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President's Message

By Scott Ward

ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE

The Willow Pointe Annual Meeting will be Thursday, May 15th at 6:30pm. We are still working on a venue, but you can mark your calendars on the date!

WILLBERN ELEMENTARY SPRING CARNIVAL

Don't miss the Carnival on April 12th from 10am to 3pm at Willbern Elementary (10811 Goodspring Dr.). A TON of parent volunteers are putting on a great carnival for the kids. They will have a rock wall, inflatables, train, games, food, and FUN. You don't have to have a child that attends Willbern to attend. Even if you are zoned to another school, please feel free to come out.

NEW TRASH COMPANY

The MUD#10 Board decided to change garbage collection companies from Republic Waste to WCA beginning March 1st. It was our insistence that the collection day remain the same so our trash days are still Monday and Thursday (with recycling).

Republic Waste collected any recycling bins that were out for recycling on their last contract day in February and took them with them. WCA delivered new recycling bins to each address the following day. I was also informed that Homeowners may request an additional bin if needed. Homeowners may contact WCA at 281-368-8397 for additional information.

COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE - APRIL 25, 26, AND 27

Spring is here and it is time to go through your back rooms and closets!!! Find all those things you no longer need and divest yourself of them... and make a little money in the process. The next Community Garage Sale is only a couple of weeks away. We will post signs at both community entrances to advertise.

SWIM TIME

Sign up is April 5, 2014 at the Winchester Country Clubhouse – 9607 Rio Grande Road from 10:00 am -12:00 noon. Please look in the newsletter for more Swim Team sign up information. Late registration is available. More info at: www.winchesterhurricanes.com

Willow Pointe COMMUNITY CALENDAR

APRIL 2014

APRIL 7

Landscape Committee Meeting @ 6:30 pm

APRIL 12

Walk the bayou and pick up trash – meet Paul @ the Willow Crossing Bridge @ 8 am

APRIL 18

Good Friday
CFISD Holiday

APRIL 20

Easter Sunday

APRIL 25-27

Community Garage Sale

All meetings are held in the pool meeting room. All Homeowners are welcome to attend any of the above meetings. Please call Randall Management to be placed on the agenda if you would like to address the Board at the meeting.

MUD Meeting Information – The normal date/time is 11:30 am the third Thursday of the month at the offices of Attorneys Young and Brooks. The address is 10000 Memorial Drive, Suite 260.

Willow Pointe

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Poison Control Center	800-222-1222
Animal Control.....	281-999-3191
Commissioner, Precinct 4.....	281-353-8424
Willow Place Post Office	281-890-2392
Entex Gas.....	713-659-2111
Centerpoint Energy (Power Outages Only)	713-207-2222
WCA -	
Garbage & Recycle.....	281-368-8397
Recycle/Hazardous Waste Disposal.....	281-560-6200
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Vice President	Craig Perez	2012 - 2015
Secretary	Brenda Jackson	2012 - 2015
Treasurer	Steve Mueller	2010 - 2013
Director	Angie Wilson	2011 - 2014

Please contact us at wphoa.board@willowpointe.org if you have questions, comments or concerns.

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Yard of the Month

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ASSETS

Checking

Comm Assoc Banc	\$ 38,846.75
Temp Transfer Comm Assoc M/M	\$100,000.00

Reserves

Comm Assoc Banc	\$126,577.61
M.Stanley/S. Barney	\$146,069.65
Total Reserves	\$272,647.26

Accounts Receivable

2011 Owner Assessments	\$ 710.52
2012 Owner Assessments	\$ 3,487.00
2013 Owner Assessments	\$ 7,807.94
2014 Owner Assessments	\$ 44,386.97
A/R Collection Fees	\$ 13,755.86
A/R Lawn Fees	\$ 280.00
A/R Late charges	\$ 1,188.74
A/R Legal fees	\$ 9,797.90
A/R Opening Balance	\$ 19,391.50
A/R Other	\$ 125.00

Total Assets	\$512,425.44
Pre-paid insurance	\$ 4,160.65
Total other assets	\$ 4,160.65
Total Assets	\$516,586.09

LIABILITIES AND MEMBER'S EQUITY

Current Liabilities

Prepaid-HOA Fees	\$ 448.00
Prepaid-Legal Fees	\$ 55.56
Total Liabilities	\$ 503.56

Reserves

Beginning balance	\$ 259,989.59
2013 Reserves	\$ 16,428.00
Interest Income	\$ 39.20
Capital Expenses	\$ -3,809.53
Total Reserves	\$ 276,647.26

Member Capital

Prior Years equity	\$ 57,499.33
Accrual basis equity	\$100,427.87
Total homeowners capital	\$157,927.20
YTD excess/deficit	\$ 85,508.07
Total member's equity	\$243,435.27

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND MEMBER'S EQUITY
TOTAL \$ 516,586.09



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DIRECTOR

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- ATTENDED MUD MEETINGS FOR LAST FIVE YEARS
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WINCHESTER HURRICANES *Swim Team* *Make a splash this summer*

REGISTRATION: APRIL 5, 2014

Location: Winchester Country Clubhouse – 9607 Rio Grande Road
Time: 10:00 am -12:00 noon

Bring your swimmer – Swim suits & spirit shop items available for purchase at registration.

LATE REGISTRATIONS: Last Day of Guppy School 4/23 ; 1st Day of Practice 4/28.

- Swimmers between ages of 4 and 18
- The Hurricanes will again sponsor the FREE Guppy School (April 21-23) for younger swimmers who would like to learn from the swim team experts and see if swim team is right for them
- We always need “6 and under” age swimmers – come and give it a try!
- Be part of a great team sport, build community spirit
- Swimming enhances children’s natural flexibility and promotes muscular development
- Swimming is the most injury free of all children’s sports
- Swimming is a sport that promotes lifelong fitness and enjoyment
- Swimmers learn self-discipline and how to set personal goals

Registration form can be downloaded and completed in advance from our website or completed at registration.

Registration cost is \$95 each for the first 2 swimmers, \$50 for the 3rd swimmer, and \$40 for the 4th swimmer. A refundable volunteer deposit check is required at registration. Fees include a trophy, a team t-shirt, and the team party. Swim suits & spirit shop items available for purchase at registration.

www.winchesterhurricanes.com

Winchester Swim Team, Inc. serves 200+ neighborhood kids each year and is affiliated with the Northwest Aquatic League “NWAL”. This activity is not related to or sponsored by Cypress-Fairbanks Independent School District.



BLOOD PRESSURE

TAKE CONTROL OF THE SILENT KILLER

High blood pressure, or hypertension, is sometimes called the silent killer because there are often no symptoms. That’s why keeping track of blood pressure is one of the most important things a person can do to stay healthy, said doctors at Baylor College of Medicine.

Left untreated, hypertension, can cause organ damage over time, leading to heart attack, blindness, kidney failure or stroke, said Dr. Biykem Bozkurt, professor of medicine at BCM.

Some factors that are associated with hypertension are diabetes, family history of hypertension, being overweight, taking in too much sodium, drinking excessive alcohol and smoking.

Generally a healthy reading is 120/80, and hypertension diagnosis is made at 140/90. People considered prehypertensive generally have readings that fall between 120/80 and 140/90.

Doctors always check blood pressure as part of appointments and there are also many locations where blood pressure machines are available for anyone to have their pressure checked. Bozkurt advises talking to a doctor to determine if your reading is at a healthy level rather than taking the machine’s reading at face value.

“For a relatively healthy person not suffering from any other illnesses, only a few lifestyle changes like diet modifications and exercise may be needed,” said Bozkurt.



Empty Nest Chance To Chase Forgotten Dreams

Middle age woes are hard enough to deal with, but throw in empty nest syndrome and it is a recipe for potential depression. Psychologists at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston say not to look at it as an ending, but as the beginning of a new stage in life with more time to travel, develop new hobbies, rediscover forgotten dreams and get to know your spouse all over again.

"Parents have channeled all of their energy into their children for so long they may not know what to do with their time once they leave," said Dr. James Bray, associate professor of family and community medicine at BCM.

Empty nest syndrome often leads to divorce, but parents should assume that leaving your spouse will make the unhappiness go away.

"Marriage takes time and energy, so make the effort to get reacquainted," Bray said.

Talk with friends to reevaluate goals and take note of some lifelong dreams you haven't had time to accomplish, said Bray. There may be more time to take dance classes, travel, exercise or go back to college to retool skills. The empty nest transition usually lasts six months to a year, depending on how well parents can adjust to their newly found freedom.



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