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Whiffletree Newsletter

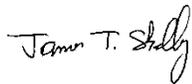
After another hot summer, it looks like we are going directly into winter. While we say goodbye to time in the pool, there is exciting news about Whiffletree, both recent past and upcoming.

- We celebrated National Night Out (NNO) on October 1. We invited our neighbors from Estates of Forest Creek (EFC) to join us along with Plano Police and Fire personnel. This event was very well attended. You can see story and photos about NNO on our website, <https://www.mywhiffletreehoa.com/>. (Click on PHOTOS in the menu bar). This is the first event where we teamed with EFC and plan to team with them in future events.
- Whiffletree neighbors showed their incredible generosity by donating 1,717 pounds of peanut butter (PB) to the North Texas Food Bank (NTFB) Peanut Butter Drive. This is up from 1,012 pounds that we contributed in 2018. Also, the City of Plano Neighborhood Services created an award for the neighborhood that donates the most PB per household. Whiffletree is the first winner of the annual Nuttiest Neighborhood Contest and will be recognized at NTFB on October 29.
- Whiffletree was recognized by Plano Neighborhood Services for our involvement in and contribution to many of the Neighborhood Services events and for our support of and assistance to other HOA's in Plano. Named the Neighborly Neighborhood Award, it was presented at Plano Neighborhood Services first Volunteer Awards Dinner on October 10. We were honored to be recognized with this award by Keisha Cyriaano, Plano BEST Neighborhood Division, Neighborhood Engagement Manager.
- Plano Neighborhood Services distributed a survey to several neighborhoods in Plano to assess current views about living in these neighborhoods. Whiffletree was one of the neighborhoods that participated in the survey. We want to thank the 111 Whiffletree residents that responded to the survey. Your inputs are valued. You can see the survey results on the website, <https://www.mywhiffletreehoa.com/>. The survey highlighted that there are many special people in Whiffletree that care about their neighbors and their community. The survey also highlighted that we can do more to engage with our neighbors. The Whiffletree HOA leadership is reviewing the survey results and will develop an action plan to improve upon our communication and engagement. Again, thanks for taking the time to respond to the survey and for your inputs.
- Whiffletree HOA has secured a great promotional deal from Ring, the security doorbell and camera company. Whiffletree neighbors will be able to purchase Ring products directly through the Ring website and use a promo code to receive significant discount off the list price. We plan to provide promo code and timeframe to order Ring products in an email to all Whiffletree neighbors in the next week. You do not need to be a paid HOA member to participate in this program. We hope that you find this program valuable to you, which further enhances the safety of living in Whiffletree.

- WHOA Beautification Committee recognized 5 Yard of the Month (YOM) award winners during the spring and summer months. Congratulations to all the winners for showcasing their beautiful yards. To see the results, click on the Yard of the Month link near the top of WHOA homepage. The awardees receive \$100 gift certificate at Shades of Green nursery in Frisco and have the YOM sign placed in their yard, recognizing their accomplishment. We plan to award 3 homes with YOM for holiday decorations, so get ready.
- A shout out to our neighbors on Langley Drive for the incredible and creative Halloween decorations. Just fantastic! See several photos on the website when you click onto the photos tab at the top of the page or better still, take a drive down Langley Drive between now and Halloween. You can help but be highly impressed with the work of these neighbors. Great job!
- Update on The City of Plano plan to replace the screening brick wall facing Legacy Drive, which includes the Marchman Way & Harvey Lane entrances: It is now scheduled to start in early 2020. We will communicate the firm schedule when it becomes available.

Just a reminder ... WHOA dues are only \$120/year, which are due April 1, for the fiscal year that runs from April 1 to March 31. The majority of WHOA funds go to support our four neighborhood entrances with seasonal plantings, landscape maintenance and holiday decorations. We also hold a number of events every year to provide our dues paying neighbors with the opportunity to socialize with their fellow Whiffletree residents. If you have paid, thank you. If you have not, we encourage you to do so. You can pay dues by going to WHOA website (<https://www.mywhiffletreehoa.com/>) and clicking on the PAY NOW Button (it is located on the right side of the WHOA home page about half way down the page) and use a credit card or PayPal to pay the annual dues. Alternately, if you prefer to pay by check, make check payable to "WHOA" in the amount of \$120.00 and mail to PMB 288, 3948 Legacy Drive, Suite 106, Plano, TX 75023-8300. Thanks to all of our residents for your support of your Whiffletree neighborhood and the WHOA!

As always, feel free to contact me if you have any questions, comments, and/or suggestions.



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