

# THE PRESERVE NEWS

QUARTERLY PUBLICATION



## Welcome

*Karisa Adams - Newsletter Editor*

Happy Holidays from the Newsletter Committee! I would like to extend a warm welcome to Susan McIntosh, the newest member of the Newsletter Committee! I am also happy to announce that not only is the newsletter committee benefiting from new volunteers, but many of our other committees are as well! Robyn Brumfield volunteered to head up the newly formed social committee and Karen Nygaard is the new chairperson for the Pool Committee. Having active committees is vital to keep our neighborhood connected and a fun place to live. Please see pages 1-3 for more information on upcoming social events and on committees that are still in-active due to a lack of volunteers.

## Committee Corner

*Gary & Cheryl Christopherson: Co-Chairs*

### Landscaping:

We would like to congratulate the Yard of the Month winners for October. These three winners were chosen with a fall harvest theme in mind, along with a well-maintained lawn. Congratulations to:

### Congratulations to our Yard of the Month Winners!

	The Trails:	4500 Cattail Lane
<b>Oct:</b>	The Meadows/Glen:	6510 Daisy Drive
	New Phase:	6803 Smoketree

*Each winner received a gift from the Landscape Committee (purchased from The Garden Gate on the square) along with a \$50 gift card from Four Seasons Nursery. And, of course, the coveted yard sign.*

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The demographics of The Preserve are changing. The new, un-named, phases have well over 100 homes and still growing. Because of these demographic changes, it has become necessary to combine The Meadows and The Glen into one area for Yard-of-the-Month judging.

The next, and final, awards for this year will be for Christmas Lighting. These selections, which are made strictly on curb appeal, will be made in mid December. Each of the three winners will be awarded a \$50 gift card from our sponsor, Four Seasons Nursery.

Beginning in January, Gary and Cheryl Christopherson, who have co-chaired the committee for the last four years, will be stepping down from the position. Current Landscape members, Laura Kelson and Diane Foley, will be taking over as co-chairs at that time. We are confident they will do a fantastic job for The Preserve at Pecan Creek.

Gary and Cheryl wish to thank all those who have participated in any way with the Landscape beautification of The Preserve at Pecan Creek. Together, we've made some lasting enhancements to the natural beauty of our Preserve community.

## Committee Corner – Cont'd

### Social:

*Robyn Brumfield: Chairperson*

The Social Committee is slowly getting back on its feet and needs all the support from our community. If you are interested in volunteering to help out at one or more events next year, please contact Robyn Brumfield. In order to ensure successful events, we are actively seeking sponsorships/ donations for next year's events. Our budget is minimal, so if you are able to assist us in providing fun & meaningful events for everyone please contact Robyn Brumfield.

At our meeting in October, a very extensive list of ideas was brought to the table (i.e. Bingo Night, Game Night, Casino Night, Aerobics classes, Craft Fair, etc.). If you are interested in joining any of the following groups, please contact Robyn Brumfield at [robyn.brumfield@gmail.com](mailto:robyn.brumfield@gmail.com):

- ❑ Scrapbooking Club
- ❑ 45+ Group
- ❑ Running or Walking Club

Our goal is to establish a calendar of events so that everyone is kept up to date on what is going on. If you have any suggestions we'd love to hear them! Please view the neighborhood events on page 3 for details on two events coming up this December!

### Committee Update:

*Karisa Adams - Newsletter Editor*

We have had many residents recently volunteer for committees in the last few months. As you've noticed from fliers and emails, our social committee is finally on the way of being revamped as well as some of our other committees too! This is fabulous and exciting news and we hope this trend continues! In order for our committees to be successful, we still need residents to volunteer. In most newsletters I highlight each committee, but this time I am going to highlight the committees that have little to no volunteers. Please take a moment to read through them and see the sign-up form included in this newsletter.

### Pool:

The Pool/Amenity Center Committee is charged with monitoring and maintaining this area so that all shared facilities are clean, safe and fully operational for our residents to enjoy.

#### Update from the pool committee:

Introducing our new Pool Committee Chairperson, Karen Nygaard; Karen and her husband Gene have lived in The Preserve since June of 2005. She is retired and served on the pool committee previously in 2008. Her husband Gene will also serve on the committee if he is not working for Small Business Administration Disaster Relief.

She is looking forward to the future plans and with the new social committee, possibly future activities at the pool & amenity center. In order for this committee to be successful, they need additional volunteers. Karen would love to have volunteers to represent the different areas of the neighborhood. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Karen at [eanygaard@aol.com](mailto:eanygaard@aol.com).

### Architectural Review Committee

**(ARC):** *There are currently no volunteers for this committee.*

The ARC committee reviews all requests for home improvements that homeowners must complete and be approved before proceeding with a project. The ARC makes recommendations to the ACC (Architectural Control Committee, the Declarant) for final approval. Examples include: pools, gazebos, fences, trellises, pergolas, retaining walls, window awnings, flower bed borders, recreational equipment replacement of roof if material/color will change, sunrooms, porches, patios (including patio slab extensions), and covered patio structures.

**Neighborhood Watch:** *There are currently no volunteers for this committee.*

The Safety Committee organizes a neighborhood crime watch and works with the local police dept to deter crime and communicate safety concerns. They also work with homeowners to and communicate any other safety concerns.

## Committee Corner – Cont'd

### Advisory:

The Advisory Committee's goal is to prepare residents for the future transition of the HOA from the Developer to the Homeowners. The Board elected 2 residents: Gary Christopherson & Tom Macauley. **There are 3 positions still open**; please see application form on pg. 5. We would like volunteers to represent all the different areas of the neighborhood.

*No other updates were submitted from the Advisory Committee for this quarter.*

**Please help our community stay active in all areas of the Committees to make The Preserve a fun, safe & active place to live! If you are interested in joining any of the committee(s), please see the sign-up form included in the newsletter and also recently mailed to residents.**

## Upcoming Events

### Neighborhood Upcoming Events:

Interested in participating, planning or enjoying events for our neighborhood? The Social Committee is in need of volunteers. If interested, please see the sign-up form included in the newsletter.

**12/3 6:30p:** DCTA Neighborhood Forum to discuss noise mitigation measures that directly affect our neighborhood. Meeting at the amenity center.  
[www.raildcta.net](http://www.raildcta.net)

**12/6 10a:** Winter Carnival hosted by our newly formed Social Committee. Free food & events at the amenity center.

**12/13 2p:** Neighborhood Meet & Greet hosted by our newly formed Social Committee at the amenity center. Bring an appetizer, dessert &/or non-alcoholic beverage to share. Children Welcome.

**Dec:** Holiday Lighting Contest

## Holiday Area Events:

*Susan McIntosh - Newsletter Committee*

### Fun and Free

[Denton Holiday Lighting](#) - Here in our own backyard. Festivities begin at 5:30 p.m. For more info: [www.cityofdenton.com](http://www.cityofdenton.com) (click on Enjoying Denton, Festivals and Events, Holiday Lighting)

[Synchronized music lighted displays](#) - Corinth -. [www.wonderlandchristmas.com](http://www.wonderlandchristmas.com). At the block of 2800 Warwick and [www.whetstonelights.com](http://www.whetstonelights.com) at 2704 Whetstone. These are 2 displays you won't want to miss!

[Fair Park, Dallas](#) - December 13 & 14 - There will be hay rides, crafts, games, movies in the Cotton Bowl and more - even a sledding hill on the 14<sup>th</sup>. All museums are open and free.

[Gaylord Texas Resort](#) - Grapevine - Strung with thousands of lights, the Gaylord is ready for Christmas. There are train displays, a life-size gingerbread house, and an opportunity for pictures with Santa.

[Interlochen Lighting Display](#) - Arlington - Mid-December; amazing collection of decorated homes  
[www.ci.arlington.tx.us](http://www.ci.arlington.tx.us)

[Highland Park Lights](#) - Nov 27 - Dec 31 - Twenty-one blocks of lavish holiday lights and displays. The "entrance" is at Armstrong Parkway and Preston Road.

### Cheap Things to Do

[Farmer's Branch Holiday Tour of Lights](#) - December 2-31 - Drive through lights display starting at I-35 and Valley View. They ask for a donation. For more info: 972-919-2620

[Prairie Lights](#) - Grand Prairie - Thanksgiving night Through December 31 - \$15/car Mon-Thu; \$20/car Fri-Sun; drive through display with a Christmas Village where you can ride the free carousel, buy gifts, have a snack.  
[www.prairielight.org](http://www.prairielight.org)

## Upcoming Events – Cont'd

### For a Bit More Money

ICE! – Gaylord Texan Resort, Grapevine – Nov 14–Jan 3, Fantastic display of ice creations carved from 2 million pounds of ice – includes a 3–story slide, a nativity, and a life–size Santa. Priced from \$20/adult, \$10/ children 4–12, Free under 3

Trans Siberian Orchestra – American Airlines Center – January 3; Tickets \$39.50 and \$49.50

The Night Before Christmas Ballet – Dallas Metropolitan Ballet, December 13 & 14, Tickets \$10–\$40 [www.dallasmetroballet.com](http://www.dallasmetroballet.com)

A Gift For Emma – UNT Ballet – Dec. 5,6,7 – UNT Lyric Theater in Murchison Performing Arts Center – contemporary ballet performance, tickets \$12 and \$15

The Festival Ballet – Nutcracker Ballet – Dec 13–14 at Margo Jones Auditorium on the TWU Campus. [www.festivalballet.net](http://www.festivalballet.net)

### Pricey and Amazing Things to Do

Starlight Flight at Addison Airport – Christmas light tours from the air. 30 and 60 minute flights from \$180. [www.starlightflight.com](http://www.starlightflight.com)

Highland Park Christmas Tours – See the lights by carriage. From \$160/carriage. [www.vintagecarriage.net](http://www.vintagecarriage.net)

## City of Denton Senior Center News:

*Susan McIntosh – Newsletter Committee*

Looking for something to do this winter? The Denton Senior Center has lots of activities to choose from – most for free or very, very cheap. Some examples:

- ❑ Learn to play an instrument
- ❑ Sing in a chorus
- ❑ Attend a dance (no partner needed!)
- ❑ Play bridge

- ❑ Use their wood working shop
- ❑ Take a class
- ❑ Square dance
- ❑ Enroll in a fitness class

Take one of their trips – In December they're going to see the lights at Interlochen and the Gaylord Lone Star Christmas; January they'll be going to the Omni Theater and Cowgirl Museum and Winstar Casino; February features a trip to the American Airlines Museum and Medieval Times Dinner Theater.

For more information: [www.cityofdenton.com](http://www.cityofdenton.com) – Click on For Residents, Parks & Recreation, Denton Senior Center

## Other City of Denton Events:

*Karisa Adams – Newsletter Editor*

**01/10, 03/14 8a–12p:** Computer Recycling Event Held at The Cupboard Natural Food Store. Any computer equipment accepted. Onsite data destruction available. For more info, visit: [www.computercrusher.com/locations.aspx](http://www.computercrusher.com/locations.aspx)



For more info on local events, check out [www.cityofdenton.com](http://www.cityofdenton.com) or [www.dentonlive.com](http://www.dentonlive.com).

All events featured in our newsletter will be added to our new events calendar on our website: [www.thepreserveatpecanecreek.com](http://www.thepreserveatpecanecreek.com)

*The Preserve at Pecan Creek Homeowners Association, Inc.*  
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**COMMITTEE SIGN-UP**

If you would like to join one or more committee(s), please fill out the information below and return to Susan Garrett or Sybil Swan at Lone Star Association Management.

**SOCIAL COMMITTEE**

- Coordinate and Organize activities and efforts that build neighborhood relationships, unity and participation.
- Solicit materials, coupons, certificates, etc. from local businesses for social events.
- Communicate with newsletter committee to get pertinent information in upcoming newsletter/directory.

**NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE**

- Responsible for putting the HOA newsletter together.
- Coordinate with block captains and committee chairs regarding information to be included in the newsletter.
- Coordinate directory information, compile and submit to Lone Star Association Management for approval and publication.

**LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE**

- Implement Yard of the Month program.
- Implement various block events (i.e. holiday decorating contests).
- Advise Lone Star of any HOA compliance concerns.

**POOL COMMITTEE**

- Assist with monitoring of pool rules.
- Work with Lone Star to schedule pool parties/activities.
- Communicate and work with the Advisory Committee and Lone Star to provide timely and effective notice to homeowners on information regarding the pool.

**CRIME WATCH/BLOCK CAPTAINS**

- Serve as the neighborhood representative for the homes in your immediate area.
- Work with the neighbors in your area to be aware of any crime watch/safety matters and report any concerns to the HOA/Local Authorities.
- Serve as the liaison between your block and the HOA.
- Organize the annual “National Night Out “ event and other crime watch events.
- Assist HOA in its efforts to communicate information to all homeowners.

**I WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER FOR THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEE(S) AT THE PRESERVE AT PECAN CREEK ESTATES:**

**\_\_\_ SOCIAL \_\_\_ NEWSLETTER \_\_\_ LANDSCAPE \_\_\_ POOL \_\_\_ CRIME WATCH/ SAFETY**

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**HM:** \_\_\_\_\_ **PH:** \_\_\_\_\_ **OTHER PH:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-MAIL ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_



**The Preserve at Pecan Creek**  
HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.  
ADVISORY COMMITTEE APPLICATION

**Open Positions: Secretary, Social Chairperson**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PH: \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

**BRIEF PERSONAL HISTORY: (family members, interests, education, etc.)**

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**PERTINENT EXPERIENCE QUALIFICATIONS: (employment history, prior experience in a Homeowners Association, Committee or Board of Directors, etc.)**

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**DESIRE/REASON FOR SERVING ON THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE: (interest in neighborhood, improvements, visions for the community)**

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\_\_\_\_\_

**ARE THERE ANY COMMITMENTS THAT WILL DETER YOU FROM SERVING ON THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE? (travel, employment, etc.) The Advisory Committee will meet quarterly.**

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\_\_\_\_\_

Please complete this form and mail, fax or email to Susan Garrett or Michelle Rose at Lone Star Association Management.



## Neighborhood Happenings

Karisa Adams - Newsletter Editor

### Neighborhood Speeding

Just a friendly reminder to please be mindful of the speed limits in the neighborhood. At the recent HOA Meeting residents brought up speeding on Lakeview Blvd and other residential streets as a concern. In response to this concern, a speed trailer was placed on Lakeview for two weeks to help alert drivers if they were speeding. While the speed trailer was in our neighborhood, it unfortunately fell victim to vandalism and the City promptly removed it.

Another note that was brought up was the lack of an official school zone in our neighborhood. The City responded stating "School zones are installed where there are established crossings. A recent meeting involving the Streets Department, the Police Department and the DISD reached consensus that until a crossing is installed to promote safe pedestrian access by students a school zone will not be installed."

Although we do not have an official school zone and no longer have the use of the speed trailer to alert drivers to their speed, next time you are driving through the neighborhood, please be mindful of the speed limits.

## Neighborhood Bulletin Board

**Tupperware for the Holidays!**

Show someone you really care, with a gift of Tupperware!

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[www.mytupperware.com/rhollo](http://www.mytupperware.com/rhollo)



**Need a way to get rid of old magazines?** Laura Kelson is collecting magazines to send to her oldest son LCPL Tim D. Keele, who is in his 2nd deployment to Iraq. You can drop them off at 3604 Desert Willow or email her at [lbchevybeast@aol.com](mailto:lbchevybeast@aol.com) to arrange for a pick-up.



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## Email Mailing List



Thanks to everyone who has joined our Email Mailing List. Currently there are about 146 email addresses that have been receiving periodic emails

regarding our community. The Email Mailing List is our way to share any community news, neighborhood events, &/or updates that occur between our quarterly newsletters. **If you haven't joined yet, sign up today!!** You must request to be added to this mailing list. To do so, just send your email address along with your name/address to [pecanecreek@gmail.com](mailto:pecanecreek@gmail.com). Subject: Mailing List. *Your information will not be sold and will be used for the sole purpose of sharing community news.*

## Neighbor Announcements



*If you have an announcement or neighborhood bulletin you would like considered for the Spring edition of The Preserve News, please send an email to [pecanecreek@gmail.com](mailto:pecanecreek@gmail.com). Deadline is 02/15/09.*

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## HOA/Developer Updates

*Karisa Adams - Newsletter Editor*

The Annual HOA Meeting was held on 9/11/08. Our HOA Manager, Susan Garrett advised she is working on putting some notes together for those who could not attend. The official notes cannot be posted until they are approved at the 2009 Annual Meeting.

*The Developer and HOA did not submit any other updates for the Winter edition of the newsletter.*

**Developer:** Forestar Real Estate Group[www.forestargroup.com](http://www.forestargroup.com)**HOA:** Lone Star Association Management[www.lonestarmangement.com](http://www.lonestarmangement.com)

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