The Dominion News

A Dominion HOA Publication

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The rain is finally here and water restrictions will soon be a thing of the past. Landscaping improvements are on their way and just in time for the Holiday Season. Please recall, that due to the immense drought, only the main and north gate entrances will be over seeded this year. The rest of the turf will be aerated and fertilized to assure proper growth in the Spring.

The Holiday Season is near. Soon, there will be more children, pedestrians, bikers, etc. utilizing the streets. Please respect all speed limits and remember that all state and city traffic laws apply to your community. Be safe and enjoy this Holiday Season.

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In addition to the newsletter you can always get information at our regularly updated website: www.dominionhoa.com

Major Raul Hernandez 21st Anniversary of Employment

Throughout the years, our community has seen many changes. Major Hernandez can confirm these changes, but most importantly, he can tell you a thing or two about this community and its history. Next time you see Major Hernandez at the guard house or on patrol, make sure that you let him know how much he is appreciated.

Congratulations to Major Hernandez for 21 years of service at The Dominion. The Board and the residents feel honored to have such an outstanding Security Officer stationed in this community.

Alert: Holiday Safety Reminder

As you already know, the Holiday Season is just around the corner. Safety continues to be a priority and The San Antonio Police Department has asked to remind you of the following precautions you can take to help yourself and protect your property.

- Going away, please remember to submit your house watch form. Security will gladly check you residence while you are away.
- Make sure to lock your windows and doors and remember to set your alarm. This applies to both vehicles and your home.
- Make sure that your alarm system is monitored. If the alarm is activated, Police will be notified and dispatched immediately to your home. Please add Dominion Security as a contact (210) 698-2997 and the alarm monitoring company will notify them as well.
- Please use extreme caution while school buses are being loaded and unloaded.
- Halloween is always fun and exciting, but please exercise caution at all times. Extra Security will be on patrol and city curfews will be enforced. Have fun but most importantly, be safe!

Holiday Appreciation Fund

The Holiday Appreciation Fund has been initiated. As you may already know, this voluntary contribution for Dominion Security and HOA Staff takes place every year. The Holiday Appreciation Fund is a special way of showing how much we value our Security and HOA staff and rewarding them for their hard work on our behalf during the year.

Please do not confuse this fund with another request you may receive from The Dominion Country Club for a contributions request to their Holiday Fund.

We encourage you to support the Club, but our Security and HOA staff are not Country Club employees and do not participate in the Club's program.

We believe we have extraordinary dedicated Security and HOA employees. Their devotion to service makes all the difference in our quality of life. Please give generously so that we can reward them appropriately. Please mail or deliver your check to the HOA office by December 16, 2009 and thank you in advance for your support.

2009 Bonfire Community Event

Yes, it's that time of year again and just in time to kick off the Holiday Season. The Bonfire has been scheduled to take place on November 22, 2009 and will be held at "The Pecan Grove" from 5pm to 8pm. For those of you that are not familiar with this area, please contact the HOA office for directions. Parking will be available at Independence Village, but parking is limited, so please bring your golf cart if you can. Please mark your calendars and do not miss this magical community event.

This year, Independence Village has extended an invitation for Dominion residents to join the Dominion Village Team at 4:30pm in their Clubhouse at 8 Dominion Drive, just prior to the Bonfire Event. This will allow you an opportunity to "sneak peak" the newest addition at Independence Village. Refreshments will be served. Feel free to contact Independence Village at 210-887-5500 with any questions.

Street Signs & Lights

The replacement of street signs has been approved. The new street signs have been ordered and installation will begin as soon as the new signs are received. Rather than changing light fixtures for the entire community, it was decided that light fixtures would be changed to a dark sky compliant light fixture only on an as needed basis.

HOA Office

Construction is complete and move in is scheduled for the first week of November. An "Open House" event is scheduled for November 15, 2009 from 3pm – 5pm. Please mark your calendars and come by to see your newest facility.

Mid Year Feedback on HOA Board Goals

- Give Homeowners Timely and Accurate Information – HOA information sent electronically and messages posted on entrance signs.
- Street Signs and Lighting – Street signs have been ordered and will be installed soon. Light fixtures will be replaced only on an as needed basis.
- HOA Office – Nearing completion. Move in scheduled for the first week in November 2009.
- HR Policies and Procedures – Employee Handbook has been completed.
- Property Data – with extra file space now available, a request for individual property surveys will be performed as soon as the new office is opened.
- Infrastructure – Reserve Study has been completed.
- Implement Capital Budgeting System – System is now in place. Road repairs continue to be on top of the list.
- Begin Strategic Planning Effort – The Board is currently working on this. We will keep you posted with any progress.
- Develop Relevant Disaster Plans – The Disaster Planning Committee has met with the San Antonio Fire Department for a complete evaluation and review of fire, flood, and chemical emergencies that may arise and affect our community. The San Antonio Fire Department has assured the HOA that the safety of the residents remains a priority and that they have plans in place now to protect life and property. Please visit www.sanantonio.gov and click on "emergency info." for more information.
- Work with Dominion Country Club on Programs – The July 4th fireworks and the Bonfire are events currently sponsored by both parties.
- TXDOT – Dominion Drive overpass is complete. Camp Bullis project scheduled for completion in late 2010.
- District 8 Councilman Representation – It is a real honor to have Mr. Reed Williams, District 8 Councilman as a current resident of this community. Thank you Mr. Reed Williams for all of your support!
- Developer and Builder Construction – The expertise of the Development Committee continues to be utilized in the review of Development plans, while the Architectural Control Committee reviews individual house plans.

Classified Community Ads

Your HOA Newsletter accepts free classified ads from residents to residents.
Just email the text to the HOA Office.

Pet Sitting Available

Dominion Resident *Stacee Mero* is looking for pet sitting jobs in the neighborhood. She is available to feed, entertain, walk and clean up after your cat or dog while you are away. Ms. Mero is a responsible adult with 5+ years experience volunteering at SNAP (Spay Neuter Assistance Program). --- Daily and weekly rates. --- For more information please call *Stacee Mero;* cell: (210) 872-6170 or home: (210) 698-6980.

Golf Cart for Sale

2001 Club Car in excellent condition: $2000. --- For more information please call *Homer Olsen* at (210) 698-0090.

Sincerely,

Fred Gonzalez, General Manager
The Dominion Homeowners Association