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The *Woodwind Lakes Newsletter* is mailed monthly to all Woodwind Lakes residents. Residents, community groups, churches, etc. are welcome to submit information about their organizations in the newsletter. Personal news for the Stork Report, Teenage Job Seekers, recipes, special celebrations, and birthday announcements are also welcome.

To submit an article for consideration please email it to Lynn.Collins@garygreene.com. The deadline is the 7th of the month prior to the issue.

FEBRUARY YARD OF THE MONTH

Section 1
8007 Ensemble Drive

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A Cultural Experience

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- Host must be 25 years or older
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STS Foundation is a 501(c)(3) organization that places foreign exchange students with American host families. For more information about hosting, please contact me at 832-455-7881 PM me or email at vicki.stsfoundation@yahoo.com.

Baby Squirrel Season

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

By Cheryl Conley, TWRC Wildlife Center



And so it begins. Baby season 2020 and it all begins with baby squirrels. There are a number of reasons why baby squirrels get separated from mom. Homeowners cut down trees that have nests, high winds can blow nests down or can knock babies out of the nest or sometimes they just fall out. Whatever the reason, you can help.

The first thing you want to do is make sure the baby is safe and warm. Put it in a box or other small container

with a soft towel or t-shirt. You can microwave a sock filled with rice for one minute and place it in the box with the baby or set 1/2 of the box on top of a heating pad set to low. **DO NOT TRY TO FEED IT.** If you do not see any blood on the baby and there are no ants crawling on it, you can try to reunite it with mom. A squirrel's real mom is the best mom.

1. Place the box with the baby squirrel in it near where you found the baby. You can also attach string or twine to the box and securely hang it from a low branch. Just remember to keep an eye on it from a distance so it's safe from dogs, cats and other predators.

2. Getting the baby to call for its mom can help. Sometimes gently picking up the baby will cause it to call her. You can also try holding one foot and applying gentle pressure. **DO NOT SQUEEZE HARD.** This is a tiny, fragile baby.

3. If it's raining lightly, cover half the box and put the baby on the dry half. If it's pouring, keep the baby inside until the rain lets up. Remember to **KEEP IT WARM.**

4. Be patient. It can take up to four hours for mom to come and get her little one. If she doesn't, you'll need the help of a rehabilitator. Bring the baby to us. If it's after hours, keep the baby in a quiet, dark room and keep it warm until we open. Do not attempt to feed it.

If you notice injuries, keep the baby safe and warm in a dark room until you can get it to us. Do not handle it.

If you'd like to help care for the baby squirrels that are brought to us, we have opportunities available to care for them at our Center or in your home. We will train you. For more information, email berry.moffett@twrcwildlifecenter.org or call 713.468.8972.

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The coronavirus sounds very alarming, doesn't it? It can be devastating, however, most coronaviruses are not dangerous. "A corona virus is a kind of common virus that causes an infection in your nose, sinus or upper throat." (WebMD)

Most coronavirus spread the same way as a cold does.

- Through infected people coughing and sneezing.
- By touching an infected person's hands or face.
- By touching things such as doorknobs that infected people have touched.

The symptoms are like any other respiratory infection including runny nose, coughing, sore throat and sometimes a fever. If a coronavirus spreads to the lower respiratory tract (your windpipe and lungs), it can cause pneumonia, especially in older people with heart disease or people with weakened immune system.

Let's be proactive in keeping our immune systems as strong as possible to fight colds and viruses.

- Wash our hands THOROUGHLY with soap and water or with an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
- Keep our hands and fingers away from eyes, nose and mouth.
- Avoid close contact with people who are infected
- Don't cough into your hands.
- Replace Kleenex after each use.
- Get plenty of rest.
- Drink plenty of fluids.

• Web MD says do not give aspirin to children or teens younger than 19; use ibuprofen or acetaminophen instead.

• A humidifier or steamy shower can also help ease a sore and scratchy throat.

• Healthy immune system warriors need good, regular nutrition.

• Like a healthy diet, exercise can contribute to general good health and therefore to a healthy immune system. It may contribute even more directly by promoting good circulation, which allows the cells and substances of the immune system to move through the body freely and do their job efficiently .

• Oregano oil is powerful and may help a range of issues. There is some evidence that it could help: fight bacteria; relieve inflammation; regulate blood sugar and lipids and fight cancer. The oil showed "significant antibacterial activity" against some microbes. This suggests that substances in oregano "could play a role in fighting diseases that no longer respond to antibiotics" (Medical News Today). While it can, for example be an antimicrobial remedy, it should not replace medical treatment. Be careful to use oregano oil and not oregano essential oils, which is much stronger and not safe to consume."

• On a personal note, our family uses vitamin C combined with Grape Seed Extract to fight infections.

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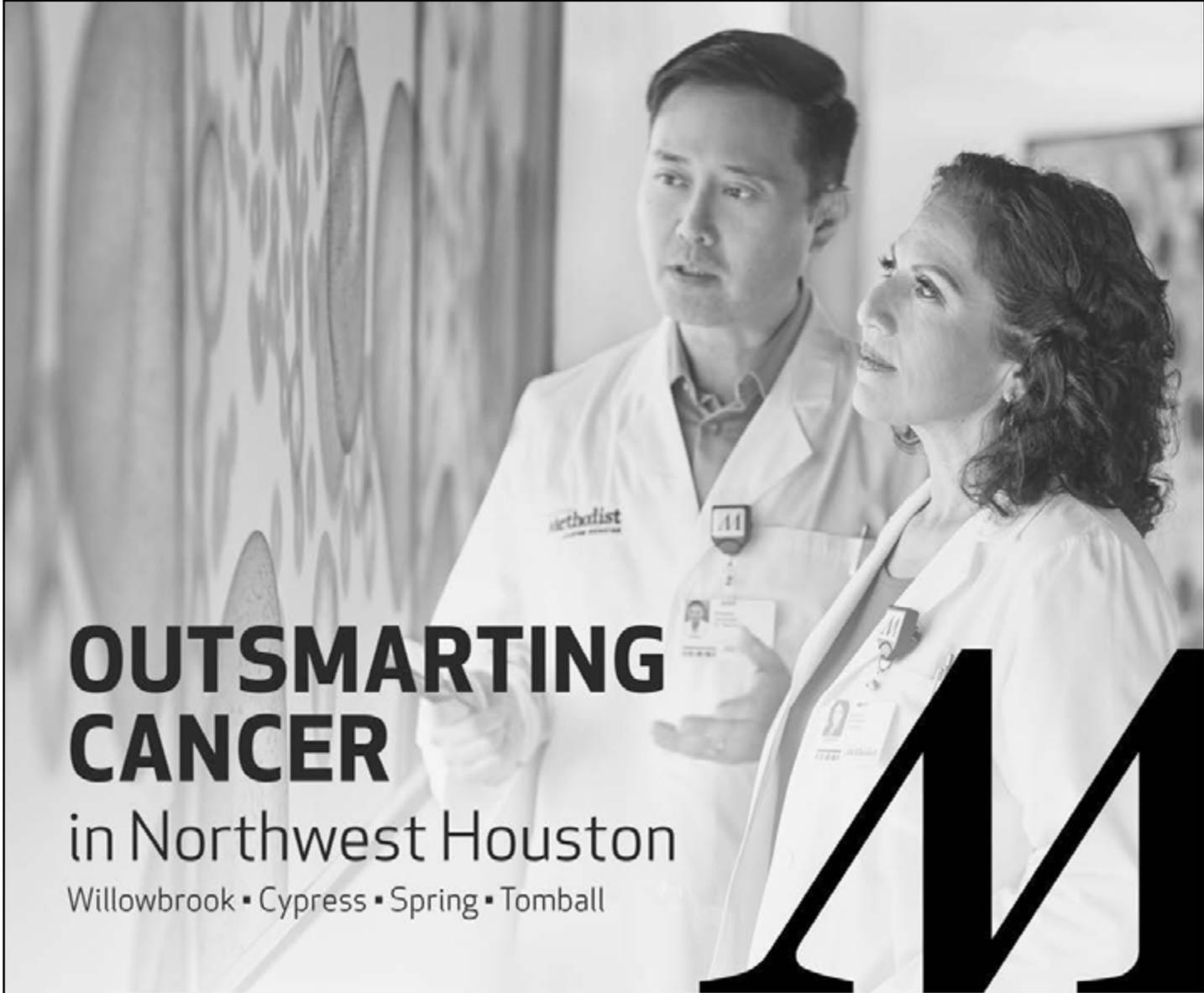
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Being on bad terms with your neighbor can make your life frustrating, day after day. But taking the time to establish good terms with your neighbors has numerous benefits. The community will be friendlier, the neighborhood safer and the area a nicer and a more comfortable place to live.

Introduce yourself. Whether you're new in the neighborhood or new residents whom have just moved in on your block, introduce yourself.

- **Control your dog.** Keep your dog on a leash if it has a habit of running rampant on your neighbor's lawns and especially if they have a cat or a dog of their own. Also make sure to clean up after your pet. If you have a particularly noisy dog, this may also become a source of contention for your neighbor.

- **Practice parking etiquette.** When you park your vehicle, be sure not to block anyone's access or make them have to pull out of a very tight spot. Don't over-rev the engine of your car or motorcycle early in the morning or late at night. Park in front of your home, not theirs. Avoid slamming your doors or shining your headlights into your neighbor's windows late at night.

- **Keep your yard and garden tidy.** Weed your garden regularly. The presence of weeds in your yard is not only unsightly but can also spread to your neighbor's yard. Mow your lawn regularly and keep your flowers, trees and bushes trimmed appropriately so they don't encroach on your neighbor's yard.

- **Control your barbecue or backyard fire.** Position it where the smoke and smell will be least likely to blow onto your neighbor's property. As with parties, notify them in advance of your intentions.

- **Put rubbish/garbage out on the right day.** Only put your rubbish/garbage out on the day it's due for collection. If you accidentally miss the collection, bring it back onto your property immediately and try to contain it well. Garbage can attract vermin, insects and other pests and is also unsightly. Keep your trash area clean and debris free. Wash your garbage cans if they begin to smell.

- **Communicate with your neighbor.** Above all, touch base with your neighbors regularly and keep them in the loop. Remember the golden rule. If anything you are planning to do may affect them, minimize it and let them know in advance. Keep the channels of communication open by reminding them that if you're doing anything which disturbs them, they should feel comfortable approaching you about it.

- **Be aware of your surroundings, as well as theirs.** Even if you're not in a "neighborhood watch" community, keep your eye on anyone you don't know acting suspiciously around your neighbor's property. When in doubt, call the police so they can quickly curtail any criminal activity.

- **If you hear of any neighborhood news (events, crimes, special garbage pickups, special event parking restrictions, etc.)** give them a heads-up by e-mail or put it on Woodwind Lakes website or Nextdoor.

- **Keep the noise level down.** If you have a celebration please keep the noise level down especially after 10:00 PM. Even during the daylight hours be aware of the noise level and keep it down as to not disturb your neighbors.

