The Heather Ridge Herald

Heather Ridge Estates Homeowners Association, Richardson, TX

Quarterly Newsletter

www.heatherridgeestates.org

September 2011

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- National Night Out: Tuesday, October 4, 2011
- Fall Party: Casino Night! Saturday, November 12, 2011
- Breakfast with Santa: Saturday, December 10, 2011
- Holiday Carriage Rides: Sunday, December 11, 2011

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CASINO NIGHT Fall Party!

This year, the HOA is hosting two parties for the neighborhood, a spring family celebration at Breckinridge Park and a fall party. We hope you can come join us at the Heather Ridge Estates Fall Party for HRE adult residents on Saturday evening, November 12, 2011. The theme will be "Casino Night!" and we will have live music entertainment, Las Vegas style fun, hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar.

The party will be held at the Firewheel Country Club's Pavilion in Garland overlooking the beautiful lakes and golf course.

For music, we will have Greg Luce with guitar and keyboard who will take requests from the audience. For entertainment, there will be casino tables with blackjack, roulette, and craps.

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A Word from your HOA Board President

Dear Neighbors,

I hope this issue of the Heather Ridge Herald finds your household in anticipation of cooler weather and looking forward to the fall season. There are many positive changes and events heading our way within our community. Here are a few of the highlights:

Throughout 2011, the Homeowners Association (HOA) board has been committed to enhancing and maintaining open lines of communication for our residents via our Communications Committee. In April, we released the 2011-2012 HRE (Heather Ridge Estates) Information Directory which contains general information regarding community and a listing of HOA members with their contact information. I would like thank Jeanette Acuff, Directory Representative, and team for their contributions in making this possible. We are planning on issuing new releases of the directory every other year going forward. This month, we resurrected the Heather Ridge Herald, our community newsletter, which we plan on issuing on a quarterly basis – each September, December, March

and June. I would like to recognize Greta Peavy for taking on this responsibility and making it a reality.

During the fall, we will be working with Steve Enty, HOA Webmaster, in order to update information on the HOA website and aggressively promote the website's use within our community. I would also like to recognize Steve for his continued service and dedication to our community.

Beginning in 2012, in the theme of enhancing communications between the board and our members, I would also like to announce our plans to conduct all quarterly HOA board meetings in a setting that is open for all adult HRE residents to attend.

The HOA board has also been working closely with our Social Committee to facilitate interaction among HRE homeowners through a variety of planned social events designed to appeal to a wide cross-section of HRE members. The intended result is improved neighborhood camaraderie, fellowship, and sense of community. Therefore, I would not only encourage your household to attend HRE events, but also plan on donating some of

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Join your neighbors for the CAJINO NIGHT Fall Party!

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Please RSVP directly to Mary Lou Wheeler (see info below).

Come enjoy, mingle and get to know your neighbors!

The details:

Fall Casino Party

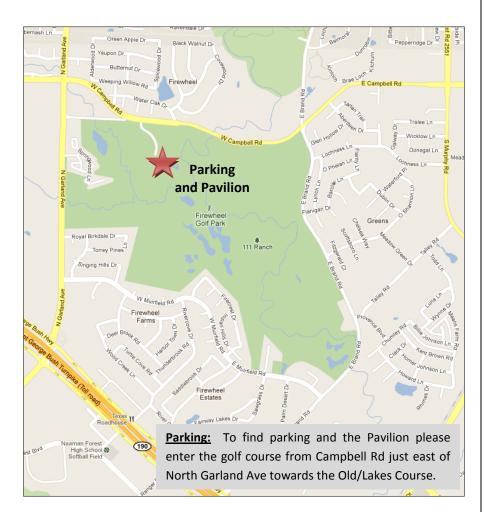
Saturday, November 12th, 2011 Doors open: 6:30 pm Gaming begins: 7:00 pm

Firewheel Country Club's Pavilion 600 Campbell Rd Garland, Texas

Gaming Tables, Live Music, Hors d'oeuvres, Cash Bar

Please RSVP by October 14, 2011 to Mary Lou Wheeler at 972-680-3175

or gnmwheel@sbcglobal.net



Welcome to the neighborhood!

The following families have joined the Heather Ridge Estates community during 2011:

- The Johnsons on Edge View Ct
- The Baricos & Millerons on Copper Mountain Ln
- The Dartes & Chiavolinis on Appleridge Dr
- The Mustafas & Shahabs on Millwood Dr
- The Lindseys on Glenheather Dr
- The Waffords on Copper Mountain Ln

Please join us in welcoming our new neighbors to the Heather Ridge Estates Community!

A Word from your HOA Board President

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your time and talents to our community in the upcoming year. Even if you are unable to volunteer as a committee member, please consider volunteering your household to assist with one of the community events. It would be greatly appreciated by the community and hopefully prove to be a rewarding experience for your family. A listing of upcoming 2011 HRE social events and respective event coordinators has been noted within this newsletter.

Although this letter primarily highlights a few of the ongoing HOA initiatives specifically pertaining to the HRE Communications and Social committees, I plan on highlighting other initiatives and activities regarding the other HRE committees in future releases of the Heather Ridge Herald. In conclusion, I am very proud of our neighborhood association and I am looking forward to our continued growth together as a community

Regards, Chuck Migl, HOA Board President

Upcoming HOA Events for 2011

❖ National Night Out

Date: Tuesday, October 4, 2011 Location: Northridge Dr

What is it: Annual national crime awareness campaign. Event will include bounce houses, snow cones, pizza and

cookies

Event Coordinator: Harry Harrier

❖ Fall Casino Party

Date: Saturday, November 12, 2011 Location: Firewheel Golf Course Pavilion

What is it: This year's fall party is for HRE adult residents.

(see Page 2 for more details)

Event Coordinator: Mary Lou Wheeler

Breakfast with Santa

Date: Saturday, December 10, 2011

Location: 2701 Arbor Ct (home of Mary Beth Tiemeyer and

Harry Harrier)

What is it: Annual opportunity for the kids to get a picture with Santa and families to mingle with other neighbors.

Event Coordinator: Harry Harrier

Holiday Carriage Rides

Date: Sunday, December 11, 2011

Location: TBA

What is it: Horse and carriage rides through the neighborhood for young and old alike and an opportunity

to vote for your favorite holiday display. *Event Coordinator:* Robert Hodges

HOA Committee Overview; Nominations for 2012 held in September

Below is a brief description of each of the HOA Committees. Nominations for new committee members will be held until **September 15** and new members will officially begin in their posts on January 1, 2012. Please visit the HOA website for more details on each committee. To nominate an HOA member or yourself for a committee please submit your nomination via e-mail to Robin Reisfield (reisfieldfamily@hotmail.com), HOA Secretary by September 15, 2011.

Architectural Control Committee

Consists of 3-5 members that review all requests for changes to existing homes. It ensures that any changes are in keeping with HOA guidelines.

Communications Committee

Handles communications items such as the directory, newsletter and the HRE website.

Governmental Affairs Committee

Interfaces between HRE and local government entities. Works to raise community awareness and advise residents and the Board on issues such as traffic management, zoning, school districts and construction, adjacent developments, County Commission actions and representation.

Landscape Committee

Manages common area landscape development and usually consists of 2-3 members.

Safety Committee

Community's liaison to the City of Richardson Crime Watch Program and provide crime and safety reports to the Block Captains. Block Captain coordinators recruit Block Captains to represent each area in the HRE neighborhood. They are also responsible for distribution of neighborhood directories and Crime Watch notification.

Social Committee

Organizes any neighborhood events throughout the year including the Spring Fling, Fall Party and National Night Out.

2011 Committee Members

Architectural Control Committee

(Board liaison Don Wilson, Member-at-large)

• Chair: Mary Beth Tiemeyer

Communications Committee

(Board liaison Robin Reisfield, Secretary)

- HOA Directory, Jeanette Acuff
- Website, Steve Enty
- Newsletter, Greta Peavy

Governmental Affairs Committee

(Board liaison Chuck Migl, President)

Landscape Committee

(Board liaison James Hammock, Treasurer)

- Chair: Harry Harrier
- Yard of the Month, Bill Shomette

Safety Committee

(Board liaison Robin Reisfield, Secretary)

- Co-chairs: Stacy Schreiner & Jeanette Acuff
- National Night Out, Coord: Harry Harrier

Social Committee

(Board liaison Kyle Peavy, Vice-President)

- Spring Fling, Coordinator: Lori Downey
- Fall Party, Coord: Mary Lou Wheeler
- Carriage Rides, Coord: Robert Hodges
- Breakfast with Santa, Coord: Harry Harrier

The HRE Board is always looking for new ideas! Please make your nominations by September 15th!

Tips for Getting Started on the HOA Website

Please visit the HRE HOA website for the latest news and information about our community and to connect with your neighbors on-line. Below are a few quick tips to help you get started:

Step 1: Go to www.heatherridgeestates.org

Step 2: Log In

For privacy protection, you must log in to the website before you see the bulk of the content. Your login is your address. Please read the directions carefully.

Step 3: Review website content

Once logged in, here are just a few of the useful items available:

- News (posted by webmaster by request)
- Calendar of upcoming events
- Documents
 - Architecture request forms
 - Bylaws, covenants, etc.
 - o Plat maps of the entire neighborhood
 - Newsletter archive

- **Pet Registry** (with pictures to help return lost animals back home)
 - Community Discussion Groups
 - o members can post on the discussion board
 - this is very useful if you want to get information out to ALL your neighbors quickly

Step 4: Update or modify your personal profile

Under the "My Profile" section you can do the following:

- update your personal email address
- control how much information you share with other members on the website
- control when you get an email notifying you of an update on the website

Please contact Webmaster Steve Enty (webmaster@heatherridgeestates.org) with any questions.

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Management of the Home Owners Association is the responsibility of the Board of Directors. Board members are elected by homeowners according to the Bylaws and Covenants for a two-year term.

Utilities & Public Services

Atmos Energy Natural Gas (formally TXU Gas)

1-800-460-3030 www.atmosenergy.com

City of Richardson

(Main City Hotline) 972 -744-4100 www.cor.net

City of Richardson Solid Waste Services

Request for Special Collections: 972-744-4400 24- Hour response line: 972-744-4111

City of Richardson Water

972-238-4096 www.cor.net/utilities/information.html

ONCOR Electric Service

(Power Outages) 1-888-313-4747 www.oncor.com

Texas Electric Choice

1-866-PWR-4-TEX www.powertochoose.org