



# Griffin Parc

October 2010

## Community Front Yard Sale

Saturday, October 23rd 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

### Take Note!

- Sell your treasures at the Community Garage Sale
- News Splash! Pool closing for the season
- SBB's Web Portal—Pay Dues On Line and On Time
- Be a Good Neighbor



Do a little fall cleaning and earn some extra spending cash! Griffin Parc is having a community yard sale on Saturday, October 23rd from 8:00 a.m. till 1:00 p.m. Each neighbor will display items for sale in his/her front lawn. If you are not available that day, check with one of your neighbors to see if they can assist you with selling your treasures.

No permit is required but all signs must be removed after the garage sale. The HOA will pay for advertising in the *Frisco Enterprise*, *Celina Record*, *Little Elm Journal* and *The McKinney Courier-Gazette*.



## Halloween Safety—Have a Boo-tiful Evening!

From [kaboose.com](http://kaboose.com)



One are the days when children could roam unsupervised through the neighborhoods on Halloween night. But if parents use good judgment and a little planning, kids can still have a great time!

- ♦ **Trick-or-treat-friendly homes.** Ensure your kids only visit houses with lights on, even better if the houses they visit have some sort of Halloween decorations on the porch.
- ♦ **Remain visible.** Dress your kids in bright costumes so

others can see them. If their costume is dark, have them wear reflective strips or carry a glow stick or flashlight.

- ♦ **Stay outside.** Make sure your kids don't go inside someone's house. They can get their candy from the porch.
- ♦ **Quality-check treats.** Check your kids' candy before they eat it. Throw out any candy that is not in its original wrapper or looks tampered with.

- ♦ **Obey the law.** Encourage your kids to follow all the regular rules for walking around. That includes looking both ways before crossing, obeying all traffic laws and using cross walks and crossing lights where available.
- ♦ **Don't cover the face.** Instead of masks, have your kids wear make-up so they can see better.

Most of all, have fun!

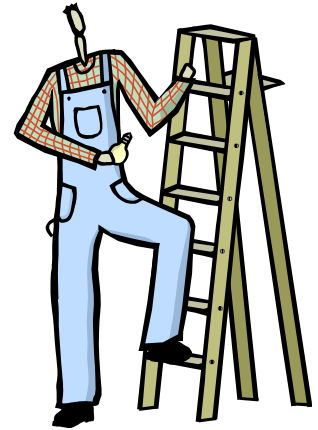


# Architectural Reminder

**B**efore you buy a bucket of paint, install a shed, build a patio cover or go on a shopping spree at Home Depot, be sure to submit an Architectural Request and receive written approval prior to beginning any exterior modifications.

Failure to receive written approval may result in costly expenses to modify the improvement or to restore the property back to its original condition.

*Written approval is not required for planting seasonal flowers such as pansies or replacing dead landscaping.*



## Daylight Savings Time Ends November 7



“Spring forward. . .fall back.” Enactment of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 extended Daylight Savings Time by four weeks, from the second Sunday of March to the first Sunday of November. The Act, which began in 2007, was passed with the hope it would reduce energy consumption by 10,000 barrels of oil each day.

Unfortunately, it is difficult to determine the energy savings from Daylight Savings Time; and it is possible that little or no energy is saved at all!

## Crime Prevention—Take Care and Beware

**T**ake a few minutes to try to prevent a crime rather than dealing with a stolen or vandalized vehicle. What can you do about it? Check out the tips below provided by Texas Department of Transportation.

Please park in your garage when possible, it's the safest place for your vehicle. (If your garage is used for storage, the Community Yard Sale would be an excellent opportunity for you to get rid of some of the clutter.) Your driveway is private property, but still leaves your car exposed.

- Lock your car! Many of the burglarized vehicles were not locked.
- Do not leave your garage door opener in your car. Why invite the thief into your home?
- Also, lock the inside door of your garage, the door that leads to your home.
- Put all packages and personal items out of sight. Items left in the open make your vehicle a more desirable target.
- Close all windows, lock all doors and take the keys with you. Almost 25% of stolen vehicles had the keys in them.

Don't help criminals! Take care and beware.

# SBB Web Portal



Check it out! SBB Management has a web portal where you can manage your HOA account—make a payment, check your balance—as well as download forms (ARC Applications, Change of Address), Association Documents (DCC&Rs), and even check announcements.

You can access your ac-

count information by clicking on “Residents” and log in. First time users will have to enter your last name as it appears on the association account statement you receive from SBB, your account number and a valid email address.

You will receive an initial Resident Log In and Password which can be changed upon log in.

## Questions? Contact

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## Community Reminders

Please be kind to your neighborhood:

- Please slow down when driving in the community. Watch for school zones and remember do not talk on your cell phones while driving in school zones.
- Be sure to keep your dog on a leash when outside of the home or fenced in yard. Pick up your dog’s waste, regardless if it is on your own property, a neighbor’s property, common area or vacant lot.
- Be a good neighbor and keep the noise level to a minimum late at night or early in the morning.

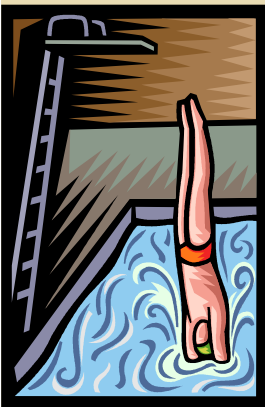
*Your neighbors will appreciate the courtesy!*

## Community Pool Closes for the Season

The community pool will be closing on Wednesday, October 27th for the season and will re-open in the spring.

The playground will remain open.

## NEWS SPLASH!



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## Bat Wings

**[www.easykidsrecipes.com](http://www.easykidsrecipes.com)**

- 1 dozen chicken wings
- 1 cup soy sauce
- 1/3 cup honey
- 1 teaspoon ginger, crushed and chopped

Mix together soy sauce, honey, and ginger. Marinate chicken overnight. Grill in oven or barbeque.

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