

Reid Farm Neighborhood ALERT! 07/13/10

Within the last 10 days, there have been several instances of vandalism and criminal mischief in the Reid Farm (RF) Subdivision. Over the July 4th holiday weekend, the pool restrooms were vandalized and a piece of pool furniture was slashed. Additionally, a flag was set on fire in a restroom waste bin. In the last 24-48 hours, the restrooms were again vandalized. The soap dispensers were broken off the wall, the soap bags removed, and the soap bags were put in the pools. This resulted in the "baby" pool needing to be completely drained, scrubbed, refilled and the filters cleaned (and both pools being closed on 07/13/2010). This is an expense that costs ALL of us because the HOA must pay for these repairs. Unfortunately, unless we are able to stop the criminal mischief, we, as an HOA, will need to increase HOA dues to pay for some type of security measures!

The RF HOA has filed a police report for the criminal activity that occurred and, when caught, will prosecute those involved to the fullest extent of the law! We should ALL take this type of event seriously and look after our neighborhood. Although the Allen Police will be patrolling and watching, **we need your help!! PLEASE...**

- **Report any type of criminal mischief** – no matter how "minor" it may seem – to the Allen Police Department. Look around! 'Nosey' neighbors and big dogs that bark are effective ways to prevent burglary! (This info stated by Allen PD in a recent crime alert release!) Report all suspicious persons and activities to the police! >>>>>>>>> To reach the Allen Police Department for a **NON-EMERGENCY, call 214-509-4321.**
- **Take a quick glance at the pool area – especially if coming home late at night!** Our pool closes at 10 pm and no one is authorized to be in the pool area after 10:00 pm! If you see someone in that area, please call the Allen Police!
- **Help us stay up-to-date!** If you know of criminal mischief that has happened in our subdivision, please let the HOA know by sending an email to rffrimewatch@tx.rr.com
- **Do not open the pool gates for anyone!** Each homeowner (in good standing) has been issued a pool key card at no charge and should use it to access the pool area. The parking lot gate is EXIT only! **Residents should enter with their pool card through the front gate** (on Wagon Wheel). Being "helpful" and opening either gate for someone to enter the pool area may be inviting criminal mischief. And please remember these pool rules... You **must** be present at the pool with your guests and any child 16 and under **must** have an adult – 18 years or older – in attendance. [Note: please call our management company, NMI, at 972-359-1548 if you need a pool card.]
- **Keep lights on and let a neighbor know when you will be away!** It is vacation time and a watchful eye by a neighbor and/or friend can help deter criminal mischief. Front porch lights and rear driveway spot lights are helpful deterrents, too!
- **Email the HOA!** If you are interested in helping with a structured RF Neighborhood Crime Watch, have tips regarding the recent vandalism, or have an idea that might help our neighborhood prevent future incidents of this kind, please email rffrimewatch@tx.rr.com

Thanks for your watchful eye!

RF HOA Board of Directors and Ellen Woody, Chair, Crime Watch & Social Committee