

The Providence Times



Fall Fest 2005

Saturday, Oct 22

Barktoberfest

Saturday, Oct 15

Community Yard Sale

Saturday, Sep 17



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Questions about your HOA Account?
 Contact Rimeka 866-424-8072 ext 259

The next HOA payment deadline is Saturday, October 1. If your dues are not up-to-date, your access to amenities and events may be affected.

Providence HOA
 809 Oakcrest Drive
 Providence Village, TX 76227
 Ph: 940-440-2200
 Fax: 940-440-2211

Clubhouse Hours:
 Mon-Fri, 8 AM - 5 PM
 Sat-Sun, 10 AM - 7 PM

Pool Hours: 10 AM - 9 PM
 - Labor Day - Sep 25: Weekends Only
 - Slides will be open 5 PM - 8 PM Only, effective August 15.
 - Pool Closes Sunday, September 25

HOA Orientations: 9 AM
 Saturday, Sep 17
 Saturday, Oct 15
 RSVP 940-440-2200

FOR EMERGENCIES CALL 911

Cable/Internet: Cebridge Comm
 1-877-423-2743

Denton Co. Sheriff's Dept
 Non-Emergency 940-349-1600
 Aubrey Fire Dept.

Non-Emergency 940-365-9785
 Electricity: Co-Serve
 1-800-566-2314

Telephone: Southwestern Bell
 1-800-464-7928

Water: Mustang Water
 940-440-9561

Garbage: Waste Management
 1-800-772-8653

Advisory Board Committee

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**Who is your Advisor?
 See page 3 for details!**

hoa committees

Activities Committee

funactivities@providencehoa.com

Chair: Billie Angell-Brewer
 Co-Chair: Clint Gilbert
 Meetings: 4th Mondays, 7 PM, GR

Architectural Review Committee

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Contact 940-440-2200 if interested!

Communications Committee

communications@providencehoa.com

Chair: Cindy Dillon
 Co-Chair: Marcia Donaldson
 Meetings: 3rd Mondays, 7 PM, GR

Hospitality Committee

hospitality@providencehoa.com

Chair: Michelle Diaz, 940-365-1614
 Co-Chair: LeeAnne Hudson, 940-365-1994
 Meetings: 4th Wednesdays, 7 PM, GR

Landscape Committee

landscape@providencehoa.com

Chair: Need VOLUNTEER!

Pool Advisory Committee

pool@providencehoa.com

Chair: Audra Kidd
 Co-Chair: Jennifer Meyer
 Meetings: 2nd Wednesdays, 6 PM, GR

Safety Committee

safety@providencehoa.com

Chair: John Ellis, 940-440-9240
 Co-Chair: Maggie Miller
 Meetings: 4th Tuesdays, 7 PM, GR

Sports Committee **NEW!**

sports@providencehoa.com

Chair: Chad Scott
 Meetings: 3rd Tuesdays, 7 PM, GR

Say "Hello" to Your
New Neighbors

JOSEPHINE ALFARO
 MICHAEL ALLEN
 ALLEN ALPHA
 HOLLIE ANSON
 JENNIFER ARMSTRONG
 BRITTANY BELL
 KRISTEN BENNINGTON
 LORI BITTENBENDER
 JEANNIE BOND
 MICHELLE BOOTH
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 BONHAM CALK
 JASON COLGROVE
 FRANK CONROY
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 ENEDINA COVARRUBIAZ
 BRITTANY COX
 KRISTA DAHL
 CINDY DILLON
 DANIELLE DISARUFINO
 GLENN DIXON
 TIMOTHY DONAHUE
 CHARLES ETTREDGE
 MICHELLE FINCH
 LUCY FITZPATRICK
 KATHY FORTNEY
 REX FULLER
 MARIA GAETA-GARCIA
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Waterpark by Providence Clubhouse



Communications Committee

communications@providencehoa.com

Motorized Vehicles

The Denton County Sheriff's department would like to communicate the following items with you:

"Pocket Bikes"- Legal or Illegal (*Explanation article by DPS on Mini Motorcycles*) You may have recently noticed the number of children -- and some adults -- riding miniature motorcycles. Referred to as "Pocket Bikes," and "mini motorcycles," these small motorcycles (most are under two feet tall) were a popular Christmas gift last year for kids as young as six years of age. As a result of their recent popularity, there have been a number of accidents statewide resulting in at least one death.

Are pocket bikes considered "motorcycles"?

Despite their diminutive size, "pocket bikes" fall within the definition of "motorcycle" in Section 541.201 of the Transportation Code because they have a gas or electric motor and are designed to operate with no more than three wheels on the ground. Most mini motorcycles are powered by engines ranging from 40cc to 50cc, and some are capable of speeds exceeding 40 mph depending on brand, engine size and rider weight. The two subclasses of "motorcycles" are "motor driven cycles" and "mopeds." Mini motorcycles may appear to be mopeds because their engines normally do not exceed 50cc. However, with the exception of those models with a 40cc engine the majority of mini motorcycles actually qualify as a "motor driven cycle" because they can exceed 30mph in one mile.

Can pocket bikes be legally operated on public roads?

To be legally operated on a public street or highway, a motor vehicle must have a certificate of title and be properly registered with the Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT). In general, TXDOT does not authorize the issuances of certificates of title for mini motorcycles. Therefore the mini motorcycles are not eligible for registration. The main reason is that the majority of mini motorcycles lack a manufacturer's certificate of origin or equivalent document that is required for titling. Also the vehicles do not meet the equipment standards required by Federal and Texas law. In addition, only DPS-approved moped models may be registered in Texas. Currently, no mini motorcycle model is on the list of approved mopeds.

Some buyers have been told that mini motorcycles can be legally operated on low speed streets because they qualify as "motor assisted scooter" under Section 551.301 of the Transportation Code. However under Section 551.301, a "motor assisted scooter" must have a "deck on which the operator can stand and an engine not exceeding 40cc. Mini motorcycles not only lack a deck for standing, but most models have an engine displacement rate of over 40cc.

Because mini motorcycles cannot currently be titled and registered, they cannot be legally operated on public streets or highways. Moreover, because mini motorcycles are "motor vehicles" they cannot be ridden on sidewalks. Janette Ansolabehere, Senior Assistant General Counsel

What does this mean if you or your child is caught riding on a public roadway? Citations will be issued by Law Enforcement for violations of the Transportation Code, such as but not limited to: No Registration, No Insurance, No motor vehicle inspection and safety equipment violations.

Safety Committee

safety@providencehoa.com

Safe School Year

A new school year has come around and we would like to offer a few tips and reminders to help everyone start off on the right foot. Parents and children, please take into consideration the following information:

- ① Remember the Speed Limit in Providence is 25 mph.
- ② Be extra careful driving in the morning and afternoon when young children will be on their way to and from school.
- ③ When school is opening in the morning and closing in the afternoon, it is a busy and crowded area and many children will be using the crosswalk.
- ④ There are children being dropped off or picked up by both school buses and parents.
- ⑤ It is important to look carefully to the left, right and left again if you have to cross the street.
- ⑥ If you must walk through parked traffic, stop and look carefully before stepping out from between vehicles. Don't run between parked cars and buses.
- ⑦ Remember the danger areas around school buses where the driver can't see you.
- ⑧ Don't run across the street or through a parking lot trying to catch up with your friends.
- ⑨ Car drivers, bikers and in-line skaters must stop to allow people in the crosswalk to cross the street.
- ⑩ NEVER get into a car with someone who is not authorized to pick you up.

Have a safe and happy school year!

John Ellis, Safety Committee Chair
safety@providencehoa.com

Sports Committee

sports@providencehoa.com

Sports Teams Forming!

Attention sports fans: Providence is forming a sports committee! Beginning August, we will start meeting as a committee every third Tuesday of the month at 7:00pm in the Gathering Room (GR).

Even if you are unable to attend the meeting, we are interested in hearing your thoughts. Please feel free to email your suggestions to sports@providencehoa.com or contact Sports Committee Chair Chad Scott at 214-282-4114 with your ideas.

We would like to coordinate with the Aubrey Area Youth Sports Association (AAYSA) to offer a variety of sports activities for all ages to enjoy and possibly to start friendly rivalries between neighboring communities.

Since we are a new committee, we need all the help we can get, so please drop by the meeting to tell us what you think! Hope to see you there!

Pool Committee

pool@providencehoa.com

New Pool Policies

The Pool Committee has voted on the following new rules which were approved by the Board of Directors at the July 21 Board Meeting:

1. The only types of balls allowed are water nerf type water balls, and soft rubber kickballs.
2. Number of paid guests is now limited to six (6) per household. This is after the four (4) initial free guests, for a total of ten (10) guests.

Also, the slides will be open only 5 PM to 8 PM, effective August 15 until pool closes for the season. The reason for this is that the lifeguards are returning to school and will not be available. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

We are starting to get rules in place for next year so come on out to our monthly meetings (2nd Wednesdays, 6pm) in the Gathering Room (GR). Feel free to contact us at pool@providencehoa.com.

Hospitality Committee

hospitality@providencehoa.com

Help us help you!

The Hospitality Committee wants to make Providence a better place to live, and we have formed the following subgroups in order to better serve our neighbors. We are asking that you contact us if you are aware of, or are interested in helping with, any of the following:

- a. Neighbors in Need
- b. New Babies
- c. Birthdays
- d. Move-In Anniversary Dates
- e. Delivery of Providence Chairs
- f. Flyer Delivery
- g. Pancake Social
- h. Data Entry
- i. Lost & Found Pets

If you have any other ideas or suggestions, feel free to join us at our monthly meetings or contact us by email at hospitality@providencehoa.com.

Providence's July 4th Celebration

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www.ebphotodesign.com



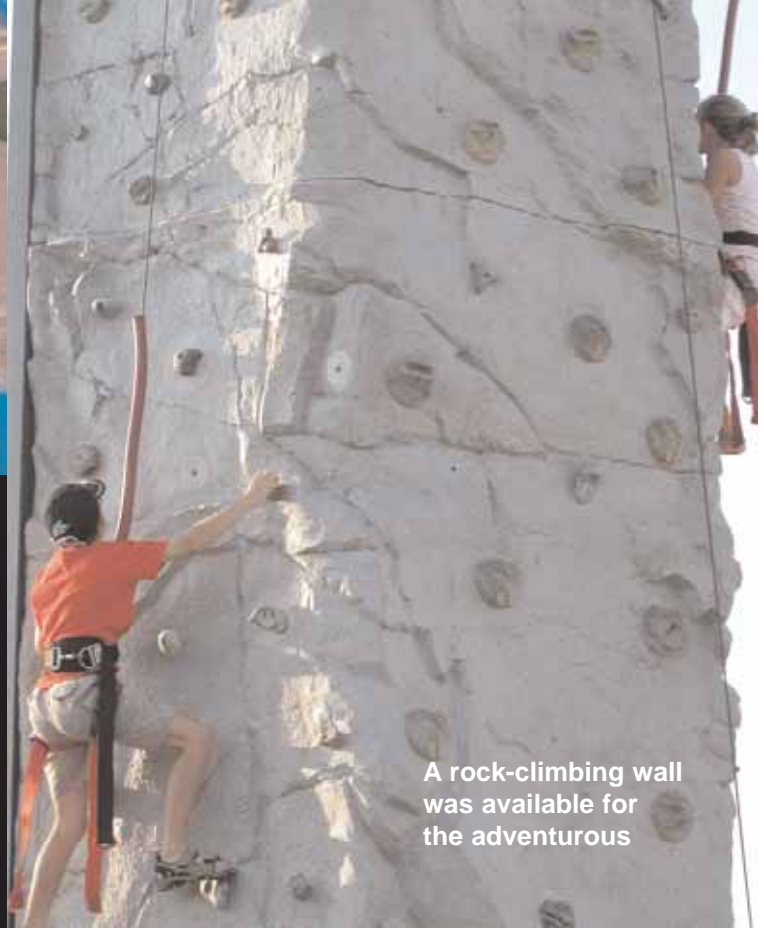
Independence Day Celebration

Fireworks were
awesome!





Participants waiting for the parade to begin



A rock-climbing wall was available for the adventurous



You Can Dance

Miss Mariah is currently accepting students ages two (2) years and up for Providence dance classes. Classes are offered in Creative Movement, Pre-ballet, Ballet I and II, and Beginning Pointe.

Enroll soon so that you can be part of our third annual holiday dance recital and extravaganza. Call Miss Mariah Wilbert for class times and availability: 940-365-9987



ADVISORY BOARD COMMITTEE IS ACTIVE!

The Advisory Board Committee has been formed and is currently active. Members of this committee serve the community as the liaisons between the Board of Directors and the villages of Providence.

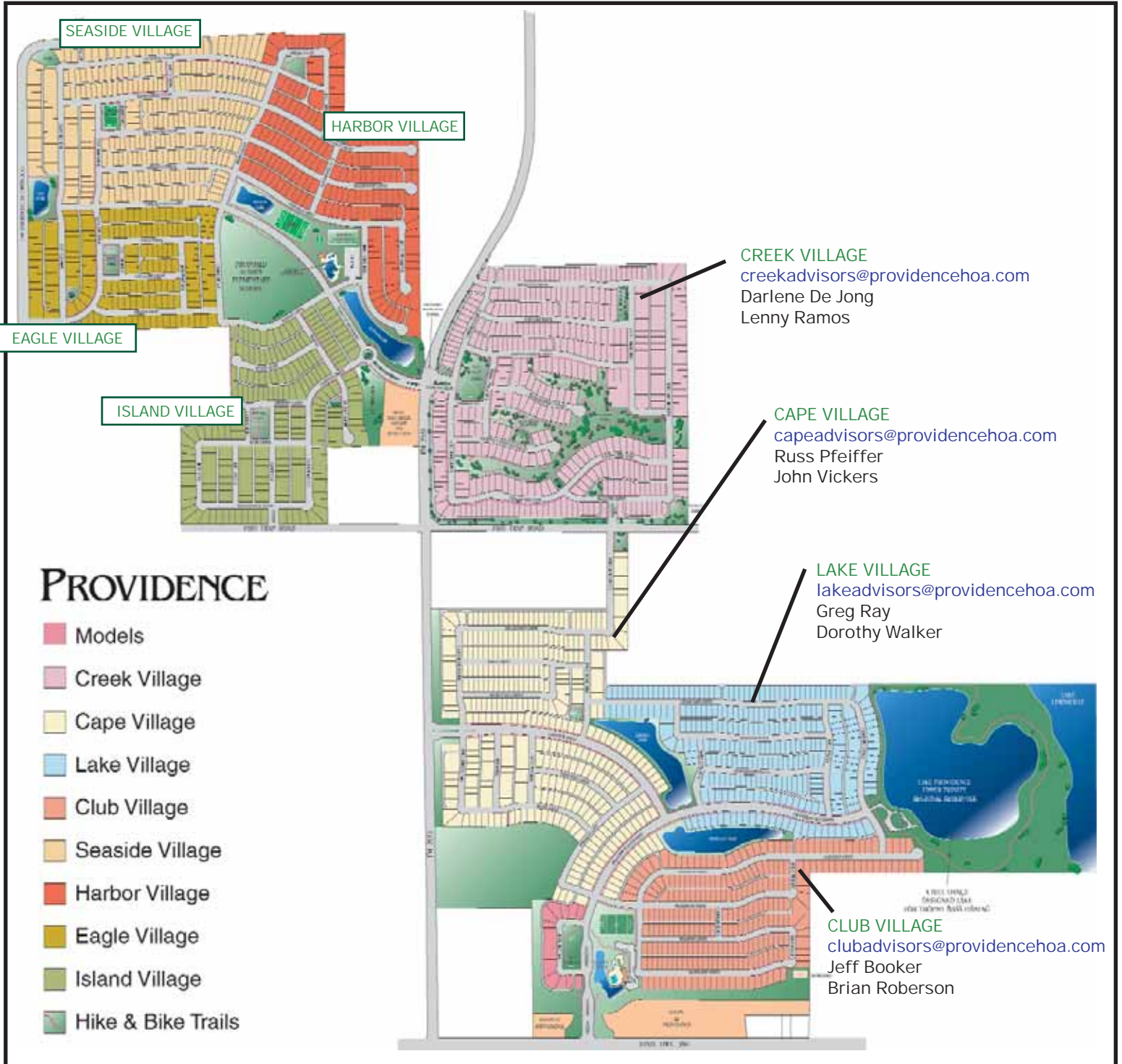
At this time, not all villages are represented because some of the villages have not been completed. But the goal is to have two (2) Advisors per village, for a total of sixteen (16). Please see map below to find your Advisor and their contact information.

If you have any issues that you feel need to be addressed, please bring the issue to your Advisor's attention. All of the Advisors will then meet

and discuss plans of action, subject to the approval of the Board of Directors.

The purpose of this committee is to create a pool of qualified individuals who can confidently serve as future members of the Board. As such, policies for the upcoming year will be based on the Advisors' recommendations.

This committee will give homeowners a stronger voice in the community. We also hope that this will ease the transition period when the Developer releases control to the Homeowners Association.



Fall Fest

DATE: Saturday, Oct 22
 TIME: 2pm - 6pm
 WHERE: The Sports Field and The Commons
 CONTACT: Billie 940-440-9414

Celebrate fall and cooler temperatures with your friends and neighbors at our exciting Fall Fest. There will be carnival games, crafts, a pie-baking contest, pumpkin-carving contest and costume contest. Brothers Garden will also be providing a "pumpkin patch" for a scenic stroll or for photo opportunities.

2 PM - 3:30 PM Mad Scientist Slime Lab
 Come by the Sports Field to have some fun with slime. The Mad Scientist will need to return to his lab at 3:30 PM so be sure to get your slime before then!

2:30 PM - 5:15 PM Providence Express Board the train at the clubhouse and take a ride around the Commons.

4 pm and 4:45 pm Zooniversity presents "Snake Encounters" This fun class will teach kids about snake safety.

2 PM - 6 PM Hat Trick Roller Hockey A mini hockey rink will be set up in the south parking lot of the Clubhouse. Skates will not be provided, but feel free to bring your own.

1 Parents must fill out a waiver for children under age 18 who participate in the hockey clinic.

3 PM Costume Contest There will be both a children's (0 -14) and an adults' (15 and up) costume contest. Please keep in mind this is a family event so leave the scary costumes at home.

4 PM Pie-Baking and Pumpkin-Carving Contests Please have your COMPLETED entries at the judging booth by 4:00 pm.

All of the booths and events are free. There will be some pay-for-play games and other fundraising booths provided by our neighborhood clubs and committees.

Fall Fest (continued from first column)

ATTENTION CLUBS AND COMMITTEES: If you would like to participate in the Fall Fest either by running a free game (you will be reimbursed up to \$25 for an approved game) or by having a fundraising booth, please contact the Activities Committee at funactivities@providencehoa.com no later than Saturday, October 1, 2005.

ATTENTION CRAFTERS: We are also looking for residents who would like to sell homemade crafts at Fall Fest. There will be a \$10.00 table-renting fee. Please contact the Activities Committee at funactivities@providencehoa.com no later than Saturday, October 1, 2005.

COMMUNITY YARD SALE

RSVP: Anne, rsvp@providencehoa.com
 DATE: Saturday, Sep 17
 RAINDATE: Sat, Sep 24
 TIME: 7 AM until ???
 RSVP: by Wednesday, Sep 7

We request written RSVP only, in order to avoid any verbal miscommunication. Please email Anne Patton your Name, Address, Email, and Phone, if you will be participating in the Community Yard Sale.

Your name will be added to a list, and a route map will be made available at the front entrance to the community. The HOA will also provide signs on Highway 380 and throughout the community, so *please do not put up any individual signs. Unauthorized signs will be removed.*

New Years Eve

It's time to start thinking about New Year's Eve! We have a great event lined up for our residents this year, with a DJ and live music, and catered food with free beer, wine, and mixers.



The best part is that you won't have a long drive (or walk) to get back home. The cost will be \$20.00 per person -- a great deal for the exciting night we have planned!

Barktoberfest

Calling all Providence Pet Lovers!

EVENT DATE: Saturday, Oct 15
 TIME: 12 - 4 pm
 WHERE: Paul Revere (Doggie) Park

The Hospitality Committee is pleased to bring to you the very first **BARKTOBERFEST**, which will take place at the Paul Revere Dog Park on the corner of Amherst & Davisville, by the ballpark in the Creek Village. *All pets are welcome!*

One of our goals as a Hospitality Committee is to keep our neighborhood pets safe. To help achieve our goal we plan on designating a pet *Safe Home* in each village & compiling a database with your pet's profile, consisting of pet's photo, pet's name, owner's name, address, and phone number.

If you are interested in becoming a *Safe Home* or would like to volunteer for **BARKTOBERFEST** please contact us by email at hospitality@providencehoa.com.

You'll also have the opportunity to visit with local vets, groomers, pet-sitters, boarding kennels, & much, much more!!!

12-4pm Pictures for Pet Profiles taken
 1pm Pet Costume Contest
 2pm Providence Pet Tricks
 3pm Pet/Owner Look-a-like Contest

Amazing prizes will be awarded to all contest winners! We ask that all pets be current on vaccinations and be accompanied by an adult. Don't miss out on the fun!



Growth Boom (part 3)

By Cynthia White, County Commissioner

In the last few columns I have been discussing development and its impact on Denton County resources. In this column, I wanted to zoom in on a specific case study to demonstrate the economic challenge the county faces.

In the northeastern quadrant of Denton County there are several Fresh Water Supply Districts (FWSD). Most of these districts were created in 2000. They are legal districts created according to state statute. Many of these districts are surrounded by county roads, 60 % of which are gravel. Paloma Creek borders Navo Road which is one of those gravel county roads. When I took office in 2001 the average daily traffic count (ADT) on this road was approximately 91 ADT. In 2004, it jumped to almost 300 ADT. Currently, two schools are located on that road and scheduled to be open in 2006 and 2007. The estimated traffic projections for this once lone country gravel road are 14,000 ADT!

Obviously, in its current two-lane gravel state it will not be able to handle the traffic demand. While Denton County has been successful in creating a partnership with the Developer and the school district, the ultimate build-out of that road will require a five-lane asphalt/concrete road. The county's share alone will be approximately \$500,000. To put that in perspective, it is important to keep in mind that I have close to 400 miles of county roads to maintain on a yearly basis. In an average year, my HMA (hot-mix asphalt) line item only has \$500,000 - \$600,000. The economic challenge is clear. That is one of the reasons that I included \$2,000,000 for county roads in the TRIP 04 bond proposal that passed overwhelmingly by the voters. However, even those dollars will be stretched to meet the demand that the continued growth brings.

While FWSDs bring some challenges, it should be noted that in many respects they help to ease the

economic burden on the county. All the roads built within the FWSD are built to county standards but will be theirs to maintain. In other words, the county will not be saddled with increasing road mileage to maintain and the corresponding dollars necessary for maintenance.

Additionally, many times there are county roads running through the FWSD. In more instances than not when the Developers are platting their subdivision they re-align these county roads and build them in concrete. At that point, they take over the maintenance of the newly aligned road leaving the county with one less road to maintain. And, of course, they are cooperative in sharing the cost of upgrading county roads that border their districts.

Cynthia White, Denton County Commissioner.
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 940-349-2810, 940-349-2811 (fax)



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classes and clubs



Book Club

Please join us for the first meeting on September 8 (2nd Thursdays) at 7pm in the Gathering Room (GR). We will discuss the type of books you love to read, so come to the meeting with two (2) book suggestions.

We will create a reading list and will decide on a convenient day and time for future meetings. All book lovers are welcome!

Refreshments will be served. Please contact Marcia Donaldson at 940-365-1728 for more information.



Providence Playgroup -- Tuesdays
 Taryn Young 940-365-3508

M.O.P.s (Moms of Providence)

Calling all Moms! Do you need a break from the sometimes hum-drum? Then you need to join M.O.P.s (Mothers Of Providence) for "girl talk" on first Wednesdays of each month at 7:00pm.

We discuss everything from our children to the latest news. It's fun, it's casual, and sometimes emotional! Stop by and say hi! For more information, please contact Melissa Treadaway at 940-365-3032 or mstreadaway1@hotmail.com.



Motorcycle Club

Meet other Providence residents who share your passion for motorcycle riding. All experience levels and riders of all makes and models are welcome.

We meet 1st & 3rd Sundays but please call for meeting locations. Glenn Dixon 817-832-9343



The Trial of the Big Bad Wolf
 ran July 29 - 30 in the
 Gathering Room to rave reviews!



Providence Players -- 1st Tuesdays
 Dorothy Walker 940-365-3463

Providence Poker Club

Calling all men and women adults to the Providence Poker Club (formerly Casino Club). Don't know how to play or are you not sure of your skills? Not a problem! We will teach you. Come on out and enjoy fellowship with neighbors.

We meet every first Saturday and second Tuesday of each month @ 7 PM in the Gathering Room (GR) at the Clubhouse. Contact Bill Saunders at 940-390-9329 or email Poker_Bill@msn.com for details.