

The Neighborhood Scoop



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Next Board Meetings - February 5th & March 4th

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Note from our Prez

It's been so cold! When I wake up and it is 32 degrees, I think it's going to be a good day!! January is now behind us and maybe we can see higher temperatures!! That being said, I can't thank all of you enough for your help in watching for standing water, running water, tree limbs down, bobcats roaming, common area lamp lights out, misuse of properties as B &B's, parking issues and more!! With your help, we have been able to address many of these problems and resolve them.

The adage that says, "If you see something, say something" holds true for CVHA ... we always need your help! When you walk, please notice your surroundings and let us know when you see something that is not according to our by-laws.

Our elections are coming up in May and we need people to help serve. It is both a large and important job and we need you to step up!! "Many hands make light work" is so true. As a Board member, you know what is going on and what can be done to resolve issues. You will be "in the know"., Please consider putting your name on the ballot for May!!

February is here ... Valentine's Day is coming ... pass some love on to someone this month and always.



Please Note!

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2024 MONTHLY DUES HAVE INCREASED TO \$132.19.



May Elections & Annual Meeting

Starting in February, you will be receiving information about our upcoming elections for the new Board of Directors in the newsletter and billing statements.

In May, you will receive your Ballot ... it will be due the 4th Thursday of May at the beginning of the Annual Meeting. Please consider Volunteering and helping your community!!! If you would like to run or have any questions, contact us

<u>BOD@countryvillascarrollton.org</u> or talk to any Board Member.



Miscellaneous

The Pool is now closed!!

The maintenance has been reduced and the chemicals will not be in compliance for swimming. We can be fined for not being in compliance. The gates will be locked except for the front gate for access and for workout facilities.



Gym

Our Fitness Room is a nice perk for all to enjoy. Please return all weight equipment to its original spot or place. "Your momma doesn't work here".



Updates & Reminders

Black History Month

Landscape Update

Sprinklers have been reprogrammed to run once a week throughout the winter.

Tree trimming has been completed for the Fall. We believe we have addressed all homeowner concerns that have been reported. Should you have any trees that need attention, we recommend you contact Plano Tree Care directly. Any other tree issues reported to the CVHA Board will be put on a list to look at in the Spring of 2024.

PARKING!!!

Each homeowner has the right to park at least one vehicle in common area spaces. However, if the Homeowner leaves their vehicle parked in the common spaces for a period of more than 48 hours, it can be considered a City of Carrollton code violation that "could result in a fine not to exceed \$500, and each and every day those violations shall continue shall be deemed to constitute a separate offense." (Sec. 10.99)

To ensure emergency vehicles are able to access the neighborhoods and the safety of homeowners' vehicles, we ask that all homeowners use the 2 spaces in their garage and 2 spaces in their driveway for parking and leave all space for street parking open for emergency vehicles and visiting guests. I have included the city ordinances and community rules regarding parking in the email for you.

Important numbers to keep handy:

- * Animal Services: 972-466-3420
- * Environmental Services (code enforcement/pollution prevention): 972-466-3060
- * Public works (water): 972-466-3470
- * Solid waste: 972-466-2341



CAUTION

Other Reminders

PLEASE **<u>DO NOT</u>** leave your garage doors open!!

- It attracts crime to the neighborhood!
- AND you may also get surprised by an animal!!



Speaking of Garages ...

Help us Prepare for the Garage Sale!!

Looking to get rid of a few household items that are no longer in use or in need of a new home? Valley View is collecting clothing, furniture, toys, dishware, games and more!

Donations will be accepted Jan 21st-Feb 23rd during Church office hours: M-Th 9am-5pm and on Sunday after Service at the Family Life Center entrance (located downstairs). Students will be there to help unload. All proceeds benefit Valley View students going to Summer Camp 2024.

Join us for the Garage Sale at Valley View Christian Church on Saturday, Feb 24 from 7am-1pm.



CONTACT US:

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Fun things to do to celebrate Black History Month:

- Freedman's Memorial Cemetery burial ground for Dallas' early African American population in 1861 (located at 75 & Lemmon Ave)
- African American Museum (Fair Park) is devoted to the presservation and display of African American artistic, cultural, and historical materials. The current exhibition, Sepia: Past. Pride. Power, an exhibition of African American politicians, community leaders and entertainers.
- Dine at these Restaurants:
 - * Invasions in Old East Dallas is a Black-owned fast, gourmet restaurant at affordable prices.
 - * Terra | Eataly in NorthPark Center is the perfect place to "wow" a special someone in an intimate, Italian setting. Located on Eataly's third-floor.
 - * Off the Bone Barbeque in the Cedars District is a Black-owned barbecue spot that won't disappoint.
- The Kimpton Pittman Hotel in Deep Ellum, was built in 1916 by African American architect William Sidney Pittman.

Sunday 2/4, 3:30-4:30pm African American Read-In

Carrollton Public Library-Josey Ranch

Bring the whole family to hear excerpts from stories, poems and songs written by African American authors. Special guests will read selections aloud for your enjoyment. Presented by Professional Achievers for Community Excellence (PACE).

Free books, written by African American authors, will be available to children and teens, while supplies last.

