



COPPELL GREENS HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

Annual HOA Meeting

Life is getting back to normal after the pandemic. We will be holding our Annual HOA Meeting on **Tuesday, April 4th** starting at 7 pm at Vista Ridge United Methodist Church. If you can't attend, please send in your proxy.

HOA Board Positions

Volunteering to serve on the HOA Board or on a committee is a great way to get involved, feel like you are doing something meaningful for the people around you and developing new friendships. Most of all, Coppell Greens needs your involvement. While our property manager, Spectrum AM, does a great job, they rely on the HOA to give them direction and address issues that they can't. We will be voting on filling two Board member positions at the annual meeting. Please consider volunteering.

Pond Dredging Completed

The pond dredging project was finally completed. We replaced the fountain and it is now lit up in the evening. This Spring we will be spreading grass seed in the areas where the grass was disturbed.

ACC Requests

If you plan on modifying your home, please make sure to submit an ACC request **before** you start work. You can do it online through the SpectrumAM.com website. If you have any questions, please send an e-mail to us at: acc@coppellgreens.com. **If work is not approved and does not conform to the by-laws and community standards, you may be forced to remove it.** That includes changing the style, height, or location of your fence.

Dead Bushes & Trees

Now is a great time of the year to replace any dead bushes or trees in your yard. If the tree in your front yard was cut down or blown down in one of the recent storms, it needs to be replaced with a new one that is a minimum of 6' tall. Learn more by looking at the **Tree Standards** page on www.coppellgreens.com

Wood Fences

Have you ever driven through a neighborhood with fences which are not straight, with boards missing, or which need to be stained? Poorly built and maintained wood fences have a huge detrimental impact on the overall appearance

of a neighborhood and its property values. Learn more by looking at the **Fence Standards** page on www.coppellgreens.com

Trash & Recycle Bins

Since the City changed trash pickup to Mondays and Thursdays and recycle pickup to Wednesday, we have seen an increase in the number of people leaving their trash/recycle bins on the street and not bringing them in. That really makes the neighborhood look bad.



You should be aware that the City of Coppell Code requirements forbid the storage of trash/recycle bins in your driveway. They are to be stored behind the front line of the house (preferably, they should be store inside your garage or behind your fence.)

After the trash or recycle is picked up, the bins need to be brought in by the following morning. The Board is going to start placing brightly colored door hangers on the doors of offenders.

Spring Fling

We are hoping to have a Spring Fling this year. Stay tuned for further info.

Trailers Parked On Street

Parking trailers, RVs or motor homes in Coppell Greens on a homeowner's property is prohibited by our by-laws. If they are parked in a driveway, the HOA can send warning letters and issue fines. However, if it is parked on the street, it is up to the police department to enforce what is a City violation. When asked to do so by the HOA, their response has been that the enforcement is left up to the patrol officers. Please express your concern by sending Kelly Luther at the Coppell PD an e-mail and urge the PD to enforce their law. Her e-mail is: kluther@coppelltx.gov. In addition to devaluing our community, trailers parked on our narrow streets are dangerous.

Adding Insulation

Did you know that adding insulation in your attic is great way to reduce your energy costs, and you can probably do it yourself. If you buy Owens Corning loose fill AttiCat insulation at Home Depot, they will let you use the blower to blow it into your attic for free. You need to reserve the blower in advance. Or you can hire someone to do it for you.

LPR Cameras

Last month, we ran a test with the police department on our LPR (license plate reader) cameras at our front entrance. The system worked and immediately blasted out an alert to the patrol cars when a plate on their hot list was scanned by our cameras. On average, the cameras take a total of about 2,000 pictures per day, both night and day.

HOA Dues

Despite rising costs, we are doing our best to not raise our HOA dues.

Street Lights on Denton Tap

As you may have noticed, the City installed street lights in the median of Denton Tap from Market Street to the north end of Denton Tap. That happened because your HOA requested it and pushed for it. Thanks needs to be given, too, to Biju Matthew who lives in Coppell Greens and is on the City Council.

Veteran's Plaza

The City of Coppell is in the planning stage of building a Veterans Plaza. The City had their first planning meeting and will probably have a future meeting to review the Architect's design. If you are a veteran and would like to get involved, please e-mail Jessica Carpenter at the City at: jcarpenter@coppelltx.gov

Vistara Sports

The construction of the new facility which is being built to the west of Lairds is making progress. Per the general contractor, weather permitting, the tentative date for inauguration will be on the evening of June 30th.

The business/building name will be Vistara Sports. The website: <http://vistaraspports.com/>

Vistara Sports will be the home of:

- Texas Badminton Center (TBC)
- Texas Pickleball Center (TPC)
- Texas Table Tennis Center (3TC)

The facility will eventually host Yoga, art, music and academic classes. They hope to provide one place for families to get children involved in Sports, Arts and Academic areas while parents are given an opportunity to improve their wellness by participating in athletic activities.

We were told by the owner that they will have some outdoor pickleball courts, but they will be located on the west side of the building along Vista Ridge Drive. Residents of Coppell Greens will not be able to hear noise from them.

Coppell Greens Garden Club

Would you be interested in starting up and leading a Coppell Greens garden club? Please e-mail: board@coppellgreens.com for more info.

CISD Liaison

Would you like to be our liaison with the Coppell ISD? Open enrollment continues to be an important option which allows children in Coppell Greens to attend CISD. We need someone to help represent the HOA Board and our students.

Coppell History

Have you ever wondered where the city of Coppell got its name and why we pronounce it with an accent of the second syllable like "kaw PELL" instead of like the newscaster Ted Koppel? In 1890, a railroad depot was built on the recently completed railroad line that stretched from Fort Worth to St. Louis. Its main purpose was to transport cotton and was later nicknamed The Cotton Belt Route. The depot was named after George Coppell who was a major financier out of New York City. He was born in Liverpool, England. In 1892, the town decided to change its name from Gibbs to Coppell.

Did you know we are not the only town named Coppell? There is another town in Ontario, Canada named Coppell, too. It was named in 1914 after George Coppell's son Herbert who was in his father's business. He financed a railroad line which ran from Sault-St-Marie, Michigan about 6 hours north to Coppell, Ontario. The main purpose for that railroad line was to haul lumber south. The area is about 97% French speaking.

The fate of the two towns, however, has been quite different. Up until the 1960s, the population of both towns was only about 600 or so. With the building of DFW Airport, however, the population of Coppell, TX grew rapidly while the population of Coppell, Ontario started to decline. Today, Coppell, Ontario is only a collection of a dozen or so homes. For more info, visit the www.coppellhistoricalsociety.org



Coppell Depot which was located in what is now Old Town Coppell.



George Coppell