



N48 Newsletter

November 2022



Friday, November 18, 7 pm

All neighbors are invited to attend a Texas Stars hockey game at the HEB Center in Cedar Park. The game is on Friday, November 18th, with a 7:00pm start time.

Tickets cost \$17 per person.

Seating is in the Executive section,

which is close to elevators. Food and drink can be purchased at the arena and parking is free. Note: **Please make sure you dress in warm clothes because it's chilly at the ice rink!**

It is imperative that everyone who wants to attend register on the N48 website by Wednesday, November 9th. Payment also needs to be delivered to Boyd Chessman (225 Coffee Mill Creek) by the same date. **Please make checks out to Neighborhood 48.** Boyd will have a box in his front entryway to deposit checks in case he isn't home.

Tickets will be available for pick-up from Boyd on November 12th or later. Carpooling should be determined on your own. A good time to leave the neighborhood for this event is between 5:45 - 6:00pm, especially if you plan to eat there.

If you have any questions, please contact Boyd (920-209-4800) or Dianna Franzen (847-636-6486).

We hope many of you can attend this fun night out!

Tuesday, November 1, 11:30 am

Men's Lunch - The November Men's lunch will be Tuesday, November 1st at 11:30 at Jimmy Vega's Smokehouse. Jimmy Vega's is located in a classic old Georgetown house where all the food is made on-site from scratch. The address is 408 West University, Georgetown.



Please make your reservation on the website as soon as possible! Any questions, contact Judy Hofer 630-204-2991. <https://www.jimmyvegas.biz/>



Wednesday, November 2, 11:30 am

Ladies' Lunch - The November Ladies' lunch will be held on Wednesday, November 2nd at 11:30 at Jimmy Vega's Smokehouse. Jimmy Vega's is located in a classic old Georgetown house where all the food is made on-site from scratch. The address is 408 West University, Georgetown.

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Sunday, November 6, 5-7 pm

Come on down to Copperas Creek Cove on Sunday, November 6th from 5:00-7:00 pm for our N48 monthly Cul-de-Sac Party, hosted by Block 6 Captain, Bruce Bateman.

Thursday, November 10, 4 - 6 pm

Men's Happy Hour – Come join the Men of N48 for a Happy Hour on Thursday, November 10th, from 4:00 to 6:00 pm at the home of Bob Jones, 103 Coffee Mill Creek.

Please bring a beverage of your choice and an appetizer to share. **No registration needed.** Hope to see you there!



Thursday, November 17, 4 - 6 pm

Ladies' Happy Hour - Come join the Ladies of N48 for a Happy Hour on Thursday, November 17th from 4:00 - 6:00 pm at the home of Sheila Wainwright, 109 Copperas Creek Cove. Please bring a beverage of your choice and an appetizer to share. No registration needed, just come!



From the N48 Water Ambassador

The Sun City Water Matters Committee has provided information sheets about Spray-to-Drip Conversion Rebates, as well as Smart Controller Rebates. The flyers and forms can be found on the N48 website. Just click to access and print!



If homeowners choose to participate, a credit will be applied to the customer's water utility account. For questions regarding the rebate program, please e-mail Conservationservices@georgetown.org or call (512)930-2578. Rebates are limited to \$600 per water utility account, per fiscal year (October 1st thru September 30th).

This is a good time of year to look into these rebates, as it is easier to get an irrigation serviceman to make a visit in the winter! Also, there is a good amount of money in the rebate plan.

Thanks,
Bob Jones, Water Ambassador N48
robert.e.jones1944@icloud.net

HOLIDAY PARTY

Saturday, December 3, 6pm

Please join Neighborhood 48, along with N9 and N57 for a Holiday Celebration!

Where: Social Center Ballroom.

Cost: \$35.00 per person. Guests are welcome at the same price per person.

Event Timing: 6:00 - 6:30 Cocktails/Social Hour (BYOB)
6:30 - 9:30 Dinner and Dancing

Menu: Bourbon Beef Medallions with mushroom gravy
OR

Chicken Breast with Raspberry Wine Sauce.

(Both are gluten free with no sauce or gravy. GF dessert will also be available.)

Band: Mark Chesley Band

Photos: There will be a photo backdrop for individual pictures.

Donations: Gift cards for Williamson County Child Welfare for \$5, \$10, \$25 or greater from any restaurant or store; Walmart, Target, Amazon, etc.

There are two steps involved in registering for the Holiday Party:

- 1.) Register on the website, just as you do for any event.
- 2.) Click [HOLIDAY-PARTY-MEAL-SELECTION](#) on the website to print out the menu selection form to take to Nancy Chessman along with your check. If you do not have access to a printer, please contact Judy Hofer (hoferjudy@yahoo.com) or Judy Parsley (judy@dlparsley.com).

Nancy Chessman, 225 Coffee Mill Creek, will have a box outside her front door from **now through November 18th**. Place your check made out to **Neighborhood 48**, along with your Meal Selection, in the box.

Wednesday, December 7, 6 - 9 pm



CAROLING AND COCOA AT LEGACY PAVILION

On Wednesday, December 7th, 6-9 pm, we will once again be singing in the season at the Legacy Pavilion! Come join your neighbors for some holiday karaoke and sweet treats. We'll have the fireplace burning and the pavilion decorated for the holidays!

Please bring cookies or sweets to share and join your N48 neighbors in singing and karaoke or just sit back and relax! Hot chocolate will be provided!

This is a great way to get in the mood for the holidays...

Don't forget to register by **12/6/22**.

If you have any questions, please contact Judy Hofer, 512-688-2213.

Friday, December 16, 4 - 7 pm

Neighborhood Holiday Open House!

Mark your calendars now! Even more holiday cheer is coming to Neighborhood 48!

John and Diane Gulling are again opening their home for an **N48 Holiday Open House**. Please plan to attend on Friday, December 16th from 4 to 7pm at 504 Martin Creek Lane. Bring a beverage of your choice and a dish to share.



Please register on the website by **December 15th**. Questions, call Judy Hofer, 512-688-2213.

From the N48 SOSR Representative

What is SOSR? Sharing Our Senior Resources! Have you or a family member had a recent medical event, or been diagnosed with a chronic condition? Don't know where to turn? There are many non-profit resources available in the area to help seniors. Your N48 SOSR representative, Sandra Dean, can help you find the right resource. Please give her a call or text her at 404-695-8235 or e-mail SandraD70@bellsouth.net. You can also visit the SOSR Resource Table on the 3rd Wednesday of every month at the Amenity Centers from 10 am - 2 pm.



2023 Themed Dinner Dates

Date	Event Name	Location
Sun, Feb. 12	<i>Souper Bowl Party</i>	Retreat – Lone Star Room
Sat, May 6	<i>Kentucky Derby Race Day</i>	TBD
Sun, July 23	<i>Christmas in July</i>	Retreat – Lone Star Room
Sat, Oct. 7	<i>70's Disco Night</i>	The Oaks (formerly Legacy Restaurant)

DINNER IN FOR EIGHT ("48") - 2023



Dinner In "48" is a grouping of 4 to 8 people who rotate cooking meals and hosting their dinner group within their own homes. The group typically meets once per month with each member (for singles) or each household (for couples) sharing the coordination. **Please register by January 6th.** Questions can be directed to Rebecca Moore

(832-525-9170) or catchmoobear2@gmail.com.

DINNER OUT FOR EIGHT ("48") - 2023

Dinner Out "48" is a grouping of 4 to 8 people dining out together in Georgetown or surrounding areas as decided by members of each group. The group typically meets once per month with each member (for singles) or each household (for couples) alternating the coordination. **Please register by January 6th** to join in on the fun! Questions can be directed to Rebecca Moore (832-525-9170) or catchmoobear2@gmail.com.



Another Hint for N48 Homeowners

Trouble with Smoke/Carbon Monoxide (CO) Detectors

(Written and researched by Bruce Bateman – Block Captain of Copperas Creek Cove)

Recently, at 11:00pm, I experienced my smoke/carbon monoxide (CO) detectors chirping. I spent over an hour trying to silence them so we could sleep. I tried blowing them out with compressed air, I changed the batteries--they still chirped. I did not know there is actually a code to the chirping. Later, I found it was: one chirp occurring approximately once a minute means **Low Battery**/change the battery; three chirps occurring approximately once a minute means **Malfunction Signal**/detector needs to be replaced; and five chirps occurring approximately once a minute is the **End-of-Life Signal** (immediately replace the detector). My detectors were giving me the three chirp signals that the detectors needed replacement. But I did not have new detectors on hand. My only option to get some sleep was to remove the detectors from the ceiling and place them outside the house. Even disconnected (with the batteries removed) the detector units will still chirp for some time until the internal charge is discharged over time.

All our homes are equipped with smoke/CO detectors which will have problems as they age. The manufacturers generally warranty them for ten years to the original retail purchaser and this warranty is not transferrable. The oldest homes in our N48 neighborhood had units installed in the fall of 2014 and are now eight years old. Many of these units are starting to fail. I personally have replaced the smoke/CO detectors in

two homes in the past month and I have spoken with a friend who has helped replace detectors in three homes lately.

These detectors seem to start chirping at the most inconvenient times; usually in the middle of the night. In my case it was at approximately 11:00 PM and we had four international guests in the house trying to sleep!

The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) recommends that our homes be protected with Smoke/CO detectors as follows: one unit outside each sleeping area and one unit inside every bedroom. Additionally, in homes of “new construction” these units must be supplied with alternating current (AC)/commercial electrical power (the batteries in our units are only a back-up source of power).

Our units are additionally hard wired, which means these units have both commercial power to the unit (while they also have a 9-volt battery as back-up). They also are interconnected with all the other detectors in the home. When one smoke alarm functions due to detection of smoke or carbon monoxide (or when they chirp for tests, low battery or malfunction) all units will alarm or chirp. When one unit fails, toward the end of its life, it will chirp its signal followed by the same signal from other units in the house. This feature makes it difficult to determine which unit needs replacement while the others, which are just as old, may still be functional.

Because it is hard to determine which unit has failed, it is recommended that residents of N48 who have homes that are approaching the end of these detector units’ useful life, do one of two things: replace smoke/CO detectors all at one time, or purchase enough detectors to replace all units but replace them one-at-a time (if you think you can determine which unit has malfunctioned).

It is my recommendation that you replace these units when they fail with the very same model you currently have. The detector’s model number and date of manufacture is printed on the backside of the unit. The current units have mounting collars attached to the ceiling and the units just require a half twist to let the detector loose and then the unit must be unplugged from the ceiling. Detectors of a different manufacturer may require that a different mounting collar or wiring system be installed, which could complicate the detectors’ replacement.

There are several sources of replacement detector units: on-line vendors, Home Depot (but their on-line site stated the model number I needed was no longer carried), and the local Ace Hardware carries the model we have in our homes.