

Brook Meadows Messenger

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Social Calendar and Annual Homeowners Meeting				
Last Tuesday	Mar 29	6:30 PM	The Black Walnut	1205 Church St.
BM Book Club	April 3	6:00 PM	Brad & Vangie Jensen	3004 Meadowview Ct.
BM Wine Club	April 23	7:30 PM	Woody Mary Anderson	2703 Meadowview Dr.
BM Annual Mtg.	April 25	6:30 PM	Colleyville Center	5301 Riverwalk Dr.
BM Book Club	May 6	6:00 PM	Tony & Alice Elkins	4613 Green Oaks Dr.

Last Tuesday in February at Crazy Cowboy's...



...was a Crazy, great bargain. Good food at a modest price. Of course, we were actually there for the wonderful company of our BMHA neighbors, which is the real delight of these Last Tuesday get-togethers!

See you on March 29 at the Black Walnut!

We have Three New Brook Meadows Families!

Ulrich Family moves into 2800 Meadowview

By Jo Carol Haynes

Moving from just a few streets away in Grapevine, Greg and Heather Ulrich and their three sons have joined our neighborhood. They are both from the Tyler area. They chose their new home for the large back yard and extra garage space. Greg is a loan officer with Fairway Mortgage here in Colleyville and is quite the car enthusiast, enjoying tinkering on his collection of classic exotic models. Heather stays busy managing the crazy life of having three boys. Hudson is in 8th grade at Heritage Middle School, is a Boy Scout and is interested in computer technology and engineering. So much so that next year he will be attending GCISD's Collegiate Academy high school program at TCC. Hayden is in 6th grade at HMS, plays percussion in the school band, Lacrosse, and is in scouting as well. Paxton, is in 4th grade at Heritage Elementary, is a Cub Scout and plays football with a Colleyville city league. The whole family enjoys archery and fishing. WELCOME!

Welcome to the Jenkins Family

By Jo Carol Haynes

Coming to us from Grapevine, Jeff and Nicole Jenkins have made 4905 Green Oaks their new home. Jeff, originally from East Texas, has a dental practice with offices in Ft. Worth and Keller. Nicole is transplanted from Denver/Santa Fe/Albuquerque and is a dental hygienist

for Dr. Steve Parker in Grapevine. The whole family is drawn to playing in the great outdoors and loves anything outside such as mountain biking and snowboarding. Daughter Ryleigh is 7 and attends Heritage Elementary School. She is a social butterfly, is quite athletic and passionate about basketball. Son Blake is 4 and loves his scooter and trampoline. They are involved with Compass Church, where Blake goes to Mother's Day Out and they lead a "small group" Bible study. We're so glad you're here!

Say hello to the Limosnero Family

By Jo Carol Haynes

4401 Shadycreek has new owners coming to us from Flower Mound. Closeness to their place of business, and the "feel" of Brook Meadows is what drew them to our neighborhood. Both Roland (a native Texan) and Maureen (from California) are dentists. Maureen splits her time between their office on Heritage across from the high school and managing their children's schedule. Ivana is 7 and in the 1st grade at Holy Trinity. This young athlete has already completed the Cowtown 5K and is training for her first triathlon at Playtri. Jake is in the 8th grade at Holy Trinity, played basketball on this year's undefeated school team, and plans to attend Nolan Catholic High next year. Roland, a sophomore at Cistercian plays tennis. WELCOME!

Thank to you Jo Carol!

Many thanks are due to **Jo Carol Haynes** for personally welcoming these families and many others for the last 11 years on behalf of the neighborhood.

Welcoming Committee – We need Volunteers!

By Jo Carol Haynes

After 11 delightful years of greeting new residents in Brook Meadows, it's time I let someone else have a turn at it. When our next annual neighborhood association meeting rolls around in April, I will be stepping down as the Welcoming Committee. It involves setting up an appointment with the new family to bring them a welcome basket, get them up to speed on what's going on socially in our great neighborhood, and writing a very brief bio about them to be published in our monthly newsletter. We average about 8-9 new families a year. If you enjoy meeting new folks and would be interested in taking over this position, please let me or someone on the Board know. It's a fun and rewarding way to help Brook Meadows remain the special place it is!

March 29 - Last Tuesday

By Brett Flournoy

February's Last Tuesday at the Crazy Cowboy in Bedford was a winner! We had a robust turnout for what was "Steak and Cab" night at the Cowboy, and darned if it wasn't a really good ribeye. Other food was quite good too, as reported. And wouldn't you know it - Alice and Tony were going to split a steak and they got the only small one! We were (momentarily) sympathetic!

For **March 29th**, it's back to C Town, when we invade the new **Black Walnut** at **1205 Church St, Colleyville, at 6:30 pm**. I've heard good things, let's go see, although I keep struggling with the name (tuna? mushroom? and what color???)

See you there Cowboys...uh, I mean Walnuts!

April 3 - BMHA Book Club

By Stacey Taylor

Next month's meeting will be hosted by **Brad and Vangie Jensen** at **3004 Meadowview Court** on **Sunday, April 3rd at 6:00 PM**. We will be discussing **Defending Jacob** by *William Landay*. A fast, compelling, and compulsively readable courtroom drama, *Defending Jacob* tells the story of a district attorney's son who is accused of killing a classmate. The author, a former district attorney himself, gets the taut nuances just right, capturing the subtleties of a trial in a packed courtroom, where a small rustle or murmur can signify a lot.

Our following meeting in May will be held at the home of **Alice and Tony Elkins**. We will meet on **Friday, May 6th at 6:00** to discuss **Twelve Mighty Orphans** by *Jim Dent*.

Participants typically bring a small food offering of some sort (dessert or appetizer) to share but it is not required. Everyone is welcome, (not just couples) regardless of whether you have read the selection.



April 23 - Wine Club

By Brett Flournoy

Our next Wine Club event will be the evening of **April 23rd** at the home of **Woody and Mary Anderson**. At that meeting, we will conduct a fishbowl vote to select the name of our club, with the nominees receiving votes thus far being: Brook Meadows Cork Dorks, Brook Meadows Grape Nuts, and Brook Meadows Wine Enthusiasts (they have delegates in other words!) Feel free to continue your support for other nominees to get them on the final ballot.

Our theme for April will be Spanish Reds which, true to our mission statement, will entice members to walk those aisles less traveled. The price cut line will be \$10 (and above), because there are many good Spanish Reds available for \$10. Further details will be provided in our club email (signup here: brettflournoy@gmail.com 214-695-0780), and we need TWO VOLUNTEERS for short topic presentations. Come join in the fun!

April 25 - Brook Meadows H.O.A. Annual Meeting

By Craig Vaughn, BMHA President

Our annual Brook Meadows H.O.A. meeting will be held at the Colleyville Center on **April 25th at 6:30 pm**. We encourage all of our neighbors to attend. This is a great opportunity to meet the board, discuss our budget initiatives for the coming year and any questions or suggestions regarding our H.O.A. Additionally, some have expressed interest in joining the board or a committee. If you are interested please send us an email. We would love to hear from you. Join us on April 25th at the Colleyville Center.

A Piece of History

By Craig Vaughn, BMHA President

I wanted to take this opportunity to remind everyone about the historical landmark that resides within our neighborhood. The Witten Family Cemetery has resided on what is now Jackson Court since 1857. Living decedents of the Witten family and the family trust maintain the grounds and visit often. Though not owned by our sub division, the cemetery is certainly a part of Brook Meadows and the history of Colleyville and surrounding communities.

The family has asked for the BMHA Board's help to make sure the grounds are respected as should be any historical landmark.

Below is an interesting link about Mr. Witten:

[Tarrant County TXGenWeb - The Spring Garden Community](#)

The caption on the Texas State Historical marker at this site reads:

“This cemetery was established for the family of Samuel Cecil Holiday Witten (1819-91), who came to Texas in 1854. A successful landowner, he also served as a Justice of the Peace and Deputy County Surveyor. Witten first used this burial site in 1857 for the interment of his son, William. Also buried here is another son, George (1841-68), who drowned while on a cattle drive, and a son-in-law, Ryan Harrington (1829-84), a participant in the 1849 California Gold Rush. Samuel Witten and his wife moved to Corpus Christi in 1890 and the cemetery was later used by family descendants.”

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Pappas, Allison	15	Y	Y		817-366-2522
Russell, Joseph	15	Y	Y	Y	817-358-1910
Sexton, Emma	17	Y	Y	Y	817-675-9277
Alex Shuckerow	13		Y	Y	469-579-9040
Lucas Shuckerow	11		Y	Y	469-604-1878
Wheeler, Amanda	15	Y	Y		817-488-1482
					817-658-7520
The Job Seekers listing service is provided free to all Brook Meadows teenagers seeking work					

Teenage Job Seekers

Each month the newsletter includes a list of teenagers in the neighborhood seeking employment; i.e. baby-sitting, yard work or pet care. With so many new people moving into the neighborhood this is a great reference for anyone in need of such a service. If you or your child is looking for a job in the neighborhood, please provide your information including name, age, telephone number, email and the job being sought. We'll include in the next and future issues of the e-newsletter.