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CITY OF KYLE'S **9ndependence Day Celebration** FIREWORKS SHOW



Join in the celebration of Independence Day this July 4th as the City of Kyle once again has planned for a spectacular fireworks show.

Fireworks will launch over the lake at Plum Creek golf Course. Before it gets dark on July 4th, find a safe and secure location around the Hays CISD Performing Arts Center (PAC) or anywhere around the intersection of FM 1626 and Kohler's Crossing. The show can even be seen from the parking lots around Subway, What-A-Burger and Kohl's.

Please use extreme caution in parking on the street's right of way and no alcohol is permitted at the PAC or on school property.

The fireworks are scheduled to begin around 9:30pm. Rain out makeup date is July 5th, same time, same site. For more information visit the City of Kyle website: www.cityof kyle.com.



PLUM CREEK ANNUAL FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION THURSDAY, JULY 4TH!

Hosted by the Recreation Committee

Come out for our annual 4th of July Parade and Picnic! The fun happens on Thursday, July 4th from 10:00 am to Noon.

Decorate those wagons, strollers, bikes, and scooters and come out to march with your neighbors in the parade. If you don't want to decorate your stuff or walk, please come out and cheer on those in the parade, it is a sight to see!

The parade will start promptly at 10 Am on the corner of Witte and Negley and continue down Witte to McNaughton Park with the picnic to follow. Bring the whole family and enjoy the fun.

We will have lunch for you at the park but be sure to bring blankets and lawn chairs for you to sit and eat on. Don't forget the swimsuits and sunscreen, as we will have a waterslide to help keep you cool.

We are looking for volunteers to help us cook and serve.

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, please contact Brandee at recreation@plumcreektxhoa.com or 512-557-2728.

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FOR THE LOVE OF GO FEATURES **NEW POPSICLE RUN IN PLUM CREEK**

On July 4, 2014, the first-ever Popsicle Run will be held in the Plum Creek neighborhood in Kyle, Texas. Participants

will walk or run by and through some of the features of this master-planned development, including the pools, the golf course, the walking trail, the newest section of housing and the playgrounds.

In addition to the chip-timed four-mile course (7 a.m. start), there will be chiptimed 3K and 1K options (8:30 a.m. start); there is something for everybody in this family-friendly event.

For added fun, this run will include colored dye in at least events in Plum Creek, contact Jennifer Crosby at jcrosbys3@ three locations for all three events! There will be age group

award medals for the four-miler. Dog tags, popsicles, fruit ice and other frozen treats will reward the participants of all three

events at the finish line.

Volunteers are needed for this awesome event. Volunteers will receive a thank you gift, a noisemaker, a bottle of water, and the undying gratitude of the event coordinators!

Sign up to walk, run, or volunteer at www. tinyurl.com/2014PopsicleRun. Course maps are available at www.plumcreekchallenge.com/ popsiclerun.

For more information about any of the race gmail.com or 512-376-8089.



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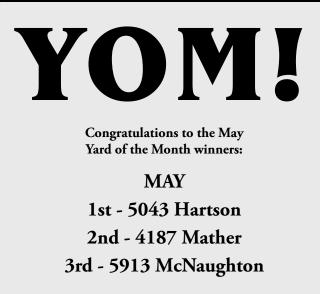
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Please take a look at these beautiful yards; they are only three of the many wonderful landscapes in Plum Creek. Signs of recognition appeared in the yards. Thanks to all the participants. Great job with all the yards!

AT THE FENCE



Summer is a great time to start a new project or finish an "on going" project! The days are longer and it is fun to gather! Come, gather ideas...need assistance with a project? Just enjoy a group of talented individuals.....Sip and Sew! You will see needlepoint, quilting, punch needle, knitting, crochet and rug hooking. Our meeting date is always the second Tuesday of the month, July 08, 6:30-8:30 PM in the Fergus Community Center. Join our group to Sip and Sew. Any Questions: Contact; Iris Sandle - 512-405-0054 or Sandra Sigler – 512-405-1891

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Golf Cart Ordinance

Kyle Police Department

May 2014

New Laws Regarding Golf Carts

This newsletter is to assist in familiarization of our newly added Golf Cart Ordinance #783. The ordinance was drafted due to a high level of concern for golf cart occupant safety as well as pedestrians in neighborhoods and downtown Kyle.

Permit Required

Golf carts that are operated, other than on a golf course, are required to display a silver and red permit. Golf carts are permitted to operate on streets where the posted speed limit is 35 mph or less, and the street is not designated as p art of a state highway system. Owners may apply for a permit at the Kyle Police Department, 111 North Front Street, between 7:00am through 6:00pm on Monday through Thursdays. The permit is a onetime purchase of \$20, that only needs reapplication upon ownership change.

Applications

To assist in applicants who have difficulty in making it to the Police Department during business hours, mobile registrations will be set up in the next following months (see table below).





ADDITIONAL REGISTRATION EVENTS

- May 10 Mental Health Fair, Old City Hall, 11am-2pm
- May 17 Plum Creek Front Porch Days, 10am
- May 20 Kyle City Council Meeting, 7pm

Stay updated at www.cityofkyle.com/police

Ordinance at a Glance

It is still necessary to read the ordinance in its entirety.

Golf cart operators must abide by all traffic laws and may not operate or park on sidewalks.

Golf cart must be equipped with: operational headlamps, operational tail lamps, side reflectors, operational parking brake and rearview mirror(s).

Golf carts may not pull any object or person.

Golf carts must be insured.

Operator must possess a physical and valid driver's license while operating golf cart.

Golf cart must display Kyle Police Department issued permit on front or back exterior of the golf cart, in a location viewable from fifty feet.

Seating capacity may not be exceeded from manufactured intention.

Occupants shall remain seated and be three years of age or older (Children in appropriate car seat).

** The ordinance mentions license plates but at this time the DMV has not finalized their process for distribution.

Use standard hand signals for turning if golf cart not equipped with turn signals.

Protect yourself-help others



Kyle Police Department, 111 N Front Street, Kyle, TX 78640, www.cityofkyle.com/police

Introducing the Newly Formed Plum Creek Welcome Committee

We would like to introduce ourselves to our present neighbors and each month actively greet and welcome our new neighbors.

Our Mission Statement is to reach out and embrace each new neighbor and welcome them to our closely knit community. Even though we continue to grow, we want our new neighbors to know about all the amenities of Plum Creek, our local organizations, businesses and just what a unique and caring community of neighbors we have become.

Our Goal is to inform, educate and be a source of information for the new neighbors who aren't yet familiar with their new community.

We would also like to greet our new and present businesses with our newly formed Welcome Committee in hopes they would like to participate in becoming active in our community. Our local vendors are welcome to contribute to our welcoming bag of information. Please contact our Chairwoman for more information about how you too can become part of our new committee.

Thanks, and Welcome!! (Whether you've been here a month, or since the beginning of Plum Creek!)

Chairwoman:

Tamberly Hankins-Wojcik welcome@plumcreektxhoa.com, 512-553-5505

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Arcelia Gibbs Kathy Brandish Garland Greer Helen Chido Amy Holland Sandy Greer Zoe Fallgren Darby Rodriguez

Greetings New Residents and Welcome to Plum Creek!

Plum Creek is a great community. While you should have received a copy of the Plum Creek Declaration and Bylaws at closing, we thought the following basic information would be helpful.

1) The Plum Creek HOA office is located at 4100 Everett suite 150, near the Hays Performing Arts center and Plum Fit. The office number is 512-262-1140. The office hours are Monday – Friday 9 AM to 5 PM. The property manager is Kristi Morrison and she can be reached at plumcreekmanager@goodwintx.com.

2) Parking in the back alley ways is prohibited. The alleys are for ingress and egress only. You can park in driveway or in your garage. There is street parking on the front street. Try not to block your neighbor's house.

3) Garbage pickup is on Tuesdays. The trash and recycling cans need to be stored out of view by the following day to prevent getting a violation notice. The recycling schedule is located on the City of Kyle website under http://www. cityofkyle.com/utilitybilling/city-kyle-solid-waste-collectioninformation and also stored on the Plum Creek website under documents: www.plumcreektxhoa.com

4) Residents can log onto the Plum Creek website and have access to the governing documents, rules and get answers to frequently asked questions about homeowners associations. To acquire a log in to the website just select the Request Login link. We may need to see a legal document or a lease to verify that you are resident in Plum Creek to approve the request.

5) Xeriscaping is allowed in Plum Creek. To add xeriscaping you must submit an Architectural Review Committee Approval Application with the location and types of plants you want to install. This form is located under documents on the Plum Creek website.

6) Whether you are a renter or buyer, your yard is important so you'll need to keep it maintained.

7) Plum Creek follows the City of Kyle water restrictions. Visit the City of Kyle website at www.cityofkyle.com and under Departments select the Public Works link. Residential odd numbers water on Wednesday and Saturday. Residential even numbers water on Thursday or Sunday.

8) Enjoy the pool! If you do not have a pool key or recreational ID or your pool key does not work, contact the Plum Creek HOA office.

These are some of the basic and frequently asked questions. Want more reading? Log onto the Plum Creek website and review the governing documents, the Landscape Design Guidelines, and the rules. Visit the website at www. plumcreektxhoa.com. Welcome to the neighborhood!

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CITY OF KYLE Drought Tolerant Grass

The City of Kyle requires the use of drought resistant vegetation. In the Plum Creek office we receive lots of questions about the use St. Augustine as an approved grass for Plum Creek. Since St. Augustine is not a drought tolerant grass, the City of Kyle prohibits the installation of St. Augustine. Here is a blurb from the City of Kyle Zoning Chapter 53, Article V, Section 53-987 (a)(ii):

"The City experiences frequent drought and periodic shortages of adequate water supply; therefore, it is the purpose of this Section to require the use of drought resistant vegetation that does not consume large quantities of water. "

Furthermore, this section explains which lawn grasses are approved for use in the City of Kyle in Section 53-987 (c)(iii):

"Lawn Grass. In order to limit the volume of water required

for the turf, it is required that grass areas be planted with drought resistant species normally grown as permanent lawns, such as Bermuda, Zoysia, Buffalo or other similar drought resistant grasses. Grass areas may be sodded, plugged, sprigged or seeded except that solid sod shall be used in areas subject to erosion. This applies to all zoning classifications."

A copy of this section of Zoning Chapter 53 will be saved in the Documents link on the Plum Creek website. Select Choose a Category, then select Landscape Design Guidelines. The document is labeled City of Kyle Lawn Grass Requirements. Zoning requirements are also located on the City of Kyle website. Just select the Planning/ Maps department, then select the Frequently Used Development Codes.



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DEED RESTRICTION ENFORCEMENT TRASH CANS

The Plum Creek DCCR's are in place to maintain the appearance of the neighborhood and to protect property values. One area of compliance to the DCCR's that goes a

the garage, at the street in the alleyway, or on the side of the house, visible from the street. While these storage locations may be convenient, they unfortunately do not comply with

long way to keeping the community an attractive place to live relates to trash and recycling receptacles.

Article 3.13 of the DCCR's discusses trash and the storage of trash receptacles:

3:13 **Rubbish and Debris.** No rubbish or debris of any kind shall be placed or permitted to accumulate upon the Property and no orders shall be permitted to arise therefrom so as to render the Property or any portion thereof unsanitary, unsightly, offensive or detrimental to any other property or to its occupants. Refuse, garbage and trash shall be kept at all times in covered containers and such containers shall be kept within enclosed structures or appropriately screened from view or in the area(s) designated for such purposes on the house plan approved by the Architectural Review Committee for such Lot.

Many owners are already keeping compliance with this restriction;

however, there are a significant number of owners storing their trash and recycling receptacles in their driveway against



the requirement that receptacles be appropriately screened from view.

Acceptable areas of storage for trash and recycling receptacles include inside the garage, behind the fenced area of each yard or garage or behind a trash screen. In addition, receptacles should be taken to the curb the evening before trash pickup and should be returned to their storage location the evening following trash pickup. Acceptable trash screen in picture can be purchased at Lowe's. It stakes into ground and does not need approval from the architectural control committee to install.

If you have questions regarding the enforcement of Article 3.13, please contact Kristi Morrison, property manager, at 512-262-1140 or plumcreekmanager@ goodwintx.com.

The Board, management company, and your neighbors thank you for your compliance!



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