

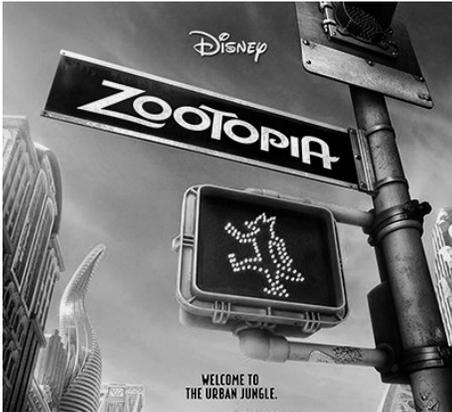


# TERRELL HEIGHTS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS & VIEWS ★ FEBRUARY 2017

## MOVIE NIGHT *by Art Ordoqui*

THNA, in partnership with Grande Communications, will host Screen at the Scates on **Friday night, February 24, 2017**. We will be showing "**Zootopia**". Pizza and concessions will be available at 6:30 and the movie will start at 7:00. So come on out and join your neighbors for a family-friendly movie!



## IT'S OFFICIAL: THE ANNUAL NEIGHBORHOOD PICNIC IS ON *by Linda Spencer*

This year's Annual Neighborhood Picnic will take place on **Saturday, April 8, 2017, from 11am to 2pm** at Scates Park. It is funded by THNA and is free for all Terrell Heights residents. There will be food, activities for the kiddos, and information booths.

We still need more volunteers and fresh ideas to help us plan and run the Annual Picnic! The time commitment is *only* two one-hour Social Committee meetings, plus a little extra time to execute the details, and attendance at the event.

Planning meetings for the Picnic will be **Monday, February 13** and **Monday, March 13**, both at **7pm** at **Ann Deeds' house, 103**

## Devonshire.

Many thanks to our five new members who came to our last planning meeting: Jaime Gonzales, Denise Castro, James Spencer, Karen Bishop, and Mari Boyd!

## BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE NEWS *by Amy Sharp*

The Beautification Committee's multi-year project to clean up and landscape the traffic islands is nearly finished. Thank you to the many hard-working volunteers who spent hundreds of hours on this dynamic program.

And a very special "thank you" to the neighbors who live across from the Chevy Chase-Kenilworth traffic island who donated wildflower and grass seed per the landscape design.

Beautification and the City are partnering to give away 75 five-gallon trees on a first-come-first-serve basis at THNA's Annual Picnic on **April 8, 2017**. Three kinds of shade trees and two kinds of ornamental trees will be available to choose from. A City official will be there to answer questions about tree-planting. Residents who receive a tree will be required to take the tree with them by the end of the picnic that day.

Beautification and Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church will host a volunteer day on **Friday, June 9**



(**9am to 3pm**) and **Saturday, June 10 (9am to 3pm)** for weeding, trimming and cleaning up the landscaped areas.

The landscaped areas are maintained by volunteers from our neighborhood. If you would like to be part of a terrific group that keeps our neighborhood looking great, please contact [Beautification@terrellheights.org](mailto:Beautification@terrellheights.org).

## CRIME PREVENTION STARTS WITH YOU *by James Spencer*

As a neighborhood it is important that we be watchful over our homes and the homes of our neighbors. Simple actions can result in greater safety and less crime. Consider taking these steps to help prevent potential crime in our neighborhood:

*Leave porch lights on at night*  
*Secure all windows and doors, including vehicles*

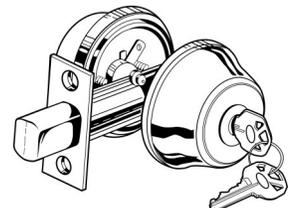
*Get to know your neighbors so you know who belongs on our streets*

*Purchase battery or solar-powered motion-activated lights for dark areas around your house*

*Keep bushes near the home trimmed to reduce potential hiding spots for would-be criminals*

*Report suspicious persons and vehicles to SAPD's non-emergency number, 210-207-7273*

If you'd like to learn more about neighborhood safety and want to educate yourself on which behaviors constitute a call to SAPD, consider attending a Citizens On Patrol (COP) training class. These 4-hour classes are free and are conducted by SAPD's North Substation. By attending COP training, you will learn more about taking a subtle but effective approach in reducing crime. Training dates are **Feb. 6, March 11, and April 3**. Contact James Spencer at [James42584@hotmail.com](mailto:James42584@hotmail.com) for more information.



## THNA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Jenny Heymann—President  
Mary Miles—Vice President  
Walter Brown—Secretary  
Brandon Wenzel—Treasurer

## THE NEED FOR LESS SPEED!

by Jennifer Heymann

Excessive speeding through the Terrell Heights Neighborhood has become a very concerning issue for residents. Motorists who speed, drive recklessly, or are distracted are at greater risk not only of causing crashes, but also of failing to react in time to prevent accidents.

The THNA Traffic & Infrastructure Committee has been working with the City of San Antonio to identify appropriate traffic calming measures for the neighborhood. Temporary radar trailers were recently placed on Seidel, Chevy Chase and Kenilworth in an effort to increase awareness of local speed limits.

If interested in joining this important committee, please come to our next meeting on **Thursday, Feb. 23 at 7pm** at the Parish Hall at Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church.



## ALLEY NEWS by Walter Brown

Hey neighbors! Let's keep our alleys clear of over hanging limbs and overgrown vegetation that present a hazard to sanitation crews, police patrols, and fire truck access. City Code requires

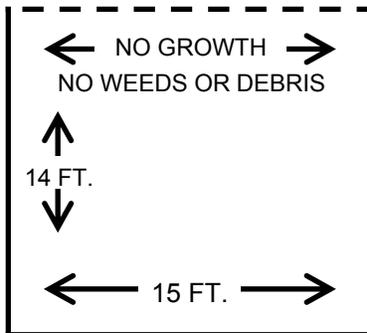
## THNA QUARTERLY BOARD MEETING

Thirty-five neighbors attended a very engaging quarterly Board meeting on Thursday, January 19. Many topics were discussed, including neighborhood safety and crime, as well as traffic and infrastructure. Thank you to everyone who was there!

Please join us for the next quarterly Board meeting on **Thursday, April 20, at 7pm**, at the Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church parish hall.

property owners/residents to keep their portion of the alley clear of brush, weeds, and debris. No trees or shrubs are permitted basically fenceline-to-fenceline. Weeds and grass must be kept mowed. Just put trimmings in your green Organics bin or leave debris inside your fence until the next brush pick up in July. TCI and Solid Waste Management have been working hard to clear brush and resurface several alleys with asphalt. Once completed, the alleys will be reopened for trash pickup service.

Fenceline to fenceline 14 feet high



### ALLEY City Code Requirements Resident/Owner Responsibility

The 300 block of Devonshire/ Brees is currently closed due to overgrown brush. Alleys at risk of closure: 300 block of Larchmont/ Irvington, 200 block of Irvington/ Devonshire, 100 block of Brees/ Harmon, and 300 block of Brees/ Harmon.

Neighbors, please help elderly or disabled residents who are not physically able to maintain their alleys. If renters don't want to clean their fencelines, consider contacting the owners. Owner addresses can be found by doing an address search at <http://www.bcad.org>.

The following people can clear brush for a reasonable price: Curtis Clark 210-723-3304, Douglas Macario 210-269-9773,

Roni Garza 210-975-6254, Ray Amrhein 210-632-4322.

Our next Alley Committee Meeting is **May 18 at 7pm** at Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church.

Let's all keep our alleys clear for trash pickup, police patrols, and fire truck access. Thank you!

## COMMUNITY GARDEN VINE

by Judith Temple

Gardeners are starting to prepare their plots for Spring, with the hope for better weather and abundant production. In the coming months we'll have beans, beets, cucumbers, lettuce, peas, radishes, spinach, and tomatoes flowing from the raised beds.

Would you like to learn more about gardening? Then join us for garden workdays held on the third Saturday of each month. Join us for planting vegetables and flowers, weeding, mulching, and of course socializing. Our next workday is **February 18 from 9 to 11**.

The gardeners are also organizing workshops on topics such as growing fruit trees, soil amendment and organic fertilizers, seasonal planting, natural pest control, cooking with herbs, and water conservation.

Contact Judy Temple at [sjntemple@yahoo.com](mailto:sjntemple@yahoo.com) to join the garden group.

*Grow peas of mind, lettuce be thankful, squash selfishness, turnip to help thy neighbor, and always make thyme for loved ones.*  
~Author Unknown

