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WILLOW POINTE COMMUNITY CALENDAR

September 2011

September 3-5 Labor Day Weekend
..... Pool OPEN all 3 days!!!
September 6 Board Meeting @ 6:30 pm
..... Pool CLOSED for season
September 9-11 Semi-Annual Community
..... Garage Sale
September 10 Walk the bayou and pick up trash
..... – meet @ the Willow Crossing Bridge @ 8 am
September 12 Landscape Committee Meeting
..... @ 6:30 pm
September 23 Autumn Begins

All meetings are held in the pool meeting room. All Homeowners are welcome to attend any of the above meetings. Please call Randall Management to be placed on the agenda if you would like to address the Board at the meeting.

MUD Meeting Information – The normal date/time is 11:30 am the first Thursday of the month at the offices of Attorneys Young and Brooks. The address is 1415 Louisiana 5th floor.

President's Message

CRIME AND NOTIFICATION

I sent out an Emergency Alert message to members on our distribution list at the end of July due to several neighborhood break-ins. The criminals used professional glass cutters to avoid shatter alarms in most alarm systems. Once inside, they opened the garage door, pulled in their vehicle, and lowered the door and began filling their car.

The responding officers told one Homeowner that this was the 9th similar burglary in 2 days in our neighborhood. Our July crime report lists 2 homes in Willow Pointe, but the officers may have been referring to Willowlake or an adjoining neighborhood.

The Board discussed ways to communicate instances of crime rapidly to Homeowners. We have about 80 members on the distribution list currently. As it stands, a message is sent to emergency@wphoa.org that is approved and sent to the members of the distribution list as an email. If you would like to be added, please email us at wphoa.board@willowpointe.org.

The Board is also exploring using a phone message delivery system that would enable a voice message to be sent to a list of phone numbers. For some people, this might be the quickest way to get information out. And with this system, we could work to add in a communication component from law enforcement to advise us when to have our alerts on 'high'. When we make a decision and come up with a system, we will request interested Homeowners submit a contact phone number for inclusion on the list.

IRRIGATION

As our Biblical drought continues, so does the suffering of some of the Community landscaping. The irrigation system for the Community unfortunately does not irrigate all grassy areas. We have about 10 or so areas that need to have sprinkler systems installed. The difficult part is that each area needs to have a water meter installed to 'help' the MUD district charge us for the water. Over the next several months, we will be adding water meters and then installing/integrating these areas into our sprinkler system. Hopefully, once all areas are up and running, we will no longer have to re-sod large areas or have huge dead patches of grass on the common areas.

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IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Emergency	911
Sheriff's Department.....	713-221-6000
Sheriff's Department (Business)	281-290-2100
Fire Department (Non-Emergency).....	713-466-6161
Vacation Watch	281-290-2100
Poison Control Center	800-222-1222
Animal Control.....	281-999-3191
Commissioner, Precinct 4.....	281-353-8424
Willow Place Post Office	281-890-2392
Entex Gas.....	713-659-2111
Centerpoint Energy (Power Outages Only)	713-207-7777
Allied Waste Customer Service - Garbage & Recycle.....	713-635-6666
Recycle/Hazardous Waste Disposal.....	281-560-6200
West Harris County MUD.....	281-807-9500
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President's Message - (Continued from Cover)

REPAIRS

The Board has moved forward and approved repairs on the following items: Scraping/painting of the wrought iron bars in the Community fencing, replacement of the damaged brick wall on Trail Ridge, repair of light fixtures at the Community entrances, replenishing the Kiddie mulch in the playground area, and repairing damage to the playground equipment.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT (NNO)

Mark your calendar – Tuesday, October 5th 2010. The nation outside of Texas holds NNO celebrations the first week of August. After doing this for 24 years, the state of Texas in 2008 opted to hold ours during the first week of October. It has fewer mosquitoes and is on average 11 degrees cooler. Please take this chance to come outside and get together with your neighbors...or even better, get together with your neighbors and organize a Block Party. The Board has offered to sponsor up \$100 per party (excluding alcohol) to encourage this Community spirit. Please email the Board at wphoa.board@willowpointe.org to let us know of your interest in participating...and plan to take lots of photos for the newsletter!! Please read more in the newsletter for more information about NNO.

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ASSETS

/Prosperity.....	\$ 27,275.81
Temp Transfer/Prosperity M/M.....	\$ 50,000.00
Temp Transfer/Bank of America.....	\$ 40,000.00

Prosperity M/M	\$ 12,591.05
Smith Barney.....	\$146,316.89
Bank of America M/M	\$ 50,704.56
Total Reserves.....	\$ 209,612.50

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

2010 Owner Assessments	\$3,136.00
2011 Owner Assessments	\$9,626.63
A/R Collection Fees.....	\$5,274.62
A/R Lawn Fees	\$173.21
A/R Late charges	\$426.67
A/R Legal fees	\$5,696.77
A/R Opening balance	\$19,391.50
A/R Other.....	\$225.00
.....	\$ 43,950.40

Total Assets.....	\$ 370,838.71
Pre-paid insurance	\$ 660.08
Total other assets	\$ 660.08
Total Assets	\$ 370,838.71

LIABILITIES AND MEMBER'S EQUITY

Prepaid-HOA Fees	\$590.00
Total Liabilities	\$590.00

Beginning balance	\$ 248,782.13
2011 Reserves.....	\$15,936.00
Interest Income	\$182.00
Capital Expenses	\$-55,287.63
Total Reserves.....	\$209,612.50

Prior Years equity.....	\$93,512.77
Accrual basis equity	\$43,360.40
Total homeowners capital	\$136,873.17
YTD excess/deficit.....	\$23,763.04
Total member's equity	\$ 160,636.21

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND MEMBER'S EQUITY

\$ 370,838.71

National Night Out

National Night Out is a time to get outside and meet and greet your neighbors - it is an anti crime and drug prevention event held throughout the nation...in Texas, it is held on Tuesday, October 4th.

See how many neighbors you can get outside

Use ice cream social or hotdogs to lure people from their homes

Get to know your neighbors...they can function like a secondary security system

Exchange information and work to create a master contact list to distribute to each other

Distribute information from local crime and drug prevention organizations

This also is a great time to discuss upcoming events on your street for Halloween and safety for your children.

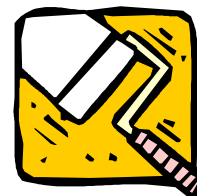
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GARAGE SALE

Community Garage Sale

The holidays are right around the corner and it is time to clean out some of your old stuff...to make way for the new. We will post signs at both community entrances to advertise. So, start looking now because the clock is ticking!!!

**September
9th, 10th & 11th**

Harris County Sheriff's Office Patrol Report

July 2011



CATEGORY	NUMBER
Burglary/Habitat	2
Burglary/Motor vehicle	0
Criminal Mischief	0
Disturbance/Family	0
Disturbance/Loud Noise	3
Local Alarms	11
Suspicious Person	1
Traffic stop	10
Vehicle suspicious	0

Note: The report represents all calls that were handled/ worked by the officer.

REACHING YOUR NEIGHBORS

and many others...

- Atascocita
- Blackhorse Ranch
- Bridgeland
- Chelsea Harbour
- Coles Crossing
- Copperfield
- Cypress Mill
- Cypress Point
- Eagle Springs
- Enchanted Valley
- Fairfield
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- Harvest Bend The Village
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To find out more about Omar, please contact Grace Lindgren, LMSW, Wendy's Wonderful Kids Recruiter, at the Adoption Coalition of Texas (512) 810-0813 or gracelindgren@adopttexas.org. Adopting a child from the foster care system requires little or no cost to the adoptive family and funding may be available to help the adoptive family support the child or sibling group. To learn more about the foster care adoption process, please call the Adoption Coalition of Texas at (512) 301-2825, email info@adopttexas.org and visit our website at <http://www.adoptioncoalitiontx.org>

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September 2011 - Sign up for Ourgift and Colin's Hope will receive donations during September!

OurGift.Org™ has chosen Colin's Hope as one of the charities that will benefit from donations in September. Please visit www.ourgift.org to learn more and sign up to receive the daily deals from local businesses. It's a great way to help prevent childhood drowning! You get a great deal, a local business is supported and Colin's Hope will get a donation! Follow them on Twitter @ourgiftlists and find them on Facebook at <http://www.tinych.org/ourgift>

Children who drown often do not **scream, splash, or struggle**. They can silently slip beneath the water, even with adults & lifeguards present.

HEALTH BRIEFS - SEPTEMBER

EASE YOUR CHILD BACK INTO SCHOOL

Establishing a normal school routine can be hard for children of any age after the long lazy days of summer. Dr. James H. Bray, a family psychologist and associate professor of family and community medicine at Baylor College of Medicine, offers the following tips to help make going back to school a less stressful experience for children and parents.

- Get kids into the school mode early. Many children have a summer schedule that includes staying up late and sleeping in. Kids need at least a week before school starts to get back into the school schedule.
- Develop a plan. Doing things like buying supplies and clothes, and finding out about schedules and teachers in advance, rather than waiting to the last minute, helps reduce stress for parents and kids.
- Talk with children about their fears and concerns and do some advance problem solving and planning.-Get involved with your child's school by getting to know the teacher and discussing their expectations.
- Talk to your children about what they want to accomplish and get out of their school year. Discuss their academic and social goals, but emphasize balance.

BACK-TO-SCHOOL CHECKLIST SHOULD INCLUDE EYE EXAM

Preparing for the start of a new school year? Remember to get a new backpack, paper and pencils, and get your children's vision screened as part of their back-to-school checklist.

"Poor vision can interfere with learning, school performance, participation in sports and other activities, as well as self esteem," said Dr. Kimberly Yen, assistant professor of ophthalmology at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston and an ophthalmologist at Texas Children's Hospital.

Yen said if parents know that eye problems run in their family or if they suspect problems, it is especially important that their child receive eye exams regularly. All children should have their eyes examined, as part of their well-child check ups and children who exhibit no signs of visual problems should have their vision screened by age 3.

Good eye care should also include wearing protective eyewear during sports activities. Children who play basketball, baseball and racquet sports are more susceptible to eye injuries. Sports goggles can significantly reduce the likelihood of potentially sight damaging injuries. Good vision not only helps children develop in the classroom, but it teaches them the life-long value of regular vision screenings.

STUDENT ATHLETES' HEALTH STARTS OFF THE FIELD

Even though it is students who will be taking the field as extracurricular school activities begin, doctors at Baylor College of Medicine say parents play an important role in keeping their kids safe. Family health history, especially heart illnesses, is important information for doctors to know during an exam, said Dr. John Rogers, professor of family and community medicine at BCM.

A certain type of heart murmur and rapid heart beats can be detected during a physical, but the exam can't determine if past family members have heart problems or if anyone has died suddenly due to a cardiac problem. Being armed with that information helps doctors know whether the student-athlete should undergo an echocardiogram or ultrasound for a more in-depth examination.

Parents' knowledge of their child's previous injuries can also be helpful. Teens may downplay an injury, because they don't want it to prevent them from taking part in their favorite sport. However, a parent might remember lasting effects that will help doctors determine the severity of the injury.

Rogers said other issues that cannot be detected during a physical are light-headedness or shortness of breath that is not proportionate to the exertion level of the activity. Parents should keep an eye out for these issues and let their doctor know at the time of the physical exam.

TEENS BENEFIT BY MAKING TIME FOR BREAKFAST

Teens who start their day without breakfast are twice as likely to have diets low in iron - a shortfall that could be hurting their grades. "Breakfast supplies more than just the energy kids need to get through the morning," said Dr. Theresa Nicklas, a professor of pediatrics at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. "Teens who eat breakfast are also two to five times more likely to consume at least two-thirds the recommended amounts of most vitamins and minerals, including iron."

Iron-deficiency anemia has long been known to have a negative affect on behavior and learning. Eating breakfast has been linked to improved memory, grades, school attendance and punctuality in children. In addition, intakes of other vitamins and minerals, including zinc, calcium, and folic acid, are higher among breakfast-eaters, while fat consumption is lower.

"It's important for parents to realize that the nutrients teens miss when they're allowed to skip breakfast are rarely recouped during other meals," said Nicklas, also a researcher at the USDA/ARS Children's Nutrition Research Center.



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