



## Newsletter – June/July 2023

Here is the latest news of past and upcoming activities in Whiffletree.

- Congratulations to our Yard of the Month (YOM) winners in May & June. In May, YOM winners were Jeff and Michele Wheeler at 3409 Swanson Drive. Despite some challenging weather this winter and spring, Jeff & Michelle showcased a beautiful yard. In June our YOM winner was Sarah Bradford at 3417 Lantz Circle, who also has a beautiful yard with gorgeous landscaping. As winners of Whiffletree YOM, Jeff & Michele Wheeler and Sarah Bradford each receive \$100 gift card at Shades of Green Nursery in Frisco. Congratulations to the winners!

To be eligible for YOM award, all you need to be a is a paid WHOA member and have a green thumb! We will be on the search for our YOM winner in July. With warmer weather and good rains, we expect the YOM team will have many homes to consider for best in Whiffletree. If you want to join the YOM committee to help select winners, reach out to Robert Simmons at [r.simmonsdfd@gmail.com](mailto:r.simmonsdfd@gmail.com). He would love the help.



May YOM Winner - Jeff & Michelle Wheeler



June YOM Winner - Sarah Bradford



- We held our annual Whiffletree Independence Day Parade & Picnic on Monday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>, at Prairie Meadow Park. With over 200 attendees, we all had a great time celebrating this momentous day in American history and enjoyed the opportunity to meet so many of our neighbors. As in previous years, we received great support from our fantastic Plano Fire and Police



Department personnel, who led the parade and showed off their vehicles to kids of all ages. The Hamburger Man again provides delicious cookout style lunch with all the fixings. You can see many more photos of this event at <https://whoa.smugmug.com/>.



- Upcoming 2023 Events with more information to follow:
  - North Texas Food Bank Peanut Butter Drive – September 1-30
  - National Night Out held at Prairie Meadow Park (next to Mathews) – Evening of October 3
  - Plano Fittest Neighborhood in Plano Competition – November 1-30
- Whiffletree recognized 2023 graduates for this significant accomplishment by placing signs in their yards. With the information we had, Whiffletree had 9 high school graduates and 1 college graduate. The are:

### **TEXAS A&M**

Emily Ballentine: Mays Business School.

Will begin her job with The Real Estate Council

### **PLANO WEST HIGH**

Kyle Letterer: UT Austin - International Relations

Akash Jape

Gabriel Bo

Nethra Ganesh – UT Austin – Public Health

### **PLANO SENIOR HIGH**

Grant Hurn: graduated Magna Cum Laude - taking Gap Year

Bryce Lagow: Stetson University Stetson University - football scholarship

Brooke Bowen: UNT - Business/Finance

Sophia Kong: TWU - Communication Disorders

Anna Carlisle



**Congratulations to all Whiffletree graduates. Like your parents, we are very proud of you and this accomplishment.**

- We are still in our annual membership drive. We need your support! Currently, 295 of the 477 homes in Whiffletree have paid the voluntary dues. Membership dues are our only source of income and fund the maintenance of our beautiful entrances and fund social events that give Whiffletree neighbors the opportunity to meet their fellow neighbors. Whiffletree annual dues payment is \$145 by check and \$150 for online payment, which is lower than all surrounding neighborhoods. You may send check in the amount of **\$145 (payable to WHOA) to Whiffletree HOA, PMB 288, 3948 Legacy Dr, Ste 106, Plano, TX 75023.** You also can pay online at <https://www.mywhiffletreehoa.com/pay-dues>. We incur a service charge for online payments, hence online dues cost is \$150.
- This year we will again be providing an updated directory to all paid members of Whiffletree V/VI/VII. If you are a new resident or if your household information has changed, please complete the online membership form on our website at <https://www.mywhiffletreehoa.com/membership-form>.
- After years of working with the City of Plano, we have learned that the screening wall along Independence from Clymer to Caravan will





be replaced. The engineering design work is expected to be completed in Fall 2023 with construction taking place in Spring 2024. This will address concerns about the current wall condition and appearance. We will keep you updated on this project as we learn more.

- Just are reminder that the City of Plano asks you to water landscaping only two times a week.

Avoid watering between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m., and when rain is in the forecast.

Use the last digit of your home address to follow this schedule:

Even digit (including zero): Monday & Thursday

Odd digit: Tuesday & Friday

Only water when needed. You may not need to water if rain is in the forecast. Subscribe to

<https://watermyyard.org/#/Location> for weekly watering recommendations. **This information is also posted on Whiffletree website at <https://www.mywhiffletreehoa.com/>.**

We look forward to seeing you and your family at upcoming events in 2023. If you have ideas for new activities, we would love to hear them, please submit them to <https://www.mywhiffletreehoa.com/contact-us>.

Remember that Whiffletree website (<https://www.mywhiffletreehoa.com/>) is an excellent source of info about the neighborhood, upcoming as well as past events. Additionally, check out our Facebook page, @mywhiffletreeHOA (you can search it under “Whiffletree V, VI, VII”) and don’t forget to Like Us! Also, click on the Links tab on our home page or go directly to <https://www.mywhiffletreehoa.com/links> to view the many outlets, services and support from the City of Plano.

Finally, Whiffletree HOA exists for the benefit of all residents. Your support and involvement are important and appreciated. We welcome your input. Feel free to contact me or any other WHOA board member.

Jim Skelly

Whiffletree HOA President