



Glenn Heights Communicator

3rd Quarter

July 2010

New Mayor Elected

The City Council of Glenn Heights held a General Election on **May 8, 2010**. Long standing council member Victor Pereira was elected to the Mayor's position and sworn in on May 17, 2010 for a three-year term. Peggy Haskins, Administrative Manager for Constable Precinct 5 in Denton County administered the oath while the Mayor's daughter, Anike' Pereira held the Bible during the ceremony.



Three members were sworn into office for three-year terms, Dan Freeman moved from Place 2 to Place 6, Mary Ann Chancellor remains in Place 4 and the newest member is Leon Tate in Place 2.



On May 17, a farewell reception in Mayor Clark Choate's honor was held before the Council meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Chance Harvey presented a distinguished plaque to Mayor Choate in appreciation of his dedication to the City. ❖



HOA & Neighborhood Summit

The HOA & Neighborhood Summit was held on Saturday, June 12 at Red Oak Intermediate School. City Manager Jacqueline L. Lee opened the Summit with reference to the Strategic Plan which was adopted in 2009. She referred to the first goal, Neighborhood Vitality and its importance to a community. Mayor Victor Pereira gave a message about the importance of neighborhoods and how each person young or old is vital to its success. He challenged the audience to get to know their neighbors and be a proud partner of this community. Glenn Heights is a diverse "Community of Neighbors" and will thrive with each member taking that vision and building toward the future.

Booths were provided by the various City services so customers could ask questions or just get information. Many thanks to Atmos Energy, DART, HILCO, Ellis County Appraisal, Tri-City Services, Keep Glenn Heights Beautiful, Waste Management, Trevino's Gym, Chamber of Commerce and Lion's Club. ONCOR provided an outside electric booth that demonstrated many ways to reduce the cost of electricity. Local Boy Scout Troop assisted with setup and cleanup. ❖



Glenn Heights Fire Department provided information on Emergency Management



Glenn Heights' Newest Council Member, Place 2 Leon Tate

Council member Leon Tate is a single parent with a 13 year old daughter who attends Red Oak Junior High School. Currently, residing in the Gateway Estates community and recently retired honorably as a 22 years Navy Combat Veteran. As Glenn Heights newest City Council member he plans to make rational decisions that are in the best interest of a growing community and keeping its citizens safe. He is a strong advocate for the development, growth and attraction of new business. He will continue to promote these ideas by listening to the citizens, actively working with fellow Council Members, the Mayor, the City Manager and staff leaders.



Don't Mess with Texas Trash-Off was a huge success in April and over 70+ volunteers picked up trash and debris from the City's streets and thoroughfares collecting 160 - 55 gallon bags. Many thanks go out to all the volunteers!

In May, Keep Glenn Heights Beautiful partnered with Public Works and sponsored Storm Water Marking and Stream Clean-up event. Volunteers marked the storm water drains in Sunrise Meadows, Magnolia Farms, Hollywood Addition, new Shields Elementary, Stone Creek Phase I and part of Mesa Addition. Marking of the storm water drains ensures visibility of the drain. Volunteers collected 20 - 55 gallon bags of trash during the Stream clean-up at Gateway Park. Volunteers met back at Courtney Lane Park for lunch. Code Enforcement Officer, Bill Terry manned the grill. Thanks to all that participated.

If you want to make a difference please join Keep Glenn Heights Beautiful on the second Thursday of the month in the City's Council Chambers at 7:00 p.m. ❖

Glenn Heights Fall Family Festival SAVE the DATE



October 30, 2010
10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

2010 marks the 2nd anniversary of the Fall Family Festival –

Festivities will include...

- Arts, Crafts and Designers
- Non-profit and Community Organizations
- Family friendly entertainment
- Health Screenings
- Food Vendors
- Community and Political Leaders
- Grand Finale Fireworks Display

Vendor booth space is available for rental for as low as \$80.00 through September 30, 2010. Non-profit organizations can reserve space at no cost.

Several slots are available for local talent, entertainment and performing arts acts.

Additional information can be obtained at www.glennheights.com 972-223-1690 or Family Festival@glennheights.com.

What are the benefits of Texas SmartScape?

Economic

Save money on water bills. During warm weather, 40% to 60% of your water bill is spent on outdoor water use. Since native and adapted plants require up to 80% less water than non-adapted plants, you will save money by using less water to maintain them.

Save money by buying less fertilizer and pesticides. Native and adapted plants typically require little or no fertilizer and pesticides. If you want to be even more economically "Smart," avoid purchasing pesticides at all. Not using pesticides, such as Diazinon, prevents them from ending up in our local creeks and lakes.

Save money on plant replacements caused by droughts and local watering restrictions. If local watering restrictions during drought conditions result in the die-off of high water use plants, you will be spending money to replace them. By SmartScaping™, severe watering restrictions will have less impact on your plants and you will not have the expense of replacement.

Save money by avoiding future increases to water pollution treatment costs. It is much less expensive to prevent storm water runoff pollution than to remove it. If concentrations of pesticides and fertilizers in storm water runoff continue to increase, very costly options to treat contaminated runoff will have to be considered by cities/counties. Water providers might also be faced with increasing drinking water treatment costs. By using *SmartScape*® techniques, you can help prevent runoff pollution and avoid future water treatment costs to remove pesticides and fertilizers.

For more information:

<http://www.txsmartscape.com/NorthCentralTX>

Conserve Water



Your Mayor and Council are working hard this summer and will hold several Council Workshops on Saturdays in addition to the regularly scheduled meetings. Come join them and learn more about city government.

- (1). Saturday, July 10 8:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. Strategic Planning Workshop
- (2). Saturday, August 21 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Council Budget Workshop – discuss City Manager's Budget

SENIOR CITIZENS MEETINGS

The Senior Citizens of Glenn Heights meet the third Wednesday of each month at the Elks Lodge on Hampton Road. The meeting's agenda varies from an invited speaker sharing information to socializing, playing Chicken Foot or Bingo. Join us at our next meeting ❖

July 21 August 18 September 15



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

PLACE: CITY HALL TIME: 7:30 P.M.
City Council meets the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

PLACE: CITY HALL TIME: 7:30 P.M.
Planning and Zoning meets 2nd and 4th Monday of each month.

PARK AND RECREATION BOARD

PLACE: CITY HALL TIME: 7:00 P.M.
Park Board meets 3rd Tuesday each month.

HOLIDAYS OBSERVED 3RD QUARTER

CITY HALL WILL BE CLOSED TO OBSERVE THE FOLLOWING HOLIDAY:

- MONDAY, JULY 5, 2010 – 4TH OF JULY
- MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2010 – LABOR DAY



4TH OF JULY

The 4th of July is right around the corner. According to the National Fire Protection Agency, fireworks cause more fires on the 4th of July than all other causes combined. In previous years, the majority of fireworks injury victims in 2001 were under the age of 20 and teenagers had the highest injury rate.

Remember it is illegal to use or have fireworks in your possession in the City of Glenn Heights.


Let's make this a safe 4th of July.

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- **REDUCE** – cut your use of energy, water, materials, and toxic products.
- **REUSE** - use it again and again, until it can't be used anymore.
- **RECYCLE** - make new products or packaging from used materials.
- **REBUY** - consume products made from recycled materials.

BEAR CREEK & HAMPTON ROAD INTERSECTION



The long awaited construction begins on the Bear Creek Road & Hampton Road Intersection. This is a partnership between Dallas County and the City of Glenn Heights. Construction will take approximately ten months if there are no weather delays. The construction of the intersection includes a four lane, divided roadway with medians. The City believes this project will enhance the travel time in this area and help reduce delays at the traffic light. In addition to the roadway construction, there are new water and wastewater mains being installed that will accommodate future growth of the City.

Please be patient during construction as traffic will be affected. Dallas County, JRJ Construction and the City have met to discuss how to facilitate traffic and reduce other inconveniences as much as possible. If you have questions, please call 972.274.5100 for assistance.

2010 NATIONAL NIGHT OUT –OCTOBER 5TH

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER. IT'S A NIGHT FOR OUR COMMUNITY TO BE PROUD OF, AND IT GIVES EVERYONE AN OPPORTUNITY TO STAND TOGETHER TO PROMOTE AWARENESS, SAFETY AND NEIGHBORHOOD UNITY. NATIONAL NIGHT OUT, IN COORDINATION WITH THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF TOWN WATCH, WILL BE OCTOBER 5, 2010 FROM 6:00 P.M. TO 9:00 P.M.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING, OR SPONSORING, PLEASE CONTACT TERRI MILLER, EVENT COORDINATOR AT 972-223-2107, X254 OR BY EMAIL POLICEADMIN@GLENNHIEGHTS.COM.



Carter Blood Care Mobile Blood Bank will be at National Night Out, too.



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City of Glenn Heights Contacts
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City Hall 972-223-1690

Mayor Victor Pereira	x400
Mayor Pro Tem Chance Harvey	x405
Councilman Doug Burton	x401
Councilwoman Mary Ann Chancellor	x404
Councilwoman Kathy Dixon	x403
Councilman Dan Freeman	x406
Councilman Leon Tate	x402
City Manager	x207
City Secretary	x203
Accounts Payable	x204
Fire Chief	x212
Human Resources	x206
Water Billing	x200

Police Department 972-223-3478

Police Chief	x260
Police Sergeant	x258
Police Investigator	x252 or 257
Police Administrative Assistant	x254
Animal Control	x261
Code Enforcement	x255
Municipal Court	x256

Building Inspections	972-274-5100
Economic Development	469-383-2666
Municipal Services Department	972-274-5100
Planning Division	972-274-5100

Community Numbers

Charter Communications	866-937-2427
D.A.R.T.	214-515-7272
Dallas Central Appraisal District	214-631-0910
HILCO Electric	800-338-6425
Police (non-emergency)	972-223-3478
Police/Fire Emergency	911
Atmos Energy	800-460-3030
AT & T	800-464-7928
Dallas County Commissioner	
Dist. 3, John Wiley Price	214-653-6671
Ellis County Commissioner	
Dist. 4, Ron Brown	972-723-8017

Oncor Electric	972-791-2888
DeSoto ISD	972-223-6666
DeSoto Joint School & City Tax Office	972-223-6400
Red Oak ISD	972-617-2941
Waste Management	214-328-8888