



Winchester Country

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Cookies with Santa

Mark your calendar's for Cookies with Santa on Saturday December 13, 2014 from 2 to 4pm. Why stand in line at the mall when you can just pop into the Winchester Country Clubhouse and for \$1.00 (per sitting) you can have your picture taken with Santa right here? We'll have snacks, a craft and Santa for all kids – little and big ones, too!

Clubhouse Rental Requirements Change

Beginning January 1, 2015, there are new guidelines being implemented for renting the Winchester Country clubhouse rooms. The rules go into effect for all clubhouse rentals on or after January 1, 2015.

- Deposits must be made as money orders. Leave the "pay to the order of" line BLANK, as the money order will be returned upon passing post-rental inspection. Checks, cashiers checks

or cash will no longer be accepted for the deposit.

- No items may be taped, hung, tacked or glued on the walls, doors or rafters.

- No helium balloons allowed inside the clubhouse.

This is not a policy change but bears repeating: Pool rentals are only allowed after normal hours and through Texas Aquatics at 713-416-5161.

UPCOMING EVENTS

DECEMBER

- 11.....Maintenance Board MTG
- 13.....Cookies with Santa
2-4pm @ Clubhouse
- 22.....CFISD Christmas Break Begins
- 24.....Christmas Eve
- 25.....MERRY CHRISTMAS
- 29.....Senior's Group Meeting
@ 6pm

JANUARY

- 1.....Happy New Year!
- 5.....CFISD – School Resumes
- 8.....Maintenance Board Meeting
- 19.....Martin Luther King
(CFISD Holiday)
- 26.....Senior's Group Meeting
@ 6pm

FEBRUARY

- 14.....Happy Valentine's Day
- 16.....President's Day

DECEMBER OFFICE HOURS

Mon. 1: **5-7pm**
Thur. 4: **10am-2pm**
Mon. 8: **5-7pm**
Thur. 11: **10am-2pm**
Tue. 16: **5-7pm**
Thur. 18: **10am-2pm**

Mon. 22: **5-7pm**
Thur. 25: **Closed for Christmas**
Mon. 29: **5-7pm**
Wed. 31: **10am-2pm**
Thur., Jan. 1: **Closed for
New Years Day**

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MERRY CHRISTMAS

The Winchester Country Board of Directors
would like to wish all of the Residents of
Winchester Country a Very Merry Christmas!

CHECK OUT WINCHESTERCOUNTRY.ORG

Please check out our newly revamped website for all the latest in community news, events and resources. You can download pool and tennis card applications, check the rental availability of the clubhouse and see current neighborhood events.

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NAME: _____ TELEPHONE: _____

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

VEHICLES:

COLOR	YEAR	MAKE / MODEL	LICENSE #	DRIVEWAY / GARAGE

LIGHTS LEFT ON ☐ YES / ☐ NO TIMER ON LIGHTS ☐ YES / ☐ NO ALARM: ☐ YES / ☐ NO

IF YES, WHAT ROOM LOCATIONS: _____

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
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We play cards, dominoes or other games. We go out to eat and attend plays at the Family Arts Center on Grant Road or the 1960 Playhouse on Gant Road. For more information please call Helen Delaney at 281-794-8796.

OTHER SENIOR HAPPENINGS AROUND TOWN

Cy Fair AARP Chapter #4543 meet the 3rd Tuesday at Jersey Village Baptist Church in Building D. Room 101 located @ 16518 Jersey Drive. Houston, Texas 77040. We gather for coffee, snacks and fellowship about 9:30am. We have speakers and we take day trips on a bus provided by Precinct 4 to various locations. We take in a movie at a local theatre once a month and we go out to eat after the meeting. We are not involved in the AARP insurance. We look forward to seeing you at one of our meetings. Call Helen Delaney at 281-794-8796

TENNIS CARD INFORMATION

Now that the 2014 pool season has come to an end, you must have completed a pool/tennis card form for your tennis card to remain active through out the remainder of 2014.

If you have completed a pool/tennis card form for 2014, you will remain activated until the end of the year.

If you would like to activate your tennis card (and all HOA fees paid up to date), there is NO FEE for existing tennis cards to be activated when turning in your form. THIS FORM MUST BE FILLED OUT YEARLY, this is to ensure that our current residents in Winchester Country are the ONLY RESIDENTS with access to the tennis courts.

If you are requesting a tennis card for the first time or need a replacement card (there is a \$10 fee that you must attach to your Tennis Registration Form), you may put your form with \$10 in the mail slot located at the clubhouse / pool to the left of the gate under the bulletin board. You will be mailed a card that will automatically at that time be activated (providing all fees are up to date). You may obtain a registration form on our web-site @ www.winchestercountry.org; they are also in our monthly newsletter. If you have any questions please contact Stacy @ 281 890-8856.

Because decking the halls sometimes leads to falls, we're opening just in time to handle your holiday pains and strains!

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2015 Winchester Country Pool & Tennis Registration Form

The following form must be completed and turned in before May 1, 2015 for POOL CARD activation. TENNIS CARDS may be activated year round. **ALL MAINTENANCE FEES MUST BE CURRENT FOR CARDS TO BE ACTIVATED.**

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Address: _____

☐ Own ☐ Rent If Renting, Give Owner's Name: _____

Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

Email: _____

Emergency Contact Name & Phone: _____

The cards are good for the pool during the pool season and tennis year round.

HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS

Include yourself. Falsifying information will result in loss of pool privileges. Use back side if more room is needed.

Name	Birth Date	Medical Conditions
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

You must select a box below for your registration to be processed!

☐ I am a homeowner OR a renter with card(s).

Card #1: _____

Card #2: _____

☐ I am a homeowner/renter needing replacement cards.

A \$10 fee MUST be included for processing.

☐ I have read and hereby agree to abide by WMCA's pool and tennis rules posted in the newsletter, tennis court and at the pool.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

AFTER MAY 1, THERE WILL BE A \$10 LATE FEE CHARGED TO ACTIVATE OR RECEIVE YOUR POOL CARDS.

Please complete form, sign, stamp and mail to: Community Coordinator, 9607 Rio Grande, Houston, TX 77064 OR drop it in the mail slot at the clubhouse to the left of the gate under the bulletin board. We accept cash or checks made out to WCMA. Any form that does not include proper fees will not be processed.

Call 281-890-8856 or email wcmclubhouse@winchestercountry.org with any questions.

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XERISCAPING

Xeriscaping means using native and adaptive plants that can grow and sustain themselves with low water requirements and tolerate heat and drought conditions. This does not translate to the use of cacti and thorny succulents but includes ornamental grasses, adaptive perennials, and any plant that can grow well on its own in stressful environmental conditions without supplemental care.

A xeriscape offers a huge variety of design alternatives that add visual interest to your landscape without sacrificing color, texture, and structure - the same basic criteria used in any landscape design. Your limit is how far your imagination can take you. You can have fun going whimsical with a xeriscape.

The advantages of Xeriscaping include:

- Substantial cost savings on water bills
- Conservation of diminishing water resources during drought periods
- Prevention of pollution of surface and ground water, from environmentally harmful runoff.
- Reduced yard maintenance requirements significantly.
- Pride in knowing you are doing something substantial to protect our fragile environment.

Non-turf areas can contain a decomposed granite, ground hardwood mulch, crushed limestone, flagstone, or loose stone material for a ground cover that is maintained to prevent weed growth without using toxic or environmentally harmful chemicals. Concrete surfaces should be limited to driveways and sidewalks only as concrete surfaces promote runoff. Use plants adapted to the pH created by your choice of inorganic ground cover - e.g. don't use a plant requiring acidic soil with an alkaline ground limestone surface.

Hardscapes can include large boulders, dry river rock beds, or other natural materials that are used as part of xeriscape landscaping design. water features, urns, large ornamental planters, and other man-made ornamentation can add variety. For public safety, no boulders or large rocks exceeding 12" should be used on strips between public sidewalks and the street curb. Also for public safety, no plant with thorns, spines, or sharp edges should be used within 6' of the public sidewalks for public safety.

Perennials which die back during winter should be cut back to remove dead materials during winter. This includes ornamental grasses and other flowering perennials. Xeriphytic landscapes should contain a balance of evergreen plants with deciduous.

If you have narrow strips of turf between sidewalk and street, you should seriously consider converting those "nuisance strips" from turf grasses to xeriphytic areas as these areas are difficult to water without significant street runoff.

In the Southwest (including Texas), xeriscapes can blend with the natural environment easily by duplicating them to some degree. It involves taking elements of the natural environment and providing structure and organization to it, the materials being the same. Use of xeriphytic landscapes in these dry, hot, and arid regions is a critically necessary as water supplies are limited and often stressed to the limit. See an example of a xeriscaped front yard below.



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