



Kid's Valentine's Day Party

Sunday, February 12th, 2017

♥ 3:00-5:00 pm ♥

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Walzem
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M ayor's Message



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Dear Friends, Neighbors and Citizens,

February may be the month of the year with the least amount of days, but it does not lack for activities. This month we will witness the 6th Annual Kids Valentine's Day, Super Bowl parties, Valentine's Day, to name a few of the happenings this month. Also, we are all witnessing the growth of TEAM WINDCREST - both city pride and citizen participation are growing. We encourage you to remain active and involved, and we promise that we will continue to modify, change and refine how we do business. As we all know: **If we stay the same, we cannot improve.**

Council Meetings for February: Due to a National Holiday falling on the 3rd Monday of this month - February, the first Council Meeting will be on the first Monday of this month - February 6th. The second Regular City Council Meeting would normally fall on the third Monday, February 20th; however, this is a Holiday. Thus, the second meeting will be cancelled.

CITY OF WINDCREST - FACEBOOK Page = www.facebook.com/TheCityofWindcrest/ We are doing a huge push to make this page the go to source for the latest news and calendar of events of the City of Windcrest. It is the only official Facebook page of the city. We are making a concerted effort to ramp up with this very valuable marketing tool. The city and EDC, along with several businesses, are also doing some co-promotions to help increase the traffic on this Facebook page. One was a free event with meals at a local restaurant. These type of promotions will continue periodically. Our desire is to try to be more interactive. We monitor the page 7 days a week. Please like and friend this page, and share with all of your friends as well. **The Facebook page is www.facebook.com/TheCityofWindcrest/**

State of the City Newsletter: It is anticipated that this special edition newsletter will be sent out by the end of February. Be on the lookout. It will contain a historical review of our city along with plans and projections for the future. It is a good review of where we have been and where we are going as a city. A must read.

Green Light: I have been seeing several houses with green lights shining! I was informed by a long term resident that turning on a green light shows support for our troops/veterans. As you know, we are a Purple Heart City. I plan to go get a green light myself to shine at night. A huge thank you goes out to our veterans.

Kid Valentine's Day at YMCA – Sunday, February 12th from 3 PM - 5 PM: This year will be the 6th Annual Kids Valentine's Day Party. It is Sunday, February 12th. This free community event is for Windcrest children and grandchildren under 15 years of age. The children must be accompanied by an adult. It is held at the YMCA on Walzem Road. Entry is FREE for the event. Every child receives a gift. The Newsletter Committee throws this party, and it is sponsored by the City of Windcrest and the YMCA. The YMCA opens the entire facility

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for us, and that includes their indoor pool! The Newsletter Committee takes great pride in this event. It is a lot of fun. We hope to see you there.

Takas Park Renovations: We are planning quite a few renovations to this park. We will be resurfacing the tennis courts and improving the fencing of the Little League Fields. We will also be getting new scoreboards. There are also plans to replace the portable bathroom with a fixed bathroom unit. Additionally, we are getting pricing to invest in the soccer field. Over \$300,000 will be invested in this beautiful area over the next 6 months for all of our citizens to enjoy. In the meantime, please pardon our dust, and let us hear from you on what you would like to see at the various parks and common areas.

Winnbrook Estates Park: This Park will see the commencement of Phase 3 in the very near future. This investment will be made to continue to improve the Park at Winnbrook Estates. Again, a huge thanks goes out to the Parks and Rec Commission and the WBE HOA leadership.

Reflective Clothing: Several citizens have called me about experiencing near misses! I have to add, I can understand their concerns. With our 20 MPH speed limit, nice streets and parks, and the great security or Police Department provides, Windcrest sees a lot of walkers, runners, and bikers. We see this at all hours of the day and night, which is just fantastic! However, please remember when doing these activities at dusk and/or night time, please wear reflective clothing so that we can see our perfect record of zero pedestrian accidents under this administration continued.

Newsletter Committee: This Committee is the James Brown of Windcrest = the hardest working bunch in show business. These volunteers not only are critical to the success and professionalism of our monthly Newsletter, but they also volunteer and support literally every city sponsored event of the city. They are major reasons why Light-Up, Light-Up Awards Party, Kid Valentine's Day, past Galas, July 4th Parade, etc. are such a success. I do not know how we could do all these citizen events without the efforts of this Committee. THANK YOU ALL! We are always looking for volunteers. If you are interested, please contact Kelly Hamilton at khamilton@windcrest-tx.gov.

Economic Development: Things are moving along better than

anticipated. Whataburger and Urban Air are open and doing well. Several restaurants are in discussion with the city about locating here. The Holiday Inn Express construction is on schedule. Additionally, Rackspace is doing well and is staying in our fine city. Much to celebrate. Stay tuned.

Openings for Committees and Commissions: Economic Development, Board of Adjustment and Parks & Recreation have openings and positions for volunteers to serve. It is rewarding work. Please contact Kelly Rodriguez at 210-655-0022 if you are interested in joining one of these committees/commissions.

Save the Date -Brush Pick-up: The date for the city wide Spring Brush Pick-up is May22nd thru June 9th. Please circle those dates in your calendar. Spring cleaning time is fast approaching. More information will be in the March and April Newsletters.

Save the Date - Spring Garage Sale Weekend: This administration several years ago added a Fall Garage Sale. We now have two City Wide Garage Sales for the convenience of the citizens. Charitable organizations participate as well. This year the dates for the Spring Garage Sale Weekend are May 4th thru the 7th. More information will be in future Newsletters.

Re-Cap, Thursday, January 7 Light-Up Awards Party/Ceremony at Takas Park: This was the fifth year the city expanded this celebration/ceremony. It was standing room only again. The winners all received a plaque and a check. It was a great time. Light-Up cannot be what it is, if not for the citizens who go the extra mile. Thanks to all of those that won, and those citizens that decorated their houses. We are the CITY OF LIGHTS!

2017 Annual Light-Up = SAVE THE DATES: Note, the Windcrest Women's Club will be announcing a theme in the coming months. The following are dates to save: Friday, December 1st will be deadline to enter Contest, Tuesday, December 5th will be Judging; Saturday, December 9th will be the Light-Up Celebration at City Hall; and Thursday, January 4th, 2018 will be the Light-Up Awards Ceremony at Takas Park.

Volunteering and Participating: We need more people on the Newsletter Committee, Windcrest Citizens' Patrol and Animal Task Force. Please call Kelly Hamilton at City Hall if you wish to volunteer. Remember that there are still places of service within the City. If you want to participate or volunteer in any area of the City, you won't be turned away. Give me a call or email me to get involved.

Please email me if you wish me to add something to my article. When you visit City Hall, please stop in and say hello.

Remember that I welcome and answer every phone call and email.

Your Mayor and humble servant,

Alan E. Baxter

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Last month I had the privilege of attending a program presented by the Alamo Area Council of Governments (AACOG) at their Regional Law Enforcement Academy. The program- UNDERSTANDING POLICE USE OF FORCE, included open lecture and the opportunity to participate in their simulator.



The Simulator was a real eye opener. It incorporates approximately 240 degree screens with real life situations that we had to react to by giving voice commands, the use of pepper spray, Taser, or handgun as the situation deemed necessary. Needless to say, split second decisions were required.

Our U S Constitution's 4th Amendment gives police the legal right to use force including lethal (deadly) force to protect themselves and others.

The Windcrest Police have a definite and well thought out policy to guide them in the performance of their duties. In today's world, I do not envy them, but I salute each one of them.

Jim Shelton
Mayor Pro Tem

Councilmember

Rick Cockerham

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The future of Windcrest is bright, I am thankful to be a part of our growing city, as we look forward to new businesses in our city.

The city council and our outstanding Economic Development Council has worked tirelessly to communicate to the business community that we are a business friendly city.

When issues arise, the city will work together with businesses to resolve these issues, to make for a smooth process.
THE WECOME SIGN IS OUT !!!!

God Bless Our City

P.S. The new Whataburger on I 35 is open for business, please go by and check it out....

Councilmember

Matt Vandenberg

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Philosopher George Berkeley once asked: "If a tree falls in a forest and no one is around to hear it, does it make a sound?" In a similar vein, I would ask: "If the City Council passes an ordinance prohibiting something, but doesn't set any penalties, has it really done anything?"

Recently residents who support responsible legislation for the regulation and protection of pets in our city pointed out that there are several activities that are prohibited by Windcrest ordinances, but for which—inadvertently, everyone believes—no penalty was identified. To address these omissions, in December the City Council unanimously passed Ordinance 2016-751B(O) on the first reading. This ordinance, if approved at a second reading, would set penalties for violation of existing pet and animal ordinances. The draft ordinance can be read online at <http://bit.ly/ordinance751b> (pages 29-31) or you can stop by City Hall and request a copy.

Out of respect for residents who have raised concerns about the ordinance, possible final approval has been postponed until mid-February to allow residents to receive this newsletter, review the draft ordinance, and express their perspectives on it to members of the Council. If there are problems with the underlying requirements (pet registration, animal control recovery fees, etc.), then we should amend the related substantive ordinances. Alternatively, if there are no concerns about the underlying ordinances, then we should enable enforcement by establishing fair, responsible fees and penalties in line with those of other nearby communities. I look forward to hearing your thoughts.

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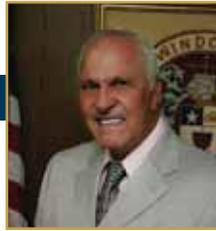
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Gerd E. Jacobi

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The Jacobi family wishes all Windcrest residents a Happy Valentine.

Do something extra for the one you love. Life is too short to look back on mistakes, let's move forward and work together for a better future.

As every year there will be a Children's Valentine Party at the YMCA on Walzem road. Bring your children or grandchildren to have a good time. Refreshments will be served. There is also an indoor pool so get ready to take a dip.

Our city is moving forward with rejuvenating part of Takas Park, to include the playground area, baseball fields and tennis courts.

Thanks to the hard work of Mrs. Jan Leaders and the volunteers of the Park and Recreation Commission our parks and green spaces will be getting a long awaited face lift this year.

To ensure a wonderful quality of life for our citizens we must continue to work hard towards having the best amenities and public safety standards available to continue the future success of our city.

Again, as always, if you have ideas of how we can improve the future of our city, please call me at 210-657-9549, Thank you

Councilmember

James McFall

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I am looking forward to a very successful and productive year in our City of Windcrest.

Windcrest has welcomed new businesses to our city and it is very exciting! To name a few, we have a new Whataburger on IH 35 next to Buffalo Wild Wings. If you haven't tried Taqueria Garibaldi, please do. I know you will agree with me, their food is delicious. Urban Air provides entertainment for all age groups. I am particularly excited about the Senior Activity Center that is in progress to serve our senior population. These businesses, as well as others, will bring in thousands of new sales tax revenues to our city. Many thanks to our WEDC volunteers and staff for the great job that they do.

I am confident that our City Council, along with our Citizens, can work together to help our great city continue to grow and prosper.

Please email me or call me if you have any questions or concerns.

James McFall

City Secretary News,

Kelly Rodriguez

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During the month of December the Mayor and Council passed some Resolutions that you may be interested in. Please note that the links after the statements are links to the meetings on the City of Windcrest website. To view the whole discussion of the City Council simply type it in to the search bar on your internet browser.

Resolutions

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2016-607(R), granting a waiver of the requirement in section 109-3 of the Code of Ordinances to locate commercial signs only on the premises of the business advertised.

2016-608(R), amendment to the contract and the fee of IDS Engineering group for engineering services for package no. 4 of the City's Roadway Capital Improvement Program and authorizing IDS engineering group to issue a request for proposals or bids for the construction of such roadway Capital Improvements Package no. 4.

2016-609(R), approving a Windcrest Little League Lease commencing January 1, 2017 and ending December 31, 2019 and authorizing the City Manager to execute said lease on behalf of the City.

2016-610(R), accepting the resignation of Matt Vandenberg as the City Council's representative for the negotiation of a contract with the Windcrest Volunteer Fire Association, Inc.

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Chief of Police -
A. O. "Al" Ballew



The City of Windcrest Crime Watch Program was designed to heighten awareness of crime and the reporting of suspicious persons or activity to the Windcrest Police Department. The program has been a big success, however, current signage is in need of restoration and replacement. As a result, I have designed a new logo for the program. These new full-color signs as shown, are being installed at strategic locations throughout the City of Windcrest. In addition, vinyl decals of this same design will be available to citizens and businesses in

Windcrest. These decals should be placed on your front entrance door where they will be highly visible to all persons. These decals are available at the Police Department.

The City of Windcrest is a beautiful and vibrant community. But with anything great, there are those criminals working to take it away. If you see a person or situation that appears to be suspicious to you, report it to the Windcrest Police at 655-2666. We are committed to providing professional and exceptional police protection and response to the citizens, visitors and businesses of Windcrest, Texas. Be Aware...Be Smart and help us, help you!

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Chief Joshua Brown, jbrown@windcrest-tx.gov

The Windcrest Volunteer Fire Department would like to wish you the Happiest of New Years and would like to thank each and every person that helped with our annual Fill the Boot campaign.

Our Fire Fighters were out in full force this year working the streets to raise money and hand out Light-Up maps. We started the campaign on December 10th and worked through Christmas Eve. On Christmas Day Texas WeAct and Windcrest Little League took over while we assisted. Thank you to Public Works for their continued support with the equipment needed to make this a huge success.

We had a Very Merry start to the Christmas season with the 58th Annual Light-Up Ceremony hosted by our Mayor Alan Baxter. Each year the event gets bigger and better. Santa was in his workshop talking to the kids and taking pictures with them. Santa had 425 kids come through just to visit for a short time and tell him what they wanted for Christmas. On December 18th the fire engines rolled through town with Santa for one last visit before heading back to the North Pole.

The fire department was blessed to be able to help many residents with hanging their lights and sharing stories. Our community has a wealth of experiences and we love to hear them.

SAVE THE DATE!! Saturday March 11th we will host the 6th Annual Firemen's Gala at Morgan's Wonderland. The theme this year is "An Emerald Masquerade" this will be a formal Masquerade Ball

Joshua Brown
Fire Chief

From the Desk of
TOM GARCIA
Director of Public Works
tgarcia@windcrest-tx.gov

Hope everyone is enjoying the New Year.

The crack seal program will be continuing throughout the year. This operation is important to help keep the integrity of the streets. The sealant helps keep water from getting under the asphalt. Water under asphalt creates pot holes and dips in the streets. Please keep your eye out for these crews so to drive safely around them when they are at work. MANY THANKS

Keeping the city clean is always a top priority for Public Works. The dept. takes great pride in what we do and strive to be better every day. Please be a part of our effort in keeping the city clean and looking great. Always pick up your trash and dispose of in a proper container. This effort is greatly appreciated and will help keep Windcrest looking pristine.

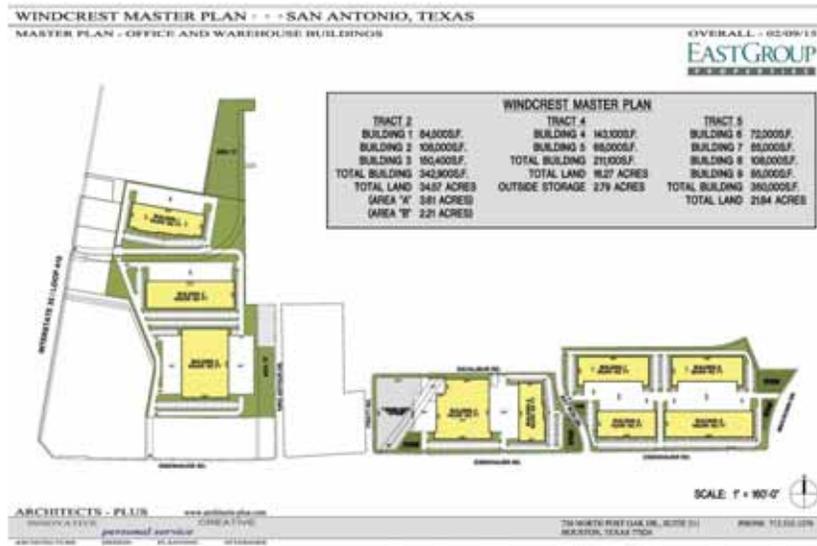
Many Thanks from Public Works

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

It's been an extremely busy month for the Windcrest EDC! We are so excited to share all the good news. Urban Air, Windcrest's new trampoline and adventure park, had their official ribbon cutting and grand opening ceremony. They are providing family fun and entertainment to all ages of our city. Also, by the time you receive this newsletter, the new Whataburger will have had their ribbon cutting and grand opening ceremony as well. Once again, Welcome to Windcrest!

The development off of Eisenhower Road and I35 is on schedule and moving right along. Mayor Alan Baxter and EDC President Tim Maloney will be announcing the development plans in the near future. As of right now the building eggshells are 100% complete, with approximately 80% are currently rented. We still have available lots! Stay tuned for more updates and, remember, you can always track construction progress on our Facebook page or on the EDC webpage. There are many galleries of photos that will keep you informed of what's going on in Windcrest!

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If you should require any assistance or want to report a violation of the Windcrest City Code, please contact the Code Compliance & Enforcement Unit by calling the Windcrest Police Department Dispatcher at 210-655-2666 or you can send an email through the link provided on the Code Enforcement site.



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As a fundraiser we are selling reserved seat tickets to watch this year's Battle of Flowers and Fiesta Flambeau Parade on April 28th and 29th. Tickets are \$12 each and are located in a prime area on S. Alamo near E. Commerce. Please purchase your parade tickets from us by contacting Gracie Garcia at 210.219.2276 or by email at windcrestlittleleague@gmail.com.

We have also set a sponsorship and donation goal of raising \$20,000 to enable us to begin over-due upgrades to our facilities and equipment. The city is planning to help but we need to raise our own funds to purchase a storage facility, replace field maintenance equipment and three scoreboards that haven't worked for several years. We have a variety of sponsorship and donation opportunities including team sponsorships. Visit our website or call our sponsor hotline at 210-646-1611 for additional information.

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Officers A. Fuentes and M. Gonzales

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TxWeACT

WINDCREST ANIMAL CONTROL TASK FORCE



- Pam Dodson



We are having another dog and cat immunization clinic the 3rd Saturday (18th) of this month from 9 am – 11am at the city hall parking lot. If you missed the one in January here is another chance to get your pet immunized and registered with the city. It is important that you do both. And again, if you register on Saturday, there is no registration fee.

Here is a photo of our 2nd Annual Fiesta medal for this year. It was designed by one of members, Audrey Haake. Please support our animal causes by purchasing one...cost... just \$10. You can call 210-562-0299 if you would like to purchase one or more.

We also are encouraging all of our residents to consider adopting a Windcrest dog when you are looking for a pet. Almost every Saturday there is an adoption event at Petsmart hosted by the city's animal control officers and members of TxWeACT. There is such a great determination to get these dogs re-homed so that they can again live in a loving and safe environment. Please consider one of these dogs when looking for "love" on four legs. Also give a big thank you to Petsmart for allowing us to hold those adoption events in their store. Such a great blessing!

MUNICIPAL COURT REPORT

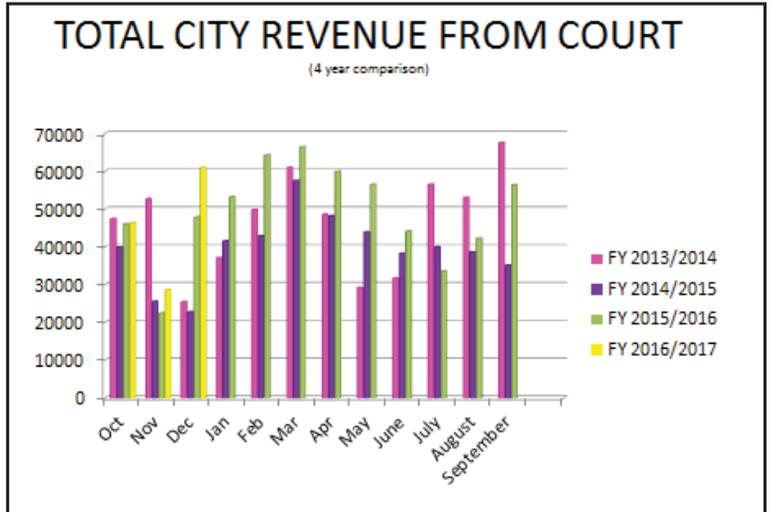
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Windcrest Warrant Round Up

The Windcrest Municipal Court will be holding it's first Warrant Round Up for 2017 on February 27, 2017 – March 3, 2017. This is in conjunction with the State Wide Warrant round up held by various agencies around Texas. This would be a great time to take care of any outstanding fines you or someone you may have with the City of Windcrest. The Windcrest Municipal Court has an anonymous tip line 653-5299.

TOTAL CITY REVENUE FROM COURT

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Women's Club News

Tinie Riggs tinieriggs@yahoo.com

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP TEA

February 22, 2017
Time: 2 p.m. – 4 p.m.
Place: Windcrest Civic Center



February we will celebrate our Annual Membership Tea on 25 February from 2p.m.-5p.m. This special time honors our past and present members with all the fun and elegance of the teas we dreamed of as little girls. Reservations are NOT required, so come join us, we'd love to have you! Pinky's up ladies, just kidding!

FIELD TRIP: March 22, 2017
Time: 8:30a.m.-4p.m. Cost: TBD
Exploring San Antonio : Missions & Glass Blowing

RSVP

March is a fun month for the Windcrest Women's Club. Our regular meeting date, 22 March, will find us traveling by bus and getting a grand tour of the San Antonio Missions, then off to see a glass blowing demonstration and lunch. Go ahead and make your reservation now by calling Diane Stake (946-7589) or Hazel Freeman (655-3919).

This year's Spring Social on 10 March promises to be another hit! Food, music, friends, guests: all the elements for a good time. Cost is only \$10 per person so save the date and make your reservations now by calling Diane Stake (946-7589) or Hazel Freeman (655-3919).

Spring Social
Friday
10 March 2017
6pm - 10pm at
Windcrest Civic Center
RSVP

If you are not a member, please join us at any meeting or give us a call—it's a good way to meet your neighbors--you just might find a new best friend. Call Lu Nix 210-653-2371, she will be happy to meet you and sign you up.

Complete and mail to: Windcrest Women's Club, 549 Crestway Dr, Windcrest TX 78239

Make checks payable to: Windcrest Women's Club

Full Name: _____ Spouse Name: _____

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Windcrest GARDEN CLUB

— LOIS WOOTON —



Guest speaker, Maggie Harlen will be at the Civic Center on Monday, 6 February, to show us how to make yard art part of your garden planning and creative enjoyment. There will also be plants available to replenish

plants lost in the January freeze. Hostesses for this coffee are Sondra Bump, Margi Gentet, Joanne Hall, Shirley Noll, Myrna Waters, Betty Riggs. During the February meeting you can also sign-up for the March field trip to the Fanick Garden Center.

At 9a.m., on Monday, 6 March, we will leave from the Civic

Center to car pool to the Fanick Garden Center and Nursery for an educational "Pot Party". We'll get great ideas for companion planting to make those beautiful pots we see at parks and upscale restaurants. The "Party" is free, but plants will be available for purchase. After the "Pot Party" we'll head off to lunch together (at our own expense). Go ahead and call Marilyn Welch (654-1500) or Marji Gentet (967-4736) and make your reservation for a fun trip to one of our great local resources.



Save the date: Monday 3 April, for our regular 10a.m. coffee at the Civic Center. John Sells, Bexar County Master Gardener, will be there to help us know how to make our Windcrest area gardens good and dirty.

The Windcrest Garden Club is open to all area residents, men & women, and you do not have to live in Windcrest. Visitors are always welcome, so drop by one of our meetings and meet our wonderful members.

WINDCREST GARDEN CLUB MEMBERSHIP FORM

Name: _____

Spouse Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Home phone: _____

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Email: _____

Mail to: Windcrest Garden Club, 5930 Winding Ridge Dr, Windcrest TX 78239

The new Club year starts Monday, 12 September 2016, and runs to May 2017. Garden Club membership is open to all men and women and you do not have to live in Windcrest. Most meetings are held in Windcrest Civic Center, 9310 Jim Seal Drive, Windcrest, TX, on the first Monday each month.

Watch the newsletter and Club emails for more details as we get closer to these events.

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Community Involvement


REMEMBER TO VOTE THIS MONTH!

YMCA Kid's Valentine's Day Party – Sunday, February 12th from 3-5pm. Come enjoy the sweets and treats as we celebrate Valentine's Day with area children. All residents children and grandchildren are welcome to attend. There will be crafts, snacks, games and swimming in the YMCA, indoor pool. Adult must be with their child/grandchild for swimming. Don't forget your towel.

Neighbor 4 Neighbor (N4N)

A group of local neighbors has formed with the mission of assisting neighbors that are in need of help. On the third Saturday of the month we will gather to assist our neighbors in need. This help will be in the nature of minor repairs, yard work, or some other assistance that could be accomplished in one to four hours. The target group will be those in our community who are not able to complete some tasks around their home. We have no funding so these would be low cost projects and we may require the person helped to fund the project. If you are someone who would like to participate as a helper or you are a person in need please contact us. Contact Dan Reese 210-381-5775 or neigh.4.neigh@gmail.com

Women's Club – Join the Women's Club on the 4th Wednesday of

each month, August through May. For more information contact Kathy Littlefield 210-413-6018

Garden Club – Garden Club meets the first Monday of each month. The new Club year runs from September 12, 2016 through May 2017. Contact Lois Wooten for more information 210-827-4357.

TxWeACT - meets the 4th Tuesday of each month at the Golf Club at 7 pm. We enjoy good conversation and do take action about how we can be "part of the solution" for animal issues in our community. The meeting for February is on the 28th.

Lions Club - You are invited to visit the Lions Club on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month - 6:30 p.m. at the Civic Center at Takas Park. Contact Lion Francesca at 210-951-9463 for more information. Lions will be conducting our annual Holiday Greenery Sale during October. If you need a phone number for the community event please use 210-951-9463. – February 25th is the Pancake breakfast.

Please contact Kelly Hamilton khamilton@windcrest-tx.gov if you have an event to share with the Windcrest Community.



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WINDCREST LIONS CLUB



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Thank you for your support of our 2016 events and greenery sale. We look forward to seeing you again this year.

The Windcrest Lions Club meets on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm at the Takas Park Civic Center. Please stop by any meeting for more information. Visit us on Facebook: Windcrest Lions Club or on the internet at: www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/windcresttx

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PETS ALIVE

February 28, 2017

6:30 p.m.

Windcrest Civic Center at Takas Park

Jason Hernandez, Program Manager and Tommy McNish, Associate Executive Director for San Antonio PETS ALIVE will be here to tell us about Pets Alive's new location on Four Winds and the important work being done by their organization.



Please join us for this free and informative presentation.

San Antonio Pets Alive is a rescue organization that focuses on saving the lives of cats and dogs from the city of San Antonio euthanasia list. Since beginning their operation in San Antonio in 2012 they have saved over 33,000 animals. Mr. Hernandez & Mr. McNish will speak about Pets Alive's mission and the volunteer needs for their new location in Windcrest.

The Windcrest Lions Club is sponsoring this presentation and invites all interested Windcrest residents and their guests to attend.

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Roosevelt High School Community Garden Update...

Roosevelt Community Garden construction is underway. According to Science teacher and Project Coordinator Misty Belmontez, the stepping stones have been placed and they are awaiting soil to begin making raised beds.

Once complete, a vegetable garden section will be open to community groups from 10 AM to 4:15 PM Monday through Friday. Since this will be in a shared area with students, group members will need to go through the office and have their IDs checked before being allowed access to the garden. This is the normal NEISD procedure for visitors on campus.

Ms. Belmontez said that if anyone is interested in contributing to the final stages of the garden, fencing and gates, donations can be made at <https://www.pledgecents.com/cause/yvwhq/tr-community-garden>.

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| RCCM | Feb 6 | 6:00 p.m. |
| Municipal Court | Feb 7, 14, 21 | 4:00 p.m. |
| Parks & Recreation | Feb 8 | 6:00 p.m. |
| Citizen Code Committee | Feb 15 | 6:00 p.m. |

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| WEDC | Feb 22 | 6:00 p.m. |

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