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New HOA Board of Directors Elected

The Greenways Homeowners Association is very fortunate this year to have a good number of Homeowners willing to serve on the Board of Directors.

HOA members elected three new Directors who have never served on the Board. This will bring new diversity to the Board and new perspectives to the issues that mean the

most to our Residents.

In addition to past Directors, Amy Hamilton, Kimberly Warminski, Charlotte Adams, Sonny Moore, and

Patricia Ward, members elected Bill Summerhill, Jim Worthington, and John Lyne to serve on the 2010 Board.



The new Board held their first meeting on February 15, 2010 to address issues such as security, HOA dues, parkway lighting, pet waste in the greenways, and the 2010 Budget.

2010 HOA Dues

In April, invoices for your 2010 Homeowners Dues will be mailed out. It is important that you promptly return your payment. If, for some reason, you do not receive your invoice, please let us know.

Homeowners dues are used to fund all of the activities of the HOA, including events such as the annual picnic, annual membership meeting, various committee activities, and the annual Christmas lighting. There are also administrative costs such as insurance, accounting fees, management costs, postage, and website maintenance. In addition, there are expenses associated with increased security activity, removal of pet waste from the greenways, and common area improvement.

Over the years, every effort has been made to keep our dues as low as possible. The Greenways HOA dues have always been very reasonable compared to other homeowners associations.

Please keep in mind that payment of your Homeowners dues is a personal obligation associated with Lot ownership. Dues must be paid in order to be a Member in Good Standing. Service on committees or the Board Directors requires you to be a Member in Good Standing.

Your obligation to pay your dues is laid out in the Master Declaration Section 3.7 which governs the Association. Please feel free to review the Master Declaration on our website at www.greenwayshomeowners.com under the Covenants and Restrictions section.

At the Board of Directors meeting in February, Board members voted to increase the annual HOA dues to \$39.00 per Lot. This decision was based largely on homeowners' requests for an increase in services, such as security patrols and better management of pet waste in our common areas.

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Trees Donations



In our last Newsletter, we inadvertently left out the following tree donors.

Fred & Susan Stormer

Wendell & Ednita Ridgway

Patricia Peters and Family—In Memory of William R. Peters

Thank you to all of our donors for helping improve our Park and Nature Area.

Volunteer Opportunities

There are many opportunities to serve on committees in The Greenways. If you are a Member in Good Standing and willing to give of your time, please consider serving on one of these committees:

Neighborhood Watch Committee

Easter Egg Hunt Committee

Garage Sale Committee

Christmas Light Judging Committee

Annual Picnic Committee

Please email us with your interest and we will put you in touch with the Chairperson of that committee.

We are always willing to take nominations for service on the Board of Directors. Feel free to submit your name for consideration. These names will be given to the Nominating Committee next Fall.

Neighborhood Watch Committee

The Neighborhood Watch Committee met on February 25, 2010. This committee will meet on the third Thursday of each month. The Committee will be appointing Block Captains to organize Block Parties. These Block Parties will serve to help Residents get better acquainted with their neighbors, and thus become more watchful for activities going on in their neighborhood.

As word gets out that neighbors are watching out for each other and becoming more aware of what is normal activity and what is suspicious activity, it is hoped the incidents of crime and/or vandalism will decrease.

The Committee encourages each Homeowner to be more aware of your surroundings and should you witness anything you feel is suspicious or out of the ordinary, please call the Amarillo Police Department's non-emergency number 378-3038. Of course, emergencies should be reported by calling 911.

If you are interested in becoming involved in the Neighborhood Watch activities, such as serving on the committee or having a Block Party, please contact committee Chairperson Annette Butler at annbutler88@att.net.

A Note About Security...

In January, the Board of Directors hired off-duty APD police officers to patrol The Greenways on two separate evenings. The results of these patrols were positive. Therefore, the Board has approved the hiring of these officers on an on and off basis to continue patrols. We believe these patrols will help decrease incidents of crime and/or vandalism in our neighborhood.

Please remind your teenagers of the City of Amarillo curfew from 12:01 am to 6:00 am daily. These officers will be on the lookout for violations of this curfew.

They will also be watching the Park area for inappropriate activities.

Greenways HOA Annual Garage Sale



The Annual Greenways Garage Sale is set for Saturday, June 5th. That gives you plenty of time to clean out your closets and garages putting aside all those items you want to put in your garage sale. The HOA will put out signs and handle the advertising.

**Amarillo
Police Dept.
Non-Emergency
Dispatch 378-3038**

**Emergency call 911
or 378-6146**

Trailers and RV's

By far, the most numerous violations against the Covenants & Restrictions involve trailers, campers, or RV's parked in streets or driveways. Over one-third of the total violations reported in the last six months have been trailers or RV's.

The Covenants & Restrictions (Article 2.9) clearly address this issue. No trailer, camper, or RV may be parked for storage where it can be seen. That includes streets, front yards, side yards, or back yards. **Temporarily parked** construction or remodeling trailers would be the only exception.

We understand that you may need to park your travel trailer or RV in your driveway or street in order to load or unload it for a trip. Please keep the safety of our streets in mind when you park your trailer in front of your home. We feel 72 hours is enough time for loading and unloading.

We ask your compliance with the Covenants & Restrictions. They were written for the benefit of all of our Residents.

Pick Up After Fido

In response to Homeowners complaints about owners not picking up their pet's waste in the parkways, the Board of Directors is considering securing the services of a professional pet waste removal company.

Please help out this messy situation by picking up your pet's waste and either depositing it in the doggie potty stations provided by the HOA or some other appropriate disposal.



April 15th–18th
April 22nd–25th
Thurs & Fri 5:30–8:00 pm
Saturday & Sunday 1–5:00 pm

The 2010 Parade of Homes is shaping up to be another great event this year.

Twelve homes out of the 33 total participating homes are in *The Greenways* this year.

The Greenways really is **the** place to live in Amarillo!

Be sure to get out and visit all of the Parade Homes, but particularly those in **our** neighborhood!

- 6004 Tuscany Village
- 6008 Tuscany Village
- 7405 Cobblestone Dr.
- 7407 Cobblestone Dr.
- 7409 Cobblestone Dr.
- 7415 Cobblestone Dr.
- 7610 Southwood Dr.
- 7812 Greenbriar Dr.
- 7904 Greenbriar Dr.
- 7907 Greenbriar Dr.
- 8005 Clearmeadow Dr.
- 8111 Pineridge Dr.

Bunco Anyone??

The Bunco Group meets the 1st Wednesday of every month 6:30pm. Anyone interested in playing Bunco, should contact Jessica Wallace by calling 367.6168 or via email jldyewallace@yahoo.com.

Mark Your Calendar

April 4	Easter
April 15	Tax Day
April 29-May 2	Parade of Homes
May 6-9	Parade of Homes
April 30	Deadline for Paying Homeowners Dues
May 9	Mother's Day
May 31	Memorial Day
June 5	Annual HOA Garage Sale
June 14	Flag Day
June 20	Father's Day

Canyon ISD Calendar

Apr. 2	School will be in session
Apr. 5-6	State Testing
Apr. 26-30	State Testing
May 21	School will be in session
May 28	Last Day of Classes

Replace Your Dead Trees

It's that time of year when we should take stock in our landscaping. Trees are blooming and our yards are coming alive again. If for some reason your trees do not bloom out, you may have a dead tree on your hands. Article 5 of the Covenant and Restrictions outline the homeowner's responsibility for maintaining their landscaping.

According to Article 5.6 Maintenance of Landscaping "Each Owner must comply with Landscape Requirements at the Owner's cost and expense." This includes, but is not limited to, replacing dead or damaged trees.

Any dead or damaged tree along the Street **must** be replaced with an approved live tree. The trees along the Street must be a minimum of 3" caliper and must be single trunk trees. A list of these approved trees is in your Covenants and Restrictions.. You may review the C & R's for your Unit on our website at www.greenwayshomeowners.com.



You may plant additional trees and other varieties of trees in other areas of your yard. If you have questions about the replacing your trees, please call the Greenways Sale Office at 467-1000.

The best time to plant a tree was 20 years ago.

The next best time is now.

—Chinese Proverb

Become familiar with your Covenants & Restrictions. You can get these on our website at www.greenwayshomeowners.com

Household Products Used For Self Defense

As a means of self-defense in life-threatening situations, homeowners have defended their families against home invaders using a variety of weapons.

Ordinary household products also work in self defense. Chemical fire extinguishers work great to disorient the intruder. Wasp spray can be more effective than mace or pepper spray because it can be dispersed up to 20 feet away. When sprayed in the face, it will deter the intruder from getting too close. Be prepared by keeping a can of wasp spray in the bedroom, in the car and/or near the door.

A few other tips include:

- Lock all doors once you are inside your home.
- Lock all vehicles. If the vehicle is parked outside, remove the garage door opener so it can't be used to gain entry to the home. Unplug garage door openers while on vacation.
- Be familiar with who belongs or does not belong in your neighborhood. If someone looks suspicious, call the police to have them checked out.
- Don't hire strangers to do yard work or "handy man" jobs in or around your home.

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