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Willowbridge Elects Two New Board Members and Sadly Says "So Long" to a Friend

At the Willowbridge HOA Annual Meeting last month, elections were held to elect two board members. The community re-elected Julie Dubros to the board for another three year term. Julie, as most residents know, is a long time board member, a past president and the subdivision security coordinator. She has worked tirelessly to make Willowbridge/Stonebridge a great place to live. Her work often goes unappreciated, but those who know her, know the job that she has done over the last five years.

A new board member elected this year is Jennifer Y'barbo. She is a fairly new resident to our community, but many of our residents know her from her old community. Jennifer previously served on the HOA board in the subdivision where she previously lived and decided that she wanted to help make Willowbridge/Stonebridge a better community.

Also, in attendance was new board member John Widacki. John was appointed to the board in August to serve out the remaining board term when Karen Roush left our community and submitted her resignation. John is a long time resident and will make a fine addition to the board in the coming year.

Last, but certainly not least, a longtime friend, Robert Logsdon, who served six years on the board, is a past president and had previously served on the ARC for several years has elected to step down. Robert has faithfully served our community for many years. He was always a voice of reason, a calm in the storm and a person who had great insight into the interworkings of the HOA. Robert will be missed for his tireless and unselfish efforts to help this community become a great place to live and raise a family.

So, it is with much sadness that we say so long to Robert for now. I know that I, for one, will miss him and his knowledge at the board meetings. Thank you, Robert.

Now, on behalf of the rest of the board, I would like to say, welcome, to our new board members. I hope that we can have an exciting year and continue to make Willowbridge/ Stonebridge a great place to live.

The board urges all residents to attend the monthly board meetings in the future. The HOA monthly meetings are held in the clubhouse, on the last Wednesday of each month at 7:00pm.

Patrick Smith President 2011-2012 Willowbridge HOA

Timely Tip for December Gardeners

Working in your garden is an excellent escape during the holidays. It is a perfect time to plant trees and shrubs so they can develop a strong root system for next Spring. Cool weather color such as Pansies, Snapdragons, Cyclamen, Flowering Cabbage and Kale add splashes of color to your landscape. Spring flowering bulbs can be planted now once they have been properly chilled.

Prune Summer flowering shrubs and vines now. They will bloom on new growth. Remember – do not top your Crapemyrtles! Simply prune to remove seed heads and shape. Trim evergreens only to reshape.

Prepare for the cold weather before it hits! One of the best things you can do for your landscape plants is to provide a 2-to 3-inch layer of mulch. Mulching is necessary year round but during the colder periods it provides a layer of insulation for the roots. Secondly, water your landscape well before a cold spell. A drought stressed plant is more susceptible to freeze damage. Thirdly, for more tender plants, purchase frost cloth for extra protection. Frost cloth is a fabric which adds 3 to 4 degrees of warmth. Cover the plant completely allowing the edges to come all the way to the ground. We are utilizing the heat which radiates from the ground.

This is also an excellent time to start planning changes or additions to your landscape for the spring.

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HOA MEETINGS

Willowbridge/Stonebridge Homeowner's Association meetings are held the fourth Wednesday of each month at the community clubhouse at 7:00 pm.

WELCOMING COMMITTEE

The Welcoming Committee meetings are the last Monday of each month.

HARRIS COUNTY ROAD AND BRIDGE

To report street or curb damage, missing/damaged street signs and street flooding: (281) 353-8424 or www.hcp4.net. If a resident wants to request a new sign or replace a damaged one, they have to go online and fill out a request.



WillowTalk



Troop 15077 chose John Wilber and Libby Pierce's home for Yard of the Month for November 2011. John and Libby are residents of Stonebridge Village and live on State Walk Circle.

The troop chose the Wilber home because it was neatly groomed without any "dead" patches of grass.

The Wilbers maintain their own yard without any outside help. They even replanted a tree a few months ago. John and Libby are very proud of their sons for helping keep their yard in tip-top shape.

Thank you for helping keep our neighborhood attractive and enjoy your gift certificate from Cornelius Nursery.



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Neighborhood Teenage Baby-Sitters Available!

Are you in need of baby-sitting? Contact one of the following and help our neighborhood youth earn a little extra money.

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	Name	Birthday	Phone Number	Parents			
	Carmen Colmenero	3/9/89	281-890-3223	Jaime & Juanita Colmenero			
	Catherine Tran	12/21/88	832-452-2439 281-897-9031	Hiep & Yen Tran			
	Morgan Hurst+	3/9/95	281-235-5641 281-897-8910	Freddy & Kim Hurst			
	Bevin Gammell	12/29/90	281-807-3152	Bradly & Elizabeth Gammell			
	Lesley Maxfield	07/25/94	281-469-6229				
	Lauren Mosley+	02/14/95	281-894-8459				
	Rachel Sontag	12/19/97	281-970-9535	rachelsontag@ hotmail.com			
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Pet Sitter							
	Tommy Hamner	12 yrs. old	281-469-5782	Melissa & Findley			

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ATTENTION TEENAGERS

The Teenage Job Seekers listing service is offered free of charge to all Lakemont teenagers seeking work. Submit your name and information to *lakemontliving@yahoa.com* by the 10th of the month!

TALKING TRASH

By: Barbara Lallinger

Just a reminder...Waste Management **DOES NOT PICK UP** the day after a holiday (or the next, or the next). Please find below the **HOLIDAY SCHEDULE** for the remainder of 2011 and 2012. A second reminder: Waste Management picks up trash on Mondays and Thursdays. Recyclables are picked up on Thursdays only. Waste Management observes the following holidays: New Years, Memorial Day, Independence Day (July 4th), Labor Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas. If a holiday is not listed then it does not apply to us and trash will be picked up on Monday and Thursday and recyclables on Thursday as normally scheduled.

Date	Holiday	Trash	Recycle	Next
		Picked Up	Picked Up	Pick Up Date
11/24/11	Thanksgiving	NO	NO	11/28/11 (Monday)
5/28/12	Memorial Day	y NO	n/a	5/31/12 (Thursday)
9/3/12	Labor Day	NO	n/a	9/6/12 (Thursday)
11/22/12	Thanksgiving	NO	NO	11/26/12 (Monday)



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THE SCHOOL ZONE by Barbara Lallinger TEAMWORK IS KEY

Anyone that has ever worked with a group knows that there is no "I" in team. In the fall of 2010, CFISD Partners In Education (PIE) held a contest to let volunteers submit a theme for volunteers for the 2011-12 school year (they usually choose the theme). The winner was announced at the VIPS Appreciation Event in May and received \$250 for the school of his/her choosing and the honor of knowing this theme would be used district-wide for the 2011-12 school year.

I'm proud to say that the winner was a very good friend of mine and a Willowbridge resident, Rossy El-Kareh (aided by son, Mikhael, JVHS). Rossy has another son at JVHS (Antonio) and Gleason (Ricardo). She is very active at Gleason Elementary, Cook Middle School—where she was voted outstanding volunteer of the year last year—and JVHS. Last year Rossy also became a CFISD Global Volunteer and became certified to perform hearing and vision screening of students. I have kept her pretty busy this year at Gleason and other schools in need of volunteers that are certified. Her Spanish speaking skills have been invaluable to us since most of the schools have a high percentage of Spanish speaking students.

What you may not know about Rossy: She is one of three sisters from Mexico, married to three brothers from Lebanon, and all three families live in Willowbridge. Congratulations, Rossy, and thank you for supporting the youth of our community.

<u>WillowTalk</u> Did You Know?

Cypress Fairbanks ISD has a new superintendent? Dr. Mark Henry officially assumed the position of district superintendent in July, replacing Dr. David Anthony. Dr. Henry was formerly superintendent of Galena Park ISD.

For the 4th consecutive year, we are the largest Recognized school district in the state.

To Submit Articles:

E-Mail articles and photos to the following address: *surou812@yahoo.com*. Articles must be received by the 8th of the month for the following month's issue. Please specify on the article that it is to be published in the *WillowTalk*. Accurate and beneficial community information will be posted at the board of director's discretion.



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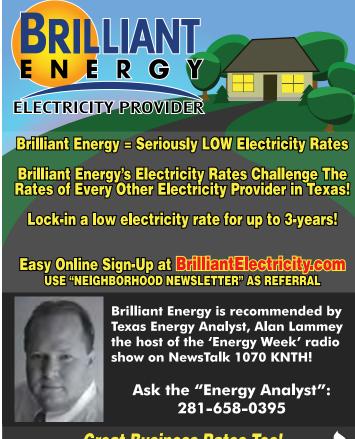
<u>Willowbridge - Stonebridge</u> Gleason Elementary PTO

Gleason Elementary PTO Officers For 2011-12

*Jennifer Rayphole Angela Pokladnik Ali DeLuca *Lara Cheves *Jennifer Brock Michelle Houston Carrie Wiseley Jennifer Nobles *Tina Diese President VP-Membership & Volunteers VP-Fall Fundraising VP-Spring Fundraising VP-Secondary Fundraising VP-Special Events Treasurer Secretary/Parliamentarian Historian

*Denotes Willowbridge/Stonebridge Resident

These volunteers put in a tremendous amount of time at Gleason. They are always looking for "A Few Good Volunteers." If you have any spare time, please consider volunteering. If you do not have a child or grandchild at Gleason you can still volunteer by becoming a Cy-Fair Global Volunteer. To become a global volunteer, contact: Peggy Dworsky @ (281) 517-6802 or peggy.dworsky@cfisd.net.



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Christmas Recipes

NEW-FASHIONED GINGERBREAD CAKE

2 c. cake flour

1 t. each: baking powder, ground ginger

1/2 t. each: baking soda, ground cinnamon, ground nutmeg

1/4 t. ground cloves

³⁄₄ c. water

1/3 c. brown sugar (packed)

1/4 c. molasses

3 T. canola oil

2 T. crystallized ginger, finely minced (optional)

2 T. powdered sugar

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Coat an 8-inch square baking pan with nonstick cooking spray; set aside.

Combine flour, baking powder, ginger, baking soda, cinnamon, nutmeg and cloves in large bowl; mix well.

Beat water, brown sugar, molasses and oil in small bowl with electric mixer at low speed until well blended. Pour into flour mixture, beat until just blended. Stir in crystallized ginger. Pour into prepared pan.

Bake 30 to 35 minutes or until toothpick inserted into center comes out clean. Let cool 10 minutes. Sprinkle with powdered sugar just before serving.

CHRISTMAS WASSAIL

2 qts. sweet apple cider

1 t. whole cloves

1 c. lemon juice 1 cinnamon stick

2 c. orange juice (no pulp)

sugar to taste

³/₄ c. pineapple juice

Combine all ingredients and bring to a simmer. Strain and serve hot; may be kept warm in a crock pot.

BLACK EYED PEA'S BAKED SQUASH

Black Eyed Pea Restaurants

5 lbs. medium yellow squash

¹⁄₄ c. sugar

2 eggs

2 t. salt

1 c. bread crumbs (rumor has it that BEP uses their whole wheat rolls)

2 T. onion, chopped

dash of pepper

4 oz. butter

Cut off tips of squash. Cut squash into 3 or 4 pieces. Place in pot and add water to just cover squash. Cook until tender. Drain in colander and mash. Add remaining ingredients. Cover with a light layer of bread crumbs. Bake @ 350 degrees until lightly browned.\

Please submit your favorite recipes to leroylallinger@live.com.

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