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# Vandalism Hits Willowbridge

Unfortunately, no matter how safe our small community is there is always the threat that crime can hit us at any time.

Over the past year our Tennis Courts have suffered repeated acts of VANDALISM. The locking mechanism, the gates and the perimeter fencing have all been attacked repeatedly.

The most recent attacks have been directed at the electrical system powering the tennis court lights. The lighting system was first attacked several months ago with vandals breaking open the timing clock and resetting the "on-off" times so the court lights would stay on later. The timer was damaged and had to be replaced. The HOA moved the timer to a more secure location. This criminal act was done so people could play tennis after 10:00 PM ( when the park and tennis courts close).

The Timer / Electrical system was attacked again at a "junction box", which was locked. The box was located in a very difficult spot to reach. The wiring was tampered with to allow power to remain full time to the Tennis Court Lighting System. This criminal act caused damage to the entire system. The HOA again had the damage repaired. This criminal act was done so people could play tennis after 10:00PM and as late as they desired.

Most recently the "junction box" was vandalized again. The 2 locks the HOA added to secure the box were cut, the vandals attempted to re-run the wiring, again, to keep full time power to the lights. The vandals replaced the HOA's locks with their own locks. This replacing of the locks was to cover up the tampering. The HOA electrician was called when tennis courts lights were noticed to be malfunctioning.

The obvious culprits are individuals who are interested in playing tennis at night, after the 10:00PM closing time.

A Criminal Complaint has been formally filed, possible suspects identified, fingerprints taken from "the junction box" and because of our close relationship with the Sheriff's Department a Criminal Investigation has begun. The Sheriff's Department has promised to push prosecution to the absolute maximum allowed by law, which means "Jail Time". The vandals can avoid prosecution by stepping forward and paying for all damages.

The HOA is currently researching an improved locking system for the tennis courts gate.

The damages done to the courts, lighting system and additional cost of power have spiraled into the Thousands of Dollars.

Due to the damage these criminal acts have done to the Electrical System, lighting is currently not available on the Tennis Courts.

Should you have any information regarding the vandalism to the Tennis Courts or Lighting System please call Myla Chandler at PCMI-281-870-0585 or email: myla@pcmi-us.com . All information will be forwarded to the Sheriff's Department and kept confidential.

Deputies have been instructed to strictly enforce the Willowbridge Park and Tennis Courts 10:00PM closing time.

#### AUGUST VARD OF THE MONTH

Joe and Lynlee Linke have lived at 8631 Upshur Lane since



Joe and Lynlee Linke 8631 Upshur Lane

March 2005 and have a beautiful front yard. Joe is the Operations Manager at Standard Equipment Company and Lynlee is a veterinarian at Northwest An imal Hospital. The

twin 6-year old daughters, Jillian and Jessica, who attend Gleason Elementary. They also have a baby on the way, due in January 2007. Louie is their 10-tear old Pembroke Corgi.

Both Joe and Lynlee enjoy gardening and working in their yard. Joe's special interests are refinishing furniture and bowling. Lynlee does scrapbooking and enjoys running and training for marathons and triathlons.

Their front yard flowerbed is traditional but somewhat formal in design. Borders are planted with blue daze and the interior of the bed with agapanthus, calla lilies and other assorted lilies, rudbechia, zinnias, vincas, amaryllis, mandevilla, and several variety of fern. Interspersed throughout the bed is lots of yard art – small statues, trellis and a bird bath. The bed is lined with solar-powered garden lights. Their backyard has a pool and is planted with more exotic species of palm, yucca, hibiscus, ginger and also has a small succulent cactus garden.

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## HOA Annual Meeting – October 19, 2006 (Please Plan to Attend)

You are invited to attend your Willowbridge/Stonebridge Homeowners Association Annual Meeting on Thursday, October 19, 2006 from 7-9pm at the clubhouse.

Each year it is a struggle for us to meet the 10% quorum (83 homeowners present in person or by proxy) required to hold our annual meeting. I could understand this if we were just discussing pool maintenance or planting marigolds, but we always have some very major issues to discuss. This year's meeting will be well worth your attendance.

Here are some issues that I think will come up:

- (1) The HOA will be facing significantly increased costs associated with Trash Collection, Electricity & Landscaping contract.
- (2) Deed Restriction Violation Letters sent to homeowners there has been a huge increase in the number of cited violations in 2006
- (3) Tennis Courts and Soccerfield use, rules and reservation process.
- (4) Low Income Apartments proposed to be built on West Rd (west of Jones Rd).
- (5) Winter, Spring and National Night Out Festivals.
- (6) Redesign of Willowbridge Park Blvd Entrance.
- (7) MUD11 and Harris County Flood Control progress on Retention Pond Improvements and Jersey Village Bypass project.
- (8) Election of new director to replace Fred Edler's 3-yr term which ends Oct'06. Fred Edler, our current President, has negotiated our trash collection contract for 3 years, quadrupled the interest on our funds, developed and managed a security alliance with MUD11, Willowlake and Westbridge, and created our Block Captain network, community alert and National Night Out celebrations. He will be greatly missed as member of our Board.

You will be receiving formal notice of the HOA Annual Meeting from PCMI in early October. Please complete the proxy form and return it to PCMI or plan on attending in person. If you can give of some time to serve as a Block Captain for your street or want to run for the open Board position, please contact PCMI asap.

# **Entry Wood Doors Helpful Hints**

By Scott Wieding, a home owner Used with permission

Based on Scott's personal experience, he provides some helpful hints that may be of assistance to you in maintaining and prolonging the life of your entry door.

There has been much discussion lately about the finish on the front doors in neighborhoods. Most of our doors could be saved from the refinishing process if we do some preventative maintenance. I would like to offer a solution that is easy and will make all of your neighbors happy. For several years I have used a product by Howard called Restor-a-Finish. You can find this with the staining products in Sears Hardware, but not at all hardware stores! To prepare your door, wash down thoroughly with water and a brush. Let dry. Using 0000 (very fine) grit steel wool, apply stain to door over any previous finish/stain (except polyurethane...mine had worn off my door years ago). Be sure and pick the stain that is as close to the color of your door as possible, but a little variation isn't noticeable. After the area you touched up with Restor-a-Finish has dried, apply Tung oil with a rag. This is readily available in hardware stores and is a waterproofing agent. I repeat this procedure about once a year to keep my door looking like new.

Don't forget, if you are changing the color, please seek ARC Approval well in advance of any work by filling out the appropriate form and sending in the color or stain sample. The ARC Form is available on line at www.willowbridgehoa.com.

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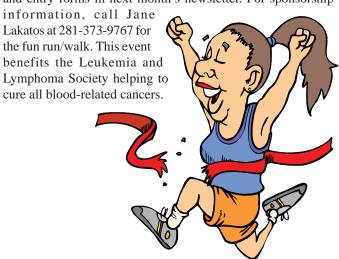
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Saturday morning, October 28, 2006 is the date for the 5th Fairfield 5K for Life Fun Run/Walk benefiting the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society.

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#### September 2006

Thursday, September 28 7:00 pm Santa Fe Flats New Mex Grille 21542 Hwy 249 RSVP by Wednesday, September 27

Come join your Willowbridge / Stonebridge neighbors for a fun night out of the house & bring a neighbor!

> RSVP to: Lyn Edler 713-462-6000 (wk) 832-237-9445 (hm after 6pm) e-mail: lyn@marketabilityinc.com

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10—SANTA FE: Mark Towns Flamenco Jazz Begins at 6:30 p.m. Haak Winery, 6310 Ave. T. www.haakwine.com 409/925-1401

11—HARLINGEN: Candlelight Vigil Memorializes those who lost their lives and the heroes involved in attempting to save and saving lives during and after the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks. Begins at 7 p.m. 956/423-0250

14, 16-17—HOUSTON: Houston Symphony Orchestra Includes John Adams' On the Transmigration of Souls, a piece inspired by the tragedy of Sept. 11, 2001. www.houstonsymphony.org

14-17—ROCKPORT: Hummer/Bird Celebration Informative, educational programming centers on migrating hummingbirds and other birds. Vendors area includes bird/nature-related items. ACISD School Complex. www.rockport-fulton.org 361/729-6445

15—DEER PARK: Deer Park Chamber Golf Tournament Includes two shotgun starts — 7:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., Florida scramble, and one-arm bandit contest. Battleground Golf Course. www.deerpark. org 281/479-1559

15—VICTORIA: Country Opry Hours are 7:30 to 10 p.m. Victoria Community Center Annex. 361/552-9347

15-16—BAYSIDE: Hummingbird Hayrides Watch hundreds of hummingbirds in the wild feeding off the native Turks cap. An experienced birder helps identify the birds. Reservations required. Fennessey Ranch. 361/529-6600

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16—BAY CITY: Market Day Courthouse Square. www.visitbaycity. org 800/806-8333

16—CORPUS CHRISTI: Diez y Seis Celebration Includes mariachi bands, Tejano bands, local and regional dance groups, and more. Heritage Park. 361/883-0639

16—CROSBY: Harvest Moon Festival Features family fun, games, prizes, food, craft booths, live entertainment, country store and magic show. Crosby United Methodist Church, 1334 Runneburg Road. www.crosbyumc.org 281/328-2616

16-HARLINGEN: Bei Shaolin Martial Arts Open Tournament Veterans Memorial Academy, 956/425-2468

16—PORT ARTHUR: Mexican Fiesta Includes folkloric dancers, queen contest, food booths and dance. O.C.A.W. Hall 409/982-8300

16—RICHMOND: Fiestas Patrias Celebration Includes authentic Mexican mariachi, ballet folklorico dancers, Fiestas Patrias queen coronation, contests and more. Hours are noon to 6 p.m. Fort Bend Museum. www.fortbendmuseum.org 281/342-6478

16-17—BEAUMONT: LaDolce Vita A seven course vintner's dinner (continued on page 10)



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16-17—HOUSTON: Seventh Annual Houston Hot Sauce Festival www.houstonhotsauce.com 281/558-3518

16-17—KEMAH: Fall Kids Festival Includes face painting, hands-on education and crafts, magic shows, live music, Mad Scientist, Buffalo Bill's Wild West Show, petting zoo and more. Kemah Boardwalk. www.kemahboardwalk.com 877/285-3624

16-17—NEEDVILLE: Citywide Garage Sale 979/793-6357

17—GALVESTON: Gulf Coast Volleyball Association Fall Classic Tournament Check-in before 8:30 a.m. Stewart Beach. www.gcva. net 832/928-4120

17—VICTORIA: Harvest of Fun Festival Victoria Community Center. 361/575-4581

19-Nov. 4—HARLINGEN: Dia de los Muertos Exhibit Altars created by the community are exhibited. Harlingen Arts & Heritage Museum. 956/215-4901

21-24—GROVES: Pecan Festival Includes carnival, craft and food vendors, golf tournament, horseshoe tournament, pecan toss, pecan-eating contest, stick horse races, pet show and continuous entertainment. Lion's Park. www.texaspecanfestival.com 409/962-3631

21-Oct. 26—NASSAU BAY: Fiber Works Juried Exhibition with Houston Area Fiber Artists The Arts Alliance Center at Clear Lake, 2000 NASA Parkway. www.taaccl.org 281/335-7777

22—HARLINGEN: Boots & Diamonds Fund-raiser features live music, diamond dip and silent auction. Music performed by Little Joe y la Familia. Hours are 8 p.m. to midnight. Casa de Amistad. 956/423-9304

22-23—PORT ARANSAS: Kenner Owners Fishing Tournament Tournament is for owners of boats manufactured by Kenner. Roberts Point Park. www.kennerboats.net

22-24, 28-30—VICTORIA: Dearly Departed Leo J. Welder Center for the Performing Arts. www.theatrevictoria.org 361/576-6277

23—EDNA: National Hunting & Fishing Day Program Learn knot tying, casting, fish identification and more. Hours are 2 to 4 p.m. Lake Texana State Park. 361/782-5718

23—GALVESTON: Robert Earl Keen Begins at 8 p.m. The Grand

1894 Opera House. www.thegrand.com 800/821-1894

23—HARLINGEN: A Blast from the Past Includes music, costumes and more. Reservations required. Golden Palms Retirement & Health Center. www.goldenpalmsrgv.com 956/389-4014

23—PORT ARANSAS: Adopt-A-Beach Cleanup Mustang and St. Joseph Islands. 361/749-7423

23—PORT ARTHUR: Solid Gold Rock 'n' Roll Show Entertainers include Johnny Preston, Bobby Vee and Chris Montez. Pays tribute to Buddy Holly, The Big Bopper and Richie Valens. Carl Parker Multipurpose Center. 409/984-6101

23—SANTA FE: Captain's Cuisine Enjoy an epicurean evening. Santa Fe High School. E-mail: sfchamber@houston.rr.com • www. santafetexaschamber.com 409/925-8558

23—SANTA FE: Wine & Stars Haak Winery. www.haakwine.com 409/925-1401

24—SANTA FE: Summer Concert Farewell: Ezra Charles Haak Winery. www.haakwine.com 409/925-1401

24—TEXAS CITY: Hummingbird & Butterfly Nature Watch Members of local birding and gardening groups answer questions about local birds and butterflies. Bay Street Park. www.texas-city-tx.org 409/643-5990

24—VICTORIA: Czech Heritage Festival Features music, auction, country store, Tarok tournament and Czech stew. Victoria Community Center. 361/575-0820

27-28—TEXAS CITY: Chamber Golf Tournament Bayou Golf Club. www.texascitychamber.com 409/935-1408

27-30—ORANGE: Lions Carnival Includes rides, food and more. Lions Den Park. 409/883-3536 or 409/883-1010

28—GALVESTON: American Decorative Styles: Empire 1810 through 1840 Reservations required. Michel B. Menard House, 1605 33rd St. 409/762-3933

28—HARLINGEN: Fall Pops Concert Begins at 8 p.m. Harlingen Municipal Auditorium, 1204 Fair Park Blvd. 956/428-6003

28—VICTORIA: '50s Sockhop Fund-raiser National Guard Armory. 361/576-1259 or 361/572-0725

28-Oct. 1—CORPUS CHRISTI: Celebration of Flight Hawk Watch 361/241-2617

29—HOUSTON: Laughter & Reflection with Carol Burnett: A Conversation with Carol where the Audience Asks the Questions

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29-Oct. 1—CORPUS CHRISTI: Bayfest Three stages provide musical entertainment. Includes more than 30 different types of foods and numerous family fun opportunities. North Shoreline from Power to Resaca streets. www.bayfesttexas.com 361/887-0868 or 361/854-8492

30—GALVESTON: Artwalk Galveston's Historic Downtown District. www.galvestonartscenter.org 409/763-2403

30—GALVESTON: Wal-Mart Kids All-American Fishing Derby Open to kids ages 5 to 15. Preregistration required. Galveston Island State Park. E-mail: fishingeventplanner06@yahoo.com 409/737-1222

30—HARLINGEN: Second Annual Bike Rodeo & Third Annual RAHC Health Fair Applications required for bike rodeo. Regional Academic Health Center. 956/365-8900

30—HOUSTON: 2006 Komen Houston Race for the Cure www. komen-houston.org/site/TR?pg=entry&fr\_id=1010

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## WILLOWBRIDGE MARKET REPORT

Courtesy of "Super Dave" #1 in Sales in Jones Rd and West Rd Area!

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

	Feb 06	Mar 06	Apr 06	May 06	Jun 06	July 06
\$230,000 <b>+</b>	0	0	0	2	2	0
\$210,000-229,999	0	0	0	1	0	0
\$190,000-209,999	1	0	0	2	0	2
\$170,000-189,999	0	0	0	0	0	1
\$150000-169,999	0	0	1	0	1	0
\$150,000 -	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	1	0	1	5	3	3
Highest \$/Sq Ft	89.81		76.19	91.51	104.46	69.92

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

# **#1** Selling Agent in Willowbridge!\*.

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- #3 Realtor in Houston (out of 17,000)!\*\*
- Top 1% of Realtors in the U.S.
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