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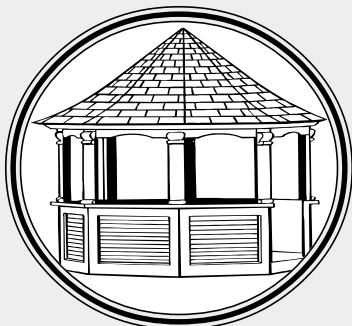
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Volunteers Still Needed

A reminder that Block Captains are still needed for Goldenglade Drive, Goldenglade Circle, and Mossy Tree Lane. If interested please contact Chairperson Dia'n Hertel at 281-894-8331.

Also, Willowlake's Park/Pool Improvement Committee Chairperson, Bobby O'Pry, is looking for someone to take over his position. If interested please contact him at 281-970-6769.



"Easter Egg Hunt" Fun For All

By the Social Committee

The Easter Egg Hunt in April was a big success. The weather was perfect and lots of families with children came out to participate. The Easter Bunny was on hand for pictures (a big thank you to Greg Kuchar!) and Sheriff's Deputies were there to do children's finger printing. They also brought a search dog and a remote controlled robot to entertain the children. Thank you to everyone who brought treats to share.

The next social event will be a summer party held at the playground area on July 12th in the evening. We will be grilling hot dogs and participating in some friendly competition such as balloon tossing and sack racing. The social committee will provide drinks, hot dogs, buns, condiments, and chips. We ask that everyone attending the party bring either a side dish or a dessert to share. We need some volunteers to bring their grills to the playground area and grill the hot dogs for us. If you can help, please call Kelly Niles at 281-890-6670. Watch for more details in the July newsletter. The event will be canceled if it is raining that day.

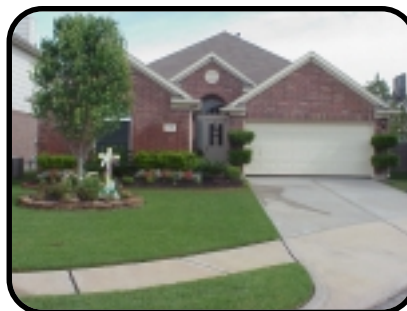


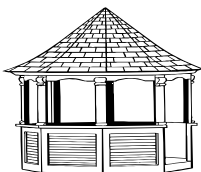
NEXT PARTY - JULY 12TH

April "Yard of the Month" Winner

By the Yard of the Month Committee

Congratulations to Gary and Kathy Kinninger at 9514 Willow Lodge Ct. (also 2002 Spirit of the Season winner). This yard had a little of everything we look for: rich green grass, well-groomed yard, and lots of Spring color. Thank you, Kathy and Gary, for making our community a brighter place!





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Important Dates to Remember

★June 12th – Board Meeting

Willow Bridge Clubhouse

★June 14th – Flag Day

★June 15th – Father's Day

★June 26th – Semi Annual
"Chat Session"

Willow Bridge Clubhouse

★July 4th – Independence Day

★July 14th – Board Meeting

Willow Bridge Clubhouse

(Note: For now, the Willowlake Board meetings will be held at the Willowbridge Clubhouse. Due to limited space, please contact PMG in advance if you wish to attend, or if you need more information).

From the President...

By Larry Starratt, President, HOA Board of Directors

★ A reminder is in accord – **our neighbors from adjoining subdivisions are welcome to use our beautiful park and recreation areas.** Of course, if "users" were to pick up a little trash in the process – as we see it, this could help tremendously.

★ **But to assist in this regard, we've started an adoption program,** and those interested will take responsibility for a "piece of Willowlake" whether it be one of the 7 ponds, or a section of the open area, and police it for trash, stomp a few fire ants, and scoop a bit of "stuff" from time to time. **Ovations to: Tannaz Machhi of Summer Run Drive, and Eric and Robin LaRue of Echoglade Court, who volunteered for the path area, and the team of Mike Vineyard, and Fred Adams for the main drainage inlet on the Northwest corner of our "retention" area, and the pond.** Other areas are waiting for adoption. Please call me for choices.

★ In the interest of saving even more funds, **Wendy Adams** took a volunteer crew (children can volunteer can't they?) into the pool for a scrubbing of all the tables and chairs in preparation of the start of the pool season. We've had it spiffed up with new safety tools and drain protections for the bathers, painted, and your pool is in prime condition, compliant and expertly staffed.

★ We have posted the **Gazebo off limits to damaging skateboards and other than ADA equipment** signs for the disabled, along with requests to retain all pets on leashes, and be kinder to the ducks than some have chosen to be lately.

★ I've also practiced my carpentry skills on the pier, adding some steel safety bars, and repaired lots of overhead and railing components that had been broken out and lost.

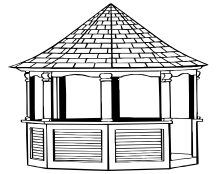
★ Not to brag, but I think you should know that your board members contribute much more than deed violation notices. We're extremely proud of our area, and it's a privilege to be able to care for it in a small way. Maintenance – if not performed quickly, will give way to rapidly deteriorating conditions – and we cannot let that happen. Let us know of needs you spot!

★ On another note, we are following a pledge made to **improve our communications.** Toward that goal, on June 26, we'll hold a "SEMI-ANNUAL CHAT SESSION" - a town meeting type get together, wherein no "official" business will be concluded, but an open discussion on what we want to accomplish, determine priorities, and in general openly discuss issues. Your block captains will be visiting you to explain. We will hold it at the **Willow Bridge Clubhouse.** They have generously allowed us to use it at no cost. This is a privilege we don't take lightly, and an example of improved relationships we've cultivated this year.

★ Several residents had asked about the distance around the park. Using a GPS, it proved to be 0.64 miles around the "outermost path" – staying on the outside of the pond and Gazebo (do not cut through and use the wooden overpass bridge). By adding one complete loop around the pond, Gazebo and wooden bridge, it brings it to a mile exactly.

Sorry to be so long winded – but there's so much that's good to talk about, and we're so proud of our area, and our residents.





Green Up Willowlake Day Held on April 27, 2003

By Larry Starratt, President, HOA Board of Directors

Our second exercise, beautifying Willowlake was a fantastic success.

Crews gathered trash throughout our park area. A cleanout of the main inlet and interconnected ponds that were blocked required 3 men and several hours. A major blockage was from grass cuttings that had been put into the street drains. This was also a **major mosquito birthing area**, and is NOW devoid of standing water. Remind those who may be casual in regard to clippings disposal – they belong in mulch, or trash – NOT in street drains.

Major kudos to: **Mike Vineyard, Joe Casas and Ken Hertel**, for this “bunker busting exercise.”

Also, sincere thanks to: **Michael Chaisson, Eric and Robin LaRue, Stefanie Baughman, Esau Velazquez, Dia'n Hertel, and Ellen Starratt** for the thorough cleanup of the rest of the recreation area including ponds, and **Linda and Bobby O'Pry** who tackled the entrances.

Boy Scout Troop 1177

By Larry Starratt, President, HOA Board of Directors

Winchester residents **Edward Gary, Austin Jenkins, Josh Buckheit, and Cameron Mohr** working along with **Ms. Lynn Cueto** as assistant, combined to stake, feed and plant approximately 100 tree cuttings along both sides of our walking path nearest our properties – presently without shade. These are “Corkscrew Willows” donated by **Lydia Cruzen, of Willowbridge**. Lydia started several trees this way a few years ago on Willowbridge property and they're now 20 feet tall. Our sincere thanks to Lydia and to the Boy Scouts for this significant contribution. Each resident adjacent to this area has been asked to hand water until they're self-sufficient.

Block Captains and Co-Captains

Thank you to all our wonderful Block Captains and Co-Captains. We are still in need of volunteers for the following streets: **Mossy Tree Ln., Goldenglade Cir., and Goldenglade Dr.** Please email me, **Dia'n Learakos**, at HertelK@juno.com if you are interested in helping communicate neighborhood information. Thank you.



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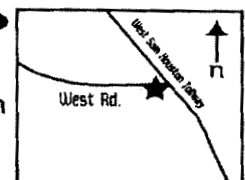
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Recycling Committee Needs Chairperson

The Recycling Committee is in need of a Chairperson to investigate the costs of recycling in our community. Anyone interested please contact Shelly Lackey at 281-970-4671.

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