

# Dove Meadows Messenger

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### OUR WEBSITE

➤ We are utilizing the neighborhood website to get information out to every one and list the most current neighborhood and contact information. The newsletter and meeting minutes are also posted on the website.

➤ A Community Bulletin Board page has been added to our website. It can be found under the Community Pages section, and is titled Community Bulletin Board. This page will be used to advertise services such as babysitting, lawn care, etc., in addition to other topics such as lost pets, items for sale, etc. Any ads containing the personal information of minors must be submitted with the approval of an adult or guardian.

➤ The Dove Meadows website had 383 hits in February and is a valuable source for information during months when we have no newsletter. There is also a forum to voice your concerns and suggestions. It will benefit us all. Please use it!

<http://www.neighborhoodlink.com/schertz/dove/>

### ASSOCIATION NEWS

➤ Changes have been made to the regular open meeting dates. Due to lack of interest we are only holding the open meeting once a quarter instead of monthly. The dates for 2007 Meetings are June 21<sup>st</sup> and September 20<sup>th</sup>, see the webpage for times and locations. The board and committee members will meet more frequently to address current issues.

➤ Remember the new assessment cycle for Dove Meadows has been changed to May through April instead of January through December as in the past. This is in response to residents request at last year's annual meeting.

➤ There are lots of changes with the pool this year. The information was provided in the annual assessment notice, if you did not receive the information, please contact ProComm

➤ Semi-annual Yard Sale – Hope everyone was able to take advantage of our neighborhood yard sale recently. It was listed on our website under the community calendar section and, as usual, it was setup and managed by Sheryl Gates. Thanks, Sheryl, for your hard work and dedication!

➤ Residents living on Dove Meadows Street noticed the new back fence installed by the Silvertree Nursing Home behind them. If you haven't already done so, they have given you permission to remove your old wooden fence and butt your side fences to the new stone fence. If you opt to keep your old wooden fence up, be advised that it will probably become a nesting ground for critters and rodents...so please take advantage of their offer.

➤ We are going to participate in this year's National Night Out scheduled for August 27<sup>th</sup>. Michelle Bowman has volunteered to head this up for us but she needs lots of help, so if you have time or some ideas, please contact her at 658-0605.

## ARCHITECTURE CONTROL COMMITTEE

- The Architecture Control Committee (ACC) has processed 10 requests for improvement since July 2006. The improvements consisted of patio covers, vinyl siding, gutters, pools, sheds, and fence repair.
- There were occasions where some requests were submitted “after the fact”. This particular practice is not recommended. If you have projects in planning, submit your ACC requests a minimum of 30 days in advance. This allows the committee time to evaluate the proposal for compliance with established covenants and ensure the integrity and harmony of the subdivision is maintained.
- Remember that exterior improvements impact others as much as they impact you. Failure to obtain approval beforehand could result in disapproval and subsequent removal at owner expense.
- Additional information and the ACC request form can be downloaded at the Dove Meadows website.

## RECREATION COMMITTEE

- You may have noticed the many changes in our Community Park and pool. We have new picnic tables and will be installing 2 barbeque grills next to the pavilion for community use. We have a new volleyball net and plan to repaint the basketball court lines and fix up the horseshoe pits.
- We have a new keyless entry system at the pool and it is now “Swim At Your Own Risk”. This will free up funds for improvements and extend the swimming season as well. This year we will open from May 1<sup>st</sup> to Oct 28<sup>th</sup>. ProComm will notify you on the procedures and rules for your keyless access card. We plan to have a part time attendant on hand to monitor the pool area and sign out recreational equipment (basketballs, volleyballs, horseshoes, etc) to the residents and keep the restrooms and pool area clean.
- We hope this will increase use of our facilities and add some value and life to the neighborhood.

We will need your assistance in taking care of our park and reporting suspicious activity so vandals don't ruin the new equipment. Please report any problems to ProComm, the Pool/Recreation Committee Chairman (PJ Henderson) or the Schertz non-emergency police number.

- **JOB OPPORTUNITY** - The pool management company is taking applications for the pool attendant position. The schedule is flexible and only 20 hours a week. If you are interested, please contact Fletcher at Community Pool Management Services (889-7665).

## LANDSCAPING COMMITTEE

- We are currently reviewing bids to have the neighborhood entrances landscaped. Hopefully this will get them in shape and looking nice.
- The landscaping committee needs volunteers to help maintain them. If you are interested in helping out or a couple families want to adopt an entrance to look after, please contact Erin Matlock on the landscaping committee.

## COVENANTS ISSUES

- Trash container non-collection days      Jan (8)    Feb (6)
- Yard Maintenance      Jan (24)    Feb (12)
- Trees/Bushes/Brush      Jan (1)    Feb (3)
- Fence needs repair      Feb (3)
- Holiday lights still up      Feb (3)
- Unauthorized items stored in front of property      Jan (4)    Feb (1)
- Trailers/Boats/RVs      Jan (1)

## CITY NEWS

- Did you know?
  - ✓ The city passed a no parking/stopping/standing ordinance in all four of our entrances. This includes the entrance across from Watts!
  - ✓ It is illegal to block the sidewalk with your vehicle parked in your own driveway. It's true, and motorists can be cited!
  - ✓ It is illegal to park at an angle in any cul-de-sac. This prevents emergency vehicles from making the turn-around.

## **SAFETY**

- The kids are about to get out of school for the summer, so please be more vigilant while driving through the neighborhood.
- There are several sidewalks that are sunken in. The city is responsible for fixing these and they have been repairing them as they can.

## **POLICE REPORTS**

- Due to the retirement of Officer Kreutler and a non-functioning neighborhood watch program, no reports are available at this time. If you are interested in re-establishing the neighborhood watch program, please contact any board member. Please!!!

## **CONTACTS**

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Board Member – Vacant

## **COMMITTEES**

Architecture Control Committee – Paul Wiley  
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Landscaping Committee – Erin Matlock  
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Pool/Recreation Committee-P.J. Henderson  
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Communications Committee – Vacant

Neighborhood Watch Committee – Vacant

Social Committee – Vacant

As you can see we need lots of help on the board and committees, so if you are interested in keeping Dove Meadows a great place to live, give us a call and help out any way you can.

## **PROCOMM**

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## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Special Event: **Pool Opens**

Place: Community Pool

Time: May 1<sup>st</sup>

The extended pool season begins. Turn in your paperwork and get your entry card activated to enjoy the facility

Special Event: **2007 Annual Meeting**

Place: VFW Post on FM 78

Time: June 21<sup>st</sup> at 7 PM

Annual homeowner's meeting to discuss and address issues that will keep our neighborhood a great place to live

Special Event: **National Night Out**

Place: Dove Meadows Recreation Area

Time: August 27<sup>th</sup> at TBD

Come out and meet your neighbors and interact with some of the local emergency services that are there to protect and serve us every day.