



Winchester Country

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Christmas Event at the Clubhouse

We cordially invite all of our Winchester Country Families to come join us in the clubhouse for our annual "Cookies with Santa" on December 18, 2010.

- Pictures with Santa from 1-3PM
- Each picture will be a dollar

So Mark your calendars and we will see you there!

Secure Your Home for the Holidays!

Tis the Season to get robbed.... So here are a few tips on how to help prevent you from becoming a victim if you are planning an out of town trip.

- Keep back gates padlocked; install motion-sensitive lights in backyard and on your front porch as well. Be sure to keep your shrubbery well trimmed so that no one can hide with in them.
- Keep a light on and use timers to keep your house lit in a routine as if you are at home.
- Keep a car parked in your driveway so it appears as if you are home. If you have trusted neighbor ask them to move the car as to throw off anyone who might be casing your home.
- Contact the Sheriff's dept Vacation Watch (form is located in this newsletter and can be downloaded @www.winchestercountry.org)

Again if you have a trusted neighbor let them know your plans so that if they see unusual activity it can be reported immediately.

- Do not have mail delivered or your newspaper (that is a Robber red flag). Use that neighbor you trust.
- Family Heirlooms can not be replaced! Consider putting them in a Safety deposit box. (This is such a nominal fee for such important items).

Even if you take every precaution, your house could be burglarized. So please take note and prepare your home so that you can enjoy where ever you might be traveling to. AND..... Do not forget to put that trusted neighbor on your Christmas list. That is a lot of responsibility being a trusted neighbor.

Happy December Birthdays!w

Gordon Austin — 4th

Mikey Abbondandolo — 30th

DECEMBER

- 1st at Sun down thru Dec.9 Hanukkah
9 Maintenance Board Mtg.

18 Cookies with Santa @ Clubhouse 1-3
18-31 CFISD Christmas Break
22 Office closed
25 Christmas Day
27 Senior's Meeting @ Clubhouse – 6pm

JANUARY

- 1 New Years Day
1-4 CFISD Holiday
13 Maintenance Board Meeting
17 Martin Luther King (CFISD Holiday)
24 Seniors Meeting @ Clubhouse 6:30 pm

FEBRUARY

- 2 Groundhog Day
10 Maintenance Board Mtg.
12 Lincoln's Birthday
14 Valentine's Day
21 President's Day
22 Washington's Birthday

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DECEMBER OFFICE HOURS

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Wednesdays 10:00 – 2:00 PM

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The origin of the Juvenile curfew for Harris County was approved on September 19, 1995 by Commissioners Court. The curfew order for the unincorporated areas of the county became effective October 1, 1995.

The curfew includes all areas located in unincorporated Harris County. Juveniles under the age of 17 are subject to the Harris County Juvenile Curfew order. The Juvenile Curfew is enforced seven days a week. The hour of enforcement is from 12 midnight to 6 a.m. in the morning.

The exceptions to the curfew are:

- Accompanied by parent, guardian or custodian
- Engaged in lawful employment or traveling to or from employment
- Participating or traveling to or from school-sponsored or church-affiliated activities, recreational activities supervised by adults and sponsored by a government entity, civic, non-profit organization or similar entity that takes responsibility for the juveniles.
- On sidewalk of Juvenile's residence or sidewalk of next door neighbor, if neighbor does not complain
- Involved in an emergency
- In vehicle or aircraft involved in interstate travel with the consent of a parent, guardian, or custodian
- Married or previously married; or had disabilities of minority removed

by a court of competent jurisdiction

Law enforcement officers will carefully assess each situation regarding a possible infraction of the juvenile curfew. If the juvenile is taken into custody, the juvenile may be transported to a processing center.

While at the processing center, the juvenile's parent, guardian or custodian will be contacted and asked to pick up the juvenile. If a parent, guardian or custodian cannot be located or does not pick up the juvenile, the juvenile will be transported to Chimney Rock Center operated by Children's Protective Services.

The juvenile can receive a citation, which is a Class C Misdemeanor up to \$500.00. In addition, the parent, guardian or custodian may also be issued a citation if they knowingly allow juvenile to violate curfew. Owner, operator and other person in control of a public place may be issued a citation if they knowingly permit juvenile to remain on premises during curfew hours.

If you live in one of the many corporate boundaries of a municipality, town and village located within Harris County, be sure and check with the Law Enforcement agency in your area for details of their juvenile curfew laws.

Many juveniles do not recognize the potential dangers they face by being on the streets during these times. The curfew will reduce the chances of these juveniles becoming a victim of crime.



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Recipe of the Month

Christmas Punch

INGREDIENTS

- 1 can concentrated white grape juice
- 1 can concentrated cranberry juice
- 3 liter bottle 7-up

DIRECTIONS

Combine. Garnish with fresh black cherries.



Sudoku

The challenge is to fill every row across, every column down, and every 3x3 box with the digits 1 through 9. Each 1 through 9 digit must appear only once in each row across, each column down, and each 3x3 box.

		7	1				3	
					5			
4	6					8		7
							2	
	5		9	1	3			
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Our next meeting dates will be as follows:

- Monday December 20, 2010 @ 6:00 PM
(3rd. Monday due to the Christmas Holiday)

- Monday January 24, 2011 @ 6:00 PM
- Monday February 28, 2011 @ 6:00 PM

Thank you and we look forward to seeing you.

Other Senior Happenings around Town:

Cy-Fair AARP Chapter #4543 meets the third Tuesday of every month at 10:00 am at Village on the Park located at 12102 Steepleway Blvd., Houston, Texas 77065.

We gather for coffee, rolls, and fellowship about 9:30 am. We take the precinct 4 bus for trips every month. We have a bus trip scheduled for January 20, 2011 and February 12, 2011. For more information on the AARP group please call Helen Sliepka @ 281 469-8351

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NAME: _____ TELEPHONE: _____

DATE LEAVING: _____ AM DATE RETURNING: _____ AM / PM
/ PM

VEHICLES: _____
COLOR _____ YEAR _____ MAKE / MODEL _____ LICENSE # _____ DRIVEWAY / GARAGE _____

LIGHTS LEFT ON YES / NO TIMER ON LIGHTS YES / NO

IF YES, WHAT ROOM LOCATIONS:

ALARM: YES / NO PETS: YES / NO TYPE:

WHERE: INSIDE OUTSIDE GARAGE

EMERGENCY CONTACTS: (Include phone #'s and at least one key holder with alarm codes if alarm is set)

NAME	PHONE #	KEY HOLDER	ALARM CODES
_____	_____	Y / N	Y / N
_____	_____	Y / N	Y / N
_____	_____	Y / N	Y / N
_____	_____	Y / N	Y / N

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AGGIE MOM'S CLUB *A Festive Holiday Social Evening*

The Northwest Harris County Aggie Mom's Club invites you to join other Aggie moms for a festive social evening on Tuesday, December 14th. All current, future, and former Aggie moms are welcome to join us at 7 pm for some holiday fun in a friendly and supportive atmosphere. The event will be held at the Houston Distributing Center conveniently located near Willowbrook Mall at the corner of Cutten Road and 7100 High Life Drive. Come and learn more about Aggie student activities, purchase great Christmas gifts from the Aggie boutique, win door prizes and book money for your students, and learn about upcoming scholarship opportunities. During the December celebration, we will have an "Aggie" Christmas ornament exchange. Please bring a wrapped Aggie tree ornament to exchange with other Aggie moms.

One of the main goals of the Aggie Mom's Club is to give scholarships to Aggie students. The NWHC Aggie Mom's Club is now accepting Scholarship Applications for the 2010-2011 school year. Complete applications and eligibility requirements are available at www.nwhcaggie moms.com and also at the general meetings. The application must be postmarked no later than Monday, Feb 7th, 2011. Last year 6 scholarships totaling \$6750 were awarded to area Aggie students. Please contact Vickie Hamley at 713-466-4494 or check out our website for more information!

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