



The Overlook Outlook

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Bus Stop Change

The elementary, middle, and high school buses will now be stopping in front of the gates at the top of the hill to pick up and drop off the children. Thanks to the board for working with NEISD to make this much-needed change!

Donate Toys

St. Thomas Episcopal Preschool and Elementary students are collecting gently loved stuffed animals and toys for the Christian Assistance Ministry, serving needy families in the San Antonio area, Friday, November 16th. Anyone interested in donating toys or animals may contact Georg'a Walsh (497-2706, or drop them by 712 Walder Trail.

New Board Members Elected

At the October 1st annual meeting, homeowners elected the new board members. Congratulations to:

- David Kennedy, President
- Lori Tomkewitz, Vice President
- Tom Galvin, ARC Chairman
- Patrick Magallanes, Treasurer
- Bonnie Simonick, Secretary



Overlook Good Neighbor Fall Fest

Mark your calendars and make plans to attend the Overlook Fall Fest, Nov. 10th, 4-6pm., at the low-end cul-de-sac on Texas Point. Bring a dish, a lawn chair, and a festive attitude! Tea and lemonade will be provided, otherwise, BYOB! Help wanted for set up, tear down, and decorations.

YARD OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to
Dewayne & Sheryl Nelson
510 Texas Point

DALLAS COWBOYS

Nov 4th @ NY Giants 1pm
 Nov 11th @ Atlanta 1pm
 Nov 18th Philadelphia, 1pm
 Nov 22nd Denver 4:05 pm



Nov 1 @ Seattle 9pm
 Nov 3 @ Portland 9pm
 Nov 4 @ Sacramento 8pm
 Nov 6 Orlando 7pm
 Nov 8 @ Charlotte 6pm
 Nov 10 Atlanta 7:30 pm
 Nov 13 Houston 7:30 pm
 Nov 16 Cleveland 7:30 pm
 Nov 21 Seattle 7:30 pm
 Nov 23 @ Indiana 7pm
 Nov 24 @ Minnesota 7pm
 Nov 28 Golden State
 7:30pm
 Nov 30 Sacramento
 7:30pm



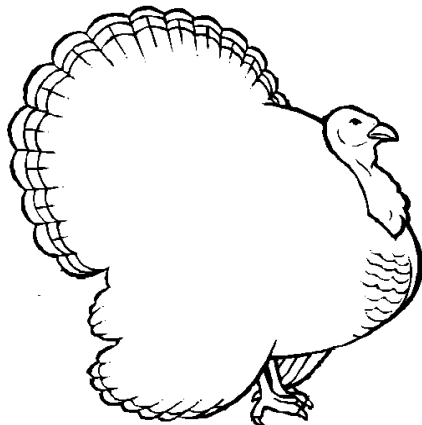
Nov 2nd Nashville 7:30pm
 Nov 3rd @ Nashville 7pm
 Nov 7th San Jose 7pm.
 Nov 9th Phoenix 7:30pm
 Nov 11th @ Anaheim 7pm.
 Nov 15th @ Los Angeles
 9:30pm.
 Nov 17th @ San Jose
 9:30pm
 Nov 19th N.Y. Islanders
 7:30pm.
 Nov 21st Carolina 7:30pm
 Nov 23rd Philadelphia
 7:30 pm
 Nov 25th @ Minnesota
 1pm
 Nov 29th @ Calgary 7pm

BOARD UPDATES

•The Overlook HOA held a community town hall meeting Friday, Oct. 12th, at which was attended by Jerbo representative Jim O’Brien. Mr. O’Brien was able to address many of the residents’ concerns. He then met with the board and several homeowners the following Saturday morning, when he walked the entire neighborhood and made on-site assessments of our needs.

•The board was able to reach an agreement with Jerbo, signed on October 15th. The Overlook offered support for Jerbo’s request for a special use permit to build mini-storage across from the subdivision in exchange for strict construct-ional, operational, and safety guidelines, as well as needed repairs and upgrades for the neighborhood. The criteria for the support of the special use permit included 1) all previous representa-tions made by Jerbo would be binding, 2) access to the facility will be limited to 7am-11pm, 3) no controversy provoking businesses will be allowed in the office complex, 4) 6ft masonry fence separating facility from middle school, 5) manicured grass between

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Board Updates Cont.

Wilderness Oak and complex, 6) buried utilities, 7) repair and repaint Overlook’s wrought iron fence, 8) assess & correct drainage problem at entry gate, 9) storm drain on low side of street in middle of Walder Trail, 10) narrow and shorten medians on Walder Trail, 11) provide curbing and irrigation of all medians, 12) place bench at bus stop. In addition, Jerbo has committed to placing a monument on the corner of Hardy Oak and Stone Oak that mirrors The Heights’ monument. Jerbo also maintains that The Overlook is and always has been a member of the community center.

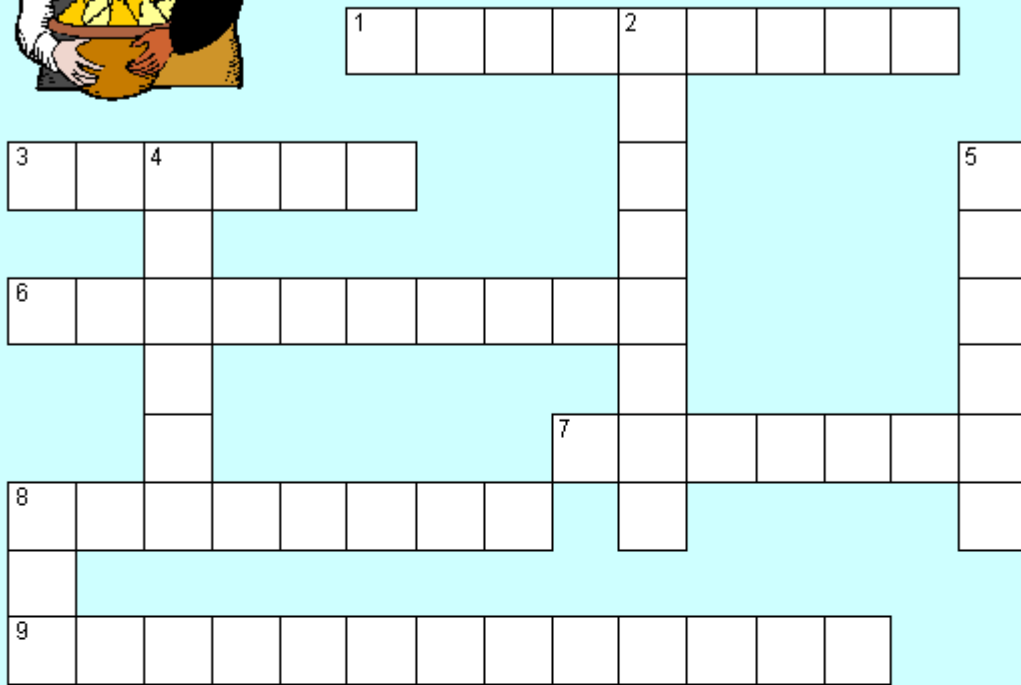
•Tuesday, October 16th, Overlook HOA President David Kennedy spoke in support of Jerbo’s request for a special use permit at the zoning commission hearing. Despite the presence of the board and members of our community at this hearing, Jerbo’s request was denied. The issue will be taken to City Council, where we will continue to lend our support as per our agreement.

•Thursday, Oct. 25th, the board met with representatives of E Management group, as part of the effort to improve community management. The board will continue to explore the community’s options of self-management vs. new management company, with a decision to be made by the end of the year.

•The board would like to extend special thanks to Richard Walsh, 712 Walder Trail, for his extensive assistance in the negotiations with Jerbo.



Thanksgiving



Across

1. Ship where the "Compact" was signed

3.



8. Thanksgiving started in this colony

6.



7.



9.



Down

2.



4.



5. Thanksgiving happens during this season

8.



Fall Planting

October and November

Pansies, snapdragons, flowering cabbage, kale, and calendulas. If you plan to let your garden go dormant over the winter, you should plant green manure cover crops. The best for our area are rye, hairy vetch, clover, and other legumes. Sow from mid-August to mid-October. These cover crops add organic matter to garden soil and help fix nitrogen for the spring garden.

Fertilize (for lawns)

Soil Food 5-3-2. 10lbs per 1,000 sq. ft. All planting areas with 100% organic fertilizer. Foliar feed plants with Liquid Sea Weed, Compost, or Molasses.

Plant

All hardy trees and shrubs, spring flowering, perennials, thrift, spirea & flowering quince.

Mulch

Cover any bare soil with organic mulch. Mulch all newly planted shrubs, trees and ground cover with 1" compost and 3" of cedar mulch.

(Information taken from "Garden-fille Grapevine," www.garden-ville.com)

NEW BENCHES AT BUS STOP

A new bus stop area was created the morning of Saturday, October 27th, at the entry median. Three benches, donated by Jerbo representative Mr. Jim O'Brien, were placed on an area that was first leveled with topsoil. The benches were chained to the trees, then the chains covered with new mulch. A flagstone path leads from the curb down into the bench area. Community members that turned out to help with the project included Richard Walsh, David Kennedy, Tom Galvin, Patrick Magallanes, and Bill Spiers. Special thanks goes to Patrick Magallanes for his donation of the topsoil, mulch and flagstone and thanks to all the residents for helping to bring this plan to life. Plans are in the works to place a trashcan at this area as well.

When you get a chance, run by and take a look. The children of the Overlook now have a nice, safe place to await the bus in the mornings!



Cheesy Fast Food Trivia

What fast food chain was named for Forrest and Le Roy Raffel?

- a. Arbys
- b. White Castle
- c. Wendys
- d. A & W

Be a courteous neighbor... pick up after your dog!



Crossword Answers

Across:

1. Mayflower
3. Native
6. Cornucopia
7. Pilgrim
8. Plymouth
9. Massachusetts

Down:

2. Log Cabin
4. Turkey
5. Autumn
8. Pumpkin Pie



School Calendar

- November 12th
School Board Mtg.
- November 14th
Early Dismissal
- November 21-23
School Holiday



Reagan Football

Nov. 2nd, 7:30pm
@ East Central

Nov. 8th, 7pm
MacArthur,
Comalander



Happy Birthday to
Cody Heffron who
turned 8 on
Oct. 25th!

Sports Trivia

The Davis Cup is awarded in what sport?

- Tennis
- Polo
- Curling
- Yachting

Look for answer on page 4.

For Sale: Dark forest green sofa, great condition, 250.00, 8x10 oriental-style rug, dark and light green and cream color, 100.00, glass top cocktail and matching end table, 125.00, brass/glass étagère (deco display shelving unit) 100.00 Call Karen at 497-7492

Results of Social Committee Survey

*By Nancy Townsend
Market Research Analyst in a
Previous Life*

In May, we asked you to fill out a questionnaire on places and professionals that you would like to recommend to your neighbors. We also asked what types of activities you would like to organize or participate in. We knew it was difficult to complete the survey and attend the pool party. Most residents opted

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Recipe of the Month

Pasta with Red Wine Vinaigrette, Roasted Almonds, and Green Beans

- ½ C. sliced almonds, roasted
- 1 lb. dried penne or ziti pasta
- 12 oz. fresh green beans (ends trimmed & cut in half)
- 2/3 roasted red peppers, diced
- 2 Tbs. chopped fresh parsley
- ½ C. feta cheese

To roast the almonds, preheat the oven to 325°. Spread the almonds on a cookie sheet evenly. Bake until golden brown, about 10 min, turning over at 5 min.

To roast the pepper, cut off the top of the pepper, then slice it in ½ lengthwise, remove the seeds and veins, and press down on each half to flatten. Brush the skins with oil, then set then skin side up on a sheet pan. Bake at 400° until the skins are wrinkled but not charred, 10-20 min. Place in a plastic storage bag & seal, so the peppers can steam for 15 min.

Remove from the bag and remove the skins. Cook the pasta according to the directions on the package. Steam or boil the green beans until crisp-tender. To make the vinaigrette, in a large bowl or food processor, mix all of the ingredients except the olive oil. While stirring constantly, SLOWLY, drizzle in the olive oil. This works best in a food processor, but it also works well by hand. To assemble the salad, add the pasta, green beans, toasted almonds, roasted red peppers, and enough vinaigrette to coat the pasta (you may not need to use it all). Sprinkle with parsley and capers. Scatter the feta cheese around the sides. Serve at room temperature or slightly chilled (you will get more flavor from the cheese if you serve it a room temp).

- For the Vinaigrette
- ¾ C extra-virgin olive oil
 - ¼ C red wine vinegar
 - 1 Tbs. Dijon mustard
 - 1 large shallot, minced
 - 2 cloves garlic, minced
 - 2 tsp. chopped fresh tarragon
 - 2 tsp chopped fresh rosemary
 - 1 tsp salt
 - ¼ coarsely ground pepper

Contributed by: Steven R. Nivin

Social Committee Survey (cont.)

for having a good time at the pool party, but we were successful in compiling the ten surveys we received.

From our limited sample of residents, I can tell you that your neighbors love to eat and love their pets! But food more than pets! Eighteen different restaurants were listed with Ming Court (6), Tom's Ribs (4), Paesano's (3), Longhorn Café (3), and Regianos (2) having the greatest number of mentions. Ones that I never heard of – Aldo's, Clear Water and Beefy's Backyard! Neighbors recommend the following for pet care: Family Pet Hospital (2), Deerfield Animal Hospital, Rob Carey Pet Resort, and Doggie Door.

We also received recommendations for home and yard care, such as landscapers, window tinting and outdoor lighting. Names were given for representatives for Pampered Chef, Creative Memories, Mary Kay, a realtor and some babysitters. These names will be provided

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if you call me. Remember that one neighbor may have a good experience with a service and another neighbor may have a bad one. These recommendations are based solely on this very limited neighborhood survey.

We did have some responses to the types of activities you would like to see. Overwhelmingly, Ladies' Night Out was the most requested. Humorously, one female professional asked what "bunko" could be? Shall we initiate her, ladies? Nancy Lowrance would like to start a "bunko" group in January. Call her soon if you would like to be on the list of twelve monthly participants (as twelve are required for this tribal ritual) or to be on the substitute list. The group will travel to a different house in the Overlook each month. A new scrapbooking group will start Friday, November 16th 7 pm at 523 Texas Point. Call Nancy Townsend to attend. Individual neighbors were also interested in participating in canasta, poker, tennis, basketball and a Gourmet Club.

We would like to repeat the survey to see if other neighbors are interested in these activities, as well as your recommendations for doctors, household services, pet care and vendors. You will receive a blank survey by email from Nancy Townsend, which you can fill out and return to her by email, or you can print it out and return the hard copy to her at 523 Texas Point.

If we have a significant return (and I hope we do), we will report the results in a future newsletter.

sports trivia answer
a. Tennis – International tennis team competitions began in Boston in 1900.

Social Committee Update

- The October 25th planning meeting was held at the home of Nancy Lowrance (418 Texas Point), 7:30 pm. The social committee planned to elect a new chairperson; sadly, we are losing Mina Brown to Europe (we wish her and Dennis well!!)
- The Fall Fest, November 10th, is approaching quickly. All neighbors are encouraged to participate in the fun. Volunteers are needed to help with set up, decorating, and take down.
- The social committee would like to extend a big welcome to new member Beth Pugh.
- Reminder: cookie and recipe exchange in December, tentatively set for December 16th at 7:30pm. A volunteer is needed to host the exchange in his/her home. Anyone interested can call Mina Brown at 497-8783.
- A volunteer is needed to store the neighborhood Christmas decorations and the neighborhood picnic supplies.

Cheesy Fast Food Trivia Answer

a. The name Arby's stands for RB – Raffel Brothers. The Raffel brothers founded Arby's in 1964.

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