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Greetings Winchester Trails

First I would like to thank Paulette Walker and all of those that assisted her with Go Texan Day celebration. It was a great event attended by many. With Paulette's leadership and enthusiasm, I look forward to several other events that make the Trails special.

Due to weather, the Board meeting was rescheduled from March 6 to the following week heavy rain, tornado warnings, etc. did not permit the Board members to establish a quorum. Board meetings are important we consider the safety of the residents, PCMI and Board to be of greater significance.

We are considering several issues including the rehabilitation of the tennis courts as well as repairs to the clubhouse. We have received bids to make the necessary repairs. Anyone who would like to volunteer to help with the management of the tennis courts, let the Board know. Please consider volunteering for this especially if you are a tennis player.

Much like the rest of the Trails, the clubhouse is aging and is requiring more attention. We have areas where some of the exterior wood has deteriorated in addition, some of the gutters and roofing will require repair or replacement. We are also considering the replacement of the carpet inside the clubhouse with tile.

The Board continues to attend the MUD 9 meetings to provide comments and concerns regarding the wall construction. As you can see, the wall has been given much attention in late February and early March. We continue to work cooperatively with the MUD on the wall as well as the Park Plan. Please feel free to contact the WT Board or the MUD 9 Board know of any comments, concerns or questions you may have. This communication can be through emails, phone calls or attending the respective board meetings.

With the warmer weather, we turn our attention to the pool. Look for pool tag registration and dates and times the pool will be open this season. As a reminder, if you have not paid your annual maintenance fees, the volunteers helping with the registration process cannot issue pool tags. Also, with the warmer weather we can look forward to several events including the 4th of July party. Volunteers are always needed and it is not too early to consider this.

Until next month...

Walter

Upcoming Events

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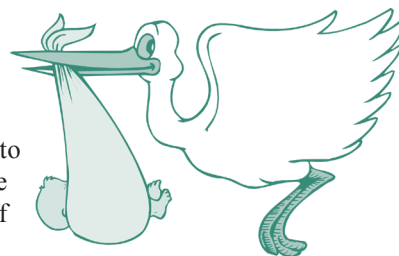
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Reminder Pool

Look for your pool tags registration in the mail for this year's pool tags! They will also be available at the pool... please ensure your maintenance dues have been paid for this year.

Stork Report

If you have a new addition to your family, please contact Allison Poor 281-807-0244 or alisonpoor@earthlink.net to share your news and have the WT Stork appear in your yard if desired.



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Deadline

The deadline for the May newsletter is April 10.

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World Music Festival
April 4
Choral production

Hollywood Boulevard
April 11
Student Activities talent show

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April 15 - May 8
Art in the Bosque Gallery

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Go Texan Day

Our first annual Go Texan Day was met with bunches of hay, horse drawn carriage rides and bbq galore! It was a great time of food fun and fellowship for our community. Thank you to all our contestant cooks who did a fantastic job... the judging was long and hard but they finally came up with the final 2 winners! Our brisket winner was Jim Giese and our chicken winner was Clay Wooldridge each were presented with trophies! Way to go guys! Next year we will have a Chilli cook-off look for news flashes for more information!

I would like to offer my sincere thanks to the judges, cooks, children's helpers, those who prepared, cleaned and came out to support our community. I would like to offer a special thanks to Paulette Walker without whose help this would not have been possible!

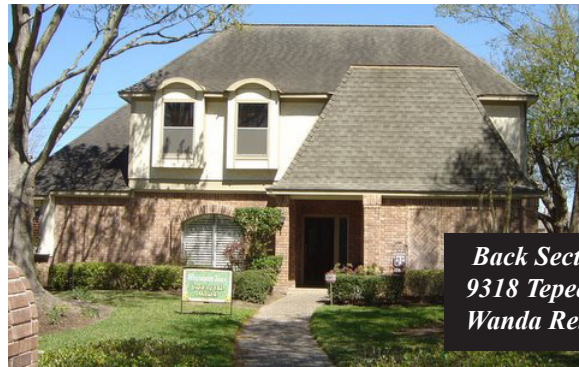
Lisa Wooldridge

Mature Residents in the Pool

Please note that our mature residents will have the pool every Wednesday morning from 9am - 10 am beginning in late April.

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GREEN THUMB CORNER

Spring is here again and the onset of warmer weather is promoting vigorous growth, so it's time to get busy in the yard and garden to keep pace with nature. There are lots of colorful bedding plants in all the nurseries and April is a good time for planting if you didn't take care of it last month.

Summer bulbs can be planted now - cannas, gladiolus, dahlia and caladium provide choices of color and height. Caladiums do well in shady areas.

Chrysanthemums tend to spread like crazy, and it's a good idea to divide and transplant at the end of this month or early May. They bloom in October when we have equal hours of daylight and darkness, but in our southern climate we may also get a bonus flowering session in spring after a mild winter. Throughout the summer, keep pinching back the tips for bushier growth and more blooms.

As the temperature starts climbing back into the 80's the chinch bugs are likely to be feeding on our carefully-tended grass again, apply Diazinon granules to the lawn and beds every six to eight weeks. This also controls fire ants and takes care of fleas and ticks, and a good application around the house foundation helps to keep cockroaches out.

An herb patch is an attractive and aromatic feature in the garden, as well as being very useful - it's great to be able to cook or garnish with freshly picked parsley, basil or cilantro. Plants are available at the nurseries, and basil and cilantro both grow very quickly from seed.

Rosemary and oregano plants will survive for years in our climate, and mint is also perennial.

In the vegetable garden, beds prepared at least two weeks earlier are ready for planting seeds now that the soil is warming up. Beans, squash, cantaloupe, cucumber and corn are all rewarding crops which can provide a good harvest from a relatively small area. Okra and eggplant may be transplanted this month or next, and it's not too late for tomato and pepper plants.

THIS MONTH'S TIP: A few minutes spent in sweeping up the clippings from the street will really enhance the appearance of your home and improve the quality of the neighborhood.

Phil Richards

HOWDY PARTNER-March 2008

The Trails welcomes Angie and Cameron Boone, who moved into their home at 9211 S. Pass Lane in late December. Cameron is employed as a Commercial Real Estate Appraiser and Angie works as a Chemical Accountant. The Boone's moved from the Galleria area, and they are enjoying their new home with their cat, Cali.

The Howdy Partner feature of the TrailWriter is made possible through the efforts of the Welcome Committee. If you are new to the neighborhood and have not been welcomed, please let us know. We also have Trails information available on our website at www.winchestertrails.com. Welcome to the Trails!

Missy Fouts- 832-237-5717

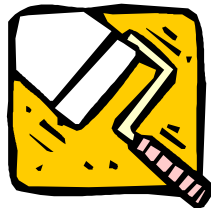
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04/02 - Kristy Nguyen

04/15 - Katelin Suter

04/17 - Aston Wallin

04/20 - Jacqueline Bontke

04/21 - Alex Hebert

Happy 1st Anniversary!

04/21 - Cameron & Angie Boone

Happy 15th Anniversary!

04/17 - Steve & Staci Atchison

Happy 20th Anniversary!

04/09 - Michael & Cindy Korenek

04/16 - Brendan & Priscilla McCormick

04/23 - Art & Cindy Formas

04/30 - Manuel & Catherine Zegarra

Happy 25th Anniversary!

04/09 - Walter & Tere Sonne

04/23 - Buzz & Kate Loeffler

Happy 30th Anniversary!

04/22 - Harold Gunn & Beth Wood-Gunn

Happy 35th Anniversary!

04/06 - Edmundo & Esther Flores

Garage Sale

Remember the date....

Our community garage sale is
Saturday April 19 from 8-4

Winchester Trails – Classifieds

If you have something to sell why not sell it in our classifieds? Personal Classifieds run at no cost to Winchester Trails residents. Please e-mail me at lwool2@sbcglobal.net to get your ad in for the next newsletter.

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Dress for Success

Dress for Success Houston is a not-for-profit organization that provides interview suits and confidence boosts to low-income women entering the job market. The Send One Suit (S.O.S.) drive is an opportunity for any Trails resident to donate a gently used suit or dress in support of Dress for Success. Should you have such clothing items to donate to this effort, please contact Joe Bontke at 281-890-5335 or joebontke@gmail.com or Paulette Walker at 281-894-5708 or paulette_walker@sbcglobal.net. Thank you in advance.

Medical Mission Trip

Medical Mission Trip to Uspantan, Guatemala on **July 12 to July 23, 2008**. With the help of The University United Methodist Church and HELPS International, a team will be providing free surgeries, dental care and general medical clinics to the indigenous Mayans in Uspantan. A ground team will concentrate on community development within Uspantan, installing water filtration systems, and building a new type of wood burning stove in local dwellings.

If interested there are two ways to donate:

1. HELPS International, 15301 Dallas Parkway, Suite 200, Addison, Texas 75001, ATTN: Rita Martin, San Antonio Team #610 – 2008 Uspantan Trip
2. Direct donations for the stove and water filtration fund, can be made out to - University United Methodist Church. In the Check Memo mark it "Water Filtration" or "ONIL Stove".
3. Donations can be sent to me at 10207 Hondo Hill, attn: Jim Giese, I will get the donations to the trip fund
- \$45.00 will provide a water filtration unit for a family
- \$125 will provide an ONIL stove for a family
Donations from you go directly to the Guatemalan mission.
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Rachel and Jim Giese

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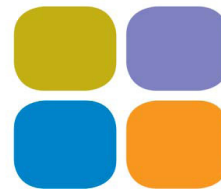
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