# STONE FOREST



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### Presidents MESSAGE

We all know that it is still very hot at time of writing and hopefully the thermometer will have backed off a few degrees by the time this is published and mailed. It is and has been near record heat but so far nothing that hasn't been seen before.

We also know about the continuing drought which is the most severe that the state of Texas has faced in a long time. So water conservation is essential. Please try to be economical and also remember there is a burn & fireworks ban in force for Harris County.

There are drivers/passengers who throw their still burning cigarette ends out of the window randomly which in itself is a litter offence but doubly dangerous in this drought with grass reduced to straw in some places. The Texas litter prevention program has a website http://dontmesswithtexas.org/report-a-litterer/, where it is possible to report a litterer. (Data needed: TX plate number, make of vehicle, TOD, location, date, who threw litter and what was thrown). In addition cigarette ends do not dissolve or disintegrate but last for years and create tons of long lasting waste

The HOA AGM on July 21 was not well attended except for a few regulars so the lack of interest in the community was a little disappointing. Nevertheless we were able to tell those who did attend that despite the current economic situation the Stone Forest HOA is in fairly good shape financially and we are able to maintain the facilities and services at a normal level. With the cancellation of

the security patrols we have so far not seen any increase in major problems and we still enjoy Pct.4 patrols courtesy of the Bridgestone MUD patrol contract. We had this confirmed recently by Pct. 4 recently. Maybe some of you have noticed the deputy parked on Westbridge Lane some mornings, at the Kuykendahl end of Edgewood Place. The latest report shows minor criminal activity.

We are still coping with problems at night time at the Park & Playground where annoying silly vandalism is occurring. Most of the problems are minor although expensive to fix but by being vigilant and determined to mitigate the damage we have been able to prevent further expense. Pct.4 will also be paying attention to the area with occasional night time visits.

As I said most of it is minor but childish and mindless from some who should know better.

I know that many of us are just trying to keep cool and out of the heat but when it eventually cools off it would be helpful for many reasons if homeowners were to at least acknowledge their next door neighbors. There are some who need to be checked on now and then and some who are just plain lonely. Loneliness can be soul destroying but bearable if your neighbor waves at you or asks how you are feeling. We don't have to be intrusive, just polite and friendly if the occasion arises, so I hope we can all make the effort. One Board member, Dick Leonard, is sometimes out and about in the evenings either roller blading or

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# TO THE STONE FOREST FLYER

Official Newsletter of the Stone Forest Homeowners Association

The Stone Forest HOA Newsletter is a monthly newsletter mailed to all Stone Forest residents. Each newsletter will be filled with valuable information about the community, local area activities, school information, and more.

If you are involved with a school group, play group, scouts, sports team, social group, etc., and would like to submit an article for the newsletter, you can do so online at www.PEELinc.com, or you can send an email to Bob@bobwise. us. Personal news (announcements, accolades/ honors/ celebrations, etc.) are also welcome as long as they are from area residents.

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#### President's Message - (Continued from Cover Page)

running and I am certainly running errands during the day so we are visible in the community as are the other Board members. We are all listed in this newsletter.

We are again planning a Fall Festival at the Park with a date of Saturday November 12 as the preliminary date. Your Board really makes an effort to have a fun day for all and the children so we hope you will support the event. Our sponsors do go to considerable expense to support us so we hope you can join us to meet your Board & your neighbors, eat a hotdog and enjoy a local event to which you can walk. More details will be announced in the October newsletter.

This free newsletter is only possible by advertising which supports the printing, distribution etc. Since this it been re-started the advertising has been very slow and we risk losing the ability to communicate if the revenue from advertising is insufficient to support the publication. The previous newsletter failed because there was insufficient advertising to support it. If you know of anyone who would like to advertise please have them call 1-888-687-6444.

Sincerely,

Bob Wise

President.

Stone Forest HOA

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Omar is a sweet, loving boy—and he almost always has a smile on face! While he is extremely active and loves to play sports and be outside, Omar does well academically and is a very polite young man. Omar, who turns ten in November, needs an active and involved family who can provide him with consistent expectations, boundaries and structure. An abundance of support and patience will help Omar achieve success in his promising young life.

To find out more about Omar, please contact Grace Lindgren, LMSW, Wendy's Wonderful Kids Recruiter, at the Adoption Coalition of Texas (512) 810-0813 or gracelindgren@adopttexas.org. Adopting a child from the foster care system requires little or no cost to the adoptive family and funding may be available to help the adoptive family support the child or sibling group. To learn more about the foster care adoption process, please call the Adoption Coalition of Texas at (512) 301-2825, email info@adopttexas.org and visit our website at http://www.adoptioncoalitiontx.org

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