



# The Charter HOA Newsletter



Holiday edition

## A NOTE FROM THE BOARD

We are excited to welcome new members to The Charter community. We look forward to meeting you around the neighborhood!

Thanks to all our wonderful neighbors for being part of The Charter, our neighborhood is truly special because of the people who live here. We believe this is one of the best places to live in the metro area and we are so grateful for this community. We invite you to invest in your community by paying your membership dues this year and enabling the HOA Board to help maintain our neighborhood as a safe, fun, and beautiful place to live.

We look forward to serving you this year!

## CHARTER HAPPENINGS

- As needed, your Board attends City Council meetings to represent the needs of The Charter.
- We work with City of Lone Tree officials to ensure focus on areas of high interest and safety within The Charter: obtaining radar speed signs, enforcement of no parking zones, walking path safety, etc.
- We advocate in person and through grassroots efforts to represent The Charter when new laws come into consideration: Senate Bill 213, Short Term Rental Ordinance.
- In June, the City of Lone Tree annexed Sweetwater Park. It is now under the jurisdiction of LTPD, but will still be maintained by South Suburban Parks and Recreation. Our neighborhood park is now SAFER than ever. What a great outcome for The Charter!
- Your HOA works for you and your neighborhood every day!
- Send your email address to [myhoacharter@gmail.com](mailto:myhoacharter@gmail.com) to stay informed.

## SANTA'S COMING TO TOWN!

The Charter will welcome the holiday season with two beautiful Belgian horses pulling a sleigh with Santa, Mrs. Claus, Santa's head elf, and two professional Christmas carolers. Santa's sleigh will depart from the Civic Center and drive past every home in The Charter on **Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup> from 6-8p.** Santa and his Christmas crew will be passing out special holiday bells to the children. The map of Santa's route is posted under the 'maps' section on our website, [thecharterhoa.com](http://thecharterhoa.com). Happy Holidays!

## NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

Can you name five of your immediate neighbors? It has been proven that a neighborhood's crime rates are directly correlated to its sense of community. Our Neighborhood Watch Coordinator, Joshua Ellison, is working to create a safer neighborhood with the implementation of the new Charter Neighborhood Watch Program. In partnership with Lone Tree PD's Community Policing Unit (CPU), the program is starting from the ground up, compiling nationwide best practices to ensure the greatest benefit to The Charter. Strengthening our community by looking out for each other is one of the most effective methods for deterring neighborhood crime. For more information, please contact Joshua Ellison at 303-598-4102.

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### MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Living in a HOA community increases safety, property values and connectedness. Did you know that only one third of The Charter residents pay their annual dues? Your \$50 annual fee is due in January each year. These very minimal dues make a BIG difference in our neighborhood and ensure our unique HOA continues to thrive. Help us to sustain The Charter as a great place to live and become a member today!

### PAY WITH ZELLE

1. Scan QR code or visit [www.zellepay.com/get-started](http://www.zellepay.com/get-started)
2. Pick a person to pay → enter [thecharterhoa@gmail.com](mailto:thecharterhoa@gmail.com)
3. Add your name & email address in comments
4. Enter \$50 for payment



### SUMMER FESTIVAL

On Sunday, August 13<sup>th</sup>, we held our Second Annual Summer Festival on Winter Way. The evening was filled with delicious food from the Big Stuff food truck, a lemonade stand, games and a dance lesson for the kids, a face painter, door prizes and raffles, and a visit from a South Metro fire truck! Everyone had a great time. We enjoyed seeing familiar faces and meeting new ones – we look forward to seeing you all at this fun event next year!

### YARD OF THE MONTH

Each summer we award a \$50 gift card to The Charter member home with the most beautiful yard. This year we gave awards in July, August and September. Please remember that to be eligible to win, you must have paid your annual HOA membership dues. Congratulations to this year's winners!

- July: Art & Cory Gorski
- August: Paul & Julie Snogren
- September: Alex & Margaret Papp

### HOLIDAY LIGHTING DECOR

Each winter we award a \$50 gift card to The Charter member home with the most beautiful holiday lights display. The award will be determined by December 23<sup>rd</sup>. Please remember that to be eligible to win, you must have paid your annual HOA membership dues. Congratulations to last year's winner - Lisa & William Clark!

### HOW CAN YOU BE A GOOD NEIGHBOR?

- As winter approaches, it is important to remember that it is each homeowners' responsibility to shovel the sidewalk in front of their property. It is always helpful if everyone can move their cars off the street for plowing purposes.
- Remember to keep trash cans out of sight, leaving them outside the home attracts critters both large and small. We had a bear visit our neighborhood over the summer for a few days looking for an easy meal. Keeping trash inside helps keep our neighborhood clean and safe.
- Share information with neighbors and your HOA board about wild animals, thefts, and break-ins to help your community stay safe. Email The Charter at [myhoacharter@gmail.com](mailto:myhoacharter@gmail.com).

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