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## Trash Collection Guidelines Taken from the City of Garland website



Don't miss us! Put your container outside by 7 a.m. on your designated collection day.. (Towngate collection day is Thursday and in the alley.)

Bag your trash to prevent the wind from blowing it out of the container as we dump it and to keep your container clean. Keep the lid closed, and do not overfill. Our operators do not pick up bags of trash outside the container.

Place containers at your designated collection point - near your driveway, or within 3 feet (3') of the alley's edge. Position the container with the wheels toward your house.

Multiple containers should be positioned with 4 feet of space between them.

Do not place containers near mailboxes, electrical or cable boxes, or other stationary objects such as gas or water meter Do not park vehicles in front of containers on collection day.

Do not place household chemicals and electronics in your garbage cart. Please take them to the Dallas County Home Chemical Collection Center, located at 11234 Plano Road. This service is free for Garland residents.

If your container needs repair or replacing, contact us at 972-205-3500.

Waste that is too large for the green container, including tree trimmings, furniture, bags of leaves and grass, carpeting, should be placed at the normal pick up site no earlier than 6 p.m. the day before scheduled pick up of brush and bulky waste. The exception is tree limbs, which may be placed at the alley any day of the week. All brush and limbs must be separated from other bulky waste and placed in a separate pile.

**(After trash is picked up return your trash can back against your house or in the garage.)**

For all missed garbage collection, please contact Environmental Waste Services (EWS) Customer Service by email or call 972-205-3500.

To request additional carts, please contact EWS Customer Service by email or call 972-205-3500. You may request up to two additional trash containers, for a total of three. You will pay an Additional Container Monthly Service Charge of \$7.10 for each additional container.



Welcome to our new Homeowners:

**Matios Edosa & Emebet Bekele**

### ANTICS FROM ANNE

Hope all of you are fairing well during these trying times. The office will be open 9-1 Mon-Fri except on Tuesday hours will be 7:30-11:30. am. These hours may change in September. Just a reminder that dues are due by the 10th of the month to avoid a \$20 late fee being assessed to your account. If you get paint from the office please return any unused so others can have some.

My condolences to Joe Ebarb on the passing of his dear wife Katty. Thoughts and prayers for you and the family.

A big thank you to Sheila Raines and Rose Stephens for helping with the Dog Care Station.

Need an additional or replacement trash can or if your trash is not picked up. Call 972-205-3500



### From the President

By Rene

Living within a Homeowners Association has both privileges and responsibilities. If you use the pool that is a privilege. You must abide by the rules and regulations for use. If rules are not followed your privileges will be revoked immediately.

Please remember to put your trash in the green trash bin and recyclables in the blue bin. Please do your part to help keep this neighborhood looking great. Just be respectful. I know these are difficult times for everyone. We are all very sorry that we could not meet for a pool party. As soon as this is all lifted we will have a wonderful HOA community party. If you would like to write a article for our HOA newspaper please drop it off to Anne at the office. The next newsletter will be in October.

### PAINTING

By Jack

Painting for 2020 is over. Martin and his crew did a great job. Thanks to the homeowners for taking care of the needed repair. I think everyone in the HOA has great pride in our community. If anyone has recent repairs, paint may be picked up from the office. Thanks again and everyone stay safe.

### SPRING YARD CONTEST WINNERS

BY Rene

BEST YARD- 2011 Court Place

SUSAN & LARRY FAULKNER

MADE YOU LOOK- 2030 Town Place KIM HASTINGS

MOST COLORFUL- 2001 Town Place JOE EBARB

The next contest is in October for Halloween decorations. The winners will receive a \$25 gift certificate.

GOOD LUCK!!

## PARKING ISSUES

To report disabled or abandoned cars parked on the street—

Call—972-205-2222 or EMAIL-  
Parkingquestions@garlandtx.gov

Give location, make, model, color, and tag number of the vehicle.

## Tennis Courts/Dogs By Laura

**Many homeowners have used the tennis courts for tennis and many have also used the courts to let their dogs run free as we now have a gate that will close off the area. GATE CODE: CZ2006. It was reported that someone did not clean up after their pet in the tennis court area. This is not acceptable. It is your responsibility to clean up after your dog and in this case someone else had to do it for you. The HOA has provided a Dog Waste Station right at the tennis courts so there shouldn't be any excuses for leaving a mess. The HOA will be monitoring the area to make sure there are no further issues. We would like for everyone to enjoy this area without pet restrictions so please be courteous to others by following the rules.**

## Architectural Committee Notes by Patricia

Charles Dickens wrote,

"It was the best of times, it was the worst of times,

It was the age of wisdom, it was the age of foolishness, ...it was the season of Light, it was the season of darkness."

Such are the times in which we live with the Corona virus and the resulting catastrophic economic downturn, the murder of George Floyd and the protests and riots that followed. With so much going on, some could easily turn a blind eye to the upkeep of our Towngate neighborhood. But I am pleased to say that has not been the case. Homeowners have been out and about busily attending to various tasks to make our community beautiful! Thank you to all those of you who have worked so hard. Keep up the good work.

There are still a few, and a very few at that who have not taken care of business. I would like to encourage you to pull your weight as a vital member of our Towngate family.

When the committee notes be that repairs need to be done, a letter will be sent out giving you approximately 30 days to comply. Then a 2nd letter will be sent if repairs are not done and then a 3rd. If repairs are not completed after the 3rd letter, the 4th letter will announce that a \$25 fine is being levied. A 4<sup>th</sup> letter will be a \$50 fine and a 6<sup>th</sup> and any subsequent will be \$75 a month fine until the necessary repairs and/or clean up tasks have been completed.

Thanks again for all you do even in these troubled times we live in.



## **BE SAFE By Nate**

Good day to all of our Towngate Residents. As we all know summer is fast approaching, and as the temperature increases, so does physical activity both in and around our neighborhood. Unfortunately, this rise in temperature also brings an increase in the rise of criminal activity such as, vandalism and theft. Please be sure to remember to lock your vehicle doors, as well as the doors to your residence. There have already been vehicular break-ins reported in the neighborhood. One way that we can limit these occurrences is to not only make sure vehicle doors are locked, but we can also limit what items of value are seen from the outside looking in. One other thing that came to mind was also being wary of any sensitive information that is being placed in the blue recycle bins. Many people are often unaware of just who's rummaging through these bins while the neighborhood sleeps at night. By taking preventative measures, we may not be able to prevent ALL crime in the neighborhood, but we CAN ensure that we ALL do our part to LIMIT an increase of crime. Remember, if you see anything that appears unusual, don't be afraid to call your local police department. Be safe, and stay aware.

## **UNITY By Amalia**

We are living through some difficult times. One constant in everything is unity. I went outside the other day to check on my trashcan, and saw a neighbor outside. I started up a conversation with him, then another neighbor came outside and joined in on the conversation. And then another neighbor came out and joined the conversation. I can't tell you how wonderful it was to have a conversation with people outside on a gorgeous day, especially during this time of social distancing. Even though we are told to social distance, we must not forget to still be social. Next time you see a neighbor outside, strike up a conversation!

## **Landscape By Bridget**

Sprinkler system testing was completed 1<sup>st</sup> weekend in June. The watering schedule is twice a week and will begin soon. However, during the hottest months (June, July and August) this is not enough, and we need the homeowners to pitch in with watering extra days. We recommend watering one to two extra days a week, for at least 20 minutes. The best time to water your lawn is in the morning before 10am. Yard improvement has commenced. If you requested sod to be planted, you have received a Landscape notice to water your new sod daily for two weeks, this will ensure the success of the roots getting established.

If you have a request, please do not hesitate to let me know at [bridget\\_brantley@yahoo.com](mailto:bridget_brantley@yahoo.com) or take a written request to Anne at the office.

Thank you,

## **2020 BOARD MEMEBERS**

**PRESIDENT/Social- Rene-214-288-3688**

**VICE PRESIDENT- Laura—214-906-5223**

**TREASURER – Amalia—214-697-5125**

**SECRETARY – Nate –479-530-4439**

**LANDSCAPE – Bridget —214-907-7511**

**CLUBHOUSE/POOLS-Laura-214-906-5223**

**ARCHITECTURAL—Patricia—214-546-3187**

**PAINTING - Jack—214-695-3835**

**Randy Dale- Landscaper/Pool Maintenance  
214-882-4251**

**Code enforcement Danny Moore—972-485-6414  
– DaMoore@garlandTx.gov**

**Neighborhood Police Officer—J.P. Morillos  
morillosj@garlandtx.gov**

**Parking issues—972-205-2222 or  
parkingquestions@garlandtx.gov**

**WEBSITE: www.tghoa.net**

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**Tennis court gate code: CZ2006**