



Official Publication of Woodedge Village Homeowners Association

FROM YOUR PRESIDENT...

Happy Holiday's Woodedge Village Residents! I would first like to start this newsletter off by expressing my sincere gratitude for the many years of unforgettable memories while I have served on the WV Board. As many of you know this is my last month to serve as President. It is hard to believe that I have volunteered my time on the WVCIA for the past 7 years. Wow, what a wonderful way to have spent the last 7 years of the 14 years that I have lived here in WV. It has been a rewarding experience to know that I have made a direct impact on and in our community. It is now your chance to make that difference! Woodedge Village NEEDS YOU! On January 9, 2010 at 10 A.M. we will hold the Annual Meeting in which you as a homeowner have the opportunity to elect a new Board of Directors. Please consider serving and making a difference in our wonderful subdivision that we all call home.

- Salena Harman

Happy
Holidays

VERY IMPORTANT MESSAGE

For All Woodedge Village Homeowners

I'm writing this because I don't think our residents know the seriousness of what is about to happen in Woodedge Village. In six weeks the terms of four of our directors, on the Woodedge Village Board of Directors, will come to an end. This means there will be only two directors left. Seven are needed. We are already lacking one person. It would be impossible for two people to run the business of the subdivision. If there are not enough board members to form a quorum, no business decisions can be made by the board and the business of running the subdivision as before will come to an end. The Community Improvement Association, in time, could possibly be dissolved. If that happens, the subdivision will deteriorate rapidly.

Woodedge village does not contract a management company to take care of business matters like many subdivisions do. We are self-managed by an elected board of directors made up of homeowners. The Board consists of a president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer and three directors at large. The purpose of the Board is to protect property values and run the business of the subdivision by enforcing the deed restrictions, collecting maintenance fees, paying bills to maintain the clubhouse, pool, tennis courts, common areas, street lights, insurance, trash collection and many other things that are sometimes taken for granted.

If enough people do not step forward to show support of their own property values and own neighborhood, we may soon be hauling off our own trash and doing without the services that many think they deserve just because they pay their maintenance fee.

If you want WV to continue to be a good place to live, then don't sit back any longer thinking someone else will take care of it. If you feel you don't have the time to be on the Board, you're not alone. NO ONE DOES!! You just do it and work out your time crunches as they come. If you have any thoughts at all that you should be doing more for YOUR community, please start attending the meetings to find out what is going on. I really do think you will find it interesting.

Woodedge Village needs YOU to run for a position on the Board!! The annual meeting for the election of new board members is Saturday, January 9, 2010, 10:00 a.m. at the WV Clubhouse.

If you are interested in being a candidate for a board position or have questions, call 281-469-0829 or email woodedgevillage@yahoo.com. *(To serve on the Board, you must be a homeowner in good standing.)*

- Sharon Dillard

Woodedge Village

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HARRIS COUNTY

Sheriff Department's

October 2009 Crime Stats for Woodedge Village only:
 Submitted by Edie Goodwin (281-469-3309)

INCIDENT	TOTAL	DISP	DEPUTY
911 Hang Up	13	UNF	
Contract Checks	91		
Criminal Mischief	2	ARR/ADV	
Dist/Other	2	INF	
Information Call	1		
Meet the Citizen	2		
Suspicious Person	1	ADV	Wright
Telephone/Harass/Thrt	1	REP	Kershaw
Traffic Stop	2	WAR	
Vehicle Abandoned	1	ADV	Kershaw
Vehicle Stolen			
Vehicle Suspicious	2	GOA	Ramsour

ARR is arrest • CIT is citation

GOA is gone on arrival • INF is information • ADV is advised

UNF is unfounded • WAR is warning • REP is Report made

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Treasurer's Report

By Darra Harris

AS OF 10/31/09, THE ASSOCIATION HELD THE FOLLOWING ASSETS:

Certificate of Deposit	\$ 10,365
Playground Money Market	12,481
Business Checking	2,461
Interest Checking	10,187
Business Money Market	<u>32,949</u>
Total Assets	\$ 68,443
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As of 10/31/09, the association collected 97% of the current year maintenance fees and 51% of prior years' uncollected balances. Overall, 97% of the projected income for the year has been collected.

During the year, the Board approved certain expenses to maintain and repair the pool and clubhouse. Those costs approximate \$4,075. Significant contracts such as lawn care, pool, pest control and bookkeeping services are within the budgeted amounts for the year. Utility costs, particularly electricity and water are 13% greater than anticipated for the year. Overall expenses are approximately 13% greater than the budgeted amount.

Recently, the Board appropriated one of the Certificates of Deposit (maturing on 8/30/09) in the amount of \$10,000 plus interest to be used to repair the fence destroyed by Hurricane Ike in the common areas. The Certificate of Deposit was redeemed on 9/1/09 and deposited into an interest bearing checking account until the fence contract is negotiated by the Board.

YARD OF THE MONTH

November 2009

John & Vicki Albus
10314 Sweetwood

John & Vicki have been living in their home for 21 years. They have won yard of the month several times, because they are constantly adding to their beautifully kept yard. Their home, front and back yards are continually being updated, enhancing the beauty and value of their property. John, in the past, served three years on the WV Board in charge of contracts. If you should notice a man with a big hat mowing the roadside of Loued at Hollystone, that is John. Thanks for being great neighbors.

They received a \$10.00 gift certificate from RCW Nursery.

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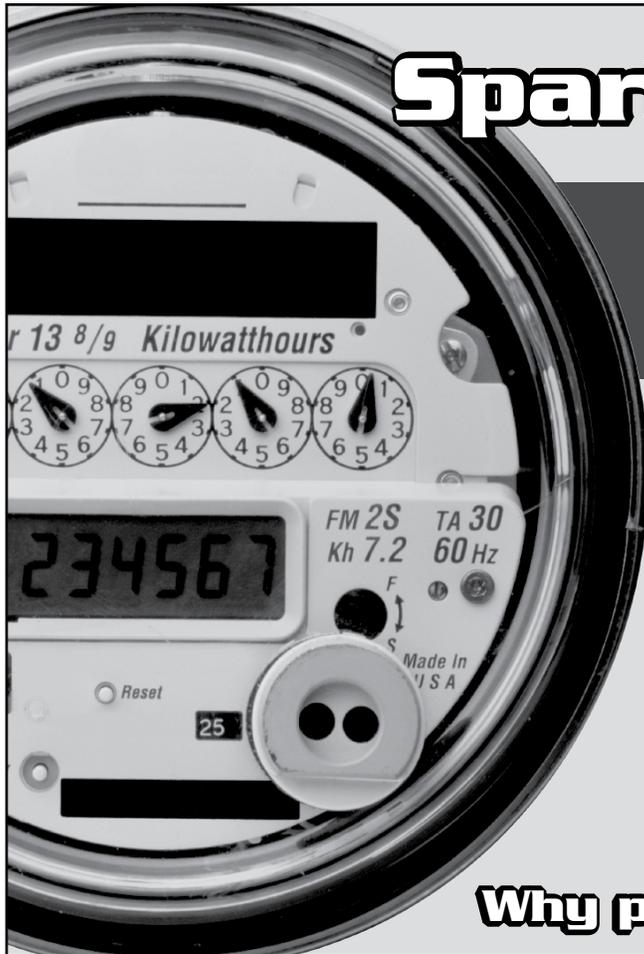
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It's Only Natural...

Submitted by Mechele Beaty

I have lived in Woodedge Village for almost 19 years. Most of you only know me as "the lady that walks the border collie" and a few of you may know that I've had Fibromyalgia for over 11 years. Shortly after I was diagnosed, I remember my husband dragging me into a health food store where they proceeded to load me up with vitamins and natural supplements for me to take every day. It ended up being very beneficial for me and led me to search further for natural and homeopathic remedies. I am forever grateful to my husband for leading me down that path. Now, after everything I've experienced over the years, and everything I've learned, I'm looking forward to sharing it with others here in the Village Voice.

One of my most recent experiences have been with the flu (most likely the swine flu). Being fortunate enough not to get it myself, I cared for my husband and two children that did get it. Thankfully, I knew of some natural remedies and supplements that decrease the severity of the symptoms as well as the length of the illness.

*Oscillococcinum (Oscillo) is a natural flu remedy for chills, fever, headache and body aches that has no side effects and no drug interactions.

*Echinacea boosts the immune system and can shorten the duration of the flu.

*Elderberry Extract can prevent the flu virus from replicating.

*Vitamin C and Vitamin D3 are also good to combat the flu.

*Garlic has strong antibiotic, antiviral and antifungal properties. Chop it up finely and let it sit for 10-15 minutes (this increases the healing properties). Swallow about ½ teaspoon of chopped garlic with any beverage, two times daily.

*Homemade chicken soup has antibiotic, antiviral and anti-inflammatory properties and helps respiratory problems. Use bone-in (preferably organic) chicken and the longer it simmers, the stronger the healing properties are. Try to eat two servings daily while flu symptoms persist. (email me for various recipes)

*To decrease your chances of getting the flu, gargle twice daily with warm salt water and also swab nostrils with warm salt water once daily to reduce viral population. Also, remember to drink plenty of fluids.

I wish you a healthy and peaceful holiday season!

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Pawsitive Pets

Submitted by Tiffany Moore

Hello friends, neighbors and fellow pet owners of Woodedge Village! It's the time of year to start thinking about what to do with your pets, if you travel. In this month's column I will share some solutions you can consider as you make your holiday plans.

If you spend only one long day away from home, no more than 10 or 12 hours, your pets will be fine if left alone with a full bowl of fresh water and an early breakfast before you leave as well as a late dinner when you arrive home.

If you have cats or dogs, and plan to leave town for just one night you might be able to get away with leaving a food bowl out for your pet to eat from while you are away. This works well if your pets are accustomed to staying out doors and the weather is fair. Be sure they have adequate protection from the elements and leave a large bowl of fresh water. You can purchase an automatic pet feeder for around \$100 that will dispense a set amount of food at specified intervals.

When taking extended trips, or if your pets are not good candidates for even a single night alone, you can choose from several solutions for keeping your pets happy and healthy during your trip.

1. TAKE THEM WITH YOU. Cats are not easy to take on trips. I do not recommend it. Cats can stay home better than dogs since they use a litter box and are usually more reserved eaters, so using the "big dish" method works with cats.
2. BOARD THEM IN ONE OF THE MANY PET HOTELS. Just Google "Pet boarding Houston 77070" for a map of all boarding facilities near us.
3. USE A PET EXCHANGE PROGRAM SUCH AS PETS ARE INN. A carefully selected host family will care for your pet(s) in the host home.
4. USE AN AT HOME PET SITTING SERVICE. These are becoming more popular and rates are reasonable. If you have more than one dog it makes it even more reasonable. This type of service offers visits in your home as many times per day as you like and provides services such as feeding, walking, playtime, litter box cleaning, poop scooping, medicine dosing, brushing, and other home care needs as well. Then your pet stays in the comfort of your own home while you are out of town. There are several at home pet care services in our. They will even come every week day while you are at work and let your pet out at lunch time for a potty break.
5. TRADE WITH A NEIGHBOR. You check in on their pets while they are away, and they do it for you when you need it.

Special News from the Houston Dog Park Association: A bathroom has been installed at Bill Archer Bark Park (Bear Creek), and Tomball will be getting a dog park in the future!



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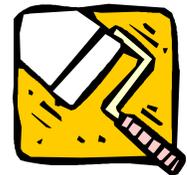
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Cook's Corner

By Cindy Stephens

Welcome once again to Cook's Corner. As I said in the first issue, I welcome all recipes from our residents and will try to get as many as I can in the next issues. I was informed recently, however, that we can only accommodate 2 recipes per issue. This month's recipe's come from resident Sonia DeSousa. Thanks Sonia!!

Sausage Dressing

INGREDIENTS

- 1 Cup diced onion
- 1 Cup diced celery
- 1 Cup diced bell pepper – yellow or green
- 1 stick unsalted butter
- 2 Cups cooked, drained sausage
- 1 carton of chicken broth
- 2 tsp Creole seasoning (I use Tony Chachere's)
- 1 bag Corn bread stuffing

DIRECTIONS

- Preheat oven to 350
- Sauté veggies in 2 TBL butter in 2 quart saucepan over medium heat until start to brown.
- Add sausage, melted butter, seasoning, and entire carton of broth and turn heat off.
- In a large bowl empty ½ bag of stuffing. Pour ½ of the broth mixture over stuffing and mix until combined. Pour stuffing into a casserole dish. Repeat w/ remaining half of stuffing and broth mixture. Add to casserole dish and cover with foil. Bake uncovered for 30-35 minutes.

Corn Casserole

INGREDIENTS

- 1 pkg. Cream Cheese light
- 1 stick unsalted butter
- 1 can corn - drained
- 1 can cream of corn
- 1 pkg. cornbread mix

DIRECTIONS

- Place butter in large bowl – in microwave 1 min till melted. Add cream cheese – mix till smooth. Add cornbread mix, regular corn, and cream corn. Stir till smooth. Pour in a casserole dish.
- Bake 350 for 45 min or till toothpick comes out clean



GARDEN SECRETS

November/December

We want to remind you to use a winterizing fertilizer on your lawn, prior to the first frost. If you have bulbs to plant or divide, do it now. Remember if it doesn't rain, you still need to water your lawn and flower beds.

It is that time of year when the leaves begin to fall, filling our street gutters with debris, which then empties into the storm sewer system. Those leaves and yard clippings collect in the sewer and with the rain runoff, promote the growth of mosquitoes. Take a few extra minutes and keep your gutters clean. Also take the time to empty water from any trays you might have under your flower pots, or any containers that might collect water as these are breeding grounds for those pesky insects. There are a number of excellent products on the market to help you fight mosquitoes and take back your yard. Check with your local nursery for their recommendations as some may want to treat with chemicals and some with natural products. Best of luck and keep gardening.

Also, we want to recognize and thank Greg Rose, who has been mowing the east bank of the bayou north of Greencreek. Thanks a lot, good neighbor.

- Bill & Darlene Borrello



DEED RESTRICTION VIOLATIONS REPORT

October 2009

Property Maintenance (mow, edge, weed, mold, rotting wood, fence repair, painting needed, mailbox re-pair, etc.)	10
Trailers, Boats, Stored Cars, RVs	2
Garbage Cans Stored in Street View or Inappropriate Time at Curbside	6
Miscellaneous (grill, tools, driveway/porch clutter, newspapers, window a/c, parking on lawn)	5

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