

THE RIDGE...November 2011 WCA Newsletter

**WCA Meetings: Business—November 8, Discussion—December 13
(NOTE DINNER BELOW)**

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! Everybody welcome! Second Tuesdays, 7:30 PM, St Luke's, 8915 Timberside Dr., Room 201/203 upstairs in the center section of the church building. Enter under the portico by the main parking lot. Take the stairs (right of the entry) to the second floor, or use the elevator near the sanctuary.

Trash Services

**Weekly Pickup:
Thursdays**

Heavy Trash: 1st Monday

November 7, January 3rd— Odd months: for Tree waste only (1st Monday in January is holiday -> Tuesday pick up.)

December 4th – Even months for Heavy Trash (Junk)

**Recycling Pickup:
Every other Thursday –
November 17th
December 1st
December 15th
December 29th
January 12th
January 26th**

Join WCA for a Thanksgiving pot luck dinner at our next meeting on Tuesday, November 8th STARTING AT 6:30 PM. WCA will provide the turkey. Just bring a favorite side or dessert to share to our normal meeting place at St Luke's Presbyterian Church.

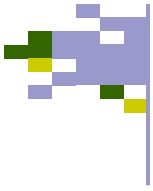
WCA is looking for new leadership in the neighborhood. Please come and share your ideas and recommendations for year 2012.

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PRESIDENT'S NOTE by Jeannette

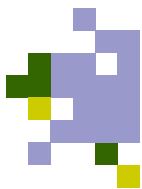
Dear Friends and Neighbors,

I must first apologize for being a bit absent as of late. When I was elected WCA President, I was working at a job that allowed me much time to work on personal things. Since that time, I have helped launch a new medical practice and more recently added a second doctor with a second location and an operating room! My career path has been great fun but very time consuming. Although I am excited with the turn my life has taken, I am sad to be leaving the neighborhood.

In the hopes of people sending in stories of interest, I will tell you mine. Most of you know I have a wonderful son, Quinn, who will be 22 in November. He is a student at UH and officially lives with me but spends most of his time with his girlfriend. My husband, Quinn's father, died when I was 27 years old and 3 months pregnant. It was a tough time, but my wise father told me that the world was not going to stop and let me off. I needed to move on and create a good life for myself and my son. So I did. Quinn and I did the best we could, and we have had a great life full of fun and love. And now, I am happy to say that after 50 years and many prayers and wishes on birthday candles, God has blessed me with true love. My sweetheart, Clive has a beautiful soul, a big heart, and a brilliant mind. I am truly blessed now having found love with Clive, fulfillment in my career, happiness - and realizing the blessings I have always enjoyed - God, good friends, a wonderful family, and especially the best blessing I could have ever hoped for - Quinn. So, please look after my son and my home, and I will come by once and a while to a WCA meeting.

It has been a privilege serving you. And now I must pass on the torch to someone else.

Jeannette Piette



NEIGHBORS' NIGHT OUT (October 2011) by several authors

Thank you Amin and Albert for hosting the front yard party for this year and last year. It is always fun for new residents and old. Sandwiches were provided by WCA, and really excellent neighborhood cooks showed off some of their finest, such as Tiffany's macaroni and cheese. It was good to talk with neighbors.

TREASURER'S NOTE by Jane:

Thank you to the 47.7% that paid their dues and the 46.7% that contributed toward security. Also to those who paid extra. These people are paying for those who cannot pay and those who don't. It would really be great if more would contribute. A full treasurer's report will be presented at the November meeting after we eat the turkey dinner.

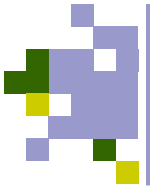
ELECTION DAY(S) by Tim

Vote before coming to the Nov. 8 WCA meeting. Note that we are now in City Council District K, but the polling place will still be at Longfellow Elementary.

And we will be electing the new WCA team at the January 10 meeting.

PROOFREADER NOTE by Tim

Did you think Jeannette's note was interesting? I did — a good example of news about us written by us. Submit something to PaulaSullivan@sbcglobal.net



St Luke's Presbyterian Church, 8915 Timberside Dr., 713.667.6531
www.stlukespres.org

Sunday Worship Services:

The Gathering - A Contemporary Family Worship Service

9:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary

Rev. Harbison leads this short, intimate worship & communion service, including scripture reading and homily. The contemporary Christian music is led by Ryan Klasen with guitar.

Worship - A Traditional Worship Service

10:55 a.m. in the Sanctuary

Traditional worship with communion on the first Sunday of each month. Music led by Marvin Gaspard, Music Director/Organist-Choirmaster, with choir, hand bells and organ,

DON'T MISS IT!!! The live nativity on Wednesday, Dec 14th, from 6 to 8 pm in front of the Church. Enjoy wassail and neighborly merriment with the livestock that visits Woodside and Westridge once a year.

Bethany United Methodist Church, 3511 Linkwood Dr., 713-667-7574
www.bethanyumc.org

Sunday Mornings:

8:45 Contemplative Communion Service, 9:15 Coffee, 9:30 Classes (all ages), 10:50 Worship

Wednesday Evenings:

Primetime — 5:30 dinner, 6:30 classes and activities

MADRIGAL SINGERS AT DEC. 7 PRIMETIME

DINNER WITH SANTA AT DEC. 14 PRIMETIME

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