



REMINGTON PARK pony express

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Letter from the President

Residents,

As we bear through the heat of our Texas summer, we'll soon be enjoying the mildness of fall weather, bringing us closer to our Annual Remington Park HOA meeting in November. This meeting is a great time to meet fellow residents and your current board members to discuss our challenges and accomplishments of 2010, and gain some insight, or perhaps take part in planning for 2011. We also conduct our annual elections for board members at this meeting. In past annual meetings, attendance has been disappointingly low. It is typically from the residents attending these meetings that we solicit interest in serving on the board. Please keep in mind, that the volunteer efforts of each of our board members directly contribute to keeping our HOA dues among the lowest in Colleyville – especially when you consider all of the outstanding amenities Remington Park has to offer. The flipside of that equation is that our HOA dues would have to be increased in the event we have to contract out to fulfill responsibilities of critical board seats not filled with volunteers. It is with this understanding that I encourage greater attendance at our annual meeting and ask each of you to consider serving on the board or various committees.

This year we would like to take more proactive approach to filling seats on the board. We will staff a “Nominating Committee” to immediately begin taking recommendations for candidates interested in serving on the board. The names of all interested candidates will be presented to the board in October by the Nominating Committee, and the open seats will be filled by those candidates successfully voted in at the annual meeting. If you have an interest in serving on

the board or would like to recommend a resident for service, please contact me via email at b.marshall@urban-capital.com. A description of the board seats and responsibilities are found in Section 2.16 of our HOA bylaws, which should appear as a separate attachment to this newsletter.

As a final remark, I would like to thank each of our existing and past board members for their commitment and dedication in serving our community. Many of these board members have served for several years and have done an excellent job in maintaining Remington Park – this fine community we have chosen to call home.

Best regards,

Bryant Marshall
President, Remington Park HOA

Architectural Committee

Remington Park is being well kept and maintained with no known violations. If you have noticed something that you feel is out of order, please feel free to give me a call or e-mail. Everything we do is simply to protect the value of our homes and make the neighborhood attractive.

The approval procedure for projects as outlined at the website is working well. Please try to get those items done well in advance of your start date of the project. We don't want to be responsible for you not being able to start your project because we were not given the time to look at the paperwork. I feel our turn around times on request are more than fair and you can usually have your answer in 24 hours if all of the required items are submitted. As a reminder, required items are posted on the website under Architectural items. Thanks in advance for using them as a guide to getting your project approved.

Please remember parking guidelines for each residence. These were written to enhance the safety of the neighborhood not to limit where you can park your car. Police continue to remind us that cars parked on the street and not in driveways attract vandals that are searching for a quick hit and get away, and they are attracted to the neighborhoods that have the most cars parked on the street.

Our only other re-occurring problem concerns boats and boat trailers parked in the driveway or on the street. The CC&R's do not allow boats and/or trailers to be parked in driveways or on the street. But, as I have said before, nobody is going to say anything if a boat is parked for a very short time frame while owners "make-ready." When it becomes 2 to 3 days, I start getting e-mails and it's from other boat owners that have no problem complying with the rules and have made the effort to do so. Please find a way to comply with the rules just as your fellow boat owners do.

As a reminder, please remember painting the outside of your home and replacing roofs need approval from the committee. If you are replacing the roof with the exact same material or using the exact same paint this is considered normal maintenance and no approval is required other than reporting it to the committee.

All of these actions can be accomplished with simple e-mails; no formal letters are required. We are trying to make it easy for residents to comply with the CC&R's.

Thanks in advance for your cooperation.

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Block Captain Committee Report

Please Volunteer

We have a great group of people who volunteer to be Block Captains. Most Block Captains live in the areas that they support, but this is not a requirement. For instance, if you live in Phase 1 of the neighborhood, you can be a Block Captain in another phase. We encourage any adult, male or female, who is a resident of Remington Park to volunteer in this position. While the job is not demanding, the service that Block Captains provide is invaluable to our neighborhood. Block Captains welcome newcomers to our Remington Park community and make sure the new homeowners have a Resource Guide. Block Captains serve as a link between the HOA Board and the homeowners by helping with communication fliers, emails or phone calls. Once a year the Block Captains canvas their blocks to get updated information for our Homeowner Directory. So if you are afraid that volunteering as a Block Captain would be too time demanding, please reconsider. We would love to have you on the team.

Welcome New Homeowner!

We would like to recognize the Jeffers family.

Michael and Mary Jeffers

If you have questions, please feel free to phone or email me.

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Block Committee Chair

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City Services

No report submitted.

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Grounds Committee

We have been pumping records amounts of water to try and keep the turf and trees alive through our irrigation system. We are planning to clean up and lift tree branches throughout the common area in the next few weeks. We are also repairing the lights on the flag after they were damaged by June bugs covering the bulb and over heating the lights.

Dan McCrary
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Pool Committee

The pool passed inspection this year after we made a few corrections. The new filter and pump system installed last year has greatly improved the clarity and quality of the pool water.

Report submitted by Dan McCrary

Social Committee

No report submitted.

Adrienne Myers,
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Treasurer's Report

A huge “thank you” to those of you who paid your HOA dues on time this year! As always, HOA dues are due by the January 31st each year. It is important to mail your payment with enough time for it to reach Principal Management by the 31st to avoid late fees and interest charges. These charges add up very quickly, and we hate to see homeowners paying more than necessary. By paying your dues on time, we are able to make the much needed improvements, as well as maintain the grounds. The neighborhood is looking beautiful this year.

For 2011, the Board of Directors is proposing keeping the annual of \$660.00 the same. These dues are much less than the majority of the neighborhoods around us, and we have a lot more amenities to offer. Through diligent work by the Board Members, we are able to make our dues go a long way. I think we all will agree that the recent improvements have made a huge difference and will only help in maintaining and increasing our property values.

If you have any questions about your dues or have suggestions to make about the neighborhood at all, please feel free to reach out to any of the Board Members. My number is 915-422-7992 if you ever need to speak with me.

The contact at Principal Management is:

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Feel free to contact Shawn with any questions. She is extremely knowledgeable and will direct you to the right person if she cannot answer your questions.

Sincerely,
Danna Ward
Remington Park Treasurer