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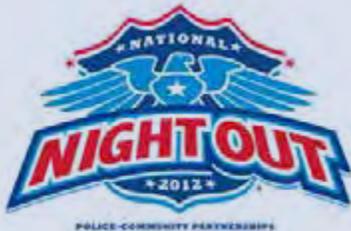
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National Night-Out Event a Success



National Night-Out was held on Tuesday, October 2nd at the gazebo and was a success. Harris County Precinct 4 Deputy Constable Waldrep was there to fingerprint children, offer free fingerprinting kits to be used at home for their children or themselves and to talk about crime prevention. Harris County Sheriff's Office Deputy Bruce and Deputy Lee were also present to lend their support and to answer security questions. Along with crime prevention literature, things such PROJECT CHILDSAFE gun locks and pens were given out to adults. Children received Junior Deputy Constable badges, 9-1-1 coloring books and Safety Club coloring books. All the materials handed out that evening were provided both by the Harris County Sheriff's Office and the Harris County Precinct 4 Constable's Office.

The refreshments were great and the weather too. As you can see, if you didn't attend the NNO, you missed out on a lot of things including fellowship with other residents and our deputies. NNO will return next October and you will have another opportunity to participate.

James Deitiker, Social Committee Chairman organized the NNO event, and his time and efforts are greatly appreciated! Thanks also to our residents who took the time to join us that night for such an important cause.

By Linda O'Pry, Editor



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VETERANS DAY NOVEMBER 11

VETERANS DAY IS THE DAY SET ASIDE TO THANK AND HONOR ALL THOSE WHO SERVED HONORABLY IN THE MILITARY - IN WARTIME OR PEACETIME.

In fact, Veterans Day is largely intended to thank LIVING veterans for their service, to acknowledge that their contributions to our national security are appreciated, and to underscore the fact that all those who served - not only those who died - have sacrificed and done their duty.

Veterans Day honors all veterans of the United States armed forces. A traditional observation is a moment of silence at 11:00 a.m. remembering those killed in war (this commemorates the 1918 armistice, which began at "the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month.")

Note: A personal thank you to all Willowlake veterans for your service to your country! May God bless our troops.

Election Day - November 6

To all registered voters, don't forget to exercise your right to vote on Election Day, Tuesday, November 6, 2012. Remember, every vote counts!



HAPPY
Thanksgiving

FROM THE WILLOWLAKE BOARD DIRECTORS

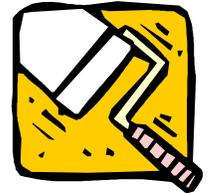
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Kids' Corner

World record for biggest pumpkin was set in 2010 in Wisconsin. The pumpkin weighed 1810.5 pounds.

The domestic turkey was domesticated by the Aztecs and the Incas, who used them as food and sacrificed them to their gods.



Military Humor

A former Sergeant, having served his time with the Marine Corps, took a new job as a school teacher, but just before the school year started, he injured his back. He was required to wear a plaster cast around the upper part of his body. Fortunately, the cast fit under his shirt and wasn't noticeable. On the first day of class, he found himself assigned to the toughest students in the school.

The punks, having already heard the new teacher was a former Marine, were leery of him and decided to see how tough he really was before trying any pranks. Walking confidently into the rowdy classroom, the new teacher opened the window wide and sat down at his desk.

When a strong breeze made his tie flap, he picked up a stapler and promptly stapled the tie to his chest.

There was a dead silence. He had no trouble with discipline that year.



Recipe of the Month

3-Minute No-Bake Cookies

Ingredients:

- 2 cups granulated sugar
- 8 tablespoons (1 stick) margarine or butter
- 1/2 cup milk
- 1/3 cup baking cocoa
- 3 cups Quaker Oats (quick or old fashioned, uncooked)

Instructions:

In large saucepan, combine sugar, margarine, milk and cocoa. Bring to boil over medium heat; stirring frequently. Continue boiling 3 minutes; stirring frequently. Remove from heat. Stir in oats. Drop by tablespoonfuls onto waxed paper to cool. Let stand until firm. Store tightly covered.

Variations:

*If using old fashioned oats, cool mixture in saucepan 5 minutes.

Submitted by Linda O'Pry (a favorite of my kids, and so easy to make just in time for the holidays)

PET CORNER

CAN I GIVE MY DOG THANKSGIVING SCRAPS?

Submitted by Kristen West

We know it's tempting, but most Thanksgiving scraps are not safest treat for your pets. Cooked turkey bones are a big no-no as they can splinter and result in a trip to pet ER. Additionally, overindulging your pet in other fatty foods can lead to stomach upset, diarrhea or even life-threatening pancreatitis. Other items to avoid are onion, sage, garlic ... and please, don't ever give your pet alcohol.

If you can't turn away from those puppy-dog eyes, a bite or two of pet-safe veggies like plain broccoli, sweet potato or carrots, or a small taste of plain turkey is usually OK. Put the treats in a Kong or other puzzle toy while you sit down to eat with your family so that your furry begger is happily preoccupied!



CLASSIFIED ADS

FOR SALE: New without boxes - Black and Decker Quick 'n Easy Food Processor and Kenmore 16-Speed Stand Mixer. \$35 each or both for \$60. If interested, contact 832-704-1252



WHAT YOU MISSED

If you failed to read the October newsletter for whatever reason, here are some of the articles you missed:

- Human Trafficking - And Why Should I Be Concerned? Part 1
- Proper Bus Stop Etiquette
- Poisonous Plants
- Massage Benefits
- Halloween Tips
- Funny Jokes and more...

Mark Your Calendar

Nov. 4.....Daylight Saving Time Ends
 Nov. 6.....Election Day
 Nov. 7, 14, 21, 28.....Waste/Recycle Pickup
 Nov. 11.....Veterans Day
 Nov. 22.....Thanksgiving Day



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HUMAN TRAFFICKING IN MY SCHOOL AND IN MY NEIGHBORHOOD?

*Article two in a series of articles written for Homeowners' Associations & Newsletters
By Debi Bon*

**“ALL THAT IS NECESSARY FOR THE TRIUMPH OF EVIL IS THAT GOOD MEN DO NOTHING.”
~EDMUND BURKE**

Last month I introduced a pandemic problem that has significant roots here in Houston that most of our readers have never heard about: Human Trafficking. I am talking about the problem of commercial sex trafficking of young girls. Girls with an average age of 12 are not only being tricked and coerced into this activity, but are being ripped off the street and out of their homes. Last week an article was posted in US Today about this problem and was written by a young woman who was trapped in this industry at the age 16. Girls were sold for sex during sleepovers at “friends” houses by fathers, sold by pimps during recess and school lunch breaks, lured into the industry by other girls (already enslaved and scared for their lives), picked up off of social media sites such as Facebook and MySpace and in many cases grabbed off the street and put into a car that they couldn't escape from. Girls are being imprisoned in local spas and moved around the city and country but are also being exploited in plain sight. This is happening all across the country, however, Houston, TX is a major hub in the United States of this activity and is home to more Strip Clubs and Illicit Spas than Las Vegas, Nevada, the “Sin City”. “Missing Children” has new meaning to me.

Last night President Obama made mention of the problem of girls being sold for profit. This is fast becoming the major industry of organized gangs and drug cartels because of the ease of obtaining girls, the high demand from “Johns”, the difficulty law enforcement has in prosecuting this crime as well as a lack of public awareness or public concern. We need to open our eyes as a society and make a loud public outcry for change. We treat animals better than we treat victimized children. The Humane Society claims that there are 5,000 independent animal shelters across the United States, yet as of this writing there are only 9 operating shelters for girls rescued from human sex trafficking to go to.

What are some signs that a young girl is being trafficked?

- Multiple unexplained absences from school
- A repeated tendency to run away from home
- Frequent travel to other cities
- Older boyfriends or girlfriends
- A sudden ability to have expensive items (things bought by their pimp and given to them as a way for him to continue to enslave her....she has to work off everything he ever does for her)

- Appearing depressed or suffering physical injuries

Some of our Houston schools are having classes for teachers, principals, bus drivers and other adults who have contact with students, to educate them on these signs and to raise awareness of this problem. There are also several non profits in Houston that work with girls rescued from this horror, but are also working with Legislatures and Law Enforcement to change laws and how we go about protecting our families and decreasing demand. Make sure that your children are aware. Make sure that your schools and teachers are educated on this problem. If you want to join the fight or become more informed contact me or visit www.RedeemedMinistries.com



BEWARE OF DEER!!

An estimated 1.5 million deer-vehicle collisions happen annually in the United States, causing more than 150 fatalities and \$1.1 billion in property damage.

Deer populations are growing and deer habitat is being displaced by urban sprawl, making it a deadly combination.

To avoid deer-vehicle collisions:

- Be aware of posted deer crossing signs, which indicate active deer crossing areas.
- Use high-beam headlamps at night as much as possible to illuminate the side of the road where deer can linger.
- Be aware that deer move together so another might not be far away.
- Do not rely on car-mounted "deer whistles." Studies suggest they may not work.
- If a collision seems inevitable, it may be best not to swerve. The risk of personal injury is greatly increased by swerving, which can place you in the path of oncoming traffic.

Source: Insurance Institute for Highway Safety

Whether or not your subdivision offers curbside recycling service, here are a few more facilities that take everything from eWaste to household hazardous waste materials.

HARRIS COUNTY HHW COLLECTIONS FACILITY
6900 Hahl Road Houston
281-560-6200
www.recycleinfo.org

Household hazardous waste: cleaners, aerosols, batteries, paint products, fluorescent bulbs, tires and more.

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A Few Reminders

- The Yard of the Month Chairperson position has been filled. Watch for more details (including Christmas Decorations Contest) in the December newsletter.
- Daylight Saving Time ends November 4, 2012.
- There will be no interruption of service in our waste/recycle pickup schedule during the Christmas and New Year's holidays.
- 2013 Willowlake Assessments are right around the corner, due January 1st.



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