# Mistletoe Express

A Front Porch Community In A Historic District

October/November 2023

### Letter From the MHA President

by Mark Philpot



Mark Philpot, President, and family

Friends and Neighbors,

Here's my last Mistletoe
Heights newsletter as
President, as we'll be having
elections in mid November
to vote on new officers.
Officers who will help sustain
the heart and history of MH,
and build new traditions and
seasons for our hood. Thanks
for the grace, community,
and kindness you've
extended over the past five

years of serving on the Mistletoe Heights Association.

Someone recently said that the quality of life is equal to the quality of one's relationships. The relationships I've been able to have, and deepen, because of serving as President of MHA, has been an unexpected gift.

I say it often, but I want to give a special thank you to the officers over the years, some of whom are continuing to serve — Jeri Jo & Val, specifically — thank you for the YEARS you've served, for the

hours you give that go unseen, and for the MANY times you've kept me on track!

Through the past five years of serving as Vice President and President, I'm more convinced of how lucky we are to be surrounded by our neighbors — in these homes full of history, and located in the center of the city. I hope you see that, too, and that it spurs some of you on to jump into a more official capacity to continue building on the gifts we have around us. We have so much potential to grow!

#### Officer Elections at the next MH Neighbhorhood Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 14 at 2200 Edwin Street which happens to be my house.

#### **Open Positions**

- Vice President
- · Social Chair

I hope to see you there!

Best, Mark Philpot

# Mark Your Calendar

Please take note of these important dates coming up.

Bow Tying Party November 19, 2023 For more details, see page 3.

Mistletoe Heights Potluck Christmas Dinner

December 2, 2023 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm For more details, see page 3.

Christmas Party at the Triangle with Santa!

Sunday, December 3 • 3:30 pm For details, see page 12.

FWISD Spring Break March 11-15

Deadline for submitting information or ads for the December/January newsletter December 15, 2023

# It's Easy to Donate

Use the QR code below to access PayPal in order to donate to the neighborhood!



# Online Neighborhood Directory

Use these helpful links to access and/ or update your information today!

Need to update your contact information? New to the neighborhood? Click here for the form to update:

https://tinyurl.com/mhdir2022

Want to contact your neighbor? Click here for the directory:

https://tinyurl.com/mhdirectory2022

# Area Events Calendar



November 18-19

# 14th Annual Funky Finds Holiday Shopping Experience

Presented By: Funky Finds

Saturday, November 18: 10am-5pm Sunday, November 19: 11am-4pm Location: Will Rogers Memorial Center

Price: free

For more information: https://www.funkyfinds.com/holiday-

shopping-experience.html



**November 19** 

GM Financial Parade of Lights

Downtown Fort Worth 777 Taylor Street Fort Worth, TX 76102 Admission: Free Attendees are encouraged to

purchase reserved

"Street Seats," which start at \$18

For more information: http://www.FortWorthParadeOfLights.org

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November 17, 2023 - January 1, 2024

Lightscape

Location: Fort Worth Botanic Garden Address: 3220 Botanic Garden Boulevard

Fort Worth, TX 76107-3420 Phone: (817) 463-4160 Time: 5:30 pm

Price: prices start at \$15

For more information: <a href="https://fwbg.org/lightscape/">https://fwbg.org/lightscape/</a>

November 30, 2023

# Night Market

Price: General Admission: 6:30-9 pm: \$65; Early Entry: 6-9 pm: \$89 Fall into global flavor at this street-market-inspired experience.

Fort Worth Food + Wine Foundation

For more information: https://fwfwf.ticketsauce.com/e/fort-

worth-food-wine-foundation

December 1, 2023 - December 3, 2023

### THE NUTCRACKER

Presented By: Ballet Frontier Recurrence: Recurring daily Location: IM Terrell Auditorium

Address: 1900 IM Terrell Way, Fort Worth, TX 76102

Phone: (817) 852-6887 Time: 7:30 PM to 9:30 PM

Price: \$35-55

https://www.balletfrontier.org/the-nutcracker



November 24-December 3 & December 8-24, 2023

# Texas Ballet Theater performs The Nutcracker

Location: Bass Hall For more information: https://texasballettheater. org/performance/thenutcracker-2023/#buytickets

December 23

## **Armed Forces Bowl**

Location: Amon G. Carter Stadium

For tickets and additional information regarding this great

event, visit: http://www.armedforcesbowl.com/

# Mistletoe Heights Potluck Christmas Dinner



Saturday, December 2, 2023 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Jeri Jo Blackmon's Home: 1408 Mistletoe Drive

Bring a casserole, meat, vegetable, fruit, salad, or dessert to pass. Bring a serving spoon or fork for your dish and put your name and phone number on a piece of tape on the bottom of your dish so it can be returned to you.

This event is mostly for grown-ups, but kids can come too.

### **Volunteers Needed**

#### We are in need of Social Events Coordinators!

Please contact Officers@mistletoeheights.org if you would like to help out! We're looking for help with our annual events like the Easter Egg Hunt, July 4th, Movie Nights, and Christmas at the Triangle. The more volunteers, the better!





#### **Bow Tying Party Volunteers Needed**

November 19, 2023 CONTACT: Steven Alford • 281-384-2819 stevenalford@gmail.com

It is time for our annual holiday street light decorations, and I'm looking for new volunteers for three blocks:

2200 Rosedale 2200 Weatherbee 12/1300 Buck It's a fun and easy way to add to the joy of our great neighborhood. The job takes less than an hour, and only requires a willing and able person to climb a ladder, and an assistant to help. You are welcome to borrow my ladder, and I'm happy to show you the ropes!



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# Mistletoe Heights Association Donors

As of November 8, 2023

#### NAMES IN BOLD PRINT HAVE CONTRIBUTED SINCE OUR LAST NEWSLETTER

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Matlock, Gray & Mary McKeever, Kent Graves, Dorothy

> Thank you neighbors, for your contributions to our neighborhood association! Donations are \$5,385 so far this year



If your name(s) are spelled incorrectly or missing information, email Treasurer@MistletoeHeights.org

2023 Levels of Giving Poinsettia - \$150 and up Magnolia - \$100 to \$149 Holly - \$50 to \$99 Mistletoe - Up to \$49

# Stay in touch with the latest news and information from your neighbors!



Be sure to join our Facebook Group!



Sign up for our emails!



Access information and resources on our website!









## Reminder!

Since our newsletter is now digital, please share with others to be sure to sign up for email and social media, to continue to get our newsletter digitally!



Please take a moment and take our short survey. Your feedback will help us improve our newsletter.

Visit <a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/3Y8BTRN">https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/3Y8BTRN</a> or use the QR code at right to take the survey. Thanks!





Take care of your neighborhood!

# Please Support Our Advertisers

The officers of the Mistletoe Heights
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#### **Advertising Submission Process**

Would you like to submit an ad in our newsletter? Artwork for all ads should also be submitted by the 15th of the month prior (April, June, August, October, and December). Artwork should be emailed to: advertise@mistletoeheights.org.

Should you have any questions, please email advertise@mistletoeheights.org.



### Complimentary portfolio review.



Bruce C Border, CFP® Financial Advisor 2453 Forest Park Boulevard Ft Worth, TX 76110 817-926-8056



Jessica Davis, CFP®, AAMS™, CRPC™ Financial Advisor 2501 Parkview Dr Ste 203 Ft Worth, TX 76102 817-337-0723

# How to Reach the Mistletoe Heights Officers:

President:

Mark Philpot: mark@leaguere.com

#### Vice President:

Graham Brizendine: graham@brokerdirectrealestate.com

#### Treasurer:

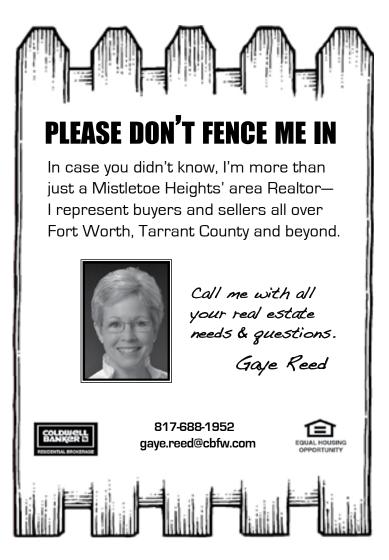
Jeri Jo Blackmon: JeriJo@charter.net

#### Newsletter:

Elisa Rode: elisa@kearlev.com

#### Secretary:

Val Ewing: agdoc05@hotmail.com



# In the City

Police non-emergency number: 817-392-4222

Crime updates are available to citizens at any time: fortworthpd.com. Go to crime information, then crime mapping.

Community engagement liaison: For our neighborhood, contact Teresa Magaña Leach, 817-392-2043 or teresa.magaña@fortworthtexas.org.

Link to city online pothole reporting form: https://cityoffortworth.wufoo.com/forms/pothole.report

Link to code compliance issues and to report graffiti: fortworthtexas.gov/codecompliance/myFtWorth

Link to garbage related issues: www.fortworthtexas.gov. Click on "Garbage and Recycling."
Bulk trash pickup for our neighborhood is the week of the fourth Monday of the month.

Link to report animal issues, control, adoption: fortworthtexas.gov; or call 817-392-1234.



For travel health information and inoculations, call Tarrant County Public Health Department, Travel Health Services, 1101 S. Main St., Fort Worth, TX 76104. 817-321-4707

Fort Worth leash law:

http://fortworthtexas.gov/animals/laws

Fort Woof Dog Park: <a href="http://fortwoof.org">http://fortwoof.org</a>

Smart phone app: myFtWorth

# A CANDIELIGHT CHRISTMAS

in RYAN PLACE

Ayaking Spirits Bright

Enjoy the magic of the season in a self-guided tour of five spectacular, festive homes that represent the architectural range found within the Historic Ryan Place Neighborhood

#### **HOME TOUR HOURS**

Saturday, December 2, Noon – 9:00 PM | Sunday, December 3, Noon – 5:00 PM

TICKETS AVAILABLE IN ADVANCE ONLINE FOR \$25 OR \$30 AT THE DOOR



# Welcome New Neighbors!

It's always a joy to meet our new friends down the street or around the block. Please remember that we only know if someone tells us, and we LOVE welcoming our new residents with a basket from the Mistletoe Heights community. If you are living close to a new family, please send us a text or give us a call. Get to know them and send their names and addresses our way. If YOU are a new neighbor and have never received a welcome basket, please let us hear from you.

The Front Porch Community is the best place to be, and we want to visit your porch soon.

All the best, Kathy Jo Rogers, 1101 Clara, 817.688.0905



## Helpful Phone Numbers, Emails, Addresses and Websites

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l	<b>City Information</b> City Code violations	817.392.1234	Susan Willis Melanie Smith	817.924.4000 682.225.6921	2200 Weatherbee — Street Rep Needed	
ı	City of Fort Worth	817.392.2255	Street Rep Captains —		2100 West Morphy —	
fortworthtexas.gov		Melissa Kohout (East Side) 817.313.1419		Ben Connelly	817.229.615	
l	Police — nonemergency 817.392.4222		Rosaline Eastepp Takes 817.475.3715		West of Forest Park	
l	Graffiti Abatement	817.212.2700	(West Side) Welcome Baskets —		Forest Park Blvd. —	
l	Lily B. Clayton Elementary 817.922.6660		Kathy Jo Rogers 817.688.0905		Steve McReynolds	817.926.7955
l	schools.fwisd.org/clayton		Advertising Manager —		2300 W. Rosedale South — Collin Wright	No # Provided
	Paschal High School paschalhs.org	817.814.5000	Kathy Dierker advertise@mistletoeheights.c	817-905-4854 org	2300 Irwin — Steve McReynolds	817.926.7955
ı	Historical Preservation —		Newby Park —		,	011.520.1555
l	Justin Newhart	817.392.8037	Rep Needed		2300 West Magnolia — Susan Pressley	817.923.6061
	justin.newhart@fortworthtexas.gov		Email Moderator — Richard Yantis 817.924.2857		2300/2400 Harrison —	817.923.0001
	Southside Preservation Hall —					817.923.9393
l	Hallyes@earthlink.net southsidepreservation.com	817.926.2800	Webmaster — Scott Ewing	214.403.7762	2300 Edwin —	
l	The T/Longhorn Trolley	817.215.8600	Historian —	214.403.1102	Janis Arvin Carter	817.300.3708
ı	the-t.com	011.213.0000	Luke Ellis	817.339.2459	Betty Arvin	No # Provided
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l	district9@fortworthtexas.gov		2200 W. Rosedale South —		1100 Buck —	017.000.0040
ı	MHA Officers officers@mistletoeheights.org		Bridget Wensel No # Provided		Martin Herring	817.923.3843
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l	president@mistletoeheights.or	g	2100/2200 Mistletoe Blvd. — Claudia Camp	817.924.5193	Gutierrez Family	No # Provided
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	Historic Preservation Committee —		2100 Weatherbee —			
	Brad Shuffield	972-989-0247	John Taggart	817.946.0901		

#### **MHA Yearly Memberships**

Voluntary dues are \$15, \$25, \$50 or whatever you can afford. Your dues help pay for this newsletter, the Mistletoe Heights phone directory, and many neighborhood functions. Please make your check payable to: Mistletoe Heights Association. Mail to: Jeri Jo Blackmon, 1408 Mistletoe Drive.

#### **Free Classified Ads**

As a MH resident, you get one free classified ad. Please submit copy by the 15th of the month. Notify the editor by email: newsletter@mistletoeheights.org.

#### **Editorial Policy**

Articles and letters to the editor are welcomed. To be published as written, letters must be addressed to the editor, signed, and include a phone number. Anonymous letters will not be published. Articles may be submitted for publication, signed or unsigned, subject to approval and editing.

Contact information helps, especially if we have questions for you. Letters to the editor are limited to a half-page (approximately 350 words). Please send email to: newsletter@mistletoeheights.org.

#### **Advertising Information**

To place an ad or for questions, please email newsletter@mistletoeheights.org.
Business-card size: \$25 • 1/4 page: \$50
Half page: \$100 • Full Page: \$200
Deadline for payment and artwork is the 15th of the month.

# Online Neighborhood Directory Form for Directory Updates:

https://tinyurl.com/mhdir2022

**Link to Directory:** 

https://tinyurl.com/mhdirectory2022

The neighborhood newsletter is designed and produced by Mistletoe Heights neighbor Elisa Rode's agency Kearley & Company, Inc.

# Mistletoe Heights Association Annual Dues Drive

All residents of Mistletoe Heights are members of the association. Dues donations are completely voluntary. Any amount is welcomed and appreciated. Your dues fund several special projects as well as seasonal social gatherings, landscape maintenance, newsletters and other activities.

Our annual dues drive begins in March and continues through December. You will see this flyer in all our newsletters as we collect dues donations for our neighborhood. We will also recognize donors in each newsletter beginning in July with the final recognition published in our December/January issue next year.



Levels of giving for this year are:

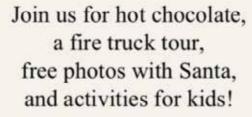
Mistletoe – up to \$49 Holly - \$50 to \$99 Magnolia - \$100 to \$149 Poinsettia - \$150 and up

Thank you for supporting your neighborhood association.

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Address:				and be sure to add your name(s) and address		
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### Mistletoe Heights Association presents

# Holiday at the Triangle



Sunday, December 3rd 3:30 Triangle Park

Funded by donations to Mistletoe Heights





# Events like these are supported by neighbors like you!

Please consider donating to the Mistletoe Heights Association so that we can continue to host events, beautify our neighborhood, and more.

You can make contributions using PayPal or check. Please send check payable to:



Mistletoe Heights Association C/O Jeri Jo Blackmon 1408 Mistletoe Drive | Fort Worth, TX 76110

For PayPal, use QR code or visit http://www.mistletoeheights.org/dues.html

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#### **TUTOR**

I am a public/private school educator with 25 years of experience. I currently teach kindergarten at The Oakridge School and have also taught 4th grade. I would love to help your child with reading, writing, or general Pre k-8th grade studies, and also 9-12 grade writing. Cost is \$60 per hour. Contact me, Kathy Jo Rogers, at 817.688.0905 or krogers@theoakridgeschool.org.

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#### ODD JOBS/LAWNS/HOUSE SITTING/PET CARE

My name is Seth Rogers and I am a high school senior who has been doing dog sitting/walking and lawn care since sixth grade. I would love to help you with any laborious task, odd jobs, house sitting, or dog walking. Cost to be negotiated after the parameters of the job have been discussed. Contact: 817-600-2313 or sethman37@gmail.com.

#### **PIANO LESSONS**

Lessons for beginners
through intermediate levels,
children and adults. "I've
been a resident in Mistletoe
Heights since 2008 and
teaching piano since 1990.
Please give me a call and leave
a message at 817-927-8876. Thank you."
Mary C. Smith • 2300 W. Magnolia Ave.

#### **PET SITTING**

At-home mom who LOVES animals would love to help take care of yours! Please call Diana Brandenberg, 214-734-9140.

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Mistletoe Heights is a historic and excellent example of middle- to upper-class neighborhood dating from the 1910s. Wishing to preserve its architectural heritage and identity, most of the neighborhood was included in a historic overlay in 2002. Any alterations including but not limited to window replacement/repair, foundation repair or additions to the structures within the overlay must be approved by the city of Fort Worth's Historic Preservation Office and/or the Historic & Cultural Landmarks Commission (HCLC). Please contact staff to discuss the correct process for your project.

#### **Helpful Contact information:**

Neighborhood Historic Preservation Committee: Brad Shuffield, 972-989-0247 Fort Worth's Historic Preservation Officer: Lorelei Willett, 817-392-8000, <u>DesignReview@fortworthtexas.gov</u>

https://www.fortworthtexas.gov/departments/development-services/preservation-urban-design/historic-preservation/mistletoe-heights

The HCLC meets the second Monday of the month. For further information, please refer to the City of Fort Worth's Preservation Guidelines, Mistletoe Heights website, <a href="https://www.mistletoeheights.org">www.mistletoeheights.org</a>, and click on Historic Guidelines.

