



Community Newsletter

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IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Police Department	301-390-2100
Fire Department	249-6525
Bowie City Hall	262-6200
MD Poison Control	429-2424
D.H. Bader Mgt. Co.	953-1955
(Tershia Knight: ext. 22)	

MESSAGES FROM THE BOARD

HALL ROAD

TOCHOA Board members and residents attended a public hearing meeting at Bowie City Hall on April 28th. A decision was made to make Hall Road improvements before any construction can begin on Hall Road Village. The improvements will be determined and made by the State Highway Administration. The developer proposed a sidewalk to extend from Hall Road Village to Tall Oaks Crossing. Blueprints of the proposed townhouses had not been drawn at that time nor were the prices available.

SPEED HUMPS

Mr. Hendrickson, a representative from the city of Bowie, spoke at the TOCHOA Board meeting, Tuesday June 17, 2008. He presented information concerning speed humps, and alternative traffic calming methods. The money for speed humps is presently in the budget for this fiscal year. There will be a meeting on or before the annual community meeting in September to address the issue of installing speed humps. The community will be given more details at that meeting of all pros and cons pertaining to speed hump installation. All Tall Oaks Crossing residents will be given advance notification of the date and time of that meeting.

WEB PAGE

Our community now has a new web master. She has already begun the task of a complete overhaul of our web site. The new overhaul will be completed this summer. The web page should be more user friendly and have new pages with updated information to keep all informed of upcoming events and/or alerts.

The Commander of District II Police Station at Crain Highway invites all to the Citizen Empowerment Sessions held on the first Thursday evening of each month. The subject at the next meeting will be Gang Identification.

COMMITTEES

All committees are in dire need of new members. In order to continue serving the community efficiently, please consider volunteering. You may contact the chairperson on the committee of your choice through e-mail: toc315homes@yahoo.com or dial direct from listing below.

ACC - Rebecca Lignon-Lewis {301 xxx xxxx} or Eugene Cunningham {301 xxx xxxx} One of the functions of the ACC committee is to perform a Drive Through of the community on an annual basis. The purpose of the drive through is to confirm that households are in compliance with maintaining their property within the guidelines outlined in our HOA documents. The committee drove through last spring and residents who were not in compliance received a violation letter. To date only 45% complied. Maintaining our property keeps property values up and we need all residents' compliance.

You do not need ACC Approval for the following items to keep up your property:

1. Exterior Painting of same color
2. Roof repair of the same material
3. Pruning trees or cutting trees that hang over walk areas

Please visit TallOaksCrossinghoa.org for additional guidelines.

WELCOMING COMMITTEE- (Block Captain) Velvenia Minor (301xxx xxxx)

If there are any homeowners who desire to assist the Block Captains or become a Block Captain, please give Velvenia Minor a call or use our website.

If you are a new resident to the community and your name has not been listed, please give Velvenia a call so we can officially welcome you.

COMMUNITY AFFAIRS_- Rene Buckmon (301 xxx xxxx)

2008 Love My Yard Beautification Contest – Is your yard ready for the 2008 “Love my Yard,” Beautification Contest? This is an annual contest sponsored by the Community Affairs Committee. Judging will take place in August by members of the committee and an employee or volunteer from a gardening franchise. Winners will be awarded in two categories: (1) Landscape Garden and (2) Flower Garden. Winners will receive a gift certificate from Homestead Gardens.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH PROGRAM – James Belton (301 xxx xxxx)

The Neighborhood Watch (NW) program is up and running. Our coordinator, Mr. James Belton is looking for more community members to assist him in this endeavor. If you are interested or have the time to assist, please give him a call.

GROUNDS AND LANDSCAPING_– Eugene Cunningham {301 xxx xxxx} or Garland Greene {301 xxx xxxx} This committee works closely with our landscaping company to ensure our plants & tress remain well maintained and beautiful.

Short cut to Mt. Oak Road.

If you have not maneuvered through Ashleigh to reach Mt. Oak Road, here are the directions. Go to the end of Pin Oak Parkway, (the name changes to Daffodil); make a left turn onto Dahlia. At the end of Dahlia, make a left onto Dolphin Way. At the end of Dolphin Way, make a right onto Driftwood. At the end of Driftwood, make a right turn onto Mt. Oak Road. Happy maneuvering.

MESSAGE FROM BADER MANAGEMENT COMPANY

While the management company is willing to assist in such nuances regarding animals, calling animal control directly results in faster service and action. Call City's Animal Control Office, or stop by City Hall, call 301-809-3002 or 301-262-6200, extension 3002, if a neighborhood pet creates a nuisance by repeatedly running at-large, intimidating pedestrians, or barking constantly, please call the City's Animal Control Office. Be prepared to provide the following information: address of owner, description of animal, and times and dates of offense.

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