# Wortham

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### **Water Conservation Good for Wortham and for Texas!**

Living in Northwest Houston means lots of green lawns and plenty of water (along with lots of heat, humidity and traffic, but that's another article). But as you have seen in other part of the state and the country, water is becoming a scarcer resource and we all must change our habits and treat water like the precious commodity that it is.

Like the movie Three Amigos, our friends in West Texas are often drinking out of canteen filled with sand while we here in Houston are the Chevy Chase character pouring out precious water – literally. It is not uncommon to see water running off our lawns and down the street from sprinkler systems. In a recent study, at least 30% of the water used for lawns and yards is wasted as runoff water. ("lip balm?")

Research done by Texas A&M shows that St. Augustine lawns grow much healthier with no more than one inch per week, less when it rains. Watering lawns properly will stimulate a deeper root system which increases the survivability of our lawns and our trees during droughts.

Lawns are best watered in the late evenings or early mornings. But also be sure to check your sprinkler a few times annually to ensure that all heads are positioned correctly. Don't over-water the entire lawn because one spot is not getting enough water - reposition or add a new head or pull out the good ol' hose and water by hand.

Water conservation is becoming an ever more important issue for our community and it is important that we use this valuable resource wisely. The cost of our water will increase significantly in the future due to increased competition for water caused the growth of the population in this area.

Conservation starts with the homeowners who are the principal water customers in Municipal Utility District 222. Please contribute to water conservation (and lower your water bill) with efficient management of the irrigation of our lawns, plants and trees.

Thanks, Your MUD 222 Board



#### May 2nd through June 4th

Monday-Friday - Closed Saturday 10:00am - 8:00pm Sunday 12:00pm - 8:00pm

#### **Exceptions**

Saturday, May 9th (Swim Meet)\* - 2:00pm - 8:00pm Saturday, May 23rd (Swim Meet)\* - 2:00pm - 8:00pm Monday, May 25th (Memorial Day)\* - 10:00am - 9:00pm

#### June5th through August 23rd

Monday - 4:00pm - 9:00pm Tuesday-Thursday 10:am - 9:00pm Friday - 10:00am - 10:00pm Saturday - 10:00am - 9:00pm Sunday - 12:00pm - 9:00pm

#### **Exceptions**

Saturday, June 6th (Swim Meet)\* - 2:00pm - 9:00pm Saturday, June 13th (Swim Meet)\* - 2:00pm - 8:00pm

#### August 24th through September 7th

Monday - Friday - Closed Saturday - 10:00am - 8:00pm Sunday - 12:00pm - 8:00pm

#### **Exceptions**

Monday, September 7th (Labor Day)\* - 10:00am - 8:00pm

You will be required to wear your pool tags in the pool area. Guests will be allowed only as described in the Wortham Villages Pool Rules.

### <u>Wortham Villages</u>

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### **Wortham Villages Recreational Facilities Corner**

By Rick Anderson

Hope you all have had a great start to the year. It is hard to believe that swim season will be upon us very soon. We will be having our Annual Pool Opening Party on Saturday (5/2) from 12-3 pm. We will have food, door prizes and games for the kids. This event is sponsored by the Wortham Villages Board of Directors and planned/staffed by the members of our Recreational Facilities Committee and some great volunteers.

Once again the Wortham Villages Board/recreational Facilities Committee Members will be handing out pool tags as a courtesy to our homeowners. Tags will be handed out at the clubhouse on Saturday (4/25) and Sunday (4/26) from 1 to 3 pm and again on Tuesday (4/28) from 6:30 to 8:30 pm. Only those homeowners in good standing (annual fees paid) will be able to receive tags. If you are not able to pick up tags at these times, you will need to contact Crest Management and they will provide the tags for a small fee.

The Recreational Facilities Committee role in the community is to identify any repairs/upgrades needed for our facilities. Some of the work done by this committee in the past has been the renovations to the pool area and the clubhouse, new playground equipment at

the pool area, gazebo install and tennis courts and retention pond playground and fields equipment repairs/replacement. We also are always looking for new ways to improve our facilities. This committee is also responsible for the Pool Opening Party and assist with pool tag handout. If anyone is interested in joining our committee, please contact me at rick\_anderson@efiglobal.com or 281-890-4878.

Have a great spring and see you at the pool!

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### Wortham Villages

### **Incident Report March 2015**

INCIDENT	OFFENSE TOTAL	INCIDENT	OFFENSE TOTAL
911 Hang Up	1	Meet the Citizen	8
Accident/FSGI		Meet the Officer	2
Accident/Major	1	MUD Building Check	31
Accident/Minor	13	Neighborhood Check	11
Alarm Local	12	Parking Lot Check	6
Alarm/Sil/Pan/HU	4	Prop Found/Lost	1
Animal/Livestock	1	RACING ON Hwy	
Assault/Family	1	Road Rage Incident	1
Check Business	16	Robbery/Business	1
Check Park	8	Runaway	1
Contract Check	114	Solicitors	1
Credit Card Abuse	2	Stranded MV	1
Criminal Mischief	1	Susp Person	6
Dist/Family	2	Traffic Initiative	11
Dist/Other	3	Traffic Hazard	18
DOA	1	Traffic Stop	30
Domestic/Prevent	2	Vacation Watch	3
DWI	3	Vehicle Speeding	4
Follow Up	1	Vehicle Suspicious	9
Fraudulent Use ID	1	Vehicle Stolen	1
Information Call	1	Welfare Check	4



### **Musings on Aging and the Passage of Time**

By Terri Welch

I hope you enjoyed last month's treatise on procrastination.

This month, we are talking about aging. As my husband will gleefully tell you, I am older than he. Now that his milestone birthday is past, we are both in our fifties, which in the eyes of our children makes us this close to being put in a home.

This perception of frailty is only exacerbated by Older Teenager's obsession with debate. She originally took debate so she could compete in theater-type events at debate tournaments, but she has found her jam, people. She spends hours every day researching the current topic, and reading tomes on logic and philosophy. Samples of her book wish list? "The Phenomenology of Spirit" and "Capitalism and Schizophrenia". I am not even kidding. Ugh. Give me a nice cozy mystery any day.

Anyway, when she is explaining to me her take on the current debate, (Example -- Resolved: Just governments ought to require that employers pay a living wage), she will often stop and ask me in a slightly condescending way something like if I have heard of Kant. I then have to remind her that I have a college education,

and while my brain cells may be dying at an increasing rate, I still have enough to remember random eighteenth century German philosophers. Not enough, apparently, to remember where my keys are, but it is what it is.

Even my gentle Younger Teenager gets in on the game, showing me patiently how to use Snapchat and Instagram ("No, you just have to doubletap the picture, Mom."), and telling me that Facebook is for old people. Yeah, it is. That's why I LOVE it.

And the words they use? It's like they're too busy to be bothered to say the whole word. "Bae" instead of "babe", and "obvi" instead of "obviously". But then, apparently, "bae" also means "before all else" and can mean something you really like. I don't know. Most of the time, when they are earnestly explaining things to me, I just smile and nod, all the while wondering who's going to win 'Survivor" or something.

But then, when I try to be all down, yo, they roll their eyes and tell me I'm embarrassing them. Because I'm totes old.

So, whatevs, bruh. TTYL.



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