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LETTER FROM THE PREZ

Dear Neighbors,

We are finally getting warmer weather and I hope OLD MAN WINTER has gone to bed for a long time!

Activities are starting to move outside again, with both the defending ALTA City Champions and the B Team (The Bombers) starting their spring tennis seasons on St. Patrick's Day. The pool will be opening about May 1st, and our Annual HOA Meeting will be set in stone in the next couple of weeks.

We will be mailing out our formal HOA Dues notifications sometime in early May. Once again, your annual dues will not be increasing, so they will again be \$350 for the year.

Like in my last letter, we will be losing about three board members because their terms are up and we are looking for some new faces to join. So come on Mr. & Mrs. Neighbor! Come and help run the new administration.

It's not hard, all you have to do is volunteer one night per month to review any concerns, any updated material that has to be voted on, and view budgetary measures to keep our budget balanced until the next year.

In conclusion, if anyone is interested in joining the board, you can email me at manineoj@gmail.com, and I will get back to you.

See you around the neighborhood!
The Prez.

KEN'S CORNER

Household tip on how to save money at home

Treat your weeds yourself. I have had great success using this product. Try using only the Spectracide weed killer for lawns in a hose end sprayer. Last year I spent less than \$50.00 to treat my yard for the whole year. I generally wait until the grass is up and growing before I treat my yard. I can rid my yard of weeds with two to three applications. If you are going to use a pre-emergent, use it now. This will help keep spring weeds to a minimum. As always follow directions on any pesticides and pre-emergents.

Save gas by maintaining your car

Check tire pressure monthly. The savings are twofold. First you will save gas by maintaining your tire pressure. Second, your tires will wear more evenly than an under- or over-inflated tire. Tires are expensive and they are one of the most expensive maintenance items that you will buy for your vehicle. Consider getting a good air gauge and a portable air compressor to keep all of your vehicles tires at the proper inflation. And here is a safety tip*. If one tire reads lower than the other three, then that tire has a leak in it. Check the recommended inflation, the sticker showing this will be on the drivers side door jam or in the gas cap door.

Spring safety and money tips

Spring is a good time to have a safety check for your chimney. If you burn wood in your fire place, consider having a chimney sweep come out and clean the soot from your chimney.

Check your dryer vent for lint.

Help keep your energy costs lower by closing closet doors so you aren't needlessly heating and cooling closet space.

Travel Tips

I have been traveling a lot lately, and here are a few things that will help you at the airport.

- Always print out a boarding pass. The apps are good, but they can fail.
- Get to the airport 2 hours before your flight. Delays can happen, so plan for it. That is why you must be parking your car two hours before your departure time. It's better to be waiting a little while by the gate instead of sitting in traffic and missing your flight.
- Download the airline app. This will give you a heads up if your flight is delayed, canceled, or if your gate changes. If your flight changes, the app gives you the ability to change your travel plans on the fly. Delta has the best airline app, and they will even alert you when your luggage is loaded on the plane or has reached the carousel.
- Mark your luggage with a high quality tag.
- Bring you head phones so you can watch the free entertainment on the plane. Download the GoGo entertainment app before you go to the airport. Follow the instructions in the airline magazine to get on the WiFi and you can even text with the website app. This is the greatest tool to let you keep in contact with anyone while in the air.

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When the plane lands get to the baggage claim as soon as possible.
If you are renting a car, make certain

that you know where the rental car facility is.

NEW RESIDENTS

If you have recently moved to Butler Creek, welcome to the neighborhood! We know that you will love Butler Creek as much as we all do, and to make sure that we all know who you are, please email your family information, address, emails, and phone numbers to our website administrator, Ken Watson, at furman87@gmail.com, and he will update the website with your information. The neighborhood website is

<https://www.butlercreek.org>.