




The Woodcreek Wind

News for 'Our' Community

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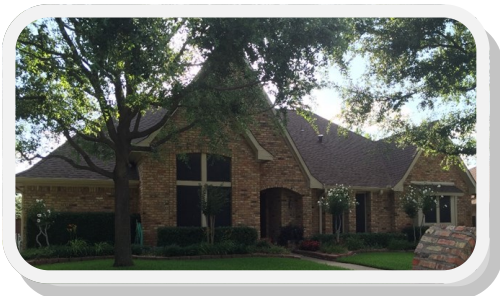
HOME IMPROVEMENT- WOODCREEK STYLE!

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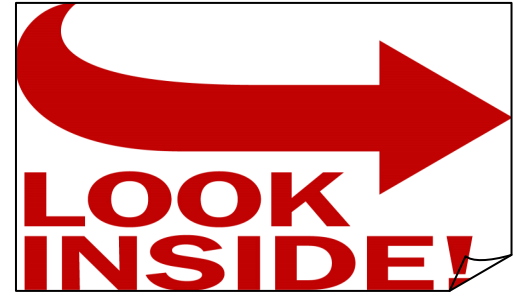
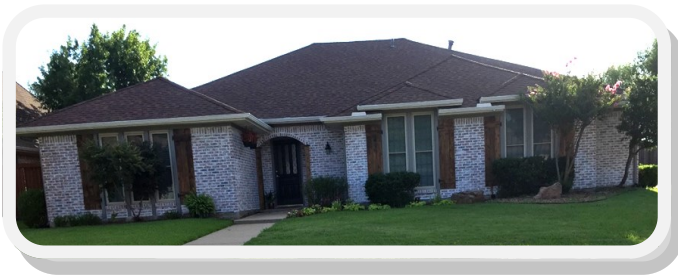
If you have been walking or driving through the neighborhood lately, you can't help but see new and refreshing updates taking place to many homes in Woodcreek. Whether refreshing the house and/or the landscape, our neighbors are doing a beautiful job! It's worth a walk or drive to see the improvements.

Below and throughout this newsletter are just a few of the lovely homes and landscapes. Drive around to find them all and more! Thanks all you neighbors and new neighbors, and thanks for helping make *Woodcreek a more beautiful place to live.*

**Russell Tether
President**



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See more beautiful Woodcreek homes throughout this newsletter



WOODCREEK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION 2016-2017 CALENDAR

Mark your calendar and plan to join your Woodcreek neighbors for all our upcoming events! New events to be added so check the website regularly.

2016

JULY- Summer Newsletter

AUGUST- Events to be announced

SEPTEMBER- Board Nominations

OCTOBER- Fall Newsletter / National Night Out /
Annual Meeting

NOVEMBER- Set Budget

DECEMBER- Santa Parade / Food Drive
- Judge Holiday Lighting
- Parade of Lights

2017

JANUARY - Winter Newsletter / Membership Drive

FEBRUARY- Meet-n-Greet

MARCH- Directory

APRIL- Spring Newsletter
- Spring Fling

MAY- Events to be announced

JUNE- Meet-n-Greet

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Of Trees and Rocks

by Carey Crawford



Have you seen those signs along the highway that say something like "Unlawful to Remove Trees or Plants Along Right of Way"? I think my parents are partially the reason for those signs coming into use. I remember as a kid in Mississippi when we would go on trips, if they saw a tree sapling or unusual plant along the road, we'd pull over and dig it up, take it home, and plant it somewhere on our property. There is an oddly-shaped pine tree near my brother's driveway that we uprooted years ago on a trip to Tuscaloosa, Alabama. I know now why Dad kept a folding camp shovel in the trunk of the car.

Also, we were prone to stop and pick up rocks, too. My dad was a "rock hound" with his own rock polishing tumbler. If he saw a unique rock near the road while driving, we'd stop and load it in the trunk. If it was too big for the car, we'd come get my brothers and go back with the truck to retrieve it. We'd go on "rock hunting" expeditions on Sunday afternoons, looking through piles of gravel for uniquely shaped or colorful stones that he could polish and add to his collection of polished stones. There is still a pile of those big rocks we gathered at their house, and Mom still has many of those polished stones in a planter in the house.

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Woodcreek DON'T FORGET TRAIN HORNS ARE SILENT

BE CAREFUL WHEN CROSSING...

After many months of planning and upgrades to intersections, the train horns on the BNSF railroad tracks adjacent to the Woodcreek Neighborhood went silent on April 14.

Thanks AI Overholt for the good news!

Volunteering Opportunities in Carrollton

Looking for a chance to give back? Well, your city is looking for you, too. Almost all City departments need volunteers, but some of the most popular departments are Parks and Recreation which includes Downtown Carrollton special events, the Museum and the Senior Center; Animal Services; Libraries; and Environmental Services. You can also apply to volunteer for specific events like the free TexFest and the Festival at the Switchyard held every November on the streets of Historic Downtown Carrollton or the Carrollton Trails 5K held every spring on our top-notch hike and bike trails. To find out more about each of these opportunities, check out the City website at cityofcarrollton.com



Downtown On the Square

FREE OUTDOOR MOVIE ON THE SQUARE
JURASSIC WORLD (2015), PG-13
 SAT. JUL. 9 @ SUNSET
 DOWNTOWN CARROLLTON

Watch the world record breaking movie of the summer, under the stars! Bring your blankets/chairs and a friend, and get ready for a thrilling adventure in *Jurassic World!*

CARROLLTON
 972-466-9135 | cityofcarrollton.com/downtown

CONCERT on the SQUARE
 SUMMER SERIES
FREE LIVE MUSIC - 6-8PM
DOWNTOWN CARROLLTON

Dallas cover bands specializing in top 40 songs from classic rock, country, funk, and soul to current pop, R&B, and rock hits.

June 25 | The Rumble Kings
 July 23 | Aurora
 Aug 27 | Centerfold the Band

Bring lawn chairs and blankets.
 972-466-9135 | cityofcarrollton.com/downtown
 1106 S. Broadway Street



Board games are so much more than the Chutes and Ladders or Monopoly of our childhood. Come to the Library and check out new and trendy games.

Whether you're looking for a game to test your strategy or social deduction skills or if you're just looking for a social trivia game, we've got you covered. You are also free to bring your own games to share with others. Game on! Available games:



- Wits & Wagers
- Telestrations
- Dixit
- Utter Nonsense
- Ultimate Werewolf
- Tsuru
- Bang! The Dice Game
- The Resistance And More!

July 9th and August 20th Time: 3:30pm - 5:30pm
 Location: Hebron & Josey Library
 4220 N Josey Ln Carrollton, Texas 75010

Game on!

Frontier Problems by Al Overholt

We were all fat, dumb and happy with Verizon FIOS - one supplier for internet, TV and phone. The price was outrageous but the service was great. Then on April 1st everything changed. Verizon sold the business to an outfit named Frontier that no one had heard of and people from Florida to California began complaining about the service - more correctly, the LACK OF SERVICE. Locally, Nextdoor was filled with complaints from people who had no TV and no internet service. Meanwhile, Frontier was overwhelmed and not answering the phone.



I was lucky at first. Only a few scheduled TV shows that didn't show up. But on June 6th everything went dead and it got real quiet around the house. Frontier technical service tried for 45 minutes to solve the problem over the phone (after I tried for a day to reach them). No luck, and the service man didn't show up for a week. He changed the power supply module in the garage and left. It worked for about two hours. Over the next week it dropped service about once a day. Frontier tech service says to unplug the router for 30 seconds and it will reboot. If not, unplug the power supply module in the garage for 60 seconds and it will reboot or unplug the cable box and reboot it. HOW ABOUT UNPLUGGING FRONTIER.



Apparently many of you have. The main options in Woodcreek are Time Warner Cable (slower internet speed) or DIRECTV (no internet – just TV). Some have reported saving money with DIRECTV for TV service with separate Frontier high speed internet and VoIP phone service. There is a lot of competition for Frontier's business right now because of their problems with the transition from Verizon. For example, if you go to Frontier.com the first thing you see is a DISH advertisement. If you call to disconnect from Frontier you may be offered incentives to stay. They gave me 12 days free this month because of the service outages. Now I need to decide what to do for next month. There are no perfect choices but I am convinced that I pay way too much for what I get.

Of Trees and Rocks

by Carey Crawford

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I find myself picking through gravel in driveways sometimes, looking for those pretty little pieces of rock. I can't say I have the urge to pull over and dig up botanical specimens though. A fella could get shot doing things like that in Texas. They take their plants pretty seriously. Nevertheless, I like that I can see things of my dad in myself. I take pride in the fact that some of his interests are my interests as well. In a similar way, I pray that characteristics of my heavenly Father find expression in my life. I sincerely hope others see evidence of God's love in me. The saying goes that the apple doesn't fall far from the tree. In my case the pine cone doesn't fall far from the pine tree that Dad dug up in Alabama.

Do you have an ad, neighborhood information, or your good news for the next newsletter?

Send to info@woodcreekneighbors.org



Request Vacation Home Check



The Carrollton Police Department Citizens on Patrol offers Vacation Home Checks to all Carrollton residents. While you are away on vacation, volunteers from the Carrollton Police Department Citizen Patrol will periodically stop by your home to check for open doors, broken windows or any other suspicious circumstances. This is another added security precaution you can utilize to safeguard your possessions and assure your peace of mind while you are on vacation. This is a free, but invaluable service provided by the Carrollton Police Department. Please fill in the form below to request a vacation check. If you have any questions please contact the Crime Prevention Unit at 972-466-4786.

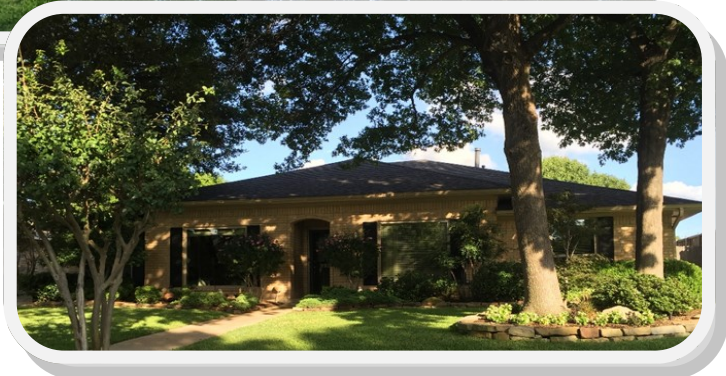
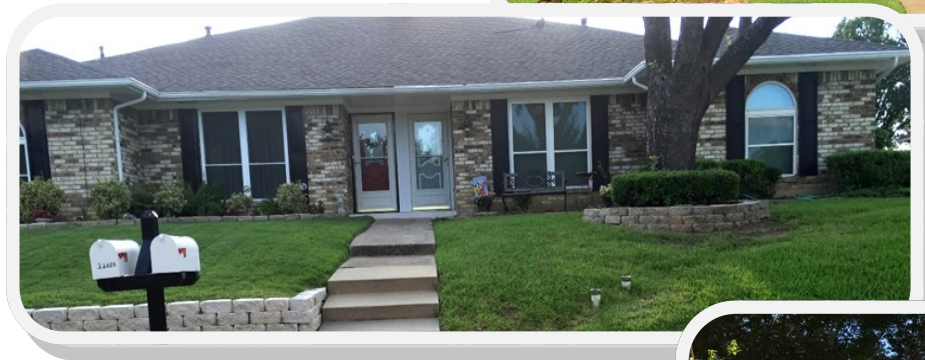
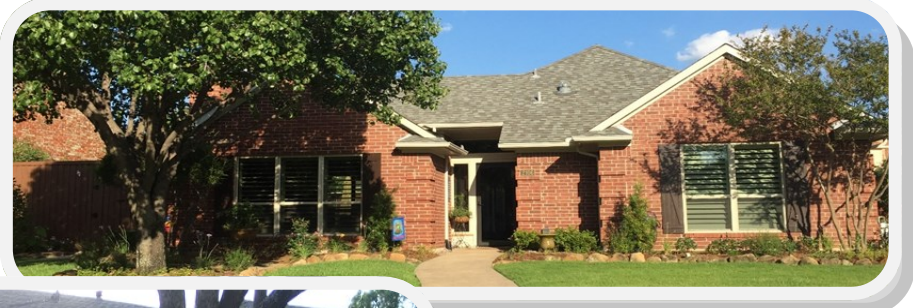
Homeowner realizes that the Police Department and the City do not assume any liability for loss or damage to property during specified dates. Homeowner understands there is no guarantee that vacation checks will be done daily, but will occur only when volunteers are available.

Calling 911 From Your VoIP Phone

Portable interconnected Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) services can be used to place calls from virtually any internet connection anywhere. While VoIP is a powerful technology, it is still evolving — which raises challenges for emergency responders in identifying the correct physical location from which the 911 call was made.

As an online service, VoIP phones DO NOT connect to 911 the same way traditional landline or cell phones do. Check with your VoIP provider to ensure your profile including location information is complete and up to date. Otherwise, a danger arises of not being directed to the correct 911 center or emergency services being delayed.

VoIP Dialing 911 might be the most important call you ever make. Familiarize yourself with this technology and share it with family and friends so you can help ensure your safety and the safety of those around you.



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WOODCREEK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

RETURN FORM & CHECK TO:

Woodcreek Neighborhood Association, P.O. Box 110776, Carrollton, Texas 75011-0776

Name include partner/spouse:	
Email: <small>Will not be shared. For member communication only</small>	Do not Publish Name in Directory <input type="checkbox"/> Do not Publish Phone Number <input type="checkbox"/>
Address:	Carrollton, TX 75006 <input type="checkbox"/> Own <input type="checkbox"/> Rent
Mailing address (if different):	State: Zip Code:
Phone: <small>Will not be shared w/o permission above. For member communication only.</small>	Contact me about Volunteer Opportunities? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Membership Voluntary with Annual Donation <input type="checkbox"/> Unable to Join at this Time	1-YEAR Member Dues <input type="checkbox"/> \$25 Owner <input type="checkbox"/> \$15 Renter <input type="checkbox"/> \$50 Sustaining Member

Sustaining members show a deeper commitment to our community through a more generous donation. It is an opportunity to invest in our neighborhood's success. Sustaining members are recognized in the Member Directory, website, newsletter and at social events.

ABOUT US

Our Association exists to serve the needs of our community, share information among members, advocate for our community with the city and to enhance the value of the neighborhood.

Our neighborhood, with more than 300 homes, consists of two parts divided by a lovely creek with a walking bridge joining us together. The Woodcreek Neighborhood Association is coordinated by volunteer officers who serve a one-year term. The annual meeting is held in October where we gather as a community, discuss topics of interest and hold elections. Guest speakers are featured on topics of concern as needed.

Your membership is VERY important to our ongoing efforts on behalf of our neighborhood. A strong, vibrant, safe and beautiful community benefits each owner by supporting the value of our homes.

Eligibility Anyone who is a homeowner or a resident of the Woodcreek community.

Member Benefits

1. Member Directory and Resource Guide
Yearly directory of members organized by name and by street. It also includes copies of the bylaws, neighborhood deed restrictions, and City of Carrollton contact information.
2. Beautiful entries into the neighborhood-maintenance of landscaping of the entry areas to the neighborhood.
3. Social events including Annual Meeting, National Night Out, Holiday events, and other social activities.
4. Volunteer Board members who work effectively with the City of Carrollton to facilitate neighborhood improvements and advocate for you and our community with the City.
5. Matching City funding for neighborhood improvements.
6. Online community, website, newsletter and flyers to share information.



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Woodcreek Shares

Woodcreek Neighbor Meet-n-Greet

New Woodcreek residents were welcomed with a get-together and cookout Friday, June 24. Joining Carey, Patti, Al, Elesia, Julie, and Dewayne were new neighbors Tim and Amy, and Sharon. We do these events quarterly, so if you missed this one, another is coming! Notices are posted on woodcreekneighbors.org and on Nextdoor, so watch for details of the next Meet and Greet.



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You may have noticed that NTTA has been working along the Bush Turnpike to correct several issues:

- Repairs to the retaining wall along west bound Trinity Mills Road are almost complete.
- The slope that collapsed last year just west of Kelly Boulevard is being excavated and re-graded.
- The trees overhanging the service road near the Xplor Day Care have been trimmed.
- The last step will be to plant new landscaping at the Kelly Boulevard intersection.

A segment of Josey Lane from Belt Line Road north to McKamy Drive is undergoing rehabilitation in two phases. The first phase of construction began Monday, April 25, with City crews working on concrete improvements including curb/gutter sidewalk sections as well as subsurface repairs and panel failures. Crews will minimize lane closures as much as possible and remain sensitive to school traffic.

This work will be followed by an asphalt mill and overlay by the Dallas County Bridge and Road Crew who will provide an updated, improved riding surface for the segment. The two construction phases will be tentatively completed by mid-August.



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Do you have an ad to promote your business or information to share with your neighbors?

Please send to
Info@woodcreekneighbors.org
Next newsletter is October 2016



Now Open!
STOP BY FOR A TOUR!

(214) 790-7239

2221 Marsh Lane, Carrollton, TX 75006
OxfordatCarrollton.com | facebook.com/OxfordGlenCarrollton

ALZHEIMER'S & DEMENTIA CARE IN CARROLLTON

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Woodcreek Neighborhood

We're on the web!

www.woodcreekneighbors.org/

BE SURE TO SAY "THANKS" TO OUR Newsletter Sponsor

Oxford Glen Memory Care (see on page 7)

The Woodcreek Wind is a publication for residents of Woodcreek and is published quarterly. The newsletter is distributed to 342 Woodcreek households.

The newsletter is produced by a volunteer team of neighborhood residents.

A limited number of advertisements are accepted. A standard business-card sized ad is \$15. Ads for adult-oriented establishments are not permitted, and all advertisements are subject to review by the newsletter editor.

Advertising Rates

\$15 for 1/8th page (business card size)

\$30 for 1/4 page

\$50 for 1/2 page

\$95 for Full page

For more advertising information,
email Lora at clor28@ymail.com

Helpful Contacts**Woodcreek Website**

<http://woodcreekneighbors.org/>

City of Carrollton Interactive City Map

<http://www.cityofcarrollton.com/maps/>

Police Emergency 911

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