

# Village of Golf Newsletter

November/December 2011



## **Apologies!!**

It appears that in the electronic version of the newsletter there was a page which did not come through. The missing page contained details regarding registration for the Polar Express. If you are planning on riding the Polar Express – which will take place on Saturday, December 10<sup>th</sup> – please send in your reservation and payment immediately.



## **Polar Express**

The Polar Express will pick up Santa at the North Pole on **Saturday, December 10th**. We'll meet at the **Golf Metra station at 5:00pm for pizza** and a reading of the *Polar Express*. We will **board the train at 6:08pm** to go pick up Santa. Kids are invited to wear their pajamas. On the train ride home, each child will have time with Santa. The train will be back at the station by 7:15p.m. Space is still available so join the ride!!

You can participate in this wonderful holiday tradition for \$6 per adult (12 years of age and up) and \$4 per child (over 5 years of age and under 12 years of age) – the fee includes pizza and the train ride. Children under 5 ride free.

**New this year: reserve your spot by sending payment to the Golf Civic Association, P.O. Box 115. Please indicate how many adults and children will be in your group.** Seating is limited, so reserve your spot ASAP.

**Please respond by Friday, November 19<sup>th</sup>.**

Contact **Hooper Jones** at [hooperhja@aol.com](mailto:hooperhja@aol.com) or **(224) 534-7037** with any questions.

## **POLAR EXPRESS SAFETY**

*Please be extremely cautious while on the train platform waiting for the Polar Express. The kids are very excited and it gets chaotic!!*



### **Santa Visit**

Santa is again looking forward to visiting all the good little girls and boys on Christmas Eve. Please respond to **Hooper Jones** at [hooperhja@aol.com](mailto:hooperhja@aol.com) or **(224) 534-7037** if you would like to participate in this memorable and “uniquely Golf” experience. Space is limited, so call soon if you are interested.



### **Halloween**

Ghosts and goblins were out en masse, criss-crossing the Village to trick or treat. Later in the evening, it was the little ones’ turn to laugh and scream at the scary Haunted House. Thanks to the Golf Acres Civic Association for providing the pizza and refreshments and thanks to the Golf Civic Association for putting together and “haunting” the Haunted House. The scary volunteers were quite a sight to see!



### **New Additions**

We would like to extend a warm welcome to the following new additions:

Tom & Sharon Pratt, Sydney (9) and Ava (6) at 1529 Central Avenue.

Gavin & Kathy McPherson, Cole (4) and Connor (2) at 45 Park Lane.

Steve & Cyndi Baumgartner, 18 Blossom Lane, and their two daughters, Reese (4) and Morgan (1.5)

Tom & Kathleen McNeela, 29 Overlook, and their daughter, Maggie (1). They are expecting baby #2 this February/March.

Congratulations to Morgan, Adam, and big sister, Emerson Daley on the arrival of their son/new baby brother, Grant.

Congratulations also to Jen and Rob Farr who welcomed their son, Henry.

If anyone knows of a new neighbor/addition to the family in the Village, please contact **Courtney Johnson** at [courtney\\_b\\_johnson@hotmail.com](mailto:courtney_b_johnson@hotmail.com).



### **Winter Party**

We are currently in search of a host for the Winter Party. We look forward to having this event in either February or March. If you are interested in hosting, please contact **Hooper Jones** at [hooperhja@aol.com](mailto:hooperhja@aol.com) or **(224) 534-7037**



## **Be a Part of the GCA Board!!**

Join the excitement of planning the traditional Village of Golf social events while getting to know your neighbors!! **We are looking for new members to serve on the Golf Civic Association Board.** Be a part of the fun as we plan and organize the events and activities that make living in Golf such a rich and unique experience. Beginning in May, the positions of Vice President (serving as President the following year), Welcoming Chair, Recording Secretary, and At-Large member will be open. All board members serve a two-year term. **If you are new to the village or have not served on the board for a while – please consider donating your time and talent to keep these fun social traditions alive.** Those who are interested can contact **Hooper Jones** at [hooperhja@aol.com](mailto:hooperhja@aol.com) or (224) 534-7037 for more information.



## **Safety Notes**

A couple of reminders:

- Please remember to keep your garage doors down at night. This will not only keep animals out, but also deter burglars who may be in the neighborhood.
- With it getting dark earlier in the day, we're entering burglary season. Please turn on your outdoor lights to augment village lighting. This deters burglars and allows the officers greater visibility in thwarting illegal behavior.
- By village ordinance, trash cans need to be pulled back in by the end of the same day of garbage pickup. If you know you will be away or otherwise unable to comply, please call and notify the police so we can respond appropriately to any neighbors who might complain.
- If there is not a sign for parking remember that the parking limit on the streets in the village is **4 hours**, so if you have someone at your house longer than that they must park in the driveway to allow for easy traffic flow, particularly on streets where construction is occurring.
- If you are going to be out of town during the holiday season, please remember to fill out a Watch Card and drop it off at the police station. Please make sure that the person holding your key during your absence will be in town!