

The Park at Quail Creek, HOA



March 2008

Community Newsletter



The **Recycling Center** has been built and is located in front of the Recreation Center within the brick walls. The recycling containers have been delivered as well. There are two containers for each of the following: glass, plastic, aluminum/tin and mixed paper such as grocery bags (paper), newspapers, etc. If you are new to recycling one way to become familiarized with what you recycled is to look at each item to see if it has the recycle symbol on it (its usually very small) before putting into your trash bin. Keep an extra bag or bin next to your trash can to place your recyclable items into and when you fill up take your recyclables with you the next time you head out of the property just pull into the parking area by the recycling center unload and go! We hope that eventually we will be able to go from two trash collection days per week to one. This will save the association money as well as help out the environment.



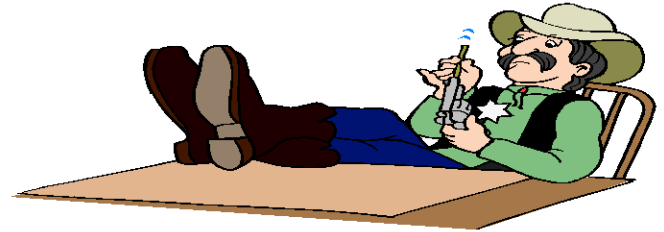
Reminders Based on Complaints/ Violations

Trash Cans: Trash Cans should not be out in th common area or in public view EXCEPT for trash collection days which are Mondays and Fridays. Several complaints have been received as well as noted on drives through the property.

Bags of Trash: Please use a receptacle to put your trash into instead of a bag. Animals (possum, raccons, cats, dogs, etc.) are tearing the bags open and creating a mess. Your neighbors will greatly appreciate this.

Pet Waste: Also, if you are leaving a small waste can outside as a receptacle to dispose of your pets waste bags , this is against policy as well. Instead, please use an empty terracota flower pot or the like to make these deposits into.

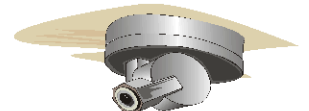
The pool will open for the season Monday, March 10th (weather pending). Please refresh yourself & your kids with the pool rules. You can view these rules by going to www.pqchoa.com/PoliciesProcedures.htm. A copy will also be posted in the bulletin board by the front doors of the



Letter to the City Regarding Crime

The December newsletter mentioned that the association was going to prepare a letter to certain City officials regarding the transients that are allowed to live around the Park as well as other related crimes. The letter was prepared and sent to the City Manager, the Mayor, the Austin Police Chief and the the APD area Commander on behalf of all residents of the Park at Quail Creek by the association. Said letter stated the multitude of issues that are going on here, what the association has done to help (i.e. lighting, fencing, barb wire, cameras, etc.) and that if things did not change then the letter would be sent to each owner for their signature. The area commander was out within a few days of receiving said letter. More random patrols have been noticed. The area commander did state that it is not illegal to be homeless; that statement was acknowledged and replied with we are aware of that however, when the transients are trespassing on this property and committing crimes that is a serious issues. It was also pointed out the amount of litter the transients camps create and that if we were to litter we would be ticketed for a hefty fine or worse. The area commander for the park is Mario Martinez. Officer Martinez stated that if anyone wanted or needed to contact him that he could be reached at 512.974.5481 or by email at mario.martinez@ci.austin.tx.us. Officer Martinez also stated that they have been working to move the transients out of the immediate area. He also provided the necessary paperwork for the Park to apply for a CTW (criminal trespassing warrant). Officer Martinez said that his office has been working wih Code Enforcement to have the owner of the wooden fence one the East side replaced (the area just north of Covey Ridge and to southern most end of Quail Village).

Since the cameras and signage were installed in October, the amount of reported crimes to the on-site office has dropped to zero with the exception of a targeted vandalism act to an owners property (they know who perpetrated the act).





It was business as usual at the **February Board of Directors Meeting**. The Board approved a bid to make the necessary repairs to the North perimeter wooden fence as well as to add a chain link fence the length of it because there are several very aggressive dogs behind there that often knock boards loose. Should the dogs succeed, they won't be able to get through the chain link fence. *This is the only wooden perimeter fence on property that the association owns and therefore is responsible to maintain.*

Bids were obtained to see what it would cost to make the area West of the creek a fenced in dog run/park. Many discussions have been had over the years of what to do with that land. A park area had been suggested but with that area being so far out of sight and the traffic and the elements of the surrounding neighborhoods it wasn't thought to be safe for such use. At this time, this is just an idea and would have to be budgeted for 2009 if it were to be approved.



For the Mary Kay cosmetics representative here in the Park, please call Dee Slager at 834-9216.



To ensure that your heating and cooling system is operating correctly for the season, call **Dee's AC & Heating Service** at **310-0588** for a 14-Point check up procedure for only \$29.95



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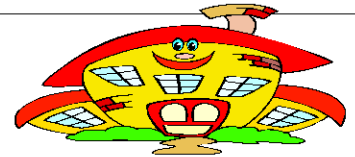
Repairs, Upgrades, Networks, Virus & Spyware Removal
Park residents will receive \$10.00 off the 1st hour of service.



March Calendar of Events

- 9th: Daylight Savings Begins- Spring Forward 1 Hour
- 10th: Office Closed
- 12th: The Pool Opens for the Season (weather pending)
- 14th: Friday, the on-site office will be closed
- 17th: (A) Last day to pay monthly assessment w/out incurring late fees (the on-site drop box is affixed to the brick wall of the Recycling Center). (B) The on-site will be closed
- 18th: Board of Directors Meeting- 7pm
- 21st: Good Friday (Happy Easter), the on-site office will be closed

Welcome New Residents!



We invite you to log onto the Park's website to familiarize yourself with the community at www.pqchoa.com. You will find the association's governing documents, ACC Request Forms, Newsletters, Insurance Certificates, etc. One of the best ways to ease into community living is to review the association's policies & procedures.



Weekly Trash Collection

TDS collects trash twice weekly, Mondays & Friday's. We encourage the use of waste bins versus just a bag as animals may tear open the bag(s). Trash receptacles may not be placed in the common area before dusk the night before collection and must be out public view the same day as collection. If you have an extra large load (i.e. furniture, etc.), please call TDS directly at 421-1360 to arrange this but do not store out in public view the day it is to be collected.

On-Site Office Information

Office Hours are Mon. - Fri. 9 am to 1pm
Phone 836-1383, Fax 836-1550

Website: parkhoa@swbell.net

E-mail: parkhoa@swbell.net or hollys@allianceonline.net

To report an after hours common area maintenance emergency, please call 328-6100. For all other emergencies call 911.

