

Mother's Day

Harvest Bend The Meadow, May Edition



Yard of the Month

Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Alvin Swonke for a yard well kept.

Vandalism at Pool

At 7:37 p.m. on the evening of Saturday, March 29, 2008, two people spray-painted (tagged) the brick walls either side of the entrances to the pool. This activity was captured on surveillance cameras in the playground/pool area. We have filed a police report and have turned over to the precinct 4 (Lakewood Station) Constable's Office all the surveillance video as well as applicable photographs. The perpetrators are visible on the surveillance videos and each frame in the video is date and time stamped. The cost to remove the spray-painting will be approximately \$250. Vandalism increases the amount of money that we have to spend on repairs and cleanup. Money that could be spent on: services or reduced

dues. The surveillance videos show that many persons from the subdivision were in the playground on the evening of Saturday, March 29. If you have information about the person(s) who performed this vandalism, please contact Precinct 4 Constable's Office at 281-376-3472 and reference Case Number HC080041124. You can remain anonymous. The Board is offering a \$50 reward, after successful arrest and conviction of the perpetrator(s), to the first person who correctly identifies the person(s) who did the tagging.

Pool Opening and Pool Tags

The pool will be open on Saturday May 24, 2008. Pick up your pool tags as follows:

- Sunday, May 18 from 1:00 to 5:00 pm
- Wednesday, May 21 from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm
- If you miss these two dates, you will need to contact the management company to obtain pool tags.

To obtain a pool tag, the following process will be used:

1. You must be current on your 2008 (and previous years) maintenance fees.
2. Each pool tag issued requires a photograph. Bring your 2007 pool tags

- with you. After verifying that the maintenance fees are current, we'll apply a 2008 sticker.
3. Bring proof of residency in HBTM (i.e., drivers license, light bill, etc.).
 4. Owners and all family members requesting **new** pool tags shall be present so that photographs can be taken. Or, you can bring one 1" x 1" close up.
 5. If you need to get your pool tags from TCM, it will be necessary to a) contact TCM to obtain a form for completion, b) complete the form, and c) return the form to TCM with a current 1" x 1" close up photograph for each person for whom a tag is being requested. Enclose \$5.00 for each person for whom a tag is being requested. There is a maximum special handling fee of \$10.00 per family. TCM will confirm that your maintenance fees are current and will either forward the pool tags to you or forward your

information to the Pool Committee Chair who will contact you to give you your pool tag(s).



Attention Seniors

There will be an **organizational meeting on Saturday, May 17, 2008.** At the Reid Road Mud Building on Windfern, time 11 am. There will be "goodies" provided. Topics of discussion: meeting times and dates, trips, games, and other exciting activities. Come with your ideas and meet new people. Please contact Jerry and Wilma Maple at 281-469-5612 by Saturday, May 10.



Preschool Graduation

Samantha Behrend will be graduating from The Lamb School on May 22, 2008. She is looking forward to attending Willbern Elementary with her brother in the fall.



Looking for a Play Group?

If so, please give your feedback and ideas for creating a playgroup for Harvest Bend the Meadow families. Below are some ideas to work from, but we are in need of your input as well:

1. Meet at playground a couple of times a month or once a week.
2. Set a schedule to allow some meetings to be in the morning and some in the afternoons to accommodate different schedules.
3. Parents must accompany their children. This is a great way to meet other parents and children in the neighborhood!
4. Target age range: 0-5 years (siblings are welcome too!)

Please email Kim Bohot if you are interested in being a part of a subdivision playgroup: kim.bohot@sbcglobal.net. We hope to hear from you!

Summers Near

The Last Day of School is May 29, 2008. We wish everyone a safe and fun-filled summer!



Q: Can I put my leaves or grass clippings in the storm drain? **A: No!** Nothing including: household waste, paint, oil, or any materials. This is both illegal and dangerous. **Q:** My neighbor was recently playing loud music. Are there any restrictions? **A:** When playing music be respectful of your neighbors and obey ordinances concerning volume and times.



Pool Dates and Times

The pool will be opening on Memorial Day weekend. The hours will be the same as last year. Parents: please go over the rules of the pool with your children, so we can keep them safe. We want them to have fun without getting hurt or hurting others. The rules listed here and the pool.

Pool Rules:

1. Lifeguard has ultimate authority and can remove anyone who is not following the pool rules.

2. No running or rough play.
3. No glass or alcoholic beverages.
4. No diving in shallow end – 5ft or less.
5. No swimming in diving area.
6. Only one person on diving board.
7. Dive only from the end of the diving board.
8. There is a designated 10 minute period every hour only adults are allowed in the pool.
9. No loud music in pool area.
10. No pets inside pool area.
11. No cut – offs or t-shirts allowed in pool.
12. No children under 11 years of age will be permitted without supervision of an adult at least 18 years of age.
13. Pool Tags must be presented upon entry, and members must sign in and out each time they use the pool.
14. Guest must be accompanied by member, by member, registered and guest fee paid. Members are responsible for their guest following the rules.
15. No one is permitted inside the pool or during closed hours unless a special arrangement has been made for rental of the area with pool Chairperson or the Board of Directors.
16. Anyone using suntan lotions or oils must shower before swimming.
17. Lifeguards are not responsible for supervision of baby pool. Adults must be present at the edge. Use of the baby pool is restricted to children 6 years of age and younger.
18. Repeated removal from pool area for misconduct will result in loss of pool privileges for such time as designated by the Board of Directors.



Board Briefs

Board Meeting was held on April 7, 2008, with several guests attending.

Property Manager

Patricia Ortiz of TCM. Her direct telephone number is 832-660-0705. The main number is 832-660-0700.

Committee Reports

ACC – Nancy Nichols and Paul Behrend – Two ACC requests have been processed.

Pool – Sue Daniels - Nothing to report.

- Ms. Beryle Faier has volunteered to assist with checking ID's, etc., at the pool this summer. Thanks Ms. Faier.

Communication Committee –
Patty Hodges

- The communications committee is selling advertising space in the newsletter. A business card size ad is \$25/month and a double business card size is 42.50/month.
- April Yard of the month was awarded to Gilbert and Maria Perez.

Recreation Committee – Patty Hodges – 2008 Community events include: National Night Out

End of School Pizza at pool (Dorothy Walker)

Halloween Party (10/31)

Hayride & Santa in the Park

Senior's Functions – Jerry and Wilma Maple

Welcoming Committee –

Patty Hodges and Sylvia Teague - A "Welcome to HB, The Meadow packet will be put together in 2008.

Open Discussion

- We are in discussion with TCM to make available on their website ACC forms and other information.
 - We have been advised that the large conference room in the Reid Road Mud #1 building is available for the proposed Senior's Functions. Jerry and Wilma Maple are facilitating these
- functions and will be providing more information elsewhere in the newsletter. As a reminder, no alcohol is allowed and the group must clean up the conference room.
- Pool Tags – Pool tags will be distributed as follows:

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 - The financials and deed non-conformance were discussed and agreed to.
 - Forty – four homeowners have not yet paid their 2008 maintenance fees.

That's 15% of the homeowners here at HBTM. Remember that you will not have pool privileges until you are current on your maintenance fees.



Spring Time Tips

- Clean Gutters
- Trim Trees
- Weed Flower Beds
- Haul Away Debris
- Fertilize