

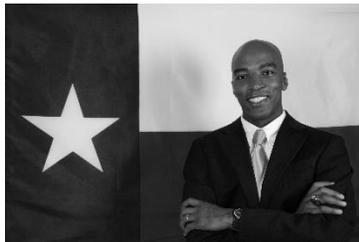


Buckner Terrace Homeowner's Association
 A Texas non profit organization, p.o. box 270131, Dallas, Texas 75227

May 2015

Chair's Message

Korey Mack, Chair



Election Season

To start, I would like to give a thank you to all of those who directly or indirectly contributed to the candidate forum during our last meeting. Thank you Lawana Porter for helping us stay on time and handling the intervals and signaling candidates, and Daniel Wood, it is great to have this forum video documented with a live link sent to neighbors on Nextdoor. So, thank you for your support as well.

We appreciate the candidates for being present, and most especially, we send our sincere thanks to the homeowners and visitors from Buckner Terrace and surrounding neighborhoods who attended and who submitted questions prior to the forum. I remember feeling as though I had just witnessed a wonderful exhibition in democracy that we see far too rarely in our daily lives when it ended. I still hold that sentiment, and I hope that it can inspire the will to participate more actively in the process in all of us.

Now as the joint election has passed and there are two candidates who remain to vie for the support of voters in our district 7, I want to encourage everyone more than ever to show up to the polls to elect the next City Council Member from District 7.

As always, thanks to the 78 people who deliver the newsletters to each of the 2,600 homes in Buckner Terrace! Thanks also to those Volunteers In Patrol who spend their gas and time patrolling the neighborhood. Your service to the neighborhood is greatly appreciated!

Monthly MEETING May 26th

Edna Rowe Elementary School at 6:30p

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Bulk Trash Dates



May 25th, June 22nd, July 26th

You may start putting out trash the Thursday before the 4th Monday (dates listed above).

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May 9th Joint Election Results

Dallas District 07

VOTE FOR 1

(WITH 46 OF 46 PRECINCTS COUNTED)

	Total	%	Early Voting Mail	Early Voting In Person	Election Day
Tiffinni A. Young.	1,304	40.55	617	187	500
Hasani Burton	413	12.84	151	28	234
John Lawson.	165	5.13	63	15	87
Kevin Felder	456	14.18	148	69	238
James "J.T." Turknnett	74	2.30	33	2	39
Randall Parker.	131	4.07	66	5	60
Baranda J. Fermin.	433	13.46	197	43	192
Juanita Wallace	240	7.46	117	48	75
Total	3,216		1,392	397	1,425

If you have paid attention to the coverage of the election, it is hard to find analysis about much more than how low turnout was in this last election. There isn't much analysis to direct voters interested in being intentional about their vote in the runoff.

While I agree that a city-wide 7.40% of registered voters casting a ballot in any election could hardly be characterized as hopeful or significant turnout, I am surprised to see that the precincts that comprise Buckner Terrace, 1081, 1084, 1087 all increased their voter turnout percentages significantly over the last Joint Election in May of 2013. Precinct 1088, the other precinct within Buckner Terrace increased marginally the turnout in 2015 vs. 2013.

I have included a graphic to help illustrate: ballots cast / total registered voters

Precinct	2013	2015	Increase
1081	3.57%	13.58%	280%
1084	4.46%	15.56%	249%
1087	3.09%	9.78%	217%
1088	7.30%	7.95%	9%

Source: Dallas County Elections Historical Data

Regardless of what you attribute this increase to, I think it speaks to the quality of candidates that voters perceive we have in the current field as much as it speaks to how engaged we are in Buckner Terrace, and strive to continue to be.

I hope that moving forward into the runoff election in June, as we choose the next City Council Member for District 7, we can continue to grow more active in exercising those rights so critical for our democracy to function at all levels. It is not unreasonable to imagine an electorate in Buckner Terrace that grows another three-fold in number. Yet, the mere suggestion would seem ludicrous to some.

People who exercise the most important of their rights will be more likely to look out for their neighbors, fight crime by volunteer patrolling, reporting suspicious behavior, report crimes in progress and other vital information to the appropriate city departments who work hard to maintain our great city.

I commend all who commit daily to make Buckner Terrace a better place, and I encourage both candidates, Tiffinni A. Young, and Kevin Felder to attend our next general meeting to interact with our membership in a much less formal way before and after the meeting as fellow District 7 residents ahead of the June 13th runoff election day.

Buckner Terrace Wins Homeowners Association of the Year

The *Southeast Dallas Chamber of Commerce* has bestowed the honor of Homeowners Association of the Year at the recent Annual Awards Banquet at Southern Cross. I would like to personally recognize the efforts of Darlene Reynolds as Chair for eight years prior to 2015. She has helped mobilize the efforts of homeowners in our neighborhood, and on behalf of the association, I would like for Darlene to be the custodian of this award. I strive to carry this important work forward!

(See Photo)



DCS to Replace Crepe Myrtles Knocked Down by Auto on Samuell Blvd.

NEWS RELEASE - Dallas County Schools (DCS) is going to replace the crepe myrtles knocked down by an auto on the median in front of their Training and Technology Center at 5151 Samuell Blvd. The project will begin as soon as the ground dries enough for the landscapers to work.

“Since crepe myrtles have been run over repeatedly,” explained DCS Board President Larry Duncan, “DCS will maintain the crepe myrtles on the Samuell median between Hunnicutt and Deer Creek on a continuing basis. We consider this to be our gateway as well as a gateway to Buckner Terrace. Its appearance and upkeep create an important first impression.”

DCS strives to be a integral part of each neighborhood in which it locates. Dallas County Schools (DCS) is one of the top pupil transportation providers in the United States and not only provides pupil transportation, but also school bus safety programs, technology solutions, online instructional services, psychology services and risk management solutions to school districts and government entities in North Texas and throughout the state of Texas. For more information, visit <http://www.dcschools.com>

I would like to thank Larry Duncan and Dallas County Schools for both Larry’s continued service to our neighborhood as the founding chair and active member for decades, and his leadership at DCS and

Action Team Meeting Announcement:

Buckner Terrace Homeowners are encouraged to attend an informal neighbor meeting to discuss May meeting agenda, and summer events to promote engagement among members.

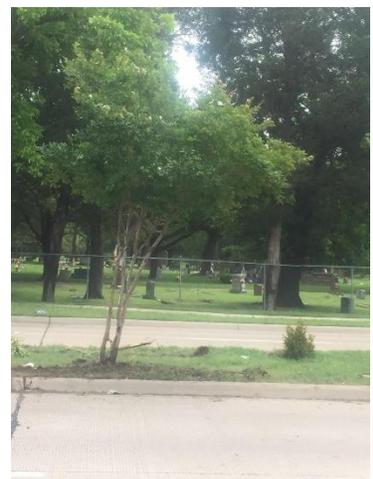
Thursday May 21st 6P – 7:15P

Dallas County Schools Technology and Training Center:

5151 Samuell Blvd. Dallas, TX 75227

together being great neighbors and allowing us use of the building for meetings and other functions.

Unfortunately, since this news was released, another driver has struck down three more crepe myrtles along Samuell Blvd.



2015 Annual Membership Enrollment

Homeowners: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____

\$24 per household enclosed for: Renewal or New Membership

Please make checks payable to:
Buckner Terrace Homeowners Association
P.O. Box 270131, Dallas, TX 75227-0131

May 2015 Yard of the Month



Congratulations to the May Yard of the Month Winners

First Place: (pictured left)
Matt and Grace Jacob 6411 Everglade

Runners-Up:
(pictured 2nd from left to right in the order listed)
Adolphus Jones 5117 Everglade
Larry and Michelle Petty 5311 Breakwood
Charley and Laura Walton 4867 Hazelhurst

My apologies to the mix up between the Nextdoor post and the printed recipients last month. That issue will be resolved moving forward, and the Nextdoor winners will also be recognized in the newsletter. I hope that you can forgive my oversight and continue to take great care of your yards.

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