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National Night Out is
**Tuesday,
October 1st, 2019**



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What is national night out? According to the national website: "National night out is an annual community building campaign that promotes police and community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer, more caring places to live. National Night Out enhances the relationships between neighbors and law-enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community".

National night out in Plum Creek this year will be accomplishing these goals, promoting family, community, and neighborhood.

Residents are welcome to organize a potluck event in the nearest park.

*Make a Clean Sweep
with the Community-Wide
Garage Sale*



Start cleaning out those closets and get ready for Plum Creek's Fall Community Garage Sale to be held Saturday, October 12th, from dawn until dusk. So, now that the kids are back in school and you are doing some fall cleaning and you run across things you no longer want—hold onto them for a bit longer and sell them at Plum Creek's Community Garage Sale! Remember--one neighbor's trash is another's treasure! All homeowners may participate and should display their items on their front lawn for better crowd control. Our goal is to encourage visitors to park on the streets and not in alleys. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated and will help us to have a safe and pleasant garage sale experience. Also, kids are welcome to earn money by selling baked goods or drinks! So, start saving bags for your customers to take home their treasures in and newspapers for wrapping breakable items.

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Mark your calendars for October 19th when Plum Creek presents Hootenanny on the Hill from 12PM to 4PM. Join us for a day filled with fun

for the whole family with races, live music, games, storytelling and more.

Our festival begins in the wee hours with the Hootenanny Races - 10k/ 5K/3K/1K at 7am. Races will start and finish at the Dog Park. Tinyurl.com/2017hoottraces to be in the race or <http://tinyurl.com/2019hootvol> to cheer and help!

We will also be hosting the annual BBQ Cook-Off at the Plum Creek Community Center. Tickets will be available for \$2/each for BBQ samples with 50% of ticket sales going to the Hays County Food Bank. The other 50% will go to the BBQ Team that has collected the most tickets. The BBQ competition will have categories for chicken, brisket, pork spare ribs, beans, a cook's choice, and dessert. We still have a few spots open for judges for the cook-off. If you would like to taste some outstanding BBQ, please email Sally Durant at bbq@hootenannyonthehill.com to sign up. To enter the BBQ competition, please fill out the entry form on the site below.

For more information about schedule of events and updates check out our website at www.hootenannyonthehill.com.

Hays County Food Bank

Did you know that 20.2% of Kyle residents live below the poverty line? Donate to your neighbors in need at Hootenanny on the Hill, where Hays County Food Bank will be accepting nonperishable (labeled, sealed) food items, fresh produce, and monetary donations. Please visit <http://haysfoodbank.org/FoodDriveToolkit.pdf> for a list of what we need the most. Be sure to make your way by the BBQ booth as well - 50% of BBQ sample donations will benefit our annual Turkeys Tackling Hunger (holiday meal box) campaign!

Newsletter for the Plum Creek Welcome Committee

September 2019

The Welcome Committee is still hosting game nights at the Plum Creek Community Center for all adult residents once a month on Saturdays from 6-9 pm, (September 14, October 12, November 9, December 14). We also periodically host Potluck dinners at the Community Center for our residents. However, we had to cancel the Potluck for September.

The primary mission of the Welcome Committee's is to greet each new resident moving into Plum Creek and to encourage them to become active and engaged in our community.



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this summer. Residents are reminded that the age limits to go to the pool without supervision are 18 and up.

We have numerous non-compliance issues when this seasonal change occurs and many young residents get into trouble when not supervised in the pools. Please make sure that any child under the age of 18 is accompanied by an adult after the lifeguards go off duty. Your assistance in the matter is appreciated. Thanks for keeping our pools safe and enjoyable for all.

When lifeguards are not on duty it is "Swim at your own risk".

At The Fence

EVENT FANFARE:

Plum Creek HOA hosts many social events each year and you, your family and neighbors are always welcome! The events mostly take place in the parks, though some happen in other spots throughout the neighborhood. Social events promote teamwork and community involvement, and we encourage participation and volunteerism. If you live near a park, or on a running course trail, enjoy fanfare and community spirit during these events! As a courtesy to all, event dates are posted in the first quarter of the PC Post newsletter and on the Plum Creek HOA website: www.plumcreektxhoa.com

SIP AND SEW

A fresh start in September! Looking forward to our usual knitting, crocheting, punch needle, needle point, rug hooking, quilting, mending...always ready to teach, assist, just enjoy the friendships.

We will also continue our community projects: crocheting mats for the homeless and making blankets for new babies at the hospital.

We meet the second Tuesday of the month: September 10th, the Haupt/Fergus Community Center,

6:30 p.m.-8:45 p.m. | Come join our group! Any questions: please contact: Sandra Sigler-405-0187 or Iris Sandle-405-405-0054.

Looking forward to September and SIP AND SEW!

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We still have an opening for a Safety Committee Chairperson. Please email Adriane with any questions you may have: plumcreekmanager@goodwintx.com

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These rules apply to: residents, their children and guests. Residents are responsible for their children's and their guests' compliance with these rules.

Hike and Bike Trail Guidelines

- The Hike & Bike trail is for residents and accompanied guests only.
- Please stay on the trail at all times.
- Please stay off golf course and surrounding property.
- Cart paths are for golfers only, please stay off of them.
- Please keep dogs on a leash at all times.
- The trail is for foot and bike traffic. No cars or motorized vehicles of any kind are allowed with the exception of maintenance vehicles.
- Vehicular traffic around the lake will be considered trespassing and is subject to prosecution.
- Please help keep the trail clean.
- Use the hike and bike trail only during daylight hours.
- Please be mindful of animals (snakes) and birds that may be present in and around the lake.

Fishing and Lake Use Guidelines

- Fishing and other uses of the lakes and hike and bike trails are for the enjoyment of Plum Creek residents and accompanied guests only. Non-residents may be cited for entering private land without consent (trespassing) and are subject to prosecution. Please report unauthorized use or rule infractions to the Plum Creek HOA office at (512) 262-1140.
- Residents are required to wear their Plum Creek HOA Recreational Identification (ID) tag while fishing.
- All fishing is catch and release only.
- Grass carp are stocked to control aquatic vegetation. If caught, please release them carefully.
- Only artificial baits, organic baits such as corn or bread, or live baits such as worms or crickets are allowed. Minnows and other live fish or cut fish baits are prohibited.
- The lakes collect runoff water from a variety of sources including treated effluent from the golf course, storm water runoff from the Plum Creek community and subdivisions and roads not in the Plum Creek community. Consumption of fish from the lakes may be unhealthy.
- Swimming and the use of canoes, kayaks and other watercraft in the lakes is prohibited.
- The lakes and surrounding land and trails are managed as natural areas. Enjoy the birds and other wildlife and be mindful that snakes are a part of the natural ecosystem.
- Camping and campfires are strictly prohibited on the land adjacent to and surrounding the lakes.
- Motorized vehicles, including golf carts, are not permitted on the lake trails. Disabled persons may use golf carts with a properly registered DMV Disabled Parking Placard issued to that person on hard surface trails only.
- Motorized vehicles, including golf carts, may be used by employees or contractors of the HOA conducting maintenance or management business.
- The lakes and surrounding trails are to be used only during daylight hours. After dark use, either by residents and non-residents, is prohibited (trespassing) and is subject to prosecution.

The Hike and Bike Trails and Lakes are for the enjoyment of Plum Creek residents and their guests only. Homeowners should report rule infractions to Plum Creek HOA at (512) 262-1140.

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- Golf carts are not permitted on the Plum Creek Hike and Bike Trails.

Disabled persons may use golf carts with a properly registered DMV Disabled Parking Placard issued to that person on hard surface trails only.

- The use of golf carts in HOA parks, easements, drainage channels, detention ponds, and other common areas is prohibited.
- Only customers of the Plum Creek Golf Course are permitted to use golf carts on golf course property.
- Use of golf carts for "off road" activity is prohibited.
- Use of golf carts on residential sidewalks is prohibited.
- Golf carts must be parked in designated street parking areas only.
- Golf cart users yield to pedestrian and bike traffic.

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Claiborne Kyle Log House Holds Annual Fried Chicken Dinner Fundraiser on September 28th

Have you ever driven down Old Stagecoach Road and yearned to check out this historic site? Now's your chance!

On Saturday, September 28th, come out to the Claiborne Kyle Log House for the Annual Fried Chicken Dinner. The Kyle Log House is located at 2400 South Old Stagecoach, County Road 136, South of Kyle. This annual event is the only fundraiser for the upkeep of the historical site. **Plates are \$7 for adults and \$4 for children under 12.** The event runs from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM.

The log house is open the first Sunday of each month after Blooms over the Blanco from 2 to 5 pm. Commission members are on hand to answer any questions and lead informal tours.



History of the Claiborne Kyle Log House

Claiborne and Lucy Bugg Kyle married in 1829 in Tennessee and moved to Texas in 1844. Kyle, a former Senator from Mississippi, relocated to Texas after experiencing some financial hardships. In 1850, they built this massive log house on a bluff overlooking the Blanco River. With help from his farm workers, he built this log house of alternating courses of cedar logs and rock grouting, square notched at the corners and secured by wooden pegs.

The Kyle Log House is a most unusual type known as the "linear four-pen dog trot" and is the only one of this type left in Texas. The home has four rooms, each about 16 feet square and lined up with two on either side of the dog trot. It housed the couple, their eight children, and one adopted son.

It is listed in the Terry Jordan book *Texas Log Cabins*, and a picture and story appear in the book *Nineteenth Century Homes*. On September 22, 1980, the Blanco River Bluffs, Inc. deeded the Kyle Log House to Hays County. A Claiborne Kyle Log House Commission was appointed to direct the restoration and maintenance of the house. On May 28, 1981, the Claiborne Kyle Log House was placed on the National Register of Historic Places. A Texas Historical Marker was dedicated in 1982.

Start the School Year Off Right



As kids head back to school, it's important to provide them with the necessary resources to succeed. As a parent, you can take steps to put your kids on the path toward a successful school year.

To help your children put the best foot forward, consider these suggestions from The Salvation Army, which operates hundreds of low-cost after-school programs for kids of all ages in low-income neighborhoods across the country and understands the importance of setting children up for success all year.

Get back into a routine. During the summer months, family routines tend to slide, especially morning rituals and bedtime habits. A few weeks before school starts, begin transitioning your way back to a normal school schedule. A gentle progression toward earlier bed and wake-up times is easier on kids physically and mentally. Try adjusting by 15 minutes each day until you reach the optimal schedule for your family. Remember that routines aren't just about the clock, though. If there are certain steps that are part of the school year routine, such as packing lunches and laying out clothes for the next day before bed, make those part of your transition plan, too.

Set a good example. Kids learn important behavioral lessons by watching the adults in their lives. The back-to-school season provides many opportunities to demonstrate compassion and social responsibility. For example, giving back to an organization like The Salvation Army helps provide funding for programs that support the educational needs of children who otherwise may not have access to the same resources.

Research resources for homework help. Discovering your child is struggling in school can be overwhelming. You'll want to be able to pull in help as quickly as possible, so it's a good idea to research resources in your area that can help provide support outside the classroom. Your school likely has some options available, but it's a good idea to also look into tutoring programs and other community services that encourage literacy and study skills as well as provide one-on-one assistance with homework and school assignments.

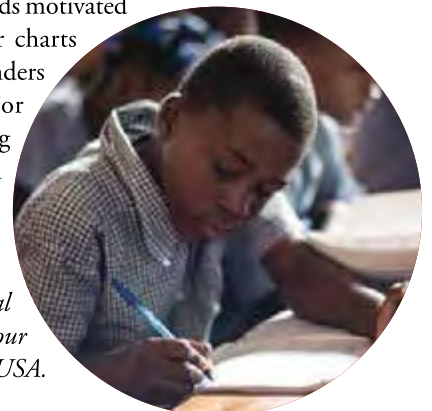
Get organized. The first few weeks of school typically bring plenty of change and adjustment. You can help manage the stress by creating

some structure. Use a wall calendar to keep track of school start and dismissal times, bus pick-up and drop-off times, after school activities and other appointments. Review lunch menus and plan ahead so you're not finding out at bedtime that you need to pack a home lunch in the morning. Stock up on breakfast foods and make time to catch up on laundry before school begins so hunger and wayward socks don't derail your mornings.

Explore extra-curricular programs. With the new school year comes numerous ways to enrich your kids' social and cognitive development. Extra-curricular activities let kids continue practicing skills even after the school bell rings, but in a fun environment so they may not even realize they're still learning and cultivating healthy, safe relationships with friends. In addition to sports and clubs, a wide array of music and art education activities may be available that focus on everything from choir, band and dancing to drawing, writing and acting.

Set goals. Begin the school year by encouraging your children to take ownership and pride in their learning. Talk about goals like reading a certain number of books each month or earning grades that reflect their highest potential. Get kids motivated by designing goal boards or charts that can serve as daily reminders and track their progress. For larger goals, consider setting milestones so they can celebrate progress along the way and stay motivated for a big finish.

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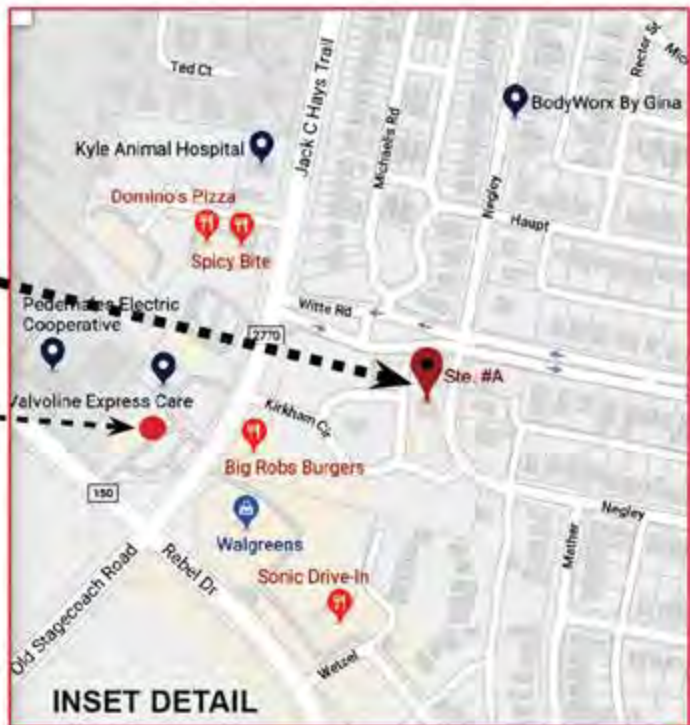
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