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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWSLETTER

# august



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	pool party	11		
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neighborhood night out	TU	14	21	neighborhood meeting
WE	1	15	22	
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**AUGUST BIRTHDAYS:**

8/2	Erica Gannon	8/22	Wally Cox
8/8	Mya Coursey	8/24	Jason Lenox
8/8	Mary Hanan	8/26	Nynva Wright
8/11	Ali Carr	8/27	Isabelle Green
		8/29	Pedro Salas

recycling days

## NEIGHBORHOOD SUMMER SPLASH!

Join Us For a Day in the Sun

**Saturday, August 11th**

**3:00 p.m.**

**Mike and Kyle's**

**628 Tenna Loma Court**

Bring a Dish to Pass  
(and Your Kiddos Too)!



Some drinks will be provided but feel free to bring any special beverages.  
Please RSVP to the evite or contact Laura at [ldorenbecker@crai.com](mailto:ldorenbecker@crai.com)

## CRIME PREVENTION PROGRAM

Several local neighborhood associations are organizing an effort to develop a Crime Prevention Program for North Oak Cliff. West Kessler Neighborhood Association is endorsing the program detailed below, where individual households have the choice to participate. I have just learned 14 households have already stated their intent to participate.

An off-duty officer will patrol the homes that have contributed to the program in a Dallas Police Department squad car. The cost of an hour of patrol will be approximately \$36 - \$40/hour.

The program is going to be started around mid-August. The cost of the program is approximately \$30/month or \$182.50 for six months. Additional benefits you get as an active participant:

- Cell phone number of patrol officer
- Verified response to alarms
- Vacation Watch
- Much quicker response time to any calls

If the entire West Kessler neighborhood participated in the program (approximately 100 homes), we would get about 17 hours of patrols per month. Considering that it takes about 5 minutes to drive all the West Kessler streets, that's a lot of patrolling. If 75% of the neighborhood participated we would get almost 13 hours per month. If 50% participated we would get around 8.5 hours. If 25% participated we would get 4.25 hours.

You can see what a difference it makes to have everyone contribute. For example, if Stevens Park Estates Neighborhood Association (which has approximately 200 homes) participates and 50% of the community pays and if WKNA participates and 50% of the community pays, we would have 25.5 hours of patrolling a month between the two neighborhoods which are VERY close together and will have more impact.

Some of the neighborhoods in the Kessler area have neighborhood associations of close to 1,000 homes. So you can see the more neighborhoods that participate the stronger this program will become. I know that I am 100% committed to participating.

I am still learning about this program and I am more than happy to answer any questions I can. If you would like to contact Audrey Pinkerton with more questions, please feel free to do so. She is one of the people heading up this initiative [audrey.pinkerton@sbcglobal.net](mailto:audrey.pinkerton@sbcglobal.net)

If you are interested in participating in this program, please contact Laura Dorenbecker at [ldorenbecker@crai.com](mailto:ldorenbecker@crai.com).

## BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

The August Yard of the Month belongs to Peter and Frank who reside at 903 Bison Trail. This yard is stunning with its lush foliage, multiple plants and trees. They have worked hard to make their yard the showcase that it is. We love the abundance of colored flowers on the corner and bushes planted throughout. The dark green manicured grass adds a sparkling appeal too! Peter and Frank take a great deal of pride and pleasure in making our community a more beautiful place to live so please congratulate them for winning August Yard of the Month!



## MOSQUITOES

So you don't like those pesky mosquitoes, especially now that they have the potential to carry the West Nile Virus! Here's a tip that was given at a recent garden forum.

Put some water in a white dinner plate and add just a few drops of Lemon Fresh Joy dish detergent. Set the dish on your porch, patio, or other outdoor area. Not sure what attracts them, the lemon smell, the white plate, or what, but mosquitoes flock to it, and drop dead shortly after drinking the Lemon Fresh Joy/water mixture, and usually within about 10 feet of the plate.

Pass this on to anyone who likes sitting out in the evening or when they're having a cook out.



## NEIGHBORHOOD NIGHT OUT Beckley Brewhouse

1111 N. Beckley Ave.

Tuesday, August 14, 7:00PM