



## Whiffletree HOA Beautification Committee

A great example of neighborhood involvement...

You have likely all heard the old proverb that two heads are better than one, right?

Well, if that is true, then ten heads (volunteers) ought to have a very positive impact on the appearance of our little neighborhood. We want our four main entrances (Marchman, Harvey, Clymer and Caravan) to look beautiful every day of the year, not just on the day of the week that our paid lawn service mows, and spot checks the entrance plantings.

We are trying for perfection (and honestly, we aren't there yet), but we know the way to achieve that lofty goal is to have more people working on it. We now have 8 volunteer residents assigned to specific entrances who routinely stop by to pull weeds, remove plastic bags and other debris, make note of sprinkler issues, kill ant mounds, and do minor trimming of landscape bushes. They have made life much easier for Beautification Chairman, Tom Dixon, who is accountable to the board and to our many residents.

To see some of our volunteers in action, look at the video we did as part of the application for our BEST Platinum award (received from the city in 2016). This is the 3<sup>rd</sup> year of the Beautification Committee's existence and we were pleased to have added 2 new members this year. **Committee members are Tona and Dave Blizzard, Michelle Moore, John Nwosu, Carol Hasty, Keigh Martin, Lynn Houston, and Alison McCarthy.** In addition to the 8, Tom and our Treasurer, Bill Ostergren provide support and help to facilitate the beautification effort. We added a lot of additional responsibility to the committee last year when we revived the Yard of the Month program which had been defunct for many years. The YOM effort is led by Tona and Michelle who are doing a tremendous job recognizing residents who truly maintain exemplary yards. Nice yards, like nice entrances, enhance the curb appeal of Whiffletree and help push our property values higher and higher.

If you would like to help us keep Whiffletree beautiful, we are looking for more committee members. You don't need to have a green thumb or know a crepe myrtle from a live oak! All you need is the desire to help and a couple hours a month to volunteer. Call or text Tom if you are interested- 972-978-1026.