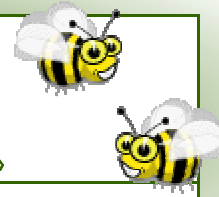


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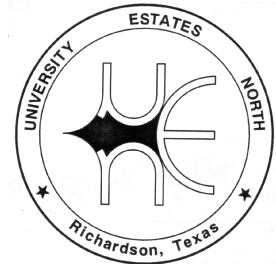
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*Bee-lieve in Your Neighborhood!*

Find your electronic copy of **The Buzz** at [www.uenha.org](http://www.uenha.org) !

## Upcoming Events

- Join us at the HOA Annual Meeting on October 16 at 5:30 pm at Central Christian Church.
- Send in your nominations for officers of UENHA for 2006.
- It's time to join UENHA! Send in your 2006 membership form and fees today—only \$20/family.
- Keep your dogs on a leash and carry a pooper-scooper or plastic bag to “pick up” after your dog when walking. It helps keep them safe and makes you a better neighbor.
- Annual Festival of Lights will be held Sunday, Dec. 11 at 6 pm.



## The President's Podium

There has been a lot of activity this summer, what with the July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade, the RoughRiders Night at the ballpark and Crime Watch National Night Out. Each one of these events was better attended than all of the board members and helpers expected. We had a tremendous turnout for the parade, a sellout night for the RoughRiders, and the best turnout ever for the National Night Out. Heck, we even had Officer David Spigelmeyer visit Crime Watch and dine with us.

Since the first weekend in September, your City has been actively preparing for Evacuees that we were to receive after Katrina. Those didn't come, but we did receive 200 from Rita, residing at Huffines Park. The Duck Creek Homeowner's Association committed \$500.00 to help with the Katrina Evacuees and challenged all the other Richardson Homeowner's Associations to match their pledge. Your Board met September 11<sup>th</sup> and voted to help.

If anyone has donated to any of the 4 agencies presently working with the City of Richardson (Dallas Area Chapter of the American Red Cross, Salvation Army - Greater Dallas Metroplex Area, Volunteer Center of North Texas, or Network of Community Ministries), and shows proof of that gift, we as an association will match all contributions up to a \$600.00 total expense. This way, we will exceed our challenge from Duck Creek H.O.A., and could eventually contribute up to \$1,200.00 from our neighborhood. We will accept proof of contributions any way, such as a copy of your check or a copy of a receipt. Just mail to any of your Board members and after 90 days we will make good on the challenge up to \$600.00.

We are having our **Annual Meeting** October 16 at Central Christian Church, 1651 Campbell Road. Dinner will be barbecue starting at 5:30 pm with the meeting starting at 6:00 pm.



David Roffino

We have a slate of officers that I know you will be pleased with to carry on with making our neighborhood the best in the City. Please come and show your support for UENHA. We are asking for a count for dinner for the meeting, so call any of your Board members to **make your reservation**. We have a slate of officers that I know you will be pleased with who will carry on with making our neighborhood the best in the City! **Please come and show your support for UENHA.**

Also, please mark your calendar for Sunday, December 11, for Santa's Sleigh Ride. Please check the UENHA.org web site for more updates as they come available.

We'll see you at the Annual Meeting, and thanks for your continued support!



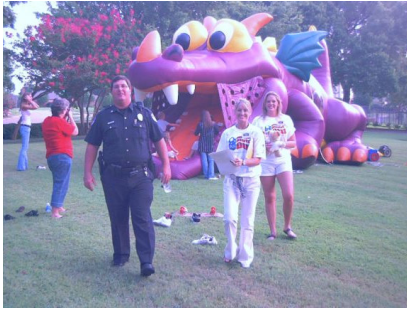
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## 2005 National Night Out against Crime Party



Keep **YOUR** neighborhood the best place in the world to live and play! See [www.uenha.org](http://www.uenha.org) for more photos.

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### Annual Homeowners Meeting

The University Estates North Homeowners Association annual meeting will be held Sunday, October 16, 2005 at Central Christian Church, 1651 E. Campbell Road.

A barbeque dinner will be served beginning at 5:30 pm followed at 6:00 pm by a business meeting and election of officers for 2006. Please RSVP if you wish to partake of the buffet at 972-231-8351.

The following slate of officers is being presented for your consideration. *Additional nominations are always welcome.*

### 2006 Slate of Officers

|                |                        |
|----------------|------------------------|
| President      | <b>David Roffino</b>   |
| Vice President | <b>David Frank</b>     |
| Secretary      | <b>Julie Southward</b> |
| Treasurer      | <b>Brenda Conkel</b>   |

Committee chairs will be selected by the officers at the next board meeting. These committees are Civic Liaison, Socials, Newsletter, Beautification, Yard of the Month, and Crime Watch.. Please contact any officer to indicate your interest in one of these committees.

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## UENHA 2006 Directory

### Join the Homeowner's Association Now

Sign up NOW and pay your \$20.00 dues. Membership form is included with this newsletter.

Send your dues to : Brenda Conkel, Treasurer 2001 North Cliffe  
Keep abreast of all events, crime watch information and all matters pertinent to our subdivision.  
Join NOW to be included in the 2006 UENHA Directory!



*The association roster is to be considered private property and may not be used, given away, or sold for any purpose other than for association activities.*



Over the past summer many of us were preparing for National Night Out while others prepared for a family vacation or prepared to send our oldest child off to college for the first time. We all made lists and spoke with neighbors, family members, school officials, loan officers and the list goes on. Regardless of what activities we were involved in how many of us took time and prepared not only a list, but actually assembled a home emergency kit?

The hurricanes that hit the gulf states was a terrible event. We have no control over the weather but we do have control of what supplies we have available if there is a storm or an event that causes mass disruption to our normal everyday routines. After those events my wife and I sat down and we had a serious talk about what we needed to do to better protect our family. We knew it was our responsibility to have at least three days of drinking water, canned food items, a first aid kit, and other supplies ready in case something were to happen. We put these items inside a 25 gallon plastic tub that we keep in our safe closet. We also have toothbrushes with toothpaste, soap, lighters, matches, sleeping bags, hats, and gloves inside our safe closet.

We all have different needs regarding medicines and important papers but we should all have a plan. You may go to

www.Ready.Gov to obtain information and a list of supplies every family should have ready to go in case an event were to happen here. When you are prepared you are able to avoid panic and you are in a position to not only better help yourself, but your family, and your community!

Please don't put your family in a position where you are stranded without water and basic food for three or four days because you did not take time to prepare. If we take time to plan weddings, anniversary parties, social events, and holiday parades, why then don't we take time to prepare for something that could save our lives? The old Boy Scout Motto of "Be Prepared" strikes home with me. Sit down with your family and work out a plan, a meeting location, put together a list of doctors, prescriptions, emergency numbers and have that list covered in plastic to keep it from being damaged from any water. Make sure your family knows what to do and when to do it. Keep your plan simple, but have a plan and be ready to implement it.

Preparation, execution, and desire are words I think of when preparing a sports team for a challenging season. You are the coach for your family. Prepare a plan and the supplies you need when that

emergency whistle is blown. When the whistle does sound the alarm, you will be able to execute that plan, and your desire to stay alive and help your neighbors will ring clear because you will not be lost in the crowd of confusion.

The game of emergency preparedness is about to kick off. Are you still running around lost in the crowd or are you on the field ready to execute your plan of attack? It's time to buckle up those chin straps and do what we must to have our team—called our families—ready to play. Whether the ball is in the air or a bad storm is approaching, is your team ready? Let's make sure our home team keeps our home field advantage by being ready and prepared!

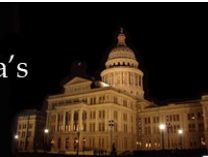
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Crime Prevention Officer  
Richardson Police Dept.  
david.spigelmyer@cor.gov



Look for Special  
Crimewatch alerts at  
[www.uenha.org](http://www.uenha.org)



## Senator Carona's E-mail Update



Several new laws went into effect on September 1. Following are summaries of some that might affect you and your family.

**HB 183** requires all **children younger than five and less than 36 inches tall** to ride in child safety seats in autos. The previous law applied to children younger than four.

**SB 1257** prohibits the use of wireless communications devices (including cell phones) for the **first six months after teenagers get their driver licenses**. The bill also prohibits passenger bus drivers, who are transporting minors, from using wireless communications devices, except in emergencies or when the bus is stopped.

**HB 1357** creates a **six-month driver license suspension** for a person convicted of providing alcohol to a minor (one year for second offense) and increases the driver license suspension to one year for minors who are convicted of a second alcohol offense.

**HB 1481** makes it a Class B misdemeanor if a person **drives around a barricade** where a warning sign or barricade has been placed because water is over any portion of a road, street, or highway.

**SB 1005** provides that if a **driver younger than 25 years of age** commits a traffic offense classified as a moving violation, the judge must require the driver to complete a driving safety course. If the driver holds a provisional driver license (under 18 years of age), the driver must also submit to a Texas Department of Public Safety road test.

**HB 1484** specifies that a person commits a traffic offense if they are involved in a crash on the main lane, ramp, shoulder, median, or adjacent area of a freeway and **do not move their vehicle** to an area that minimizes interference with freeway traffic (assuming the vehicle is drivable).

**SB 1670** requires the Texas Department of Insurance, in conjunction with the Texas Department of Transportation and other agencies, to establish a **verification program for vehicle insurance** in order to try and reduce the number of uninsured drivers.

**HB 120** creates an organ donor education and registry program. Soon, Texans will once again be able to indicate their **wish to become an organ donor** when they are issued or renew their driver license or ID card.

**HB 836** requires pharmacists to offer a patient the choice of paying the actual price of the prescription instead of the insurance co-payment amount if the cost of the actual prescription is **lower than the insurance co-payment** amount.

**HB 853** prohibits the collection of identifying information such as a **social security number** when a person is returning merchandise.



## Yards of the Month

*Doc Daughety*

A home in each of the four sections will be selected each month through July. In September, yards will be selected for fall color. Then in October, Halloween decorations will be judged. November's selections will be based on Thanksgiving decorations. And finally, December will be judged based on Holiday Lights and Decorations.

**If anyone would like to assume responsibility for choosing Yards of The Month, please call Doc Daughety at 972-234-5481.**

**Section 1:** Portsmouth Dr, Campbell Pkwy and Fairfax Cir  
**2011 Portsmouth (July) 2105 Portsmouth (Aug)**

**Section 2:** Brandeis from Campbell Trail, Drew Lane, Belleview, Ridge Creek Drive, Star Crest, and North Cliffe  
**2115 Brandeis (July) 2111 Brandeis (Aug)**

**Section 3:** Brandeis Drive to Campbell Trail, Campbell Trail, Normandy Drive, Chestnut Hill to Main Entrance  
**1909 Campbell Tr (July) 1801 Normandy (Aug)**

**Section 4:** Briarwick Court, Sky Ridge Creek, Oakwood Drive, Ridge Creek Drive from North Cliff, Chestnut Hill Lane from Entrance right to North Cliff  
**2009 Ridge Creek (July) 2109 Sky Ridge Creek (Aug)**

Please keep an eye out for any fire ant mounds on your property. If everyone treats with an approved fire ant killer, the outdoors will be much safer for all of us to enjoy. Also, if you need any help with landscape projects, but don't know who to contact, give the Dallas County Agricultural Extension Office a call at 214-904-3053. They will be happy to give you names of reputable business people.

## On the L👁👁K Out!

*Martha Feeley*

We are well into the autumn of the year when evenings darken quickly. Please keep your garage doors closed; remove valuables and lock up vehicles which are left outside. If you see anything suspicious in our neighborhood, protect your loved ones and your belongings; call it in to the Richardson Police at 972.744.4908.

**Congratulations to Us:** The city of Richardson has been awarded the #1 city in the Nation for 2005 National Night Out Organization! Please log onto [www.nationaltownwatch.org](http://www.nationaltownwatch.org) for our Category 3 listing, a complete listing of NNO winners, and the criteria used. Our gratitude to our area Officer David Spigelmyer, and the entire Richardson Police Dept. Crime Prevention Unit.....it all starts here in the neighborhoods, you all help make it happen.

## Neighborhood Sponsors



**Lori's Loving Pet Sitting**  
972.234.3303  
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To provide loving care, when you just can't be there!  
[lorislovingpetsitting.com](http://lorislovingpetsitting.com)

### Your AD Here!

- \$20 - Business card size ad
- \$30 - 1/4 page ad
- \$40 - 1/2 page ad
- \$50 - whole page ad

**Find us on the web!**  
**[www.uenha.org](http://www.uenha.org)**



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### The Pampered Chef Quality Kitchen Products

- ◆ Book a party
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- ◆ Get a new catalog



Danette Murphy, Kitchen Consultant  
9729-808-9054 2003 Portsmouth Dr.

## WEB site—UENHA.ORG

*Eliot Johnston*

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**[normandy@dhc.net](mailto:normandy@dhc.net) by September 15 for October issue.**

If you have something newsworthy for **The Buzz** email [normandy@dhc.net](mailto:normandy@dhc.net)

To change your email address on record with the UENHA (add, update or delete) please call Donna Shepherd at 972-231-8351 or email Donna at: [normandy@dhc.net](mailto:normandy@dhc.net)



UNIVERSITY ESTATES NORTH  
HOMEOWNER ASSOCIATION

## **ANNUAL MEETING**

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16  
5:30 PM

CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH  
1651 E. CAMPBELL ROAD

**RSVP** FOR BARBEQUE BUFFET  
972-231-8351

For more information call 972-234-1332 or e-mail [janneher@comcast.net](mailto:janneher@comcast.net)