

April 2006

April

- Swim Team Registration (a) Clubhouse 9:00 2:001 Family Movie Night @ Clubhouse 6:30
- 8 Community Easter Event
- 14 CFISD Easter Holiday
- 16 Easter
- 21 22 Community Garage Sale
- 24 Senior's Meeting @ Clubhouse 6:00 PM
- 29 Mobile Vet Clinic @ Clubhouse 10:00 - 3:00

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- 5 Pool opens for the 2006 season
- 13 Swim Team Time Trials: Pool opens at 11:00 AM
- Swim Team Home Meet: Pool opens at 2:30 PM 20
- 22 Senior's Meeting @ Clubhouse 6:00 PM
- 23 CFISD last day of school
- 29 Memorial Day

June

- 3 Swim Team Home Meet: Pool opens at 2:30 PM
- 19 Senior's Meeting @ Clubhouse 6:00 PM

*(Note different date)

27 Annual Homeowner's Meeting @ Clubhouse 7:00 PM

Heavy Trash will be picked up on every Thursday unless it's a holiday. Heavy Trash may be picked up on Mondays if not a holiday depending on truck capacity. Heavy Trash that is not picked up on Mondav will need to be removed from the curb until Wednesday night. (See page 9 for Heavy Trash details)

View the Winchester Country Newsletter each month on-line at www.PEELinc.com

APRIL OFFICE HOURS Mondays 5:30 – 7:30 PM

Wednesdays 10:00 - 2:00 PM

Winchester Country Seniors' Club

If you are 55 years old and older we are looking for you! Come find out what a fun group we are and join us the 4th Monday of every month at the Winchester Country Clubhouse. In the past our group has enjoyed potluck dinners, bingo, outings to the theatre, lunch outings and other fun events. For more information please call Lynn Field, (Group Leader) at 281-894-9532.

Our next meeting dates will be as follows:

Monday, April 24, 2006 at 6:00 p.m.

Monday, May 22, 2006 at 6:00 p.m.

* Monday, June 19, 2006 at 6:00 pm.

*The date for the June meeting has changed from the 4th Mondav of the Month to the 3rd Monday of the Month.

Thank you and we look forward to seeing you.

Community Easter Event Saturday, April 8, 2006 1 – 3 PM

The Community Easter Event will be held on Saturday, April 8th from 1-3 PM. We will have an Easter Egg Hunt for 3 different age groups: 3 & under, 4 - 7 and 8 - 10, pictures with the Easter Bunny, food, animals and a lot more!



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Maintenance Association Meeting

Fourth Tuesday of every quarter - 7 p.m. Swim & Tennis Club; 9607 Rio Grande Drive Questions or information regarding Deed Restriction violation letters, your annual maintenance dues or Architectural Approval of any type must be requested and obtained in writing from: **Winchester Country Maintenance Association**, c/o SCS Management Services 7170 Cherry Park Drive; Houston, TX 77095 Phone:281-463-1777 • Fax:281-463-0050 • <u>www.scsmgmt.com</u>

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START SOMETHING

Online, on site and phone registration is under way for May mini-mester courses and summer sessions.

High school students can also register for dual credit courses with their high school counselors.

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Important Phone Numbers

Trash Pick-Up - Recycling Bins - Terri League - BFI	713-636-6315
Post Office	.1-800-275-8777
Harris County Flood Control District	
Bayou Maintenance	281-684-4000
Harris County Animal Control	281-999-3191
SCS Management	281-463-1777
Advantage Water Mgmt. (Water & Sewer Problems)	
MUD 9,10 & 11	281-807-9500
Cy-Fair Volunteer Fire Department Business Office	
Center Point Energy	713-207-2222
Reliant Entex	713-659-2111
Pool Phone	281-890-9066

Harris Country Sheriff Numbers

Emergency or Crime in progress	
WC Deputies	
Vacation Watch	

Newsletter Deadline

10th of each month Submit Your articles and Photos to: Newsletter Editor Email <u>wchcoordinator@ev1.net</u> Mail 9607 Rio Grande Houston, TX 77064



Mulch Alert

If you use mulch around your house be very careful about buying mulch this year. After the Hurricane in New Orleans many trees were blown over. These trees were then turned into mulch and the state is trying to get rid of tons and tons of this mulch to any state or company who will come and haul it away. So it will be showing up in Home Depot and Lowes at dirt cheap prices with one huge problem; Formosan Termites will be the bonus in many of those bags. New Orleans is one of the few areas in the country were the Formosan Termites have gotten a strong hold and many of the trees blown down were already badly infested with those termites. Now we may have the worst case of transporting a problem to all parts of the country that we have ever had. These termites can eat a house in no time at all and we have no good control against them, so tell your friends that own homes to avoid cheap mulch and know were it came from.

Hopefully this info will help you avoid expensive termite repairs.

Homeowner's Meeting

There will not be a homeowner's meeting this month. Homeowner's meetings will resume quarterly beginning with the annual meeting on Tuesday, June 27th. Come join us at 7:00 at the clubhouse.

Community Garage Sale

We will be having our Community Garage Sale on Friday, April 21st and Saturday, April 22^{nd} from 8 – 4 PM. This garage sale will be advertised in the Houston Chronicle. Winchester Country will also put signs up at the entrances to the subdivision. You will need to make your own sign to put at the end of your street so people can find you. Please do not put signs up in the entrances of the subdivision.



ACC Application

Before making any improvements/repairs or additions to your home, please request a copy of the ACC Application from SCS Mgmt Services, or come to the office at the Clubhouse (see hours someone will be there) or go to website at <u>www.</u> <u>winchestercountry.org</u> and download the form.



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Patient Testimonials

I can honestly state that my 12 year old twins truly enjoy their visits to the dentist. Dr. Nguyen is a wonderful dentist and has the nicest staff. He is very intelligent, patient and has state of the art equipment. We have been coming to his office for over 5 years and have always received nothing but the best in service. I have and will continue to recommend Dr. Nguyen to other family members and friends. Olga Salazar - Houston, TX USA

Dr. Nguyen is the most hitech-savvy dentist I have ever met. I have been a patient of Dr. Nguyen for 7 years. His ability and knowledge to utilize computerized equipment and hi-tech (laser etc.) equipment have amazed me. Dr. Nguyen works hard and do the best for his patients. I highly recommend Dr. Nguyen to be your dentist.

Jason Wong - Houston, TX USA



Fellow Residents of Winchester Country:

I would like to address a problem that has been going on for years, and would like to compel you as citizens and residents to do whatever you can to report to the authorities these activities.

We have many little children, teenagers and adults riding small motorcycles, dirt bikes and 4 wheelers on the streets, on our sidewalks and on our bayou and they are speeding most of the time. The police have told me that it is illegal to do this but they can't get their patrol cars on the bayou to chase them down because the cars get 'bottomed out'. These people also go from 'spot to spot' on the bayou. Besides doing something illegal, they are creating so much noise it is impossible to relax in our homes or in our yards or even when we are driving our cars because we have to be watching out for them when they are on our streets. They are also destroying the looks of our bayou area.

I would like to invite each of you to come to our Homeowner's Association meetings to try to find a solution to stop this and also compel you to report violations to the police. Thanks for reading this and I hope it initiates action.

Respectfully,

A Neighbor

Note from the Board:

The Board of Directors has asked that the Sergeant who our Deputies report to meet with them at their next Board meeting. There



have been many complaints of this nature. Since most of the issues arise from unlicensed motor

vehicles being driven on the County's streets and Flood Control easements, we are looking to the County to participate in the resolution of this growing issue.



Winchester "Hurricanes" Summer Swim Team registration is under way.

Any resident of Winchester Country, Winchester Trails or the immediate vicinity where another NWAL (Northwest Aquatic League) is not already in existence that is 18 years of age or younger as of May 31, 2006 and is a novice swimmer is eligible to join the swim team.

Please view our website at **www.**eteamz.com/wsthurricanes to view the season schedule, registration cost and current updates. Go Hurricanes !!!!!!



May 5th through May 31st

Thursday, May 25	10:00 AM - 9:00 PM
Fridays, May 5, 12, 19	4:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Friday, May 26	10:00 AM – 9:00 PM
Saturdays, May 6, 13, 20, 27	10:00 AM – 9:00 PM
Sundays, May 7, 14, 21, 28	10:00 AM – 9:00 PM
Monday, May 29 (Memorial Day) $10:00 \text{ AM} - 9:00 \text{ PM}$

Tuesday, May 30 Wednesday, May 31

1:00 PM - 9:00 PM 10:00 AM - 9:00 PM

Exceptions and Notes:

Saturday May 13th - Closed until 11:00 AM for Hurricane's time trials. Saturday May 20th - Closed until 2:30 PM for Hurricane's swim meet. May 24th Last day of school summer vacation starts

June 1st to July 31st

Mondays Tuesdays – Sundays Monday, July 3rd Tuesday, July 4th Closed 10:00 AM – 9:00 PM 10:00 AM – 9:00 PM 10:00 AM – 11:00 PM

Exceptions and Notes:

Saturday June 3rd - Closed until 2:30 PM for Hurricane's swim meet.

August 1st to 15th

Pool Hours

August 1st to 15th Mondays

Tuesdays - Sundays

Closed 10:00 AM – 9:00 PM

August 16th – September 4th

Mondays – Thursdays Fridays Saturdays & Sundays Monday, Sept. 4 (Labor Day) Closed 4:00 PM - 9:00 PM 10:00 AM - 9:00 PM 10:00 AM - 9:00 PM



Contact GHPM regarding Water Aerobics and Swim Lessons. www.greaterhoustonpool.com

PINEAPPLE BANANA BREAD

3 c. flour 2 c. sugar 3/4 tsp. salt 1 tsp. cinnamon 1 tsp. soda 1 c. pecans

3 eggs 1 can crushed pineapple, drained 2 c. mashed bananas (about 4 or 5) 2 tsp. vanilla 1 c. oil

Mix dry ingredients and pecans in separate bowl. Beat eggs. Add bananas, pineapple, vanilla and oil. Mix well and add dry ingredients a little at a time, sch addition. Bake in loss parts 250% for

beating after each addition. Bake in loaf pans at 350° for about 1 hour or until toothpick comes out clean. Makes 3 or 4 medium loaves. Enjoy!

Happy Easter!

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As part of our Bronze Award, Troop # 10554 (Winchester Country and Trails) is hosting a baby shower throughout the month of May. New Layettes will be assembles and distributed to Mother's facing crisis pregnancies. Please consider purchasing any of the items listed below. For pickup, please call Troop #10554 leaders Jennifer (281) 894-0293 (WC) or Sandy (281) 807-3903 (WT) to schedule a pick up. Thank you so much for your help and support of our project!

Some ideas of items we need for our baskets (new please):

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baby oil	changing pads
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booties/socks	travel size baby products
"onesies"	diaper bags
baby sleepers and creepers (sleep ar	nd plays)
baby lotion	baby shampoo
bibs	teething gel
wipes	sippy cups
crib sheets	newborn caps
pacifiers, nu-nu's and binkies	nail clippers/grooming products







Tennis Court Cards

If you wish to obtain a tennis court card there is a \$10 deposit (unless you have the old tennis court key). You can either mail a check (made payable to WCMA) to WCMA, 9607 Rio Grande, Houston, Texas 77064 for \$10 with your name and address, or you can drop it off at the clubhouse. Outside the gates there is a slot; just put your envelope in there and a card will be sent to you.

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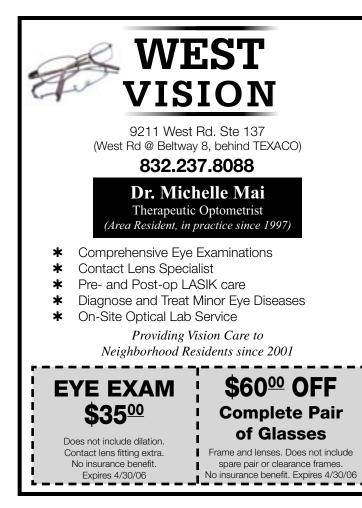
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About 56,000 Americans are over 100 years old.

Classified Ads

Personal classifieds (one time sell items, such as a used bike...) run at no charge to Winchester Country residents, limit 30 words, please e-mail to wchcoordinator@ev1.net.

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Winchester Country Pool Rules 2006

1. Only Winchester Country residents and their guests will be allowed to use the pool. Residents must accompany guests. Maintenance fees must be current.

2. The telephone located in pool office is for emergency use only.

3. The lifeguard on duty will have the final authority for the enforcement of pool rules.

4. Children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult (18 years or older).

5. The baby pool is restricted to non-swimming children who are under the age of 5.

6. All non-potty trained children **Must wear swim diapers** at all times.

7. Parents are responsible for children and/or guests in both the baby pool and large pool at all times.

8. Running is not allowed in the pool area. No horseplay will be tolerated either in or out of the water.

9. Glassware/glass containers are not allowed in the pool area. No alcoholic beverages are allowed in the pool area.

10. Abusive language, screaming, yelling or the playing of loud music will not be tolerated.

11.Smoking is not allowed in the fenced area of the pool facility. There are designated smoking areas in front of Coordinator office and Clubhouse II..

12.Diving is allowed from the diving board only. No diving in the



shallow end. Divers must jump straight out and not toward the sides.

13.All persons younger than 18 years of age will leave the water during the scheduled hourly rest period and sit away from the pool edge.

14. Only Coast Guard approved floatation devices will be allowed and must be approved by the lifeguard staff.

15.Persons with bandages and/or open sores will not be allowed in the pool.

16.Cocoa butter, baby oil or other similar products will not be allowed in the pool. Commercial suntan preparations only.

17.No pets are allowed in the pool area.

18.Gum chewing is not allowed in the water or pool area. All food is confined to the deck area only.

19. The Association is not responsible for lost or stolen items.

20.Non-swimming children must stay in the baby pool and within arms reach of an adult. This also goes for the large pool. All non-swimmers must wear Coast guard approved floatation devices.

21.Adult supervision is required at all times as relates to non-swimmers.

22.Only 2 non-swimmers per adult will be allowed.

23.All residents must hold current pool cards in order to use the pool.

24.All guests will be charged \$1 daily and issued a guest pass that must be returned upon leaving. A resident must accompany all guests and will be accountable for their guest's conduct. Disciplinary action can result is the loss of guest privileges for the Host.

Discipline:

Infractions to pool rules will result in disciplinary action taken by the Pool Company (GHPM) and/or Winchester Country Board of Directors. Disciplinary actions may include time out and/or the suspension of cards from one day up to and including the remainder of the pool season.

Forced Mowing

In an effort to continue to make Winchester Country a great Neighborhood in which to live the WCMA board has adopted a more aggressive mowing policy. In the event a property is sent a deed restriction violation letter to mow the property and the violation is not corrected a lawn service will be sent to the property and mowed at a cost to the homeowner. If a violation letter is received and a resident needs additional time or assistance please contact Pam at SCS Management at 281.463.1777



WINCHESTER COUNTRY MARKET REPORT

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tion report is provided to keep you informed of resale market activity in your subdivi	ci

This market morna	ation report is p	rovided to keep	s you mormed	or resale marke	a activity in your	subdivision.
	Sept 05	Oct 05	Nov 05	Dec 05	Jan 06	Feb 06
\$130,000 +	1	2	0	3	2	1
\$120,000-129,999	2	2	1	3	1	1
\$110,000-119,999	2	3	1	0	1	1
\$100,000-109,999	1	0	2	3	0	2
\$90,000-99,000	1	0	0	0	1	0
\$90,000 -	0	3	1	0	0	0
TOTAL	7	10	5	9	5	5
Highest \$/Sq Ft	78.84	78.75	79.13	79.26	73.58	84.92

This chart represents the homes that have sold and closed in the past 6 months according the Houston Multiple Listing Service.

Recent Sales by "SUPER DAVE" in Winchester Country

- 10206 Tablerock
- 10110 Sand Pass
- 10014 Prospect Hill
- 10206 Saddlehorn Trl
- 10603 Prospect Hill
- 10026 Lazy Meadows9514 Arrowgrass
- 10223 Horseshoe Bend
- 9915 Sand Pass
- 9915 Totem Trail
- 10151 Horseshoe Bend
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