

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER SUMMER 2020

PRESTONWOOD COUNTRY CLUB CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION

A WONDERFUL PLACE TO LIVE IN DALLAS, TEXAS!

Electrical Remediation—The project, which is more than 50% complete, is on schedule to be finished by the insurance renewal date in September. Those owners that postponed initially due to Covid-19 will be contacted next month to schedule the work.

Dangerous conditions have been found and repaired in many condos. If you had this work done previously, **check for loose or warm to the touch switches, outlets & fixtures and hire an electrician to make repairs.** These issues pose a major fire hazard.

During the Remediation, additional problems have been identified and are being resolved. Six of the main disconnects for electrical service and four of the building breaker boxes were not grounded. Grounds have been added to all. Also, the electrical service line on the back of west Copperwood does not meet code and is scheduled to be replaced on June 22nd.

Parking Lot - Seventy-five percent of the work just completed on the parking lot was paid for by the roofing contractor, Aspenmark, because their equipment broke out areas of asphalt. The Association paid an additional \$11,334 to include areas that were crazed and soon to fail. Repairs needed from 5907 to 5929 Copperwood costing \$8,665 have been approved and will be done in the next few weeks. When the repairs are complete, the parking lot will be restriped, and the fire lanes repainted.

Covid-19 Restrictions—**The Pool remains closed.** Dallas Country continues to have increasing cases and, to date, has yet to achieve a two-week decline, which is mandatory for the relaxation of the CDC guidelines. *Attorney Marc Markel stated, "We all hate what COVID-19 has done to our lives—the limitations and constraints that have been imposed upon all of us. But HOA Boards must hold the line and not re-open Common Areas when we know that would place residents' health at risk."*

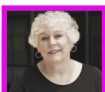
Unlike most condos, PWCCA has a porter to collect and transfer your garbage and recyclables so you never have to go to the dumpster. Lupe is our porter and has been working for PWCCA since 1997, **TWENTY-THREE YEARS!!** Last year he injured his shoulder lifting garbage bags that were too heavy. So, as you are gathering your garbage and recycling to take to the alley, help Lupe and prevent wildlife invasion by following these tips:

- ***Bag all garbage in 13 gallon or larger bags** rather than small grocery bags
- ***Use clear or translucent bags for recycling**—see our website for recycling guidelines
- ***Place all bagged garbage in a trash bin with a lid** the night before or morning of pick-up (if there is not a bin and lid behind your condo, call/email the office and one will be provided for you)
- ***Limit the amount in any one bag** so that it is not too heavy to lift
- ***Cat litter**—double bag and do not overload
- ***Break down all boxes and cartons** and place in recycling bag or prop next to the trash bin

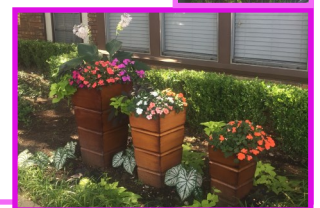
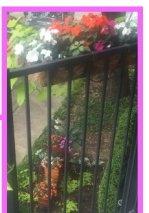


Our Prestonwood Porter
Lupe Gonzales

Thank you!



Beautification Award—**The Summer 2020 Award** goes to **Judy Lyle** at 15939 Stillwood. Judy lives in the upstairs corner condo and keeps beautiful flowers blooming year-round on her balconies overlooking Stillwood and Copperwood as well as in the downstairs planters on Copperwood. As the Beautification Award Winner, she received a \$100 gift card to Lowes to help pay for future flowers. The next award will be in the Fall of 2020, so do your planting now! Thank you Judy - for providing a bright spot for the community!!!



GRILLS- The Rules **prohibit open flame cooking devices or candles/torches on balconies, patios or within 10' of any building.** This is part of the **Dallas County Fire Code (Section 307.5).** However, the Code does allow portable grills that use the disposable 2.5 lb propane tanks or electric grills. ***Please be safe and protect our homes!***

Comments or suggestions related to the newsletter can be sent to the attention of the HOA Communications Committee by email to office@pwcca.org, or a note to the committee can be dropped off at the condo office.



Chunk Your Junk Weekend

Twice a year a dumpster is placed in the West Parking Lot for a weekend so that you can dispose of bulk trash items and electronics.

The only prohibited items are PAINTS AND CHEMICALS.
Saturday, 6/20 & Sunday 6/21



Texas Department Health Services Mission and Goals—Non-smokers Out Number Smokers

The mission of **DSHS Tobacco Prevention and Control** is to reduce the health effects and economic toll tobacco and second hand smoke have placed on the citizens of Texas. Major goals are:

- Prevent tobacco use among young people.
- Promote compliance and support adequate enforcement of federal, state and local tobacco laws.
- Increase cessation among young people and adults.
- Eliminate exposure to secondhand smoke.
- Reduce tobacco use among populations with the highest burden of tobacco-related health disparities.
- Develop and maintain statewide capacity for comprehensive tobacco prevention and control.



In keeping with the national and local trend for sustainable quality air to breathe the Board continues to move forward to help create a smoke free condominium community. Do your part to be considerate of where and when you choose to smoke. We are a multi family dwelling and live very close to each other. Second hand smoke whether inside your unit or outside on you patio affects us all—If we can smell it we are breathing it. We appreciate your help to sustain the quality of the air we all breath protect our lungs in time of Covid—19.



The Crime Watch Committee Reminds Residents to Report Any Unusual or Strange Activity to 911.

REMEMBER WE LIVE IN A LARGE CITY, URBAN ENVIRONMENT

Sometimes because of our private driveways and setting, we forget that we are a part of the huge Dallas Metroplex with busy highways and freeways all around us. We hear sounds day and night from the ground and sky. Far North Dallas is no longer in the boonies! Keeping this in mind, let's explain some of the following:

*Sound travels great distances. For example, high velocity rifle shots were reported in May coming from the Northwest residential neighborhood located off the Keller Springs Road turn area and Preston Road. They didn't come from our community or Country Club grounds as many of us thought we heard. Residents from various neighborhoods heard the shots, were alarmed, called 911 and many of us jumped to conclusions! Loud roaring sounds have been frequently heard overhead day and night. These are medical flights, police, or firefighter flights that operate 24/7 on emergency basis. Let's remember Addison is mighty close and is a busy airport.

On to other matters that should concern us all:

*Our Northwest Dallas Police Division reports a big upturn in theft of contents left in unlocked vehicles night or day. Sometimes the vehicle is stolen. Thinking that we still live in a less urban area, residents have experienced theft of auto contents left unlocked in our parking spots. The Country Club has posted a guard during the day because of thefts in their parking lots. Again, police are begging drivers to clear their vehicles of ALL contents including KEYS! Guns and other valuables should never be left in vehicles' interior or trunk.

*Remember any disturbances of the peace should be reported immediately while in progress to 911. Gather witnesses, record sounds if possible, insist upon a copy of your police report to make sure there is a record of the disturbance. Reporting to police after the incident results in no report. Once you have a police report, notify the office of the steps you took in reporting. Never confront a disturbance yourself!

*Dog walkers and exercisers avoid walking down our busy streets in the early morning or night. One resident reported being chased by two loose dogs at 7 A.M. while walking close-by Beltline Road.

*Cooperation in keeping up our community beautiful rests with all of us. This means that parking wrecked vehicles is not allowed anywhere on our premises.

HOA BOARD 2020 MEETING DATES

Condominium owners are encouraged to stay informed about the functioning of our community. Owner comments and questions are welcome and a part of each month's agenda. Homeowners bring your concerns and comments to the start of each monthly meeting which begins **promptly at 6:30 P.M. with the "homeowner open forum."** Our Meetings are held on the 4th Tuesday of the each month (except Nov/Dec) close by at The Clubs of Prestonwood-The Creek.

TUESDAYS: June 23, July 28, August 25

2020 BOARD OF MANAGERS

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We welcome your comments and suggestions.



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