Park Glen Connection

Publication of the Park Glen Neighborhood Association





President's Notes

Hello Again,

What a great time of year! I just have a few things this month that I want to talk about. First of all, I want to commend all of those people who spent hours cleaning up and helping their neighbors after the Spring storms. Not only was that cool to see,

but about a week after that, Park Glen had its best turnout ever for the Cowtown Clean Up. Jody Hight organized over 50 volunteers who cleaned the area just north of Basswood in Arcadia Park and our VP Russell Zwerg cooked hotdogs for those who stuck around afterwards. What a terrific example of the spirit that exists here in Park Glen.

Speaking of help, a big shout out to our friends at City Counselor, Cary Moon's office, who worked with the city to secure additional cleanup resources and Robin Willits at PID6, whose crews were cleaning up and repairing fences immediately following the storm. On behalf of Park Glen, thank you!

On to other things...you may have seen a survey asking about our newsletter (we have included it again in this month's newsletter). Please know that the Board of Directors has been quite pleased with the

Park Glen Connection and the partnership we've built with our editor over that last couple of years. But with rising costs of doing business, things must change and the Park Glen Connection will be changing as well. We are searching for the best way of communicating to our homeowners, so if you have any feedback or are interested in using your skills and time to help provide quality communication please let us know. You'll hear more about where we're headed soon.

Lastly, you may think this is early but as we do every year, this summer, there will be another board election. Over the last couple of years we have had a good number of people show interest in being on the board. While it can be challenging for many reasons, serving your community can also be quite rewarding. September will be here before you know it and the current board wants to encourage everyone who is interested in learning more about their neighborhood and how things work to please start to think about whether you would be interested in running. And, whether you run or not, let me emphasize that PGNA is big enough for everyone. If you want to spend an hour a week or 10 hours a week (or more), there is always something to do. Please reach out and let us know. We'd love to get you involved.

Thanks, Kevin

Social Media is the place to be these days! The Communications Committee has a Facebook page! We have surpassed 1700 likes!

LIKE our page and get reminders and event updates. It's a great way to keep in touch!



You can find us at "Park Glen Neighborhood Association" (www.facebook.com/parkglenhoa).

We would like to WELCOME our new homeowners to Park Glen!



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WOULD YOU LIKE TO HELP SELECT THE WINNERS IN PARTS OF PARK GLEN OTHER THAN YOUR OWN? YOU CAN SIGN UP OR FIND OUT MORE AT THE "VOLUNTEER" PAGE OF THE PARKGLEN.ORG WEBSITE.



Mark your calendars now and plan to come out to one or all of our dive-in movies.

We are partnering up with the Longhorn Council again this year and will have (4) movies at the pool. We are also partnering up with different local businesses who will be providing food and drinks!

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How do you feel about this? You can fill out a survey and give us your opinion here....

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Or if you prefer, Send an e-mail to PGNANewsletter@gmail. com and let us know which of the following you prefer:

- 1. The Association should use homeowner dues to continue a mailed newsletter to all Park Glen residents.
- 2. The Association should publish a digital-only monthly newsletter, post it on the website, and send it to all who are interested by e-mail.
- 3. I think that Facebook, the ParkGlen.org website, and the neighborhood's e-mail alerts are enough communication, so we don't need a newsletter.



SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Park Glen Neighborhood Association will be awarding scholarships of \$500 or more for undergraduate, graduate or vocational-technical study in the fall 2017 semester. The \$ amount of each scholarship will depend on the total number of scholarships awarded. These scholarships, paid from the profits of the 2016 Turkey Trot, are to recognize, reward, and develop members of our neighborhood and their dependents who have exhibited commendable academic success, leadership, and volunteer & extracurricular involvement. 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. The deadline is June 1. Questions? E-mail PGNAScholarship@Gmail.com.



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The Crud Cruiser is Coming!

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Waste Handling Instructions

- Leave products in original, marked containers. If unlabeled, please label contents clearly.
- Place leaking containers in a second container of like material (glass for corrosives, metal for flammables).
- Place items securely in boxes or bins (no trash bags) in the trunk of the car or bed of pickup.
- Remain in vehicle and allow staff to unload waste.

BULK TRASH ALERT!



Park Glen continues to have a problem with bulk trash being set out at the curb throughout the month rather than just before the second Monday of each month.

Any resident may report a "solid waste violation" to the city by calling 817-392-1234 or at this webpage: www.FortWorthTexas.gov/codecompliance.

Market swings making you uneasy? Let's talk.



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PARK GLEN SCOUTING

By Bob Kilburn

Time flies and spring is here. Cubs Scout and Boys Scout are out and about. Last month was a very exciting month for the Boys Scouts & Cub Scouts of Troop & Pack 205. The Boy Scouts participated in the District Camporee where they competed with all the other Troops in the District in games showing off their Scouting Skills and where several Boy Scout were inducted into the Order of the Arrow, the Boy Scout Honor Society. During spring break, lots going on, a deep sea fishing trip, Leadership training – Twin Arrows, a week of leadership training for scouts where they learn the fundamental of leadership to bring back and use in the Troop. The Troop held a crossover at Bear Creek Park, welcoming new scouts to the Troop, and of course there was an Eagle Scout Leadership project that they began working on at the People's Cemetery in Haltom City. Their plan was to clean up the cemetery and refurbish the centerpiece of the cemetery, the flag pole and the decking on which it sits.

The Cub Scouts had their own adventure when they went to Hills & Hollows for their Spring Family Campout. There was a great campfire program with skits, songs and scary stories by all the dens at the campout. A great time was had by all.











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 For Cub Scouts http://fortworthpack205.weebly.com

Cowtown Clean-Up!

Cowtown Clean Up was a huge success! Park Glen showed up in a big way! We had Girl Scouts Troop 1124 and Cub Scout Troop 408, the PGBGz bike gang, and close 20-25 other neighbors!! Probably 50-60 people total, and we collected a bunch of trash! The kids outnumbered the adults, so way to go kids!!! Thanks to the parents who brought them out to do their part for our community!! Park Glen is a great place to live!!











PARK GLEN'S EASTER

EGGSTRAVAGANZA & SPRING FESTIVAL

Once again we had a great turnout at our Easter event this year! The kids gathered up 15,000 eggs and had a visit with the Easter Bunny. There was lots of browsing and shopping done at all of the vendor booths. Thanks to the Alliance United Methodist Men cooking up some great food for us. This is certainly one of Park Glen's biggest events and we appreciate everyone coming out and joining us! We would also like to thank all of the volunteers who came out, we appreciate you!!

















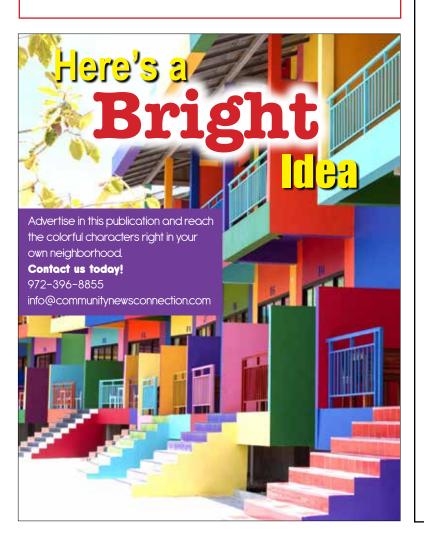




Park Glen Committees We Need You!

As owners in community associations, it is easy to allow that elite group known as "they" to operate the association, attend related meetings, and make things happen. However, we need to realize that "they" is always made up of "I's" and "We's." The success of our association depends upon our members getting involved in the various committees through which the Association actually functions. Volunteering to serve on one of the associations committees is a great way to become involved, contribute to our community, and make an impact.

The Board of Directors is looking for homeowners who are interested in volunteering to serve on an Association committee. Get more information from www.ParkGlen.org, by coming to a monthly Board meeting, or by contacting a member of the Board.





Park Glen Neighborhood Association Committees & Volunteer Opportunities

We are always on the lookout for volunteers!! Here is a list of places where you can volunteer your time and serve your community.

Social Committee (Activities & Events) - This committee organizes, promotes and produces a few events throughout the year (Easter Eggstravaganza, July 4th Celebration/ Parade, Turkey Trot, and others).

Communications Committee - Gather information and/or write articles for the monthly newsletter as well as communicating through social media and the Park Glen website.

Hospitality Committee - Greet and welcome each new homeowner to our neighborhood, delivering a welcome gift.

Service Committee - The vision is to build a network of volunteer neighbors who will assist other neighbors as the need arises. For example, an elderly couple who is unable to get their yard cleaned up one week and need some help, we would like to be able to call some folks to help get that yard done for them.

Development Committee - This committee monitors plans and projects and works with local government to exert influence over improvements, infrastructure, and development of our area.

Code Blue: Citizens on Patrol - Volunteers act as additional sets of ears and eyes for the police. Requires brief training at the police academy.

Crime Watch Block Captains - Coordinate and mobilize your neighbors to look out for crime and keep watch for each other. Requires training from the Fort Worth Police.

Architectural Control Committee - This committee will meet biweekly to review requests from homeowners for home improvements in accordance with the requirements of the deed restrictions. This group helps protect our investments in our property.

Village Advisors - These are folks who are willing to be a point of contact for homeowners in their particular neighborhood to help solve any issues or concerns that may come up. Park Glen has 13 different villages and our goal is to get a Village Advisor for each village.

There are lots of opportunities for you to be active in Park Glen, and we could sure use your help! If you are interested in being involved in the neighborhood please come to the next Board meeting or contact us at PGNANewsletter@gmail.com.

Park Glen Shout Outs!!

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From Dana Hammack - A HUGE SHOUT OUT to Lyn Linder....Lyn is a long time resident of Park Glen and has given a lot of priceless advice over the years. Over the past couple of years that I have been involved in the HOA business, she has been a big help to me. She has volunteered for all of our big events. I could not have gotten through the Turkey Trot, Holiday in the Park and Eggstravaganza without her help! Thank you Lyn! I will miss you!

From Leittia Knight - I would love to SHOUT OUT my neighbors: Mike and Regina Singer! I have been a resident of Park Glen for almost two years and they have become my family. They look out for me and my daughter and think of us no matter where they are. They have shown some much love and concern since the day we moved in. I just want the Singers to know how much we truly love and appreciate them!

SHOUT OUT to all the folks who came to the assistance of their neighbors after the storm blew through. Thanks for being such great neighbors!!

Jodi Hight gets a big SHOUT OUT for helping to organize the Cowtown Clean-up! Also a SHOUT OUT to the volunteers who came out to help!

Thank you and a big SHOUT OUT to all the volunteers who helped us with our Eggstravaganza! We can't do these big events without you!

SHOUT OUT from Tacy Norton -We bought a new house. Our neighbors Ryan Jordan and Will Johnson helped us move and they were such a huge help!

SHOUT OUT to Jodi Hight for coordinating the April 1 Cowtown Cleanup of Arcadia Park and to the Scouts, Park Glen Bike Gang, and Park Glen residents who helped out.

From Melissa Muenzler - The world's most enthusiastic SHOUT OUT to Tammy and Scott Ward! they are our neighbors and rescued our elderly cat when she escaped from our yard and brought her back to us. We are so thankful we have such great neighbors.

From Dana Hammack - Many thanks and a big SHOUT OUT to Nancy and all of her staff at Community News Connection. I have enjoyed working with Nancy the past couple of years and the Park Glen residents have enjoyed the great newsletter that CNC produced! You certainly set the bar high with your newsletter!

Recipes of the Month

Avocado-Cucumber Salad

Ingredients

- 3/4 to 1 pound seedless cucumber, washed and chopped into chunks
- 2 thin or 1 regular scallions, thinly
- 1 large avocado, pitted and diced
- 2 tablespoons mayonnaise
- Juice of half a lime, plus more to taste
- Salt and hot sauce (we used Sriracha) to taste
- Chopped cilantro or flat-leaf parsley to garnish

Directions

Combine cucumber, scallions and avocado in a bowl. Whisk together mayo, lime and seasonings, adjusting levels to taste. Drizzle salad with dressing and garnish with cilantro or parsley. Repeat again tomorrow

Chocolate Chip and Cherry Blondies

Ingredients:

- 1/2 cup unsalted butter, melted (1 stick)
- 1 cup light brown sugar, packed
- 1 large egg
- 2 teaspoons vanilla extract
- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/4 teaspoon salt, optional
- 3/4 to 1 cup semi-sweet chocolate chips
- 1 cup cherries (or combination of raspberries, blueberries, strawberries, blackberries; fresh or frozen)



Directions:

Preheat oven to 350F. Line an 8-by-8-inch pan with aluminum foil, spray with cooking spray; set aside.

In a medium microwave-safe bowl, melt the butter, about 60 seconds.

To the melted butter, add the brown sugar and stir to combine.

Add the egg, vanilla, and stir to combine. Add the flour, salt, and stir until just combined, taking care not to over mix or the blondies will be tough.

Fold in chocolate chips, fruit (I don't halve the cherries: I like them chunky and big), and pour batter into prepared pan, smoothing it lightly with a spatula or offset knife if necessary.

Bake for 27 to 32 minutes, or until edges begin to slightly pull away from sides of pan and center is set. Baking time will vary based on types of fruit used, fresh, frozen, and the moisture content of the fruit; and how gooey you like your blondies. A toothpick inserted into the middle may not come out clean due to the chocolate chips or juicy fruit. Allow bars to cool for at least 1 hour before slicing and serving.

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Pool Membership information

You may purchase a membership for the season.

There are two membership options available.

Membership Levels

Premier – Unlimited use of the pool and 10% off of Educational programs: Family \$300; Individual \$100



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Pool Reservations

The pool may be reserved for a birthday party or other group event. The pool must be reserved in 2 hour increments.

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Swim Tests can be provided for Scout units at anytime the pool is open. The fee for the Swim Test only is \$2.00 per test. The unit leader will be provided with the appropriated documentation for summer camp purposes.

Formore information—www.LonghornCouncil. org/aquatic-programs, 817.231.8500

Toad Houses and Why You Need Them



Most homeowners spend countless hours and money in order to have beautiful lawns. No matter how much you invest in plants, trees and grass, pesky bugs and insects can destroy it in no time if not dealt with. Don't use harmful harsh chemicals and pesticide instead let toads naturally rid your garden and yard of pests. Toads

are the most natural form of pest control preying on insects, snails, slugs and mosquitos. Studies show that one toad can eat thousands of pests in a single summer.

If you haven't seen toads in your yard, you might need to entice them. You will need a

toad house or clay pot to provide toads an escape from predators and from curious pet cats or dogs. You should make sure to find a cool spot and soil that is slightly raised or mounded. Place a toad house on the soil. If you use a clay pot bury it angled halfway in the soil leaving an opening just big enough for the toad to enter.

Toads are amphibians, living on both water and land needing moisture to survive. A clay pot saucer is an excellent choice for providing water for toads. Place both the house and water source close together



near an area that is known to have bugs and insects. It isn't too difficult to attract toads to the garden if the right habitat is provided. Just like humans, toads want to live in a safe place and have plenty of food and water.

It is a fact that the number of amphibians is declining in the world today which may be due to agricultural and residential pesticides. By creating a toad habitat, you could help save the toad population as well as rid your lawn and garden naturally of damaging pest.

Note: If you are currently using harsh chemicals or pesticides, your garden and lawn is too toxic for toads to survive. Even small amounts of chemicals can harm a toad. Before you entice toads to your lawn or garden, remove synthetic fertilizers, fungicides, and herbicides.

Tornado Hits Park Glen!

Many of us were awakened by the rough winds and bad weather early morning on March 29th. As tornado sirens went off, many of our residents were hunkering down in their safe spots in their home and then there were some of us who slept through the whole thing. The weather service determined that it was an EF0 tornado, packing wind gusts up to 85 mph! As the sun came up, the damage could be seen. Many trees were damaged or completely destroyed and many people had some fence and roof damage. We are certainly glad that there was no physical harm caused and that all of our residents stayed safe! There were several folks who went around the neighborhood looking for ways to help clear trees. We are blessed to live in such a great neighborhood....See something, do something!















Girl Scouts in Park Glen

By Alanna Mussawwir-Bias

Want proof that Girls Scouts are having fun and learning new skills? We held a fantastic Cupcake Decorating workshop. Daisies, Brownies, and Juniors mixed frosting colors, tried their hands at techniques for three different icing tips and earned the Girl Scout Way Badge while celebrating our 105th Birthday of Girl Scouts.

Cadettes had a marathon Cookie season, and thanks to the community we received donations for more than 40 Cases of cookies. We personally delieved 25 cases of delicious cookie goodness to Naval Air Station Corpus Christi. Our mission to learn what it means to be an acitve citizen found us meeting Sailors, Airmen (including an awesome female pilot, she's an engineer), and Marines that give so much to secure our freedoms. In the last six years we have now visited five Texas bases and are so proud of our heroes. The remaining donations will go to several other service projects for veterans and active duty military, as well as police and fire organizations.

We volunteered during the Park Glen Extravaganza and had a blast lighting up the faces of the kiddos in the neighborhood. See you guys for the Independence Day parade.

Troop 1171 will be hosting our 1st Annual Girl Scout PajamaRama for Daisies and Brownies at the Northpark YMCA on Sunday, May 7,2017.





GS-TOP is forming new troops for K thru 12th grade. Please contact Council Representative Heather Martin-Allen, Phone: 817-914-7868 or email: hallen@gs-top.org or Alanna Bias gstoptroop1171@gmail.com





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Covenant Corner

This month, we're talking about trees in the "parkway," which is the strip of land between the

sidewalk and curb of your property. The trees in this area are required by the city, and removing them could incur a remediation fee from the city. Homeowners are welcome to maintain these trees themselves using good pruning and care techniques, but the city will remove or trim parkway trees that are dead or causing a hazard, such as broken limbs

or low branches over the street or sidewalk (work scheduled based on priority). The city does not do aesthetic trimming (for appearance). A homeowner may request a permit from the city to remove a tree at their own cost, with the requirement (in most cases) that it be replaced. The city even has a free tree program and provides vouchers for free replacement trees (5-gallon, approximately 2-4 feet tall) in certain cases.

To get more information, request a tree removal permit, or report a tree hazard on your property or another, call the Fort Worth Forestry section at 817-392-5738 or visit their website at www.FortWorthTexas. gov/Forestry. There is also some good information on that site regarding the best trees for our area and how to plant and care for trees.

In addition to a city permit, HOA approval is required prior to removal of a tree. Visit the ParkGlen.org website for the Property Modification Request form and information. Please note that the Park Glen Neighborhood Association requires homeowners to remove or grind down stumps to below ground level, even though the city does not do this when they remove trees.

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