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4BR | 4.5BTH | 2LA + Study | 2CAR | Pool & Spa | 4651 SF | Game/Media Combo

STARWOOD BEAUTY— Lovely Steve Roberts built home on an oversized .33 acre corner cul-de-sac lot featuring 4BR + Study, 4.5BTHS, 2LA, 2GAR with a Pool & Spa. Wonderful floor plan features an oversized kitchen which is open to the breakfast nook & family room with a wall of windows viewing the pool & back yard. Master & Guest bedroom are down with 2 bedrooms & a Game/Media Room up. All bedrooms feature full bath access. Lots of upgrades, Robertson's pool added in 2010, new carpet, granite, covered patio w/built-in grill! For a private showing, call Judi Wright @ 214-597-2985.



#### **Happy New Year—Welcome to 2015!!!**

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to 2015, I hope 2014 and your holiday were wonderful. We had many things to celebrate. First Jimmy turned 33 12/13 and then (Shane's girlfriend) graduated from college with a BA in Psychology on 12/14. She turned 27 on 12/18, Chase turned 27 on 12/21 and we had our Annual Family Christmas Pub Crawl on 12/20, then we had our Annual Christmas Eve gathering at Scruffy Duffies on 12/24 and our Holiday dinner on 12/25. Basically we rolled, drank and ate our way right into Christmas. It was quite a whirlwind but so much fun getting to spend extra time with the whole family. I hope your holidays were special and you found time to relax and enjoy them!

Happy New Year!!! Welcome

I was so busy I missed sending a November newsletter and in December only the email variety went out but I hope to send a hard copy and smaller, condensed email version every month. After all, how could you keep up with me and my crazy life otherwise? Ha Ha! tried a new Christmas card this year, and I sincerely hope your Cheryl's Iced Cookie Christmas

were a hit. I still haven't sent myself any yet but I want too!

Obviously since you didn't get a newsletter from me in November and December, I was busy. I've been trying to find houses to sell and houses for my buyers to buy. You may have received letters from me, I have many buyers looking for homes. I also closed 2 properties that were not on MLS. That's right, I sold them without them ever making it to the market. Both of them were in Stonebriar Village, 3 Saint Andrews Court (BUYER) and 5652 Southern Hills Drive (BUYER & SELLER). closed in December.

In 2014 I sold 40% of the homes sold in Stonebriar Village. As a result of this I have started a new blog about all things Stonebriar. You can see it in two places at www.facebook.com/ ILoveStonebriar.com or at www.ilovestonebriar.com. will try to keep blogging and posting interesting

card made it's way to your information regarding this door. Many people called, vibrant area of Frisco, so make texted and emailed about sure to like and follow the page on Facebook for the most up to date information, this is about the whole Stonebriar area of Frisco, not neighborhood. If you have judiwright@ebby.com. also starting a general real estate blog. After almost 13 years in real estate I guess forthcoming on that later.

> January 1st is an important date for property owners in Texas. It is the date you have to be living in a home to declare it your homestead. For those of you who closed on Both homes with me this year, you will soon be receiving an email with the form you need to file and a reminder to file! All customers will receive a copy of your Executed HUD closing statement for tax purposes. We try hard to make sure you are well taken care of! In ending, I wish you peace, love and happiness for 2015!



# Texas Homestead Exemption

In the state of Texas, you are entitled to receive a property tax reduction on one piece of real estate which you declare to be your "homestead". If you purchased your home last year, or if you do not have a homestead exemption presently, it will be necessary to file for this exemption, a SIMPLE & FREE procedure. Applying for the exemption is your responsibility; however, you may receive an application directly from your county appraisal district. You may apply online, by telephone, by mail or in person. The exemption amount may vary by Appraisal district. You must own the property which you wish to have receive the exemption as of January 1 of the year in which you are applying, and your application must be received prior to April 30 of that year. There is no fee to apply. If you receive a letter offering to file for you for a fee, don't be fooled. Applying is as simple as a phone call or the click of your mouse.

Collin County Appraisal District: 469-742-9200 or www.collincad.org

Dallas County Appraisal District: 214-631-0910 or www.dallascad.org

Denton County Appraisal District: 940-349-3800 or www.dentoncad.com

If you have questions concerning your Homestead Exemption, or any other Real Estate need, please call me. I am delighted to be of service to you!

# Who Do Ufou Know that Needs a Reputable

According to a recent study from Realtor.com, experts forecast that DFW will be a top 10 housing market in 2015. The 2015 Housing Forecast suggests that the areas increasing inventory, high employment growth & relative affordability makes it the number 1 market for forecasted household growth over the next five years.

Luxury home sales are up all over Texas.

According to the Texas Association of Realtors,
Dallas-Fort Worth saw the 2nd largest increase in
sales volume in the state, compared to 2013 for
homes priced \$1 million & up.

From January to October of last year, North Texans purchased 926 luxury homes, which was a 15 percent increase over 2013, when sales were relatively placid.

In fact, homes in all price ranges, if they are in good condition & priced right, are selling quickly, for top dollar & multiple offers are not uncommon.

Additionally, the area rental prices have spiked. Area news stations have reported that rental rates are up 26% & a recent real estate report reveals it costs Dallasites twice as much to rent than buy.

All of this, in addition to the relocation of multiple large corporations to our area, indicates that our real estate market is, and will remain, STRONG!

If you know anyone that needs a reputable
Realtor, help them make the "Wright" choice, I
would love to put my experience to work for them!
In this market, your choice in agents matters! Call
me, I'd love to help!

## SOLD PENDING



3 SAINT ANDREWS, Frisco Stonebriar Village The Blais Family



2933 SHENANDOAH, Frisco
5BR | 4.2BA | 3LA | 3CAR | Pool & Spa
Stonebriar Park — \$1,700,000



SOLD

5717 STERLING, McKinney
Cambridge @ Stonebridge
The Davis Family

#### SOLD

#### **PENDING**

SOLD



5652 Southern Hills, Frisco
Stonebriar Village
Sold by The Goldman Family



1701 CATHEDRAL, Plano 4BR/2.5BTH/2GAR Cross Bend



5652 SOUTHERN HILLS, Frisco Stonebriar Village Bought by The Stang Family

### **PENDING**

#### SOLD

### PENDING



8012 HERITAGE PALMS, McKinney 3BR/2BTH/2GAR—Craig Ranch \$230,000



9985 AMBERWOODS, Frisco
NEW CONSTRUCTION
The Fragapane Family



800 HAYDEN, Savannah NEW CONSTRUCTION The Grauff Family