

# Coppell Greens Homeowners Association Newsletter

**OCTOBER 2012** 

National Night Out



You missed a really fun party if you weren't there for the Coppell Greens National Night Out Block Party on October 2nd! We had amazing barbeque provided by Hard Eight BBQ in Coppell, airbrush tattoos, train rides. and visits from our local police and fire personnel. How do we know our party was such a success? Because Officer Harr of the Coppell Police Department notified us that our HOA's block party was one of the citywide winners! The city was divided into six sections and we won our section! The streets department will soon be erecting a sign at the Fallkirk entrance. This sign is to let everyone know we were a winner and that our homeowners work as a collective group to thwart crime in our neighborhood! Don't miss our next social event May!!



## NO SOLICITATIONS!

Have you been bothered by solicitors dropping by your house lately, either ringing the bell at inopportune times or leaving annoving handbills in the door handle? The Coppell Police Department is offering you a way to By Coppell City avoid these hassles! Ordinance, it is unlawful to solicit or leave a handbill at a residence where a card meeting technical language and requirements is displayed. The Coppell PD is now offering a sign that contains all the necessary language and letter dimensions to prohibit solicitation under the city ordinance. You can purchase a sign, which is already affixed to a yard stake and look similar to the signs provided by alarm companies, at Police Records, 130 Town Center Blvd., during normal business hours for \$6 each (cash or check only). The City is not making a profit off of these signs, as they are selling them at cost. Remember to stop by and pick up a sign!

## EMAIL BLASTS

Our HOA board collects emails of residents in an effort to keep you up-to-date on events, meetings, and alerts. We do not email often and we do not share your email with anyone. While our mailed newsletter guarantees every homeowner gets the current topics included, it is still a limiting method of communication. If you are a homeowner or renter, please email the board to ensure we have your email address. If you change your email address or would like us to add another one, please let us know so we can add it to our spreadsheet. Contact us at list@coppellgreens.com

#### BLOCK PARTY

Outside of the two annual social events put on by the Coppell Greens HOA, we will encourage our neighbors to organize their own block parties. This is the perfect weather to invite your street or cul-de-sac and host a potluck in your driveway one evening. If you get ten or more households to participate and send us pictures of your event-you could win a \$50 Visa gift card!

# Recent Crime & Reporting Suspicious Activity

Several incidents of criminal or suspicious activity have been reported in our neighborhood recently. The Board takes these incidents seriously, and has installed security cameras at the Fallkirk & Turnberry



entrances to the neighborhood that capture the license plate of each car that enters and leaves the neighborhood. If a crime occurs in the neighborhood, photos from these security

cameras are provided to the Coppell Police Department. The Board has also installed signage at the front of the neighborhood indicating that the community is under video surveillance in the hopes of deterring criminals from targeting our neighborhood. You can do your part to prevent crime by keeping your home and vehicle doors locked and your garage door closed, as well as ensuring that outdoor areas are well-lit.

Please remember that we are the eyes and ears of our community, and the police rely on us to help them combat criminal activity – in fact, the police have asked the Board to encourage you to report any suspicious activity that you witness. If you see any suspicious vehicles or people in our neighborhood, please report the information to (972) 304-3610, the Coppell police tip line. The tip line is open 24 hours per day, 7 days per week, and is completely anonymous. Of

course, you may also call 911 in the event of an emergency. Being smart can help you prevent having crime happen to you. Once it does it is very hard to catch the criminal. For more tips, please see the coppellgreens.com neighborhood watch page.



### Open Enrollment update

The new school year has begun and open enrollment at Coppell ISD is in its second year. There may be some residents in our community who are unaware of this program or how it works. Although Coppell Greens is located in the City of Coppell, our children actually attend Lewisville ISD schools. The open enrollment program offered by Coppell ISD allows elementary students from Coppell Greens the opportunity to attend Coppell ISD at the beginning of each new school year. Once enrolled in the program, students will be given the opportunity to progress through the school system until they graduate from high school. Students who entered the program last year as elementary students have moved up to middle school this year. Many parents look at Coppell's open enrollment program as an advantage for their children because Coppell ISD is ranked as one of the best school districts in the state. According to Brad Hunt Assistant Superintendent-Administration for Coppell ISD the school district is very pleased with the response received from parents to Coppell's open enrollment program. The school district plans to offer this opportunity to elementary students again at the beginning of the 2013-2014 school year. For the 2014-2015 school year, the school board will review the program and reassess available school-student capacities before deciding whether to continue with this program.