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Splinters from the Board

It's been a while and I have been upset for the wrong reasons with our poor quality, non-content newsletter. The fault is not the printer or anyone associated rather the problem is all of us Worthamites. We are responsible for the news you can use so write away! Let's make this a useful newsletter and send suggestions as to what you want to know and contribute as well.

My New Years wishes for us is to work on improving content in the newsletter, re-visiting and forming new committees and get more viewers to our website. To accomplish this we need YOUR help.

Business - our finances are in good order and have had them audited with a clean bill of health. Remember – this is our money. Your board are just custodians and are charged with taking good care of all our assets.

HEALTH - ISTHERE LEAD IN MY DRINKING WATER?

With the recent news about water issues in Flint, Michigan and other cities it is only natural to wonder about the quality of the tap water in your own home. Please rest assured that the water in your faucet here in Wortham is safe to drink.

Water pipes made of lead were forbidden long before Wortham Villages was ever built. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) require regular testing of all drinking water. The drinking water in MUD 222 meets or exceeds ALL Federal drinking water standards. The results of these tests are sent out annually with your bill and can also be found online at http://www.municipalops.com/districts/ hcmud222/hcmud222.php

See you at my table!

Introduction From A-Beautiful Pools

With 30 years of experience in the pool management industry, we are in business to provide safer pools in Houston while empowering employees to succeed in their job. We envision aquatic experiences resulting in happy people and safe, beautiful pools. We consider it a privilege and an opportunity to be working with Wortham Villages and hope that we are not only viewed as your management company, but also viewed as a part of your neighborhood. We would be happy to assist the residents of Wortham with any of the following:

POOL PARTIES RESERVATIONS START APRIL 4TH

- Pool Parties are a great way to celebrate birthdays, graduations, and school events!
- You can also get a group together for fun at the pool after hours based on your community's policies!

SWIM LESSONS

Registration Begins May 1st

- Summer swim lessons are a great way for your children to spend the summer.
 - Prices are competitive & our times are flexible.
 - Safety is key when spending time at the pool with your children.

Policies, pricing, information & REGISTRATION is on-line www.a-beautifulpools.com

When you walk into one of our facilities you should expect the most qualified and well trained lifeguard & management staff in the city of Houston. Our lifeguards are trained to be ready for any emergency situation. The training includes, but not limited to, proactively Scan" their water, identifying possible problem swimmers before a problem occurs and frequent in-service training, emergency scenario testing and training by the American Red Cross

A clean and orderly facility from top to bottom is also a top priority for our staff. We work hard to deliver a clean pool and spotless restrooms and furniture. If you ever find one of our staff members not delivering on that goal, please do not hesitate to contact the office staff directly.

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Changes to Neighborhood Watch

As noted in Important Numbers there are changes to the Neighborhood Watch Chair. Marie Trascher will no longer be Chair of this Committee. There are two new Chair Persons, Betty Meinecke and Rebecca Skillen. I feel both will take an active role in heading this Committee and will do a great job.

Marie will stay on as Security Coordinator as liaison between the Sheriff's Office and the MUD District for the Community.

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APRIL 30; MAY 2016: IST, 7TH, 8TH, 14TH, 15TH, 21ST, 22ND, 28TH, & 29TH

Saturday - 10:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m. Saturday (7th, 14th & 28th Swim Meet) - 2:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Sunday - 12:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Memorial Day - 10:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m.

JUNE 2016: FULL TIME BEGINNING JUNE 3RD

Monday - 4:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday - 10:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m. Friday - 10:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m. Saturday - 10:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m. Saturday (4th Swim Meet) - 2:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Sunday - 12:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.

JULY 2016: FULL TIME

Monday - 4:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.

Tuesday-Thursday - 10:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m. Friday - 10:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m. Saturday - 10:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m. Sunday - 12:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.

AUGUST 2016: IST-21ST; 27TH AND 28TH

Monday - 4:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday - 10:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m. Friday - 10:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m. Saturday - 10:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m. Saturday (27th) - 10:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m. Sunday - 12:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Sunday (28th) - 12:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

SEPTEMBER 2016: 3RD, 4TH, AND 5TH

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Between the Lane Lines:

Top Ten Reasons to Join the Whitesharks

By Coach Jon Armstrong

I haven't done a Top Ten List for the Whitesharks in a few years, so I thought I would come up with some fresh ideas!

- 10. The Most Interesting Man in the World wishes he was still young enough to join.
- 9. Exercise. Swimming is the best all-around activity for body (and
- 8. All day parties on Saturdays. (What else are you going to do on a Saturday morning?)
 - 7. Wearing the children out before bedtime.
 - 6. Know what all the excitement is about when the Olympics are on.
- 5. Learning a new skill or perfecting an old one, and then testing yourself to the limits.
 - 4. Making and/or hanging out with life-long friends.
 - 3. The pursuit of goals.
- 2. Being a part of a great Wortham tradition and something really special. And what a cool name, Whitesharks.

And the number 1 reason to join the Whitesharks? Say it all together now:

1. To Have Fun!

Practices start April 20, hope to see you there! The Cookie Monster says that the Whitesharks are THE GREAT BIG COOKIE AT THE TOP OF THE JAR!

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APRIL - Pruning with a Purpose

Trees and shrubs can benefit with pruning, and we should work to preserve its natural form. A question before starting: What goal do I want to accomplish with this pruning? Always have a definite purpose in mind. Pruning can provide shape and helps control size. It improves health by removing dead branches and diseased tissue. Are branches blocking a walkway? Sun and shade patterns change with the seasons and growing habits can be altered. Pruning allows for more sun exposure by helping get more light into interior branches as you cut back.

Timing is important. Don't prune late in year, or when a tree is under stress. Always wait till after Azalea's boom before pruning, or we'll miss out on their great blanket of color. Our Texas Lantana is very drought tolerant, needs lots of space and can be pruned back severely each spring to encourage more blooms, as well as Autumn Sage. Perhaps you've a trellis to showcase the blooms of a Carolina yellow jessamine. Pruning helps train and control this fast growing vine, but weaving long strands back into the supporting structure can prove to be much more attractive.

Warmer weather increases pest problems. Consider using a natural fungicide product which is non-toxic and safe to help protect against a broad spectrum of common fungal and bacterial diseases. One that won't harm bees or beneficial insects and allows you to eat fruits and vegetables growing in your yard.

Let's not forget about mulching our landscape beds. Cats are attracted to freshly turned soil and might use the beds as litter boxes. Add mulch on top of soil to help prevent 'cat invaders'.

April is also a great time to repot houseplants. This helps stimulate growth. As weather warms, houseplants may be moved to outside locations. Since houseplants were acclimated to lower light, indoor conditions; first consider moving them to an outside spot where they receive no direct sunlight.

32 miles north of Wortham Village is a unique 'living laboratory'. Peckerwood Garden invites the public to visit on 'open days'. April 9th & 23rd and May 8th are weekend days the public is invited to take a guided tour of a collection of over 3,000 trees and plants from across Mexico, Asia and the United States. Check website www. peckerwoodgarden.org or call 979-826-3232 for information.

Harris County master gardener's spring plant sale is Saturday, April 16th. Plant offerings are suited to our climate. Sale is held in Bear Creek Park. Arrive early, to get best selections. They also produce 'compost' which provides great nutrients to soil. Check website, https://hcmga.tamu.edu. Keep your garden gloves handy!

The information provided here is for educational purposes only. Harris County Master Gardener website offers more in-depth garden information at https://hcmga.tamu.edu.



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WORTHAM VILLAGES BOARD MEETINGS

Wortham Villages Board meetings are open to all homeowner's. Monthly board meetings are generally held the third Wednesday of each month from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm at the offices of Crest Management (17171 Park Row, Suite 310, Houston, Texas 77084), but may be changed for various reasons, including due to scheduling conflicts. For an accurate notification of board meetings, dates and times please visit Crest Management's website www.crest-management.com, then click on communities, then scroll down to Wortham Villages and click on it. There is box for you to put your email address that will notify you when the board is going to meet. The board does meet on a regular basis, although do cancel occasionally if the board cannot obtain a quorum. If you are interested in attending a board meeting, we do ask that you contact Crest Management beforehand so time can be scheduled and set aside during the meeting to address your comments or request.

Your Wortham Board of Directors

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OFFENSE TOTAL

INCIDENT

911 Hang Up	2
Accident/Minor1	
Accidental Injury	
Alarm Local	
Alarm/Rep.Site	1
Alarm/SilÎPan/HU	1
Alarm?Fire	
Burglaer/Habitat	
Burglary/Motveh	
Check Business	4
Check Park	
Contract Check	51
Crim Mischief	6
Death Notification	2
Dist/Family	2
Dist/Loud Noise	1
Dist/Other	3
Drug/OD/Poss	
DWÏ	1
Follow Up	2
In Progress	
Meet the Citizen	21
Meet the Officer	2
MUD Bldg Ck	36
Neighborhood Check	16
Open Door/Window	1
Parking Lot Check	23
Prop Found/Lost	2
Solicitors	2
Stranded MV	
Suspicious Person	5
Theft/Other	
Traffic Initiative	9
Traffic Hazard	2
Traffic Stop	32
Unk Med Emerg	1
Vehicle Abandoned	1
Vehicle Suspicious	
Vehicle Stolen	3
Welfare Check	1



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