



COMMUNITY YARD SALE

Saturday, September 14, 2019 | Starts: 8:00am Ends: 2:00pm

- * This is a Community-wide event; homeowner participation is voluntary.
- * Homeowners must set up their own garages, driveways, etc., for the event.
- * Participants will not be able to use the clubhouse area or any common areas for the sale.
- * Traffic control will be provided for the Mesa Wells/Northcanyon areas.
- * This event is for amateur selling only! Not intended for business sales.
- * The HOA Board will place ads in the local newspaper

- * Signs will be posted at the 249 and Eldridge entrances.
- * Entry gates will be opened for traffic flow during the allotted time.
- * Please make sure to return property to a pre-garage sale state once the event has concluded (remove signs, trash/debris, return unsold items to the home, etc.).
Let's all do our part in keeping our neighborhood beautiful!
Per our Community Deed Restrictions only authorized garage sales may be held by residents of Canyon Gate at Northpointe.



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 NW Harris WCID.....281-376-8802

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Fall Baiting For Fire Ants



The month of September celebrates Fire Ant Awareness Week, so get involved! While you may not be seeing too many mounds yet, fall is a great time to bait for fire ants. Baiting in fall can help reduce the number of mounds appearing in spring.

Baits take time for results to be seen, so be patient and schedule a regular baiting program for every spring and fall. If you need fire ants killed quickly, you may want to use an individual mound treatment.

Tips on using fire ant baits:

- Make sure you have a bait, not a granular
 - o Baits are either broadcasted over an entire property or sprinkled AROUND individual mounds for fire ants to pick up as food. Baits should NOT get wet.
 - o Granulars are sprinkled on TOP of a mound and watered in to carry the pesticide into the mound to come into contact with the ants.
 - o Read the product label BEFORE YOU BUY to figure out if it is a bait or granular.
- Broadcasting baits using a handheld spreader saves time and reduces the amount of chemical applied to the environment.
- Use the proper amount of bait and application equipment for your yard size
 - o Read the label; it will tell you the rate of application and equipment required for application.
 - o Many baits are placed at a rate of 1-1 ½ pounds per acre.
 - o Many people do not follow the label and put out more bait than is needed.
- Check that fire ants are foraging before putting out bait.
 - o Place a hotdog slice or potato chip near a mound, leave for 10 minutes, then check for fire ant activity.
- Do not use stale or old bait.
 - o Smell bait to make sure it is not spoiled; spoiled bait smells rancid (if you are using spinosad fire ant bait, it smells somewhat funky normally so do not be alarmed).
 - o Store bait sealed in the original container out of reach of children and animals.
- Get your neighbors to bait the same time as you do; this will push reinvasion boundaries of fire ants further away from your property.
 - o Even better, organize a community-wide fire ant management program; they can help reduce the amount of fire ants within your community & save money on chemical costs for everyone in the neighborhood.

For more information or help with identification, contact Wizzie Brown, Texas AgriLife Extension Service Program Specialist at 512.854.9600. Check out my blog at www.urban-ipm.blogspot.com

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ST. MARY'S FALL GIFT MARKET



On Friday, September 27 and Saturday, September 28 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church is hosting its 14th annual Fall Gift Market. This is the ideal event to kick off your holiday shopping and decorating while supporting local craftspeople! The convenient location at the corner of Louetta Road and N. Eldridge Parkway makes it easy to shop the selection of unique jewelry, home decor, handcrafted gifts, collectibles, sports memorabilia, candles, soaps and bath products, plus trendy clothing for ladies and children. Our indoor/outdoor market also features The Tea Room (offering our famous taco soup, sandwiches, desserts and homemade baked goods), and the Silent Auction. All proceeds benefit church-affiliated projects and outreach. For more information, please visit stmaryscypress.org/fgm, or call Michelle at 505-228-5542.



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Top Ten Reasons to Sell Your Home During the Fall Season...

1. Prospective buyers are more serious.
2. Less competition.
3. Fewer houses to choose from means more \$\$\$\$ for you.
4. Buyers have more time to look during this season.
5. Homes decorated for the holiday season show better.
6. Relocation buyers increase and can't wait for the spring market.
7. Many buyers must close by the end of the year for tax reasons.
8. Sell now and be a non-contingent buyer for your next home.
9. You can be on the market and adjust showings during gatherings.
10. Sell now and extend occupancy until after the holidays.



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THE PLASTIC PLIGHT

By Cheryl Conley, TWRC Wildlife Center



I'm deviating from my usual articles about local wildlife and addressing an issue that should be important to all of us. It's the plastic pollution of our oceans. Why should we be concerned? Plastic is killing our wildlife.

Fish, seabirds, seals, sea turtles and marine mammals ingest plastics causing suffocation, drowning or starvation or they become entangled in it.

Plastic was invented in 1907 and was considered a major breakthrough. Although not widely used in the beginning, now it's everywhere we look. After all, it's durable and lightweight, but it's deadly to marine animals. Are you old enough to remember when milk was delivered in glass bottles? Remember when sodas were only available in glass bottles? Remember paper straws? Today when you order a drink in a restaurant, you get a plastic straw. Do you remember the introduction of plastic bags in grocery stores? Groceries were once put in paper bags, then we were asked if we wanted paper or plastic and now it's plastic only. Grocery stores have row after row of products in plastic containers replacing what were once glass.

It is estimated that 92,000 tons of plastic end up in our oceans every week. To help you understand how much that is, it's 184,000,000 pounds! But where does all that trash come from? One would think that it's coming from ships throwing their trash overboard. That accounts for only 20% of the problem. The other 80% comes from land-based activities. Ninety percent of all plastic trash that ends up in the oceans gets there by ten rivers that carry it there (none are in the United States). All of these rivers run through densely populated areas that don't have adequate waste collection or recycling programs. Additionally, there's very little public awareness that plastic is even a problem in these areas. Trash being blown away from landfills is also a problem. Plastic is lightweight so it doesn't take much for the wind to blow it around.

The trash collects around storm drains and ends up in our oceans. And then there's the general public that still thinks it's okay to throw trash out of cars or wherever they feel like disposing of it.

There are several garbage patches floating in our oceans. Rotating ocean currents called "gyres" creates them and currently there are five of them in the ocean. One of them is called the Great Pacific Garbage Patch and is located in the North Pacific Gyre between Hawaii and California. It is the world's largest collection of floating trash. The debris is spread across the surface of the water and goes all the way to the ocean floor. The latest estimate puts the size of this patch at twice the size of Texas! Eight percent of the debris is made up of plastic bags, bottles and other consumer products.

So what can be done about the problem? Obviously, there are many situations that we have no control over but we can do our part. We can be responsible stewards of our environment and we can teach others to be as well. Here's how you can help:

- Participate in Adopt-a-Beach programs through the General Land Office in Austin. For more information, go to www.glo.texas.gov/adopt-a-beach/.
- Use reusable bags when you grocery shop.
- Go straw-free. They are now even selling re-usable straws that you can carry with you. Some even fold up.
- Balloons are a big no-no. If you know someone planning an event with a balloon release, educate them on the dangers to our wildlife.
- Tell your dry cleaner that you don't need a plastic bag.
- Cut up the plastic rings from sodas and beer.
- Recycle.

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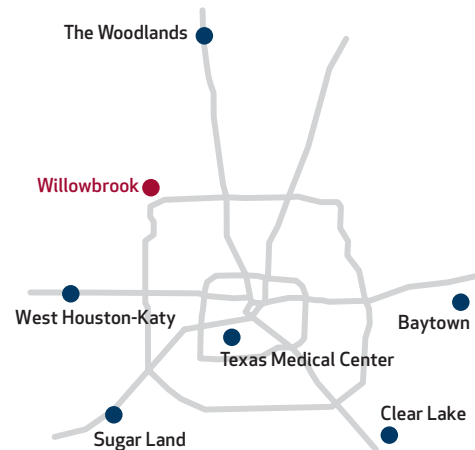


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