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Social Calendar and Important Events

Last Tuesday	Jan 30	6:00 PM	Los Jimadores	3314 Harwood Rd.
BM Book Club	Feb 10	6:30 PM	Brad & Vangie Jensen	4003 Meadowview Ct.
Last Tuesday	Feb 27	6:00 PM	The Crazy Cowboy	2807 Central Drive
BM Book Club	Mar 25	6:00 PM	Shelley Haaker	4617 Shadycreek Lane
Wine Club	April	TBD	CJ Boss & Dave Dibben	4704 Green Oaks Drive

A Memorable Holiday Season at Brook Meadows



The Christmas party on Dec 9th was fantastic! Thanks again to Ken and Mary Cornelius for hosting this nice event. And to all the neighbors who came and made it a happy time.

Happy New Year!

From Craig Vaughn

I hope everyone had a great holiday season and is off to a great 2018. Thanks to **Walter Aue** and **Mark Adams**, Brook Meadow's holiday decorations looked fantastic. As we begin 2018, I would like mention a few important items:

* Board Seats - 3 of the 5 Board Seats will potentially be open at the end of our fiscal year, April 2018. Please consider participating. Whether new to Brook Meadows or a long time resident, your input and participation is greatly needed. The time commitment is minimal and the impact to the community is meaningful. As a new resident it is also a great way to get to know our neighbors and the neighborhood. Please feel free to contact me directly with any questions regarding the seats.

* Recently a notice was sent to all regarding the new Fining and Enforcement policy for Brook Meadows. We have received positive feedback thus far. Again, if you have any questions regarding these policies please contact the board.

* Recently, the Board has received complaints regarding vehicles parked in the street that never seem to move. Once complaints are received, the Board will monitor the situation and act accordingly. In this instance, if a vehicle is thought to be abandoned it will be towed. If you have any questions about this matter, please contact the Board.

We thank you for your support. Please contact us with any questions.

Craig Vaughn
President of Brook Meadows
Homeowners Association

Welcome New Neighbors at 4805 Green Oaks Drive!

By Bridget Moore

Sharon Ciszewski, Jason Engler, their 7 year old daughter **Samantha**, and cat **Régisse** (which means “licorice” in French) moved from New Jersey to their new home this fall, just in time to participate in our Halloween parade! Originally from Montreal, Canada, Jason’s job transfer brought the family to Texas. Jason is the operations leader for CAE’s training centers spanning from South America to Canada. (Yes, that means he’s in charge of those flight simulators we’ve all seen down Glade Road @ Airfield Drive, and that happens to be the world’s largest corporate aviation training facility!) Sharon is an SAP Applications Specialist for Bombardier. Jason loves classic cars and “Cars and Coffee” meet-ups and Sharon loves movies and shopping. The whole family enjoys skating, and was happy to find Skate Town right down the street! They knew they wanted to live in Brook Meadows the first time they visited the neighborhood, and the school district was the icing on the cake. A big welcome to Sharon, Jason, and Samantha!

4522 Shadywood Lane Has New Owners!

By Bridget Moore

Moving west from Sunnyvale, Texas, to Colleyville to improve their commutes, **Sarah and Patrick Langan** and their daughters **Avery** (3.5) and **Lucy** (6 months) are excited to have found their new family-friendly home with its beautiful backyard in Brook Meadows. Sarah is an attorney with Leake Law Firm, and specializes in civil litigation and estate planning. Patrick is a franchisee owner, with 4 Wingstops in Mesquite and the HEB area, and the Which Wich at NorthPark in Dallas. Although family is definitely a priority these days, Sarah loves tennis, and Patrick squeezes in golf and snowboarding when he can. They love spending time at Lake LBJ (near Marble Falls), boating and visiting family. Rounding out the crew is Chubs, a white Chihuahua. A big WELCOME to the Langans!

New Year Brings New Neighbors to 4518 Shadywood Lane!

By Bridget Moore

Todd Doze, Karen Garner, and their 5 children **Katie** (11), **Sam** (11), **Lillie** (11), **Charles** (9), and **Wyatt** (5) are getting comfortable in their new home in Brook Meadows. They really like our established neighborhood, with the trees and unique houses, and being close to the airport and highway is a real bonus since they love to travel. And their backyard lake view really helped to seal the deal. Although they both grew up in the Midwest, they've been in Texas since the

90's and aren't strangers to the DFW area, having moved here from nearby Grapevine. Todd is the CEO at Healthcare Payment Specialists, selling software and advisory services to hospitals all over the world. Karen is a Project Manager for Fortune 500 clients with Fidelity Investments. In addition to keeping up with their children's theatre, basketball, and football games, they enjoy tennis, golf, bridge, and reading. A warm WELCOME to the neighborhood!

Jan 30 – Last Tuesday

By Brett Flournoy

2018 is here! Time to get the Last Tuesday program kicked off, and we are going to start by visiting one of our recent finds, the type of place we like - locally owned, unique, accompanied by minimal marketing outreach! Hole in the wall? Eh, maybe.

On **January 30th 2018**, we will be at **Los Jimadores Tex-Mex Tequila Factory in Bedford, at 3314 Harwood Road at 6:30PM**. Unique? Their salsa is served hot with a strong chitpotle flavor, and sided by a dark black bean puree. Good stuff and only here! Anyone care to guess the meaning of "jimadore"? See you there.

The **February** plan is lining up for **The Crazy Cowboy**, just south of us on Central Drive, due in no small part to the fact that Tuesday is their steak night special, \$17.99 for either a filet or ribeye, salad and side. More details to follow in the next newsletter.

Let's get going! Brett



Feb 10 - BMHA Book Club

By Stacey Taylor

Happy new year, everyone! If one of your resolutions is to read more this year please join us in **February on the 10th at 6:30 PM** at the home of **Brad and Vangie Jensen (3004 Meadowview Court)** to discuss "The Underground Railroad" by Colson Whitehead. Winner of the Pulitzer Prize and the National Book Award, the #1 New York Times bestseller from Colson Whitehead is a magnificent tour de force chronicling a young slave's adventures as she makes a desperate bid for freedom in the antebellum South.

If you are unable to attend the February meeting you'll have another chance on **March 25th at 6:00 PM** at the home of **Shelley Haaker (4617 Shadycreek Lane)** when we will be reviewing the old classic – "Mrs. Dalloway". Mrs Dalloway is a novel by Virginia Woolf that details a day in the life of Clarissa Dalloway, a fictional high-society woman in post-First World War England. It is one of Woolf's best-known novels. You may have read this one as an assignment way back in your school days. That counts! Come join us!

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GrapeNuts Wine Club

By Brett Flournoy

Your wine club, The **GrapeNuts**, is looking forward to another fun year in learning about wines while socializing with friends and neighbors. Our first planned event will be in the April timeframe at the home of **CJ Boss** and **Dave Dibben** and we will be exploring the wonderful world of Syrah/Shiraz; these are same grape referred to as Syrah in most of the world, but Shiraz in Australia. The latest information indicates the grape originated in the Northern Rhone area of southeastern France and while the grape is grown almost everywhere, there are only two locations in the world where the grape is THE grape for which the area is known: The Rhone Valley, and Australia. Come join us and participate, details will follow to our GrapeNuts email list.

To be added to the wine group email list, contact Brett Flournoy at:

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Or text (214) 695-0780

Between now and April, we have planned some random get-togethers, announced through our email list. Stay tuned for those, it's going to be a great 2018 for The GrapeNuts!

See you next time, and remember....
Wine is our Raisin D'etre !!!

–Brett

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Hall, Grace	17	Y			817-312-9856
Limosnero, Roland			Y		817 925-1713
Norwood, Alexis			Y	Y	817-540-2522
Pappas, Allison	17	Y	Y		817-366-2522
Russell, Joseph	16	Y	Y	Y	817-358-1910
Shuckerow, Alex	13		Y	Y	469-579-9040
Shuckerow, Lucas	11		Y	Y	469-604-1878
Wheeler, Amanda	16	Y	Y		817-658-7520

The Job Seekers listing service is provided free to all Brook Meadows teenagers seeking work

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.