

***J. J. Pearce Homeowners Association Newsletter***  
***Website: www.jjphoa.org***

***November 2006***

## **News from the City**

**Michael Ward Sr., President**

- The Sidewalk Redevelopment Program with \$5.5M in funding from the 2006 Bond Program started in the Highland Terrace area. It will take approximately two years to complete all of the planned projects in numerous areas across the City. There is not enough current funding to address all needed sidewalk repairs and the City of Richardson is looking for alternative methods to expand its coverage.
- Sherrill Park Golf Course remains above par. It has been selected to host an USGA 2007 U.S. Open Qualifier on May 21, 2007. This is the 4<sup>th</sup> time it has received this recognition.
- Over 100,000 rounds of golf were played during the 2005-2006 year generating a 20% increase in revenue.
- The City of Richardson is going wireless. After long technical and operational evaluations a Wi-Fi vendor has been selected. Contract negotiations are underway with MetroFi with service planned for 1Q 2007. Residents will have free access across the City as well as other subscription options. See Newsletter article on next page for more information.
- A City land sale is planned in the Breckinridge area. Potentially 46 lots (20,000 Sq. Ft.) will be developed. Homes are expected to be priced in the \$500,000 - \$1,000,000 range with ground breaking planned before year-end 2006.
- Key re-development efforts for the Campbell/Spring Valley corridor are being discussed by the City. The corridor is the area just east and west of US75. A City Council Work Session is scheduled for November 6 and a Public Hearing is planned for November 27.
- A Sex Offender Residency Ordinance has been passed for the City of Richardson. The ordinance would restrict certain sex offenders from living within 2,000 feet of a park, school, or other similar facility. The City does not want to be considered a friendly destination nor safe haven for sex offenders. See article on page 5.

- The 2005-2006 Sales Tax Year ended on a positive note. Receipts exceeded budget by 6.4% (\$1.3M) and actual to actual comparisons were up 4.2% (\$875K).
- Discussions to connect the Cottonwood and Preston Ridge Trails are ongoing with a Public Meeting scheduled for November 2, 6:30 p.m. at the RISD Academy.
- Key repair projects in the Yale (pavement) and Duck Creek (erosion) areas remain on schedule and will be completed in February and May 2007 respectively.
- The Spring Valley DART Station planned development, 'Centennial Park', at Greenville and Spring Valley is on track and moving through the review process. This will be a multi-use development led by Winston Capital.
- The groundbreaking ceremony was held on October 19<sup>th</sup> for the Eastside mixed-use development on the southeast corner of US75 and Campbell Road. The development will include a mixture of retail and residential development to compliment the existing office development on the site.

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**NEEDED:**

**Holiday  
Decoration  
Coordinator**



As you know, from around Thanksgiving until the New Year's weekend, our annual Holiday Decorations dress up about 130 poles in the JJPHOA addition. For a couple of years, Donna Kimbrell had coordinated the volunteers. However, due to personal reasons she is giving up the position. Therefore, we must have a replacement. Being a coordinator is a rewarding activity. The job is to coordinate individuals and families in the HOA that volunteer to decorate the poles.

Please contact **Rick Regan** at [triple\\_r@comcast.net](mailto:triple_r@comcast.net) or 972-238-8472

# Neighborhood Vitality Program

Michael Ward Sr., President

The Neighborhood Vitality Program was initiated in 1997. Its focus is on improvement projects throughout the city such as the renovation or construction of screening walls and entry features (neighborhood monuments) to streets, as well as aesthetic enhancements to bridges and culverts within residential neighborhoods. Here are some examples:



In May 2006, voters approved a bond program, which includes \$3 million in funding to complete additional neighborhood improvement initiatives. Hence the City has issued a Call for Projects.

To be considered, a submittal must include all of the following elements:

### Introduction

- Letter of interest.
- Name of contacts (at least two) with daytime telephone numbers.
- Location map with boundaries of the neighborhood.

### Organizational Capacity/Commitment

- A description of the neighborhood group and its organizational structure and capacity.
- A listing of the leadership, its tenure and experience.
- A commitment to fulfill the various duties assigned to the neighborhood, such as: approving concepts / designs in a timely manner, easement acquisition, organizing / hosting neighborhood meetings.

### Project

- A description of the proposed project.
- A description of locations/opportunities for improving/constructing new screening walls or entry features, improving bridges or culverts, or incorporating significant landscaping.
- Photographs, maps, or other background materials to support the proposed project.

The JJP HOA Board is currently reviewing this program and determining whether or not to submit projects to the City of Richardson for consideration. Additional information will be provided next month.

# Wi-Fi is Coming to Richardson

Michael Ward Sr., President

The City of Richardson is going wireless. After long technical and operational evaluations a Wi-Fi vendor has been selected. Contract negotiations are underway with MetroFi with service planned for 1Q 2007. Residents will have free access across the City as well as other subscription options.



So who is MetroFi and what do they do? The following information is found on their website <http://www.metrofi.com>.

- The company partners with city governments, local business advertisers, Internet service providers and other companies to deliver free, reliable high-speed wireless broadband service to the communities in which it operates. Founded in 2002, MetroFi is headquartered in Mountain View, California. Recipient of the Wireless Ventures' Investors' Choice award in 2004, MetroFi is a private company with venture backing from Sevin Rosen Funds and August Capital.
- To date, MetroFi has built and operates Wi-Fi wireless broadband networks in Cupertino, Santa Clara, and Sunnyvale California. Residents and businesses in these cities enjoy high-speed access to the Internet from anywhere in the community - without the use of wires or cables. The service is free, supported by local advertisers and delivers DSL-like speeds (about one megabit per second).
- MetroFi's high-speed wireless services can provide city governments and residents with improved communications. Emergency responders, building inspectors and other mobile workers are able to perform their jobs much more efficiently and effectively given the ability to connect to their data in the field. Specialized devices such as meter readers and surveillance cameras can also link into MetroFi's wireless networks.
- MetroFi's networks operate by transmitting data via access points mounted on street lights throughout a community. Subscribers with Wi-Fi-enabled devices such as laptops and handheld computers receive an always-on, FREE, high-performance link to the Internet. Desktop computer users make use of an easy-to-install wireless modem to receive Free High Speed Internet.

Additional information will be provided through our Newsletter as the project develops.

## Vote November 7

Information on the various candidates can be found at the League of Women Voters website. You can get information on Statewide and Dallas County races at website:

[www.lwvtexas.org](http://www.lwvtexas.org)

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At this location is a list of early voting places and the time of the day they are open. Early voting can be done from October 23 through November 7.

Another good website is:

[www.dalcoelections.org](http://www.dalcoelections.org)

Sometimes this site is hard to get into. While it doesn't have information about each candidate it does have a link to The League of Women Voter's site. In addition to a great deal of other information it has a sample ballot, a search engine to verify your registration, and demographics. *Joe Russum*

## DART Approves 40 Miles of New Rail Line

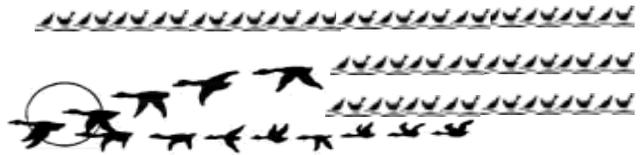
On Tuesday, October 24th the Dallas Area Rapid Transit board of directors unanimously adopted about 40 miles of new rail lines by 2030 for the North Texas' mass transit network. The plan will almost double the size DART's existing light-rail network. It also will bring passenger rail service to the Cotton Belt freight rail line through Far North Dallas and northern suburbs. The rail system will extend from northern Richardson to DFW. The additionally proposed \$700 million light-rail line along LBJ Freeway was not included in the adopted plan.



As part of the plan, DART agreed to set aside \$50 million to help address neighborhood concerns. Construction on any new rail lines that are part of the 2030 plan would not start until around 2020 at the earliest. The first projects would open around 2025. Other projects could open by 2030.

*Rick Regan*

## Too Much of a Good Thing?



Back in the good old days people moved to the suburbs to get away from the crowding of big cities while maintaining easy access to the conveniences that big cities provide. Benefits of suburbia included more greenery, more space, and even a little more exposure to wildlife. People could hear the crickets and the sounds of birds chirping.

Golly, have we been successful! Some might say we're over-achievers. In years past we've seen herds of crickets invade the area. And now we've heard the birds. And seen them. Boy, have we seen birds! Since the birds feed primarily on insects and weed seeds, they are not entirely unwanted guests, and they are probably well fed. Rumor has it that a bird now has to make a reservation just to find a place to perch on the wires around Coit and Campbell.

We've talked to the City and learned that our corner is not unique within Richardson, although it is definitely among the leaders. Plano, Carrollton and Richardson have had joint conversations about the problem/blessing. The birds appear to be various members of the blackbird family, which really includes several species. Among the blackbird species, the largest ones are grackles.

The smaller blackbirds and the common grackle are migratory and spend winters in the southern United States, including Texas. But the great-tailed grackle is a year round resident of southern and coastal Texas. Since blackbirds are native migratory birds, they come under the jurisdiction of the Federal Migratory Bird Treaty Act, a formal treaty with Canada and Mexico. Even if they were not protected, there is no effective way of controlling them on a large scale. Many of us thought that NAFTA only meant trade and transportation via trucks and planes. Do you suppose the birds are competing for their fair share of the opportunities that NAFTA created?

On a more positive note, the city and TxDOT have been able to minimize the pigeon populations that used to congregate under expressway overpasses. If we're lucky, most of our winter blackbird guests will be departing for the north before long. Bon voyage.

*Bernie Mayoff*

# What's Happening in Our Alleys?

By Bernie Mayoff

We have two major companies that supply our homes with communications: AT&T supplies telephone and DSL connections; Time Warner provides cable TV and cable internet connections. Both are upgrading their fiber optic systems and all of their customers will notice the changes. Each company is operating on its own schedule and each of them will contact you to let you know when you will be affected. We'll be seeing trucks from both AT&T and Time-Warner or their subcontractors in the area until the conversions are complete.

## Telephone changes

AT&T is the new name for SBC/Southwest Bell. Their upgrade will enable them to provide newer services and faster internet connections. Everyone that has a telephone in their home will be impacted. The only exception is people who no longer have regular phone service and only have a cell phone. They will schedule time to do the installation at each house because they need access to electricity.

AT&T will be running fiber all the way to our homes, known as "Fiber to the Premise" or FTTP. With the old system the telephone company supplied the electricity to operate our telephones, and the telephone company office has uninterruptible power supplies that keep our old phones working even if the electricity goes out. With the fiber system the telephone company doesn't have a way to deliver power to our phones. They will arrange to use the electrical system in your home to operate your phones instead. The power consumption is very small. To keep telephone service available even if the electricity fails, AT&T will also install a battery backup, just like in an alarm clock that keeps track of time even if power fails. Eventually, in five years or so, you will get a warning to replace the battery.

If you have a cordless phone it still only works when the electricity is on, so you should always have at least one phone in your house that is the older kind that don't need to be plugged into an electrical outlet. That is true before the conversion to fiber and will remain true after the conversion.

If you have DSL internet connectivity, even if you get DSL service via another company, you still use AT&T's wires and fibers to actually connect to your ISP.

## Cable changes

Comcast and Time-Warner have swapped some territories around the country where it allowed each of them to be more efficient. Our Comcast TV and internet subscribers are now Time-Warner customers. Surely you've seen the

commercials. Time-Warner hopes to have their fiber optic cable upgrades across Richardson complete by the end of November. The upgrade will eliminate the A and B sides of our cable system. Time-Warner will place a door hanger on every home, whether you're a subscriber or not, about one week before the change is actually made for your home.

For most cable TV subscribers the only impact will be that you'll have to learn new numbers for many of the stations you watch. For people with a manual A-B switch, you will no longer have to press the switch. Everything will be on the A side. If you wish you can even remove the switch altogether and just connect the A side of the cable directly to your TV. For people with other devices, such as a Tivo or a VCR, you will benefit from having all of the stations on the A side. Tivo users that have their systems connected directly to the cable system, without going through a Comcast/Time-Warner set top box will need to go to Tivo's setup screen and tell it about the new channel line-up. People with TV's that have cablecard slots may be able to use them instead of a set-top box.

Internet users will have new e-mail addresses, although the old addresses will continue to work for about a year. Time-Warner will provide assistance in making the changeover. If you have created your own webpage or used disk space on Comcast's servers those addresses will also change. Usenet users will need to change from the Giganews servers that Comcast used to Time-Warner's newsgroup servers.

Time-Warner's help desks seem much friendlier and more responsive than Comcast's.

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## Yard Sale — Mixed Results

All the yard sale signs (19) were in place by 6:00am and many homes were already setting up. By mid-day there were 34-yard sales and 3-garage sales in place. This is 6 more than we had last year. There did not seem to be as much traffic as last year so sales were a bit softer. The board is already planning for next year. *Phil Meeker*

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# CRIME / SAFETY TALK

By Rick Regan, VP Safety



Many of you receive regular e-mail updates from your area crime watch coordinator with respects to recent crime activity in the City of Richardson. The City of Richardson's Police Department has realized tremendous value in creating "awareness" in the community through the dissemination of this information.

In order to improve the process and provide more timely information to Richardson residents, the police department has now created an on-line site that can be accessed via the web in order to obtain crime activity information. The link is as follows:

<http://www.cor.net/pd/homepage.html>

When accessing the site there is a bar on the left side of the initial page with buttons for eight (8) different categories. By selecting the second button "Crime Stats", you will be presented with the options of reviewing "RPD Stats" or "Crime Mapping".

## RPD STATS

When selected, this area includes crime statistic reports from 2002 to date. The initial page has a section for each year with the months listed in the section. Select a month and the page will revert to a .pdf version of the actual reports used by the Richardson Police Department. There are multiple pages in the section that provides a wealth of high level data.

## CRIME MAPPING

By accessing this section, a City of Richardson map will be displayed with divided sections of the city. Click on a sector (JJPHOA is in sector 240) and the selected area will be opened with another map that has been divided. In the lower part of the page there is a box that lists crimes in the selected section that have occurred in the past six (6) months. An option to review the last twelve (12) or eighteen (18) months is also available. The map displayed will allow the user to select an even smaller area for review. JJPHOA and the Reservation are combined on the smallest map grid. Selecting this area will allow you to review crimes limited to this area.

The content is meant to give citizens a general overview of their area. It is not a comprehensive list. Some types of crimes (for example, those involving minors) have been omitted. Also, the crimes listed are *reported* crimes. Their status may change if the investigating officer determines that the report was unfounded.

## Richardson Passes New Ban on Sex Offenders

On Tuesday, October 24th the Richardson council unanimously passed an ordinance, which will restrict registered sex offenders from living in almost the entire city. With the new ordinance, only two percent of the real estate in Richardson will be available as a residential option for registered sex offenders.

As written, the ordinance prohibits registered sex offenders who have been convicted of preying on minors under 17 from living within 2,000 feet of where children may congregate. This includes parks, schools, day cares and recreation centers. Under the ordinance, the prescribed area covers about 98 percent of Richardson. This exceeds the 1,000 foot barrier zone that exists in about a dozen other Texas cities. Whether or not the ordinance is constitutional has been questioned and the state attorney general has been asked to issue a ruling not on behalf of Richardson, but also Farmers Branch, and several other cities with the same 2,000 foot buffer zone.

## ISD Trustees to Announce New Superintendent In November

More than forty (40) applications for the Richardson ISD Superintendent have been received. The RISD board members have been meeting behind closed doors since early October to narrow down the list of applicants and extend invitations for interviews to the top candidates. The goal is to have a new school district superintendent in place by January 2007 and the Trustees hope to have the lone finalist named in early November.



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Bette Hodges, VP Development

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(N.W. Corner of Coit & Campbell)  
On October 26th @ 6:00 P.M.,

The **JJ PEARCE MARCHING BAND** will kick off the Grand Opening. This 10 year old Louisiana based restaurant was a dream of Todd Graves and is named after his dog "Cane." They are proud of their simple menu featuring their "One Love"... Fresh, Never Frozen, **Chicken Fingers** served up with Cane's secret sauce, crinkle cut fries, creamy coleslaw and Texas toast. Raising Cane's employees are encouraged to work hard and have fun, which creates a cool culture with a fun atmosphere. [www.raisingcanes.com](http://www.raisingcanes.com)

## PROFRUIT

(S.W. Corner of Coit & Campbell)  
Opening November 1<sup>st</sup>.

A new company specializing in unique fruit carvings and fruit trays for all occasions. Their custom orders include but are not limited to weddings, showers, business meetings, birthdays, wine tastings, etc. Also, money bouquets for special events. Check out these very special fruit carvings on their website. Very Creative! [www.profruitshop.com](http://www.profruitshop.com)

## BIG SHUCKS

Dal-Rich Village Shopping Center  
(S.E. Corner of Coit & Beltline)  
Opened October 12<sup>th</sup>.

A "bigger" version of Ah Shucks. Very casual atmosphere offering indoor or outdoor patio dining. The menu features fried, grilled or boiled seafood, oysters, soups and sandwiches.

## 24 HOUR FITNESS

(S.W. Corner of Coit & Campbell)  
Expansion Grand Opening – November 30<sup>th</sup>

If you haven't checked out the facility in awhile, you will be surprised. "It's like a brand new club." They have expanded by 9,000 sq ft! Updated features include expanded Kids Club Day Care center, aerobics studios and locker rooms, additional cardio equipment, 10 plasma TVs, and a new sound system. They are currently running specials for their Expansion Grand Opening.

## Newsletter Advertising

Business ads must be paid for in advance. Checks should be made payable to J. J. Pearce Homeowners Association. Contact Joe Russum, 1102 Pueblo Dr., Richardson, TX 75080, 972.235.1961 or [JHRussum@comcast.net](mailto:JHRussum@comcast.net)

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# Greetings From Beautification

By Phil Meeker V.P. of Beautification

On November 1<sup>st</sup> stand in your garden amid graceful leaves floating down. As leaves thin gradually, one can see the basic design of the garden. Trees seem clean and fresh in their bare-branched state. While trees are the theme of November, the light of the sky actually changes too. Mauve sunsets appear regularly and winter skies are crisp and clean.



## What to do now?

- For easy spotting, do major tree pruning and remove dead limbs before leaves fall.
- Perennials cut back after frost or at the end of their blooming season

## Soil testing:

This is the optimum time of year to determine soil balancing. Organic nurseries, i.e. North Haven Gardens and Redenta's Gardens, provide packets with instructions on how to collect soil samples to mail to testing labs. The testing result you receive will tell you the current balance (or imbalance) of nutrients in the soil and what to add or omit to bring the soil into balance.

## Preparing for winter

- Get the fallen leaves off the grass and out of the beds. Either mulch or bag them. Fallen leaves can bring fungus to the soil. Leaves in the beds are ideal over wintering sites for insects to over winter themselves and their eggs and larva.
- Pots and urns should be emptied and turned upside down so that water in them will not freeze and cause breakage.
- Put a small piece of firewood in your bird bath water to expand, and therefore prevent the bath top from cracking when water freezes.
- Keep floating row cover or other non-plastic plant protection handy to cover cold sensitive plants.
- Have outdoor water faucet covers ready to prevent frozen or broken non-insulated faucets. Typically these would be the faucets on the outside garage wall.

## O Christmas tree, O Christmas tree....

- Cut green trees will be in the local nurseries and box stores before Thanksgiving. These will be coming from Michigan, Virginia, the Carolinas and Oregon. They will be cut in late October and early November (depending on snow fall) and refrigerated. They will be trucked or railed to distribution areas (1 or 2 in our areas), then delivered to the retail outlets. Some local nurseries hand tag desired trees at the tree farms and arrange for delivery to their stores.
- My explanation on how this process works is to suggest that we, the consumers, are responsible for preventing the tree from drying out before Christmas.

## Some hints on how to do this are:

- Purchase your tree early in the season, just after Thanksgiving.
- Do not accept the store's offer to make a fresh cut on the bottom; you do it when you get home.
- Transport the tree in a covered vehicle to prevent drying winds from doing harm. A pickup truck with a tarp cover works well.
- At home, outside in as much shade as possible have a two gallon bucket  $\frac{3}{4}$  full of water
- Cut off the bottom 2 inches of the trunk and put the trunk immediately into the bucket and lean the tree against some support
- Finally mist the tree every other day with a hose
- Set tree up inside and away from heating vents, return ducts and direct sunlight
- Keep the tree stand full of water. Another alternative is to go to an east Texas Christmas tree farm and select your tree and watch the workers cut it for you! Follow the directions above for transporting, watering and setting up the tree. You will have a fresh tree.

## Holiday Lighting

Believe it or not many homes in the HOA area will have Christmas trees, yard decorations and lights up the day after Thanksgiving. Holiday lighting awards will be judged and recognized on Saturday December 16, 2006.

# Thank You From Everett Burns

Dear J.J. Pearce Homeowner's Association:

Thank you for your assistance with my Eagle project. With the help of your contribution, I was able to raise enough money to purchase three new bike racks, two of which I installed at Mohawk Elementary and one that I put at Lake Highlands Elementary. The students, parents, and staff at both schools greatly appreciate the new racks. They are already seeing a lot of good use. I personally would like to thank you for your help with the completion of one of the final requirements of the Eagle Scout rank. I have included a picture of me with the Mohawk Elementary principal, Billie Snow, in front of the bike racks. Thanks again.

Sincerely,  
 Everett Burns  
 Troop 1001



Everett Burns with the Mohawk Elementary principal, Billie Snow, in front of the bike racks.

## RISD Clothes Closet

How Can You Help? Please donate clean, wearable, used clothes for children and teens (sizes 4 through 3X adult) including shorts, pants, shirts, coats, etc.

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# Veterans' Day – November 11

*In 1921, an unknown World War I American soldier was buried in Arlington National Cemetery. This site, on a hillside overlooking the Potomac River and the city of Washington, D.C., became the focal point of reverence for America's veterans.*



Similar ceremonies occurred earlier in England and France, where an unknown soldier was buried in each nation's highest place of honor (in England, Westminster Abbey; in France, the Arc de Triomphe). These memorial gestures all took place on November 11, giving universal recognition to the

celebrated ending of World War I fighting at 11 a.m., November 11, 1918 (the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month). The day became known as "Armistice Day."

Armistice Day officially received its name in America in 1926 through a Congressional resolution. It became a national holiday 12 years later by similar Congressional action. If the idealistic hope had been realized that World War I was "the War to end all wars," November 11 might still be called Armistice Day. But only a few years after the holiday was proclaimed, war broke out in Europe. Sixteen and one-half million Americans took part. Four hundred seven thousand of them died in service, more than 292,000 in battle.

## Armistice Day Changed To Honor All Veterans

The first celebration using the term Veterans Day occurred in Birmingham, Alabama, in 1947. Raymond Weeks, a World War II veteran, organized "National Veterans Day," which included a parade and other festivities, to honor all veterans. The event was held on November 11, and then designated Armistice Day. Later, U.S. Representative Edward Rees of Kansas proposed a bill that would change Armistice Day to Veterans Day. In 1954, Congress passed the bill that President Eisenhower signed proclaiming November 11 as Veterans Day. Raymond Weeks received the Presidential Citizens Medal from President Reagan in November 1982. Weeks' local parade and ceremonies are now an annual event celebrated nationwide.

On Memorial Day 1958, two more unidentified American war dead were brought from overseas and interred in the plaza beside the unknown soldier of World War I. One was killed in World War II, the other in the Korean War. In 1984, an unknown serviceman from the Vietnam War was placed alongside the others. The remains from Vietnam were exhumed May 14, 1998, identified as Air Force 1st Lt. Michael

Joseph Blassie, and removed for burial. To honor these men, symbolic of all Americans who gave their lives in all wars, an Army honor guard, the 3rd U.S. Infantry (The Old Guard), keeps day and night vigil.

A law passed in 1968 changed the national commemoration of Veterans Day to the fourth Monday in October. It soon became apparent, however, that November 11 was a date of historic significance to many Americans. Therefore, in 1978 Congress returned the observance to its traditional date.

## National Ceremonies Held at Arlington National Cemetery

The focal point for official, national ceremonies for Veterans Day continues to be the memorial amphitheater built around the Tomb of the Unknowns. At 11 a.m. on November 11, a combined color guard representing all military services executes "Present Arms" at the tomb. The nation's tribute to its war dead is symbolized by the laying of a presidential wreath. The bugler plays "taps." The rest of the ceremony takes place in the amphitheater.

Veterans Day ceremonies at Arlington and elsewhere are coordinated by the President's Veterans Day National Committee. Chaired by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, the committee represents national veterans organizations.

Governors of many states and U.S. territories appoint Veterans Day chairpersons who, in cooperation with the National Committee and the Department of Defense, arrange and promote local ceremonies.

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## Veteran's Day at JJPearce

Everyone is invited to honor our veterans at J.J. Pearce High School. Refreshments will be served in the Corral at 9:00 AM on November 9, 2006. The annual salute to the veterans will start in the gym at 9:45 AM. Clint Bruce will be the speaker. Clint is a 1997 graduate of the Naval Academy and has completed a six-year tour as a Navy Seal. He is also a former NFL player.

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## Local Events

Date	Event	Location
<b>November</b>		
1-10	Art Exhibition: <i>Inter-play</i>	(free) UTD Visual Arts Building
2	Pearce JV football vs. Rockwell Heath	6:00pm, Pearce
2-4	Shakespeare's <i>Comedy of Errors</i>	8:00pm, UTD University Theater
<b>3</b>	<b>Early voting ends</b>	
3-4	Pearce Theater-All I Really Need To Know I Learned in Kindergarten	7:30pm, Black Box Theater
5	Pearce Theater-All I Really Need To Know I Learned in Kindergarten	2:00pm, Black Box Theater
<b>7</b>	<b>Election Day</b>	
7	Girls basketball – 9 <sup>th</sup> vs. Bishop Lynch, JV/V vs. Allen	5:30, 6:00/7:30pm, Pearce
9	Girls basketball vs. McKinney North	5:30, 6:00/7:30pm, Pearce
9	9 <sup>th</sup> grade (white) football vs. Highland Park	5:30pm, Pearce
9	9 <sup>th</sup> grade (blue) football vs. Poteet	7:00pm, Pearce
9-11	Shakespeare's <i>Comedy of Errors</i>	8:00pm, UTD University Theater
10	Pearce football vs. Poteet	7:30pm, Richardson
10	Jazz concert: Kelly Durbin and Friends	8:00pm, UTD Jonsson Performance Hall
10	Pearce girl's basketball vs. McKinney North	9 <sup>th</sup> -6:00pm, JV-6:00pm, V-7:30pm, Pearce
11	Pearce Fall Concert	7:30pm, Pearce
12	Richardson Community Band Concert	2:00pm, Eisemann
14	Pearce girl's basketball vs. Plano West	9 <sup>th</sup> -6:00pm, JV-6:00pm, V-7:30pm, Pearce
15	Pearce Wrestling Dual vs. Sam Houston	6:30 pm, Pearce
18	Musical Nova Ensemble (free)	8:00pm, UTD Jonsson Performance Hall
<b>22-24</b>	<b>Thanksgiving holiday (no school)</b>	
26	JH Orchestra Concert	7:30pm, Pearce
28	Girls basketball vs. Lake Highlands	5:30/6:00/7:30pm, Pearce
<b>December</b>		
1	Girls basketball vs. Richardson	5:30/6:00/7:30pm, Pearce
2	Richardson Community Band Concert (Free)	6:00pm COR Civic Center
2	30 <sup>th</sup> Annual Holiday Sing	8:00pm, University Theatre, UTD
2	Richardson Christmas Parade	Coit Road
2	Christmas Tree Lighting	free, Civic Center Plaza
2-3	Santa's Village	free, Civic Center Plaza
4	Richardson Symphony: Tribute to Arthur Fidler	8:00pm, Eisemann Center
6	Winter Concert	6:30pm, Pearce Cafeteria
6	Richardson Community Band Concert (Free)	7:30pm, Senior Citizens Center
7-10	Santa's Village	free, Civic Center Plaza

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**J J PEARCE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION**  
**Statement of Cash Receipts and Expenses**  
**For the Period September 1, 2006 to October 31, 2006**

	<b>Month Ended October 31, 2006</b>	<b>Year to Date Actual October 31, 2006</b>	<b>Year To Date Budget</b>	<b>Full Year Budget</b>
<b>Cash Receipts</b>				
Membership Dues	\$1,065.00	\$4,215.00	\$4,275.00	\$5,400.00
Dividends	29.69	61.33	50.00	300.00
Advertising-Newsletter	225.00	405.00	200.00	1,200.00
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>1,319.69</b>	<b>4,681.33</b>	<b>4,525.00</b>	<b>6,900.00</b>
<b>Expenses</b>				
Crime Watch				
Metrocall	20.73	41.58	44.00	264.00
National Night Out		198.40		1,900.00
Outdoor Signs				250.00
Membership				
Annual Meeting		20.00	55.00	55.00
Binders				200.00
Board Planning Meeting				350.00
CPR Class				200.00
Directory Delivery				30.00
Directory Printing				450.00
Internet Domain Fee				80.00
Social Events				
December Decorations				250.00
Easter				100.00
July 4th				200.00
Volunteer Party	112.50	112.50		425.00
Newsletter				
Delivery	75.00	150.00	150.00	765.00
Printing, etc	295.85	589.77	500.00	2,415.00
Contributions				
Firefighters Dinners		235.54	236.00	236.00
Honorariums		287.48	290.00	290.00
Member Memorials		50.00	50.00	50.00
Police Dept Dinner	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
School & Scout Projects				300.00
Other Expenses				
Fall Yard Sale			65.00	65.00
Neighborhood Projects				500.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>604.08</b>	<b>1,785.27</b>	<b>1,460.00</b>	<b>9,475.00</b>
<b>Net Income (Loss)</b>	<b>\$715.61</b>	<b>\$2,896.06</b>	<b>\$3,065.00</b>	<b>(\$2,575.00)</b>

**Fund Balances:**

	<b>Checking</b>	<b>Vanguard</b>	<b>Totals</b>
Beginning Balances - 10/1/06	\$3,757.69	\$10,491.86	\$14,249.55
Add receipts	1,290.00	29.69	1,319.69
Less Disbursements	604.08		604.08
<b>Ending Balances - 10/31/06</b>	<b>\$4,443.61</b>	<b>\$10,521.55</b>	<b>\$14,965.16</b>

Respectfully Submitted, Helen Simon, Treasurer, November 1, 2006



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# MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING

## SEPTEMBER 26, 2006

Michael Ward, Sr. called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. at the home of Phil Meeker. In attendance were Paula Graves, Phil Meeker, Rick Regan, Joe Russum, John Sadowski, Helen Simon, and Michael Ward, Sr. Since this was a new Board, members introduced themselves.

**Minutes of Previous Meeting:** The Minutes of the last Board meeting were approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** The Treasurer's Report was approved.

**Dart and Cotton Belt Rail Service:** The last of three public meetings were held on Monday, September 25, at 6:30 p.m. in Addison. Bernie Mayoff, Michael Ward, Sr. Joe Russum, and Paula Graves attended the meeting. Mayor Gary Slagel spoke in behalf of Richardson. Dr. David Daniel (UTD President) discussed the possible development of businesses at UTD in conjunction with DART.

**News from the city:** News from the city was reviewed by Michael Ward, Sr.

### OLD BUSINESS

**Annual meeting:** About 50 people attended the annual homeowners meeting on Wednesday, September 20 at Mohawk Elementary School. New Board Members were elected. Mayor Gary Slagel presented future developments for Richardson. Mayor Pro Tem John Murphy joined Mayor Gary Slagel in answering questions following the presentation. Door prizes were given to people whose names were drawn. Refreshments were served.

**Fire Department recognition September 10-12:** JJPHOA honored and provided food for the firefighters at the Waterview Fire Station in remembrance of 9/11.

**Holiday decorations/decorators:** A coordinator for the Holiday decorations/decorators is needed.

**Yard Sale:** A neighborhood Yard Sale will be held on October 21. Phil Meeker is the coordinator.

**Explorer Project:** A thank-you letter was received from the Boy Scouts for the donation of money to build the bike rack at Mohawk Elementary.

**Coit Road Repairs:** Repairs on Coit Road were completed by the City of Richardson in front of Home Depot as requested by Bernie Mayoff and Michael Ward, Sr.

**Rodent Traps:** In response to several member inquiries it has been determined that the city can provide Rodent traps.

### NEW BUSINESS

**Budget/Bank Signatures/Vanguard:** Bank signature cards need to be updated with new Board members signatures. Helen Simon reported that the budget is due and will be presented at the next Board meeting for approval.

**Board Planning Session 2006-2007:** Dates for the dinner and discussion about the ongoing purpose of the JJPHOA will be discussed at the October Board meeting.

### Directory-Binders, Dividers, and By-laws

Michael Ward, Sr. will discuss information about the Directory update with Bernie Mayoff and Sharon Easky.

**Transition:** President, Safety, Development, and Secretary Michael Ward, Sr. will work with new Board members to provide a smooth transition. Bernie Mayoff will continue in an unofficial capacity to coordinate, review, and edit the newsletter, as well as, advise in other areas.

**November Newsletter:** Board members will receive the newsletter by e-mail for approval prior to it going to publication. Board members are to send ideas for the newsletter to Joe Russum.

**Website Update:** The website needs to be updated to reflect new Board.

**Call for Vitality Projects:** A vitality project proposal is under development for the community.

**Crime Watch/Coordinators:** Rick Regan, VP of Safety, will report at the October Board meeting.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Membership:** There was no report. Sharon Easky was not present.

**Development:** Michael Ward submitted a report.

**Beautification:** Phil Meeker submitted a report.

**Newsletter:** Joe Russum advised that the deadline for the November Newsletter is October 26. All residents will receive a newsletter for October.

**Safety:** Thom Pomella's report will be used for the Newsletter.

**Internet:** John Sadowski will update the website to reflect the new Board.

**Homeowners Association Presidents meeting:** The next meeting is October 18 at 7:00 a.m.

**Building Effective Teams:** Building Effectives Teams training will be held on October 14, 8:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. at the Richardson Civic Center.

**Future Board Meetings:** The next Board Meeting will be held on Sunday, October 29 at 7:00 p.m. at Rick Regan's home, 1201 Huntington.

**Open Discussion:** John Sadowski suggested that Board members display signs announcing the Board meetings for someone wanting to attend a Board meeting. The topic should be approved prior to the Board meeting. The cost of signs for the annual meeting next year will be considered for inclusion in the budget.

**Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Paula Graves

*Happy Thanksgiving!*



**Pearce High School  
Veteran's Day Assembly  
Thursday, November 9  
Refreshments 9AM,  
Assembly 9:45 AM  
in the Gym**



**Vote  
November 7**



**J. J. Pearce Homeowners Association  
1217 Stratford  
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Board Meetings: November 27 at 7:00 pm at 1217 Stratford Dr.  
December 27 at 7:00 pm at 1314 Huntington Dr.

**Board meetings are open to all members**