



Winchester Country

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Winchester Country Residents

The WCMA board met Thursday November 11, 2004 for the monthly meeting. At this time the budget was finalized. After reviewing our finances for the upcoming year, and examining, rising costs, improvements and maintenance that will be required in the upcoming year the WCMA board has come to the conclusion that it will be necessary to increase the annual maintenance assessment fee for the 2005 fiscal year. This increase will be from the current rate of \$280.00 to \$315.00.

This increase will help fund budgetary items that have been of growing concern over the past few years including electricity, security, and landscaping, as well as provide sufficient funds for general maintenance items, and needed capital improvements. In an aging subdivision, we as a board and residents need to do all we can to maintain our subdivision and the amenities within it. By presenting an attractive and functional community to you the current homeowners, and to prospective buyers, we need to ensure stable property values and protect the investments we have all made in our homes and the community.

The good news is that even though we had had an increase in the annual maintenance assessment this year, it will be the first increase in over 10 years. w.winchestercountry.org

December

11 Pictures with Santa 1-3 PM
24 Christmas Eve
25 Christmas
27 Senior's Meeting 6:00 p.m.
31 New Year's Eve

Dec. 17 – Jan. 3 CFISD Holiday

January

1 New Years Day
17 Martin Luther King Jr. Day/CFISD Holiday
24 Senior's Meeting 6:00 p.m.
25 Homeowner's Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Heavy trash pickup day –

Every Trash Pick up day

If not a holiday!

Seasons Greetings

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WC Maintenance Association Board of Directors

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Holly Calbat.....wchcoordinator@winchestercountry.org, 281-890-8856

Important Phone Numbers

Trash Pick-Up - Recycling Bins - Terri League - BFI 713-636-6315

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MUD 9,10 & 11 281-807-9500

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Center Point Energy 713-207-2222

Reliant Entex 713-659-2111

Pool Phone 281-890-9066

Harris Country Sheriff Numbers

Emergency or Crime in progress 911

WC Deputies 713-221-6000

Vacation Watch 281-376-2997

Maintenance Association Meeting

Fourth Tuesday of every quarter - 7 p.m.

Swim & Tennis Club; 9607 Rio Grande Drive

Questions or information regarding Deed Restriction violation letters, your annual maintenance dues or Architectural Approval of any type must be requested and obtained in writing from:

Winchester Country Maintenance Association,

c/o SCS Management Services

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Business Classified Ads

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OFFICE HOURS

Mondays 4 – 7 PM

Wednesdays 10 – 1 PM

*** For the weeks of Christmas and New Years please call the office for an appointment at 281-890-8856.

Friends and Neighbors,

Where has the year gone? It's well past time to think about those gifts that you would like to give family for Christmas and some are worried or concerned that our offerings may not be wanted or needed. Keep in mind those who may be less fortunate and would welcome anything at all, be it gift or acknowledgement. If you know such a person or family please think about them as well this holiday season and try to bring cheer and good tidings not only to your family, but to FRIENDS & NEIGHBORS as well! Have a Wonderful Christmas and a Happy & Safe New Year!

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As the holiday season approaches, the kids are excited about vacations, gifts, and playing with friends- things children should concern themselves about. As parents, grandparents, guardians, and caring friends, we should know there are other things to prepare for. We make sure that are children are dressed for the weather, wear their helmets and knee pads, and eat a healthy diet- but we also have to prepare our children for other realities.

Does your child know what to do if a stranger asks them for help? Does your child know how to reach you in the event of an emergency? Does your child know your full name? Do you have a recent color photo of your child? Do you know all the medications they may be taking? Do you know your child's friends?

We live in a time where these are just the basics. We can prepare ourselves and our children for the dangers that can be just outside our doors. With just a few basic rules, for both you and your children can better prepare you for an emergency situation.

1. Teach your children that the police are their friends and that they can rely on them if they are in trouble.
2. Set-up a password. A secret word only between you and your child. In the event someone else has to pick them up- your child knows only to go with them if they have the password.
3. Teach your children that strangers should not ask a child for assistance. Adults should ask adults for help.
4. Always accompany your child on door-to-door activities.

5. Know you neighbors and neighborhood. Regularly check for registered offenders in your area.
6. Rethink the signs on your lawns and vehicles that give strangers too much information. (Their name, team name, team number, sport, school, address, and vehicle information all in a glance.)
7. You should not put your child's name on their clothes where it is visible. Children feel more comfortable around others that already know their name.
8. Teach your children that no one should ever touch any part of their body that a bathing suit would cover.
9. Never leave your child alone in a public place, stroller, or car for even a minute.
10. Always accompany your child to the restroom in public places.

These are just a few of the basics. Too often we hear terrible stories that break our hearts. We need to start preparing our children for some of the realities that are just outside our doors. We also need to prepare them from some invaders in our homes, namely the Internet. Know where your children are going. Put a computer in a place that you as an adult can easily see where they are and what information they are giving out. Use the tools that are out there that filter out the garbage you don't want your children to see.

For additional safety information, links to the Amber Alert, for links to registered Texas Offenders, or if you would like a free pair of shoe labels, visit www.myfamilycd.com/houston.

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Mentor volunteers also encourage students to focus on their educational and career goals. Becoming a mentor reflects your commitment to supporting and guiding the educational and personal growth of the youth in our community.

We appreciate the time, effort, and caring that mentors are so generously willing to give.

For more information on becoming a Mentor, please contact Rachel Smith @ 713.896.3400 or rachel.smith@cfisd.net.

January Newsletter

Newsletter Deadline is Friday, December 10th 2004

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L.I.F.E. Gets You Ready for the Holidays and More

Cy-Fair College's Learning, Inspiration, Fellowship, and Enrichment programs are held Wednesdays at 10 a.m. in the Cy-Fair College Branch Library (Room 131.) December programs will include hints for eBay **Dec. 1**, beaded bracelets **Dec. 8** and Hors d'Oeuvres **Dec. 15**. There will be no programs Dec. 22 or Dec. 29 due to the holiday break. Call the library at 281-290-3213 for L.I.F.E. program information or check the library web page online at cy-faircollege.com/library.

Join a book club at the Cy-Fair College Branch Library

The Voices of the Americas Book Club meets monthly at 11:30 a.m. in the Cyber Café. This bilingual book club will discuss "Inquieta Compania" by Carlos Fuentes Friday, Dec. 17. The Go Time Travelin' Book Club meets at its new time of 6:30 p.m. in the library meeting room 131 Monday, Dec. 6 to discuss "Birth of the Chess Queen" by Marilyn Yalom. Women of the World Book Club meets Dec. 14 at 6 p.m. in room 131 to discuss "The Color of Water: A Black Man's Tribute to his White Mother" by James McBride. Elise Sheppard, teen librarian, also hosts book clubs for middle school, high school, home school and ESL students. Visit the library web site at cy-faircollege.com/library for other book clubs and teen activities.



NWHC Aggie Mothers' Club Upcoming Events

December 14, 2004 – Second Tuesday of the month

With Christmas right around the corner, you will definitely need an evening of fun, laughter, and relaxation. Please join the Northwest Harris County Aggie Mothers' Club for their annual 'Ornament Exchange' party. Please bring an "Aggie-ized" ornament (if you can write anything 'Aggie' on it or if it's Maroon then it's "aggie-ized"!)

Our meetings begin with a brief social at 7:00p.m. at the Foundry Methodist Church, in the Fellowship Hall, 8350 Jones Road, Jersey Village (one block North of Hwy 290).

For more information or carpool possibilities please call:

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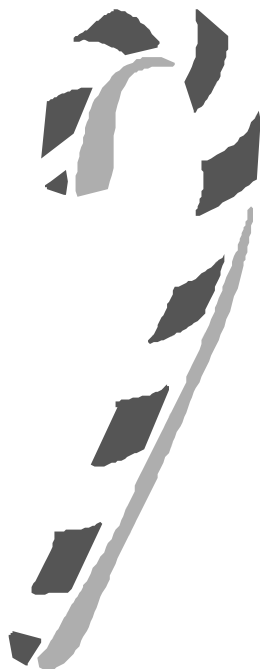
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- **Your Name**
- **Your Address**
- **Date & Time you wish to rent (if known)**
- **A daytime phone number (if possible as we try to return all phone calls weekdays between 8am and 5 pm)**

CLUBHOUSE RENTAL GENERAL INFORMATION:

- Our Clubhouse has two rooms that may be used separately or as one large room.
- The original clubhouse holds approximately 80 people and has 10-6ft rectangular tables and 2 -60 inch in diameter round tables plus 80 chairs. Also has a full kitchen with microwave and coffee maker.
- The new addition holds approximately 40 people and has 3-60inch in diameter round tables plus 40 chairs. Also has a microwave, coffee maker and a small refrigerator.

The Rental rates are as follows:

- All Rentals must pay a refundable \$250 deposit. (your deposit check will be destroyed upon post-rental inspection.) Any persons wanting their deposit check returned must supply a self addressed stamped envelope.
- Renting both rooms \$30.00 the first hour
\$20.00 each additional hour
- Renting one room \$20.00 the first hour
\$10.00 each additional hour
- All rentals have a ½ hour before and a ½ hour after to setup and clean up at no charge. (additional time for setup and cleanup will be charged at regular rates)
- All rentals are scheduled on a first come basis
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Tennis Court Cards

If you wish to obtain a tennis court card there is a \$10 deposit (unless you have the old tennis court key). You can either mail a check (made payable to WCMA) to WCMA, 9607 Rio Grande, Houston, Texas 77064 for \$10 with your name and address, or you can drop it off at the clubhouse. Outside the gates there is a slot; just put your envelope in there and a card will be sent to you.

Color Palette

Volunteers are needed from each section of our subdivision to assist in choosing an acceptable color palette for our homes in Winchester Country. If you are able to serve on this short term committee please contact, Jim Hensley 281-380-0539 or j_ronhensley@hotmail.com Thank you.

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Do you Recycle?

Would you like to recycle but do not have a recycle bin to put your recycling stuff in? If that is the case, please go to the Community Website at www.winchestercountry.org and go to Community Coordinator. I will submit your request to BFI to have a bin dropped off at your house. It is so important to recycle now more than ever.

What can be recycled?

- Pizza Boxes
- Cans
- Milk Cartons
- Newspapers
- Magazines
- Light cardboard boxes
- Plastic - shampoo bottles, etc., must have the recycle symbol on the bottom of the plastic bottles



Please note: Sorry, they will not pick up glass.

Also, Bang Elementary will take your newspapers and magazines in their recycle bin too.

Architectural Control

ACC approval must be obtained before you:

1. Paint exterior of your house (even if the same color).
2. Repair or replace your roof.
3. Repair or install a new fence.
4. Add a storage or tool shed.
5. Add a satellite dish.
6. Add an antenna.
7. Install siding.
8. Install a patio or patio cover.
9. Replace garage doors.
10. Add a room addition.
11. Add a pool.
12. Add a deck.
13. Add a basketball goal.
14. Add solar/screen windows of doors.
15. Replace your mailbox.
16. Add burglar bars.
17. Add landscaping.
18. Add sidewalks.
19. Add exterior lighting.

ACC Application

Before making any improvements/repairs or additions to your home, please request a copy of the ACC Application from SCS Mgmt Services, or come to the office at the Clubhouse (see hours someone will be there) or go to website at www.winchestercountry.org and download the form.

Winchester Country Identification Decals

You can obtain identification decals of your vehicle one of two ways: you can email me at wincountry@ev1.net or mail to WCMA, 9607 Rio Grande, Houston, Texas 77064. You will need to include the following: your name, address, make, model, year and color of your vehicle and I will mail it out to you ASAP.

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Winchester Country

Birthday - Anniversary - Youth Job Directory Update

Winchester Country Residents please note that we will be updating the Birthdays, Anniversaries and Youth Job directory. We will run the new information beginning with the January 2005 Winchester Country 2005.

Youth Job Directory

Name	Age	Job	Phone
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Birthdays

(list each family member)

Name	Month
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Examples:

- (B) Babysitting
- (Y) Yardwork
- (PS) Pet Sitting
- (C) Carwashing

Please email your information to the following wchcoordinator@winchestercountry.org, drop off this information in mail slot located at the clubhouse, or mail to the community coordinator at 9607 Rio Grande Houston, TX 77064.

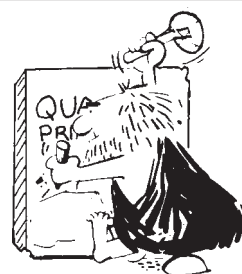
Anniversaries

(list celebrants)

Name	Month
_____	_____

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WINCHESTER MARKET REPORT

Courtesy of "SUPER DAVE"

This market information report is provided to keep you informed of resale market activity in your subdivision.

	May 04	Jun 04	Jul 04	Aug 04	Sept 04	Oct 04
\$130,000 above	1	3	2	1	3	2
\$120,000-129,999	1	1	2	0	2	0
\$110,000-119,999	1	1	4	1	1	0
\$100,000-109,999	0	1	1	0	3	1
\$90,000-99,999	0	1	1	3	2	0
\$90,000 below	1	0	0	0	1	0
TOTAL	4	7	10	5	12	3
Highest \$/Sq Ft	78.18	73.91	79.47	67.74	80.25	74.86

This chart represents the homes that have sold and closed in the past 6 months according to the Houston Multiple Listing Service.

Recent sales by "SUPER DAVE" in Winchester

- 9519 Territory
- 10126 Cedaredge
- 10019 Villa Verde
- 10010 Territory
- 10615 Thunderhead Ct
- 10506 Green Valley
- 10303 Ash Fork
- 9518 Cabin Creek
- 10327 Tablerock
- 10235 Tablerock
- 9903 Willow Park
- 10026 Prospect Hill
- 9910 Cedaredge
- 10018 Red Wolf
- 9610 Arrowgrass
- 10018 Sand Pass
- 10031 Cabin Creek
- 10031 Sand Pass

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