

HISTORY

The Bentley Village neighborhood is located on the eastern edge of Fort Worth, approximately ten miles from the Central Business District. The area is included in three early surveys: the 1877 E. Andes Survey, the 1862 Joel L. Hallum Survey and the 1859 D.C. Harrison Survey. The neighborhood is bordered on the north by the West Fork of the Trinity River, the east by Village Creek, the south by I-30, and the west by Eastchase Parkway.

Two of the main streets in this neighborhood are John T. White Blvd. and Randol Mill Road.

John T. White Blvd. was named after the 1929 superintendent of the Fort Worth Public Schools. Randol Mill Road passed the mill owned by W.A. Randol. The mill was the first in the area and was built by Archibald Leonard, one of the earliest settlers in Fort Worth. The mill was burned down in 1860 during a general unrest about abolition. It was rebuilt in 1862 and eventually was purchased by Randol in 1872. The mill operated until 1922 and finally burned down for good in 1933.

Village Creek, on the eastern edge of Bentley Village was the scene of a battle in 1841 between a detachment of soldiers led by General E.H. Tarrant and including Col. W.G. Cooke and a tribe of Comanche Indians. Cooke and Tarrant had counties named for them when Texas became a state.

An early owner of land in this area was E.O. Boaz, a descendent of Samuel Boaz who was a settler in Birdville in 1859. The Village Community Development Company developed this neighborhood in 1975.

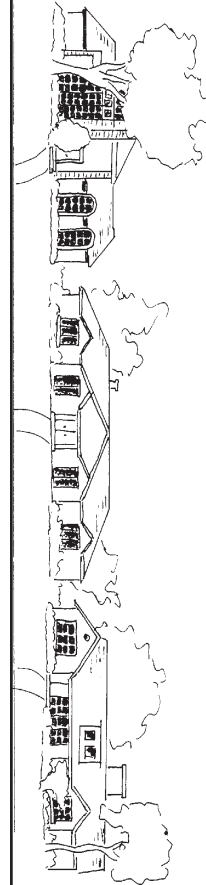
NEIGHBORHOOD DESCRIPTION

Bentley Village was slow to develop because of the poor access to the area, but after new roads opened it up, several luxury homes began to develop. The homes in Bentley Village are restricted to no less than 2,250 square feet in size and must be at least 75 percent masonry or stone. Roofs have been generally wood shingled but are slowly being replaced by dimensional composition. All garages must open either to the rear or side.

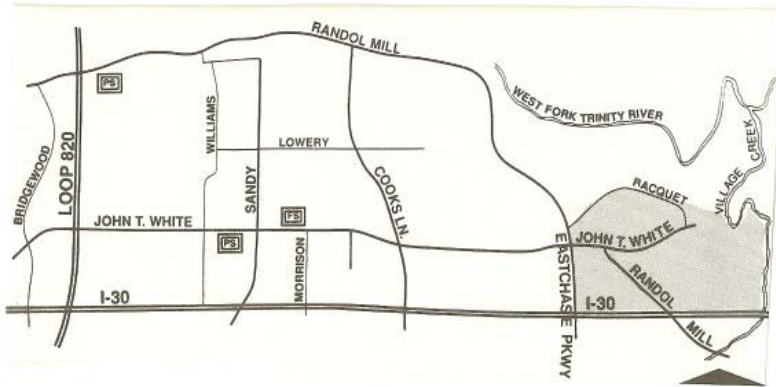
Styles of homes range from two story traditional, neo-colonial and Tudor style to one-story ranch style and contemporary homes. Livestock, garbage dumps and clotheslines are prohibited. Servants' quarters must have deed restriction committee approval.

NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

The Bentley Village Homeowners Association has been formed to ensure the quality of life in the neighborhood.



BENTLEY VILLAGE
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SCHOOLS

Elementary: Bill J. Elliott
2501 Cooke's Lane, 817-462-4100

Middle: Handley Middle School,
2801 Patino Road, 817-496-7450

High School: Eastern Hills High
School, 5701 Shelton St.,
817-496-7600

OTHER INFORMATION

Nearest Fire Station: 7601 John T.
White, 817-871-6800,
emergency 911

Nearest Medical Hospital:
John Peter Smith, 1500 S.
Main St., 817-927-1110

Nearest Post Office: Riverbend,
2414 Gravel Dr., 800-275-8777

Nearest Library: Meadowbrook
Branch, 5651 E. Lancaster,
817-451-0916

Nearest Grocery Shopping:
Albertson's, 850 E. Loop 820

Nearest Mall: North East Mall

Nearest Park: Randol Mill Park,
Bob Findlay Linear Park

City Council District Number 4
School District Number 2
Voting Precinct Number 3197

FORT WORTH FACTS

History: Fort Worth was
established as a frontier army post
in 1849 and named for Gen. Wm.
Jenkins Worth. The outpost
became a stopping place on the
Old Chisholm Trail and a shipping
point for great herds of cattle being
sent to northern markets.

Population: 700,000

Land Area: 293 square miles

Altitude: 670 feet above sea level

Weather: Normal sunshine

averages 250 days a year

Average mean temperature: 65.5 F

Annual avg. precipitation 29.46 in.

Medical Facilities: 46 hospitals

Education: 66 elementary schools,

19 middle schools, 12 high

schools, 13 special education

schools, 11 major private and

parochial schools, 9 college and

university campuses

Libraries: 1 main library with 1

regional library and 9 branches

Museums: 11

Parks: 9,026 acres

Churches and Synagogues: more

than 910 with 45 denominations

Communications: 1 daily

newspaper, 2 weekly papers, 10

TV stations plus cable.

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