


Park Glen

NEWS

HOLIDAY PARTY BEST EVER!


T'was the eve of Dec. 10 and all through The Villages of Park Glen, not a creature was stirring—because everyone was at the Park Glen Intermediate School to celebrate the holidays!

Over 500 Park Glen residents attended the 1991 annual Park Glen Christmas Party. What a wonderful time it was for the parents and children of Park Glen to gather for hay rides, photos with Santa and Mrs. Claus, and entertainment from Christmas elves Tinsel & Mistletoe. Every year our Christmas party gets bigger and better. And the decorations on our Park Glen homes are more magnificent. Photographs of the first place winners are on the back page. 



PARKVIEW OPENS IN SPRING '92

A new area of 300 home sites will open this spring just west of Arcadia Park. These will be single-family homes ranging in size from 1,400 to 2,000 square feet. To be called Parkview, the new area will have the same amenities as all other sections of The Villages of Park Glen.

At the same time, Arcadia Park will be expanded on the west side of the creek, and hike and bike trails extended to the new area. 

THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE PARK GLEN

The Villages of Park Glen will be three years old this spring. It's hard to believe that so much has happened in such a short time—it's grown from a few models

into a community of more than 500 distinctive homes, and expanded from one to three villages.

The Perot Group has worked hard to make The Villages of Park Glen a community unlike any you've ever seen before, with an ambiance and identity all its own. It's a master planned community, with an aesthetically valuable environment, yet with homes at an affordable cost. A master planned community promotes controlled development—a unique opportunity to get all the right things in the right places.

In Park Glen, there are many common planning elements that take on special significance when viewed as part of the big picture. There are landscaped and fenced boulevards, all of them an additional 20 feet wide, with a formal tree planting program. Brick entrances to the neighborhoods enhance the brick-columned neighborhood

fencing. Assigned street trees and bricked mailboxes add to the aesthetic value of the neighborhoods.

The Villages of Park Glen was planned with families and their safety in mind. Activity areas such as 60 acres of park and greenbelts, and sidewalks along every street, encourage family activities and the neighborliness many of us remember from our childhoods. Future plans include the continued expansion of hike and bike trails, and additional park area. And of course, our friendly security patrol is there ready to help whenever needed—this is something not found in most other communities.

The master plan calls for diversified development, with areas reserved for schools, churches, retail and other facilities laid out in such a fashion that they enhance the quality of life in the community.

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We have already seen two churches formed, the Baptist Church of Park Glen, located on Basswood Boulevard, and the new Alliance United Methodist Church, meeting temporarily at Park Glen Intermediate School. The Methodist group has acquired property for a building on Park Vista Boulevard. In addition, other churches are in the planning stages.

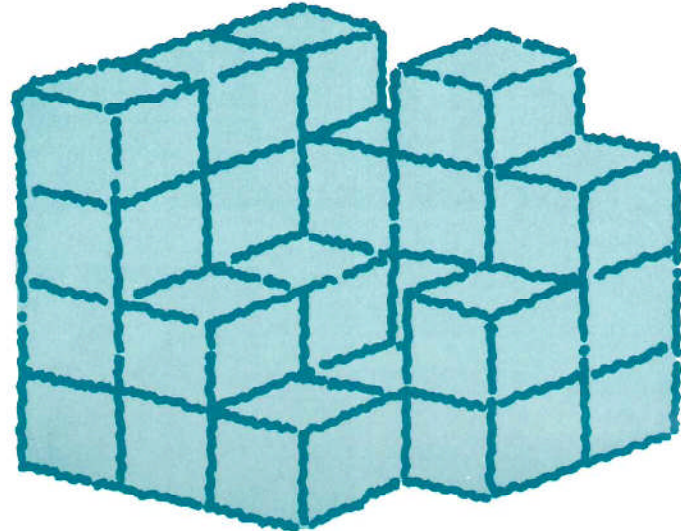
Two of the most important factors about Park Glen are the deed restrictions and its designation as a Public Improvement District. The deed restrictions assure each homeowner that all homes will be maintained in a manner that preserves the value of the neighborhood. The PID provides for perpetual maintenance of amenities, so that landscaping and fencing now in place will be there tomorrow

and into the future. In many developments, similar programs put into place fall by the wayside when the developer has completed his work. These two factors assure continuity of maintenance and appearance at all levels, to preserve value and enhance the quality of life for every resident.

The one factor that The Perot Group could not include in the master plan — the one that has made Park Glen what it is today — is the quality of the homeowners. Nowhere else will you find more friendly, helpful, concerned and enthusiastic people than you encounter here. Park Glen has truly become “a neighborhood like we used to know,” where neighbor knows neighbor and all work and play together.

There really is no place like Park Glen. 🏠

kids corner



Answer: There are 30 blocks.

This figure is made up of blocks. How many blocks can you find?



MEET NEW FRIENDS IN ACTIVITY GROUPS

MOTHERS' PLAY GROUP/MOMS' NIGHT OUT

Mothers' Play Group is a popular organization that was one of the first organized in Park Glen. Thanks to Robin Harris and other enthusiastic mothers, it just keeps growing. Mothers and their pre-schoolers meet regularly so that moms can visit and the children can play together. There are lots of field trips, too: picnics in the park or visits to the pizza parlor.

Out of this group evolved Moms' Night Out, which is a group of mothers who get together for evening activities without the children. Occasionally, fathers are also invited to attend. If you would like to get involved in this active group, call Robin at 581-1871.

STITCH AND CRAFTS GROUP

This group of eight ladies meets weekly for needlework and crafts. They have recently completed such projects as quilts, Christmas stockings, dolls and needlepoint. At present, their membership is at capacity, but if there is interest in starting another group, call Bonnie Morash at 428-0285.

DINNER CLUBS

Two dinner clubs have been active lately. Residents of Bryce Canyon Court formed a club that meets monthly to visit new and different restaurants. For information on how to start a block dinner club, call Lauri Baker at 656-3289.

John and Cindy McLemore also are involved in a dinner club that either dines out or meets in someone's home. They would like to have new members, so why not call Cindy about joining? Her number is 281-8497.

OUT TO LUNCH BUNCH

This group, which always welcomes new members, is made up of women who try out new and exciting places for lunch. Recently they've had high tea at the Worthington Hotel and eaten lunch at Mac's House, Celebration and Hedary's. If you would like to take part and make new friends, call Mary Ann Jenison at 428-8627.

GOOD NEWS CLUB

Children from kindergarten age through 6th grade are invited to join the Good News Club, which meets every Tuesday from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. at the home of Terri Nankivell, 5300 Crescent Lake. Activities include Bible stories, singing, games and holiday parties. For more information call Terri at 656-1654.

BRIDGE CLUB

This group meets monthly and would like to have members for additional tables. If you play, or would like to learn, call Jill Yarbrough at 581-7124.

PARK GLEN INTRAMURAL VOLLEYBALL

All interested in forming several intramural volleyball teams among Park Glen residents, please call Dawn Ruzic at 498-6351.

PARK GLEN SOFTBALL TEAM

The team plays in the North Richland Hills league and had a great year in '91. The new season begins in March, and more players are needed. For information on joining, call Rob Hicks at 428-1572.

CYCLING CLUB

Tom and Connie Armstrong are cycling enthusiasts who would like others to join them. Wouldn't it be more fun to ride with a group? Call Tom or Connie at 281-2426.

WOMEN'S SOFTBALL

Dawn Ruzic also would like to organize a women's softball team. Call her at 498-6351.

'Y' PLANNING SPECIAL CLASSES

Although our new Clark Nowlin YMCA does not yet have a building, there will be some special classes beginning in about a month through a neighborly arrangement with Park Glen Baptist.

The Y will use church facilities to sponsor classes in pre-school gymnastics and aerobics and fitness. They will be held several times each week, with a small fee charged.

Another new Y function will be on-site, after-school child care at Heritage Elementary School, beginning in January. Children will be kept until 6 p.m. school-days, with a fee of \$30 per week.

More information about these programs may be obtained from the Y director, Craig Schaefer, at 281-7676. 🏠

LIBRARY FACILITIES AVAILABLE

Residents of Park Glen have ample public library facilities available in this area, as well as research capabilities in the institutions of higher learning.

Nearby, the closest libraries are in Keller and Watauga. Keller, which does not charge for a library card or other services, also has several year-round children's activities: "Toddler Time" for 18 months to 3 years, with stories, songs and crafts, Tuesday and Wednesday from 11:15 to 11:30 a.m.; and "Story Time" for 3 to 5 years of age, Tuesday and Wednesday from 10:30 to 11 a.m.

The Watauga library charges \$12 per year for each library card. It offers "Story Time" for ages 3 to 5 years from 10 to 10:30 a.m. each Tuesday. Once a month, during the same time period, a parenting guidance course is offered.

The North Richland Hills library, which has about 80,000 volumes on its shelves, also charges \$12 per year for each card. It has a story hour for ages to 3 to 6 years each Wednesday from 10:30 to 11 a.m., and again from 11:15 to 11:45 a.m. For grownups, there is a once-per-month book review in the evening.

Richland Hills charges no user fee. The library has a story hour for 3 to 5 year-olds beginning at 9:15 a.m. each Wednesday.

Park Glen residents pay no charge at any Fort Worth library. To obtain a library card, simply present a proof of identity and address, such as a driver's license. The closest Fort Worth libraries are the North Side branch and the Riverside branch. 🏠

PARK GLEN TEACHER GETS AWARD

Class Acts, the weekly student section of the Fort Worth Star-Telegram, named Ms. Diana Foster of Park Glen Intermediate School as a "Teacher of the Week."

As a 5th grade teacher, Ms. Foster helped her students learn about five types of writing by assigning a compare and contrast paper on two popular candies, M&M's and Skittles. She arranged her students into five groups and gave points for the best work at each table. At the end of the week, points were tallied, and the "head table" announced.

This is only one of the many fun projects Ms. Foster initiates to help her students learn. For being named Teacher of the Week, she received a \$50 gift certificate from Dillard's.

Congratulations, Ms. Foster, for a job well done! 🏠

**CRIME WATCH:
SIGN UP NOW!**

Law enforcement officials tell us that the best way to prevent crime is through neighbors watching out for neighbors. This is a vital part of the Crime Watch program, and Park Glen has been participating in it for quite some time.

In fact, most homeowners here are part of the program, but some areas need to be signed up. Every block must have a captain and an alternate, and this means YOU are needed!

If you have not signed up for Neighborhood Crime Watch, call Phil Harris at 485-0580. Phil has been heading up this important program and will show you how to get your block organized. 📌

**GARAGE SALE
HUGE SUCCESS**

Our first community-wide garage sale in October was a huge success!

Approximately 75 homeowners participated. They reported that they not only got rid of some unwanted items and made a little extra cash, but in the process also met many new neighbors.

Plan now—we're scheduling another sale for next fall. 📌

**DIRECTORY
IN PROGRESS**

One of our residents, Brad Smith, has taken on a big chore — compiling a directory of all residents of The Villages of Park Glen. Brad is a computer consultant and has both the equipment and the know-how to compile such a publication.

If you would like to be listed in the directory and receive a copy of the completed work, please call Brad at 581-3971. He lives at 5100 Broken Bow. 📌

**WORKING,
PLAYING
TOGETHER**

If your street hasn't quite gotten together yet, if you don't know as many of your neighbors as you would like, talk to the folks on Glacier Court. Jim Robinson reports that they both work and play together.

Most recently, everyone on the block chipped in to buy fire wood, and they got it at a better price. Then they all worked together to stack it at every home. Same with the Christmas lights — it was a group effort, at less cost with more fun.

Earlier this year, there was a Labor Day block party, but it began to rain just as everything was set up in the center of the street. Ask Jim how they went ahead with their party!

The holiday season is also celebrated with hot chocolate and dessert parties in a different house each week. This is what neighbors are all about! 📌

**COSMONAUT
VISITS SCHOOL**

Students at Park Glen Intermediate School welcomed Russian cosmonaut Georgi Mikhailovich Grechko when he took time from his tour with the Soviet Space exhibit to visit school children.

Being one of the Russia's most experienced spacecraft designers, he has made three space flights, spending 134 days in space. He told students to study hard and make good grades if they aspire to be space explorers.

Grechko made straight A's through elementary school, college and graduate school. He has a Ph.D in physico-mathematical sciences. 📌

**THE BAPTIST
CHURCH
IS GROWING**

When The Baptist Church of Park Glen began, it had about 80 members. Now, Rev. Mike Edmonson reports the congregation has more than doubled, up to a whopping 175 persons! In addition, there are a number of visitors almost every Sunday.

Regular Sunday services include 9:30 a.m. Sunday school, 10:30 a.m. worship service, and 6 p.m. worship. Wednesday night also is an important part of the ministry. Members gather at 6:15 p.m. for supper, and then make evangelism calls for about an hour before worship services at 7:45 p.m.

A number of special activities have been organized, including "Ladies' Night Out" on the second Tuesday of every month, a youth group, and bowling and volleyball groups. A softball team will begin practice in March.

The minister is elated over the growth of the church and expects the membership to keep expanding. 📌

**SUPER SALES
BRING
REWARD**

Students at Park Glen Intermediate School sold more than \$20,000 worth of Tupperware products as part of a PTA fund-raising activity.

Ms. Vicki Frost, principal, not only treated the top seven salespersons to pizza at a local restaurant, but had them chauffeured there in a limo! The PTA will use the money earned to fund various school projects.

Great work, kids! 📌

**UNITED
METHODIST
BEGINS
SERVICES**



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hen Alliance United

Methodist Church held its first service Oct. 27, Rev. Ben Disney was astounded at the turnout — 296 persons!

Of course, many were visitors that first time, so now the actual congregation numbers approximately 125. The church has acquired land on Park Vista Boulevard for future construction, but presently is meeting at the Intermediate school.

Sunday school meets each Sunday at 9:30 a.m., with church services afterward at 10:45 a.m. Bible study now is held regularly in various members' homes, and a women's group is being planned.

A youth group also will be organized. If you need more information on the church, call the minister at 281-6402. 📌

RECYCLING PROGRAM GROWING

Voluntary curbside recycling in The Villages of Park Glen is picking up speed as more families sign up for the environmentally-conscious program.

For those of you who are new in the community, the program is administered by Laidlaw Waste Management at a cost of only \$2.25 per month, billed quarterly. The materials recycled are newspapers, plastic, metal and glass. Pickup is once per week from a bin supplied to you at no extra charge.

If you have not yet had the opportunity to sign up, you may do so by filling out the form and mailing it to: Barbara Hibbs, The Perot Group, 777 Main St., Suite 1480, Fort Worth, TX 76102.

I would like to sign up for the curbside recycling program in The Villages of Park Glen. I understand there is a \$2.25 monthly charge, for which I will be billed quarterly.

NAME _____

PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____

BILLING ADDRESS _____
(if different)

Mail this to Barbara Hibbs, The Perot Group, 777 Main Street, Suite 1480, Fort Worth, TX 76102

**PARK GLEN
DECORATING
WINNERS**

Religious Category

1st place: Don and Carol Dearmore, 7521 Olympia Trail
2nd place: Mario and Sandy Garza, 5325 Grand Mesa Drive

3rd place: Don and Raylene Haster, 7409 Catlow Court

Secular Category

1st place: "Santa's Workshop," Tom and Connie Armstrong, 7528 Los Padres Trail

2nd place: "North Pole," Mike and Tish Showalter, 5329 Grand Mesa Drive

3rd place: "Pooh's Corner," Charlie and Lynette Kaiser, 7558 Deerlodge Trail

Lights Only Category

1st place: John and Shelly Cangiano, 7529 Lake Arrowhead

2nd place: Mac and Jan Standard, 5221 Grand Mesa Drive

3rd place: Greg and Valerie Fitzgerald, 5112 Squaw Creek Court

Co-op Decorations Category:

Los Padres Court, by Randy and Paula Hunter, Bob and Candi Pitts, Jeff and Janie Murray, Gordon and Lauralee Nelson,

Brian and Mary Eckerd
Best of Show Category:
Jon and Laurie Matz, 7533 Los Padres Trail

**MONTHLY
CONTEST
FOR YARDS**

Nothing enhances property values like beautifully maintained and landscaped yards. To encourage this, the Perot Group will once again sponsor a "Yard of the Month" contest beginning in April and continuing through September. The yards will be judged the first

week of each month. A \$50 prize will be awarded each month for the most beautiful yard, and a sign placed in the yard to designate it a "Yard of the Month." All neighbors of The Villages of Park Glen will be included in the judging. Be sure to look for the winning yard every month and let the owners know how much you appreciate their efforts to beautify the neighborhood.

Now is the time to start planning. A few new plants, a little fertilizer and a lot of TLC just might make your yard a winner.

NEED BABY SITTING?

If you're in need of baby-sitting, there are a number of ready and willing sitters right here in Park Glen. Here are those who asked to be listed:

Danae Denison, anytime except Wednesday and Friday, 656-3507.

Rose Finley, 18 months and up, Monday through Friday from 6:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., 581-7836.

Jill Jacobs (First Aid and Baby Sitting courses completed), all ages, after school and weekends, 581-6295.

Jeff Bennett, all ages, after school and weekends, 281-6505.

Melissa Kerwin, all ages, anytime, 281-9448.

Melani Toomey, all ages, after school and weekends, 581-3815.

Sherry Wimmer, infant to four years, 428-0956.

CLASSIFIED ADS

● Need a break from IRONING? Call Dawn Sigl at 485-7081. \$5 per dozen.

● Jerri Spradling is selling DISCOVERY TOYS. For more information call her at 428-9256.

● Park Glen resident Dawn Ruzic wants to clean your house, supplies provided. Call her at 498-6351.

● INFANT CARE NEEDED. Teresa Weaver is looking for a loving mom or grandmother to take care of her new baby full time. If interested, call Teresa at 428-1857.

● For guaranteed savings on groceries and other purchases, call Metro (214) 601-1212 for more information.

● Housecleaning and baby sitting daily, weekly or monthly. Call 581-5095 and ask for Pauline.



A. Religious 1st place, Don & Carol Dearmore, 7521 Olympia Trail. **B.** Secular 1st place, Tom & Connie Armstrong, 7528 Los Padres Trail. **C.** Lights only 1st place, John & Shelly Cangiano, 7529 Lake Arrowhead. **D.** Best of Show, Jon & Laurie Matz, 7533 Los Padres Trail.

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