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The Association has an active Architectural Control Committee that approves or denies all construction and any improvements. You may request an ACC form by contacting Chaparral Management 281-537-0957 or the association website. Please keep in mind that the Association has thirty days (30 days) to approve or disapprove any ACC and verbal approvals or disapprovals are not given.

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Fire Department | Spring VFD 281-355-1266
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OFFICE HOURS

9am to 5pm | closed for lunch 12:30 to 1:15 pm

WALL UPDATE AND CONSTRUCTION ISSUES

Wall Project has been put out to Bid and we expect to open bids on February 1st. Bond sale is set for January 23rd and funds should be released by February 23rd. The contract should be awarded by February 27th. Construction should begin on Spring Cypress by late April.

The MUD will be contracting our own tree trimmer to prune trees that will interfere with construction. The contractor will be installing the wall from the outside of the district all along Spring Cypress and along Falvel up to FM 2920.

At FM 2920 the installation will be both from the outside where possible and from the resident side where required. You can expect resident side construction at the following locations: (west to east) behind the Citgo station, behind the two newer constructed strip center buildings and behind the Goddard School through to Meadowhill Drive.

The equipment used for this installation should be able to work entirely within the easement. Construction mats will be used to minimize damage from wheels etc. The Contract calls for contractor remediation of the impact from construction. Where there are plantings within the easement, some of these may be damaged or destroyed during construction. The MUD will mediate any disagreements that arise from the insufficiency of the contractor remediation efforts. The Board must remind everyone that that the original easements-not the ones signed for wall construction-restricted planting and the erection of immovable objects in the easement, and left the risk of loss on the homeowner should work in the easement be necessary. This is true not only for FM 2920 section, but for every perimeter lot as well.

We are sure there are many questions about particular issues that may affect individual properties. Please call Rich Doll at 281-528-9110 and we can arrange a daytime meeting to review whether there is a greater potential for damage, and what procedures we can affect to avoid unnecessary losses. We expect to have two open meetings with perimeter lot owners before construction begins to discuss these matters.

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Exercise

One hour of weekly movement could prevent 12% of depression cases. Low intensity moves, such as walking, were as effective as moderate and high intensity moves.

Hearing Tests

Untreated hearing loss could cause interpersonal problems says a review of 78 recent studies. There are more arguments about problems such as TV and radio volume, feeling stressed, worn out and guilty if they let frustration grow. People over 50 should be tested.

Dental Care

See your dentist at least once a year for an exam and dental cleaning. Over 40% of people over the age of 50 don't get regular dental care. Over 18% of adults do not have their natural teeth.

Naps

A brief nap in the early afternoon may reduce daytime sleepiness, boost alertness, and sharpen memory and thinking skills. Experts recommend limiting cat naps to under half an hour to avoid feeling groggy when you wake up.



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HOA Events

The Event Schedule for 2018 is:

Easter Egg Hunt

Memorial Day

National Night Out

Cookies with Santa

A volunteer is needed to chair each event, as well as plan and staff it. The HOA would like to continue having community events, unfortunately, there are not enough residents willing to volunteer their time to help plan and execute the above schedule.

If you are willing to help, please call

Lindsey @ 713-898-9878.

Without you, events will become a thing of the past.

TRASH SCHEDULE

HEAVY TRASH DAY is the second Friday of each month.

Please do not put heavy trash out until the day before the truck comes to pick up (which would be Thursday). Please tie up any branches with rope.

TRASH DAYS are Monday and Thursday.

All trash must be placed in the receptacle for pick up, bags of leaves included.



IS IT A TURTLE OR A TORTOISE?

By Cheryl Conley, TWRC Wildlife Center

Some lump anything with an outside shell into the turtle category when in fact there are distinct differences between turtles and tortoises. Both are reptiles but turtles live in the water and the tortoise is a land-dweller.

Turtles are identifiable by their webbed feet and long claws. The webbing helps them swim. The tortoise has a heavier shell than the turtle and has short sturdy legs. Turtles are omnivores meaning they eat vegetation and meat. Tortoises tend to be herbivores but have been known to occasionally eat meat.

Both turtles and tortoises date back 220 million years! They both have a very long lifespan with sea turtles living up to 70 years and the more common turtles living up to 40 years. Tortoises can live up to 150 years!

Red-eared slider turtles became popular as pets when they were made available in dime stores. I know I had one in the 1950's so they've been around a very long time! Their popularity soared when the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtle movie came out. Because the turtles were released into the wild when pet owners got tired of them, they

are now considered invasive in some states. A couple of states have outlawed the sale of them. These turtles tend to be a bit aggressive and make it difficult for other native species to compete for food and habitats. They can also introduce unknown diseases to the wild population when pet turtles are released into the wild.

Probably the most unique turtle in our area is the softshell turtle. They live in the water and are carnivores. It has a flat shell and will often bury itself at the bottom of a lake, stream, or bayou leaving only its neck and head exposed. It can breathe under water much like a fish.

TWRC Wildlife Center cares for hundreds of turtles every year. Most are admitted because of injuries sustained from cars. In 2014, concerned citizens asked Missouri City to help protect turtles crossing the road. The City took a positive step by erecting road signs showing a mama turtle with three babies.

TWRC Wildlife Center is a 38-year-old non-profit organization that is your resource for wildlife questions and concerns. Check out our website at www.twrcwildlifecenter.org or give us a call at 713-468-TWRC.

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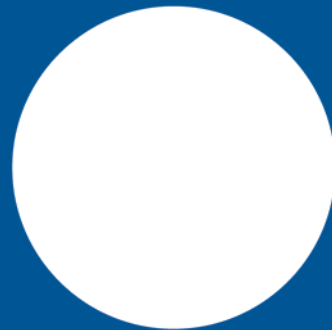
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