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# SHOAL CREEK NEWSLETTER

## HOA HAPPENINGS -

Be sure to check the web-site—

[www.shoalcreekhoa.com](http://www.shoalcreekhoa.com)—

For the most up-to-date information about what's going on in our community.

**Newsletter contributions** are ALWAYS welcome.

Please email [newsletter@shoalcreekhoa.com](mailto:newsletter@shoalcreekhoa.com).

## SPEEDSTERS—WATCH OUT!

We would like to Thank Everyone for driving slowly, coming to a complete STOP at stop signs and being considerate drivers. There are only a few who seem to race through the neighborhood, run stop signs and turn into the outside lane. We have asked the Plano Police to help us with these drivers. We may not have cameras at intersections but we know who you are!



## BAG THAT TRASH!

Please try to bag your trash before depositing it in the trash cans. On windy days if the tops get blown open the trash goes everywhere.



## CRIME WATCH

Frances Fass on 6608 Shady Creek Circle heads up our neighborhood crime watch.

To report a crime incident, contact the Plano Police Department (911) & email Frances at [crime-watch@shoalcreekhoa.com](mailto:crime-watch@shoalcreekhoa.com).

## Coming Soon—Shoal Creek 7th Annual 4TH OF JULY HOMEOWNERS PARADE

This July 4<sup>th</sup>, Shoal Creek will observe its 7<sup>th</sup> annual Parade to celebrate the birth of our country.

This parade is organized by **Fred Kuglin and Heather Morrow**, who deserve a hearty slap on the back for their efforts. A great time is guaranteed for all.

Participants are asked to assemble in Sunset Park, south of McKamy, at **8:30 AM**.

Members of the police & fire departments will be on hand. They will present some informative presentations on Crime Watch and provide fingerprinting for those who are interested after the parade.

There will be picture taking at **8:45**. Children (and adults) love to be photographed with police and firefighters, and particularly the big red fire-engine.

A fire engine will lead the parade (assuming that they are not needed to put out fires).

The parade route goes from Fox Chase to Twin Oaks to Indian Trail to Riverside to Boundary Creek. If you live along this route **please do not leave any parked cars on the street that morning**. The fire engine is large & parked cars are a great inconvenience as well as a potential danger for children who might run into the street hidden from view. Note that these streets will be blocked-off from traffic during the parade, so if you live on these streets make your plans accordingly. **No motorized scooters allowed**. They are illegal on city streets and a danger to young children.

The firefighters love to get cookies & it is always a nice sign of support to provide some. Heather Morrow, is the person to speak to if you want to help with cookies. She will send out a flyer about the cookies before the parade. The police would prefer that any cookies for them be replaced by support for their Christmas Cops program which allows them to provide help to families who have fallen on hard times over the holiday season. Fred will be transferring his energies to the Christmas Cops program this year, you will be hearing from him in the near future.

Children love these parades and it is a wonderful way for adults to express their appreciation for having the luck to live in this country.



## Board of Directors

President: Steve Kennedy

Vice President: David Test

Secretary: Kerrie Liebowitz

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Contact information is available in the Shoal Creek directory.

## NEIGHBORHOOD EVENTS RECAP

Around 70 Shoal Creek neighbors celebrated Spring with the 3rd annual **Fish Fry** April 30th. The Fish Fry was held in the cul-de-sac of Riverhill Drive, where we got to meet some of our new neighbors & spend time with old neighbors! Thanks to the Anderson, Taylor, Heier, Tarter, & Hicks families for sharing your street & electricity with your neighbors in Shoal Creek. The fish fry was catered by Cajun Bob's Famous Fish Frys of Texas. **Thank you Diana Maglott for coordinating the event and the Kennedy's and Mount's for helping her!**

As sweet as our children are ... they didn't melt in the rain during the **Easter Egg hunt** festivities. The Shoal Creek children & parents enjoyed the sprinkles inside 600 colorful eggs hidden by the Easter bunny March 26th at the Gazebo. Thank you Kelsea & Ryane Burke, Heather Morrow, Ashley Brumback, & Alex Lochabay for stuffing the eggs. Audrey & Hannah Harwell were the winners in the egg toss while Zach Lochabay & Reed Tarter came in an boiled egg dropping second. Thank you to everyone who participated. Rain or shine ... the fun won't stop when we Hippy Hop in Shoal Creek. **Thank you Rosanne Taylor and Alice Brumback for coordinating the event.**

## No Solicitors Signs

We are out of the "No Solicitors Signs" the HOA had made available for residents several years ago. If there is sufficient interest, we can order additional signs. The cost will be between \$30-40 per sign. If you are interested in acquiring a sign, please contact Kerrie Liebowitz.

Check the Website! [WWW.SHOALCREEKHOA.COM](http://WWW.SHOALCREEKHOA.COM). For updates, please email [webmaster@shoalcreekhoa.com](mailto:webmaster@shoalcreekhoa.com).

## DID YOU KNOW? CC&R FUN FACTS

### *Can I build a gazebo in my backyard?*

Yes with approval. The Architectural Control Committee (ACC) needs to grant approval PRIOR to swimming pool, gazebo, major landscaping project, fence and driveway installation (7.03)

### *Can I share an empty lot with my neighbor?*

Combining portions of lots (splitting/sharing lots) is prohibited (6.05)

### *Can I rezone my lot with an adjoining vacant lot and create one large lot?*

Yes. However, if two or more adjoining lots are combined into one single lot, they are still treated as two lots for purposes of association dues (6.05)

### *I don't remember signing any agreement to pay homeowner's dues, how come?*

Each owner, by acceptance of a deed or legal title to a Lot, shall be deemed to have agreed to pay to the association its assessments. All assessments shall remain the property of the Owner, but can be controlled and expended by the Association on behalf of the Owners only for the specified purposes provided by our Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions (CCRs). (3.01)



## APRIL YARD OF THE MONTH

Congratulations go to Shoal Creek's very first Yard Of The Month, Bill and Lori Hyde on Riverside Drive! The landscap-

ing is lovely, and the spring color is just perfect. Their yard reflects thought and planning and definitely deserves acknowledgement.

The May Yard Of The Month will be selected shortly.

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

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Just a quick note from your HOA President. What an honor it is to work with such a great group of board members and neighbors dedicated to the continued success of Shoal Creek as one of the greatest neighborhoods going! As you know, the purpose of the HOA and the Board is to enhance the value of our neighborhood and help make our community a great place to live.

On behalf of myself and the rest of the Board, I would like to thank all of you that have helped on community projects over the past year, including our great holiday party last December and last month's fish fry.

Of course, if you have not yet discovered the satisfaction of participating in neighborhood events, I would encourage you to do so. Volunteers are always welcome and needed. If you can help out or have ideas to share, please contact any board member. Have a great Summer and hope to see you at our annual meeting scheduled for June 6th!

## Thank You AGAIN, Alice

We can't say it enough, but thanks again to Alice Brumback for all her hard work to maintain the HOA Directory. The next electronic version of the directory will be sent out late this summer. In the meantime if you are new to the neighborhood or want an updated copy, contact Alice at [alicebrumback@aol.com](mailto:alicebrumback@aol.com).

## GARDENER'S CORNER

Our resident gardener asked to remind you that all the garden gurus agree that it is a bad idea for your lawn and garden to leave your sprinkler system set on automatic to water every couple of days.

This is particularly true for landscapes that have plants susceptible to certain mold and fungal diseases. These plants would include Roses, Crape Myrtles, Indian Hawthorn, and Red Tip Photinias.

So save a few bucks on water this Summer and run the sprinklers only when needed!



## UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES!

**Annual HOA Meeting.** Monday June 6th, 7:00 PM at Parr Library, 6300 Windhaven Parkway at Communications Dr. Note: if we do not get a quorum, our covenants require another meeting to be scheduled, which has significant costs associated with it. Please plan to attend or send in your proxy. **Del Frisco's gift certificate drawing** for proxy (\$100) or attending (\$200)!

Mark your calendars for the **July 4th Parade**, 8:30 AM at Sunset Park. For further information contact Fred Kuglin

## Neighborhood Directory Etiquette

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

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](mailto:AliceBrumback@aol.com).

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