

Newsletter – April 2024

Updated info of recent events and upcoming activities in Whiffletree.



 The latest Notable Neighbor story has been posted onto our website (<u>https://www.mywhiffletreehoa.com/</u>). This most recent story is about Lucy Lorenzo, who lives on Snidow Drive with her husband (Armando), son (Oliver), and daughter (Amelia). Lucy's story is fascinating. Here is an intro to the story.

Moving is never easy. Now just imagine moving internationally not once, but several times. That sounds exciting and scary at the same time, but according to Whiffletree resident Lucy Lorenzo, each move brought her to where she is today with a loving and supportive husband, two children and ownership in her own executive recruiting firm. You can click here to read

the entire, fascinating story. Also, thanks to Kelly Paschalis for meeting with Lucy and writing the incredible story.

 With warmer spring and good start to the growing season, we plan to start our Yard of the Month (YOM) program in April where we award the monthly winners a \$100 gift card to Shades of Green Nursery, located in Frisco. You could be a YOM winner! Please note that YOM winners need to be paid Whiffletree HOA (WHOA) members. Also, please note that we could use more volunteers on the YOM selection team that travel around the neighborhood and



vote on the most attractive yards. If you are interested in joining the YOM selection team, contact Robert Simmons at <u>r.simmonsdfd@gmail.com</u>.

• Our planned events for this coming year include:

Event	Schedule
Monthly Yard of the Month Awards	April-August
Graduate Recognition Yard Signs	May
July 4 th Parade and Picnic	July 4
North Texas Food Bank Peanut Butter Drive	September 1-30
National Night Out	October 2
Fittest Neighborhood Competition	November 1-30
Neighborhood Garage Sale	November
Yard of the Month - Best Holiday Decorations	December
Plano Police Personal Safety Seminars	TBD
Adult Winter Social (paid adult members)	January 2025

These events are great opportunities to meet other Whiffletree neighbors. We hope to see you there. If you would like to see additional activities or events, we would like to hear about them. Contact me with your ideas.



- We are still looking for volunteers to identify graduating high school and college graduates this year so that we can celebrate their accomplishment by placing sign in their front yard. If you are interested in assisting with identifying graduates, please let me know.
- Our annual membership drive continues for our fiscal year 2024-2025 that runs April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2025.

As of April 23, 236 out of 477 homes (49%) in the neighborhood have paid the annual dues. If you have paid your dues, thank you. If you have not yet paid, please know that your neighborhood needs your support. Your dues go to maintaining our 5 entrances and holding enriching & fun social events. Despite increases in costs for many of the services that we utilize, annual dues for this fiscal year remain unchanged at \$145 via check and \$150 paid via credit card on our website (due to the online transaction fees we incur). Whiffletree dues remain the lowest compared to surrounding neighborhoods. You can pay your FY 2024-2025 dues at any time by check for **\$145 payable to WHOA and mail to PMB 288; 3948 Legacy Drive, Suite 106; Plano, TX 75023-8300** or if you prefer to pay your dues using a credit card, go to https://www.mywhiffletreehoa.com/pay-dues. Your support is greatly appreciated. If you are unsure if you have paid your dues for this year, feel free to contact me. Thank you.

- As you have no doubt observed, road repair along Legacy has commenced. It will span from Custer to Coit. This project is expected to be completed in October 2025, so be prepared for lane closures along Legacy for a while. When completed, Legacy will receive the thin asphalt overlay on top of the concrete base similar to what is being done on major roads across Plano with the objective to increase the life of the road (side benefit is that driving on the roads with the asphalt overlay is smoother and quieter). Construction along Independence will continue and has begun to move north of Legacy. Finally, the screening wall along Independence is scheduled to be replaced in 2024, although firm dates have not yet been provided by the City of Plano.
- We are still seeking volunteers interested in serving on committees or on the WHOA board as well. If you have any interest, we would love the support. If interested, contact me jimskelly15@gmail.com.
- Remember that Whiffletree website (<u>https://www.mywhiffletreehoa.com/)</u> 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 neighborhood info as well available 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