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A Note from the Recreation Manager



Hello GNW! For those who don't know me yet, I'm your Recreation Manager, Jacob Pena, writing to give you an update on everything recreation in the community.

First off, if you haven't been to our main office in a while, come on by and see our new Silver Creek Park! We had our grand opening ceremony back on October 19th, and the community members as well as Timberwilde students have been loving it! For now, it is just one large playground set, but our board of directors has plans to expand and purchase more equipment over the next couple of years. Such ideas consist of a covered pavilion with tables, another play set for younger children, a concrete path to our soccer fields, adult workout equipment, and swings! We plan to make this into a place where the community can come and enjoy a nice day out with friends and family!

I love soccer! I grew up playing soccer at GNW until aging out of the program and it is near and dear to my heart. So, it brings me joy to tell you that our soccer program is better than ever! New field layouts coupled with new goals and an excellent partnership with local soccer club Rush South Texas and Raising Cane's in Leon Valley have made for an exciting Fall 2023 season. We have over 220 kids on 18 teams in our program this season, which is on par with past seasons, but we will be looking at adding more kids to next year's season! We have 5 weeks left in this season so feel free to come out to one of our soccer games Friday nights at 6:45 pm or Saturdays 9:00 am-1:30 pm.

Lastly, our two big October events were amazing if I do say so myself. This year's 13th Annual GNW Car Show moved onto our soccer fields and I'm so glad we did. We saw our biggest turnout in a while, with over 70 cars participating and 775 attendees coming to the event. Guests were greeted with amazing rides and various foods provided by local vendors. We hope to make next year even better and utilize the whole soccer complex. Our 3rd Annual GNW Truck or Treat event saw a huge turnout! With over 2,200 attendees coming out to our event, it was the biggest single event turnout since I've been here. The resident fast pass line was a big hit as well seeing residents with their updated 2023 membership ID get priority entrance into the event. This was also the first year we held a costume contest for kids 18 years and under and it was a big success.

Please come join us for our winter events (you can find our upcoming event flyers on pages 4 and 5) and consider registering your child for our Spring 2024 soccer season once registration opens in December!

Jacob Pena
Recreation Manager

Upcoming Events

The Annual GNW Veteran's Day Ceremony returns to the Great Northwest on Saturday, November 11th, held at the GNW lodge (8809 Timberwilde). Ceremony is taking place from 11AM-1PM.

We are happy to invite community veterans, members, friends, and family to enjoy the presented colors over some good music, food, drinks, and the celebration of our community Veterans!

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Our annual holiday lights contest is a beloved GNW tradition that grows in size every year! Be sure to register your home for your chance to be awarded 1st, 2nd, or 3rd in your subdivision. Remember, only those who register their home by December 14th will be judged and guaranteed placement on our holiday lights map.

Entries will be divided into the following areas: Silver Creek East, Silver Creek West, Emerald Valley, and then a combined category with Ridge Creek, Timberwilde, The Commons, Village Northwest, and Stagecoach Crossing.

During the week of judging, all displays must be completely setup (lights, projections, inflatables) by 5 PM each day and remain on until 10 PM.

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It's everyone's favorite holliest, jolliest, time of the year! Make plans to join us Friday, December 15th 7PM-9PM for our annual Winter Wonderland. Held at Callanen Hall (8809 Timberwilde).

Bring your family for a classic picture with the jolly man and other holiday characters. Food trucks, face painting, balloon creations, bounce houses, a petting zoo, and a special outdoor screening of the Polar Express are some of what our annual event has offered in the past years.

Be sure to mark your calendars and join us for our next Winter Wonderland!

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With the beginning of the New Year comes the return of another annual Great Northwest tradition, this one dearly beloved by the brave of heart: the Polar Bear Plunge!

Participants will meet at the Silver Creek Pool (8809 Timberwilde) on January 1st, for a quick lap in the pool, after which they will receive a commemorative shirt.

Some of our awesome summer staff will be on hand to cheer you on as you dive into the new year. Refreshments will also be provided.

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Community Events

ACC MEETING

First & third Monday of the month at 4:30 PM [SC]

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

First & third Thursday of the month at 6:30 PM [SC]

BOOK CLUB

Third Wednesday of the month at 1 PM [SC]

CAMP GLADIATOR

Mondays, Tuesdays & Thursdays at 5:45 PM [SC]

DOMINOES

Wednesdays at 11 AM [EV]

GNWATCH MEETING

Second Thursday of the month at 6:30PM [SC]

GRANDPARENTS RAISING

GRANDCHILDREN

Last Wednesday of the month 10AM [SC]

LINE DANCING

Monday & Thursday at 10 & 11 AM [SC]

MAHJONG

Tuesday at 6 PM [SC]

OWLS

Second Tuesday of the month at 11:30 AM [SC]

POKER

Thursdays at 1 PM [EV]
First & third Monday of the month at 7 PM [SC]

ZUMBA

Mondays & Wednesdays 7 PM [SC]
Saturdays 10AM [EV]
(Starts August 28th)

SC = Silver Creek, 8809 Timberwilde
EV= Emerald Valley, 9310 Timber Path

Our office, at Silver Creek Lodge, is open from 9 AM to 6 PM, Mon. – Fri.

Recreation Bulletins

VETERAN'S DAY CEREMONY





11AM-1PM
CALLANEN HALL
8809 TIMBERWILDE

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HOLIDAY LIGHTS CONTEST





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Winners announced December 21st

Enter by December 11th

1ST, 2ND, & 3RD PLACE PER AREA

23rd Annual Winter Wonderland






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7PM-9PM

December 15th

Silver Creek Lodge
8809 Timberwilde

33RD ANNUAL POLAR BEAR PLUNGE

**JANUARY
1ST
11AM**

**EACH
SWIMMER
GETS A
T-SHIRT!**



SILVER CREEK POOL

8809 TIMBERWILDE

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New GNW Park

As some of you may have noticed over the last month, GNW has installed our newest amenity! This additional amenity to the community is located on the corner of Timberwilde and Timber Path! Special thank you to Board Member Rene Lucio for curating the idea for this park and our GNW maintenance department for executing the project! Additional structures are planned to be added on beginning 2024. Keep an eye out on our social media for more updates as the project develops.





Kuwamura Park Renovations

Our GNW maintenance team have not only installed new picnic tables (all over the GNW), but have also freshly painted our shade structures in Kuwamura Park! Be sure to stop by and enjoy their hard work in making sure the GNW stays great!





Neighbors Together

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our Neighbors Together events last night. It was so nice watching the neighborhood come together to enjoy some food & each other's company. Special thank you to the hosts for our four events! We can't wait to see you all again at the next one!

Dial-A-Trailer

Thank you to everyone who came out to our Dial-A-Trailer events on Saturday 9/30. Members were able to pull up to one of our two set up locations with their vehicles loaded up (some event made multiple trips) and had assistance from the San Antonio Solid Waste Management team to quickly unload all their items. Special thank you to the City of San Antonio Solid Waste Management team for helping us clean up the Great Northwest!





Trunk or Treat

Special thank you to all of our volunteers who handed out candy this past weekend! We had over 2,200 attendees and 30 trunks for our 3rd Annual Trunk or Treat event! Thank you to our sponsors The Castro Agency: Allstate Insurance, Raising Cane's #122, and SERVPRO for helping make this community event possible!



Car Show

On Saturday October 7th, we hosted our largest Annual GNW Car Show yet! Thank you to everyone who joined us for our 13th Annual Car Show. We had over 750 people in attendance and 70 cars registered! Congratulations to all of our winners! Special thank you to our sponsors Raising Cane's #122, Carol Riechers-IH-10 Realty, and The Castro Agency: Allstate Insurance for making this neighborhood event possible!





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Fall 2023 Youth Soccer

Our Fall 2023 Soccer season is wrapping up with about 2 and a half weeks left! This season began with all new goals, nets, and field layout. Thank you to all of our players, coaches, parents, friends, and family for coming out to have an amazing season. Registration for Spring Soccer will be opening early December for ages 4-13 years old. If you have any feedback from this season or questions about the upcoming Spring season, email recreation@greatnorthwest.org

Halloween House Contest

Congratulations to the three 1st place winners for our Annual Halloween House Contest:

- 6446 Forest Village
- 8519 Timber Spring
- 8479 Timber Belt

Thank you Raising Cane's Leon Valley for sponsoring the prizes for our three 1st place winners! Special thank you to everyone who participated in our Halloween House Contest! We can't wait till next year!



Important Contact Information

Emergency: 911

SAPD Non-Emergency
210-207-7273

Animal Control
and Enforcement
210-207-6000

Call 210-681-6268 for
GNW Security Assistance

SAPD Prue Rd Substation
210-207-7425

San Antonio Fire
Department Station #41
210-207-6000

District 6 City Council Office
210-207-3749

SAPD SAFTE Unit Officer
Tim Henry
210-667-6722

San Antonio Water System
210-704-7297

City of San Antonio
Services: 311

CPS Energy
210-353-4357

Camp Gladiator!



NEW LOCATION!

MY NAME IS TRAINER HALEY MCANELLY! I WILL BE AT THE SILVER CREEK SOCCER FIELDS ON MONDAYS, TUESDAYS, & THURSDAYS AT 5:45PM! COME TRY IT OUT FOR THE NEXT 4 WEEKS ON ME! SCAN HERE!



A National Leader in Group Fitness
Suitable for all Fitness Levels
Silver Creek Soccer Fields
(Timberwilde & Timber Path)

Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays
5:45 pm



Are you interested in weekly email updates about the many cool things happening in the Great Northwest community?



To receive this newsletter every Saturday scan the QR code above! Each issue covers information about recent and upcoming events, opportunities to get involved in, and events to meet people in our community.



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NOVEMBER

EMERALD VALLEY



EVENTS

SILVER CREEK

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29	30 Line Dancing: 10&11AM ACC Meeting: 4:30PM Camp Gladiator: 5:45 PM Zumba: 7PM	31 Camp Gladiator: 5:45PM Mahjong: 6PM	1 Dominoes:10:30AM	2 Line Dancing:10&11AM Poker: 1 PM	3	4 Raising Cane's Leon Valley Soccer Fundraiser 10AM-10PM
5	6 Line Dancing: 10&11AM Camp Gladiator: 5:45PM Poker: 7PM Zumba: 7PM	7 Camp Gladiator: 5:45PM Mahjong: 6PM	8 Dominoes: 10:30AM Zumba: 7PM	9 Line Dancing: 9&10AM Poker: 1 PM Camp Gladiator: 5:45PM GNWatch: 6:30PM	10	11 Raising Cane's Leon Valley Soccer Fundraiser 10AM-10PM Veteran's Day Ceremony: 11AM
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23rd Annual Winter Wonderland

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