

The Williamsburg News

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President's Corner

Hello,

How about all this rain? Everyone's yards look so pretty and green. It helps with the water bills, too! Since summer is here and more yards will be worked on, please remember to abide by the CCR's landscape requirements so that our neighborhood will remain the envy of Keller! You can always find the CCR's on the [Williamsburg website here](#).

Leona Dean, chairperson of the Welcome and Social Committee, reports no new neighbors this past month. With a few homes for sale in the neighborhood, I'm sure we will be greeting new neighbors and saying goodbye to old neighbors. We have enjoyed having you as neighbors and wish you best of luck wherever you are moving.

The social news is our Parade and Picnic to celebrate the end of school!! I hope everyone will decorate your bikes, wagons, etc. and join in the fun at the park to enjoy great food, games, visiting with neighbors, getting acquainted with new neighbors and making new friends.

Yolaunda Webster, chairperson Of the Architectural Committee, reports that no new requests had been submitted.

Pat Howard, chairperson of the Landscape Committee, reports that if you are wondering where the summer flowers are, they will be planted as soon as the rain stops long enough to do the planting. Hopefully, you will be able to enjoy beautiful summer color while driving out or entering our wonderful community.

We invite everyone to attend our monthly Board meetings. If you are like most of us and never have enough hours in the day, please let me or one of the Board members know if you have a question, complaint, or compliment or if we can be of help in any way.

Please take time to read the newsletter. It is full of informative news, delicious recipes and minutes of the meetings to keep you up to date. Mai does an incredible job with the newsletter and website. Thanks, Mai.

Until next time,

Pat Howard

Neighborhood News

END OF SCHOOL PARADE & PICNIC



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Saturday, June 13, 2015 at 6:00 PM

Williamsburg Neighborhood Park

Residents & Their Extended Families Invited. too

Must RSVP by Wed., June 3 – [Click here to RSVP online](#) or reply to eVite

WHO'S INVITED: Williamsburg residents and their extended families (e.g., grown kids, grandparents, cousins, aunts, uncles).

- 30 Williamsburg families need to RSVP/Yes by Wed., June 3 in order for the Parade & Picnic to happen. We need a critical mass of WHOA families to be there to justify the expense.
- An eVite is being sent to Williamsburg residents. Residents can share with relatives to invite them, too.
- Those RSVP'ing will be notified by Fri., June 5 if the Parade & Picnic is going forward.

END OF SCHOOL PARADE & PRIZES: Parade will start at the Williamsburg Park, going through Richmond Lane and back to the Park.

- In addition to walkers/marchers, non-street vehicles (e.g., bikes, wagons, kid's cars, scooters, go-carts, golf carts, ATV's) can be used for the parade.
- No street vehicles like cars or motorcycles allowed though.
- Adults and kids are encouraged to decorate themselves and their vehicles.
- Prizes will be awarded with the Board of Directors as judges.

ALL FOOD & DRINKS WILL BE PROVIDED. Grilled burgers and hot dogs will be served at Williamsburg Park after the Parade and awards. Chips, drinks and desserts will also be served. No need to bring food.

BYOC: "Bring your own chairs" and picnic blankets.

BYOG's: Also bring outdoor games like volleyball, badminton, horseshoes, bocce ball, bean bag toss, to share.

Register/RSVP via eVite invitation sent to Williamsburg residents, [RSVP online by clicking here](#) or mail/drop off form below to be received by **Wed., June 3, 2015.**

Contact Name _____ Best Phone # _____

Email _____

Total # of Attendees _____ # of children (under 12 yrs. olds) _____

If not Williamsburg resident, name of Williamsburg host family _____

Drop-off/Mail to: Mai Thompson, 704 Richmond Ln, Keller, TX 76248, Phone 817-337-0555

Neighborhood News (cont.)

NEXTDOOR.COM/WILLIAMSBURG ESTATES. All the Board members plus 25 other Williamsburg residents have been part of a pilot with a Neighborhood Network site called [Nextdoor](#) for the last two months. Nextdoor/Williamsburg Estates is a private blogging/social network site that provides Williamsburg Estates residents the opportunity to share information with Williamsburg residents only or to share info with as many as 25 other neighborhoods in the Keller area. **With Nextdoor/Williamsburg Estates, neighbors share community events, recommendations, items for sale/free, crime/safety concerns, ideas about how to make our neighborhood(s) better, and more.** Nextdoor is complementary to our [williamsburgofkeller.com](#) website. Using Nextdoor/Williamsburg Estates will be in lieu of setting up a blog application using [williamsburgofkeller.com](#). Nextdoor/Williamsburg Estates will be more effective, especially with its optional linkages to other Keller neighborhoods.

The Board encourages you to join Nextdoor/Williamsburg Estates. **For those residents who are not yet members of Nextdoor/Williamsburg Estates and for whom we have email addresses, you will be sent an invitation to join Nextdoor/Williamsburg Estates from the Board Secretary, Mai Thompson.** Please accept the invitation to see if you find Nextdoor beneficial.

If you want to cut down the amount of Nextdoor email you receive each day, you can change the Settings under your name to receive a Daily Digest from NextDoor.com which summarizes the messages for that day. If you have questions about WHOA's use of Nextdoor, please let Mai Thompson know at mai.sonoftom@verizon.net or 817-337-0555.

DAMAGE TO PARK GROUNDS. On a weekend in late April, someone drove some type of small vehicle through a section of the Williamsburg Park under the trees on the west side. Luckily, the tracks were not too deep and will hopefully cover over. It is disappointing that someone would do this. To keep our park beautiful, vehicles of any kind should not be driven through it. We are fortunate to have such a nice common area for everyone to enjoy.

If you should see anyone doing anything destructive to our common property, please make note of whatever you can to identify the perpetrator (e.g., a smartphone photo) and let a Board member know.

Neighborhood News (cont.)

ONLINE NEIGHBORHOOD DIRECTORY. Where can you easily find the Williamsburg Neighborhood directory with your neighbor's contact info? Answer is at our neighborhood website williamsburgofkeller.com . The directory is password-protected on the williamsburgofkeller.com website. If you have lost the March email with the password, email Mai Thompson so you have the password when you need it.

If you have questions or concerns about the Williamsburg Neighborhood Directory, please let Mai Thompson know at mai.sonoftom@verizon.net or 817-337-0555.

MAKING CHANGES TO THE EXTERIOR OF YOUR HOME. Prior to doing any new construction, modifying the exterior, or making any improvement to your property or lot, you must request written approval from the Architectural Committee. Go to the neighborhood website at williamsburgofkeller.com and select Architectural Control tab. You will find everything you need to know, including contact info, instructions and application form.

Minutes of Open Board Meeting Held Tue., May 12, 2015. [Click this link.](#)

NEXT BOARD MEETING Tue., June 9, 2015



Homeowners are invited to attend Open Board meetings that are held on the second Tuesday of each month from 6:45 PM – 7:45 PM at the Keller Public Library, 640 Johnson Rd, Keller, TX. If there is inadequate content for a meeting, homeowners will be notified of the meeting at least five days in advance of the scheduled meeting date.

CITY OF KELLER – NEWS TO USE

24/7 Medication Trash Drop-off Program

Don't throw unused medication down the toilet or in the trash! You pollute the ground and water.

Instead use the new Keller Police Dept. (KPD) facility to drop-off unused medication so it can properly be disposed of in partnership with CVS Pharmacy.

KPD will accept expired or unwanted **prescription and over-the-counter medications** 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Drop-off is easy with a CVS/ pharmacy-sponsored drug collection unit



housed in the after-hours lobby of the Keller Police Dept. building at 330 Rufe Snow Drive.

The new service is free and open to anyone.

Note: KPD cannot accept the following: thermometers, needles (sharps), medications from businesses or clinics, ointments, lotions or liquids, aerosol cans, inhalers or hydrogen peroxide. For more information, please contact the Keller Police Department at 817-743-4500.

MASTERWORKS: MUSIC ON THE PATIO

**7-8 p.m., Keller Town Hall Back Patio
1100 Bear Creek Pkwy.**

- May 27 - Nate Kipp - Country
- June 24 - David Carr Dr. & Band - Jazz
- July 22 - Time Warp - Variety

Enjoy your evenings on our patio with good music, friends and fun. This FREE event will feature a variety of artists spanning several different genres. Bring a blanket and some chairs!

WHAT'S COOKING IN THE 'BURG?



Prep Time: 10 minutes



Cook Time: 45 minutes



Calories: 350



Difficulty: Easy

SWEET POTATOES with FENNEL, APPLES & PECANS

Ingredients

1 ½ pounds peeled sweet potatoes (about 3 medium cups), sliced into ½ inch thick pieces

3 green apples, peeled, cored and cut into ¾ inch rounds

2 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil

½ teaspoon sea salt

1 large fennel bulb, cored and sliced into ½ inch thick pieces (reserve green fronds for garnish)

3 tablespoons maple syrup

⅓ cup raw unsalted pecans

Method

Preheat oven to 400 degrees Fahrenheit

Using a baking sheet or large ovenproof dish, toss the ingredients in the olive oil and maple syrup. Sprinkle with ½ teaspoon salt and spread in one layer.

Roast until sweet potatoes are soft on the inside, rotating occasionally. (About 40 minutes.) Remove from oven and sprinkle with pecans, return oven for another 5 minutes. Adjust seasoning and serve warm garnished with fennel fronds.

Serves 4



<http://www.colombedujour.com/roasted-sweet-potatoes-with-fennel-apple-and-pecans/>