through November. As you know, inclement weather can affect planned service dates, but included here is the proposed schedule from the City for 2018:

- Berney Park's mowing cycle began in February and will continue on a 14-day cycle through June. In July, it will move to a 21-day cycle through November.
- Median and traffic divider mowing began in February and will continue on a 14-day cycle through November.
- Right-of-way mowing began in March and will continue on a 28-day cycle through November.

RNNA is hopeful that the City schedule will meet our maintenance needs, but has budgeted funds to supplement maintenance if Berney Park experiences overgrowth. To report areas that need mowing, please call the Fort Worth Park & Recreation Department at 817-392-5741.

entryway signage project

Based on feedback gathered over the last year via surveys, meetings and events, the RNNA Park & Green Space Committee is pursuing an opportunity to install entryway signage at the median located at Westridge/Greenway/ Curzon. Several neighbors have made designated donations for this project, and neighbor/architect Hoyt Hammer of The Beck Group has been working with the P&GS Committee to develop plans for this large entryway to Ridglea North.

The donors and P&GS Committee provided feedback on several design ideas and the RNNA board voted to further develop the plan shown at the top of this page. Designed in terracotta as a nod to adjacent Ridglea Village, the entryway signage would remind passersby of our area's rich history.

Several design elements – including the scale, shade of terracotta and lettering

options – are still being finalized. Design changes are possible, too, once City feedback is received. Once a final design is presented to the board, it will be shared with all RNNA dues-paying members via email for their approval. The voted-upon design will then be shared with all of our Ridglea North neighbors.

RNNA hopes to begin with the signage installation itself, with potential future phases to include irrigation, landscaping and additional hardscapes like the sidewalk pictured above. The pace of the project will be dependent, of course, on the amount of funds raised.

Questions? Want to make a donation? The P&GS team will be at Movies in the Park on May 11, and the Ridglea North 5K on May 19. You can also contact RNNA's P&GS Director Chris Miller at christian.b.miller@gmail.com for info or use the form below to submit a donation.

Yes!

I want to support beautification efforts by making a donation!

As RNNA raises funds for beautification projects and maintains the improvements we've already made, we need your help! Therefore, we are asking you to donate to RNNA today!

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Email _____ Phone Number _____

Amount _____ Donation For (check one) entryway signage P&GS maintenance

Please mail your donation to:
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c/o P&GS Director Chris Miler
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Fort Worth, TX 76116

CRIMEWATCH

help prevent crime

After three training sessions, the RNNA Crime Watch organizers are now recruiting members to join their team. It's a low-commitment way to look out for the neighborhood and prevent crime here in Ridglea North. Group members start by becoming familiar with the dynamics of the neighborhood – including who lives around them, which vehicles belong on their street and what time of day neighbors come and go – and then report any suspicious activity using 911. Observations are shared with the other members via a group text so that the group can make additional observations to aid in the first responders' investigation. Participants do NOT patrol the neighborhood or try to engage with anyone suspected of criminal activity. The group plans to meet twice a year to hear from Fort Worth crime prevention specialists and our NPO about crime trends and prevention techniques. Want to learn more? Interested in joining? Contact RNNA VP of Public Safety Ginny Ives at g.ives@att.net to get your training materials and to get connected with the group.

Below are the steps our Crime Watch group takes when they observe anything suspicious.



**get your sign
only \$10**

"No Soliciting, No Handbills" signs are available by contacting RNNA President Andrea Deale at fwfrog7@gmail.com. You can also purchase a sign at any of the RNNA events this month.

Each pre-assembled aluminum sign costs \$10 and has a sturdy, two-screw construction, steel stakes and rounded corners. Jo Ann Royer, a Ridglea North neighbor and Williams Trew Broker Associate, supplemented production costs to keep prices low for all our neighbors. Thank you, Jo Ann!



code compliance & code ranger program



The Code Compliance Department maintains Fort Worth's status as a clean, livable city by ensuring property complies with rules set by City Council. Code Officers routinely patrol assigned neighborhoods for code violations and investigate complaints with a mission of abating issues and educating Fort Worth residents.

Common code violations include high grass and weeds, stagnant water, accumulation of trash and debris, junk vehicles, improper storage of garbage/recycling carts, front/side yard parking, bulk waste violations and animal violations. Visit www.fortworthtexas.gov/codecompliance to learn more about code compliance or to submit an anonymous complaint.

Fort Worth also hosts a Code Rangers program to empower residents and help neighborhoods preserve property value, improve their appearance and discourage crime. Trained Code Rangers provide reports of suspected code violations to the City, which then investigates the report and sends courtesy letters to the property owners. Interested in learning more? Call the Code Compliance Department at (817) 392-1234 with your questions.

looking back: spring in Ridglea North

1 "Community Connection" Meeting March 1

Neighbors attending RNNA's all-neighbor meeting learned about RNNA initiatives, heard about crime trends from our NPO Bel Haddad and took part in a Q&A with Councilman Brian Byrd. Neighbors enjoyed snacks provided by Alexander Chandler Realty and interacted with RNNA officers, City officials and local agency reps, each with a unique expertise to share.

2 Block Captain Appreciation Brunch March 3

RNNA's dedicated Block Captains were invited to a Saturday-morning brunch to thank them for all they do to build community and connect their neighbors throughout the year. They received information to share with their neighbors and provided RNNA with feedback about their blocks of Ridglea North.

3 RANA Spring Social & Crime Prevention Q&A March 8

The Ridglea Area Neighborhood Alliance hosted its spring social at Buffalo West, where neighbors from the seven neighborhoods gathered for an evening of complimentary appetizers, socializing and a chance to hear from the area's NPOs about area crime trends.

4 Crime Watch Program Training March 22 and April 12

RNNA hosted training for neighbors interested in our new Crime Watch program, and learned tips about protecting their property. (Learn about RNNA Crime Watch on page 4.) Thank you, Jimmy John's, for providing dinner for the dedicated trainees.

5 Cowtown Cleanup March 24

Neighbor volunteers spent the morning cleaning the neighborhood's perimeter, medians and Berney Park. Volunteers enjoyed breakfast from Yoko's Donuts. Thank you, Luci Digiorgio-Vasquez and Suzie Jary, for planning this service day!

6 Garden-Palooza April 28

RNNA hosted its first-ever gardening event, which featured local experts who shared gardening tips with neighbors. Participants received plants, T-shirts, gloves and fresh herbs, courtesy of Chris Miller, who invited neighbors to tour his backyard produce garden. Thank you, Greg and Holly Housewirth, for your help in planning this fun spring event!

7 "Rock the Block" Challenge throughout April

Ridglea North neighbors hosted several gatherings in April as part of this second-annual challenge. Bounce houses, cocktails, ice cream and even custom-made cupcakes made the celebrations fun. Thank you to all the neighbors who organized these fun gatherings.



volunteer need block captains



Block Captains are still needed on a few blocks. Being a Block Captain does not require a big time commitment and direction will be provided for helping your neighbors. Please read the Block Captain "job description" below:

- Introduce yourself to your block.
- Gather and verify email addresses.
- Pass out flyers for special events.
- As new folks move in, let the Welcome Committee know so RNNA can reach out to them.
- Encourage your neighbors to host block parties to build community. (The picture at left is an example of a fun, potluck block party hosted by the Drury Lane neighbors!)

Please look at the list of uncovered blocks below. If you are able to serve in one of these positions or would like to know who your Block Captain is, please contact RNNA Neighbor Director Megan Toups at toups.megan@yahoo.com.

Bigham Boulevard

2900 block – 7 homes
3000 block – 8 homes
3100 block – 12 homes

Calmont Avenue

6100 block – 7 homes
6200 block – 11 homes

Camp Bowie Boulevard

6400 block – 9 homes

Darwood Avenue

6500 block – 10 homes

Edgehill Road

3200 block – 7 homes

Greenway Road

6400 block – 17 homes
6450 block – 18 homes

Kenwick Avenue

6400 block – 23 homes

Malvey Avenue

6000 block – 8 homes
6100 block – 20 homes
6400 block – 29 homes

Marys Lane

2800/2900 blocks – 9 homes
3000 block – 12 homes
3100 block – 14 homes

Olive Place

3100 block – 29 homes

moms' group

Summer is nearly here, and that means Ridglea North moms will be looking for the chance to meet other mothers and kids in the neighborhood! If you'd like to learn more about the Ridglea North Moms' Group, please contact RNNA Moms' Group Chair Lori Bruns at loriell@gmail.com or search for Ridglea North Moms on Facebook.



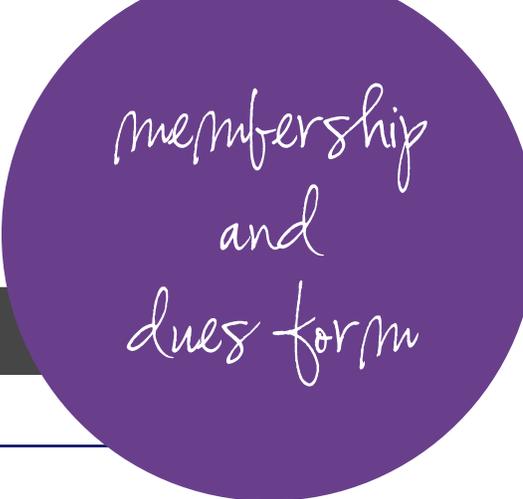
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6037 Lovell Avenue



household information (please print)

name(s) of adult resident(s) _____

street address _____

phone number _____

email address _____

Do you have children living at home? This information is used for event-planning purposes only.

- preschool elementary school middle school/high school

voluntary annual membership dues (check one)

- regular (\$25) (for residents) associate (\$25) (for non-residents) business (\$50)

volunteer with RNNA (check all your interests)

- | | | |
|-------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Block Captain | <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic & Safety | <input type="checkbox"/> Neighborhood Crime Watch |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Photography | <input type="checkbox"/> Yard of the Month | <input type="checkbox"/> Park & Green Spaces |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Public Schools | <input type="checkbox"/> Clean-Up Events | <input type="checkbox"/> Police/Firefighter Appreciation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ridglea North 5K | <input type="checkbox"/> Movies in the Park | <input type="checkbox"/> July 4th Celebration |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Garage Sale | <input type="checkbox"/> National Night Out | <input type="checkbox"/> Cocoa & Caroling |

signature _____ date _____

Contact Caitlin Faubion at caitlin.faubion@gmail.com with questions concerning membership status.
Join or renew online at www.ridgleanorth.com or complete this form and return, along with your association dues, to:
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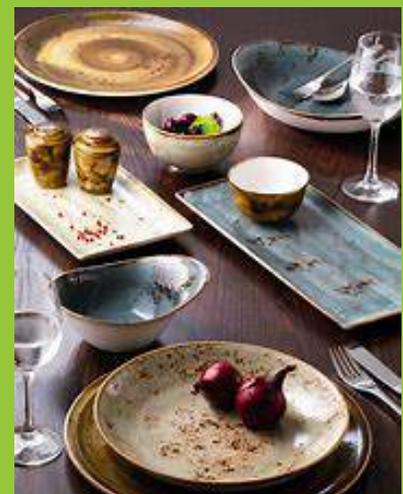
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