



July 2006

SHOAL CREEK NEWSLETTER

HOA HAPPENINGS -

Be sure to check the website—www.shoalcreekhoa.com—For up-to-date information about what's going on in our community. Newsletter contributions are ALWAYS welcome. (Really!) Please email Stan Liebowitz, newsletter@shoalcreekhoa.com.

- CRIME WATCH UPDATE-

A homeowner recently reported her house was "egged" all over, causing damages over \$5,000. If you have any information regarding this incident, please notify the Plano Police Department and Shoal Creek Crime Watch.



It's not too late to sign up for Crime Watch Bulletin email. Email crime_watch@shoalcreekhoa.com to be added to our list. This is the best way to be informed of incidents in Shoal Creek, Plano, & surrounding areas.

There is a report of individuals posing as Plano Independent School District employees going door-to-door asking for information on the children at a residence. Plano ISD does not send people door-to-door to gather information. Call the Plano Police Department immediately if this happens.

Many crimes are committed in residential areas such as ours because of carelessness. Keep garage doors closed if you will not be outside for extended periods of time. It is also best to cover windows & exterior doors with shades after dusk. If someone comes to your door, talk to them behind a locked door or an intercom; ignoring strangers could invite trouble later. If you see something that appears suspicious, do not hesitate to call Plano PD's NON-Emergency number (972-464-5678) and ask for an officer to take a look. It's better to be safe than sorry.

WANTED: ADULT SOCIAL EVENTS COORDINATOR. Diana Maglott has done a fantastic job (Abuelos event and last year's Fish Fry) but she & Don sold their house and are moving to New Jersey. **No volunteer, no events!** Anyone interested? Please contact Kerrie Liebowitz to help out!

Did you get a postcard in the mail from CMA?

... Our management company performs regular inspections to check on maintenance needs of common areas, landscaping needs, etc. CMA also notes violations to our neighborhood restrictions on how we use & maintain individual property. Appropriate advisory letters are sent to homeowners in violation of restrictions.

The use of your own property is governed by our Covenants (CC&Rs). Violations can include any number of things including unauthorized signs, debris, and even boat or construction trailers parked visible from the street. (See CC&Rs Article 6 for the "big list" of prohibited uses.) While restrictions are not enforced with an "iron fist," we do ask CMA to notify residents as soon as they see a violation, or when a resident advises of a violation. If there are persistent non-compliance problems, further actions are possible.

If you know you will be temporarily violating restrictions, please call CMA to let them know *before* an inspection. This also helps if neighbors call with a complaint. We never want to assume a violation is intended as a permanent situation, but we also want our owners to be advised of any infringement so they can take appropriate action to remedy problems.

SHOAL CREEK HOA ANNUAL MEETING JUNE 5th

Thanks to all who attended or sent in proxies, enabling us once again to meet quorum requirements! Steve Halbeisen has been appointed to the open position on the Board.

Winners of drawings:
Dr. Timothy & Martha Georgelas—\$200 Del Friscos gift certificate
Scott & Dianne Howells—Rangers Tickets (courtesy of Capital One Bank)
Don & Diana Maglott—\$100 Del Friscos certificate (proxy drawing)

BOBCATS!

-- Sightings reported on Riverside Drive, near the bridge & walking path. Be sure to keep your pet on a leash with a close lead. Much of the area along the creek paths is preserved in a "natural state".

HOA Board of Directors

President: Steve Kennedy

Vice President: David Test

Secretary: Kerrie Liebowitz

Treasurer: Mike Mount

Director: David Griffin

Director: Steve Halbeisen

Director: Tim Trylovich

HOME IMPROVEMENTS—Adding on to your house? Building a pool? Doing any major landscaping project? **Any exterior work or exterior improvements** need prior approval by the Architectural Control Committee. The ACC form is on the website & should be submitted to our management company. Allow 30 days for approval before starting your project.

Welcome to Our New Neighbors

Darin & Andrea Clause, 6633 Riverside Drive
David & Ingram Hinshaw, 6709 Woodland Creek



If you are new to Shoal Creek & we don't have your information or it is incomplete, email Alice Brumback, Alice-Brumback@aol.com.



Speaking of signs—The "No Solicitations" signs were so popular that we ordered more & got a great discount! The signs meet specifications required by the City of Plano, are 6"x12" with stake & available to Shoal Creek homeowners at \$21.00. Contact Kerrie Liebowitz if interested.

Check the Website! WWW.SHOALCREEKHOA.COM. For updates, please email webmaster@shoalcreekhoa.com.

NEIGHBORHOOD EVENTS

4th of July Parade—Nearly 150 Shoal Creek neighbors were on hand the morning of July 4th to participate in our 8th Annual parade.

Officers William Rollins and Helen Jackson gave excellent talks to the parade participants discussing everything from how to deal with strangers at the door, leaving children & pets in cars while running errands, and how children should react if approached by a stranger in a park or on a sidewalk.

The firemen were very thankful for the cookies baked by the neighbors. Leftover hotdogs were given to the firemen at Fire Station Number 9, which was very much appreciated!

Our volunteers Sara Hardwick, Hilary Rydell, Lisa Test, Kimberly & Barry Kemball-Cook, Katherine Kennedy and Fred Kuglin helped make the parade a success. A huge "thank-you" to them for their efforts!

Parade pictures should be available shortly on the website.

Upcoming events:

October 28—Halloween Pumpkin Carving & Bounce House

December 9—Breakfast with Santa, Shoal Creek Annual Progressive Holiday Party

December—Plano Christmas Cops

Wondering what happened to the Fish Fry this year? Needed—Adult Social Events coordinator! This person arranges one or two "no-kids" events each year (not responsible for the holiday party). Please contact Kerrie Liebowitz if interested.



Thank You AGAIN, Alice

Alice works throughout the year to maintain current homeowner information for the neighborhood directory. Electronic and bound copies of the directory are available to homeowners. Please contact Alice Brumback if you need an updated electronic copy.

Babysitters available! Please contact Cindy Ulrich or Leslie Mount each of whom has two teenagers available for babysitting this summer.

UPDATE on CC&Rs Changes—

With the votes and proxies counted, all of the proposed CC&R changes passed by the required margin. However as discussed at the annual meeting, some of these changes may need some tweaking, even though they passed. If you have comments or concerns regarding any of the changes made, or suggestions for changes that were not on the ballot, please send those comments to the CC&R revision committee via the Shoal Creek web site, or directly to CCRChanges@shoalcreekhoa.com (Steve Kennedy, Kerrie Liebowitz and David Test).

Wanted—HOLIDAY PARTY HOUSES

It seems like a long way off, but we are already beginning to plan Shoal Creek's premiere event of the year, the 9th Annual Progressive Holiday Party. Host Houses are needed! No work required, just the use of your home for several hours! Contact Katherine Kennedy or Kerrie Liebowitz to help.

—Neighborhood Directory Updates—

At the start of each school year, we begin the process of updating the neighborhood directory. Please help by *promptly* returning your information sheets to Alice Brumback. This information is also used for the bound directory.

YARD OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to our 2006 YOM winners!

May—Tracy & Denise Metten, Canyon Oaks

June—Steve & Karen Fowler, Riverside Drive

July—David & Cheryl Sinicola, Indian Trail



If you have comments, nominations, gardening tips for the newsletter, or want to be on the Yard of the Month nominating committee, please contact Steve Kennedy at skenesq@sbcglobal.net.

SHARE YOUR STORIES!

Music, anyone? Jackson Hicks, Ryane Burke, Chloe McAndrew, Carolyn Tang participated in a piano recital 5/5/06.

Did you know Zack Lochabay was Glen Eagles Tennis Camper of the Week? He also placed 1st in the Sands Open Tennis Tournament 7/2/06.

Welcome home to our Shoal Creek College Students, Sarah Brunke-Texas Tech, Shana Burke-Indiana University, Kaylan Hopson-Auburn University, and Trent Taylor-ASU.

Plano Dance Industry's annual dance recital in May included performances by Alex & Emma Lochabay, Meredith Brumback, Natalie Buncher, Georgia Ballew, Maddie Rinker, Alexa May and Ida Saki.

Lisa Test and daughter Paige just returned from a trip to Israel with St. Andrew United Methodist Church.

Lauren Heier attended the Plano FIGS Art Program this summer.

Megan and Molly Rinker performed in the Bent Tree Summer Musical.

Christine Tang has been accepted into PCA for high school.

Paige Niewerth is featured on the front page of the Bent Tree People Magazine. She is a golf instructor at Prestonwood Country Club Kids Camps this summer. Paige plays golf for PCA and is a three time State Top Ten Winner.

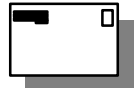
Marley Koven performed at Fairpark Music Hall through Dallas Power House of Dance.

To share something with the neighborhood, send a short description to newsletter@shoalcreekhoa.com for inclusion in our next newsletter!



Want neighbors to know about a lost or found pet ?

Email info@shoalcreekhoa.com so the homeowners association can send an email to notify your neighbors.



Neighborhood Directories Etiquette

The directory is maintained for the benefit of the members of the Shoal Creek HOA, and is for your personal use only. It should not under any circumstances be distributed in any manner to other individuals or organizations.

The HOA uses the directory to notify neighbors for crime watch alerts and to contact you for neighborhood events including annual meetings and other activities. If you are new to Shoal Creek and we don't have information or it is incomplete, *please* contact Alice Brumback at AliceBrumback@aol.com.

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