

HSMNA April 2020 NEWSLETTER



COMPLIMENTS OF HOLLYWOOD/SANTA MONICA NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

You're Invited HSMNA QUARTERLY VIRTUAL MEETING

TUESDAY, APRIL 28TH, 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CDT)



AGENDA

7:00 PM – 8:00 PM

Welcome and Covid-19 Update – Travis Mayberry, President

ENP Report – Anne Tudhope, ENP Chair

Hollywood Before It Was Hollywood – Jennifer Near, Historian

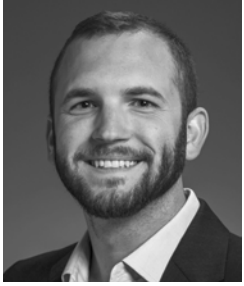
Closing Remarks – Travis Mayberry, President

Adjourn

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STATE OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD



Hello neighbors - I hope everyone is well and adjusting to this sudden alternate reality of our normal lives. My wife and I recently returned from Europe on Saturday, March 14th, and are in the middle of our two week self-quarantine as I'm writing this. We've lived here for just over 4 years now and I'm still

moved by how great of neighbors we have. A neighbor watching the house and watering our plants left us food in our fridge knowing we'd be coming back to a self-quarantine. Another neighbor actually found toilet paper for us on an excursion to a few supermarkets, and several others have offered to help us if we need anything. It gives us so much comfort knowing we can come home to such support literally in our own backyard. I'm sure several others in the neighborhood have similar stories of leaning on each other with our new circumstances.

If you happen to be an avid reader of these newsletters... you may remember my piece from October on Change - specifically the quote that "nobody wants disruption but everybody wants something better". I think it's safe to say we've been disrupted whether we like it or not. And though we're all still figuring things out, I genuinely believe that good things will come from all of this.

For instance, there are several companies near our neighborhood adapting to our new world. Several restaurants now offer food and finer beverages to go and for delivery who traditionally have not. Other businesses like small gyms are broadcasting workout sessions to folks pent up at home, and some artists are broadcasting "in home concerts". And if you haven't participated in a digital happy hour with your friends (via Zoom conference or FaceTime with a group), I would highly recommend it.

In addition to these examples of adaptation, our little Neighborhood Association is making adjustments as well. Look for an email and social media announcement with the full details, but we will not be physically meeting for our upcoming Quarterly Membership Meeting. Instead we are discussing putting together the same information that we would typically discuss at the April Quarterly Meeting in a package sent via email to membership, and are discussing the feasibility and details of hosting a brief Facebook Live (or similar) broadcast on the same evening. So pour yourself a glass of wine and tune in from home to get the latest scoop from your trusty Neighborhood Association and watch us fight through technical difficulties.

Necessity is known as the mother of invention, and though we're not inventing anything per se, we are adapting to our new circumstances like humans always seem to do. For our neighborhood association and the examples I mentioned, these are things we generally haven't done before, but are things we

always could have been doing - and perhaps should have been doing. Who knows, maybe some of the new things we're trying will stick around once we return to normalcy. These are new times we live in, but this is what I mean when I say I good things will come from all of this - and already are.

I sincerely hope you and your loved ones stay well and I look forward to seeing you all soon.

Travis Mayberry - *President, HSMNA*

For the next 3 Wednesdays, Friends of Santa Fe Trail and the Hollywood Santa Monica Neighborhood Association will be hosting free Facebook live yoga sessions. The first one will be Pranayama, the breath of yoga. Relax and take time for yourself during this calming breathing exercise. Access the link and more information in the Event posted on our Facebook page.



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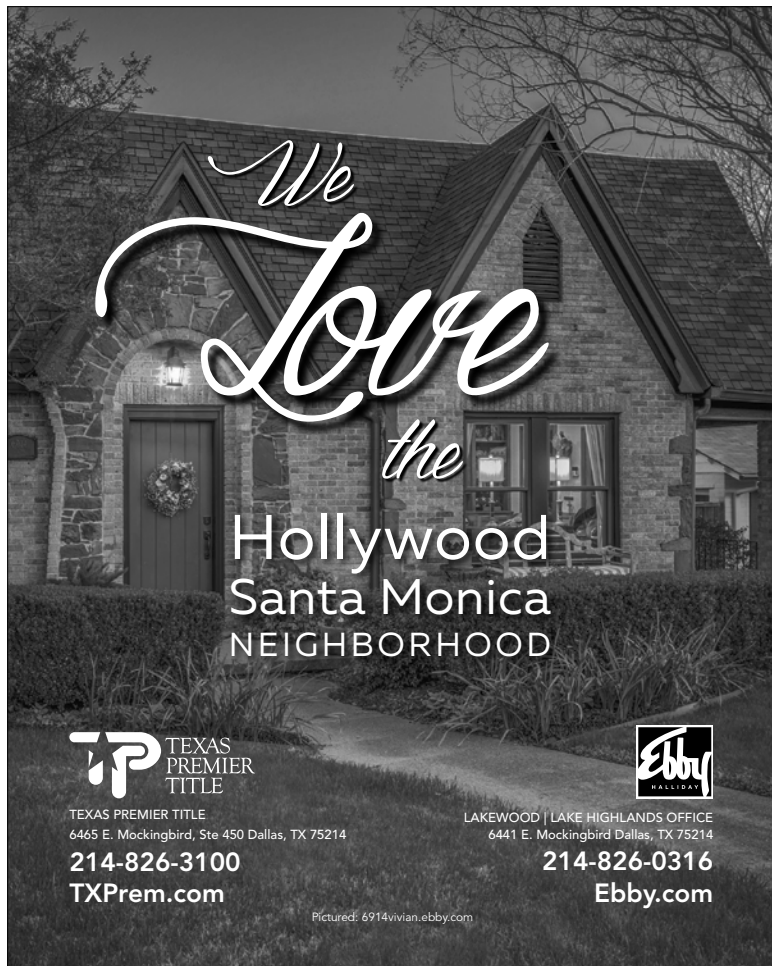


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(NOTE: HSMNA is a Neighborhood Association - anyone who lives in the 'hood is encouraged to join - it is not limited to homeowners.)

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EMAIL: _____

ADDITIONAL HOUSEHOLD MEMBER: _____

ADDITIONAL EMAIL: _____

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PLEASE SELECT ONE

- ☐ New Member
☐ Renewal

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NOVEL CORONA VIRUS COVID-19 AND YOUR PETS

Kathryn Junkins Sarpong, DVM DABVP

Monte Vistian and Vet at Metro Paws Animal Hospital

Many rumors and questions exist about the new coronavirus (COVID-19), and some of those concerns extend to our furry family members. You may be wondering: Can you give this virus to your pet? Can you get it from your pet? Can your pet be a carrier?

The simple answer is that your dog and cat are not at any significant risk of contracting the new corona (COVID-19) virus. Other coronaviruses are seen regularly in pets, but these are DIFFERENT from the pandemic we are currently fighting. So, do not believe the internet rumors about your dog getting the coronavirus and think this is the same disease. There may be sporadic reports of the virus in some cat species. Still, these have not demonstrated to be a source of human infections. The most common coronaviruses in cats have no connection to COVID-19. COVID-19 is suspected to be originally an animal virus – likely bats – but made the jump to humans before becoming a pandemic.

People infect other people with COVID-19. Your dog and cat are not a proven risk for you contracting the virus. Your pet's most likely

way to be an infectious threat to you is their fur coat acting as a fomite. Fomite is a medical term for a surface that can transmit the virus. Like a dirty door handle, your pet's fur could be a reservoir for virus particles if they were in contact with an infected person. So, while we are practicing social distancing, your pet should also not be in unnecessary contact with people outside the family. If your pet does have contact with a sick person, a cleansing wipe with VERY dilute bleach (1/2 tsp household bleach in 1 gal water) of their fur can help. (A single Clorox® wipe can do the trick as well). Avoid the eyes, ears, and mouth areas. I am recommending against pet playdates at this time, and cats should be kept indoors.

Your pet's medical needs can be addressed during this time.

Call your family veterinarian for the safety modifications required for a visit. We are offering curbside service and lots of telemedicine appointments at our clinic. We can still perform surgeries and hospitalize pets needing advanced procedures.

When you have questions or concerns about COVID-19 and your pets, feel free to reach out to your family veterinarian for information.



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EXPANDED NEIGHBORHOOD PATROL (ENP) UPDATE

An ENP Victory for New Residents!

Amy and I moved in to the neighborhood in September of last year. We were caught off guard when my father was randomly attacked by a man walking down the street in late January. He was walking our dog, Teddy for us while we were out of town. The man punched him in the face in broad daylight and walked off. My father's glasses were knocked in the road and ran over by a vehicle before my father could find them. My father was okay but he was so shaken he did not call 911. Luckily the man was caught on our security camera and had several prior incidents verbally harassing neighbors. After posting security camera footage to Nextdoor, neighbors recognized him. Using Nextdoor, 911, and the ENP email address (crimewatch@HSMNA.org) interchangeably, we were able to nail down a pattern of his behavior. I saw the potential suspect twice at Lindsley Park and followed him from a safe distance. Each time I emailed ENP officers during my pursuit and both times ENP officers got back to me within minutes. With the coordination between ENP officers, 911 responding officers, and myself, we were able to catch the suspect. He was arrested and my dad pressed charges, but unfortunately my dad was unable to identify him in a lineup.

It is a blessing that we have the opportunity to have ENP. At our disposal we have a second group of police to call upon. In an ideal world we should have enough police to respond to all types of 911 calls from murders to petty theft, but we don't. This helps reduce wait time, frees Dallas PD to answer other calls, and personally gives me solace. If we had all of our HSMNA members paying into ENP I can only imagine how many hours we could have them patrolling. I am so happy as new residents that we have this extra layer of protection, and if you haven't added ENP, I hope you will consider it. And when you see Officer Rodriguez and Officer Herrera around the 'hood, I hope you'll give them a wave or a nod on my dad's behalf.

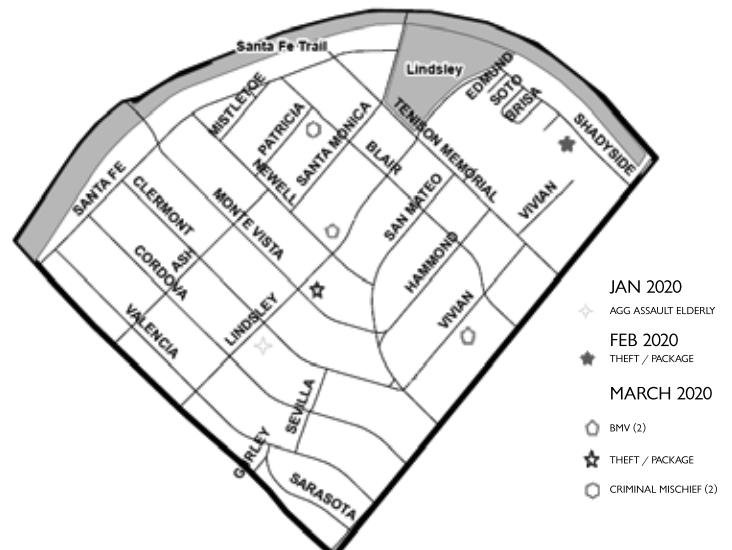
Stephen Holloway, RN - 803 Monte Vista Dr



This past fiscal year in Hollywood Santa Monica there were a total of 30 Non-Violent Crimes and NO Violent Crimes. Consistent with years past the most frequent crime was burglary of a motor vehicle. To start the new year we have only had theft of a stolen package and the unfortunate assault of Stephen Holloway's Father.

Neighbors taking care of neighbors is what Hollywood Santa Monica is all about! I continue to see so many examples of this and I am proud to live here. Moving into 2020 it continues to be important to have a partnership with our ENP officers to keep our residents safe. The current membership of this program supports 16 hours of patrol by DPD officers per week. Our current member total is 194 households. Our membership goal is to reach 20 hours per week or 238 households. We are 82% there....We Need You

Anne Tudhope - ENP Chair



Being A Block Captain Has Great Benefits!

Block Captains have a great opportunity to meet all the neighbors on their block, welcome new ones and establish greater safety and communication for our entire community, one block at a time.

Here's how it works:

- Block Captains maintain an accurate, up to date Contact Roster for families within their block(s).
- Send new homeowner information to HSMNA Block Captain Board Representative so a Welcome Basket can be prepared and delivered by either the Block Captain or HSMNA Board Representative.
- On occasion, help alert/remind Homeowners of special events or urgent crime issues.

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1. Improper Porch Enclosures
2. Painting of Exterior Brick Veneer
and Paint Colors
3. Installation of Skylights
4. Asphalt, Gravel, or Circular
Driveways
5. Front/Side Yard Fence Height and
Required Setback
6. Carports not in Backyard
7. Removal of Original Stained Glass
8. Metal Roof Materials
9. Window and Door Replacement
10. Retaining Walls

CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS

The documentation listed below must be submitted with a completed Conservation District Work Review Form Application. By checking each requirement you are stating that you have supplied correct and complete information. In the event that the required information is not contained in the submitted documents, you will be notified. Failure to supply the requested information will result in the review of your application being delayed.

REMODELING/ADDITIONS AND NEW CONSTRUCTION

TWO Sets of plan drawings including:

- **Elevations.** (labeled north, south, east, & west as applicable) and plan drawings to scale indicating proposed alterations or additions, clearly delineating existing and proposed work. Note: until further notice, an 11" by 17" set of plans must be provided in addition to the full-sets.
- **Site plan.** Provide a site plan that shows the location and dimensions of any additions and/or new construction and all setbacks.
- **Survey.** Provide a copy of the survey of the lot that shows: 1) dimensions of lot, 2) location and dimensions of existing structures; and 3) all setbacks.
- **Photographs.** Provide photographs of house and/or other structures on property where work is to be done. Photos should clearly show existing conditions (where work is proposed) from all relevant sides.
- **Grading plan.** If the existing slope of the lot is being altered, provide a grading plan.
- A scalable detail drawing of the proposed foundation at a min. scale of 1/2-inch = 1-foot. Foundation detail should indicate location of finished grade.



WINDOWS

- Photographs of all windows to be replaced.
- Manufacturers' image(s) of proposed new windows. Image should clearly show the dimensions of the windows, the number of lites/divisions, whether muntins are expressed outside of the glass, window material and window types (double hung, casement, etc.)

- Indicate on elevations if window openings will be enlarged or reduced in size



ROOFING (Work Review Form must specify):

- Type of roofing material on the structure currently. (e.g., clay tile, comp. shingles)
- Proposed roofing material (e.g., clay tile, comp. shingles)
- Brand name of proposed roofing material and the color (e.g., GAF, Timberline in Weathered Wood)



PAINTING

- Paint color chip required. Color chip should show brand, color number and name (e.g., Sherwin-Williams. SW 6359, Beige).



POOLS/SPAS

- A section through the length and the width of the pool/spa showing the height (in inches) above grade for any element of the pool and/or spa above grade.
- An 8.5 by 11 color image of how the finished pool/spa will look.



FENCES

- A property survey clearly showing the locations of existing/proposed fencing, existing/proposed materials and existing/proposed fence heights.

NOTE: Submittal requirements for fences may vary according to Conservation District regulations additional drawings and information may be required to complete project review.

NOTE: Minimum scale of 1/8"=1'0" on all plans and elevations, unless otherwise approved by a Conservation District Planner. Plans should not be reduced and must be to scale to verify measurements. Section and/or detail drawings if required should have a minimum scale of 1/2" =1'.

IMPORTANT NOTE



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Since our pickup is on Fridays, containers may be placed out **AFTER 6:00 PM ON THURSDAY EVENINGS.**

The containers may not be placed in the street, on the sidewalk, or in any manner that will interfere with vehicular or pedestrian traffic.

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BEFORE 8:00 AM THE DAY AFTER COLLECTION DAY

(for us, by 8:00 AM on Saturdays).

BULKY TRASH PICKUP is on the **MONDAY** of third full week.

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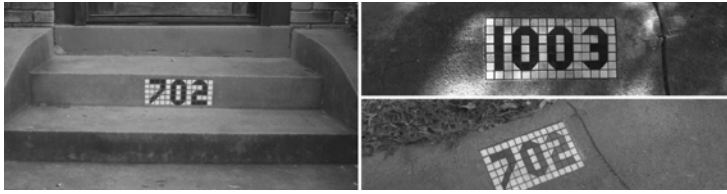
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1. VISIT VALENCIA AT LINDSLEY: Go either to the East or West side about eight houses in, and you can see examples of a curb, front step and driveway entrance installations. The tile number is recessed into the curb, which replicates how they were done in the '20s and '30s. Weather resistant grout and adhesive is used for long life. Note that when numbers are put on front steps that are less than 7" minimum height, you will lose the top and bottom row of white tiles.

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3. CONTACT: Arthur Gonzales at 214-608-4933 or arthurgonzales19@yahoo.com to set an appointment.

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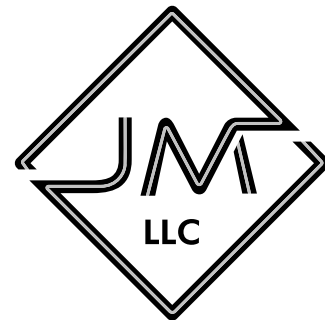
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Hi Neighbors:

Due to the growing crisis caused by the Coronavirus, we understand many people may need a little extra help in the coming days, even if it's just alleviating *some* level of anxiety. Perhaps you need a runner to the pharmacy or grocery store, or school closures have you concerned about your child's meals. We know some of you will be recovering from surgery, or may even get sick during such an isolating time. Let us know what you need and we will contact a team of neighbors who are on standby to do what they can. Maybe it's just bringing your trash up and down the driveway each week, or you need a daily FaceTime or phone chat buddy to check in with you; perhaps it's just a box of cereal, a gallon of milk, or even someone to mow your lawn! Sometimes it's the little things, right? Feel free to email hsmrapidrelief@gmail.com. Please don't be shy about asking; we will be discreet and keep requests confidential.

To stay up to date on neighborhood and city announcements related to Covid-19, please consider signing up for [Nextdoor.com](https://www.nextdoor.com) as well as following our social media sites:

Facebook: Hollywood Santa Monica Neighborhood Association

Instagram: [@hollywood_santamonica](https://www.instagram.com/hollywood_santamonica)

- *The HSM Rapid Relief Team*, organized by neighbors Jennifer Near and Kerri Bohan



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FALL LANDSCAPING 2020

Here's the dilemma. You are new to the neighborhood or an established resident, and you want to plant some fruit trees. Being a wise gardener, though, you realize how big those cute little peach trees can become, your sunny space is limited, or you want to grow several varieties. Dwarf- and semi-dwarf fruit trees may fit the bill.

The advice on these smaller trees has changed, and now there are several recommended for our area. But which ones are those, and where do you get them? No clear answer was available from the internet or Texas A&M research on line, so I compared an older A&M list of recommended larger fruit trees, with those dwarfs of the recommended varieties sold in local nurseries. I sent the resulting dwarf varieties to the local extension service.

Jeffrey Raska from Texas A & M looked over my list and suggested some new dwarf- and semi-dwarf varieties, noting that the end of the container planting season for fruit trees was the end of April. The dwarf- and semi-dwarf list is below:

SOUR CHERRIES: Montmorency and Stella. Need some sun protection

PEACHES: Belle of Georgia , Bonanza II, Harvester, Red

Skin, June Gold, and Early Golden Girl. Peaches grafted to Halford rootstock work best for our heavy alkaline clay soil

PLUMS: Morris, Bruce, Methley (good pollinator), and Ozark Premier (good pollinator). Plums grafted to callery or prunus rootstock work best for our clay soils. Raised beds are recommended for plums.

APPLES: Mollie's Delicious, Granny Smith, Gala, Fuji, and Golden Delicious.

If the tree doesn't say dwarf or semi-dwarf, it isn't. Womack or another Texas mail-order nursery specializing in fruit trees will have many of the dwarf and semi-dwarf varieties above. I found several dwarfs available by looking on line at the Richardson Lowe's store. Be sure you buy either two trees that pollinate each other or what is called a "self-pollinator", the better option if space is limited. In subsequent submissions. I will discuss fertilization, pruning, fellow fruit fans such as borers, birds, and raccoons, and how to deal with the mysterious "chill requirement". Get planting before summer hits!

Rob Parks – *Landscape Chair/Urban Dirt Farmer*

LANDSCAPE *OF THE* MONTH



Congratulations
JANUARY 2020 winner!
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Congratulations
APRIL 2020 winner!
710 Cordova

710 Cordova is the product of the homeowners' love of plants and trees harmonized with great design. The lit and landscaped walkway displays nature's gentle curves, and draws the eye gradually from the public sidewalk into the more intimate spaces of porch and house. The exceptional Tudor façade is enhanced by a complementing but not competing front landscape.

The owners of 710 Cordova have an exceptional knowledge of plants, and are successfully growing a collection of rare maples from all over the world under stressful Dallas soil and weather conditions. The eye-catching beauty of 710 Cordova's "frontscape" provides only a hint of what delights beckon in the back garden.

BEFORE HOLLYWOOD WAS HOLLYWOOD

As early as 1900, the land encompassing present-day Mt. Auburn and Hollywood-Santa Monica had been surveyed by Robert Moore along with land holdings now encompassing Junius Heights and southern Lakewood. The area to the east of the Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe Railroad (part of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe following the alignment of our modern Santa Fe Trail) up to the W. Jones survey to the east would become our present home. In 1900, this land was occupied by a dairy and homes owned by Mrs. J. Martin and Miss L. Martin (for whom the dairy was named). Other dairies were situated along White Rock Creek to the north in the area known as “The Swiss Colony” that dated to the mid 1800’s. The track that led to these dairies is now known as Swiss Avenue.

H.O. Samuel’s farm and home directly opposite the Martin dairy on the W. Jones survey were directly across from Moore’s surveyed area, the boundary becoming Grand Ave. and the Samuel farm becoming (in-part) Samuel-Grand Park.

In 1900, ten years before White Rock Lake would begin construction, a single renter’s home was recorded in the far northern corner of the Moore survey. At this time, our entire area was farm land. The building of the lake would change the alignment of the Santa Fe, as it was required to curve to the southeast (east of current-day Santa Monica Dr.) to avoid the new lake’s spillway.

By 1912, the entire Mt. Auburn area had been platted out as far to the northeast as Laurel Ave. (present day Glasgow Drive). By 1914, workers building houses in this area were

finding employment at the new Ford Motor plant at 2700 Commerce Street in Dallas (now the Adams Hats building). Ford moved their plant to 5200 East Grand Ave. in 1925 (the buildings still stand just south of I-30 on the east side). Dallas streetcars were serving Mt. Auburn up Watts Ave. (now Lindsley Ave.) terminating at Cristler Ave. as early as 1916. Later they would extend up Lindsley Ave. to Newell Ave. in Hollywood Heights.

Also in 1912 the first permanent home (an 800 sq. ft. farmhouse which still exists today) on that far corner of the survey, in the curve of the railroad would be built. Although remodeled since, the foundations of that home are the oldest in our surrounding neighborhood. Another home followed behind the first in 1914. Santa Fe Ave. at the time did not curve around to current day Santa Monica as it only extended (by 1925) between Cameron Ave. and Monte Vista Dr., so access to this property was by a private road. By 1927, Santa Fe Ave. had been extended to Tenison Memorial Dr. (later to extend and curve around to meet the newly built Santa Monica Drive which extended to cross the eastern edge of the farm homes’ property. Also at that time, Tenison Memorial Dr. extended northwest to pass under the Santa Fe tracks all the way to present-day La Vista Dr.

The homes from 1912 and 1914 are the oldest continuous pieces of history in our neighborhood.

Jennifer Lee Near - *Historian*



HOLLYWOOD SANTA MONICA FAQs

We have many new neighbors in 2020 and thought we'd share some answers to some frequently asked questions regarding WHO'S WHO and WHAT'S WHAT around here! We understand some of these neighborhood elements are stalled due to the current unfortunate circumstances related to Covid-19, but we look forward to resuming our normal activities soon.

WHAT IS THE HSMNA?

The Hollywood Santa Monica Neighborhood Association is an optional association and a great way to support all of the various projects and events that benefit our gem of a neighborhood. We would love it if ALL neighbors would join this group! Visit hsmna.org for more info and to join up.

THE HSMNA BOARD: who, what, how?

The Neighborhood Association has a board of directors, all passionate neighbors who are really into making our hood a great place to live. For decades, the board members have been responsible for many beloved aspects of our community, including many of our current traditions as well as us becoming a Conservation District. They meet monthly and hold quarterly meetings for HSMNA members at Times Ten Cellars Too. Board members' names and individual chair updates can be found in the quarterly neighborhood newsletter. Interested in joining a committee and learning more about being on the board? Email info@hsmna.org

WHAT ARE THE HSMNA BOARD SPONSORED EVENTS?

The board currently organizes and sponsors the following annual events:

- Home Tour Weekend and its associated parties
- Halloween Spooktacular at Lindsley Park
- Holiday Block Party
- ENP Meet & Greet Events
- Movie Night in the Park
- Special wine tastings, happy hours, and fundraisers throughout the year

***The HSMNA is not a current sponsor of any other group or event in the neighborhood. Note: Starting in 2020, we are no longer affiliated with the Easter Parade.**

***Social Media/Newsletter Promotion: Know that our goal is to share the fun and help neighbors connect to everything going on. Please keep us posted and send us information about your event if you want us to post from the HSMNA sites.**

SPEAKING OF CONNECTING: What are your FB and Instagram handles?

THE HSMNA's official pages:

Facebook: Hollywood Santa Monica Neighborhood Association

Instagram: [hollywood_santamonica](https://www.instagram.com/hollywood_santamonica)

Other HSM pages:

Facebook: Hollywood/Santa Monica Connect & Hollywood

Heights/ Santa Monica Mom's Group

Nextdoor: Hollywood Santa Monica

ENP: What is that and how does it benefit?

The Expanded Neighborhood Patrol funds off-duty Dallas police officers to patrol our neighborhood each week. The presence of an ENP officer makes our area a less desirable choice for criminals. If you subscribe to ENP, you get a sign for your yard and an officer will answer your emails personally, check on your home while you are away, and respond to police reports if you are a crime victim. You can sign up at www.hsmna.org

How do I get in on the recurring monthly events?

Bunco, Ladies Night, HSMNA Happy Hours - all the info can be found on our social media pages as well as in our monthly membership emails.

I heard we have a neighborhood garden?

The Tenison Park Pollinator Garden, sponsored by the HSMNA, is a literal "common ground" where everyone is welcomed! MISSION STATEMENT: To protect and promote Blackland Prairie pollinators by establishing a certified Monarch Butterfly Waystation and diversified native plant garden in an under-utilized, non-irrigated urban park. We invite you to join the volunteer group every 2nd and 4th Saturday morning, weather permitting. Email karen.albracht@att.net for more info and updates.

There seem to be many groups and other events going on. Is it really possible our neighborhood is THIS MUCH FUN?

Yes! It's not a dream! You are living in a FUNTOPIA. There are several other groups (like the Newellian Bunny Board!) who make our neighborhood unique and host their own events, some large and some small and intimate. You may get a flyer on your door, or be invited to a block party, or notice quirky traditions popping up... and all those things make this a vibrant place to live. You are also surrounded by beautiful, quiet, historic streets and can choose to stay in and find peace and solitude. There's really something for everyone.

Any other questions? PLEASE ASK. Info@hsmna.org

Tenison Park Pollinator Garden



Sponsored by Hollywood/Santa Monica Neighborhood Association
Established January 2017



One of the first spring flowers in our garden to bloom will be the native reseeding annual, *Gaillardia pulchella*, commonly known as Indian Blanket, Firewheel, or Blanketflower (pictured left). All of our plants serve a purpose either as a host and/or nectar plant. *Gaillardia* is an important ancient prairie plant, attracting insects with early season nectar and as a host plant to no less than six species of butterflies and moths!



A word about insects.... Maybe you noticed many crane flies this year (pictured left); you probably found some inside your home. Crane flies are a natural spring occurrence. They have no mouth parts to bite or, for that matter, eat. Their lives are incredibly short and they live only to breed. So, what's their purpose? Their slow and chaotic manner of flying makes them easy targets for birds, bats, and spiders looking for good protein sources for them and their offspring. They are easily captured in a cup to release outside and that's also good karma!

UPCOMING GARDEN EVENTS (dates to be announced)

- **NATIVE PLANT SALE** - grown from seeds that are offspring of our pollinator garden plants ensuring good genetics.
- **BEE-CURIOUS** - we will be conducting classes at the garden to educate children about native bees, their value to the environment, how they pollinate flowers, and how to conduct oneself around them.
- **GUIDED NATURE WALK** - at Tenison Park with a guest horticulturalist conducting the walk.



Our garden is common ground where everyone is welcome.

MONTHLY VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE
2nd and 4th Saturdays, weather permitting

For more info, email karen.albracht@att.net.

MISSION STATEMENT

To protect and promote pollinator populations by establishing a certified Monarch Butterfly Waystation and highly diversified native plant garden in an under-utilized and non-irrigated urban park in our neighborhood.

2020 HOME TOUR UPDATE

Thank you for those that came for the Bowlski's Preview Event! I hope you are enjoying the socks!



For the past days and weeks, we have been closely monitoring the COVID-19 Virus Pandemic developments and following information from the national health organizations. We are in unprecedented times and are considering all possible alternatives to the postponement of the 29th Annual Home Tour and Auction party.

This is not a decision we take lightly. It is imperative that we maintain our commitment to prioritize the health and safety of everyone involved. We want to keep our homeowner's homes safe and be respectful of our volunteers and attendees. We are committed to deliver value to our sponsors with having people attend the event.

At this time, the recommendation from the CDC is an 8 week ban of gathering more than 50 people which ends after the Home Tour weekend of May 1st, May 2nd and May 3rd. We will work on a plan to postpone the weekend and will be in communication with everyone.

Thank you for your understanding, flexibility and willingness to support us through this global pandemic and mandates. The situation is fluid and we will do our best to ensure safety for everyone and determine the replacement date when information becomes available.

We are excited with all of the changes to the Home Tour Weekend! The Auction party will be Saturday night at Bowlski's. VIP Whiskey experience in the projector room! Bowlski's will work with us to choose another date. The Candlelight Wine Walk hours will be extended to allow for more time. We will also have an official volunteer happy hour during the last shift on Sunday! Registration for volunteers will be operational once a date is determine.

We need auction items, this is from the Auction Lead, Lauren Wallace:

This year I'm part of the incredible team that is planning our home tour weekend. The highlight of the weekend for me has always been the auction party, so I'm excited to be organizing this year's event at Bowlski's. To make a big impact on our neighborhood and the schools in our community, I'm asking for help in gathering auction items. We're seeking items, gift certificates, services, and experiences. I've attached our donation letter as well as our contract for you personally donate or to pass along to any contacts you may have.

One of our biggest goals for our auction party is to make sure our neighbors and neighborhood are well represented in our Auction Items. So we're also looking for the following donations:

DONATE TO OUR WINE CELLAR

One of the biggest items in our silent auction will be a wine cellar made up of favorite wines from our neighbors. We're asking that each wine be paired with a note that describes why they chose that particular wine. Perhaps it was a wine you drank on your honeymoon or a recent trip, a wine that you toasted with after you bought your first home, or your favorite wine under \$20. We hope that you will help us gather as many bottles as possible!

HELP CREATE A BLOCK BASKET

Gather your neighbors and create a big old basket of goodies with a fun theme like: game night basket, movie night basket, Dallas sports themed basket, dog themed basket, bbq and beer basket, brunch and bloody mary basket, gardening basket.

HOST A SIGN UP PARTY

Are parties your thing? Host a party for your neighbors! Hosts decide on the theme, date, time, location and number of guests. Parties can be for families, couples, or even kids. The cost of the party is donated by the hosts and the sign up fees are a donation back to the neighborhood and some great local schools. Need some party ideas? Host a game or trivia night, murder mystery party, crawfish boil, mother/daughter tea, outdoor movie night, 80's prom night, super bowl party.

Thank you!
Sara Ramos
Home Tour Chair



HOME TOUR & AUCTION PARTY TICKET PRICES

Date	Time	Event	HSMNA Member Price **	Non-Member Price	Home Tour Volunteer Price
Friday May 1st	5:30 pm - 8 pm	Candlelight Tour & Wine Walk	\$25.00	\$30.00	\$10.00
Saturday May 2nd & Sunday May 3rd	12 Noon - 5 pm	Home Tour	\$20.00	\$20.00	FREE
Saturday May 2nd	7 pm - Midnight	Auction Party at Bowlski's	\$60 <small>until Two Weeks Prior to the Event*</small>	\$80.00	
		Auction Party Volunteer			\$50.00
		VIP Whiskey Experience -Private Access- In Addition to entry ticket	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00
Kid's Fest Sunday		Fun activities for the kids	FREE!		

*After April 15th all ticket prices move to \$80.00 **HSMNA Members can purchase up to 4 tickets at the member price