



PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Ryan Place Residents,

I hope this letter finds you well and you are enjoying the beautiful spring weather! A far cry from what we had just a couple of months ago! Things are starting to open up as we cautiously come out of the pandemic and more folks get the vaccine ... and Ryan Place is no different!

Last month the board approved a gathering at Daggett Park for May 1. This event typically is a fundraiser of sorts for the neighborhood and coincides with voting day for local elections. We normally serve food at this event but this year we will abstain just to be extra safe. We will be providing entertainment, the Kona Ice truck for the kids, and "Lightning" may make an appearance as well. Lightning has been in the stable since our last party in 2019, but I'm sure he is ready to giddyup! The fantastic band the "Basement Apes" will play a few sets between 4-7 p.m. Since this is a fundraiser for the neighborhood, we have partnered with SportsWear Graphics to produce Ryan Place T-shirts for adults and kids. Hats

will be available as well. A portion of the proceeds will go back into the neighborhood. Each shirt will have a 2021 designation and we hope to make this a yearly event. There will be a link for ordering on Facebook and we will also send it out by Constant Contact. (If you are not on Constant Contact, please visit the Ryan Place website to sign up.) You will need to order a T-shirt or hat by Sunday, April 25, at midnight. SportsWear Graphics will email you when orders are ready to be picked up, otherwise you can pick up at the park on May 1.

All future events are being evaluated right now, but we are planning on moving ahead with the July Fourth parade. The Fairmount softball game will be postponed for one more year.

FYI – Mentioning this again! In case you weren't aware, the neighborhood owns a 1932 fire truck that for years made appearances in the July Fourth parade and other events. We recently had it restored to a functional state and would like to use it for neighborhood events again. However, we need to find a

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place to store it within a few miles of the neighborhood. Ideally, we would like to find a place for it in Ryan Place. This truck is about the same size of a Ford F250 longbed pickup. If you think you have an area that might work please get in touch with me.

Remember to come out and vote on May 1 at Daggett Elementary, then make your way over to the park wearing your official Ryan Place T-shirt or hat, and bring a pop-up tent or blanket, listen to the Basement Apes, bring your favorite beverages or snacks, and grab a Kona ICE and hang out with your neighbors!

*Tim Keith
President, RPIA*

The Ryan Place Newsletter is published each month (excluding January and July) for residents in Ryan Place. The newsletter is delivered to our homes through the volunteer efforts of Ryan Place residents.

The newsletter also appears online at ryanplacefortworth.com/newsletters.



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4 Easter	5	6	7	8 Holocaust Re- membrance Day	9	10
11	12 Ramadan (start)	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22 Earth Day	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30 Arbor Day	

No RPIA Board meetings are held in July or December

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Sold by Karly Johnston, in Ryan Place.

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THE RYAN PLACE FIRE TRUCK *NEEDS YOU!*

Did you know Ryan Place owns an antique firetruck? Well, we do! It has been repaired and restored recently at significant cost, but we need neighbors' help to keep it.

We need:

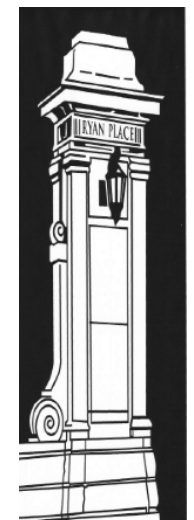
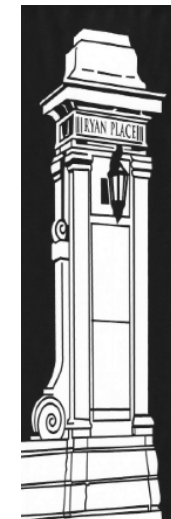
- A place to store it within a couple miles of Ryan Place. It must be secure and climate-controlled.
- Trained volunteers to drive it regularly to keep the engine in good working order.
- Funding for long-term storage, maintenance and additional restoration.

How can you help?

- Help us find a storage space!
 - Donate to the Firetruck Fund!
 - Organize a fundraiser for the Firetruck!
- 🔔 Historically, the firetruck was the star of the annual 4th of July parade, and that would be wonderful to get back to!
- 🔔 We can also use the firetruck during the Candlelight Christmas in Ryan Place Home Tour!

🔔 We can get creative for other uses- photo ops/ events/ you name it!

If you can be of any assistance or want to share any great ideas, please contact a Board member.



Facebook Group Policy Update

As many of you may have heard, over the last month, the Historic Ryan Place Neighborhood Facebook page has updated its policies on political posting. The Admins have decided that the page will no longer allow promotional posts in regards to any campaigns, even if they are simply intended to be informational. The goal behind this update is to ensure that the page remains a welcoming, insightful resource for neighborhood related services and conversations.

Please note, the Facebook page is moderated by a group of independent Ryan Place residents, not the neighborhood Board of Directors.

Calling All Writers

Are you a faithful newsletter reader? Do you have an expertise you'd like to share?

The RPIA is growing our newsletter team and developing a wider range of content. As such, we are looking for passionate neighbors who are interested in contributing to join our fantastic group of columnists. Whether you are a great writer or simply excited about sharing helpful tidbits with neighbors, we'd love to have you join. Your involvement level will be decided by you, enabling you to contribute as much or as little as your schedule allows.

If you're interested, please send a message to RPIANEWSLETTER@GMAIL.COM.

Cubs the Cat
Christopher Ebert, Senior
Columnist

The following remembrance was written by our daughter, Elizabeth, about their family cat, "Cubs." In 2009 Elizabeth and her family moved to London and Great Britain's pet immigration issues made relocating cats to Texas the best choice. He and his good friend, Chucka, came to Ryan Place via an American Airlines flight out of LaGuardia Airport, New York City. As it turned out two cats from Brooklyn were a good match for Texas and Ryan Place. For six years we took care of Elizabeth's family's cats and the use of her Honda Pilot

until about the time of "Brexit" when they left London for the enhanced opportunities of Texas.

Cubs was a very fine cat.

He came to us through a friend at the Brooklyn Ale House. I think the guy showed us a pic on his phone of this tiny black cat. We needed a friend for Chucka, They became best friends.

Chucka mothered Cubs. Cubs loved it.

He was all black except for a spot on his chest and maybe his boy parts.

When we got him the vet said "he's a fine specimen, almost purebred."

He was very athletic: He could jump from the ground to the roof at our cottage in Brooklyn.

He was extremely long with a lovely long tail.

He once caught a bird in Brooklyn that had a hooked beak.

He loved us unconditionally for 20 years. (As long as you would give him pats as he passed by.)

He loved the garden and being outside, even in the snow!

He will be missed.

- Elizabeth James, 2020

Remembering Neighbor Robert Ross King (1940-2021) Carol King, Columnist

Robert Ross King died peacefully at home on Wednesday, March 3, 2021, holding the hand of his wife, Carol. Ross had had a series of strokes in recent years and died following a period of illness.

Ross was born in Port Arthur, Texas, to Wilna and Jesse King on February 18, 1940. By becoming an organ builder, Ross succeeded in melding his early mechanical abilities and interest in electronics with his more gradually developing devotion to music. He prepared with music degrees from North Texas State University and Union Theological Seminary in New York City, and an apprenticeship with Otto Hofmann in Austin, Texas.

In 1969, he moved his family to Fort Worth, and, in partnership with his wife as business manager, he began his own business. In 50 plus years, the firm built some 44 organs and maintained, serviced, and upgraded pipe organs throughout Texas and elsewhere. Ross participated in organizations for and wrote for publications of interest to the organ world and more recently formalized his vast knowledge of organ matters in his Handbook for Organists, Organ Committees, and Organ Builders.

Ross loved nature, camping, museums, and his neighborhood. His friends valued his curiosity, his erudite conversation, and his wry humor. He was a proud progressive and cared deeply for our freedoms. Aware of his family's immigration to America in 1656, he sought to share America's welcome with others making the same transition.

Ross loved his family. He is survived by his spouse, Carol Roland King; his three sons—David Barteld King (Patti Jeannette King), Michael Robert King (Melissa Gelman King), and Charles Edward Harrison

(Amy Elizabeth King); six grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; his sister Martha King Brockway; nine nieces and nephews; and four cousins. He was preceded in death by his sister Marilyn Warren.

Ross' body has been donated to the University of North Texas Health Science Center. A memorial service is being planned that will feature one of his pipe organs. (Inquiries may be directed to Ross_King_Co@yahoo.com.)

The family suggests that any memorial donations be directed to either of the following:

- Botanical Research Institute of Texas brit.org

1700 University Drive, Fort Worth TX 76107, for tribute in memory of Ross King

- American Institute of Organbuilders pipeorgan.org

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In-person early voting for the Mayoral and City Council elections have begun. From now through April 27, you can skip the long lines typically found on May 1 and ensure that your voice is heard. Tarrantcounty.com provides information on locations, schedules and line waits.

A Bridge Completed

On April 2, we saw the completion of the White Settlement bridge. Originally scheduled to be finished in 2018, Fort Worth watched as construction issues and COVID caused three years worth of delays.

However, the bridge is finally open, connecting a number of businesses to Downtown. This opening brings both foot traffic and joy to restaurants like Angelo's, who had been celebrating with \$3 chopped beef sandwiches throughout the week of the opening. It's a major relief after restaurants like Little Germany Restaurant saw drops of 50 percent in their earnings as far back as 2015.

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About our Ryan Place Newsletter

Newsletter deadlines dates are usually the 15th of the month - OR- the 3rd Friday of the month for both content and advertising inserts (or changes), with distribution intended for the first weekend of the following month.

The Newsletter is delivered each month (excluding January and July) to every home in Ryan Place. The newsletter is typically hung on your front door handle and is delivered through the volunteer efforts of Ryan Place residents.

If you do not receive a newsletter, please contact any RPIA director for a copy. The newsletter is also posted online at ryanplacefortworth.com.

Want more news or information, about present and pending Ryan Place matters? You can see approved minutes from RYAN PLACE board meetings on our website: ryanplacefortworth.com

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- EVENTS for families & children and Adult SOCIALS which include
 - JULY 4th PARADE
 - FIRE TRUCK RESTORATION**
- NEWSLETTER and WEBSITE with discussions of issues important to our neighborhood.
- PARKS and Infrastructure Improvements
- PROMOTION and PROTECTION of Historic Ryan Place
- WELCOME Program
- ...and much much more!

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