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Deadline for Newsletter **Submissions**

Homeowners deadline for the December 2009 issue is 5pm on November 18th.

If you have time sensitive information for the beginning of the month, we suggest you submit your article 2 months in advance.

Please submit information and photos via e-mail to helenharvey@att.net.

If you would like to be on my email reminder list, please send your e-mail address to the above address.

Put the name of your organization or article in the subject line of emails. Please include the name of the submitting person at end of articles.

Questions? Call Helen Harvey at 214-460-7072.

Mark Your Calendars -**Annual Meeting**

Please be sure to save the date now for our annual meeting. We meet each year on the first Monday of February. This will be on February 1st, 2010. We anticipate holding it at the Colleyville Community Center. More details will be coming, but please hold the date. We appreciate your participation and interest in our community!

Woodland Hills Clean Up" By Amy Edwards, Select Management

As you know, Select Management was hired to work with your neighborhood starting this past February. We have been working together with you to help restore and maintain a clean, orderly, attractive subdivision. The Board of Directors for Woodland Hills has tasked Select with the duty and responsibility to inform homeowners of covenant compliance issues. These are the same rules that each homeowner have always been required to abide by, nothing new.

Select Management will be conducting a "clean sweep" through the entire neighborhood so that together we can get your neighborhood looking better than ever. If you have things you've been meaning to get around to, let me encourage you to do so now. This includes unkempt yards, improper storage of boats, trailers or cars, fence repairs, and general upkeep of your property. Avoid receiving a notification from the property management company by taking care of these issues now. Thanks in advance for your cooperation and participation in this important part of living in Woodland Hills.

Pembrooke Parkway Block Party

Janet and Rod Balke really know how to get their neighbors together! The event was well attended on a beautiful crisp autumn evening. What a great group of folks who all chip in together to take over the cul-de-sac to set up tables, grills and music. Please take a look at the photos to see how much fun they all had!

Block captains - please be sure to send photos of your block parties for next newsletter!



Ianet & Rod Balke as **Block** Captains



Halls & Grays Chat



Beautiful Neighbor Girls

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ABBY LETT STARS IN Macy's Day Parade

Abby Lett of Scarborough Lane (age 16) is going to be in the Macy's Day Parade this year! Macy's asked Stagedoor Manor (NY theatre camp) to choreograph the finale with Santa. Over 400 kids from the camp applied and Abby was one of 60 selected. She will be going to New York City for Thanksgiving, rehearsing all week and then performing on the main stage with Santa for the Finale!

Abby has been dancing since the age of three and is currently a sophomore at Booker T. Washington High School for the Visual and Performing Arts. Let's all watch for Abby on TV as we watch the Macy's Day Parade!



WHHOA Board – Nominating Committee for Open Positions

This is a call for volunteers to serve on the Woodland Hills Board of Directors. We anticipate two positions coming open next February and seek those who would be willing to put in some time to help with the management and support of the neighborhood operation. As always, this is a volunteer board and is dependent on the participation and representation of our neighborhood.

We have formed a nominating committee to help find qualified, interested parties willing to help. Lance Andrews (current President) and one additional Board member (TBD) will be assisted by the efforts of our resident neighbors Joel Moberly and Malinda Hall. In order to serve on the Board, you must be a member of the HOA in good standing, available to attend meetings, and follow up on tasks and activities for the continued support of Woodland Hills. If you have an interest in serving on the Board, please contact any current Board member, Joel Moberly, or Malinda Hall.

NEIGHBOR NEWS

We would like to publish YOUR news too! If you would like to announce births, graduations, weddings, military deployment, military return and such type of news, please send a note to helenharvey@att.net. We'd love to share the stories of the people who make up our community.



Latest neighborhood statistics ending 10/19/2009

homes for sale: 12 Ave. Price Sq. Ft. \$120.83 High: \$135.56 Low: \$102.49 Ave. days on market so far: 103

Homes sold since 1/1/2009: 15 Ave. price Sq.Ft. sold: \$115.02 High: \$\$132.61 Low: \$100.57 Mean: \$117.10 Ave. days on market: 109

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<u>Woodland Hills</u> Crime Watch

Recently some petty crimes have been reported in our neighborhood. These were theft of property from cars that had been left unlocked and graffiti on the basketball hoops in the park. It was probably the pranks of youth, but we should all be aware that difficult economic times can make criminals more aggressive and we should all be vigilant to make sure that crime doesn't come to visit Woodland Hills often. Pranks of school children still cost money from our HOA to repair damages so keep an eye out for the offenders. And please don't be an easy target for thieves – lock your cars, lock your house, use your alarms, put valuables away and have someone watch your home while you are away during the upcoming holidays. Have a safe holiday season!

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Woodland Hills Homeowner Association Email Address

The Woodland Hills HOA has established an email box at hoa_ woodlandhills@yahoo.com. Since the newsletter comes out only once a month, we needed a way to communicate more frequently with the neighborhood. Please feel free to email the HOA with any questions you might have, feedback, or concerns. In addition, if you just want to know what is happening, send an email with Update in the subject line and an automated response will go out with all of the latest HOA news. This should help tide us over between newsletters.

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Welcome New Neighbors!

Please join us in welcoming the newest additions to our neighborhood. This represents a list of all new homeowners since January 1st of this year.

JAMES AND KRISTINE BOSTICK 3909 BOWDEN HILL LANE EAST

DON AND RUTH GUTHRIE 3405 CROSSGATE CIRCLE NORTH

> MARC AND KATIE BOTIK 4803 EVERSHAM COURT

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THOMAS AND JACQUELINE OLEY 3303 ST. ALBANS CIRCLE

CHELSI LAKE 3301 WILTON WOODS COURT

Babysitter Needed

Hello Neighbors! We are looking for a responsible young adult or friendly neighbor(s) to babysit on occasion for a 22 month old boy and a 3 month old girl. We usually leave them with Gramma, but it would be nice to have a neighbor that would be able to help out on occasion...and would want to earn some extra money.

Please contact Shauna Ferguson at shaunamferguson@ gmail.com or 214.697.6029 if you would like to offer your services. Thank you! No, we're not talking about ACC violations this time. It's Halloween and we have some really fun families putting up their scary decorations. Watch next month for more photos. Here are two to enjoy now as seen in the neighborhood!





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Night Out in the Park Christie Kimbell, Social Chairperson

Thanks to all who participated in our Neighbor Night Out event in the park October 6th. Although this was during the two solid weeks we had of rain, we were lucky that the rain held off for one evening and enabled us to have a great time visiting with everyone.

Special thanks to all the block captains who set up fun tables for the kids to do some advance trick or treating! Food was good and the entertainment was great. Please see the photos for more fun.





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Hello Woodland Hills Homeowners:

I found this article by Neil Sperry, an authority on landscaping in the Texas area. He makes the following ten suggestions in his article "Ten Things To Do Soon" on his website, www.neilsperry. com. I thought they were wonderful tips for all homeowners at Woodland Hills. There are plenty of options and opportunities for gardeners this time of year. Here, as a quick checklist, are some of the most critical.

- Dig and divide spring-flowering perennials, including violets, oxalis, iris, daylilies, Shasta daises, coneflowers and hardy amaryllis.
- Plant cool-season annuals, such as pansies, pinks, snapdragons, ornamental cabbage and kale, and others.
- Keep mowing right up until frost. Letting grass grow taller does not increase its winter durability. Tall grass actually becomes weak grass.
- Keep fallen leaves off your lawn. They compact, trapping moisture underneath. Turf diseases love those conditions. Either bag or rake them. Use them in the compost pile. Do not send them to the landfill.
- Remove dead or damaged branches from trees before the trees lose their leaves. That way you can distinguish them from healthy limbs.

- Apply glyphosate herbicide to lawn areas where you want to develop a new garden plot late this winter. You must spray before grass and weeds go dormant for winter, or you'll have to wait until April.
- Root-prune established trees and shrubs you intend to transplant this winter. Cut around the plant at the location where the final digging will be done. The severed roots will send out new roots, and they will hold the soil ball together more firmly.
- Clean and oil hand tools when you have finished using them for the season. Take power equipment in for repairs.
- Prepare houseplants for move indoors for the winter. Gradually acclimate them to darker conditions by cutting back on the water and nutrition you give them.
- Buy quality bulbs from independent retail garden centers where you can talk to the experts. Remember that tulips and Dutch hyacinths must be given artificial "chilling." Put them into the vegetable bin of your refrigerator for at least 45 days at 45 degrees. Daffodils and grape hyacinths can be planted as soon as you buy them.

Please check out Neil Sperry's website for more wonderful tips on landscaping in the tricky climate of Texas.

Have a wonderful day! *Amy Edwards*, Senior Property Manager



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New Cell Phone Law

"I'll Have to Call You Back; I'm in a School Zone."

THE LAST SESSION OF THE TEXAS LEGISLATURE PASSED A NEW LAW MAKING IT ILLEGAL TO USE YOUR CELL PHONE IN A SCHOOL ZONE. THE EXCEPTIONS ARE:

- if you are using a hands free device
- if your vehicle is stopped
- if you are calling 911 for an emergency.

The law took effect September 1, 2009. Soon you can expect to see new signage in school zones reminding drivers to hang up or face a fine of up to \$200.



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