# Park Glen Connection

June 2016 Publication of the Park Glen Neighborhood Association





Hi Everyone,

Well it's that time of year where spending time outdoors is a part of our lifestyle. Especially here in Park Glen where we tend to go out and enjoy the neighborhood and park trails. Whether you're outside exercising or working, I want to remind everyone to be safe this summer. No matter what you're doing, please take precautions and protect yourself and your loved ones from the Texas heat and mosquitos. On that note, as a homeowner, we can all help do our part by controlling standing water. If you know where

## President's Notes

standing water exists, please go to FortWorthTexas.gov and report it.

I've been thinking a lot about things that can be done here in Park Glen with the mindset of revitalizing and investing in our neighborhood. Keep in mind, Park Glen is different than most deed restricted neighborhoods in a few ways. From a "capital improvement" perspective, the HOA doesn't own any amenities or buildings in the neighborhood. So what can we do?

I could add an exhaustive list of things I think we need to do but things I hear a lot are, "security", "sidewalks" and neighborhood improvements like "updated monuments". Needless to say, some items can be complicated by the city or the PID involvement but I think collectively, we could get over just about any hurdle and do lots of good things for Park Glen. So let me ask, what would you like to see? Going forward, how would you invest in

Park Glen? If you have suggestions or comments, send them to me directly at <u>PGNAKevin@gmail.</u> org or use the contact us area on ParkGlen.org.

While you ponder those questions, I will tell you that Park Glen still has great potential and is a valued area to live. However, in order to ensure it stays beautiful and still upgrade and fix the things that need to be addressed, money is needed. Generally, I'm talking about money beyond what we pay in annual assessments. So, brace yourself because here's where you come in (yes, I know what you're thinking).

Slow your roll cowboy; I'm not proposing raising annual assessments – just yet anyway. But yes, we could raise assessments (that's not very popular). Second, we could charge for the events that are now free (that's not very popular). Three, we could organize fundraisers; say... a carnival, or a chili cook off, or a car

show, or something else. Interested? Exciting, right? Are you willing to get involved?

Think about this, if we had enough volunteers, we could not only expand our current roster of great neighborhood events, but we could potentially raise money to pay for needed capital expenditures that would benefit the neighborhood as a whole. My hope is that you'll consider the potential and then decide what role you can play. We have over 3300 homes and we could use dozens of volunteers. The more we have, the less time each one needs to spend. The down side is, if no one is willing to jump in with the few that we already have, making sure Park Glen stays relevant falls on the shoulders of a those few. And being completely transparent with you, it makes things way more difficult.

YOUR HOA NEEDS YOU! Thanks, Kevin

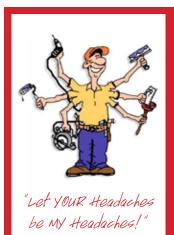
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## Yard of the Month

Through September, a "Yard of the Month" will be selected in each of Park Glen's 13 villages, based on overall attractiveness and adherence to deed restrictions & community standards. To be considered, properties must not have any open violations or have any past due balance on their account. The selections will be made by volunteer homeowners driving through the neighborhood. Winners will be recognized with a yard sign.

Would you like to help select the winners in the parts of Park Glen other than your own? You can sign up or find out more at the "Volunteer" page of the Park Glen website.

#### Congratulations to our May winners.....

Village	Winner
The Crossings	5117 Shell Creek
The Meadows	7216 Isle Royale Dr
The Glen	4624 Gila Bend
The Hills	8016 Paloverde
The Preserve	8328 Trace Ridge
The Bluffs	5113 St. Croix
Windridge	8352 Everglades

Village	Winner
Park View	4908 Navajo Way
The Knoll	7559 Arcadia Trail
Park Glen	5108 Los Padres
Phase III	5417 Lake Powell
The Vistas of Park Glen	6970 Deer Ridge
The Vista's at Park Glen	6905 Chaco Drive

# CELEBRATION Vendors Needed!

We are still looking for vendors for our annual Independence
Day Celebration/Bike Parade/Doggiepalooza! We'd like
to have several and specifically some who cater to dogs.....
sitters, walkers, vets, doggie wash, grooming etc. If you
would like to be involved (or know someone who would!)
please contact Dana at PGNANewsletter@gmail.com or go to
www.ParkGlen.org to get registered!



Ladies, are you interested in joining a community bunko?
Bunko is a very easy dice game. Each lady will need to host a bunko game night in their home once a year.

If you would like to join in the fun, please contact dcteach24@ymail.com for more details.





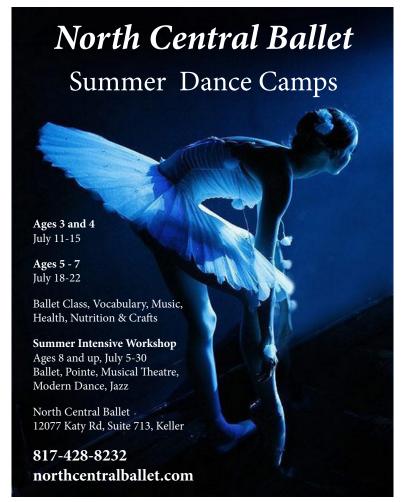
### Join Us For a Dive In Movie!!

We hope you will join us for our first
Dive-In Movie of the Summer!
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Longhorn Activity Center Pool at Park Vista

## We will be showing "Finding Nemo"

Our movie night is being sponsored by Jodi Hight, Keller Williams and 9Round Basswood. They will be providing the food and drinks! You may bring your own but please no glass containers. The gate will open at 7p, the pool opens at 7:30p and the movie will start around 8:30p. Get your swim suits and towels and join us for a fun night!

If you can't make this movie night, our next one is scheduled for July 16th.





## June is National Fresh Fruits and Vegetable Month

June 1st ...... Board Meeting, 7p, Longhorn Activity
Center, Park Vista and Basswood

June 2nd ...... Last Day of School for KISD

June 3rd ..... National Donut Day

June 6th ...... D Day, WWII

June 11th ...... Dive-in Movie Night at the Longhorn
Activity Center Pool, 7:00-9:30p

June 19th ..... Father's Day

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## **Covenant Corner**

#### What to Do If You Get a Violation Notice

Park Glen is a deed-restricted community. Our homes are regulated by covenants, guidelines, and standards that are enforced by our management company (RealManage), which responds to homeowner reports of violations and does their own weekly inspections of Park Glen.

#### What should you do if you get a deed restriction violation notice in the mail?

Don't be too defensive. You are not being singled out or criticized personally. Everyone gets busy and occasionally lets things slide, and it is not the intent to embarrass or insult you.

Do step out and look at your property critically, the way that someone detached might. Ultimately, the neighborhood and your property are governed by the community-wide standards of harmony and conformity, not your own personal preferences and standards.

Don't compare your property to others in the neighborhood. There will always be some homes with a number of obvious violations and others with just one issue that seems trivial, in comparison. But both need to be fixed. Not everyone has the same amount of pride in their property and respect for the process, but you can have both of those, regardless of what other homeowners do. And by fixing the small issue with your property, you are returning your property to its high level of excellence that raises the average standard of the entire neighborhood.

Do contact the management company to get more information, give your perspective, or tell of any extenuating circumstances. You can also give any additional information that RealManage or their inspector may need to know. If the letter was sent in error, we will appreciate your showing that to us, and we will clear the record and learn from the experience.

Don't ignore the notice. Unresolved violations stay on the record, cost the Association more money, and potentially escalate into a referral to an attorney. If you need advice or help, contact the management company or the Board ("Contact Us" at ParkGlen. org). Also contact us if you disagree with the notice. The Board is empowered to consider appeals of violation notices. We are homeowners and reasonable people, like you, who care about Park Glen.

Do fix it. The violation notices give a timetable for resolution. If you need more time, contact the management company and ask. Reasonable requests will probably be granted. For people who need it, we may even be able to generate volunteer labor to assist you ("Contact Us" at ParkGlen.org).

Park Glen has a deed restriction and violation advisory committee. You can be a part and help shape the standards and enforcement in our neighborhood by going to the "Volunteer" page at ParkGlen.org.

## The market changes. Are you prepared?



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## TOWN HALL UPDATE

We want to thank several of our city officials who braved the weather and came out and talked with concerned and involved Park Glen residents. We had State Rep Stephanie Klick, City Councilman Cary Moon, PID6 Manager Robin Willits, NPO Scott Cryer and Captain Shawn Stone and Street Program Manager Riad Nusrallah. It was a great evening of questions and answers with helpful and informational dialogue between Park Glen homeowners and our city officials. A big thank you to those Park Glen residents who came out as well!

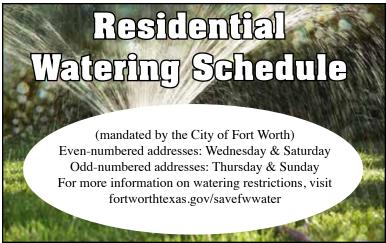
Just a couple of things we learned that are of importance for Park Glen.....there will be a new Ft Worth Police station going in at North Riverside (Old Denton), with the nearest cross street of North Tarrant. Councilman Moon informed us that the land has already been acquired and it is currently under design. Construction will begin this November with a completion of late Nov-Dec 2017. Riad Nusrallah, the manager overseeing the 2014 bond project regarding the street and sidewalk repair, said that it looks like the project will begin around June and could take up to a year for completion.

All of our speakers were very adamant about keeping the line of communication between Park Glen residents and themselves open. They are committed to you as residents of Ft Worth and residents of Park Glen! Your voice matters and they are listening! You can find their contact info on our website (ParkGlen.org). They welcome your questions, comments and concerns. We'd like to recognize and thank the McDonalds on Park Vista and N Tarrant. They provided cookies and coffee for the event.







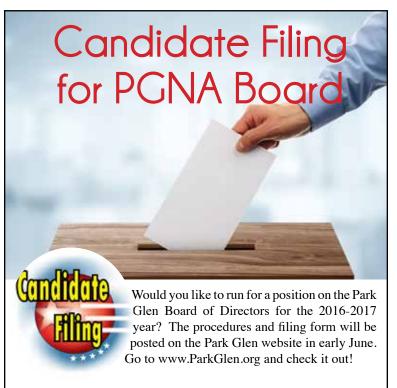


## **National Night Out Block Parties**



We need volunteers to coordinate a block party on your street in conjunction with the National Night Out event on October 4. We'll provide guidance and materials to help you bring your neighbors together to make your part of Park Glen safer and friendlier.

You can sign up or find out more at the "Volunteer" page of the Park Glen website.



The annual meeting will be held on August 30, but advance voting will take place for approximately 30 days before that. Watch your mail around August 1 for information on that. We'd love to have you attend the annual meeting, but please at least cast your vote.



# Please plan to join us for our Independence Day Celebration Saturday, July 2nd from 9a to Noon at Alliance United Methodist Church on Park Vista.

Parade – Starting and Ending at Alliance Methodist Church

Led By Fort Worth Police Department Featuring Decorated Trikes, Bikes, Wagons, Scooters, and maybe even Floats (if you are ambitious)

**Doggiepalooza** – The Park Glen Annual Dog Contest

Contestants will be judged in several categories including:

Most Patriotic • Best Trick • Most Unique

Free Food – The Methodist Men will be handing out hot dogs, chips and water for everyone. (One per person)

Car Show – This is tentative right now but we are hoping to get The Mad Dog Car Group to come out and bring some

cool cars to see!

The day will start off with the judging of the children's bikes, tricycles, scooters, wagons, skateboards, etc. We'll be awarding prizes for best decorated, most unique, and most patriotic. Everyone is then welcome to join in the Parade. We are putting together a fun and safe route for our little riders and walkers, and even dogs are welcome. After the parade, it will be time for the Doggiepalooza, featuring contests and races!! \* Dogs must be leashed the entire time of this event. We will have water available for them.

We have a day full of fun planned....Bounce Houses, Face Painting, The Fire Dept is bringing a firetruck, the Methodist Men will be cooking up some great food, the Girl Scouts will have some field games, and you can browse our variety of vendor tables and possibly all the cool cars and trucks in the car show! In support of the COMMUNITY STOREHOUSE, we will be setting up a Pie in the Face station!! One non-perishable food item and/or a monetary donation will get you a pie to toss "gently" at the HOA President and Vice President! Warm up those arms and help us gather some food for a great cause!

#### Vendors are welcome to sign up now to secure your space!

Please contact Dana at PGNANewsletter@gmail.com for more information. You can also sign up on our website at www.ParkGlen.org, under the Event's tab.

We are in need of volunteers!! If you want to help (any amount of time will be helpful!) please contact us at PGNANewsletter@gmail.com or sign up to be a volunteer on our website.

# Summer Kid-friendly RECIPES



Ingredients

- 4 cups peeled seeded and cubed watermelon
- 1/2 cup lemonade
- 1 tablespoon lime juice
- 1 tablespoon sugar

#### Directions

- 1. Freeze watermelon in a freezer bag for about 6 hours.
- 2. Combine frozen watermelon and the rest of the ingredients.
- 3. Process mixture in a blender of food processor until it is smooth; stopping once to scrape down the sides.
- 4. Pour into glasses.



#### FUDGESICLES

#### Ingredients

- 1/2 cup sugar
- 2 tablespoons cornstarch
- 2 tablespoons Hersheys cocoa powder
- 2 1/2 cups milk
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1 tablespoon butter

#### Directions

- 1. In a small saucepan, combine sugar, cornstarch, cocoa, and milk.
- 2. Cook on medium until thick.
- 3. Remove from heat and add vanilla and butter and stir until combined.
- 4. Place in molds and freeze until firm



## Park Glen **Scholarship Program** THE DEADLINE IS JUNE 1ST!!

The Park Glen Neighborhood Association will be awarding up to 21 scholarships of \$500 each for undergraduate, graduate or vocationaltechnical study in the fall 2016 semester. Park Glen homeowners and their dependents are eligible as long as there are no open violations and no past due account balance (\$). The application and complete guidelines may be found at www.ParkGlen.org. Questions? E-mail PGNAScholarship@Gmail.com.

## POOL MEMBERSHIPS



The Longhorn Activity Center (LAC) is offering Park Glen residents the opportunity to purchase season passes to the pool for the Summer. If you do not need a season pass but would like to swim at their pool from time to time you may also buy day passes. You can find the pool information and pricing along with the membership form on our website, www.ParkGlen.org. If you have any questions please direct them to the staff at the LAC, 817.231.8537.



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## PARK GLEN SCOUTING

By Bob Kilburn

School is coming to an end and all the Cubs Scouts and Boys Scouts from Pack and Troop 205 a preparing to have an awesome summer. The Boys Scouts just finished their Spring Canoe Race at Worth Ranch Boys Scout Camp where they raced down the Brazos and took 2nd and 3rd Place in the Race. Two of our Life Scouts earned their Eagle Rank. Congratulations, Grant Richards and Michael Smith. A great honor for those scouts for all their hard work and perseverance in achieving Boy Scouts of America highest rank, they now share that in common with many great Americans. Most recently some of the scouts were inducted into the Order of the Arrow which

is Boy Scouts National Honor Society, the Order of the Arrow (OA) has recognized Scouts and Scouters who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives. This recognition provides encouragement for others to live these ideals as well. Arrowmen are known for maintaining camping traditions and spirit, promoting year-round and long term resident camping, and providing cheerful service to others. The Troop attended the District Camporee where our own Nate Williams won the dutch oven contest for the 2nd year in a row with his dessert entry of a pineapple upside down cake, he is on a roll and can't be beat.

The Cubs Scouts went to Hills & Hollows Boy Scout Camp for their Spring Family Campout where they learned about safe Hiking, use of a compass and map while they worked on their adventures to earn rank and pins. Our Webelos learned about service projects while repairing some fire pits for the Camp. They held their monthly pack meeting where they had a kite race and got to visit with a helicopter pilot when he landed at The Alliance United Methodist Church. There was a Police Station Tour and lots of the Cubs Scouts are working on their God & Family Award. The Cubs Scouts are getting ready to have a fantastic summer, Cub Scout Day Camp & lots of Summertime Activities.











#### **Interested in Scouting in the Park Glen Area?**

Contact Bob Kilburn @ 817-789-9907 or bobkilburn@sbcglobal.net. or visit our websites: For Boy Scouts https://troop205.trooptrack.com
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## **Girl Scouts in Park Glen**

By Alanna Mussawwir-Bias

The Service Unit's 1st Annual Powder Puff Derby was a huge success. The girls gave it their all and we crowned our top four racers and even a sweet turtle.

Face paint, a water gun shooting gallery, and Girl Scout Recruiting fun was all we could dream for during the Eggtravaganza. Cadettes and Leaders had fun connecting with the community and applying several dozen face painted mustaches of the world and Girl Scout Trefoils on cheeks and hands at our booth.

The Juniors and Cadettes had an amazing time at the Texas A&M Vet School Open House. We met Texas Search and Rescue Teams and their cadaver dogs, along with San Antonio Zoomagination Vets, and the Army Veterinary Unit. Dr. Zohran gave us a tour of the TAMU Emergency Response Units used to support the Dallas Ebola case in 2015. We completed our trip to College Station with a visit to the George H W. Bush Presidential Library and Museum.

Are you still considering summertime camps and activities for the kiddos? If you have not already found the perfect fun for your scout check out Girl Scout Residential Camps at Stevens Ranch, Kiwanis, or Rio Blanco. Not ready for sleep-away camp, how about Day Camp or Twilight Camp

in Southlake or Arlington. Our girls love these camps, and older Girl Scouts can volunteer if they have earned their PA or VIT. Lastly, there are some great moderately priced options with TCC College for Kids and UTA Kids and Teen University.

Calling All Girl Scouts: Join us for the Independence Day Parade and Celebration on Saturday, July 2nd in Park Glen. We will all walk in the parade and Troop 1171 will lead several field activities for the children in attendance (Brownie Troops will earn the Fair Play Badge). If you have a Cadette that would like to earn her Field Day Badge or Service to Girl Scouts hours please submit your info to Alanna Bias.











Interested in Girl Scouts in Park Glen Area? Contact Alanna Bias @ 817-403-1875 Gstoptroop1171@gmail.com, Girl Scouts of Texas Oklahoma Plains website http://www.gs-top.o



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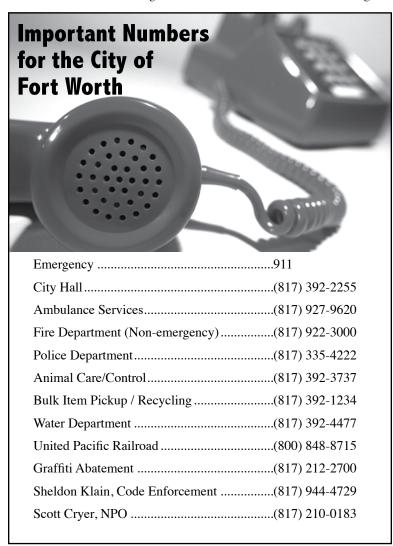
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Hi Park Glen Residents, I am Kyle Jensen. I live in the neighborhood. I am the park development chair for NFWA. I was also elected by Fort Worth City Council to be the Pedestrian & Bicycle Adviser for District 4 and I need your assistance. I do not believe that we are being as effective as we can be. Our area is huge and I want your help.

I am looking for Pedestrian & Bicycle Adviser Liaison's for our neighborhood. I appointed 7 for the Heritage Neighborhood. This position will help me identify the best way to update the Arcadia Trail. The positions will be a 2 year commitment. You will call and/or email me monthly until we have our trail system properly identified and updated for the amount of traffic using it currently and the increase of future use. The final product is a long process so be patient.

Many neighborhoods have good trail systems but they are left segmented. Many have no trail system. I want to help us finish our neighborhood trial system. This is as important to me as it is to you. Please stand up to be a PABAC liaison for our neighborhood.

Note: This is not a complaint request! This is for residents that want to actively work on improving our parks and trials.

Join me as I make an effort to clean up our neighborhood and improve the quality of life for all those that live here. You can email me at parks@northfortworthalliance.com

Thanks for your consideration! Kyle Jensen







### Apollo Dog of the Monthl

Hello, My name is Oakley. Do you want someone to LOVE, because I am looking for that special someone? Can you find it in your heart to be my special someone? I love to play and run, I've had some leash training as well, and I know how to jump on a pedestal to get love and petting. Oh



and if you happen to have any food treats that's even better....

I am currently available for adoption or foster; and I'm living at the Apollo Support and Rescue Adoption Center in Justin. My mommy was a collie and I may be mixed with shepherd, but not entirely sure. My personality is one that doesn't work out well for the kennel environment; I'm stressed out here and has caused me to become somewhat skinny. I'm healthy other than the weight loss. Up to date on shots, neutered, friendly, lots of energy. I really like small children, they make me feel comfortable. If you have a doggie at home, it would be better if I could do some slow meetings with him/her before I know if I can be around them and enjoy their company. So right now it may be better if I am the only dog.

If interested in meeting Oakley, please email: inquire@apollosupportandrescue.org

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