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Splinters from the Board

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So, how do you like it? The fence on N. Eldridge is now complete and we would like your feedback. Please e-mail me at sschoen@worthamweb.org or write any of us on the website and tell us what you think. Let us know your thoughts on what you feel we need to be doing further to continue to make Wortham the best place to live and raise a family.

We keep looking to improve and we have now really made a difference on an important entrance to our community on N. Eldridge, we added value! There are hundreds of people that pass our fence each day and they speak with lots of people all with positive thoughts about what we are doing and how we look. Just look across the street and notice the contrast. Ask the people who live behind the fence about the difference in the quality of life and the appearance we make to anyone passing by. We have a hike/bike trail, lake, community center, tennis courts, pool, landscaping, barbeque pits, pavilion, neighborhood watch, active community, swim team and many other things working for Wortham and our residents along with the BEST location! Tell us what you think!

Our finances are in good shape and we have once again passed an audit, as we

do each year and will keep doing to let you know that our money is well spent and all in compliance with accounting standards. In today's world we realize the importance of integrity and the value of a dollar and we will keep working to get the best 'bang for our buck' and pay attention to the details that are most important to our residents.

Our website and its' importance has been mentioned in prior articles and if we have your e-mail captured you should have received notification and qualification of the validity of what is on file with us for your e-mail address. I can't stress the importance to you, your family and our community for us to have as many of your e-mail addresses as possible. We do not want this for social reasons; we do not plan on ever selling this information or have any other motivation other than to communicate at various levels to inform you of matters of importance and in some cases, emergencies. You will control the level of information you want such as committees you may be on or National Night Out committee (security) or matters of urgency in the community that we feel of utmost importance to us all.

We welcome our newest Sheriff's Deputy, Mr. Darren Goforth and hope you

will welcome him in our typical Wortham fashion as he patrols in the evening and early morning hours to protect us from harms way. Deputy Goforth joins our own Sheriff's Deputy Dwayne Polk who has been with us for about 5 years and we're most fortunate to have dedicated officers and both just good people. We look forward to working closely with both of these gentlemen for years to come.

As school has started please watch out for our boys and girls, who are getting on and off school buses and waiting for school buses and please pay attention while driving in the neighborhood.

We have a lot of great things going on for our community in the face of adverse economic times for many. It is not easy but we have to keep forging forward and continue to make lemonade out of lemons when we can. Let's keep a positive attitude and give each other a hand when we can.

Finally, a shout out to our own Wortham resident, Jonathon Horton who is a gymnast for the men's Olympic team. We're proud of you Jonathon and wish you and the team our best!

Wortham, we're looking good!

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NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH NEWS

Marie Trascher

National Night Out will be October 7 this year. We should have a little cooler weather making for a pleasant night. Mark your calendars and plan to be with us. Our pool is usually closed at this date but will be open for this special event. This is a good opportunity to meet residents from streets other than your own.

A brief history of National Night Out: Founded in 1983 in Wynnewood, Pennsylvania, and sponsored by The National Association of Town Watch. Harris County first participated in 1986.

National Night Out is designed to: (1) heighten crime and drug prevention awareness; (2) generate support for, and participation in, local anti-crime programs; (3) strengthen neighborhoods spirit and police-community relations; and (4) send a message to criminals letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and are fighting back.

As I am writing, school will begin in one week. Our community has had a very quite summer with no major incidents. Your Block Captains do an excellent job of keeping you informed and should be congratulated. I certainly do appreciate their participation and involvement in our community. Without their hard work, we could not have a National Night Out event. It involves planning, set-up and clean-up. They give of their time to make it special.

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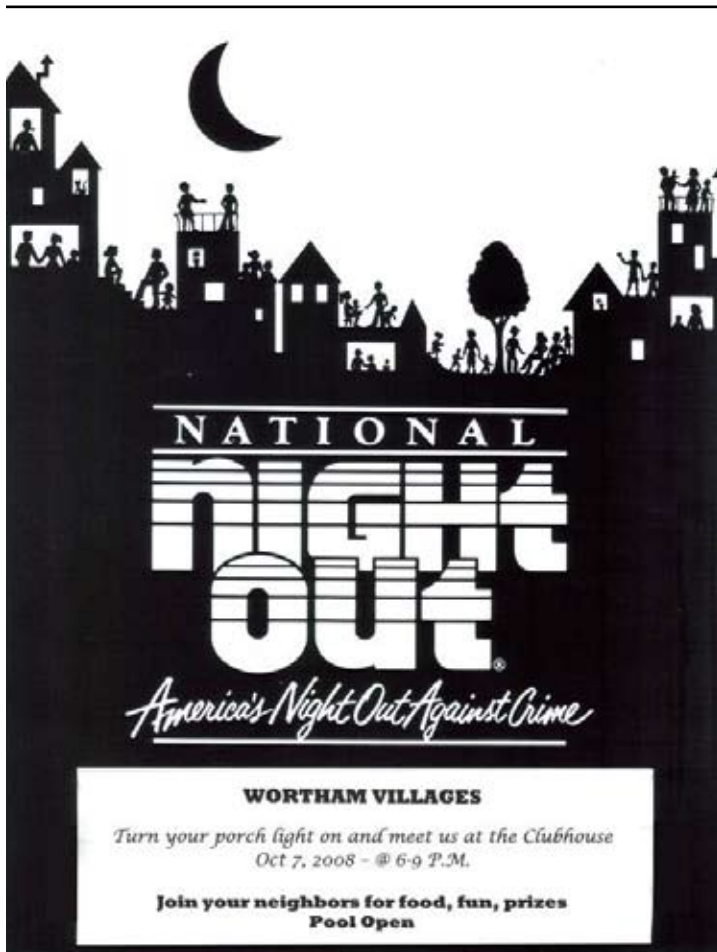
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The services provided at CAM, are made possible by many dedicated volunteers. If you enjoy working with the public, decorating or merchandising, then serving in CAM's resale shop, Angels' Attic, is the place for you. Our busy community donation area, the Cellar, is looking for people willing to serve by processing donations and restocking Angels' Attic. Please plan to attend a volunteer tour and orientation by calling Lisa Bassett at 281-955-7684 or e-mail at cam-lisa@sbcglobal.net.

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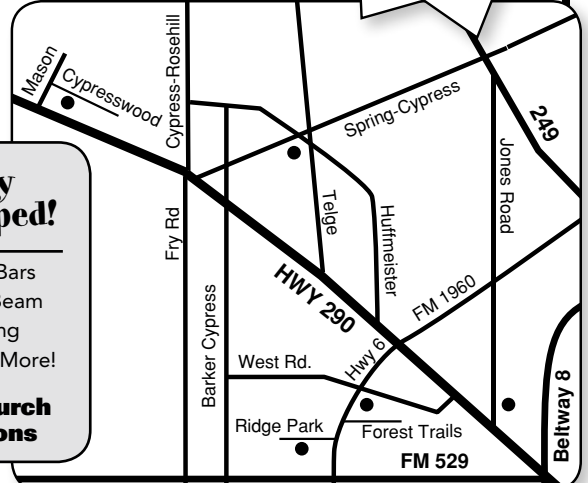
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Wortham Clubhouse and Grounds
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Come dressed in your favorite costume for the Costume Contest!!

There will be games, prizes, refreshments, moonwalk, crafts, door prizes, cake walk, and photo ops (bring your camera)! Come and enjoy the Festival with your Friends and Neighbors.

This year's Fall Festival is organized by Girl Scout Troop 15008. Donations will be accepted for Noah's Ark Animal Sanctuary, a no-kill animal shelter. Donations requested are dog food, cat food, cat litter, hay or food for horses and pigs, or monetary donations. Your support for this Community Service Project is greatly appreciated.

To volunteer or for additional info, please contact our Troop Leader, Susan Kelley (281-469-1371 or susankel@sbcglobal.net)

Park Committee:

Big thanks to the MUD for putting in additional benches, trash cans and picnic table around the East side of the Retention Pond! While the MUD puts things like that in, our homeowner association is responsible for the upkeep. So, please make sure to keep an eye out and let me know if you see anything going on (trash cans not emptied, fountains running or not working, graffiti) As always, get in touch at park@mayne.us.



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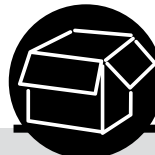
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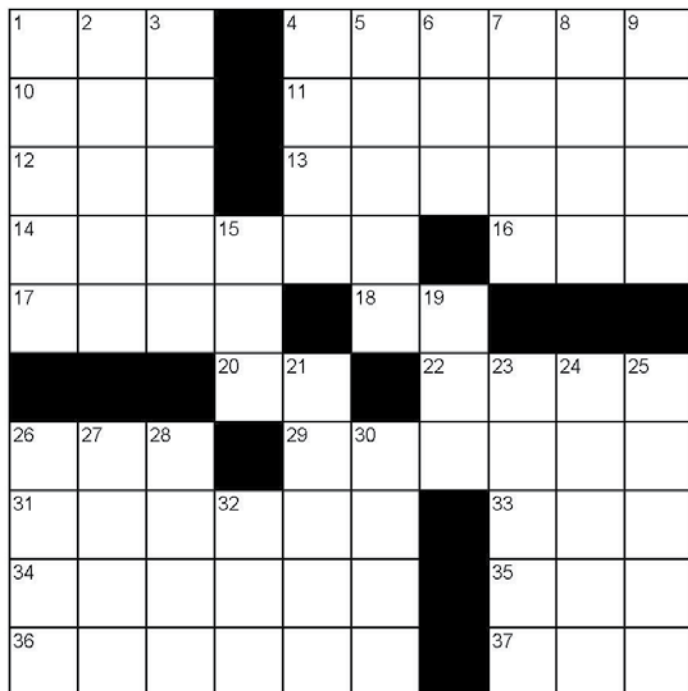
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12. W.C.
13. Iterate
14. Set in, like wood
16. Still
17. Bare scalp
18. Tulsa locale
20. Military policeman (abbr.)
22. Loaf
26. Claw
29. Sign on
31. Speech maker
33. Scarlet
34. African country
35. Pride
36. Render able
37. Water

DOWN

1. Improvise a speech
2. Female singer ____ Apple
3. Mythical monster
4. Asian dress
5. Doctrine
6. Cereal
7. Do what you're told
8. Stack
9. Sodium
15. Admiral (abbr.)
19. Fox's offspring
21. Skulk
23. Braved
24. Vassal
25. Give
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Stress and Aging

Submitted by Dr. Tenesha Weine

Many things can speed up aging including a diet high in fats and white sugar/carbohydrates, not getting enough exercise, lack of sleep and too much exposure to the sun, but stress is number one!

A little bit of stress is not always bad, it wakes us up and makes us alert. We learn better sometimes when we have a little bit of stress. The danger of aging comes when we have prolonged stress and don't know how to counteract the negative stresses.

A stress response starts in the pituitary gland and hypothalamus, which is called the mind-body connection, or where the brain and body intersect. When the hypothalamus and pituitary are stimulated, they activate the adrenal gland, which releases chemicals into the body that rev the body for a "fight or flight" action. When your body gets stressed, such as in times of emotional distress, exercise, surgery, illness, or even daily living, hormones are produced by the adrenal glands called Glucocorticoids, one of them being Cortisol. Prolonged adrenal stimulation will eventually lead to adrenal fatigue, a condition I speak more in depth about on my website.

So what can you do about Stress? Life style change is by far the best antidote to stress.

1st is to breathe correctly from your diaphragm, this powerful muscle in your stomach can calm the vagus nerve which helps aid in balancing your body. This nerve sends branches to the heart, the lungs, and the intestinal tract. And what it's saying to your system is to calm down.

2nd is through meditation or prayer. This can strip decades, literally, off your life. If you find still meditation difficult, you can also use techniques like yoga, tai chi, or chi-gong. Just spending as little as 10 minutes alone, in silence will reset your endocrine system. You may say you don't have time, or you can't afford to take ten minutes. You really can't afford not to.

3rd, as we've all been told before, eat more fruits and vegetables!!! Specifically those rich in antioxidants like tomatoes, blueberries, carrots and broccoli. They can boost your immune system and help your body fight off the negative effects of stress.

4th, add magnesium to your diet. Magnesium is a well known anti-stress mineral. Look for it in whole grains, beets and raisins. Magnesium can also be taken as a supplement monitored by a health care practitioner.

5th, let it go! Relax. Don't sweat the small stuff...and it's all small stuff. Learn to keep from letting the little things in life drive you crazy. Don't focus on the negative and stressful. Most of us need some help with this. There are many relaxation techniques out there such as guided visualization and hypno-therapy that can help. Check out the book "Don't Sweat the Small Stuff," by Richard Carlson, PH.D., highly recommended!

Lastly, and this may be needed in cases of extreme prolonged stress and exhaustion, is monitored Adrenal Gland rebuilding by a certified Doctor. Each gland in your body can be rebuilt using proper herbs and supplements. Adrenal gland testing may need to be performed to see just how stressed your body is and the rebuilding starts from there!

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Pet Waste: Dealing with a Real Problem in Suburbia

Pet waste is not the predominant or most toxic pollutant in urban streams, but it is one of many small sources of pollution that can cumulatively have a big impact if left unmanaged. In North Central Texas the estimated dog population is 1.2 million. The average dog produces three to four pounds of waste daily, according to the Food and Drug Administration. That's about 900,000 pounds of dog poop produced every day in North Texas. Add to this figure cats and other smaller pets, and a significant volume of waste is being generated daily.

Pet waste contains bacteria and parasites, as well as organic matter and nutrients, notably nitrogen and phosphorous.

Some of the diseases that can be spread from pet waste are:

- Campylobacteriosis- a bacterial infection that causes diarrhea in humans.
- Salmonellosis- the most common bacterial infection transmitted to humans from animals. Symptoms include fever, muscle aches, headache, vomiting, and diarrhea.
- Toxocaris- roundworms transmitted from animals to humans. Symptoms include vision loss, rash, fever, or cough.

In addition to these diseases, the organic matter and nutrients contained in pet waste can degrade water quality. When pet waste

is washed into a surface water body, the waste decays. This process of breaking down the organic matter in the waste uses up dissolved oxygen and releases ammonia. Low oxygen levels, increased ammonia and warm summer water temperatures can kill fish.

Excess phosphorous and nitrogen added to surface waters can lead to cloudy, green water from accelerated algae and weed growth. Decay of this extra organic matter can depress oxygen levels, killing organisms. Objectionable odors can also occur.

Flies and other pest insects can also increase when pet waste is disposed of improperly, becoming a nuisance and adding another vector for disease transmission.

Managing pet waste properly is something that everyone can do to make a difference in their respective watersheds. Truly, proper individual actions result in significant water quality improvement when carried out by the majority. Unlike some forms of stormwater pollutants, pet waste can be easily and economically managed by the individual.

Sometimes, the 'out of sight, out of mind' attitude exists regarding pet waste. Employing this flawed thinking, waste is often disposed of in the street stormwater catch basin. Aside from dumping directly into a water body, this is the single worst place to dispose of waste. In the next rainstorm, the accumulated waste is transported quickly and efficiently to the nearby receiving water course, polluting it. That said, then, specifically what can be done?

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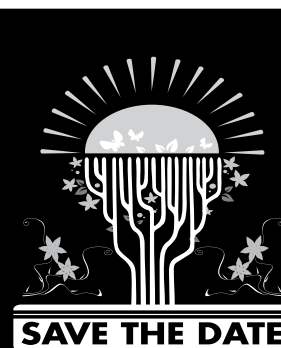
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Proper Onsite Disposal

Flush it

Pet waste itself (not the litter or bedding material) can be flushed down the toilet. The water from the toilet goes either to a septic system onsite or a sewage treatment plant that removes most pollutants before the water reaches its outlet. The used litter should be disposed of in a securely closed bag in the trash.

Bury it

You can bury the waste directly in the yard. Dig a hole or trench that is 6 inches deep, away from vegetable gardens, play areas, and away from any lake, stream, or well. Often, the woods is an ideal spot. Microorganisms in the top layer of soil will break down and digest the waste, releasing the nutrients for uptake by adjacent vegetation. Never add the waste as a fertilizer to the garden or to the compost pile. The disease organisms will continue to survive and create a significant health risk.

Trash it

Check local ordinances first. Putting pet waste in the trash is against the law in some communities. Even if legal and easy, it's not the best solution. Waste can contribute to the landfill problems in the state.

Leave it to someone else

Believe it or not, a number of professional pet waste disposal services exist. These businesses will completely remove the waste from your yard and dispose of it themselves, for a fee.

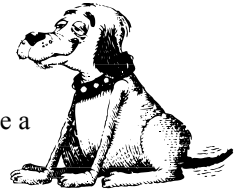
Ordinances, signage and education

Many communities have "pooper-scooper" laws that govern pet waste cleanup. Some of these laws specifically require anyone who walks an animal off of their property to carry a bag, shovel, or scooper. Any waste left by the animal must be cleaned up immediately. Call your local health officer to find out more about pet waste regulations.

In recreation areas, trails, and public parks, 'scooper signage' along with plastic bag dispensers and disposal cans should be provided. This idea is especially critical at streamside or lake shore walking trails.

Public education is critical when addressing the pet waste problem. Interestingly, much of the public thinks of problems associated with pet waste as being only nuisance related-odors or aesthetics. An actual example of this is the woman walking her dog in the park who had brought along a brown paper bag to collect the 150 pound mastiff's waste. This she indeed dutifully did, and then proceeded to dispose of the bag by....tossing it into the lake!

Brochures, newsletters, signage, local public service announcements, and evening seminars are all ways to get the word out to the public. One very effective way to reach people is to have a flyer enclosed in tax bills or other municipally-generated mailings that go to all property owners.



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Conclusion

The problem of pet waste disposal in suburbia is a real one. Research has indicated strongly that water quality is negatively impacted by this pollutant in Texas. However, unlike many other sources of water degradation in the state, improper pet waste management is a dilemma that can be easily corrected through education by organizations and common sense actions by individuals.

Let's all "doo" the right thing and pick up after our pets. Make a difference and go green.



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Submitted by Madra Ford

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Meet Samantha and Marissa

The 2008 Heart Gallery of Central Texas is almost here! It will be unveiled at SPAZIO's on September 18, 2008. This picture is featured on our invitation this year, with the hopes that someone will see them and give us a call. You see, Samantha is 16, turning 17 in September and Marissa is 10. These two girls are full of life, hope and plans.... but they need a permanent, forever family to help them grow and learn. Even at 17, Samantha still needs a family. She's missed out on the fun things girls get to do with their parents. While she has learned a lot of life's lessons, they are not the kind that create memories for a happy childhood. Each of these girls still have a lot of room to grow and a lot of love to give. Help them to believe!

About Samantha and Marissa: Samantha and Marissa are beautiful siblings who enjoy listening to music. Samantha is funny and sweet, she loves playing softball, drawing and writing in her journal. She will be going into the 9th grade and participates in special education. Marissa is energetic and friendly, she likes to color and play board games. She will be going into the 3rd grade and participates in special education. Both girls hope to attend college at the University of Texas in the future. These sisters hope for a family that enjoys going to church as much as they do. They also hope that their adoptive family enjoys to swim. Samantha and Marissa are legally free for adoption and look forward to meeting their adoptive family.

If you would like to learn more about adopting from foster care, Samantha and Marissa or hear more about The Heart Gallery of Central Texas Gala on September 18th, please call us at 512-301-2825 or tracyeilers@adopttexas.org

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September Landscaping

Submitted By Ron Kerwin

September is the startup time for planning some cool season activity. It is about time, right? We need to continue with all the things we have been doing to get through another summer; watering at 1 inch per week, good layers of mulch etc.

Now is a good time to raise tree canopies and thin them out. Dead limbs are obvious now, which will not be the case after leaf drop. Many property owners still have curb area trees with limbs prohibiting cars or trucks from parking in front of the home without paint damage to the roofs. These same trees often endanger passersby on the sidewalk from being poked in the eyes. They also usually have dead grass underneath caused by lack of sunlight to the turf area. Other trees on your properties can benefit from canopy raising and thinning. Wax myrtles and some other "shrubs" can be treed up so they have visible trunks and more resemble trees than shrubs, a totally different look.

Historically Septembers are still very hot. If you are wearing down, you can still hire a lawn service (like mine) to get you through the season. Lawn Companies should be happy to take you on as new clients even this late in the season. If you desire to have an attractive and green lawn all winter, you can put down ryegrass seed late in the month or in October. Your property will stand out in the neighborhood as people drive by and see your green lawn amongst all the dormant grass lawns.

Buy your spring bulbs through catalogs or local nurseries. DO NOT plant them yet. You can get a better selection now. Hybrid tulips and hyacinth bulbs should be placed in the vegetable crisper section in your refrigerator for a necessary pre-chill period prior to planting them. Wait until October/November to plant any bulbs. You can however prepare the beds for the bulbs, add organic matter & turn over the soil.

You can cut back your roses early in the month, but do it sparingly. You will get a rose display this fall if you have maintained your roses well over the summer heat. You can actually plant a fall vegetable garden now. For a list of veggies recommended and their varieties for this area call the Texas Extension office at 817-884-1945 and ask for the free list. The Extension Office has a surprising quantity of free information available, so ask for answers to several questions. The volunteer Master Gardeners there will try hard to get you the right publications.



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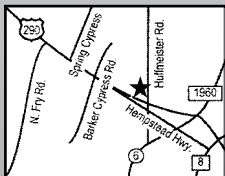


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WORTHAM MARKET REPORT

Courtesy of Super Dave

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

	Feb 08	Mar 08	Apr 08	May 08	Jun 08	Jul 08
\$250,000 +	0	0	0	0	1	0
\$220,000 - 249,999	0	0	0	0	0	1
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TOTAL	1	1	3	4	5	3
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