



Harvest Bend The
Meadow December 2008



Willbern Spirit Parade

After seven years of hard work and dedication from the entire Willbern family, the track has been completed! Come join us Thursday, December 11, 2008 at 4:30 pm for a parade and opening ceremony. Wear your spirit shirts; bring pom-poms, spirit pennants, stuffed whales, or any other spirit items to parade around the track. Hope to see you there!!

Condolences

We would like to send our condolences to Theresa Cruz and family for the loss of her son John. He passed away October 28, 2008. He will be greatly missed.

Homeowners Dues

Don't forget to save for your HOA dues. They are due on January 1, 2009.



Hayride and Santa in the Park

You and your children are invited to our annual Santa at the Park and Hayride Friday December 12, 2008. Join us at the pool from 6:30pm to 8:00pm for refreshments, to participate in the hayride and sing Christmas carols. Also, Santa Claus will be there so please remember to bring your cameras for a picture. Every year the hayride is a big hit! Also, parents must first come to the pool area to sign the "Release of Liability Agreement" before anyone will be allowed to join the hayride. Happy Holidays from: the Recreation Committee and the Board of Directors. See you Friday.



Christmas Concert

Metropolitan Baptist Church is presenting "Christmas Eve at The Met" on Wednesday evening December 24, 2008, at 6:00pm in the Worship Center. **No Tickets required, and the cost is Free.** For more information call 281-890-1900.



Annual Decorating Contest

Again this year we will have our Christmas decorating contest.

The judging will take place on December 12th. Let's decorate those yards and have fun doing it! We would like to recognize the winners by putting the pictures in the January Newsletter. For more information refer to the **NEW website** (With Homeowner's permission) as a friendly reminder **all decorations and lights must come down by January 10, 2009.**



Your Local Salvation Army

The Salvation Army of Northwest Houston, located at the corner of Windfern & Perry, is currently making preparations for this Christmas season. We need your help! We are presently in the midst of our Annual Christmas Toy Drive. We are in need of new, unwrapped toys for children ages newborn to 12 years. In past years, we have been able

to help over 900 children receive a toy for Christmas morning. This year, we anticipate that over 2,000 children in the Northwest Houston area will be signed up to receive a toy. When asked, many of the parents cited Hurricane Ike as the reason that they were signing up their children for a toy. There are many opportunities during the Christmas season for you to be involved in helping your neighbors in need. The Salvation Army is always looking for volunteers during this season. You can find out which opportunities are available. Contact The Salvation Army Northwest Corps directly at 832-200-4620. We are accepting new, unwrapped toys and cash or check at our Northwest facility. For more information come by our office at 12507 Windfern or call the number above. God Bless you.



Q: How will I access the new Harvest Bend The Meadow website? **A:** Once our domain name has been finalized you will be provided the website address. You will be able to put it in a "favorite" list or even make a "shortcut" icon on your desktop. **Q:** What information will be on the website? **A:** Refer

to the article **What's New in '09**.

Many Thanks!!

We would like to extend our gratitude to Mr. Bill Cholewin for cleaning our pool area after Hurricane Ike. We appreciate his speediness in getting it done. Thank you Mr. Bill!!



New Procedure for receiving Pool Tags Extra! Extra! Read all about it!

There is a **NEW** procedure for receiving our pool tags. In order to receive your pool tags **all homeowners must** mail their current tags to the management company with their Homeowners dues. Failing to do so will delay the access to the community pool.

Look what's New in '09

We are going electronic on January 1, 2009. Our newsletter will be posted on our new Harvest Bend, The Meadow website. We'll have more details soon. We will be able to post the following material in a download format. HBTM Articles of Incorporation, The By-Laws, and the Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions, ACC forms, Policy Statements, the Budget, Contacts, etc. In the meantime,

if you **do not** have internet access and need to continue to receive your Newsletter in hard copy, please call Patricia Ortiz at 832-660-0705. Be sure to give Patricia your full name, address and phone number.



Board Briefs

Board Meeting was held on November 11, 2008. **To report any crime (including but not limited to vandalism) – call 911. Or Precinct 4 Lakewood Constables Dispatch at 281-376-3472.**

Property Manager – Patricia Ortiz of TCM. Her direct line is 832-660-0705. The main number is 832-660-0700.

Committee Reports

ACC- Nancy Nichols and Paul Behrend – No ACC requests were processed.

Pool- Ms Beryl Faier – Pool closed for the year.

Communications Committee – Patty Hodges - The Communications Committee is selling advertizing space in the newsletter. A business card size ad is \$25/month and a double size ad is \$42.50/month.

Recreation Committee - Patty Hodges – Community Events include:

Hayride and Santa in the Park (Friday, December 12, 2008.)

Welcoming Committee – Patty Hodges, Sylvia Teague, and Stacy Pontius – Working on 2009 material.

Open Discussion

- Development of the Harvest Bend The Meadow website is in progress.
- The board approved to purchase two new sets of letters. (One small size and one large size) for use in our marquees.
- The financials and deed non-conformances were discussed and agreed to. Property liens have been filed on several homeowners who have not paid their 2008 maintenance fees.
- The board is evaluating our capital equipment replacement funds.
- Precinct 4 Crime Statistics for Reid Road Mud#1 were given.
- Fifteen (15) homeowners have not yet paid their 2008 maintenance fees. That is 5% of the homeowners here at HBTM. Unfortunately, non-payment by these homeowners directly affects your yearly maintenance fees.
- Hormoz Vassey has agreed to look into

what it will take to form a Neighborhood Watch Committee in our subdivision. He is looking for volunteers.

If interested contact Patricia Ortiz and she will forward the information to Hormoz.

- The audit for our 2007 records will be completed shortly.
- TCM is getting quotes to trim the trees in the pool area.
- Entrances to the subdivision will be decorated for Christmas at 2:00pm on Saturday November 29.