

#### President's Update, Jill Sparks

Hello Neighbors!

As we wrap up summer, we all know that cooler temperatures are just around the corner. I've noticed a lot of new landscaping around the neighborhood and it all looks great! It's been a pleasure meeting so many neighbors walking their dogs, exercising and doing yard work.

If you're new here, welcome! We're so glad you're a part of our neighborhood and I look forward to getting to know you at community social events.

Every 2-3 months, we hold Zoom board meetings and would love for you to get involved and is a great way to get community updates. Keep an eye out for the notice five days before the meeting or find the dates on our website's calendar section neighborhood.

Please stay safe and we hope to see you at the pool during these last hot days!

# Neighborhood News, Rusty Nejdl

While our kids get ready to go back to school, we can't help but notice that things will be a little different this year. Nevertheless, we'll continue to pursue our normal social activities, including our virtual neighbor meet and greet, and monitor the COVID situation as the year progresses. Stay tuned for updates.

Meantime, we'll continue our Doggy Day at the Pool Party as scheduled on Saturday, October 10. Following the event, the pool will be closed for draining and plastering. We'll be sure to let the community know when they can expect the pool to reopen. On the same note, the Fall Festival will likely occur but with face masks and social distancing practices in place. Invitations about the festival will arrive in the coming weeks.

# Food Trucks visit The Homestead, Patty Cash

Have you enjoyed the food from Fish City Grill? Special thanks to Tim Green for providing delicious seafood for the Homestead community. Did your home-fiesta turn out just the way you imagined courtesy of Mi Cocina? We'd say so! They've been here twice and more visits being scheduled.

And although The State Fair is canceled, you can still satisfy your cravings by snagging a Fletcher's Corny Dog at area Golden Chick restaurants through Sunday, October 25.

# Landscape Update, Roy Atwood

Thanks to some much-needed rain this summer, our trees and shrubs have continued growing nicely despite the heat. Please remember to keep trees trimmed at 12 feet over streets and alleys and 7 feet over sidewalks. Also, keep in mind that shrubs should not obstruct windows, sidewalks or doors.

We received a resident report that a bobcat was hiding in dense bushes near a home — another good reason to keep bushes trimmed!

The screening walls that were showing signs of required maintenance are complete and no other landscape projects are planned until the fall.

Lastly, I'd like to show my appreciation to our Landscape Contractor for their quick response during the heavy summer rains. Their hard work reduced our water usage and ultimately saved our community from a significant expense.

Please continue to let us know if you see anything that requires our attention. Our neighborhood's appearance is what sets The Homestead apart from other communities that positively support our property values.

Thanks for all you do!

### Administrator Update, Patty Cash

Need a new roof? Want to change the color of your house or freshen up the current paint? How about those fogged windows that need replacing?

These are just some of the reasons to submit an Architectural Request Form before starting those fall projects! Get started on your ACC Approval Request Form at homesteadatcarrolton.com under "Documents."

Please fill out the form, attach supporting documents, and email them to homesteadatcarrollton@gmail.com or place then in the clubhouse dropbox. As a reminder, the committee has up to 30 days to respond to requests, so please don't hire a contractor until you receive approval.

Do I need ACC approval to participate in the City of **Carrollton's Sidewalk Grant Program?** No, the city will be doing the work.

Do I need an ACC approval to redo my landscape? If you want to remove all existing bushes, trees, etc., approval is needed. Seasonal colors don't require permission.

Do I need an ACC approval to repaint my mailbox? No. Be sure to use the approved color of Rust-Oleum Satin Hunter Green. Using any other shade of green could result in repainting.

Do I need approval to have my foundation repaired? No.

To summarize, any time you want to change your home from the outside, an ACC Request Form needs to be submitted and approved.

#### **Questions regarding ACC requests?**

Contact your HOA Administrator at homesteadatcarrollton@gmail.com or text/call 972.261.9841.

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#### How was the start to your Labor Day weekend with a waffle from Waffle O'licious?



Was your Labor Day meal delicious with chicken salad from Chicken Salad Chick? They have been here three times now and enjoy delivering to The Homestead.

