

# Wortham Villages

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## *Splinters From the Board*

*By Stan Schoen E-mail: [sschoen@worthamweb.org](mailto:sschoen@worthamweb.org)*

The Neighborhood Watch for Wortham is officially kicked off; I'm excited about it and so should you be. Marie Trascher along with her valuable assistant Fred Trascher, did a great job in preparation for the meeting we had on November 10, 2005. All the attendees participated and we had a very productive meeting. I was proud to be part of the initial meeting and look forward to further get-togethers in planning our future regarding how we communicate with each other and how we distribute information that we all need to share. Soon you will find a letter from the Wortham Neighborhood Watch and Marie, asking you to provide contact information such as e-mail addresses and phone numbers in addition to the block captains harvesting information as well. I'll leave all the details to Marie and the Neighborhood Watch, as we will bombard you with information because this is truly a neighbor watching neighbor program. You can read more about this later in this newsletter.

Several people have asked me about the advertisements in this newsletter and the quantity of those. We can only provide information that we get from our residents and committees and the rest is filling for the editors of this newsletter. We send this out to be done and they have a right to make a dollar. If we truly don't like all the advertisements then submit more information from all sources to minimize this. There is a cost involved to produce and mail the newsletters. If you have anything you would like to contribute to the newsletter we would love to hear from you. The deadline is the 12<sup>th</sup> of each month for the following month.

At our annual homeowners' meeting, which was a resounding success, Rebecca McShane announced that we are financially sound and we have reserves to take care of any incidentals we might need to repair our amenities, such as roofs, tennis courts, etc. We had a quorum and everything seemed to go smoothly with the three

incumbent board members getting re-elected. Jonathon Armstrong was unavailable to attend due to business reasons so he was re-elected and has additional duties that he 'volunteered' for while gone. His wife, Mindy, had Wortham directories available and if you are interested we can get you a copy by e-mailing anyone and for \$3.00 per copy it's all yours.

It was my pleasure to hear Steve Carter and Rebecca McShane introduce themselves and give a mini resume because it made me realize how lucky I, as a resident, and all of us residents are to have such quality people representing us. The other members are Jonathon Armstrong and Rick Anderson and all contribute and truly care about our community. I wish to thank all of my co-harts for their hard work and dedication through the year and to their families for putting up with all we do.

Our community has been a success and I believe it is due to all of us in that we are lucky to have such fine people living here. Our delinquencies are slight for our homeowner fees, our deed restriction violations are minimal and this is just a great place to live and raise a family. Our dues are steady and we are not raising our fees this year and because of the quality of people living here and we have no need at this time. I know of many communities that are paying \$600 plus and have less available for them than we do.

These are exciting times for us as we enter a new era with all that is going on and the Neighborhood Watch. We need you! We need block captains and we need your information. We are truly our brothers' keepers!

On behalf of your board members at Wortham we wish you the happiest of holidays this season and the best of a New Year to you and to your family. To your family from ours...

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## MINUTES of BLOCK CAPTAINS

### MEETING - November 10, 2005

#### AGREED DUTIES OF BLOCK CAPTAINS

- Get E-mail or phone # for each person on your street. Some are not valid because new residents have moved in.
- Visit people - let them know of Neighborhood Watch and ask of any concern or comment.
- Tell each house about whom to call concerning illegal parking, suspicious persons, solicitors, disputes with neighbors, etc. to call the Sheriff's office – not Board Members or Block Captains. Call 713-221-6000 to report such issues.
- For EMERGENCY call 911
- Assure each resident that anything serious (Car jacking, pedophiles or escaped prisoners sighted) they would be notified by E-mail or phone (if no E-mail is available).

#### VACATION WATCH

- I will E-mail the Vacation Watch Form to each Block Captain who in turn can make this available to residents on their street wanting it.
- Forms to be given to each resident or call Sheriff's office 713-221-6000.
- Place completed Form in the Suggestion Box at Club House

#### REPLACEMENT OF BLOCK CAPTAINS

- We still need Block Captains for: Lark Brook, Chestnut Woods, Dogwood Blossom, Elm Bridge, Walnut Lake, Magnolia Leaf and Tulip Garden. Please canvass your neighbors for possible candidates. If you need help, let me know.
- A notice for new Block Captains will be placed on each Wortham Marquis

#### NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

- It was suggested that National Night Out be held at the retention pond. Tents would be provided for shade and tables would be setup for each street. The Mud District was gracious enough and will also provide these facilities.
- We will invite the Fire & Police Departments to have exhibits/ displays especially for the children to get acquainted with the Officers and Fireman and their equipment.
- Wortham Grove would be invited to join us.
- I hope to get Social Committee involved as well.

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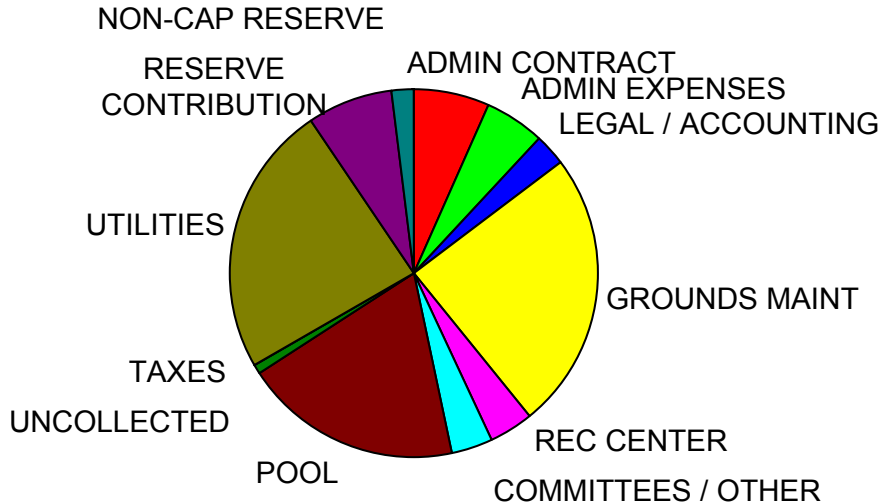
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- To be placed on back window of car. Some were handed out. If more are wanted, contact me.

### OFFICERS POLK AND THOMAS

- Reported that our community has been very quiet with no serious incidents. Good news.

I appreciated all the Block Captains and Harris County Deputies that attended to help make our first meeting successful. I hope to see everyone at our next meeting. All Block Captains will be notified in early 2006 of the time and date for our next gathering.

Happy Holidays!

Marie Trascher

Neighborhood Watch Chair

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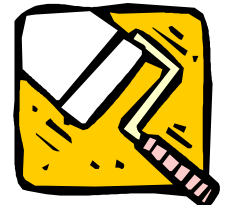
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## Neighborhood Recreational Facilities Corner

By Rick Anderson

I hope to make this a monthly or quarterly article to provide the residents an update of what is going on with the recreational facilities we have in Wortham Villages. These facilities include the pool, clubhouse, tennis courts and playground areas. We are planning several things to be accomplished over the fall/winter/spring months in the facilities.

The pool area items include repainting of the pool area fences, including the gates at the pool entrance and for the equipment areas and the window bars and light pole within pool area. This work should happen early next year and is included in the budget for 2006.

The clubhouse will be undergoing major interior renovations as we update the interiors. These renovations will include new flooring, countertops, paint, making the restroom ADA compliant, ceiling fans and new lighting. This work will be done in January of 2006 and should last no more than 30 days. The clubhouse will not be available during that time, so please make arrangements for your meeting or functions during that time to

happen at another location temporarily. We will be obtaining bids from contractor before year-end and once we have a definite schedule for the construction work, we will inform the residents. We think you will be pleased with the results of this work. This work is also included in the budget for 2006. Furniture for the clubhouse will be addressed in the future.

The tennis courts will be receiving a facelift as well with a new court surface topping, painting of the practice boards and light poles, new nets and miscellaneous equipment. This work is ongoing and should be completed following the end of the current tennis team season into early next year. Part of this work is being completed under the 2005 budget and the rest under the 2006 budget. We are please with the heavy use of the tennis courts by the tennis teams and residents. In an effort to insure usage of the courts by our residents we are going to be implementing some changes. We will be handing out new tennis court keys sometime early next year. One key will be allowed per household and we

will set up a time at the clubhouse for people to turn in their current key and/or pick up a new key much like we do for our pool tags distribution. Each household's key status will be documented and the fee for a replacement key will be established. Additionally, the Board of Directors has determined that a tennis team usage policy should be established. This policy is that for a tennis team to use the tennis courts, the make up of the team must include at least 75% Wortham Villages' residents.

Finally, we are looking for new members of the Recreational Facilities committee (formerly pool committee) to help us as we continue to look at ways we can effectively maintain and upgrade our facilities. Randall Reinhart has worked hard over the last several years heading up this committee and is stepping down. We need others in the neighborhood to step up to help. If you are interested please contact Rick Anderson at 281-890-4878 or email to [rick\\_anderson@efiglobal.com](mailto:rick_anderson@efiglobal.com). Thanks and have a great holiday season.



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## WOW – Bells Will Be Ringing

By Reschele Lawrence

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On Thursday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, at 7pm, Rita Runnels will be hosting WOW (12922 Magnolia Leaf). There will be a Christmas Ornament Exchange (\$10 value) and everyone should bring a wonderful dish to share.

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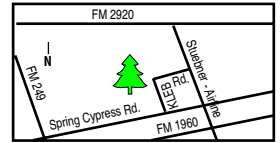


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December 16: Holiday Parties

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2:00-02:45 - PPCD/3/4/5

Holidays - December 19-Jan. 2 - Classes Resume on January 3

Debbie Williams

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Tickets are \$10 at the door or \$8 if purchased November 30 - December 2 during the lunch hour at Cypress Falls High School.

Al's Formal Wear, Visible Changes, David's Bridal and the Aquarium Restaurant are among the participating retailers.

The vendor exhibit will open at 4:00 p.m. The fashion show will be at 5:00 p.m. Models are seniors at Cypress Falls High School.

The Homecoming Fashion Extravaganza is co-sponsored by Prom Pros of Spring, Texas.

Cypress Falls High School Project Prom is a 501(c) 3 organization dedicated to providing area youth with a safe, alcohol-free, drug-free event following the Senior Prom. This year's Project Prom will be May 6, 2006, at The Main Event in The Woodlands.

For More Information:

Connie Kubiak, 1<sup>st</sup> President, Cypress Falls High School Project Prom 713-869-8700, 281-373-0384

Katherine McNeal, Chairman, Cypress Falls High School Holiday Fashion Extravaganza 713-857-5627, 281-463-0208

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## Cy-Fair College Perspective

### December mini-mester registration under way

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### What's in the Center for the Arts?

The Fall 2005 Cy-Fair College Student Exhibition, a juried exhibition of work of students enrolled in visual art courses completed during the fall semester, continues through Dec. 8. Swingtime Canteen, a sentimental journey through the music of the 1940s, continues through Dec. 11. The Cy-Fair College Jazz Band will explore the diverse landscape of jazz through the music of Miles Davis Dec. 7. Call 281-290-5201 for performance information or go to [www.cy-faircollege.com](http://www.cy-faircollege.com)

### Escape to the Movies for Free

Cy-College's Fall Film Series ends this month with three last films including: "Night Mother" Dec. 1, "Blazing Saddles," Dec. 6 and "Young Frankenstein" Dec. 8. A professor or student organization at the college hosts each film and a discussion afterward. The film

series, presented at no charge to students and the community, is offered as a free Continuing Education class called Film Appreciation. Registration is available at all the film events. The Cy-Fair College Fall Film Series is part of Windows On the World, an effort to promote cultural activities on campus. For information, call 281-290-3257, e-mail [robert.obrien@nhmccd.edu](mailto:robert.obrien@nhmccd.edu) or visit [http://faculty.nhmccd.edu/robobrien/Film\\_Series.html](http://faculty.nhmccd.edu/robobrien/Film_Series.html).

### L.I.F.E. in the Holiday Season

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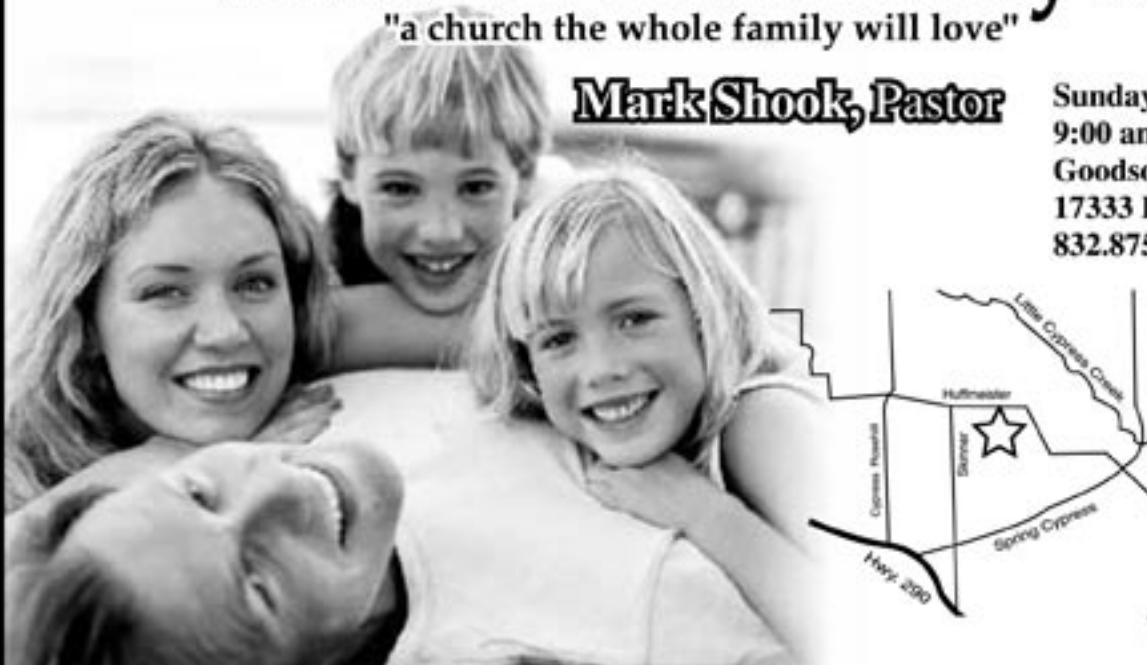
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## Cypress Falls High School Ink Cartridge Recycling Program Protects the Environment and Helps Fund Project Prom

Cypress Falls High School has established a printer ink cartridge recycling center in order to support the dual goals of reducing landfill waste and raising funds for Project Prom.

Anyone in the community can bring undamaged cartridges to the school collection site in the assistant principals' office. Cartridges manufactured by Hewlett Packard, Lexmark, Apple, Xerox, Cannon or Dell will be accepted.

Cypress Falls Project Prom will receive a dollar for every cartridge turned in. The school is working with National Revitalization Services, Inc., in this effort.

Cypress Falls High School Project Prom is dedicated to providing area youth with a safe, alcohol-free, drug-free event following the Senior Prom. This year's Project Prom will be May 6, 2006, at The Main Event in The Woodlands.

For More Information:

Connie Kubiak, 1<sup>st</sup> President, Cypress Falls High School Project Prom 713-869-8700, 281-373-0384

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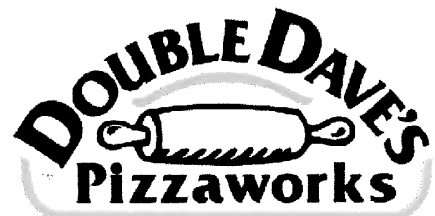


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**Free Diabetes Support Group** meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of every month from 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm in the hospital cafeteria. Led by Sylvia Kircher, RN, CDE, CPT, **the next meeting will be December 6<sup>th</sup>.**

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	May 05	Jun 05	Jul 05	Aug 05	Sept 05	Oct 05
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\$190,000-209,999	0	1	1	0	0	0
\$170,000-189,999	1	2	0	0	1	2
\$150,000-169,999	0	1	2	1	0	2
\$130,000-149,999	0	2	0	0	0	3
\$130,000 -	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>9</b>
Highest \$/Sq Ft	<b>72.38</b>	<b>72.99</b>	<b>74.96</b>	<b>65.23</b>	<b>65.32</b>	<b>73.28</b>

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