



*The season's first frost
photographed by resident
Martina Wagner*

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End of Year Holiday Party with Santa

Last month, Village Creek hosted their End of Year Party, a family-friendly, socially distanced afternoon with Santa, Mrs. Claus, a North Pole elf, festive activity stations, and holiday music. The Social Committee would like to recognize and thank all the residents that assisted the social committee in making the afternoon special.



Mrs. Claus JeAnna Ramos-Straker and teen volunteer Jayden Ramos-Straker



Teen volunteer Cole Martin working the cookies and hot cocoa with Santa booth

Upon arriving, residents were greeted by Mrs. Claus, portrayed by JeAnna Ramos-Straker. Santa and his elf helper from the North Pole, portrayed by Tony Anderson and Matt Brown, were staged in a traditional Christmas setting to hear children's Christmas present wishes and pose with families. If children had a longer list to share with Santa than a quick photo opportunity allowed, volunteers Rhonda Heckler and Larry Morison helped the children write their letters to Santa. Afternoon refreshments of baked cookies and hot cocoa were served by HOA Board Directors Brian Martin and Cynthia Moody with help from Cole Martin and Aaron Klein. The Christmas ornament swap was facilitated by teen volunteer Jayden Ramos-Straker.

In addition to a D.J. playing holiday themed music, we had a special performance by the Tomball Memorial High School choir, including resident Yerim Colin.

Several residents loaned items to transform our pool side area into a holiday setting. Among those were Glynnis Fletcher and Peter Miller.

We would like to recognize all our teen volunteers: Teddy Cruz, Thomas Cruz, Desiree Gonzalez, Cole Martin, and Jayden Ramos-Straker for all their hard work before, during, and after the event.

Last, but not least, a heart-felt thank you to all the residents that donated a toy for our Toys for Tots charity drive. The donation box was overflowing with our residents' generosity.



Hailey Piowaty, Paulette Morison, Peggy Barriga, Rhonda Salveski, and Leslie King

Social Committee Members: Hailey Piowaty, Paulette Morison, Rhonda Salveski, Leslie King, and Peggy Barriga



Resident Spotlight - Hailey Piowaty

My name is Hailey Piowaty. My family and I moved to Village Creek in late December 2019. My job with a local oil and gas services company brought us back to the Houston area. My husband and I have two elementary aged kids. We are excited by the number of families around us with similar aged kids. As we look back at this unusual year, we are beyond grateful to have found Village Creek. The tree lined streets, open green spaces, and lake have been a bright spot to enjoy while staying at home. We are impressed and excited by the friendliness and cleanliness of this neighborhood. Halloween was an amazing night to see how many families were out and how many residents decorated their yards and/or gave treats. I joined the Social Committee this fall to get more involved in Village Creek activities and meet more neighbors. I'm excited to be a part of bringing events for all ages to the community.

Submissions for the resident spotlight can be sent to vcmedia@villagecreek.us.

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Architecture Review Committee Update

This month I will be starting a series of articles on the new Village Creek Architectural Guidelines, and frankly there is no better place to start than with fences.

Several changes have been made in the area of fences, the main change has been in height. You are now allowed to have a total fence height of 6 feet 6 inches with the inclusion of a 6" rot board running horizontally across the bottom of the fence. The purpose of the rot board is to prevent the individual pickets, installed vertically, from wicking up ground moisture and rotting very quickly. The rot board itself is usually treated wood and is installed cross grain to the ground thus preventing wicking.

On fence sections facing public spaces such as green belts and roadways you are required to install a 2" header across the top of the fence and face all panels 'smooth side out' or as some people call it 'good side' out. This is purely for aesthetics.

When putting in an Exterior Modification Request (EMR) for fence replacement be sure to include a copy of your property plat drawing annotated to show the sections of the fence you will be replacing and the location of gates to be installed or replaced. Vehicle drive-through gates and gates opening into property not owned by the requestor are strictly prohibited. The exception is gates opening to the lake or the green belts. One question that keeps coming up is the Harris County flood control property, the ARC cannot approve gates opening into the flood control areas or undeveloped areas.

Many times, the ARC has been asked about alternating panels between neighbors (good neighbor fencing) and cost sharing and for privacy

and personal information reasons we cannot get involved in this type of discussion. We would encourage you to consult with your neighbors before beginning a fencing project.

Staining and sealing your fence is permitted and either include it in your fence replacement EMR or file a separate request. The approved colors of stains or sealers may be clear, transparent, semi-transparent, or opaque and must be harmonious with the house. The requirement to use certain brand names has been removed.

Brick or stone columns may be constructed and used as fence posts. These must be of a material to match the exterior of the home and not exceed 8 feet in height. The face of such columns constructed in the front of the home must be on, or behind, the platted front-lot building line.

Tubular metal or "wrought iron" fencing must be approved by the ARC, be painted black and not exceed six (6) feet in height. Chain Link and Wire Fences are prohibited.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss your fencing project please feel free to contact me, I will be happy to assist you.

Steven F. Winter, Chairman

Village Creek Architecture Review Committee

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ARC Committee Members: Committee Members: Ben Yerby, Joe Wright, John Mudd, and Steve Winters

Media Committee Update

With the holidays past us, the Board has asked the Media Committee to create a survey regarding the amenities in Village Creek. The committee will be distributing a survey to obtain your opinion on improving or adding additional amenities. The survey will query several categories divided by cost. The first category is improvements or additions at no cost or low cost, such as the Friday food trucks and adding pool umbrellas. The second category asks about improvements or additions that are moderate to high costs, such as a camera system, a pool card app, or a new splash pad feature. The third category solicits community interest on adding high-cost amenities, such as a club house or lazy river. The more costly an improvement or amenity the more likely it will require increasing HOA dues. By participating in the survey, you are sharing with the Board what is important to you, what community amenities you wish we had, and if you value lower homeowner dues ahead of amenities.

The survey will be distributed to all emails that have registered on the VillageCreek.us website. This database of email addresses is different from the Crest Management database. The VillageCreek.us email signup is to receive news from the HOA Board and its committees.

To register, go to our neighborhood website VillageCreek.us. Click on the Email Signup button. This brings you to the Subscribe to HOA News Blast screen with fields to fill in. After completing the form, click on the Subscribe button and you will stay in the know on the latest happenings in the neighborhood.

Media Committee Members: Lindsey Mathews, Rick Curry, and Samantha Miller

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Safety & Security Committee Monthly Update



The Safety & Security Committee is looking for volunteers who can dedicate their time to keeping Village Creek safe. The committee is in need of a few people with an interest in technology to explore the feasibility and financial commitment of installing cameras at Village Creek entrances. Please contact the safety committee at safety@villagecreek.us if you are interested in volunteering.

Committee Members: Jennifer Kharrazi, Rick Curry, Brad Snyder, and Julie Gall

Announcements

HOA Board meetings have moved to the second Monday of the month.

Volunteers Needed - The Safety & Security Committee and Media Committee have openings for volunteers.

The Christmas decorations judging is happening after this edition goes to press. Results will be in the next edition of *The Voice*.

The Media Committee welcomes suggestions and comments as to how the committee can best serve the needs of the community. If you would like to join us for a meeting, submit photos, or send us suggestions, the Media Committee can be reached at vcmedia@villagecreek.us.

Resident Spotlight Submissions

We want you to be in *The Voice*! Each new edition will continue to spotlight community residents. Maybe you are new to the community, reached a special milestone, or running for local office. We would like to help you share this with your neighbors! Any resident can be highlighted; however, if a resident is under the age of 18, a written parental consent authorization will be required. Your submission should include a high-resolution photo along with a short-written article of less than 200 words. We reserve the right to edit for space and clarity. Submissions can be submitted to vcmedia@villagecreek.us.

Whisker and Tails: Please be Paw-lite

By Veterinarian Lindsey Mathews

In Village Creek, we are blessed with a beautiful neighborhood, walking paths, and plenty of places to explore with our furry companions. Not everyone here owns pets, but a large percentage of residents do, and whether you are a dog, cat, or pet-less person, we should all strive to be polite in our pet-owning responsibilities. Making sure that your dog remains on-leash is important for the safety of your dog, as well as other people. Even the best trained dogs can have a moment of mindlessness where they can take off after a squirrel and run out into the street. And, even if your dog is loveable and friendly, that does not mean that other dogs are the same way. Having a strange dog run up into the face of a leashed dog can lead to fear and aggression, even if the leashed dog is normally calm and gentle. So be a respectful neighbor and keep your pups on an easy-to-control leash! It should also be a given to pick up poop when your dog must go to the bathroom.

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Leaving pet waste in the grass is unsanitary, smelly, and can transmit different diseases and parasites, some of which can even infect people! We have numerous pet stations along our sidewalks, so grab some potty bags, tie them to your leash or stick them in your pocket, and please clean up after your pet!

Outdoor cats can also cause a variety of problems such as killing native wildlife and going to the bathroom in a neighbor's garden or a child's sandbox. The latter is, again, unsanitary and can spread disease, and cat urine can create intense odor which will attract other cats and create a vicious cycle. There are also several dangers for your cat if they spend time outside, including being hit by a car, being attacked by another animal (which can spread disease as well as injure your pet), ingesting toxins, and getting trapped in garages, car engines, etc.

So, as said before, if you are going to own a pet, make sure you are being polite and respectful to your fellow neighbors and keep your own pets safe!



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