

# Aug-Sep-Oct 2015

Greetings Neighbors! This is the August-September-October Newsletter for our Landing homeowners that provides news and information about events and things going on in our community that helps us stay connected. If you have ideas or suggestions for future articles, please contact the editor or our manager. This newsletter includes articles on our National Night Out event, the Meet & Greet and Luau parties, improvements by the Landscape committee and articles from the Manager and a resident. The holidays are coming up and we hope that everyone has a wonderful and blessed Thanksgiving and Christmas. Make plans for our New Year's Eve party - you don't want to miss it!

### **National Night Out Event**

Our 2nd annual National Night Out (NNO) event was held on Tuesday October 6th. The event was planned and coordinated by the Crime Watch Committee (Cherie Hansard - chair) and the Social Committee (Carole Bond - chair). NNO is a national event to help promote public awareness of safety and crime prevention and to support our police and first responders. In Texas, NNO is always held the first Tuesday in October from 6-9pm. As usual, there was plenty of good food. The HOA provided chili hot dogs, buns, and tea with wonderful side dishes and desserts provided by the neighbors who attended. Everyone brought lawn chairs and we had a great shade location next to the clubhouse to visit with one another and hear our special speakers for the evening.







"Hot Dog Griller" Leland

Chili Dogs and Good Food

Our 2015 Speakers:

- Dan Darlow Neighborhood Police Officer (NPO)
- Charles Ramirez Deputy Chief FW Police Dept. Tactical Command
- Vincent Giardono Asst. Criminal District Attorney
- Jody Griffin, Matt Barnes and Michael Jordan FW Fire Dept. Fire Engine #40



Officer Darlow Speaks about Crime Prevention



Crime, Safety and Environmental Materials





Fire Engine #40 Crew

Asst DA Giardono and Deputy Chief Ramirez

#### Social Committee (Carole Bond)

Since the temperatures were so hot (you do remember?), The Landing had a **"Meet-and-Greet-Bring-a-Salad-to-Share" Night on August 22** in the air conditioned clubhouse. It was well attended and people really had a chance to visit with everyone. The Meet-and-Greets are a good way to start to get to know our neighbors.



"Meet & Greet" - A time to get to know your Neighbors



The Luau Party at the Clubhouse on Saturday, September 12th, was a huge success with about 60 attendees and will again be on our plans for next summer. Hope you were among those attending with special island music and decorations for a fun atmosphere and evening. Many new neighbors, as well as faithful attendees enjoyed great food including grilled chicken tenders, roasted pulled pork, condiments, rolls, and tea provided by your HOA. Many wonderful side dishes and desserts accompanied the menu and as usual were amazing. A wonderful opportunity to meet your neighbors in the community and make new friends and catch up with old friends.



Luau Party - Lotsa Food and Fun



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Just havin' fun at the Luau

Start planning for our **New Year's Eve Special Event**. Mark your calendars now and we have our same wonderful band **"Vinny and the Jets"** secured. It will be a safe drive and always a sellout event. A flyer will come out in early December with detailed information and we suggest early reservations, as space is limited.

As always, the Social Committee is always open for your participation part time or full time, whenever available. It's a great opportunity to get to know others and keep the spirit going! Just email me at cb8707@gmail.com (Carole)

#### Landscape Committee (Gary Coleman)

The Landscape Committee thanks the many volunteers who helped this period. We were able to trim numerous trees; remove a dead tree and a large number of dead limbs; and remove limbs that were broken by storms. Also, overhanging limbs by the marina were trimmed from the paddle boat.

Significant landscaping was done on the two islands on Lea Shore Street. Prep work included trenching around the edges, planting 8 desert plants, spraying grass killer, laying some landscape cloth and leveling. Thanks go to Leland Skow, Willy Pugh, Carole Bond, Mike and LaVonne Stark.

On November 7th we had an HOA Workday to complete the work on the Lea Shore Islands. Sixteen volunteers made short work of spreading 28 tons of river rock and 15 large decorative rock (yes that was 28 tons). A big thanks to Doug Helenbrook for providing the Bobcat which saved untold man hours, blisters and sore backs. This is a good example of how we can improve our neighborhood when residents pitch in.

A special thanks to Jim Cronkhite and Elliot Sharp who have helped on multiple occasions. And additional thanks to Jim for coordinating the Landscape activities for two of these three months, plus other times during the year. Also thanks to Linda Gladfelder who donated and delivered about 100 large landscaping rocks.





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# Note from the Manager

#### Volunteer Recognition:

I would like to acknowledge the work that Marlon D. Orta did for The Landing. He and another volunteer power washed the steps and platform to our marina to prepare them for painting. This saves our community a lot of money when we have wonderful volunteers giving of their time and talents. We appreciate all of them and thank them.

#### Fire Victims:

We would like to let everyone know that we were able to raise enough money for the victims of the fire on Mountain Lake Ct. on August 29, that each family received \$915. This is such a great example of how wonderful our community is. When something happens everyone steps up and helps out. As we presented the gift cards to each family, they were overwhelmed with the generosity of everyone. We received such nice thank you cards from each one expressing their appreciation not just for the gift cards, but for all the support and help at the time everything was happening so fast. I would also like to thank everyone for helping out on such short notice.

Thank you, Annette McCracken Manager

## **Thanksgiving Drive**

One of our residents, Roxie Skow, is working with the Union Gospel Mission Homeless Center of Fort Worth that <u>needs MANY pairs of men's white crew socks</u> to fulfill their goal to distribute socks to the residents of the mission and non-resident guests that they plan to have on Christmas Day. Roxie has asked that If anyone in our community would like to help, this would be a great way to share our thankfulness on a day when we are all reflecting on how very blessed we are. Men's multipacks of crew socks can be purchased at several of the large retail business for \$8/10pack. If you would like to donate, you may leave the socks on her porch at 9636 Lea Shore St anytime between now and December 1. If you need to contact Roxie, her phone is 817-236-3265.

#### **Contact Us:**

- <u>The Landing HOA Website and Office phone</u>: www.thelandinghoa.org and 817-236-8383. Manager's ofc. hrs. 8:30am-5pm Tue & Wed.
- <u>Facebook</u>: The Landing Home Owners Association
- <u>Email address</u> for the LHOA Manager or the Board of Directors is <u>landinghoa@att.net</u>
- <u>The Landing HOA monthly board meetings</u> are open to all residents and normally held on the 1st Monday at 7pm in the clubhouse. The next meeting is Dec. 7th.
- <u>Articles:</u> If you have ideas for Newsletter articles, contact the Landing HOA or Jim Cronkhite (ed.) at jimcronkhite@hotmail.com

# Happy Holidays!

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New Year's Eve Party

with "Vinny and the Jets"

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