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PRESIDENT MESSAGE

By Sandy Olive

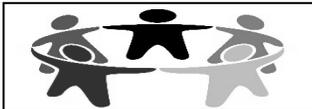
First of all, I would like to tell you a little something about myself since I am now part of your leadership team. I have lived in Towngate for 22 years. Married to Mike and have three dogs. I retired last year after 30 years serving as Operations/General Manager to an electronic/mechanical assembly manufacturing. I have two children that reside in Wylie, six grandchildren, two great-grandchildren and a third on the way due in September. I enjoy keeping myself busy with gardening, sewing, cooking, traveling and spending time in the neighborhood.

We have seen improvement in our community and I want to continue that effort. Our happiness is intertwined with the well-being of our local community. Being connected in a community helps us feel like we belong, and this has a big impact on our own happiness, that of our family, and the community.

Our well-being increases when we talk regularly with our neighbors. Neighborhood committees help us avoid becoming isolated and provide a source of opportunities to do things for others and in turn receive support when needed.

Your Board has already proposed some committees that need your support/input to move forward. Please look at your expertise and see where you would be a great help on these committees:

- Dog Park-no Chairperson assigned
- Redecorating Town Hall: Chairperson-Arnaud Le Cousin
- Social/Hospitality: Chairperson-Shelia Raines
- Crime Watch: Chairperson-D'aun McCaffrey
- Our Neighborhood: Chairperson-Sandy Olive



What other items do you think of that could benefit our community? Please be a participant---Sign Up Today!
Contact Chairperson or sign up at office.

I recently had the opportunity to attend City of Garland "Neighborhood Vitality Matching Grant Workshop" with Shelia Raines. There are funds that Towngate could qualify for, but it is going to take assistance from all of you to accomplish this. There will be more to come and a meeting to further discuss. Here are some examples:

- Sign toppers
- Entryway signs and features
- Picnic tables, benches, or pavilions
- Neighborhood park improvements
- New safety lighting
- Neighborhood art
- New Irrigations and new landscaping



If you would like a copy of the presentation, please notify Anne and she will provide you a copy .

In closing I want to say that the Board of TGHOA cannot be successful without you. We as the board are here to direct and make sure the Bylaws are adhered to. Neighborhoods with high levels of social interaction generally have less crime and more safe places for children to play. This also creates a positive cycle: if neighbors get outside into local parks and playgrounds, there are also more opportunities for neighbors to get to know each other, which further increases trust and belonging.



Welcome to our new Homeowners:
 Terrell Fears
 Laura Ruiz
 Knife Meren, Sosena Berehe, and Berhanu Kidane

OFFICE TIDBITS

FROM Anne

I get several phone calls a month complaining about something the neighbor did. I am not a police officer and this is not an apartment complex. If you have too much trash get an additional trash bin. Talk to your neighbor in a civilized manner, being friendly and work out your problems.

Just a reminder that dues are due by the 10th of the month or a \$20 late fee will be assessed. You can set it up to pay your dues on auto bill pay thru your online banking and they will be paid monthly.

PAINTING

This year Green Way is being painted. Letters have been sent out. If you have done repairs to your exterior and need paint please come by the office during open hours to get it.

Need an additional or replacement trash can or if your trash is not picked up.

Call 972-205-3500



Christmas Yard Decoration Competition Results

By Sheila Raines

The reindeers landed and the creative energy was in Towngate this December. Listed below are the three categories followed by the winning yard.

Most Creative Kelly at 4130 Towngate Blvd

Best of Season Sandy and Mike at 2001 Court Place

Traditional Ismael and Maribel at 2011 Town Place

On the Border donated dinners to the top yards in their category this contest. We had 64 yards decorate and the judges looked at each one.! Here are the neighbors that decorated.

Town Court 2001,2005,2013,2023

Court Place
 2001,2003,2006,2011,2016,2019,2020,2023,
 2028

Towngate Boulevard
 3906,4010,4012,4014,4026,4102,4126,4130,
 4138

Towngate Drive
 1907,1913,2003,2004,2005,2007,2008,2010,
 2011,2016,2019,2020,2021,2023,2028,
 2030,2034,2035,2036

Greenway 3919,3921,4001,4003,4009,4113,4119

Town Place
 2001,2002,2003,2005,2009,2011,2012,2015,2018,2020,
 2024,2025,2026,2027,2029,2031

Next contest is Spring with the categories being Creative Design, Most Colorful, and Best Yard in the Neighborhood! Judging should be around the first of April, depends on the weather. Signs will be out at Town Hall announcing the judging day.



TOWNGATE CLUBHOUSE, POOL AND PLAYGROUND AREA

Arnaud

I want to remind all off you that the Clubhouse is available for all residents to rent for your birthday parties and other events you may want to host. At the price of \$75 for the rental and \$150 deposit it is one of the best and most cost effective ways to go. Contact Anne at the Club House to check the calendar and book Monday-Friday at 972-840-1680 between 9am and 1pm.

The Landscaping Team does an excellent job keeping the grounds clean for all to enjoy and we need your help to keep it clean and safe. We received some complaints about individuals throwing the Blue Mulch that is in the Play area onto the Grass area. This is a hazard to small children and pets as well as an additional expense for the HOA. The grounds will therefore be monitored more closely to prevent this from becoming a bigger issue. We will assess a fine of \$50 and suspend pool access to individuals disrespecting and disregarding the rules posted in the area.

Pool Party is set for May 12th and I am looking forward to seeing you all for this great event. It will be a lot of fun!

Pool Party

There is nothing that gets your blood flowing better than jumping into a swimming pool on a crisp day in May, this year that exact day is Saturday May 12. Time for the party is 11 -2. Think back to when you were a kid and that first day of summer, sun, water, new friends, watermelon and hotdogs. This is a perfect set up to meet neighbors that live here and connect with the families that play in the water.

The party is to allow you as a resident to get your pool cards updated. Outstanding dues prevent the pool card activation. After all, the dues are what pays the bills in our neighborhood. Also, residents agree on a set of rules to guide the behaviors at the pool.

This year to make the party feel a home touch, we the neighbors are bringing the potato salad, Cole slaw or whatever salad is your specialty to the table. The Board is providing the hot dogs and fixings, pizza and drinks.

Please come by to eat and say hi or stay the entire time enjoying the pool, your choice. Not a lot of effort spent and so much value in return. Our police officers, code guy and councilman have been invited as well.

Please sign up in the office or call so we have an idea of what food is being brought.

Suggestions:

Salads-potato salad, Cole slaw, fruit salad, pasta salad

Beans-pinto beans, baked beans

Chips-potato chips, corn chips

Dips- Guacamole, cheese, hot sauce

Sweets-cookies, cake, pie, ice cream



CRIME STATS

Here are the most recent crime stats available from GPD, you will notice one violation in our neighborhood. Please stay vigilant. be a good neighbor, and call the police when you have that feeling something is not quite right.

ASSAULT-AGG-D/W 2018R002119 01/31/2018 1740
1933 NORTHWEST HWY BURGLARY-BLDG
2018R000251 01/05/2018 0423 1401 NORTHWEST
HWY BURGLARY-VEH 2018R001573 01/24/2018
0830 3401 S GARLAND AVE BURGLARY-VEH
2018R000275 01/05/2018 1215 1775 NORTHWEST
HWY BURGLARY-VEH 2018R001873 01/28/2018
1330 1957 NORTHWEST HWY BURGLARY-VEH
2018R001820 01/27/2018 1530 1601 NORTHWEST
HWY BURGLARY-VEH 2018R001656 01/25/2018
1830 3518 LAMESA DR BURGLARY-VEH
2018R001473 01/22/2018 1905 1401 NORTHWEST
HWY BURGLARY-VEH 2018R001205 01/19/2018
1930 1837 ANDOVER DR BURGLARY-VEH
2018R001474 01/22/2018 2050 1401 NORTHWEST
HWY BURGLARY-VEH 2018R001192 01/19/2018
2121 1401 NORTHWEST HWY CRIMINAL MIS-
CHIEF \$100 L/T \$750 2018R002057 01/31/2018 0031
3205 S GARLAND AVE

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF \$100 L/T \$750 2018R000377
01/06/2018 1915 12721 LBJ FRWY 02/01/2018
INFO-IDENTITY THEFT 2018R000477 01/08/2018
0800 1414 RANDOLPH DR INFO-VEH THEFT
2018R000733 01/11/2018 1200 1433 DOUGLAS DR
THEFT-MOTOR VEHICLE-\$30,000 2018R000638
01/10/2018 0202 1821
2016 TOWN PL THEFT-ALL OTHER-\$750 L/T
\$2,500 2018R001063 01/17/2018 0635 12721 LBJ
FRWY THEFT-ALL OTHER-L/T \$100 2018R001016
01/16/2018 300 2600 MC CREE RD THEFT-ALL
OTHER-L/T \$100 2018R000877 01/13/2018 1500 1700
W KINGSLEY RD THEFT-ALL OTHER-L/T \$100
2018R000400 01/07/2018 1800 1661 NORTHWEST
HWY THEFT-SHOPLIFTING-L/T \$100

LOGO CONTEST

Create a logo design for Towngate HOA and win \$25 for the winning design. Submit your entry to the office in person or by email by April 15.

TREASURE REPORT

EXPENSE HIGHLIGHTS as of February 28, 2018

Landscape: Weekly Maintenance	\$7,471
Tree Trimming	\$1,200
Improvements	\$ 0
Pools: chemicals/repairs/maint.	\$1,001
Electricity	\$1,809
Water	\$ 754
Insurance	\$ 712
Painting	\$ 115
Sprinkler Repair	\$ 0
Town Hall Maintenance	\$ 648
Telephone/Communications	\$ 630
Postage/Office Supplies	\$ 718

2018 BOARD MEMEBERS

PRESIDENT - Sandy—214-5381563

VICE PRESIDENT- Sheila—214-274-6412

TREASURER - D'aun - 214-349-9132

SECRETARY - Gaby -479-530-7367

LANDSCAPE - Sheila—214-274-6412

CLUBHOUSE/POOLS-Arnaud-214-952-6251

ARCHITECTURAL - Larry -214-476-6744

PAINTING - Jack—214-695-3835

Randy Dale- Landscaper/Pool Maintenance
214-882-4251

Code enforcement 972-485-6400-
jprewitt@garlandtx.gov

Neighborhood Police Officer—Matt StClair
stclairm@garlandtx.gov

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