



October 2008

Newsletter for The Park at Blackhawk and Lakeside

Fall Pool Hours

Beginning October 1, the pool will no longer be open for regular hours. **Lap swim hours** will be every Tuesday through Saturday, 5 a.m. to 10 a.m. Lap swim entrance is available to association members in good standing who sign a release form, and is strictly subject to conditions stated in the form.

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**September's
Yard of the Month Award**

goes to
2717 Boca Chica
Nice job, and Congratulations!
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More About Dogs

Every month, management receives multiple complaints involving neighbors' dogs. We have received complaints about neighbors not picking up pet waste from common areas, not controlling excessive barking, and not controlling aggressive behavior in their dogs. We have recently received complaints about dogs not being kept on leashes in common areas. Please be aware that it is a violation of law and a violation of neighborhood rules and regulations not to keep your pet confined to a leash in common areas. Thanks for respecting the rules and your fellow neighbors while you're out enjoying the cooler weather.

Amenity Center Information

To reserve one of the Amenity Center facilities, please call the regular business phone at 670-9704. Party reservations will be made only during normal business hours. If you call to make a reservation during operating hours and no one answers immediately, please leave your name and number. Staff will return calls in the order they are received. Please do not call the manager cell phone to inquire about parties or reservations. That phone is reserved for emergency and urgent matters. Thank you for your cooperation on this subject.

Spanish Lesson of the Day

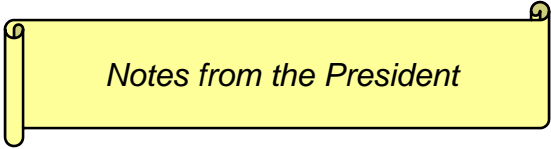
Clouds - Nubes (NOO-bess)
Hello - Hola (OH-la)
Thanks - Gracias (GRAH-cee-ahs)
Good morning/day - Buenos Dias
Grandfather - Abuelo (Ah-BWEH-lo)
Grandmother - Abuela (Ah-BWEH-la)
School - Escuela (Es-KWEH-la)
Teacher - Maestra (Mah-ESS-trah)
Sun - Sol (Sohl)
Water - Agua (AH-gwah)
Neighbor - Vecino (Ve-SEEN-oh)
Books - Libros (LEE-bros)

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City of Pflugerville Fall Clean-Up Day

Saturday, October 4, 2008
8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
1201 Railroad Ave.

Examples of items accepted - appliances, some tires, brush & tree limbs, electronics, furniture, latex paint, used motor oil & filters, cardboard, plastics, scrap metal.

Call City Public Works Dept. 251-9935
for more information.
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Notes from the President

Folks,

I would like to welcome all of the new residents who moved to The Park, The Park II and Lakeside at Blackhawk during the summer. Our neighborhoods have new faces and more kids attending Rowe Lane Elementary School. We hope you will enjoy our neighborhoods and all of the amenities at the Blackhawk Amenity Center. Please go by the Amenity Center at Blackhawk and visit with Tara Deleon, Amenity Center Manager. She will answer any questions you might have regarding the center.

We continue to have traffic woes at Rowe Lane Elementary during parent drop off and pick up times of the kids. We have been alerted of a couple of road rage situations that have occurred during this time. The biggest problem has evolved since Jackie's Ranch Road was opened from Martin Lane to the school. As it stands right now, that section of the road is considered a private road until it is accepted by Travis County. Until then and only then we can not get Travis County Sheriff's Department to monitor traffic on Jackie's Ranch Road. We are working with the developer in trying to expedite the process so we can have TCSD or Pflugerville ISD PD direct and monitor traffic on Jackie's Ranch Road. Please be patient and respectful of everyone dropping off children at the school. If you find yourself running late, so be it. Do not cause unsafe traffic situations in the process. Once your vehicle is on school ground, the Administrators of RLE can have PISD-PD issue citations. Please be patient and prevent someone from getting hurt.

We also continue to have barking dog problems. Though we have a "Dangerous Pets" rule in our Rules and Regulations, we do not have a noise rule per se. However, Travis County does have a noise and leash law in place. It is the TCSD responsibility to respond to noise issues after 10:00 pm. It is not the Board's responsibility. Visit with your neighbors and discuss the problem. We all work in or around Austin and a good night's sleep for us and our children is imperative. Dog owners need to be respectful and keep your dogs indoors or make sure they do not bark continuously all night. When you walk your dogs, make sure they are on a leash. It is a Travis County Law. Although the Board cannot enforce county laws, anyone can call the Travis County Sheriff's Department to report an incident. Let's be neighborly and respectful regarding pets.

Parents, I have been getting calls regarding minors riding their ATV's on our streets. First of all, it is illegal for a minor to be operating a motorized vehicle on any county street. Second, these vehicles are off the road vehicles and should not be on our streets. The safety of our children and residents is important. Please do not allow your children to operate the ATV's on streets as a safety concern.

Respectfully submitted,
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President EC/Board Member
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HALLOWEEN SAFETY

With witches, goblins, and super-heroes descending on neighborhoods across America, here are some safety tips to help prepare children for a safe and enjoyable trick-or-treat holiday. Halloween should be filled with surprise and enjoyment, and following some common sense practices can keep events safer and more fun.

Walk, slither, and sneak on sidewalks, not in the street.

Look both ways before crossing the street to check for cars, trucks, and low-flying brooms.

Cross the street only at corners.

Don't hide or cross the street between parked cars.

Wear light-colored or reflective-type clothing so you are more visible. (And remember to put reflective tape on bikes, skateboards, and brooms, too!)

Plan your route and share it with your family. If possible, have an adult go with you.

Carry a flashlight to light your way.

Keep away from open fires and candles. (Costumes can be extremely flammable.)

Visit homes that have the porch light on.

Accept your treats at the door and never go into a stranger's house.

Use face paint rather than masks or things that will cover your eyes.

Be cautious of animals and strangers.

Have a grown-up inspect your treats before eating. And don't eat candy if the package is already opened. Small, hard pieces of candy are a choking hazard for young children.

CLASSIFIEDS

Garage Sale! 2800 MISTY SHORE LANE (BLACKHAWK LAKESIDE), SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2008 FROM 8:00 A.M. TO 2:00 P.M., LOCATED AT THE CORNER OF MISTY SHORE AND FARM POND.

Announcement: The Executive Committee will meet October 6, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in the Amenity Center. The meeting is open to anyone who wants to attend.

Wanted: Reliable weekend/holiday pet sitter to visit and take care of 2 dogs at owner's home while owner is out of town. Will pay competitive rates. If interested, please email mmtexas1@hotmail.com or call 797-0785.

Volunteer for Neighborhood Garage Sale! Would you be willing to organize a neighborhood garage sale? We need a volunteer. If you are interested, contact Eddie Garcia at emgarcia51@sbcglobal.net or Marnie McCormick at mmtexas1@hotmail.com.

Place your ad here! HOA members may place an ad or announcement free of charge in this "classifieds" format – just contact Marnie at mmtexas1@hotmail.com by the 15th of the month to submit your ad.

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Office Hours:
Tues-Fri 10-6
Sat 10-4
Sun-Mon Closed

Fitness Center Hours:
Daily 5am-11pm

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Dear Neighbors,

I am the Chair of your Newsletter Committee, a member of your HOA, and a lawyer. I am paying for this advertisement out of my own pocket.

A very important judicial race will be on your ballot in November – Chief Justice of the Third Court of Appeals. One of the candidates, former justice Woodie Jones, served on that court for 12 years. In 1999, the local bar association rated him as the top judge in all of Travis County, out of 36 judges. In a similar survey last year, his opponent received the lowest rating out of 44 judges. We need Woodie Jones back on the Third Court of Appeals.

Please vote for Woodie Jones on November 4.

Sincerely,
Marnie A. McCormick (mntexas1@hotmail.com)

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