

# *The Dominion News*

*A Dominion HOA Publication*

March 2009

The board year is almost over. A lot has been accomplished and we will give you our report at the...

**Annual Homeowners' Meeting at 7:30 PM on Monday, April 20, in the Cafeteria of Leon Springs Elementary School.**

Be sure to vote for your choice of candidates for the three open slots on the HOA Board; either bring your proxy early to the HOA Office or vote in person at the Homeowners' Meeting. Each property owner is entitled to one vote for each separate property they own.

## **March 2009 Newsletter – Topics**

- Street Repairs: North Gate, Main Gate, Brenthurst
- Duramed Futures Ladies Golf Tournament: April 27 - May 3
- City Elections: Candidates' Forums for Mayor & City Council Dist. 8, April 7 and 9 at Country Club
- Safe Street Signs Project
- Fire Safety Information Sheet at HOA
- New Zoning Ordinance: Lighting
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In addition to the newsletter you can always get information at our regularly updated website:

[www.dominionhoa.com](http://www.dominionhoa.com)

### **Street Repairs: North Gate, Main Gate, Brenthurst**

The long-awaited major pavement repair at trouble spots on Dominion thoroughfares is upon us. After testing all major streets with test bores down to the natural grade, it was determined that several areas need thorough re-paving. Thanks to the extended test period we avoided the high oil prices of last year and are getting more 'bang for the buck' this Spring.

A highly experienced contractor (who was responsible for some of our original streets) will replace the pavement on Dominion Drive by the North Gate, by the Main Gate, and all along Brenthurst Lane. One side of each area under construction will be closed and repaved at a time. This will mean a very narrow street, but only for a short while. Please be patient! We should be done by mid-April.

### **Duramed Futures Ladies Golf Tournament: April 27 – May 3**

The Dominion Country Club is hosting one of the major golf tournaments for up-and-coming lady pros, the Duramed Futures Ladies Golf Tournament. From April 27 to May 3, you will see a lot of activity not only on the golf course, but also around the neighborhood; many families have opened their homes and we will host all 100 lady pro's in the neighborhood. What a testimony to the spirit of hospitality! Let's be extra friendly to our guests during that week – and stop by the golf course and watch the action!

### **Candidates' Forums for Mayor & City Council Dist.8, April 7 and 9**

Dominion HOA, Country Club, and PAC are jointly hosting two candidates' forums where you can observe the candidates at close quarters and ask them direct questions. Both events will take place at 7 PM at the Dominion Country Club.

April 7 -- Forum for Mayoral Candidates

April 9 – Forum for City Council District 8 Candidates.

Watch the electronic signs for more information!

### **Safe Street Signs Project**

We need safe street signs at every intersection, i.e. signs that are visible and can be read by day and by night. Easier said than done. After the Street Committee completed a survey of all intersections, it became clear that we need many more sign posts and may have to use the street-corner “line-of-sight” easements to install some of them in private yards. The ACC will review esthetics and test eligible street signs, while the Street Committee will work on engineering and placement specs. This will be a major expense item but really worth it – it will save lives and homes.

### **Fire Safety Information Sheet at HOA**

Based on information supplied by SAFD, the Disaster Committee has compiled a safety flier with a lot of good hints about how to prevent all kinds of fires and how to prepare for a safe evacuation. Within the next week you will receive the information via separate email. Be sure to print it out and take action now! You can get extra copies from the HOA.

### **New Zoning Ordinance: Outdoor Lighting**

The City of San Antonio is about to implement a new zoning ordinance for outdoor lighting that will help maintain night training conditions for our neighbors at Camp Bullis.

Do not worry: All existing homes are grandfathered. You will fall under the new rules only if you are re-doing your outdoor lights.

### **Security Company Signs: Window Stickers Most Effective**

SAPD has advised us that the most effective way to use security company signs is to affix stickers to your ground floor windows around the house.

### **Pet Ordinance under Development**

Due to many complaints about scofflaw pet owners who refuse to clean up after their pets or who let them run around wildly where they become a danger to small children, the Neighborhood Outreach Committee will develop an extensive Pet Policy. Repeat offenders may lose the use of their transmitter. Remember: *Leash & Clean!*

### **Budget Adjustment**

This year is a challenge for every business. Your HOA is no exception. The Finance Committee is examining annual operating and capital budgets as well as our 5-year capital expenditure plan and will re-work them to reflect the current economic conditions. Our goal is to find a good way to keep our neighborhood safe and beautiful, even in challenging times.

### **7:30 PM, April 20 – Annual HOA Meeting**

At 7:30 PM on Monday April 20 we are convening the Annual Homeowners' Meeting at Leon Springs Elementary School. The Board will deliver the annual report and all property owners will elect three directors for terms of three years each. Information on the six declared candidates was emailed to all homes. Be a good citizen and cast your vote, either early by delivering your proxy to the HOA Office no later than 5 P.M. on Thursday, April 16, or in person at the meeting.

Sincerely,

**Brigitte B. Saidi, Chairman**

**Dominion Homeowners Association**