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Plum Creek Homeowner Association

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## NINE GREAT BENEFITS OF HOAS

This list was created by Texas Community Association Advocates

- HOAs preserve the nature of the community and protect property values by delivering services and providing a safe, well-maintained living environment.
- HOA regulations are another layer of protection against neighborhood degradation, and an effective means to maintain community standards and protect property values.
- HOAs lessen the need for local government oversight of housing conditions. Most municipalities are not equipped- i.e. do not have the manpower- to monitor housing.
- HOA leaders live in their communities and better understand the needs of the community, from the delivery of core services, such as waste collection, to amenities and decisions affecting the future of the community.
- HOAs promote a higher level of civic involvement than municipalities, in terms of voting, meeting attendance and volunteerism.
- By definition, planned communities offer a more efficient use of land to address the growing issue of urban sprawl associated with unplanned development.
- Land-use efficiencies can make homes more affordable, a benefit for first-time home buyers, retirees and low-and moderate-income families.
- Many HOAs maintain swimming pools, tennis courts, playgrounds and other amenities that most Americans cannot afford on their own.
- Associations offer a sense of community, an important contribution in an increasingly transient society.

Living in a community association encourages all members to work for common goals of maintaining the community. Volunteer for your community. Consider how your particular knowledge, skills, and experience can help the community. If you want to find out more about how a community association works you can visit the following websites:

Community Associations Institute [www.caionline.org](http://www.caionline.org)

Texas Community Association Advocates [www.txcommunityassociationadvocates.org](http://www.txcommunityassociationadvocates.org)

## COMMUNITY SAFETY

Plum Creek Safety committee would like to remind you that children should NOT be riding tricycles, skateboards, etc, in the streets. These incidents have been observed over the Christmas school holidays and I have received several concerned emails. Also, please watch your younger children and teach them the dangers of running into the street between parked cars. Drivers do NOT want to injure a child but it is nearly impossible to see a child running between parked cars until it could cause an accident. Please keep all your neighbors in mind when training children about street etiquette.

Plum Creek Neighborhood Watch Block Captains meet on the 3rd Thursday of the month at 6:30 pm. Please contact Safety Committee chair, Carol Peters at 512-268-2610, regarding the location of each meeting. Any interested Plum Creek resident is welcome to join us and express any safety concerns they might have.

Speed Limit through the neighborhood streets: 25 MPH  
Alley speed limit: 5 MPH

## TIME TO TAKE DOWN CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS!



Holiday season is over and now we need to take the lights/ decorations down. The inspector will be looking for left over Christmas decorations in the month of February. So please take them down and avoid getting a violation.

Thank you from the Plum Creek HOA

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..... [pw@cityofkyle.com](mailto:pw@cityofkyle.com)

### ANIMAL CONTROL

City of Kyle Animal Control ..... 512.268.8800

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## POOL KEYS AND PLUM CREEK RECREATIONAL IDS

Pool Season is from April through October. New residents can complete a pool waiver form and submit it to the Plum Creek HOA office to acquire a pool key. We take pictures in the office for the Plum Creek IDs.

Beat the rush and come by the office before the pool opens. We have pool waiver forms in the office and downloadable on line at [www.plumcreektxhoa.com](http://www.plumcreektxhoa.com). Just log in into Resident Login link and select the Pool Key and Recreational ID menu link. Office hours are Monday through Friday, 9 am to 5 pm. If you are unable to make it to the office during office hours, make an appointment with Kristi Morrison at 512-262-1140 or [plumcreekmanager@goodwintx.com](mailto:plumcreekmanager@goodwintx.com).

Don't have a Resident login? On the home page of the Plum Creek HOA website, select the Request Login link and follow the prompts.

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## Need to Reserve the Community Center?

Plum Creek offers a community center that current residents can reserve. There no fee to use the community center. Owners can be charged a \$75.00 damage fee or cleaning fee after the event. Residents can also use HOA electricity or water for inflatable for a fee of \$15.00. There are over 1700 residents and reservations can be made up to one year in advance so plan ahead. Here is how to set up a reservation:

- Log into the private side of the Plum Creek website: [www.plumcreektxhoa.com](http://www.plumcreektxhoa.com)
- Once logged in select the Reservation link in the top left hand corner
- Follow the prompts to the reservation scheduler. Select the word Available on the calendar date to complete the online form to hold the reservation. All approval notices will be sent via email to the primary email in your User Profile.
- Event reservations can be up to 4 hours. Additional hours can be approved on a case-by case basis.
- Turn in the completed reservation forms, including the Inflatable Use form if necessary, three weeks before the event.
- Return the completed forms to the HOA office.
- If you will have an inflatable, please complete this form and submit the check for \$15.00 for the utility usage fee. This check is made payable to Plum Creek HOA.

Items to remember:

Please note: reservations will not be approved unless the correct paperwork is submitted 3 weeks before the reservation date. Your reservation may be removed to allow others residents to reserve the clubhouse.

Plum Creek Community events, that require the usage of the clubhouse, will take precedence over any individual reservations. These community events are Front Porch Days (May), Fourth of July, Hootenanny on the Hill (October) and Santa Pictures (December). If you make a reservation on these dates in advance be aware that your reservation may be cancelled. The dates are published each year in the PC Post newsletter and the eNews in the first quarter of the year.

For additional questions you can call the Plum Creek HOA office at 512-262-1140.

Return completed forms to:  
Plum Creek HOA  
4100 Everett, Suite 150  
Kyle, TX 78640

Email completed forms  
to: [plumcreekmanager@goodwintx.com](mailto:plumcreekmanager@goodwintx.com)

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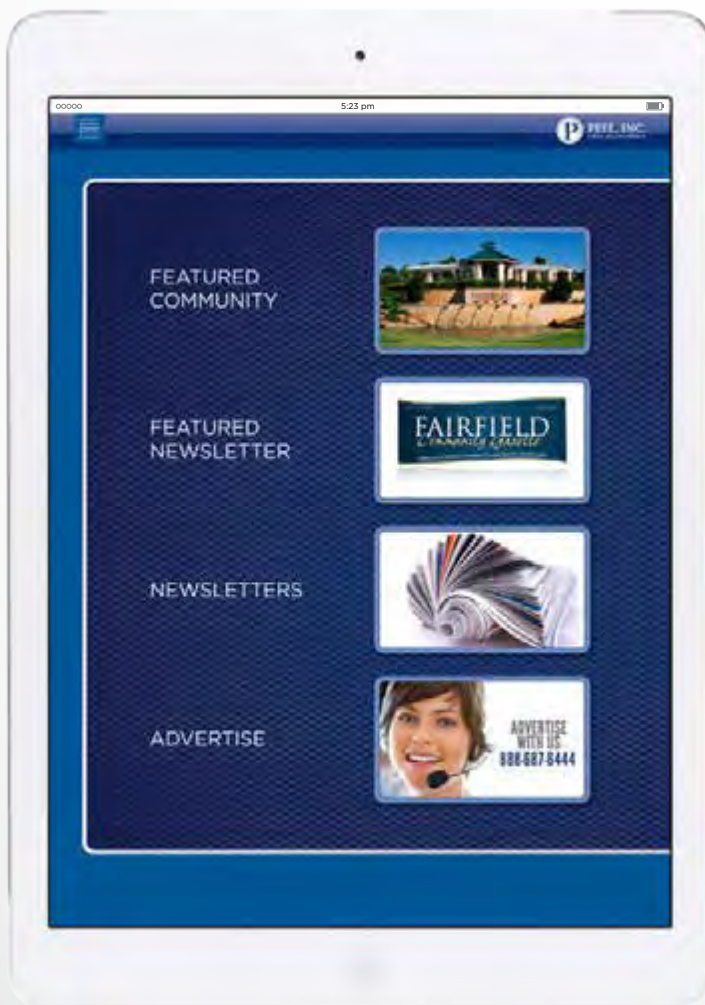
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## AT THE FENCE

### WEAR REC TAGS AT THE DOG PARK

Plum Creek residents visiting the dog park need to wear their rec tags.

### SIP & SEW ON FEBRUARY 10TH

Any New Year Resolutions? Maybe to learn a new hand craft? We have numerous individuals willing to share their talents of knitting, crocheting, sewing, punch needle, counted cross stitch, needlepoint and rug hooking. We meet the second Tuesday of the month, February 10th, 6:30-8:45 PM in the Plum Creek HOA office. Come, ready to "do your own thing" or get some instructions or just observe. Come, Sip and Sew! If you have questions, please contact: Iris Sandle 512- 405-0054 or Sandra Sigler - 512-405-0187

### YARD OF THE MONTH STARTING APRIL 1<sup>ST</sup>

Yard of the Month nomination will be accepted beginning April 1st through June 1st. Prizes will be awarded for first, second and third place. You can nominate your spouse or your neighbor. Send email nominations to [landscape@plumcreektxhoa.com](mailto:landscape@plumcreektxhoa.com). More details to come in the March PC Post. Start planning your gardens.

### PLUM CREEK CHALLENGE - RACE SERIES STARTS MARCH 7<sup>TH</sup>

Want to run a Marathon? If you participate in the long course of the Plum Creek Challenge, you can run a total of 26 miles in one year.

Visit [www.plumcreekchallenge.com](http://www.plumcreekchallenge.com) to find out more about the Plum creek Challenge Race Series. The race events are as follows:

- March 7 - Negley 5K - Starts at 8:00 a.m. at Negley Elementary
- May 2 - Front Porch Days 5K/10K - Starts at 7:00 a.m. at Negley Elementary
- July 4 - Popsicle Run 4-miler plus Camp Gladiator Functional Challenge - Starts at 7:00 a.m. at Negley Elementary
- October 10 - Hootenanny on the Hill 5K/10K - Starts at 7:00 a.m. at Haupt Park

Register for the Negley 5K to participate in the Plum Creek Challenge.



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- Change the course of a student's life
- Increase cultural awareness in your community

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## Notable Quotes, Fun Facts, and Great to Knows!

- ◇ *I can save you money if you are ready to list your house and move up/down to your next HOME.*
- ◇ A heart shaped cookie cutter + pancake mix = extra special pancakes for Valentine's Day.
- ◇ *Not only do I live in and specialize in Plum Creek, I work the surrounding areas as well.*
- ◇ "Holding on to anger, is like drinking poison and expecting the other person to die." -Buddha
- ◇ *I am working with an amazing lady and she would love to purchase a 2/2, townhome, here, in Plum Creek. Please reach out to me if you know of anyone wanting to sell!*
- ◇ "Above ALL else, guard your heart, for everything you do flows from it."  
 ~Proverbs 4:23
- ◇ The speed limit in Plum Creek is 25mph. (5mph for alleyways)
- ◇ *Of my 20+ years of experience as a Realtor, over 10 have been living in and buying and selling, right here in Plum Creek.*
- ◇ [jody@homecity.com](mailto:jody@homecity.com)
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## Chicken Ranch Tacos and Cinnamon Honey "Fried" Bananas

What you need for the Tacos:	Directions:	What you need for the "Fried" Bananas	Directions:
4 Large Chicken Breasts	Cook in a Crockpot on low setting for 5-6 hours.	Coconut Oil Cooking Spray	Peel and cut the banana into 1/8" slices. Mix together honey, and 1/2 - T water in a bowl and set aside. Place a frying pan on the stove on med heat and spray generously with coconut oil spray.
1 Packet of Taco seasoning (I make my own)	When done, shred the chicken and mix back into the juices for a few minutes.	1/4 - t Cinnamon	Add the bananas and once they are browned (about 1-2 mins) flip them over. Once flipped, turn off the stove and add the honey/water mix all over the top. Watch it bubble! Sprinkle the cinnamon and enjoy!
1 Packet of Ranch dressing		1 - Banana	
1 Medium onion chopped	We serve with fresh salsa, fresh quacamole, and cheese. Delish!	1 - T Local Honey	
1 Crockpot :)		1/2 - T Water	

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## Keep those Dogs on Leashes & Please Pick Up after your Pets

Several reports have arrived about dogs roaming free without their owners and dogs with owners but off-leash. Please remember, the City of Kyle has a leash law. Dogs must be on a leash at all times when not in a fenced in areas. Also, please remember to be neighborly and clean up after your pet. Thanks!

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