



Willow Pointe Newsletter

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August Yard of the Month

Submitted by Paul Morgan



10303 North Laurel Branch is the YARD OF THE MONTH! The home is owned by Mr. and Mrs. Kalid Wadi. Mr. Wadi gives credit to Mrs. Wadi for the landscaping and decorating of their home.

They have lived in Willow Pointe for over 5 years. The Wadi's chose Willow Pointe to be near their daughter who also lives in the neighborhood.

The landscape reflects the Mediterranean heritage of Mr. and Mrs. Wadi. Mr. Wadi is originally from Jerusalem and Mrs. Wadi is a native of Iraq.

Mr. Wadi was in the grocery business for a number of years. He currently is in the pre-owned automobile business at TBH Auto on I-45 and North Shepherd.

Seventeen grandchildren, a home and a business leave little time for an occasional saltwater fishing trip!

Runner up this month is 10211 Elm Bluff.

Congratulations to everyone!

We Need Your Help

Submitted by Board Members Steve Mueller and Greg Decker

Your HELP is desperately needed in order to make Willow Pointe a safer place to live. Over the past four months we have had several occurrences of vandalism at the children's play area. Recently vandals have caused significant damage to our pool resulting in the need for repairs in excess of \$2,000. In total the damage caused by vandals will be just under \$10,000 year to date. Other criminal mischief occurred just last week however there was no damage to our common areas. We need to get this all under control and our contract Deputies can only do so much. We need your help.

If you live near or around the pool/playground area or are driving in the vicinity take a moment and "check out" any inappropriate activity. If you see anything that concerns you, please contact the sheriff's office.

Many of you have seen and told us about "late night visitors" at the pool. Individuals are jumping the fence. By the time you receive this newsletter new cameras will be installed closer to the pool area. We will NOT hesitate to share the pictures with the Deputies. We will NOT hesitate to file trespassing charges and we hope the individuals are arrested.

As announced at our Annual meeting, we will be soliciting signatures for a Neighborhood Watch Program. In order to gain the support of the Sheriff's Office we need about 60% of our homeowners to participate. Participation is simple. We asked that you keep an eye out for your neighbors and report any suspicious happenings. In the next few weeks you will see volunteers at the neighborhood entrances requesting signatures so please stop and sign up. This will only take a few minutes and the end result will go a long way towards making our neighborhood safer.

For several years we have had in place a Block Captain program. We need some new captains that are willing to keep an eye on their area. If you think you have a few minutes to make a difference, please call or e-mail Greg @ 281-477-0115 or GADecker@sbcglobal.net. It's time to take back our neighborhood and stop the vandalism and criminal mischief!

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Please contact us via our community website at www.willowpointe.org if you have questions, comments or concerns. Our e-mail box can be found by clicking on the HOA Board Box.

Safety Tip!

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Letter to the Editor

Each month space will be allocated for neighbors to submit a "Letter to the Editor". It must be a question, comment or concern specific to our community. You may also send a question directly to the Board. Please indicate if you are expecting a response from the Board and sign your letter.

"Letters to the Editor" are reviewed by the Newsletter Committee prior to publication.

You may submit your "letter to the editor" to [judithschwartz @ sbcglobal.net](mailto:judithschwartz@sbcglobal.net). or by mail 10506 Elm Knoll Court.

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- **SAVE YOUR POOL TAGS.** You will need them again next season.
- Paul Morgan continues to work with the U.S.P.S. regarding the need to paint or replace a number of our mailboxes. An inspector will drive through the community to identify boxes in need. In the meantime if you have one near you which is an eye-sore, give Paul a call at 281-807-9118.
- If you are planning any home improvements, additions or exterior changes, please contact Randall Management, Inc at 713-728-1126 and request an Architectural Review Application. The form can also be found on the Willow Pointe Website (www.willowpointe.org). The approval process usually takes about 30 days.
- **GARBAGE CANS AND GARBAGE BAGS MUST BE STORED OUT OF VIEW OF THE STREET.** Garbage cans may not be stored on the side of your house or yard. Please do NOT place garbage or grass clippings at the curb before 6:30 pm prior to the pick-up day.
- **LOST ANIMALS?** Contact Jacquie & Kathy Sprunger @ 832-912-7084 or winsumlssm@aol.com.
- Need a babysitter or want to baby-sit? Contact Denise Hebert @ 281-477-9728 or dhwillowpointe@yahoo.com (preferred)
- After school starts the pool will be open only on week-ends through Labor Day.
- The pool closes for the season following Labor Day.
- Volunteers are needed for the Newsletter Committee. Two of our members have left the group. Big thanks to Regina Wall for serving on the committee for a year along with Angela Hrapchak. Angela moved to the east coast several months ago. We will miss both of these outstanding ladies. Please contact J. Schwartz @ 832-237-4992 or judithschwartz@sbcglobal.net if you are interested. Committee members attend one meeting each month and are asked to submit either ideas or actual article. The time commitment usually is not over two hours each month.

Speed Limit Reduction Initiative

A new bill has recently passed in the Texas Senate. Senate Bill 540 gives the Harris County Commissioner's Court the authority to declare a lower speed limit of not less than 20 miles per hour in residential neighborhoods throughout Harris County.

In order to move this initiative forward, Paul Morgan, Willow Pointe resident, is circulating a petition which must be signed by 51% of the homeowners residing in Willow Pointe. If you are interested in supporting this initiative, please contact Paul at 281-807-9118.

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Frozen Raspberry Delight

Prep: 30 min + freezing

Submitted by J. Schwartz

Trust me; this is awesome!

2 cups crushed chocolate wafers or chocolate graham crackers)

¼ cup sugar

½ cup butter

Filling:

1 cup hot fudge ice cream topping (next time I will use 2 cups)

1 quart vanilla ice cream, softened

1 pint raspberry sherbet, softened

1 pkg (10 oz) frozen sweetened raspberries, thawed and drained

1 carton (8 oz) frozen whipping topping, thawed

In a bowl, combine the wafer crumbs, sugar and butter; set aside ¼ cup. Press the remaining crumb mixture into a 13 in x 9 x2 inch dish. Cover and refrigerate for 15 minutes.

Place hot fudge topping in a microwave safe bowl; cover and microwave on high for 15-20 seconds. Spread over crust. Spoon ice cream over fudge layer. Place spoonfuls of sherbet over ice cream; cut through sherbet with a knife to swirl. Top with raspberries. Spread with whipped topping; sprinkle with reserved crumb mixture.

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Board Action Overview

- Funding was approved for the repair of controller #7 which is located at the pool area. Cost = \$300
- Funding in the amount of (not to exceed) \$3,000 was approved for Phase I of the Long Range Landscape Plan. The Jones Road entrance received focus in late June with the addition of 10 crepe myrtles and the removal of several trees in poor condition. A few shrubs were also relocated. The cost for this work was \$1,800. Once the weather cools we will begin relocating, rebalancing and thinning out some of our existing landscape and adding colorful plants.
- The brick walls at the Round-Up entrance were pressure washed in June. The cost was \$285. The pillars at the pool entrance and the common walkway were in much need of pressure washing. The bid to pressure wash was \$215 but volunteers John and Judith Schwartz completed the work to save the HOA money.
- The Board approved \$1,600 for the necessary pool repair caused by vandals. This amount does not include the cost of emptying the pool and replacing the water. Scheduling of the repair has not been determined at press time.

Willow Pointe Pet of the Month

MY NEW PET

Submitted by Cody Cherry



My name is Cody Cherry. Here is a picture of me and Goliath.


I have a new friend – a pet African Sulcata Tortoise named “Goliath!” I adopted him from people that are moving to Washington State. It is much too cold for Goliath to live up there, so they had to find someone responsible enough to keep him.

When Goliath gets older, he will be at least two feet long, and weight up to 110 pounds. But the most amazing thing about him is

he will have 100 years to live. I don’t know if I’ll be alive to be at his 100th birthday!

He now lives upstairs in a round green baby pool filled with ground walnut shells, and a covered hut to sleep. Every day, Sulcata Tortoises have to spend at least 13 to 14 hours under a heat lamp, so I installed

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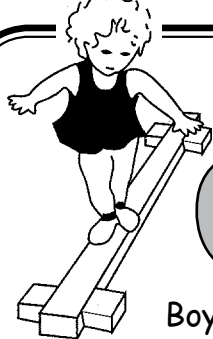
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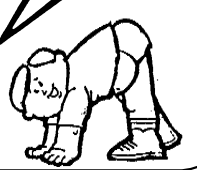
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My New Pet- (Continued from Page 5)

it right beside his hut. They eat Purple leaf lettuce that you can buy at any food store. When you buy your Sulcata Tortoise, he will be about the size of a gallon-sized milk carton cap. Mine is now about the size of a full-grown Slider turtle.

I bet in about three more years, he will be too big for his round container, so we will probably have to move him outside in the back yard. You will have to have a shelter for them to sleep in every night, with a heat source inside the shelter. But he will also need a shady and relaxing place to rest.

If you have a new or interesting pet and would like to share an article and picture in the newsletter, please contact J.Schwartz @ judithschwartz@sbcglobal.net.

Willow Pointe HOA, INC Balance Sheet- June 30,2006

ASSETS

Cash

Checking	Sterling Bank	\$73,860.95
Savings	Sterling Bank	\$74,202.95
CD – Smith Barney		\$100,000
Smith Barney		\$103.66
Petty Cash	Sterling Bank	<u>\$649.15</u>
Total Cash		\$248,816.71

Accounts Receivable \$47,343.47

Total Accounts Receivable \$47,343.47

Other Assets

Total Other Assets 0.00

Total Assets \$296,160.18

LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL

Current Liabilities

Uncollected Assessments	<u>\$47,343.47</u>
Total Current Liabilities	\$47,343.47
Total Liabilities	<u>\$47,343.47</u>

Capital

Fund Balance	\$69,593.50
Increase/(Decrease) Summary	\$179,332.21
Total Capital	<u>\$248,816.71</u>

Total Liabilities & Capital \$296,160.18

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No vehicle shall ever be permitted to park on a driveway at a point where the vehicle obstructs pedestrians from use of a sidewalk.

Please contact Lucy @ Randall Management, Inc if you need additional information. She can be reached via e-mail Deed_rmi@aol.com or 713-728-1126 ext 18.

Community Calendar

August, 2006

August 2	Board Meeting 6:30 p.m. Pool*
August 7 -	Landscape Committee 7 p.m. Pool *
August 8	Safety & Security Committee 7p.m. Pool*
August 16	First Day of School
August 18,19,26,27	Pool Open Week-ends Only
August 28	Newsletter Committee 7 p.m. Pool *

September, 2006

September 2,3,4	Pool Open
September 4	Student Holiday
September 4	NO GARBAGE PICK UP
September 5	Pool closed for the season
September 6	Board Meeting 6:30 p.m. Pool*
September 11	Landscape Committee 7 p.m. Pool*
September 12	Safety & Security Committee 7 p.m. Pool*
September 25	Newsletter Committee 7 p.m. Pool*

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This market information report is provided to keep you informed of resale market activity in your subdivision.

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\$180,000 Above	0	1	1	1	2	0
\$160,000-179,999	0	0	0	0	0	1
\$150,000-159,999	1	1	1	0	0	1
\$140,000-149,999	0	0	0	0	0	0
\$120,000-139,999	0	0	0	0	0	0
\$120,000 Below	0	0	0	0	0	1
TOTAL	1	2	2	1	2	3
Highest \$/Sq Ft	70.76	68.75	72.48	63.20	57.78	85.04

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