



Richland News

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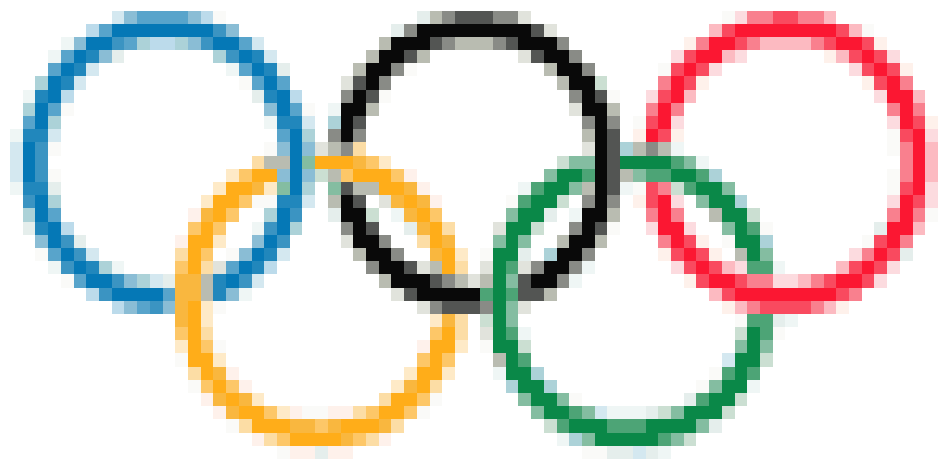
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RHA Fall Festival
September 13th at 6 p.m.
(parade begins at 5:30 p.m.)

Richland Park
2003 Olympic Celebration

With a special presentation by
Eddie Coker

brought to you by your
Richland Homeowner's Association



Let the Games Begin !



Mark your calendar with the new date for our Fall Festival – September 13th at 6 p.m.!

Our theme this year is “**Richland Park 2003 Olympic Celebration.**” We’ll enjoy a parade, “olympic games,” food, fun, door prizes, and a special presentation by entertainer **Eddie Coker.**

Come out and meet some new friends, and catch up with those you haven’t seen in a while.

Let the games begin!

<u>Schedule of Events:</u>	<u>Ticket Sales:</u>
5:30 p.m. Parade begins (line up on west side of school)	\$7 adult \$3 children 3-6 Children 2 and under – free!
6:00 p.m. Opening ceremonies and “olympic games”	Tickets are available from your block captains. We encourage you to buy tickets in advance; however, tickets will still be available at the celebration.
7:00 p.m. Dinner	Be sure to hold onto your ticket stub!
7:30 p.m. Eddie Coker concert	Your block captains are listed on pages 6 and 7 of the 2003 RHA Membership Directory.
10:00 p.m. Closing ceremonies	

President's Message

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

I want to tell all of you what a thrill it was to see so many of you in attendance at the National Night Out. This event is to bring neighbors together in an effort to fight crime by awareness. When we know each other then we are more likely to notice something out of the ordinary when it occurs. Let's keep an eye on each others property and if you suspect something is amiss, call the police. Again thank you to the 100 plus that joined us in the park and made this one of the most successful crime prevention events yet.

I am also very excited to have such enthusiastic people steering the Fall Festival. There is a lot more in this newsletter about the event so I am not going to repeat it. Well maybe just a little. Please come and join us you will certainly enjoy yourself. Please purchase your tickets early, this makes planning the event much easier well the food and drink part anyway. Lastly, if you have some free time that you would like to donate we could use it. If you want to help call any board member and we will tell you how.

Thank you to all that are working so hard to make Richland Park and Richland Oaks such a great place to live.

Sincerely,
Tony Calderone

Help Wanted !

The 2003 Fall Festival Committee needs you!

All our Fall Festival Committee members are donating their time and energy to make our celebration fun for everyone in the neighborhood. Can we count on you to lend a helping hand?

We need volunteers to donate 30 minutes of their time as follows:

Ticket Sales Contact Keith Neifach at 972.234.4116

Olympic Games Contact Melinda Gore at 972.918.0408

Bounce Houses Contact Karen Sandlin at 972.669.1778

Various Duties Contact Starla Horstman at 972.808.0736

Are you an aspiring DJ or do you know someone who is? We need a volunteer to spin CDs after the Eddie Coker concert is concluded. Interested? If so, please contact John Jones at 972.231.3030.

We also need a sound system with a microphone. Please contact John Jones if you or

The Social Scene

Richland Homeowner's Book Club

The program through April Of 2004 has been selected. Please join one of our discussions. Call Ginny Griffith at 972.907.2073 for more information.

- August 11—Leap of Faith: Memoirs of an Unexpected Life by Queen Noor
- September 15—Life of Pi by Yann Martel
- October 13—Tales of a Female Nomad by Rita Gilman
- November 10—Glorious Cause by Jeff Shaara
- December—no meeting
- January 12—Cicero by Anthony Everitt
- February 9—Sound and Fury by William Faulkner
- March 15—Tennessee Williams' play—Summer and Smoke
- April 12—At Home in Mitford by Jan Karon



RHA Book club members with guest author Jim Gatewood, who has written biographies of Dallas County Sheriff Bill Decker and Benny Binion, gambler and businessman.



Who is Eddie Coker?

Eddie Coker was born in Texas and was raised on football, chicken-fried steak and opera. He toured extensively as a professional opera singer before filling in for a colleague in Dallas who was performing opera for children. He has been named "Best Entertainer for Children" by Dallas Child for 11 years in a row.

Come enjoy Eddie Coker's special presentation at our Richland Park 2003 Olympic Celebration on September 13th at 6 p.m.



Crime Watch

Wow!! What a turn out for National Night Out on Tuesday, August 5 at the park. I want to congratulate and thank everyone who participated in or attended this event especially Carolyn Sherman and Nancy Wenzholz for helping organize everything.. Everyone went home full of ice cream and, I hope, full of pride for our neighborhood. We had approximately 150 people and we hope to build on that next year. If anyone is interested in joining the crime watch patrol, please contact Carl or Nancy Wenzholz at 972.690.9504.

Our crime statistics are up for the year to date, but the good news is that it is preventable. Most of our incidents are automobile break-ins. About 90% of these will disappear if you do a few things:

- Lock your car doors
- Do not leave anything inside
- If you have an after-market stereo, take the face plate inside instead of leaving it in the car.

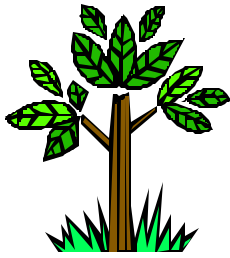
The three precautions above have been mentioned many times in this column and still the police are called to this neighborhood for just these reasons. If you do not take these precautions, it affects all of us because the word spreads among the criminals that this is a good neighborhood to work.

We have also had several burglaries at night while people sleep. Please lock all doors and windows at all times.

Thanks for your continuing help and vigilance,

Larry V. Howell
Crime Watch Coordinator
972-234-4655





BEAUTIFICATION

On one of the morning news programs today, I watched a plant expert describe a Begonia as wax leaf ligustrum. While we are not experts, we do know the difference between a seasonal flower and a shrub. Some of our non-expert advice is to suggest that now is a good time to treat for grub worms. In a healthy lawn, a limited number of the bugs can live in balance with the turf and not cause any noticeable damage. It is when your grass becomes stressed from too much shade, too little water or too little nutrients that the grub damage becomes noticeable. We have been successful with filling in bare areas of our lawn through grub treatments, small frequent applications of fertilizer and proper watering.

Speaking of pests, it is also a good time to treat for webworms. Webworms are actually caterpillars that infest fruit, nut and shade trees. For small problems that are identified early, a simple pruning to remove the nest will usually take care of the problem. For large infestations, pesticides are needed.

If you would like to have wildflowers in your tree lawn next year, call Cary Fitzgerald at 972.234.6670 for the seed. The wildflower seed needs to be applied during October-November and a fall pre-emergent weed control must not be used.

Correction: Mr. and Mrs. Schupbach at 606 Park Bend were Yard of the Month recipients. The Beautification Committee incorrectly identified their house. Congratulations and thanks to the Schupbach's for enhancing the Richland Homeowners Association.

CONGRATULATIONS to all who received yard awards. Everyone benefits from each other's beautiful yards. Not only does it help our property values, we all get to enjoy just looking at the beautiful landscapes. We all thank you for your hard work.

July Yard Awards

Shelly & Coy Huddleston	409 Birch
Sisti & Charles Harrel	421 Sheffield
Connie & John McClung	512 Tiffany
Michelle & Gerald Perkus	506 Harvest Glen
Jim & Judy Reynolds	508 Goodwin
Irving Neifach	433 Tall Oaks
Harriet Gautt	428 Winding Brook
Robert Winn	1203 Whispering Oaks

August Yard Awards

Marilyn & Peter Friedman	1221 Whispering Oaks
Martha Hoilman	503 Birch
G-g & Kent Metzger	514 Birch
Sandy & John Jones	529 Birch
Gwyne & J. Van Stockton	641 Wentworth
Carey & Christopher Schutte	431 Fieldwood
Judy & Robert Blome	1100 Hilton
Patricia Campbell & Terry Hilley	653 Goodwin

Your Beautification Co-Chairs
Cary and Arden Fitzgerald

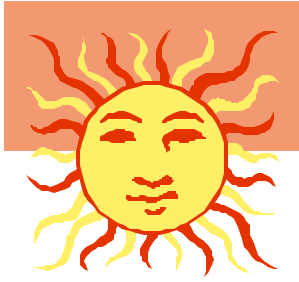
Neighborhood Classifieds

PIANO LESSONS AND/OR ACADEMIC TUTORING

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Small classified ads are free for RHA members. Call Pam Vickery at 972-480-0132 for more information.



Sunshine Corner

from
Susan Mather, Your Sunshine Chairperson

***RHA wants to wish each and every one of you
a VERY SPECIAL and VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY***

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

September

Forrest Hallstrom	3rd
Jenny O'Neal	5th
Bob Little	8th
Pam Vickery	10th
Bill Good	11th
Amber Lyons	11th
Alice McElroy	20th
Donnie Little	24th
Hector Guzman	27th
Katie Hughes	27th
Zack Wulf	28th

October

Aaron Singleton	2nd
John Walters	2nd
Jordan Denzer	8th
Lauren Hussey	11th
John Walters	12th
Marty Hoilman	14th
Bethany White	14th
Dave Peters	19th
Christine Power	20th

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Dave & Janice Peters	3rd
Greg & Susan Denzer	21st
Jon & Wanda Campbell	27th

Jack & Patsy Wendline	2nd
Werner & Fausta Schaer	3rd
Michael & Susan H Holmes	7th
Eddie & Linda Jeffers	20th

Have a birthday, anniversary, new birth, special school event, or any other
SPECIAL DATE you would like included in the RHA Newsletter?

Contact Susan Mather @ 972-690-4123

e-mail, wam7212@attbi.com

WE WANT YOU!

For Fun and Adventure

Cub Scout Pack 526

Meets Monthly at Richland Elementary
Contact Dak Quarles @ 972 840-2978

The neighborhood newsletter is published 5 times a year: February, April, June, August, and November. It is delivered to all 965 homes in the Richland Park and Richland Oaks additions.

Advertising in the newsletter is an excellent way to get your message into those homes. Sizes and rates for a one-time ad are as follows:

Full page:	\$100	Half page:	\$50
Quarter page:	\$25	Business card:	\$10

There is a 10% discount for members of the RHA. The deadline for the November newsletter is October 27.

When space is available, small classified ads will be carried free for RHA members. Call Pam Vickery at 972-480-0132 for more information.