



## The President's Corner

### Article 6 – Architectural Standards

Please take time to review Article 6 of the Declaration of Protective Covenants, Conditions & Restrictions for the Rosewood community. If you plan to add on any kind of extension of your home, it is required that approval is obtained prior to any exterior addition. **Any structure or improvement placed or made in violation of this Article shall be deemed to be nonconforming. (Art. 6.6)** It is important that we follow the standards established for this community for the overall benefit of everyone affected.

On the community website you will find a request for improvement that you may submit to the Board for approval. This form must be fully completed before submitting. We are asking that everyone comply with this rule.

### Article 7.5 – Vehicles; Parking

Vehicles must be parked in your garage or driveway. No overnight street parking or clubhouse parking lot is allowed. Continued violations of this policy will be subject to towing.

### The Community Pool

The community pool has been a hot spot for many of our residents who are enjoying the crisp cool water. This year's pool season has taken on a whole new dimension with upgraded filters and new maintenance contractor. We undertook a major expense this year to upgrade the filters and to be compliant with the new federal law.

Over the course of this year's pool season, several violations have been noted including, but not limited to, cigarette butts around the pool, dogs at the pool, dirty diapers, food, (causing ant problem), and unaccompanied guests. We have also noticed those who are not current and are otherwise not in good standing concerning their homeowner's dues are frequenting the pool regularly. The expense of the pool is borne by those who pay HOA dues.

### Improvements

In the coming weeks, we plan to install an irrigation system along the path of the new trees that were planted a few weeks ago. We will also enable the existing irrigation system along our entrance so we will be able to adequately water existing and future plantings. We are so thankful for the rains we are receiving now.

We are currently installing new lighting surrounding the clubhouse. This will add a much needed security feature to the clubhouse and pool areas. The landscape lighting along the entrance will also be upgraded in the near future.

### HOA Meetings

Our next quarterly HOA meeting will be held on Sunday, September 20 at 4:00 p.m. Please mark your calendars and make every effort to attend. There are some crucial matters concerning our community and we want you to be involved in the discussions and decisions that affect us.

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## What's Baking ? "Texas Chocolate" Cake



### Sift together into bowl:

- 2 c. flour
- 2 c. sugar

### Bring to boil only:

- 1 stick margarine or butter
- 1 ½ squares of baking chocolate
- 1 c. water

### Pour over flour mixture and beat in while hot. Add mixture of:

- ½ c. sour cream
- 1 tsp. baking soda
- 2 eggs
- ½ tsp. salt
- 1 tsp. vanilla extract



### Bake according to size of pan used:

- 20 minutes at 400° if using a jelly roll pan
- 25 minutes at 375° if using 3 8" round cake pans.
- 35 minutes at 375° if using 9 x 13 pan
- 15-20 minutes at 375° for cupcakes (makes about 2 ½ dozen)

### Frosting for 3-layer cake:

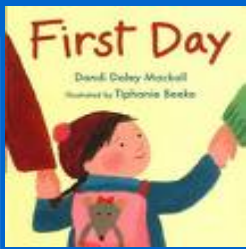
- 1 stick margarine or butter
- 1 ½ squares baking chocolate
- 6 T. milk
- 4 ½ c. powdered sugar
- 1 tsp. vanilla extract
- ½ c. chopped nuts if desired

### Frosting for cupcakes and 9 x 13 pan:

- 1/3 c. margarine or butter
- 1 square baking chocolate
- 4 T. milk
- about 3 c. powdered sugar
- 2/3 tsp. vanilla
- 1/3 c. chopped nuts if desired



**Bring butter, chocolate, and milk to boil. Add powdered sugar, vanilla, and chopped nuts if desired.**



# BACK TO SCHOOL TIPS

*Compliments of the American Academy of Pediatrics*



## MAKING THE FIRST DAY EASIER

- Remind your child that she is not the only student who is a bit uneasy about the first day of school. Teachers know that students are anxious and will make an extra effort to make sure everyone feels as comfortable as possible.
- Point out the positive aspects of starting school: It will be fun. She'll see old friends and meet new ones. Refresh her memory about previous years, when she may have returned home after the first day with high spirits because she had a good time.
- Find another child in the neighborhood with whom your youngster can walk to school or ride with on the bus. If you feel it is appropriate, drive your child (or walk with her) to school and pick her up on the first day.

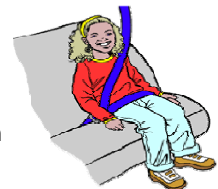
## BACKPACK SAFETY

- Choose a backpack with wide, padded shoulder straps and a padded back.
- Pack light. Organize the backpack to use all of its compartments. Pack heavier items closest to the center of the back. The backpack should never weigh more than 10 to 20 percent of the student's body weight.
- Always use both shoulder straps. Slinging a backpack over one shoulder can strain muscles. Wearing a backpack on one shoulder may also increase curvature of the spine. Consider a rolling backpack.

## TRAVELING TO AND FROM SCHOOL

### Car

- All passengers should wear a seat belt and/or an age- and size-appropriate car safety seat or booster seat.
- Your child should ride in a car safety seat with a harness as long as possible and then ride in a belt-positioning booster seat. Children should ride in a belt-positioning booster seat until the vehicle's seat belt fits properly.
- All children under 13 years of age should ride in the rear seat of vehicles.



### School Bus

- Wait for the bus to stop before approaching it, and don't move around on the bus.
- Check to see that no other traffic is coming before crossing.
- Make sure to always remain in clear view of the bus driver.

### Walking to School

- Make sure your child's walk to a school is a safe route with well-trained adult crossing guards at every intersection.
- Be realistic about your child's pedestrian skills. Because small children are impulsive and less cautious around traffic, carefully consider whether or not your child is ready to walk to school without adult supervision.
- Bright colored clothing will make your child more visible to drivers.

### Bike

- Always wear a bicycle helmet, and use appropriate hand signals.
- Ride on the right, in the same direction as auto traffic.
- Respect traffic lights and stop signs; and wear bright color clothing to increase visibility.



## DEVELOPING GOOD HOMEWORK AND STUDY HABITS

- Create an environment that is conducive to doing homework. Youngsters need a permanent workspace and ample time for homework.
- Establish a household rule that the TV set stays off during homework time.
- Be available to answer questions and offer assistance.
- To help alleviate eye fatigue, neck fatigue and brain fatigue while studying, it's recommended that youngsters close the books for 10 minutes every hour.
- If your child is struggling with a particular subject, and you aren't able to help her yourself, a tutor can be a good solution. Talk it over with your child's teacher first.



# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

to

August Rosewood Residents



*Wishing you glad days filled with friendliness, bright days filled with cheer, warm days filled with happiness to last through out the year !!*

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## *“Calling ALL Neighbors”*

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