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Community Tennis Club Participation On The Rise!

What a thrill! Our community tennis club participation is on the rise and we are hoping to hear from more of you. We have had received several emails and calls about the tennis club and have started a number of friendly games. The message board is being updated with player general information such as player level, contact info, and player availability. The board will also include schedule for practices and meet and greet dates. Stop by and check the message board out and find times or a new tennis partner!

People who chose to play tennis have great health benefits from improved aerobic fitness, improved bone health, and much more. "The good news," according to U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services Donna Shalala "is that you don't have to train like an Olympic athlete to enjoy the benefits of a healthy lifestyle. Participating in activities such as tennis or at least 30 minutes per day, most days of the week, is good for your health and good for your future." So improve your future and come out and play!

Remember no experience is required to have fun. We hope to hear from you and get you on the tennis court. Contact us at jrey664165@aol.com or 281-807-1561

May HOA Meeting Highlights

- Meeting participation continues to grow! We had ten homeowners attend May's meeting on the 28th at the clubhouse.
- One of our residents asked that we remind our residents to please stop at the stop signs throughout our neighborhood. Surely we're not in such a hurry that we would blatantly ignore traffic laws, or more importantly, critically hurt someone. Consider this your friendly reminder to STOP at all stop signs.
- A couple of residents came seeking approval for fencing, painting and roofing improvements.
 They were reminded of the ARC approval process and the documentation required to submit a request. This information can be found on the WHOA website or by contacting PCMI. Some homeowners voiced concerns regarding the responsiveness of the ARC. Ideas to improve responsiveness were shared and the board will address.
- Overdue maintenance fees for 2009 still exist. The board agreed to send those to the attorney for additional action.
- Deputy Thomas, the new deputy on our security contract, addressed the assembly and reminded everyone that with school being out for the summer local crime is likely to increase. He encouraged residents to lock homes and vehicles when they are not occupied. He also strongly suggested residents need to report any suspicious persons or activities to the Sheriff's Dept.
- The fallen and leaning trees and branches in Waller Park have been removed.
- The esplanade at Willowbridge Park entrance has new flowers planted in the bull nose. The bridges near Gleason have also been planted with new flowers and greenery. And the trees and shrubbery near the pool were trimmed.
- Pool Rules have been approved and signs are being created. They will be posted at the pool in the very near future.

Tidbits

- When you plan to be away from home for an extended period of time, contact the Sheriff's Northwest Command Station at 281-290-2100 to schedule a vacation watch. The deputies will drive by your home and make sure the home is secure.
- In Harris County, the Juvenile Curfew is enforced seven days a week. Hours of enforcement are 12am to 6am. The juvenile can receive a citation and possibly a fine of up to \$500. The parent, guardian, or custodian can also be issued a citation if they are aware of the curfew violation.
- RAD classes have been scheduled for August 3, 4, 5, 10 and 11 from 6-9:00 pm at the clubhouse.
 RAD (Rape Aggression Defense) classes teach the student realistic self-defense tactics and techniques.
 Contact Julie Dubros at martin@juliedubros.com if you are interested in attending.

If you wish to provide input or discussion topics for the committee, come join us on the fourth Thursday of each month, or send an email to Khara Matthews at PCMI.

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HOA MEETINGS

HOA meetings are held on the 4th Thursday of each month, 7:00 p.m. at the Clubhouse, unless otherwise noted on the marquee. Meetings are open to members and your attendance and participation are encouraged!

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TALKING TRASH

Submitted by Barbara Lallinger

And the WINNER is: Willowbridge Park Blvd./Wheatland. Winner of what you say? Winner of the least amount of homeowners that put their trash out on Memorial Day or the day after (neither, pick up days by Waste Management). Runner up was Skipping Stone Dr. This scientific data was collected by yours truly driving down every street in Willowbridge and Stonebridge, counting the number of homes with trash out and comparing that to the total number of homes on the street. This trash sat out until the next regularly scheduled trash day (Thursday). Oh by the way, did I mention it

was really hot during this time....and there's really nothing like the smell of "ripe" seafood and chicken leftovers? Knowing that last year was confusing since we changed trash companies 3 times, I've written numerous articles on holiday pick up schedules. Please find below a "cut out" schedule of holidays observed by WM for trash and recycling for the remainder of 2009. Please cut it out and put in a convenient place to refer to for holiday schedules. Fortunately, we only have two more holidays this year that will be affected.

16	DAY OF WEEK	DATE	HOLIDAY	TRASH PICK UP
	Monday	09/07	Labor Day	NO TRASH—Next Pick Up 09/10 Trash & Recycling
	Thursday	11/26	Thanksgiving	NO TRASH or RECYCLING Next Pick Up Trash – 11/30 Next Pick Up Recycling – 12/03

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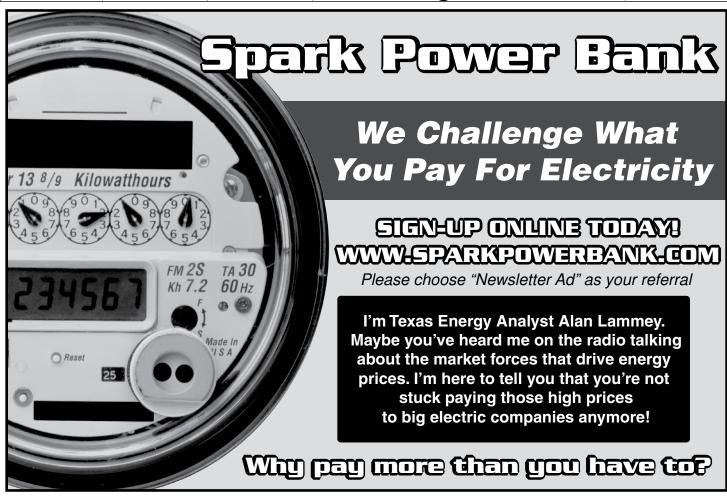
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
					Newsletter Deadline	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
				HOA Meeting 7:00 p.m. @ Clubhouse		
26	27	28	29	30	31	



ISN'T IT LOVELY???

By: Barbara Lallinger

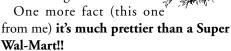
Have you been to Wheatland Park yet? If not, it's definitely worth your time! Carey Johnson, President of WHCMUD #11 was kind enough to provide the following items of interest for this article.

There is ½ mile of trails around the pond (each 1/4 mile marked). Five seating areas provide places to rest, read, reflect on your day or just people, pooch and wildlife watch. Several of the areas have arbors and vines (in the beginning stages). There are several doggy doo stations with really nice waste pick up bags. When you enter the park, please grab one as waste has been seen in several spots. Even though your pooch went just before you left home they somehow seem to need to go again when you get to the park. If your pooch is a "chaser"...hang on tight…lots of birds including kildees (ground nesters), rabbits, etc. Remember, leash laws are in effect in the park!

Over 400 trees are in the park, including: pine; crepe and wax myrtles; Mexican plum; red bud; bald cypress; live, water and red oaks; cherry laurel; Bradford pear; and weeping willows, which are watered by a drip irrigation system. Perennial color is provided by knock out roses, bottle brush, wisteria, agapanthus, lorapetaluman, and esperanza.

As noted in an earlier article, the park is a joint venture between MUD's 11 and 10. It was an original park plan for MUD 11 which MUD 10 offered to share

(they own the pond) and both share maintenance costs. Future plans include several more parks in the areas of the bypass between Willowbridge and Westbridge and on White Oak Bayou behind Willowbridge.



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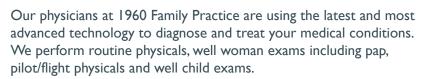
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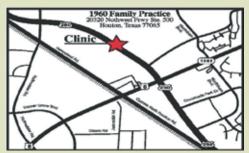
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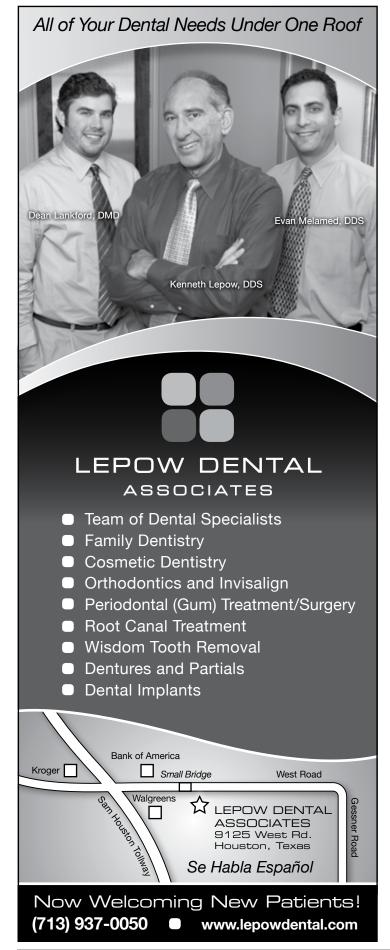
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Submitted by Amy Sonnier

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- ¾ c. Karo syrup
- 3 c. raw peanuts
- 1/4 c. water
- 3 t. baking soda (at end)

Mix all ingredients EXCEPT baking soda. Put in a microwave safe dish. Microwave on high for 12 mins., stirring every 4 mins. Remove from microwave and add baking soda. Stir, then pour on a greased cookie sheet. Cool, break into pieces.

Santa Fe Brunch Bake With Pico de Gallo

Submitted by Barbara Lallinger

- 2 ½ c. quick grits (see note)
- 3 eggs, lightly beaten
- 1 ½ c. (6 oz.) shredded Monterey Jack cheese
- 1 (4 oz.) can chopped green chilies, drained and divided

Pico de Gallo

- 1 large tomato, finely chopped
- ¼ c. onion, finely chopped
- 2 T. cilantro, finely chopped
- 1 garlic clove, minced
- 1 T. lemon juice



Heat oven to 350 degrees. Grease a 9" pie plate or quiche dish. Bring water to a boil. Slowly stir in grits; reduce heat. Simmer 2 to 4 minutes or until very thick; stirring occasionally. Remove from heat. Stir in eggs, cheese and ¼ of the chilies. Pour into prepared pan. Bake 30 to 35 minutes or until knife inserted in center comes out clean. Let stand for 10 minutes before serving. Cut into wedges.

Meanwhile, combine remaining chilies, tomato, onion, cilantro, garlic and lemon juice to make pico de gallo (or you can purchase fresh made at Sam's).

NOTE: To substitute regular grits, increase water to 2 ³/₄ cups and simmer 12 to 14 mins. Proceed as recipe directs.

Send your recipes to leroylallinger@live.com.





Important Reminder

- 1. The Maximum Speed Limit within Willowbridge and Stone-bridge is 30 MPH!!!
- 2. We have several school zone signals inside the community and on West Road (inside: 20 MPH West Rd: 25 MPH).
- 3. The RED signs with STOP on them at various intersections means come to a complete stop, not Slow Then Opt to Proceed!

Yard of the Month

There is no one driving around judging the yards! The HOA wanted to give residents more say in this process; therefore, someone must nominate a yard, then the committee will review the nominations. Don't forget...you can also nominate your own yard!! It's been a tough Fall (with the new landscaping company and IKE hitting town) and a dry Winter, but there are still lots of homeowners making gallant efforts to keep their yards looking nice. So...go ahead, nominate someone!

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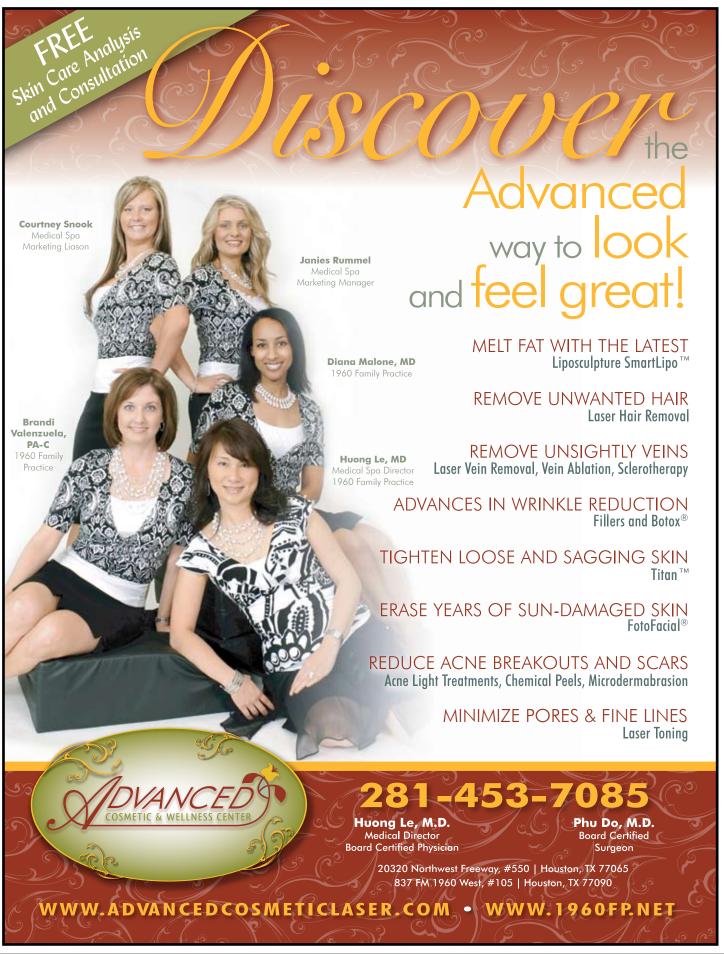
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	Dec 08	Jan 09	Feb 09	Mar 09	Apr 09	May 09
\$300,000 +	1	0	0	1	0	0
\$270,000 - 299,999	0	0	0	0	0	0
\$240,000 - 269,999	0	0	0	0	0	0
\$200,000 - 239,999	1	1	0	1	1	1
\$170,000 - 199,999	2	2	0	1	0	0
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TOTAL	4	3	0	3	1	1
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