

Woodlands of Plano

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Happy 4th of July!!!

Woodlands of Plano would like to wish a happy 4th of July celebration to everyone. Here is some American flag history that you might not know. The thirteen colonies became the United States on July 4, 1776. The American flag was officially created on June 14, 1777, when the

Second Continental congress passed the following resolution: "That the flag of the thirteen United States be thirteen stripes, alternately red and white, that the union be thirteen stars, white in a blue field, representing a new constellation."

Why the colors of red, white and blue? As for the first flag in 1777, the colors had no meaning. But the colors of red, white, and blue did mean something for the Great Seal of the United States of America which was created in 1782 - "The colors of the pales (the horizontal stripes) are those used in the flag of the United States of America; White signifies purity and innocence; Red, hardiness & valor, and Blue, the color of the Chief (the broad band above the stripes) signifies vigilance, perseverance & justice."

There are several great 4th of July celebrations to attend in our area. Below are a few places to enjoy an evening with family and friends while celebrating our nation's independence!

City of Addison

Date: July 3rd – all day

Location: Addison Park Circle
4970 Addison Circle Drive
Simulcast live on 100.3 JACK FM

City of Garland

Date: July 4th – 8:30 to midnight

Location: Firewheel Town Center
Highway 78 at I190
No simulcast

City of Plano

Date: July 4th

Location: Oak Point Park
2801 Spring Creek Parkway
*Free Parking Available at CCCC &
First United Methodist Church Plano
simulcast live on KLAK 97.5

City of Richardson

Date: July 4th - Event hours 6:00 pm to 10:15pm

Location: Breckenridge Park
On-site parking is very limited, so beginning at 6 pm on July 4th will provide free round-trip DART shuttle service from the Rockwell-Collins International Campus located at the intersection of Renner and Shiloh.



2006 Upcoming HOA Board Meetings

Monday, July 24
Monday, August 28
Monday, Sept. 25
Monday, Oct. 23
Monday, Nov. 27
Monday, Dec. 18

Kristina Mudd, HOA President
Melissa Standeford, HOA Secretary
Maeli Dang, HOA Treasurer



The HOA is looking to increase the number of participants for the monthly board meetings. Please get involved in the HOA; after all, it's your money!!!

Remember all meetings are held at the Starbucks on the corner of F.M. 544 and Murphy Rd in Murphy from 6:30 to 7:30 PM unless noted otherwise. Please check the web site for changes prior to attending the meeting. Meeting rules will be enforced at all times...no exceptions:

- During Open Forum time, please limit questions to pertinent issues
- Interrupting the speaker is not allowed
- Be respectful
- A two minute time limit will be imposed for each question so that all HOA members in attendance have an opportunity to speak
- No berating the Board members or other HOA members
- No profanity at any time during the meeting
- No threatening gestures (finger pointing, throwing papers, etc.)
- Please refrain from interrupting a meeting already in progress if you arrive late.

*****The HOA Board has the right to ask anyone who does not abide by these rules to leave the meeting. If that does not take care of the problem, then the Board has the authority to call an end to the meeting.* ****

HOA Social Committee

Are you interested in getting to know your neighbors better?

The Social Committee has been busy coming up with ideas for more social activities in the neighborhood! We have been thrilled to see everyone enjoying our new park, including all who attended our park opening event in February and summer celebration on the last day of school in May.

We look forward to seeing everyone at this year's Fall Gathering/Annual Meeting in October!

If you are interested in joining a play group, forming a walking club, or have another idea for a fun neighborhood activity, please contact Trish Vossman at 972-384-1474 or Theresa Major at 972-384-0448.

~~~~~HOA Safety Committee~~~~~



Volunteers wanted for the Safety Committee. This group works with the locale police department to help form a neighborhood watch. Additionally, the committee works with the city to address other safety concerns such as traffic flow, speed enforcement, or civil issues. If you are interested, please email the Board at [board@woodlandsofplano.com](mailto:board@woodlandsofplano.com)



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## Architectural Control Advisory Committee

Please remember that any alterations made to the exterior of your home need to be approved by the Architectural Control Committee (ACC) before any construction begins. Wesley Sanders, Brad Grimmett, and Gabe Fontenot head up this committee and look forward to assisting, reviewing, and approving any of your exterior improvements. ACC application form can be found on our website at [www.woodlandsofplano.com](http://www.woodlandsofplano.com) or by calling Premier at 214-871-9700 ext. 225. ACC landscaping suggestions would like your help in keeping our neighborhood looking beautiful and have ask that all home owners be proactive in maintaining their landscape.



### Landscaping suggestions

- Mow and edge your lawn on a regular basis.
- Use fertilizer to make your lawn look thicker and greener
- Water your grass and flowerbeds on frequent basis
- Remove all dead flowers and shrubs from flowerbeds
- Flowerbeds around trees and your house are for flowers and shrubs only....**Not grass and weeds!** Please pull grass and weeds out of the flowerbeds to avoid being reported to the ACC committee.
- Prevent standing water to avoid the nasty mosquitoes.

As you might have notice in the neighborhood, some home owner's fences are looking a little worn and/or missing boards. ACC will be writing up a comprehensive fencing guidelines over the next couple of months for the home owners to review and approve for the board to sign off. If you have any suggestions or comments concerning this matter, please contact an ACC member and/or come to the monthly HOA meeting to share your ideas.



### Water Restrictions – Woodlands of Plano is in Zone 1

#### Watering only on Mondays

*Landscape watering is limited to one day per week at each service address located within the City of Plano. Note: Landscape watering will be enforced as follows: 12:00 am to 9:00 a.m. on assigned day watering is allowed; 9:01 am to 6:59 p.m. – watering is NOT allowed; 7:00 pm to 11:59 p.m. on assigned day watering is allowed.*

**HOA Board has voted not to plant any additional flowers/plants or any grass at the park until the water restrictions are lifted. In accordance with the water restrictions for the city of Plano, we can only water the front entryways on Mondays.**

**Volunteer opportunity!** The Board invites anyone who would like to help prepare the 2007 HOA budget to let us know! You will work on an ad-hoc finance committee with the property management company to put together a budget proposal that the Board will then vote on. Budget preparations begin in September. If you are interested, please contact the Board at [board@woodlandsofplano.com](mailto:board@woodlandsofplano.com) or call Premier at 214.871.9700 x265 and give Leslie Mendoza your contact information and we will be in touch.

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