



J. J. Pearce Homeowners Association

An organization for all residents of the J. J. Pearce Addition

- Monthly newsletter
- Telephone alert line
- Alert signs
- E-mail alerts
- Annual meeting speaker
- Holiday decorations
- Easter Egg Hunt
- Neighborhood Crime Watch
- National Night Out.
- Neighborhood yard sale.
- Yard of the Month
- Monitor development activities that will impact the neighborhood and coordinate responses
- Website with local information, links to other sites, and our newsletter
- Annual Directory of members by street and by name
- 4th of July Parade and Party
- City Council Candidates Forum

Please complete and return to Membership VP (Please print legibly)

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

May we list your name in the J. J. Pearce Homeowners Assn. Directory? **YES:** ___ **NO:** ___

May we list your telephone number in the directory? **YES:** ___ **NO:** ___

Do you want to be on our e-mail alert list? **YES:** _____ **NO:** _____

(e-mail id only for alerts)

Signature of member: _____

Please return completed form and your \$15.00 check to:
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J. J. PEARCE NEWSLETTER

**Website: www.jjphoa.org
September 2001**

News From the City

- Transit Oriented Development will be discussed at a joint meeting of the City Council and the Planning Commission on September 17. The meeting is open to the public. Transit Oriented Development deals with the opportunities to take maximum advantage of the new DART light rail stations and the areas surrounding them. This is one of a series of meetings which explore ideas from the Urban Land Institute report as well as other ideas and refinements.
- The Arapaho, Spring Valley and Galatyn Park DART stations will open in the summer of 2002.
- The City is working with DART to gain approval for an additional station at Beltline.
- The City is pursuing an opinion from the state Attorney General on red-light cameras. Dallas and Plano are supporting Richardson's approach. Garland has begun writing tickets for red light violators based on their initial deployment of cameras. North Texas Traffic Engineers are attempting to work with Dick Armev to understand and resolve his concerns.
- A new Animal Shelter is now in operation at the remodeled Service Center.
- Sprint opened a national backbone center in Richardson, joining several other major telecommunication carriers in Richardson.
- the homes of their work forces next year.
- Total property values next year are expected to grow approximately 6%. Sales tax revenues make up 38% of the city's General Fund. Property taxes make up 26% of the General Fund. Sales tax revenue may be down 10% vs. last year.
- There will be a uniform increase in water and sewer rates to pass-through an increase from the North Texas Municipal Water District. This is expected to result in an increase of approximately \$4.50 per month or less. This estimate is for the 85% of users who use 20,000 gallons of water or less each month.
- No increase for residential solid waste. The rate has remained the same since October 1995.

It's a New Membership Year

All residents of the J. J. Pearce Addition are invited and encouraged to join the Homeowners Association this year, regardless of who owns your home. We've included a membership form in front of this newsletter. We are distributing the September newsletter to every home to be sure that everyone has the opportunity to join and receive the benefits of membership. We will also distribute the October and November newsletters to every home. But after that we will only be able to provide newsletters to members of the Association. The new Directory will be published and delivered to members in December.

If you're among the many families that have already returned the form, thanks for your cooperation and participation. If you have any questions please contact our Membership Chairman, Art Middlebrook, or any other member of the Board. Contact information is in this newsletter.

Proposed City Budget Overview

- No property tax rate increase. The 2001-2002 proposed rate remains at \$0.44385 per \$100 of assessed valuation. This rate has remained the same for 6 years, following a one-cent reduction in 1995-1996.
- Total property values increased 11% as of January 2001, but the economy, particularly in the high tech sector, will have a negative impact on industrial property values and on

Communicating

One of the fundamental purposes of our Association is communication. The city and other entities look to us as a focal point for communication to and from our residents. Our primary communication vehicle is the newsletter, but sometimes we need to make special announcements or communicate quickly. We can use our Alert signs and the telephone hotline for that, and when necessary we can ask our Crime Watch Coordinators to contact people. But the easiest way to communicate quickly and accurately is via our e-mail distribution list. When the city experienced the water crisis recently, and when a neighbor was robbed at gunpoint, information was sent to the 164 participants as soon as accurate information was available.

If you have access to e-mail, if you aren't already on our members' e-group please consider signing up. You won't have to call the telephone hotline because you'll receive the information by e-mail. You won't receive any junk e-mail if you participate. When we do sparingly use the e-mail system you will notice a small ad included in the message. This saves us having to pay for this valuable service. If you didn't receive the e-mail about the water main break and the armed robbery in August you are not on our list. To have your name added just check the e-mail communication box on your membership form. If you have any question send a note to Bernie@mayoff.com. We've received numerous compliments about this system since we started using it.

Quality Teaching = Quality Students By Art Middlebrook, VP Membership

The Richardson Independent School District held their annual Superintendent's Convocation on August 16th at the First Baptist Church of Richardson. It was a brilliant and well-orchestrated program. The Board of Trustees, Superintendent Bukhair and RISD staff did an outstanding job of showing their support to the district's dedicated teachers by presenting talented musicians, testimonials from successful teachers and challenging them to raise the students learning to a higher level.

Patriotic and moving music was played by Pearce High School's Symphonic Band and directed by Peter Warshaw and Dr. Michael Mamminga. Next, Dartmouth Elementary Principal Judy Neslage provided the Welcome and Introduction. Ms. Neslage, one of RISD's senior

teachers, gave a rousing welcome and a presentation loaded with humor.

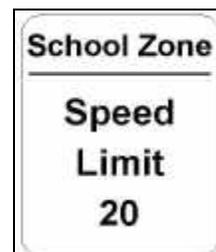
After the Pearce Band played the "Stars and Stripes Forever," Anne Foster, President, Board of Trustees gave the Greetings from the Board address. Anne talked about recent accomplishments the students had achieved. She told of RISD's success working with Texas legislators to revise a bill to allow the three-year exemption before students with limited English proficiency have to be tested - a major achievement! Anne said the board's focus is on ensuring that RISD will continue to have neighborhood schools. She gave details on the significant recognition the district had received. She mentioned that a 'sense of family' exists within the district - 53 new teachers this year are RISD graduates. She told about her personal feelings as she thought of the lives and the education the kids had received while growing up in her home prior to her time.

Anne then had the honor of introducing RISD's Teachers of the Year, Melanie Martin and Chad Gilliland - both teachers are very dedicated and they are greatly appreciated by their students!

Anne's excellent speech was a great lead-in for the motivated and meaningful speakers who followed. Speakers Camden Lilman's and Brent Archie's presentations were deeply personal and the teachers were clearly touched and emotionally affected by their words.

RISD Superintendent Dr. Carolyn Bukhair then explained the significance of the title of her speech, "Essential Elements". She brilliantly integrated the Board of Trustees' proposed 'Vision Statement' and the eight 'We Believe That ...' beliefs, (plus one more which is crucially important to her) into her presentation. It was an excellent and moving speech!

The program closed with a video presentation featuring many RISD teachers; the highly charged and motivated attendees clapped and cheered as their colleagues, friends and favorites appeared on the screen.



Sixth Annual Sounds of Class Concert and Family Festival set for Sept. 29

The “beat” is back as The University of Texas at Dallas is set to host the sixth annual Sounds of Class concert and family festival Saturday, Sept. 29. The “Beat of the Night” theme returns for this year’s free event that promises to provide family entertainment for the entire Richardson community.

Sounds of Class will kick off at 5:30 PM. with a children’s carnival put on by UTD student organizations, as well as a concert from Fade2Shade, a rock/jazz/funk/ethnic rhythm group. The Richardson Symphony concert, conducted and directed by Anshel Brusilow, will begin at 8 PM. The evening will conclude with a fireworks finale choreographed to the last musical number starting at 9:15 PM.

Food, including hot dogs, snacks and soft drinks will be available for purchase from 5 PM to 9 PM, but attendees also are invited to bring their own picnic/refreshments. Seating will be on the lawn adjacent to UTD’s McDermott Library. Participants are encouraged to bring lawn chairs and/or blankets. Free parking will be available.

The event, which is a combined effort of The University of Texas at Dallas, the City of Richardson and the Richardson Symphony, also is sponsored in part by Ebby Halliday Realtors.

In case of rain, musical performances will be held in the UTD Activity Center. Call 972-883-4431 for additional information or visit www.soundsofclass.org.

Dallas High Five

It is inevitable that we will see the effects of the construction of the Dallas High Five interchange at LBJ and Central and Coit. Coit Road has been repaved to help with the increased traffic that we will see during construction. We are already seeing increased traffic on Coit Road just because of the traffic and tie-ups that occur at the LBJ/Central/Coit interchange as people look for better alternatives. Eventually we hope the new interchanges will provide those alternatives.

The reconstruction and enhancement of the interchange is a massive and complex undertaking. There is no room for the huge cloverleaf exchanges that could be considered if this were open land. Instead the interchange uses five levels of bridges. The first phase includes replacing

the Coit Road Bridge and adding a “Texas U-turn.” When construction is complete it will be easier and safer to move through the highway interchange in any direction, and there will be continuous 3 lane frontage roads in all directions as well. Planning is complete, preliminary work is already underway, and major construction will begin in January 2002.

A scale model of the interchange is located at TxDOT’s LBJ Project Office, in Abrams Centre Bank, south side of LBJ between Greenville and Abrams, 10th floor, Suite 1080 (phone 972-437-0101, hours 8-5). You can view pictures of the model of the Dallas High Five, monitor progress, and learn about road closures and detours at a special Internet site that TxDOT has created at www.dallashighfive.org.

Sidewalk Repairs

We are fortunate in Richardson that the city performs sidewalk repairs at no cost to the homeowner. Repairs are scheduled according to the severity of the problem and are accomplished as rapidly as budget and staffing permit. The most dangerous repairs are scheduled first. Less serious and cosmetic repairs are scheduled later. You may have noticed that a number of repairs have already been made in our neighborhood.

If you think that you have a major problem with your sidewalk or one nearby please contact Bernie Mayoff at the phone number or e-mail address elsewhere in this newsletter. He will prepare a consolidated list of major problems and forward them to the city for inclusion in their prioritization process.

Citizen of the Year

Our very own Safety VP, Lynn Sanders, was named Outstanding Crime Prevention Citizen of the Year in August at the meeting of the Texas Crime Prevention Association. The TCPA is an association of police departments and police officers from across the state of Texas. You may have seen Lynn’s picture and read about him in the Richardson Morning News on Sunday, August 19th. We mentioned some of Lynn’s accomplishments in a previous newsletter, and there is a little more information about him in the Board introductions in this newsletter. We don’t want to make him blush too much (nor swell his head), but we’re very proud of the work he does and that he is one of our Board members, neighbors and friends.

Greetings from Bill Little VP of Beautification

This has been another very difficult month to decide which of the many excellent yards in the area would receive the Yard of the Month. I had to drive the area several times to be able to make my final decisions. The winners for August are as follows:

1113 Chesterton	Steven & Joanna Wasserman
1219 Huntington	Louis & Joni Carter
1105 Grassmere	Bob & Pauline Nusser
1201 Stratford	Jim & Joan Harrigan
1903 Voilet Place	Jim & Pam Murray

Tips for better landscapes.

- ◆ There are too many St. Augustine yards with yellowing blades of grass. Try to determine if your grass has gray leaf spot. It can be controlled with a fungicide called Daconil. Also there seem to be a few dead spots in some yards that may be caused by chinch bugs. These areas are usually in full sun or next to driveways or sidewalks. Diazinon or most general purpose insecticides will control.
- ◆ Brown Patch will be starting to affect some lawns after about September 15. A general purpose fungicide will be able to control it.
- ◆ Vary the pattern you mow each time. After making a couple trips around the edge of each section, mow it diagonally from corner to corner. This will keep your yards from getting ruts in the grass from continued mowing the same pattern each week.
- ◆ This will be my last time to mention Neil Sperry's web newsletter. It only takes a few minutes to sign up for it and the information he sends out is always useful and timely. Just go to www.neilsperry.com to sign up. You will not regret this decision if you have any interest in maintaining your yard or to try to get the "Yard of the Month" sign displayed there.
- ◆ Texas A&M has a plant diagnostic laboratory in College Station if anyone is interested in having his sick or dead plants checked. Cost is \$15.00.

Free Gun Safety Locks Available

The Richardson Police Department announces it has recently received the long-awaited shipment of gun safety lock kits allotted for our community from the State of Texas. In an effort to promote safe firearms handling and storage practices, Project ChildSafe was designed to help reduce the risk of tragic firearm accidents, especially among children, by providing important safety education messages and free gun locking devices to all gun owners.

The gun lock safety kits are intended to deter unauthorized persons, especially curious or mischievous children, from accessing and firing a gun that a parent thought was "hidden" in the home. The locks should not be expected to withstand a determined individual who is attempting intrusion using tools or other aggressive means. The use of a locking device is only one in a series of recommended safeguards outlined in each kit's accompanying safety literature, which is available in English and Spanish.

The free gun lock safety kits are available to all firearms owners residing in the city on a first-come-first-served basis. There is a limit of two per household. The lock kits are available at the front desk of the Richardson Police Department during lobby hours. Proof of residency (driver's license or recent utility bill) is required. You will not have to sign anything, or divulge any information about your firearms. Please do not bring your gun(s) to the police station.

Crime Watch Coordinator Needed

Lyn Levin, the Area 10 Crime Watch Coordinator, has resigned. She has done an excellent job, and Lyn, we thank you for your service.

Crime Watch Area 10 includes 28 homes: 1404 Chesterton, and 1406 through 1419 Chesterton, as well as 1404 Huntington, and 1406 through 1417 Huntington. We need, and would really appreciate someone from one of these homes to step forward and be the Area 10 Crime Watch Coordinator. Please, it's important. Make this contribution to our efforts at fighting crime in our JJ Pearce neighborhood.

Contact Lynn Sanders at 972-231-6890 or at sanderstx@aol.com.

National Night Out - 2001; the Sequel By Lynn Sanders, VP Safety

Last month, I summarized the August 7 National Night Out activity in the JJ Pearce area. We had "block parties" involving all but 3 of our 19 Crime Watch Areas. I was really proud of the 16 Crime Watch Coordinators for working to get "their homes" to participate that evening. It was fun and helpful for all of our residents that participated and we hope that next year even more of our residents will come out and say hi to their neighbors.

There were 174 "block parties" across the city that evening and 11 of those were in the JJ Pearce area. Five of our Crime Watch Areas had joined with adjacent Crime Watch Areas for joint parties. HOA President Bernie Mayoff and I had decided we would try to separately attend all 11 parties. Wow, I had no idea how hard that would be.

We both began at the CW Area 1 party where all



the dignitaries were scheduled to arrive about 6 PM. After a few refreshments and chatting with a few homeowners, Bernie and I both ended up at the CW Areas 3/19 party. More refreshments and more chatting.



We split up at that point and took off on our own routes. My next few were the CW Area 5 party, the CW Area 14 party, the CW Area 6 party, and the CW Area 7 party. Each stop included a few refreshments and some more chatting. It was great! But, I began to feel the pressure of 5 more to go, and it was well into dusk. These parties usually are over by around 9 PM. I knew Bernie was probably feeling it also, because occasionally I would see his car darting in one direction

while I was darting another. We crossed paths again at the CW Areas 10/11/12 party as we were refreshing and chatting. He told me that the CW Area 2 party must have been canceled because he had been by there and saw no sign of a party. I decided to go look for myself. Surely Bernie had gone to the wrong address. Nope, no activity. After ringing the doorbell a few times, the CW Coordinator answered and said that it was going on in the rear driveway where it had been advertised. We chatted for a few minutes, but I'm sorry to say that I didn't go back to it because I was worried about making 3 more. As I was running to my vehicle, up pulls a determined Bernie for a second look. I told Bernie where they were and took off for the CW Area 4 party. When I got there, it was already shut down. Sorry Area 4. I chatted with the CW Coordinator a few minutes and headed for the CW Area 17/18 party.



I had some more refreshments, chatted with the CW Coordinators and a few homeowners for a few minutes, before running to the last one, CW Areas 8/9, hoping it would still be going even though it was well after 9 PM. It was. Some more refreshments and chatting.

What an evening! It was fun (and filling)! I just wish I could have stayed longer at each one, and wish that I could remember the names and faces of all those JJ Pearce-ers I met. Y'all did great!



Lynn Sanders gets chummy with McGruff.

[Note: There are more pictures on the website.]

Word Search #6 by Janet Karr

AUSTIN, BAKER, BISHOP, BREWSTER,
CHUNG, CLARK, ECHTENKAMP, ERIKSEN,
GILBERT, GIBBS, GRAVES, HEFTON,
KARR, KORMOS, KUWITSKY, LIN,
MACESICH, MACLEAN, MARTIN, MCKEE,
MIERS, MILLER, NEINAST, NIX, PHILLIPS,
PIERCE, POSNER, REID, REINHART,
SASSER, SHARP, STENGEL, STRONG,
TATE, TON, TSAI, VEHSLAGE,
WILKINSON, WILPON

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Eleven letters remain to form the answer.

Honor Band

Congratulations to the Pearce Mighty Mustang Band. The Band has been named the 4A Honor Band by the Texas Music Educators Association and has been invited to perform at their convention in February. Congratulations to Band Director Peter Warshaw and the rest of the staff, and to all of the musicians and parents who have worked hard for this honor.

Close garage doors to burglaries

With more than 50 percent of residential burglaries caused by leaving garage doors open, the Richardson Police Department is taking action. The Crime Prevention Unit will be placing signs throughout the City that will remind homeowners to close their garage doors. The signs that say, "Close the door on garage burglary," feature an illustration of an open garage door superimposed by the universal circle with a line. The signs will be rotated around the City in different neighborhoods beginning with the ones that have an active Crime Watch. For more information on this program, contact the Crime Prevention Unit at 972-744-4955.

Outdoor Warning System Upgraded

The City of Richardson Fire Marshal's office is continuing to make the City a safer place to live. The current Outdoor Warning Siren System, which is composed of 13 electrical-mechanical sirens located around the City in parks, fire stations, Richardson Independent School District locations and other locations, will be upgraded. The main purpose of the system is to warn the public of a tornado sighting by highly trained weather spotters (HAM radio operators) or by the National Weather Service radar in Richardson.

"After careful study of the needs and site selection, the City will be purchasing at least 19 new sirens," Emergency Management Coordinator George Grant said.

The City will keep two of its newest sirens, but the older sirens will be removed after the new system is fully operational. According to Grant, the current system is 25 years old and the newest sirens are 5 years old.

Over the last two years, the system has had numerous mechanical and electrical problems including false activation, radio receiver failure and other breakdowns.

"The monthly failure rate was unacceptable and improvement was needed," Grant said. "Based on staff recommendations, the City Council approved hiring a communication consultant—Trott Communication of Irving—to assess the condition of the system and to make recommendations as to how to make the siren system better and more reliable."

Trott Communication conducted a site survey and inspected each siren noting the mechanical and installation problems that existed with the current system. They recommended upgrading the system and installing new sirens.

"The result of the new system will be greater coverage, better penetration and greater reliability," Grant said. "The residents of the City will have a state-of-the-art system designed to warn them in the event of a tornado."

The new sirens will be mounted 45 to 50 feet above ground and use a high-tech sound system with greater "penetrate values" at the same sound level. The sirens will be located at carefully selected sites, and are meant to be heard when you are outdoors. The new sirens should be installed, tested and working by Jan. 1.

Crime Talk

By Lynn Sanders, VP Safety

Well, unfortunately I do have five crime incidents to talk about this month. Two of them were actually in the Reservation Area, just across Melrose from us. I want to include them because of their proximity, and their nature.

Sometime during the night of August 11, a 1994 Honda Accord was stolen from in front of a residence in the 1000 block of Edith Circle. A wallet that had been left in the vehicle was also lost. The vehicle and the wallet (less some contents) have since been recovered. Hondas made in the 90s are very popular targets for theft or burglary. If you own one of these, you might consider installing anti-theft devices and parking the vehicle in the garage or such that it's removal is blocked by another vehicle.

Sometime during the night of August 15, an unsecured vehicle outside a 1300 block residence on Chesterton was broken into. The home's garage door opener inside it was then used to open the garage door and a purse was stolen from a second vehicle inside. Garage door openers should not be left in vehicles that are left outside at night. At the very least, be sure the vehicle outside is locked and the garage door opener is concealed from outside view.

During broad daylight on August 21, an aggravated (armed) robbery occurred in the 1200 block of Cherokee (Reservation Area). A lady had just pulled into her garage when an armed black male approached her. He stole her watch, ring, cell phone, and purse before she suddenly dashed inside and through, her house to a neighbor's where she called 911. The police have some good leads on this one. As you approach your home, be aware of your surroundings, and especially sensitive to whether you could be being followed. If anyone you don't know is anywhere near your garage entry, or if you suspect you are being followed, do not stop at your home. Proceed to a safe place, and call the police.

During the daylight hours on August 24, a home in the 1100 block of Stratford was burglarized. A laptop computer, some blank checks, and some costume jewelry were taken. Time and method of entry are uncertain. The residents originally thought that it was through a kitchen window while they were home, but there is strong reason now to believe that it was shortly before they

returned home. Strong leads were developed from the perpetrator's attempt to use the blank checks very shortly after leaving the residence. An arrest is probable. A possible factor aiding the burglar was a privacy fence in the back with an unlocked gate. Sure, burglars can climb over or break the lock, but every thing that makes his job harder, makes him less interested.

[See Update below.]

Sometime during the day, on August 29, forced entry was made to an unoccupied residence in the 1200 block of Ottawa (Reservation Area) through a rear patio door. The backyard fence gate was unlocked, and there was no deadbolt mechanism on the patio door. Two TV sets, a VCR, and some costume jewelry were taken.

I mentioned this last month, but I want to heighten your sensitivity to being scammed. The scam operators are active. There are a lot of very ingenious variations, but if you are offered a really great deal just for putting in some up-front cash or your bank account number, tactfully disengage and call the police immediately. Don't be swayed by elaborate schemes involving contact or phone calls (by you or them) with others involved in the deal. They are accomplices!

Until next time, use your head, don't be an easy victim, be alert, and be watchful.

***Update on Stratford Burglary**

Richardson Police Department Detectives tracked down an East Dallas resident who was holed up in Hurst in connection with the burglary on Stratford on August 24th. RPD contacted the Hurst Police Department (standard procedure) to make the actual arrest. He had used one of the checks stolen from the house and forged the signature. He was traced through his thumbprint. Great Police work by both Police Departments!

Henry Austin, a resident on Eton and a crime watch coordinator has a habit of recording license numbers of vehicles he notices that for what ever reason "Just don't belong." On the day of the Stratford burglary he noticed a car parked the wrong way and jotted it down. When hearing of the incident later, he phoned it in to RPD. Turned out it wasn't involved, but this is a great "habit" to develop.

Who are these people?

The nominating committee slate for the Board of Directors is a diverse and enthusiastic group of individuals who have volunteered to serve our Homeowners Association for the coming membership year. We thought you might like to know a little more about them.



Bernie Mayoff, President

Bernie was President last year and has previously served on the Board as civic liaison. He was a Senior Consultant in IBM's management consulting business before retiring early. Bernie is a graduate of Leadership Richardson and the Citizen Police Academy. He is the Assistant Treasurer at Congregation Beth Torah, a member of the Richardson Zoning Board of Adjustment, and a member of the Local Board of the Selective Service System. He is a past president and editor of North Texas Mensa and, with his wife, of the Pearce Area Band Club. His four children have attended Mohawk, North and Pearce and he and his wife Denise have lived here since 1980.

Greg Immel, VP Development

Greg has previously served on the Association Board as VP of Beautification for two terms. He and his wife Sue have lived here since 1980. They have one son, Stephen, attending Pearce as a junior and a daughter, Erin, who graduated from Pearce in 1998 and is in her senior year at Texas A&M and in the Graduate School of Business. He and Sue have been very active as band board members for years in numerous positions and they are presently in the Pearce Booster Club with emphasis on the football athletic board. They are in the sign making business for each of the games in the coming year.

Lynn Sanders, VP Safety

Lynn is returning for a second term as VP Safety. Lynn retired from TI/Raytheon and plunged into volunteer work. He is a graduate of Leadership Richardson, the Citizens Fire Academy and the Citizen Police Academy. He is President of the Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association and an active member of Volunteers

in Policing. He recently received The 2001 Outstanding Crime Prevention Citizen of the Year award from the Texas Crime Prevention Association. Lynn and his wife Nancy have lived in Richardson for 35 years and in our area for 24 years. They have a married daughter who lives in Richardson and works for RISD Administration. Their married son is a Major in the U.S. Marine Corps currently in San Diego. Both children graduated from Mohawk, North and Pearce.

Janet Karr, VP Beautification

This is Janet's first term on the Board. Janet is the author of the "Name That Neighbor" word search puzzles that have been appearing in the newsletter almost since the day she and husband, Mark moved here in late 2000. Janet grew up in Plano, and her husband moved to Richardson in 1961 and graduated from Pearce in 1972. They have lived in Richardson for ten years and all three Karr kids went to Northrich and North, just like their father did. Currently the Karrs have a son at North, a son in three sports at Pearce and a daughter who just graduated from Pearce and is attending CCCC this fall.

Art Middlebrook, VP Membership

Art is the universal volunteer. He is a graduate of the Citizen Police Academy and secretary of the Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association. He is something very important with the Richardson Symphony Orchestra, with the Veterans of all wars, and with almost everything else you can think of. He is membership chair for the Collins Radio Retirees Association. This is his first term as an officer of our Association. He and his wife Bev have lived in Richardson since it was just little "Richie" and they have lived in the Pearce area since 1989.

Suzanne Clark, Secretary

Suzanne is a neonatal intensive care nurse at Medical City Dallas. She and her husband Cliff

have lived in Richardson since 1979. They have twice been president of the Pearce Area Band Club and served in numerous other roles as well. They are active members and volunteers at Arapaho Methodist Church. Their two children have attended Mohawk, North and Pearce.

Helen Simon, Treasurer

Helen is returning for her umpteenth term as Treasurer or Assistant Treasurer. She is a professional accountant and owns and operates an accounting firm. She and her husband Laurie have lived here since 1980. We think her signature appears on \$10,000 bills.

Dee Russum, Editor

Dee is the Pulitzer Prize nominee of the Pearce Homeowners Association Board. She is returning for her 3rd term as editor of The Addition Edition. She served as Treasurer of the Pearce Band Club, with the help of her husband. Dee and Joe have lived here since 1966 when the area was known as something else and in Richardson since 1960. Dee is a "Yankee" by birth, but married a Rebel, and is now one, too! Their two sons attended Mohawk, North and Pearce.

John Sadowksi, Webmaster

John is returning for his second year as webmaster. He is editor of the Plano Bicycle Association Newsletter, has his own bicycle web site and

maintains a web site for a Plano Teachers organization. He and his wife Shirley have lived in the Addition for four years. Their five children attended Greenwood Hills, North and Pearce.

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The History of Labor Day

How it came about; What it means. Samuel Gompers, founder and longtime president of the American Federation of Labor said "Labor Day is devoted to no man, living or dead, to no sect, race, or nation."

Labor Day, the first Monday in September, is a creation of the labor movement and is dedicated to the social and economic achievements of American workers. It constitutes a yearly national tribute to the contributions workers have made to the strength, prosperity and well being of our country.

Founder of Labor Day

More than 100 years after the first Labor Day observance, there is still some doubt as to who first proposed the holiday for workers. Some records show that Peter J. McGuire, general secretary of the Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners and a co-founder of the American Federation of Labor, was first in suggesting a day to honor those "who from rude nature have delved and carved all the grandeur we behold."

But Peter McGuire's place in Labor Day history has not gone unchallenged. Many believe that Matthew Maguire, a machinist, not Peter McGuire, founded the holiday. Recent research seems to support the contention that Matthew Maguire, later the secretary of Local 344 of the International Association of Machinists in Paterson, NJ, proposed the holiday in 1882 while serving as secretary of the Central Labor Union in New York. What is clear is that the Central Labor Union adopted a Labor Day proposal and appointed a committee to plan a demonstration and picnic.

The First Labor Day

The first Labor Day holiday was celebrated on Tuesday, September 5, 1882, in New York City, in accordance with the plans of the Central Labor Union. The Central Labor Union held its second Labor Day holiday just a year later, on September 5, 1883. In 1884 the first Monday in September was selected as the holiday, as originally proposed, and the Central Labor Union urged similar organizations in other cities to follow the example of New York and celebrate a "workingmen's holiday" on that date. The idea spread with the growth of labor organizations, and in 1885 Labor Day was celebrated in many industrial centers of the country.

Labor Day Legislation

Through the years the nation gave increasing emphasis to Labor Day. The first governmental

recognition came through municipal ordinances passed during 1885 and 1886. From them developed the movement to secure state legislation. The first state bill was introduced into the New York legislature, but the first to become law was passed by Oregon on February 21, 1887. During the year four more states -- Colorado, Massachusetts, New Jersey, and New York -- created the Labor Day holiday by legislative enactment. By the end of the decade Connecticut, Nebraska, and Pennsylvania had followed suit. By 1894, 23 other states had adopted the holiday in honor of workers, and on June 28 of that year; Congress passed an act making the first Monday in September of each year a legal holiday in the District of Columbia and the territories.

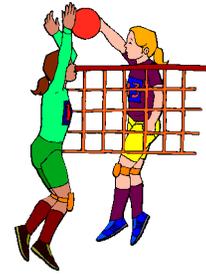
A Nationwide Holiday

The form that the observance and celebration of Labor Day should take were outlined in the first proposal of the holiday -- a street parade to exhibit to the public "the strength and esprit de corps of the trade and labor organizations" of the community, followed by a festival for the recreation and amusement of the workers and their families. This became the pattern for the celebrations of Labor Day. Speeches by prominent men and women were introduced later, as more emphasis was placed upon the economic and civic significance of the holiday. Still later, by a resolution of the American Federation of Labor convention of 1909, the Sunday preceding Labor Day was adopted as Labor Sunday and dedicated to the spiritual and educational aspects of the labor movement.

The character of the Labor Day celebration has undergone a change in recent years, especially in large industrial centers where mass displays and huge parades have proved a problem. This change, however, is more a shift in emphasis and medium of expression. Labor Day addresses by leading union officials, industrialists, educators, clerics and government officials are given wide coverage in newspapers, radio and television.

The vital force of labor added materially to the highest standard of living and the greatest production the world has ever known and has brought us closer to the realization of our traditional ideals of economic and political democracy. It is appropriate, therefore, that the nation pay tribute on Labor Day to the creator of so much of the nation's strength, freedom, and leadership -- the American worker.

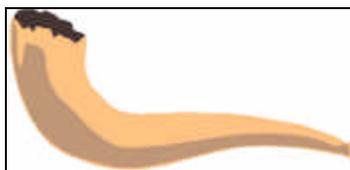
[Taken from the Department of Labor website.]



Local Events September-October include:

Date	Event/Location
September	
13	JV Football vs Richardson 7:00 PM at RHS
14	Football vs Richardson 7:30 PM at RHS
17	North 7 th /8 th Volleyball vs FMJH 5:00 PM at North
	North 9 th Volleyball vs WJH 5:00 PM at Pearce
18	North 8 th /7 th Football vs FMJH 5:15/7:00 PM at Pearce
20	JV Football vs Berkner 7:00 PM at Pearce
25	Volleyball vs Wylie 6:00/7:30 PM at Pearce
27	North 9 th Football vs Apollo 5:15 PM at Pearce
	JV Football vs Denison 7:00 PM at Pearce
October	
1	North 7 th /8 th Volleyball vs LHJH 5:00 PM at North
2	North 8 th /7 th Football vs AJH 5:15/7:00 PM at Pearce
4	North 9 th Football vs Frisco 7:30 PM at Pearce
5	Homecoming
	Volleyball vs Mesquite Poteet 5:00/6:30 PM at Pearce
	Football vs Frisco 7:30 PM at RHS
6	North Volleyball vs WWJH 9/10/11 AM at Pearce
8	State Fair holiday
9	Volleyball vs W. Mesquite 6:00/7:30 PM at Pearce
10	North 7 th /8 th Volleyball vs LJH 6:00 PM at North
11	North 9 th Football vs WWJH 5:15 PM at Pearce
	JV Football vs. Wylie 7:00 PM at Pearce
13	Band Plano Marching Contest TBA at Clark Field
	Puttin' On the Hits 7:30 PM at Pearce
15	North 7 th /8 th Volleyball vs WJH 6:00 PM at North
16	Volleyball vs Lancaster 6:00/7:30 PM at Pearce
	Choir Fall Concert 7:30 PM at Pearce
17	Band UIL Marching Contest TBA at Mesquite Memorial Stadium
	North Orchestra Concert 7:30 PM at North
	North Pops Concert 7:30 PM at Pearce
19	Volleyball vs Highland Park 5:00/6:30 PM at Pearce
20	Pacesetter Bazaar 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM at Pearce
21	Pacesetter Bazaar 11:00 AM – 5:00 PM at Pearce

“A Healthy, Happy New Year to our Jewish Neighbors



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J. J. PEARCE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION
Statement of Cash Receipts and Expenses
For the Period September 1, 2000 to August 31, 2001

	<u>12 Months Ended</u> <u>August, 31, 2001</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Cash Receipts		
Membership Dues	5,460.00	4,890.00
Dividends	685.08	480.00
Interest	7.38	8.00
Advertising - Newsletter	695.00	630.00
Advertising – Directory	<u>50.00</u>	<u>50.00</u>
Total Receipts		\$6,897.46 \$6,058.00
Expenses		
Crime Watch		
Metrocall	253.44	253.80
New Signs	415.50	415.50
National Night Out	146.20	300.00
Membership		
Annual Meeting	51.03	50.00
Binders	467.50	415.00
Printing	364.00	350.00
Delivery	125.00	60.00
Postage	67.69	100.00
August Flyer Delivery		65.00
Social Events		
Easter	70.00	150.00
July 4 th	164.16	150.00
December Decorations	286.45	260.00
Volunteer Party	316.28	300.00
Yard Sale	166.76	
Delivery of Yard Sale Flyer	50.00	
Newsletter		
Printing, etc.	2,177.41	3,405.00
Delivery	760.00	780.00
Other Expenses		
Memorial Contributions	25.00	
Election Forum Flyer	100.00	
Federal Income Tax		
(Paid on Interest & Dividend Income only)	151.00	
Merrill Lynch Annual Acct Fee	65.00	
Miscellaneous	<u> </u>	<u>180.00</u>
Total Expenses	<u>\$6,222.42</u>	<u>\$7,234.30</u>
Net Income (Loss)	\$675.04	(\$1,176.30)

Respectfully Submitted
Helen Simon
Treasurer
September 10, 2001

**Statement of Changes in Fund Balances
For the Period September 1, 2000 - August 31, 2001**

	<u>Checking</u>	<u>Savings</u>	<u>Merrill Lynch</u>	<u>Vanguard Fund</u>	<u>Totals</u>
Beginning Balances - 9/1/00	\$4,180.09	\$317.03	\$9,600.26		\$14,097.38
Add receipts	6,355.00	7.38	466.32	218.76	7,047.46
Account Transfers	(3,779.68)	(200.00)	(10,001.58)	13,981.26	
Less Disbursements	(6,307.42)		(65.00)		(6,372.42)
Ending Balances - 8/31/0	\$447.99	\$124.41	\$0.00	\$14,200.02	\$14,772.42

Newsletter Advertising

Business ads must be paid for in advance. Checks should be made payable to J. J. Pearce Homeowners Association. Contact Dee Russum, 1102 Pueblo, phone 972-235-1961 or e-mail: jrussum@aol.com

Rates per newsletter, based on 8 1/2 X 11" page.

Business card (2 x 3 1/2 ")	\$10.00
1/4 page	\$20.00
1/2 page	\$40.00
Full page	\$75.00

Youth ads from Association members' children for services such as baby-sitting, lawn care; etc. will be printed free of charge. All ads will ultimately be placed at the discretion of the Board, and as space permits.

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Nominating Committee Slate for Board of Directors for 2001 – 2002

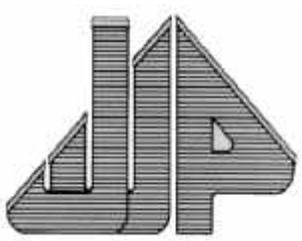
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The rescheduled General Meeting will be announced as soon as possible.