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BOO Neighbors!

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Before I begin this issue, I want to offer an apology to last issues, Meet (insert neighbor's name here). Throughout the issue I inadvertently listed Tonya Richard's name as Tonya Roberts. Sorry, sorry, sorry, This is what happens when I try to type out the newsletter at 3 A.M.

It's hard to believe that Halloween is just around the corner ushering in the first holiday season, which my family will celebrate in our own house.

Time sure flies and now that the weather has cooled down I've even seen children playing in the street, I can't begin to tell you all what a wondrous sight that is. Nothing can compare to the sights and sounds of children playing in the fresh country air.

It will serve us all well to remember this while driving down the streets and alleys surrounding our homes. Balls roll, Frisbees fly and toys get loose from their masters hands and small children, lost in the joys of play can sometimes forget to look before dashing after them.

The only thing I look forward to more then seeing the children playing outside Halloween. There is a simple joy to be found in young children dressed in their costume of choice offering delight entertainment in return for a small tribute of candy.

Perhaps this year I'll get to give more candy out then I end up eating myself, it would be a welcome change.

At our house the decorations are up and the candy bowls are filled in anticipation of Halloween night visitors.



Amanda, Payton & Jonathan

Meet the Rhoads

Jonathan and Amanda Rhoads met five years ago on a blind date set up by his father and her sister. A year of romance was all it took for the two to decided to marry. At the time they were living in Seattle where Jonathan was serving in the Coast Guard as a weapons tech.

After two years the Coast Guard relocated the newlyweds to Newport News, VA. It was while living there they added to their family a baby girl, whom they named Payton, born June 13, 2000.

The family returned, for a short time to Oklahoma City, where both had grown up Amanda in Lawton and Jonathan in Moore.

When Jonathan found a job with BOC Gasses in Dallas they relocated to Carrollton and began looking for a house.

Amanda began working for the Xerox Corp. where she has worked in

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the Accounts Payable Department for the last 18 months.

She also runs a small at home business making most wonderfully scented candles which she sells. Anyone interested should contact her for prices and variety they add delightful scents to your home and also fantastic make gifts. Their phone numbers are 972-822-0574 and 972-822-0575.

On June 21st of this year the Rhoads moved into their new house at 1603 Myrtle Drive. You might see Jonathan driving around the neighborhood on his motorcycle with either of his two ladies, if you do wave them down and say hello they'll enjoy meeting all of their new neighbors.

The Rhoads recently attended the Little Elm Autumn Fest where they offered their candles for sale and entered Payton in the Beautiful Baby contest where she took first prize.

Jonathan and Amanda enjoy playing cards and look forward to getting together with neighbors for; parties, bar b ques, games and other fun activities. They believe that the key to a happy neighborhood is for the neighbors to get to know each other. Jonathan's birthday is January 14th; Amanda's February 10th and Payton's June 13th.



Pet Database

I have seen way too many stray animals while walking around this neighborhood but I am reluctant to call animal control because I don't know if it is a beloved house pet that belongs to someone living here or if it is truly a stray.

Your Arbor Creek Community Newsletter will take a digital photo of your pet and publish a pet directory so other neighbors can identify loose animals and contact their owners. The photos will also be available instantly for printing out missing pet flyers should the need arise.

Contact me at 972-294-4442 to set up appointment at your convenience to take the photo. Of course there will be no charge for this service and it is being offered as an amenity for Arbor Creek the Community. Of course if no one is interested this will not be done.

Did You Know?

The current estimated population for Little Elm is now 9,104.

Were you wondering what is being constructed across from Arbor Creek on FM 720? According to the contractors on site, it is going to be a liquor store.

The Little Elm Town Council decided not to renew its contract with Mike Gibson, who has been our city manager for the last two years. Citing no specific reason other then a desire to go in a new direction the town council's decision is effective immediately.

The town council has approved a new position and will be hiring a Information **Public** Officer. The duties of this office will be to get information about the to the media, town produce publications to mailed to each resident, preparing flyers all schools, updating the news on the districts web site.

Notices

Don't miss the Little Elm Awards Foundation's Cow Chip Jackpot. Being held, Saturday, November 9th, at Little Elm High School's Marion Field. Tickets for numbered squares are only \$5.00 for a \$1000.00 prize and tickets for exact time of drop are only \$1.00 for a \$100.00 prize. Carnival rides and other festivities will begin at 10am and the cow chip competition will begin at noon. Tickets available at, The Little Elm Journal and Little Elm Hardware.

Newsletter News

The Arbor Creek Community Newsletter is provided as a community service. There is no charge for this, however I cannot do it alone. For those of you who have submitted articles or profiles, I thank you, for the others I remind you that without your support these newsletters will disappear due to apathy. I'm not asking for much, a profile or maybe a copy of an article you read that you found interesting, an idea you had to improve the neighborhood, hints, tips or suggestions perhaps criticisms for other new homeowners, or even just a favorite recipe that you want to share. I'm not picky; I just want this to be a community effort.

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