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Plum Creek Homeowner Association  
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## *Judging for the **Holiday Lights Contest** Begins in December*

### **As my favorite Elf once said...IOAM Santa's Coming!**

It's that time of year again! It's beginning to feel a lot like Christmas.....

Come one, come all! Show us and everyone your best holiday spirit ever! Get out those decorations and start planning now for the biggest best Holiday Season in Plum Creek.

Judges will ensure everyone has a chance to win! Any house decorated or lit up is a potential winner. Winners will be announced in the Plum Creek eNews, and on the Plum Creek - Kyle, Texas FB page in December and then in the February PC Post. To ensure we have enough time to start decorating and ensure there is enough time for judging here are all the guidelines you need to know.

• Our first category is Traditional Religious, which includes the simpler designs of house trimming and lots of greenery, winners will be 1st, 2nd, and 3rd awarded!

• In the Novelty category, you can let your imagination go wild! This category is up to your imagination, winners will be 1st, 2nd, and 3rd awarded!

• Last but not least is the Overall Neighborhood Favorite! Only one winner in this category. In order to win, please have folks vote by sending an email [pcholidaylights@gmail.com](mailto:pcholidaylights@gmail.com).

• Judging will begin the night of Friday December 6th, through Sunday, December the 15th.

• Only houses with lights on will be judged so be sure to turn your lights on.

• All houses decorated will be judged.

• We will drive through the neighborhood and view and listen to your display.

First Place winners and overall winner will receive a gift card. All winners will have a sign in their front yard to let everyone know they are the best through the holidays.



# PLUM CREEK POST

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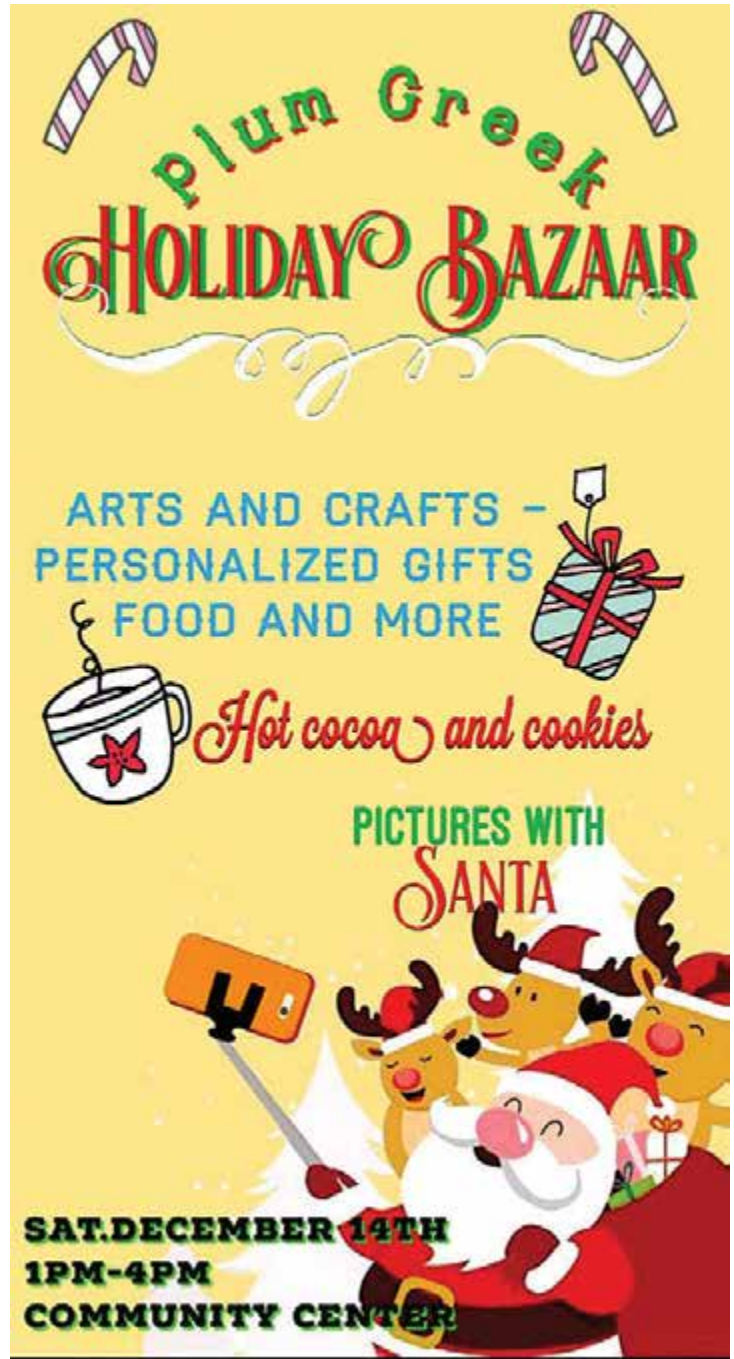
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## *Plum Creek has a new resident website:* [www.plumcreektxhoa.com](http://www.plumcreektxhoa.com)

This website contains the governing documents, Reservations calendar, community event calendar, HOA accounting history and more.

**If you have not signed in to the new website please do so.** This website is the main communication tool used by Plum Creek HOA. Plum Creek HOA does not host a Facebook page. Community Facebook pages are hosted by residents or committees.

**Please log in to the new Nabr Network website to receive:**

- 1) **Weekly eNews**
- 2) **6H Peninsula Owners- receive section specific information**

**Website Features:**

**Community Pages-** Includes information about the amenities, community, architectural review processes, violation information and links to **Resources**.

**Resources-** Contains the governing documents, newsletters, deed restriction info, architectural change info and more.

**News-** Quick reference to recent emailed news.

**My Account-** update your notification preferences, HOA account history, contact Nabr Network support and more.

**Welcome Email**

You will need the Welcome Email from plumcreektxhoa@nabrnetwork.com to login for the first time. This email contains the user name and temporary password.

Once you have logged in and forgot your how to access the website, you can submit a forgot password request to set up a new password. Click Login for the forgot password link.

**Welcome to the new Plum Creek HOA website!**

**There is a new reservation process.**

**www.plumcreektxhoa.com**

**Nabr Network Reservation Process:**

1. Select **Reservations** in the side bar menu
2. Select the blue **Make a Reservation** button
3. Search the Calendar for open dates and times
4. Select the date and add the reservation times into the calendar. Left click the start time and drag and drop to highlight the times. Drop the pointer on the end time. The reservation times will highlight blue.
5. Enter the reason for the reservation in the pop up window.
6. You will be sent a Pending Reservation email. Your reservation will be pending until it is approved.
7. Complete the online form: **Community Center Reservation Form**

1. The Reservation will not be approved unless this online form is completed.

2. Reservation approval emails are sent two weeks prior to the reservation.

**Approval Notifications:**

You will receive an email if the reservation is Approved. These emails are sent out about two weeks prior to the event. The approval email comes from: plumcreektxhoa@nabrnetwork.com

This is a standard approval email notification. We are unable to send the access code in this approval email. The access code will be sent separately as a Message.

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## *Newsletter for the Plum Creek Welcome Committee*

*December 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. The next two will be on December 14th and January 11th. We also periodically host Potluck dinners at the Community Center for our residents. The next will be on Sunday, December 8th from 1-3pm.

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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## FINISH STRONG

The holiday season is in full swing, and we know your calendar is packed. But with a wide array of state-of-the-art fitness equipment, numerous exercise classes offered daily, the Y is here to help you finish the year strong. Keep the commitment to your health through the holidays and burn off your seasonal stress at a Y near you.

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## **Access code:**

This is sent to you as a Message. It will appear in ***My Account***. This is located at the top right corner of the website.

Click the ***My Account*** drop down and select **Messages**. The reservation access code will appear here.

## **To cancel the reservation request go to:**

My Account > My Activity > My Reservations > under Action click Cancel Reservation and Go

## **Download the Nabr Mobile App:**

You can download the Nabr mobile app and access ***My Account*** through the Nabr network mobile app. You can open ***My Account*** and **Message** and view the access code in the Nabr app on the day of the reservation.

Installing The Mobile App

### **iPhone App**

Start using Nabr Network on your mobile device today!

To download the iPhone app, text **nabr** to **59248** or search for "Nabr Network" in the iPhone's App Store.

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## **Suggested Next Step After Installing Your App**

Once you have installed and logged into the app, please visit your Notification Preferences to verify or adjust your preferred notification settings. Also, please note that you must have your mobile phone number entered into your Contact Info in order to receive text / SMS messages.

## **Reservation Access Code:**

You can view your access code in the **Nabr App** on the day of the reservation.

You can view the reservation access code from a computer. Go to [www.plumcreektxhoa.com](http://www.plumcreektxhoa.com) and login. Got to **My Account**>**Message** to view the access code. You should also receive an email with the reservation code.

## *Guidelines for the Board Meetings*

Residents are encouraged to attend and observe association board meetings. If you'd like to bring an issue to the board's attention, you're welcome to speak during the homeowner forum—a time set aside just for you. So that everyone who attends has an opportunity for a meaningful exchange with the board, we ask that you observe the following guidelines:

- Although we're all neighbors, this is a corporate business meeting. Please behave accordingly.
- The meetings are run by community volunteer board member using a modified Robert's Rules of Order.
- If you'd like to address the board, please sign in when you arrive. You will be called in the order you entered. This allows the board to contact you if we need further information and to report back to you with an answer.
- The homeowner forum is an exchange of ideas, not a gripe session. If you're bringing a problem to our attention, we'd like to hear your ideas for a solution too.
- To keep the meeting businesslike, please refrain from speaking if you're particularly upset about an issue. Consider speaking later, speaking privately with a board member, or putting your concerns in writing and e-mailing them to the board.
- Only one person may speak at a time. Please respect others' opinions by remaining silent and still when someone else has the floor.
- Each person will be allowed to speak no more than three minutes. Please respect the volunteers' time by limiting your remarks.
- If you need more than three minutes, please put your comments in writing. Include background information, causes, circumstances, desired solutions and other considerations you believe are important. The board will make your written summary an agenda item at the next meeting.

We may not be able to resolve your concerns on the spot, and we will not argue or debate an issue with you during the homeowner forum. We usually need to discuss and vote on the issue first. But we will answer you before—or at—the next board meeting.

## Community Association Living

Know your homeowner rights and your responsibilities

As someone who owns a unit or house in a common-interest community, you have certain rights. You also have certain responsibilities to the association and to other homeowners. These rights and responsibilities are described in the association's governing documents, which include covenants, conditions and restrictions (CC&Rs) and bylaws. And by virtue of your ownership, the association—your neighbors and fellow homeowners—presumes you know the governing documents exist and have an idea of what they contain.

As a homeowner, you have the right to:

- Participate in the association board's decision-making process
- Attend and participate in all membership meetings
- Vote in person or by proxy
- Access association records, financial statements and governing documents
  - Use and enjoy common areas (This privilege can be suspended temporarily for unpaid assessments or rules' violations.)
  - Sell or rent your individually owned unit or property

As a homeowner and member of this community, you are obligated to

- Pay your fair share—via regularly scheduled and special assessments—of the costs of operating the association and maintaining common areas. It costs money to pay property taxes, collect the trash, maintain the landscaping and shovel snow from the roads, parking areas and sidewalks.
- Maintain your personal unit or home in accordance with the association's bylaws and architectural guidelines. Some associations' rules are stricter about paint colors, yard ornaments and landscaping than others. Be aware of and adhere to what this association's architectural guidelines prescribe.
  - Be respectful of your neighbors and allow them the "quiet enjoyment" of their own individual units or homes. Loud parties, second-hand smoke or outdoor lighting can infringe on your neighbors' privacy.

Article provided by Community Associations Institute (CAI)

Visit the Plum Creek resident website for access to association documents: [www.plumcreektxhoa.com](http://www.plumcreektxhoa.com)

## *At the Fence*

### **Plum Creek Golf Course and Walking Trails**

The Plum Creek Golf Course is private property. Cart paths and fairways are for paying customers only. Do not walk, jog, ride bikes or skateboard on the cart paths or fairways. Cart paths have a posted 'No Trespassing' sign posted at the entrance.

It is dangerous to use cart paths and fairways for recreational purposes because you may be hit by a golf ball.

Residents can access the trail around the lake. The trail is for walking, jogging and bicycling. No motorized vehicles are allowed.

### **SIP AND SEW**

Happy Holidays! Sip and Sew will not meet in December, but we look forward to Sipping and Sewing in 2020. Make a resolution to join our group in 2020. Remember, the second Tuesday of the month at the Fergus/Haupt Community Center, 6:30-8:45 pm. Any questions, please contact Iris Sandle – 512-405-0054 or Sandra Sigler-512-405-0187.

We have an opening for a **Safety Committee** Chairperson and a **Dog Park Committee Chairperson**. Please email Adriane with any questions you may have: [plumcreekmanager@goodwintx.com](mailto:plumcreekmanager@goodwintx.com)

### **Reminder: Weekly eNews**

**If you want to receive the Weekly eNews you must log in to the website and go to MY ACCOUNT>settings>Email Notifications>Weekly eNews and change the dropdown from "don't notify" to "immediately" and click update.**

There will be a slight increase in the quarterly assessment starting January 1st, 2020. A notice will be mailed in December along with email notices. If you have set up an auto payment, you will need to update the payment amount.

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## **Please Trim Those Trees!**

Due to safety concerns, the HOA is evaluating street and yard trees that encroach on the sidewalk and streets. Since these trees belong to the homeowner, we want to provide residents with the opportunity to prune their own trees. The HOA requests that you prune your trees seven (7) feet above the sidewalk to prevent injury and fourteen (14) feet to prevent damage to emergency vehicles. Corner lots and round about lots need to clear limbs for sight distance of traffic signs and oncoming vehicular traffic at intersections.

City of Kyle, Hays CISD and Texas Disposal Systems regularly drive through Plum Creek to inspect for drivability for large fire trucks, schools buses and waste removal vehicles.

We have a short window to prune in winter, but this time of year is best for pruning!

When raising your tree's canopy, follow proper pruning techniques, including cleaning tools between trees and wound spraying any cuts on all OAK trees to prevent Oak Wilt.

For information and diagrams about pruning visit:

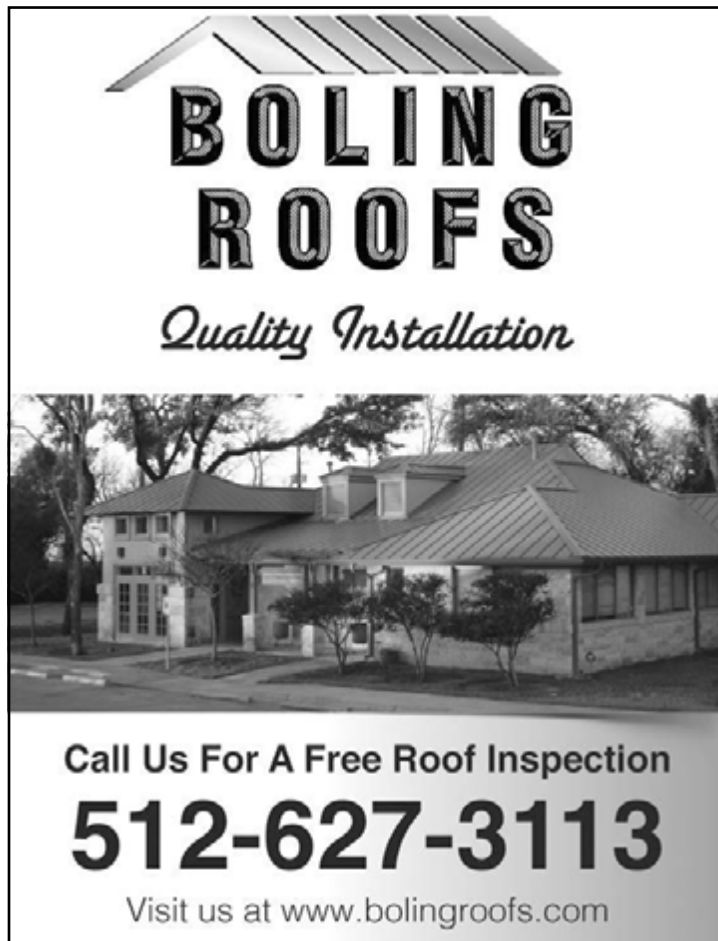
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For information about contacting local certified arborists or for questions or concerns about pruning, feel free to contact the Landscape Committee at [landscape@plumcreektxhoa.com](mailto:landscape@plumcreektxhoa.com)

So, get out there with your clippers this winter and let's clear those sidewalks and streets!



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## *Get Involved-* Volunteer for a Committee



All residents—long-time homeowners, new residents and even renters—can contribute to making our community a great place to live by volunteering a few hours a month on any one of several association projects.

The next time you're looking for an activity or a way to meet your neighbors, consider participating on an association committee or task force or volunteering to plan a casual neighborhood social gathering. Your ideas, time and effort will be a valuable contribution to making a neighborhood event successful.

Your neighbors aren't the only ones who'll benefit from your volunteer endeavors. According to HELPGUIDE.org, volunteering can reveal untapped talents, teach new skills, introduce you to new activities and increase your self-confidence. Participating in a community activity also can provide networking opportunities that can benefit your career and your social life.

Contact an association board member soon to ask how you can get involved in our community. Who knows? There may even be a vacancy on the association board or a committee that should be filled by someone just like you.

Source: Community Associations Institute



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## *Protect the World's Children this Holiday Season*

The holidays signal a time for family gatherings, traditions and the spirit of giving. Make this holiday season even more meaningful by giving gifts that help children in need around the globe.



According to UNICEF, around 15,000 children die every day from preventable diseases. In over 190

countries, the organization's staffers are in the field working through war zones, natural disasters and disease outbreaks, doing whatever it takes to save children's lives. This holiday season, you can join the charge by choosing gifts that give back.

With Inspired Gifts, you can provide supplies in the name of a loved one that get delivered directly to children who need it most. Just \$19 can provide polio vaccines to protect 100 children from the deadly disease. Additional life-saving and life-changing options including food packets, educational materials and menstrual hygiene kits can be found at [unicefusa.org/HolidayInspired](http://unicefusa.org/HolidayInspired).

If you are looking for stocking stuffers and unique finds, UNICEF Market has a vast collection of handcrafted items made by artisans from around the world. From blankets woven in India to recycled glass pitchers crafted in Mexico and more, these gifts help support the artisans and their families, keep traditional skills alive and give back to essential programs for children. Start checking off your wish lists at [unicefusa.org/HolidayMarket](http://unicefusa.org/HolidayMarket).

As part of Louis Vuitton's #MakeAPromise pledge, a specially designed product line of Silver Lockits is available, helping to protect children who have been exposed to diseases, natural disasters and other conflicts that threaten their safety and well-being. \$100-\$250 of each purchase go to programs that help children most in need. Find out more at [louisvuitton.com/lvforunicef](http://louisvuitton.com/lvforunicef).

This year, Garnier USA will donate \$1 to UNICEF USA for every Whole Blends Holiday Kit sold through Dec. 31 with a minimum donation of \$300,000. Each kit purchased helps educate a child for up to one week, as it costs around 15 cents to help educate one child per day. Learn more at [garnierusa.com/unicef](http://garnierusa.com/unicef).

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## Celebrate the Season with Enjoyable Desserts



### Enjoyment Peppermint Pie

**Prep time:** 15 minutes

**Cook time:** 20 minutes

- 1 envelope unflavored gelatin
- 1/4 cup cold water
- 2 1/2 cups DairyPure Heavy Whipping Cream, divided
- 8 ounces soft peppermint candy
- 1 chocolate cookie crust
- crushed peppermint candies, for garnish

Soften gelatin in water; set aside.

In small saucepan over low heat, cook 1/2 cup whipping cream with candy until candy melts.

Add gelatin; mix well.

Whip remaining whipping cream. Let gelatin mixture cool and fold in whipped cream, reserving 1/2 cup for garnish.

Pour into crust. Chill.

Before serving, top with reserved whipped cream and crushed peppermint candies.

Whether you're huddled around the fireplace, gathered at the table or strolling through a winter wonderland, the holidays are all about enjoying pure and memorable moments with family and friends. With all of the seasonal gatherings, you can certainly expect that almost any host or guest will attempt to provide a classic holiday treat for everyone to enjoy.

This year, you can give your traditional holiday bake a refreshing twist sure to spread all kinds of holiday cheer with this Enjoyment Peppermint Pie topped with Homemade Whipped Cream, which can be easily whipped up with less than 10 ingredients total.

From pumpkin pies to gingerbread cookies and everything in-between, an option like DairyPure Heavy Whipping Cream can be a must-have kitchen staple this season, one you can feel good about knowing it's sourced from trusted dairies.

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### Homemade Whipped Cream



2 tablespoons granulated or confectioners' sugar

2 cups DairyPure Heavy Whipping Cream

1 teaspoon vanilla extract or liqueur

In chilled glass bowl, add sugar to whipping cream. Using whisk or hand mixer, incorporate sugar into heavy whipping cream until it begins to thicken, leaving visible trails. Continue to whip until soft peaks start to form.

Fold in vanilla extract or liqueur. Serve immediately or refrigerate and remix 1-2 minutes before serving.

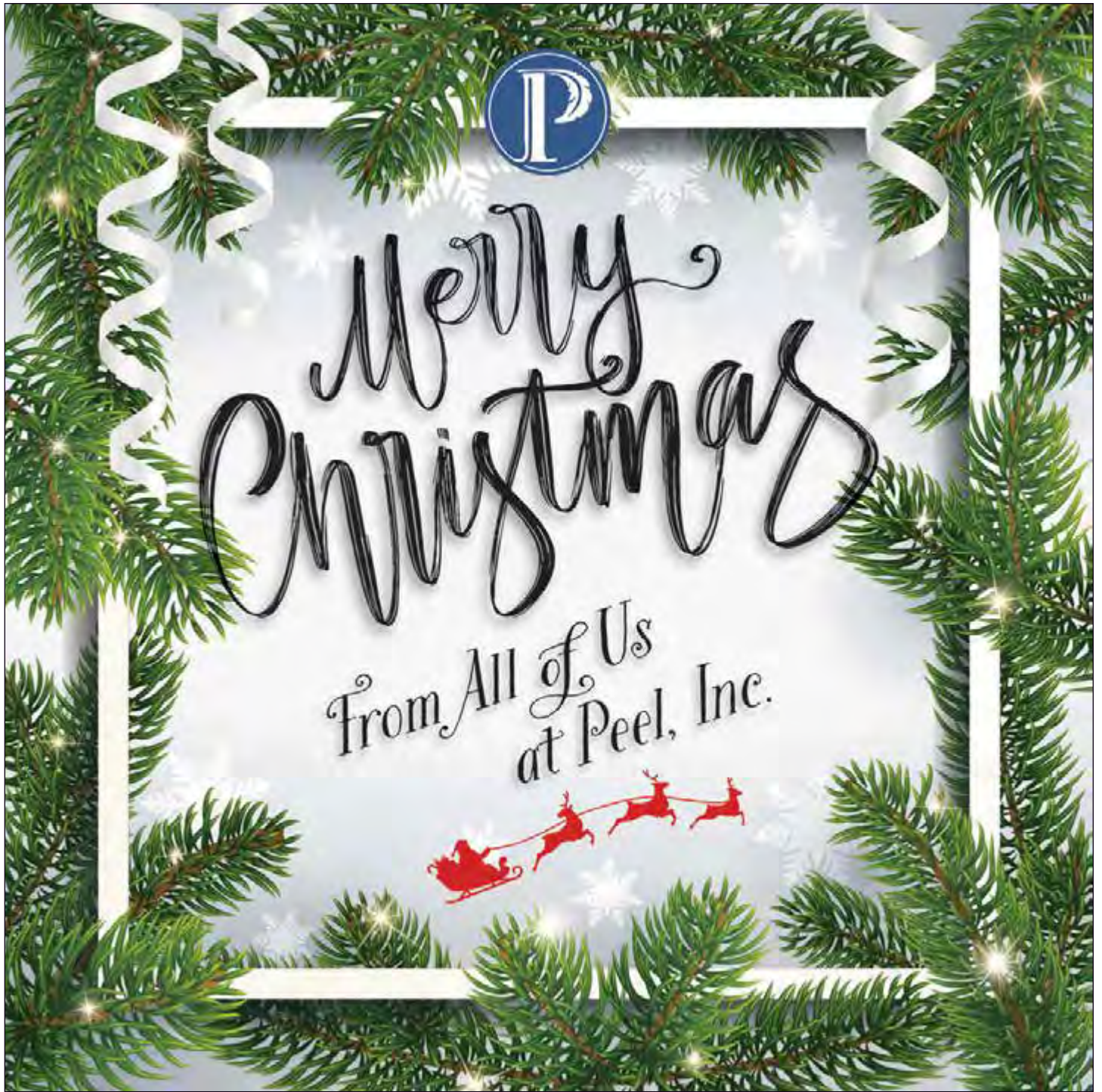


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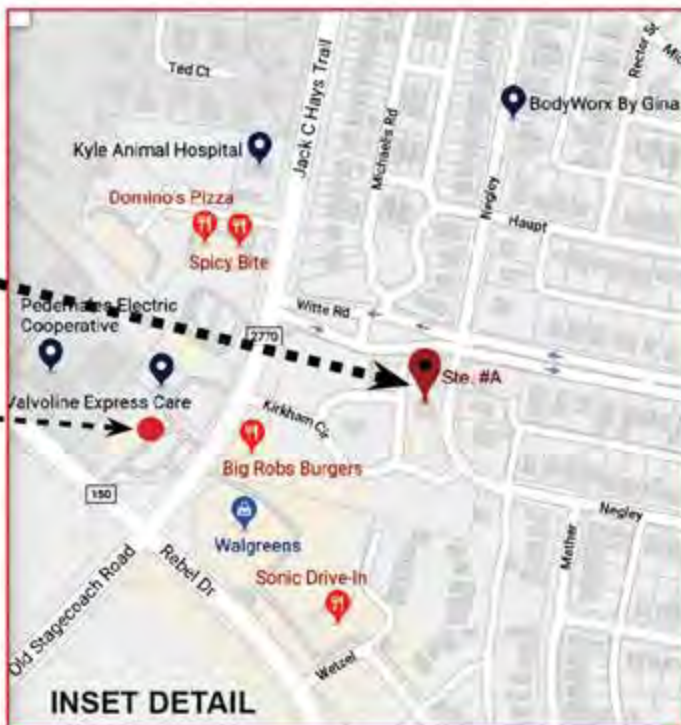
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