



Kessler Plaza News

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Elba Garcia to Address Meeting

Plan now to attend the final Kessler Plaza Neighborhood Association meeting of 2001 on Tuesday, December 4. This is a combined meeting for the months of November and December.

Guest speaker for the meeting will be Dr. Elba Garcia, City of Dallas Councilperson representing District 1. Although Kessler Plaza is currently in District 3, under the

recently approved council redistricting plan, Kessler Plaza will move into District 1 beginning with the 2003 council elections. This meeting will provide an excellent opportunity to meet Dr. Garcia and ask questions regarding the City of Dallas.

In addition, neighbors will also be able to extend a thank you and goodbye to long-time neighborhood leaders Kevin Caskey and

Clint Enderli who recently moved.

This informative meeting will be held Tuesday, December 4, 2001 at 7:00 p.m. at the Jefferson Boulevard Church of Christ. Remember to bring your Campbell's Soup labels and/or monetary donations to the meeting. These are given to the church in appreciation for the use of their facility.

Holiday Lighting Contest Scheduled

The Holiday Season is here! Time for all Kessler Plaza neighbors to get out and add those special decorations and lights to make our neighborhood the brightest ever! And, it's time for the Kessler Plaza Holiday Lighting Contest!

This event was a huge success last year, and the neighborhood association is proud to bring the

contest back again this year. Neighbors will be busy outdoing themselves in order to make this year's contest even better!

The contest will feature the following categories: Most Festive; Most Elegant; and Most Holiday Spirit (Best All-Around).

Judging and presentation of awards for this year's

contest will be held on the evening of Sunday, December 9.

So start working on getting those lights lit! If you are interested in being a part of the fun that goes with judging this annual contest, contact Roman Smith at 214.339.5679 for details.

Letters to Santa

Thanks to a special arrangement with the North Pole, the *Kessler Plaza News* has been selected as a delivery agent for letters to Santa.

Neighborhood children can have their letters to Santa published in the December issue of the *Kessler Plaza News*. Once

published, the letters will be sent via special delivery directly to the North Pole, just in time for Santa's annual journey.

Letters can be dropped off at 2602 Marvin Avenue or sent via email to kesslerplazanews@yahoo.com. Letters must be received by Wednesday,

December 12 in order to be available in time for publishing in the newsletter. Please include the child's first name and age.

Remember, Santa is making a list and is checking it twice to find out who's been naughty or nice!



President's Corner

by John Cramer

As the holiday seasons approach and the year draws to a close, I wanted to thank everyone for their continued support to the neighborhood association and our community. While we had a modest turnout, approximately 25 residents, at our October meeting, it was a great success thanks to Melody Forge, Dallas Fire/Rescue Prevention Officer, who educated us on fire prevention.

Also, thanks to those who contributed approximately \$15 and soup labels to Jefferson Boulevard Church of Christ for the use of their facilities.

As most of you are aware by now, we had to cancel the Cocktail Crawl that

was to be held on November 3rd. Due to last minute logistical constraints, the social committee and I decided it best to cancel the event and reschedule it for some time in the spring. I wanted to again thank the generous offer of support from Dr. Susan Nearpass and Virginia Nearpass along with the three host homes. Without you, events like this could never come to be.

I want to remind everyone that its that time of year to start decorating your houses and yards for the Annual Lighting Contest. Remember last year was a great success and I fully expect this year to be even bigger. Please get those lights up so we can let Kessler Plaza shine bright throughout the night.

Interim Secretary Appointed

George Briggs, Treasurer of the Kessler Plaza Neighborhood Association, has been appointed Interim Secretary. The association president John Cramer made this appointment, until a special election can be held in January 2002.

Kerri Khoury, past Secretary,

resigned her position for personal reasons. The neighborhood association would like to offer its sincere appreciation to Kerri for a job well done and thank her for the continued support she provides to both the neighborhood association and the community.

Committee Chair Positions Open

The Kessler Plaza Neighborhood Association currently has two chairperson vacancies that need to be filled. The openings are for the chairperson positions of the Welcome Wagon and Social Committee.

The Welcome Wagon chair became vacant with the announcement from Clint Enderli that he was moving. The Social Committee chair position became vacant with the resignation of Roman Smith whose recent job promotion requires him to travel extensively, not allowing him the

necessary time to dedicate to the Social Committee.

The neighborhood association extends a very special thank you to both Clint and Roman for their outstanding efforts and the work they have done to make Kessler Plaza a better place to live for all neighbors

Anyone interested in serving as chairperson for one of these committees should contact John Cramer, President at 214.339.5679, or via email at john.cramer@sbc.com.

Remember that our next meeting is Tuesday, December 4 at 7:00 p.m. Our guest speaker will be Dr. Elba Garcia, City Councilperson for District 1. We want to welcome her to our neighborhood and show her the type of support and participation she can expect to have from the residents of Kessler Plaza. Also, we will be saying good bye to long time residents and past executive officers of Kessler Plaza Neighborhood Association...Kevin Caskey and Clint Enderli. Please be sure to come and wish them the best in their new home and community.

Well, that's all for now. I look forward to seeing each of you at our next meeting. I hope all of you will have a great Thanksgiving holiday.

Welcome Wagon

by Clint Enderli

As the chairperson for the Welcome Wagon committee, I would like everyone to know that by being a neighbor of Kessler Plaza we all are on the welcoming committee. It is each person's job to make your neighbors feel welcome, especially the new ones, and let them know we want them to be involved in the neighborhood.

Like a wise woman once said, "no one is an island." It takes us all to make the neighborhood successful. Please continue to support the officers of the neighborhood association and remember that they are there for you.

Thanks for everyone's support during my involvement with the neighborhood. I will miss Kessler Plaza and the people I have been involved with.



New Moss Park Committee Chairperson

Chad James is our new Moss Park Committee Chairperson effective December 1, 2001. This position became vacant with the announcement from Kevin Caskey that he would be moving away from our neighborhood.

Chad, who served as the newsletter editor last year, graciously accepted this position and will begin work on Moss Park and the Plymouth medians. If

you are interested in participating in the Moss Park Committee, contact Chad at 214.339.3608.

The neighborhood association extends a special thank you to Kevin for his outstanding work as Moss Park Committee Chairman. Thanks to his efforts, additional water outlets were installed at Moss Park allowing the trees to be more easily watered during the

summer. In addition, Kevin has projects in the works that Chad will continue implementing, including new park benches, picnic tables, and trash receptacles.

Again, Thanks Kevin for all that you have done for Kessler Plaza and its residents! And, welcome Chad as our new Moss Park Committee Chairperson.

Block Captains

Following are the block captains for the neighborhood.

Alco Ave. (2400 and 2500/2600 blocks): Brett and Allen, 214.331.2011

Alco Ave. (2700 block) John Cramer (interim), 214.339.5679

Alden Ave.: Aurelio and Brenda, 214.770.8998

Cavender St.: John Cramer (interim), 214.339.5679

Duval Dr.: Don and Janie, 214.337.1064

Marvin Ave. (North side): Nola Rae, 214.330.0557

Marvin Ave. (South side): Emily (interim), 214.339.3433

Sunset Ave. (2400 and 2500/2600 blocks): Scott and Chris, 214.337.4107

Sunset Ave. (2700 block): James, 214.339.3160

Wentworth St.: John, 214.339.5567

West Tenth St. (2400 block): George, 214.330.9557

West Tenth St. (2500/2600 block): John and Roman, 214.339.5679

West Tenth St. (2700 block), John Cramer (interim), 214.339.5679

Cocktail Fundraiser Cancelled

Due to last minute logistical issues, the first annual Kessler Plaza Neighborhood Crawl fundraiser, scheduled for November 3, was cancelled. It was with great disappointment that the neighborhood association cancelled this event. However, the association is planning an even more spectacular

event for the spring that is sure to be quite a treat for the neighborhood.

Special appreciation goes to all the neighbors who have shown interest and support for this event, and a sincere apology is extended for the last minute cancellation.

One thing is clear that will make this event a success:

more involvement of neighbors. If you would like to help lead this project for the spring, please call John Cramer at 214.339.5679. The more volunteers available to help with this event, the better it will be!

Treasury Report

Beginning Bal	2561.73
Deposit	-0-
Withdrawal	-0-
Ending Balance	2438.65

Special Reserves

Moss Park	2000.00
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Grant

OOCCL	3850.00
Expires 2003	

Yard of the Month

Congratulations to the home at 2442 Sunset Avenue which was selected as Kessler Plaza's Yard of the Month for November. This home continues to maintain a beautiful fall lawn, despite the lack of rain combined with warmer than normal temperatures. This neighbor has added that

special touch to beat the competition.

In addition, 2519 Marvin Avenue was selected as the runner-up in this month's competition. Congratulations and continued success to this month's honorees.



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Calendar of Events

December 4 (Tuesday) – Kessler Plaza Neighborhood Association meeting
7:00 p.m. Jefferson Boulevard Church of Christ
Guest speaker: Dr. Elba Garcia, Dallas City Councilperson, District 1

December 6 (Thursday) – First day brush and bulky trash to be placed curbside

December 9 (Sunday) – Holiday Lighting Contest judging
6:00 p.m.
Awards for: Most Festive; Most Elegant; and Most Holiday Spirit (Best All Around)

December 10-15 – Brush and bulky trash pickup for Kessler Plaza

December 12 (Wednesday) – Santa letters due

January 10 (Thursday) – First day brush and bulky trash to be placed curbside

January 14-19 – Brush and bulky trash pickup for Kessler Plaza

January 19 (Saturday) – City of Dallas mayoral election and DISD bond election

January 29 (Tuesday) – Kessler Plaza Neighborhood Association meeting
7:00 p.m. Jefferson Boulevard Church of Christ

About Kessler Plaza

Kessler Plaza is bounded on the North by W. Jefferson Blvd., the South by 12th St., the East by Hampton Rd., and the West by Cavender St. The neighborhood association meets the last Tuesday of each month at the Jefferson Boulevard Church of Christ. Meetings begin at 7:00 p.m.



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