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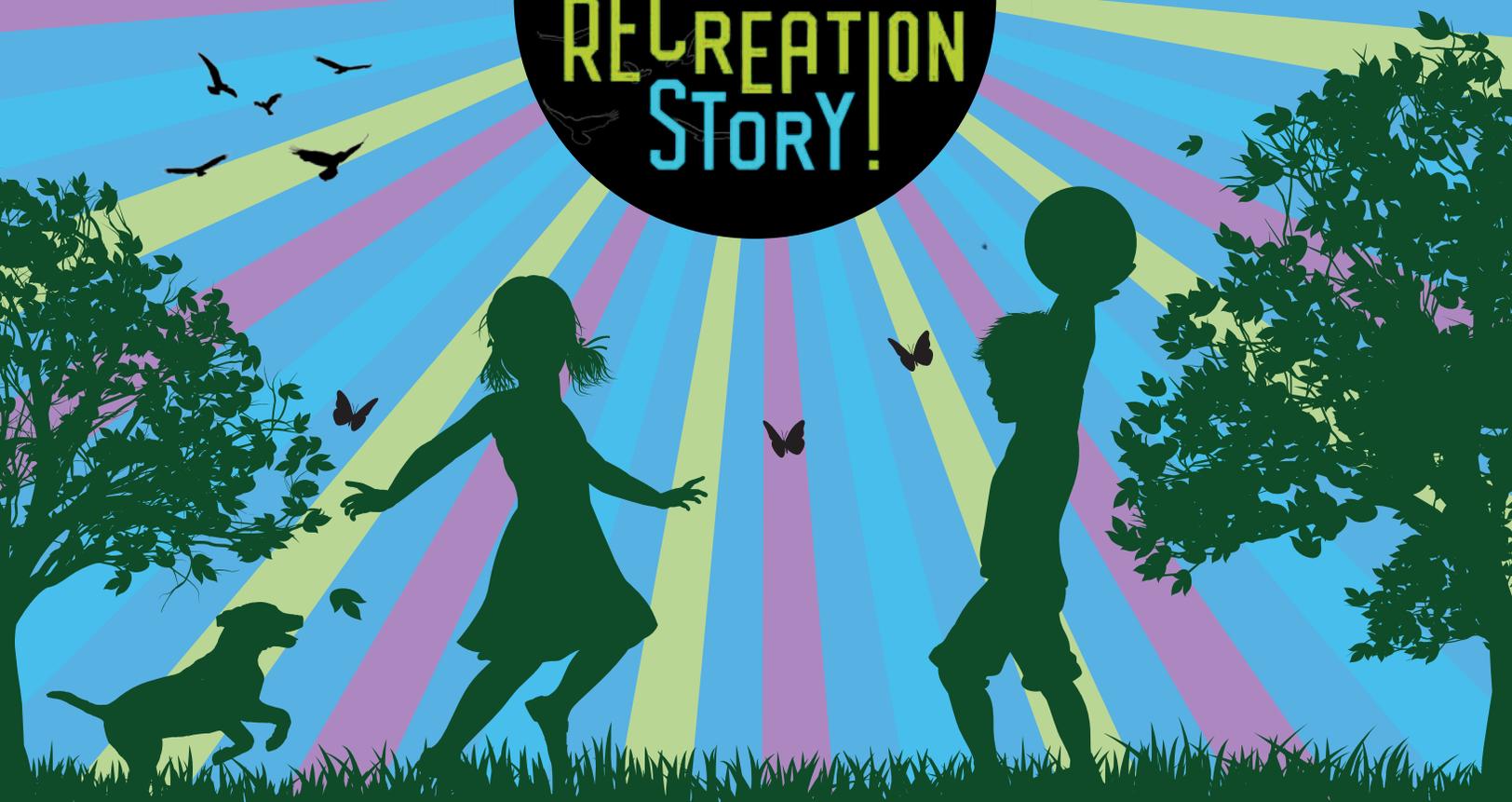
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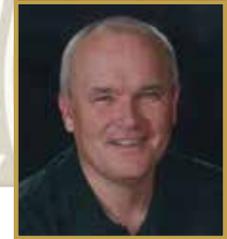
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# Mayor's Message

## Dan Reese



Happy Independence Day! I hope you have an opportunity to rest and relax during the vacation season and most importantly, get a chance to reconnect with those you may have been disconnected with during these trying months of the pandemic.

### Strategic Planning

We received the DRAFT of the Strategic Plan at our June 7th, 2021 meeting. We expect to finalize the plan in July. As you might remember, this plan is the result of many hours of work that included the entire City Council and many citizens. We hosted three (3) Focus Group meetings encouraging citizens to offer input in person. We also hosted a survey that could be completed in-person at City Hall or virtually on the internet. The draft plan and the results of the survey are available on our web site and included in the posted agenda for the June 7th, 2021 meeting. Please take the time to look it over. The Council will use this information as we consider the budget we are developing in July and August. While they are too numerous to print in my article, some of MY "take-aways" include the focus on making information more accessible to the public, evaluating our space needs for all of our employees, continuing our focus on public safety, and the importance of our outdoor amenities such as the pool, parks, and other outdoor facilities.

### Windcrest Pool

Early in the strategic planning process, we heard from several citizens regarding the pool and the importance of it. We heard your concerns and put it on the agenda for the May 17, 2021, City Council meeting to discuss options. Unfortunately, due to costs and safety concerns, the Windcrest Pool will NOT be open this season. At the May 17th meeting, we received an informative briefing on the pool from the City Engineer and a Pool Design group to give us ideas on cost and options. I encourage you to review the video of the pool briefing – it starts at 1 hour 45 minutes into the meeting.

### Windcrest Neighborhood Block Program

Prior to COVID, I discussed a desire to formalize a process to reach out to our neighbors when there are emergencies or just needs. At the June 7th City Council meeting, we gave an update regarding the process. I'm delighted to be on a team that includes Windcrest resident Marcus Yax, Career Firefighter Terrill Woodley, and Volunteer Firefighter William Bauman. We developed a map to identify "blocks" and now we need your help to be a "coordinator" for your block. The Block Coordinator will be asked to reach out to their neighbors to assess their needs during emergencies like the snow/ice event we had in February. They would then communicate back to a City Coordinator that will collect the information so the City can respond as they can. I see this as one more way for the City to identify and help our citizens. We set up an email account for anyone who wants to be a "Block Coordinator." The email is [windcrest-neighbor@windcrest-tx.gov](mailto:windcrest-neighbor@windcrest-tx.gov). If you have any questions, please call, or email me and I would be happy to discuss this.

### Elections

It may seem early to think about elections, but it's not. Windcrest will have three positions on the ballot this November: the Mayor and City Council Places 4 and 5. July 17th is the first day to file for a place, and August 16th is the last. October

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4th is the last day to register to vote. Filing information and instructions are available online through the elections webpage or at the City Administration Office at City Hall.

### Traffic Light

At the May 17th Council meeting, the Council asked the City Engineer to proceed with planning on a traffic light at the Corner of Crestway and Eaglecrest. We expect it will take approximately two months to complete the design and to bid the contract.

### American Recovery Act Funding

We still have very limited information regarding the distribution of the funding from the American Recovery Act. You may remember that we were told that the City would receive approximately \$1.2 million from the legislation. It is IMPORTANT to know that there are stipulations on what that funding can (and can NOT) be used for. As soon as we become aware of the rules, we will discuss it in open session at the City Council meeting and decide on the appropriate use for the funds.

### COVID

There are multiple locations providing vaccinations. If you need help with where to go or even a ride, please reach out to me and we will support you as much as possible.

### Coffee with the Mayor

I am at Las Palapas on Walzem every Saturday morning beginning at 8:30 a.m. Las Palapas was gracious enough to allow us to use the back room. These discussions have been very informative to me and I hope anyone who wishes will come and let me buy them a cup of coffee. It is very informal; you may come late and leave early as you desire.

Thank you, Windcrest, for having confidence in me. I am honored to be in service to Windcrest.

### Dan Reese

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# CITY SECRETARY

## Rachel Dominguez

City Secretary

On May 7, 2021, City Council passed Ordinance 2021-004(O), permitting certain types of home occupations while mitigating negative effects of burdens to the community by amending Chapter 18, Article II, Section 18-21 Home Occupation and Sections 113-110 and Section 113-5. The ordinance also adopted Article VII of the Zoning Code of the City of Windcrest Code of Ordinances. What does this mean for the community? Why was this amended? Below are a few points of reference to help understand the update to code.

- The Council acknowledged many people are working from home and their work is completely contained within one room or area as they work virtually through the computer. Some business/commercial work may include travel by the property owner/occupier, but no negative external effects of such business/commercial use is felt by the adjoining property owners. Especially in light of the recent COVID-19 pandemic, the Council instructed the City Attorney to make recommendations for an expanded definition, with a heavier focus on simply reducing or eliminating external effects on neighboring property owners, and less on specifically defining existing occupations.
- Within Section 113-381, self-contained home business is defined to be a catchall for home occupations that the City would consider permitting that are contained entirely within the structures on the property and have little to no negative external effects on neighbors. The definition is flexible, so that it adjusts based on changes in technology and does not require the City to constantly update the laundry list of permitted home occupations, which are ever-changing. This definition requires that the occupational use be performed by the person or persons who live on that property and does not allow houses to be used only for a home occupation with no one living at the location.
- Telecommuting or Remote Employment is defined in section 113-381e. In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, many employers are permitting or requiring their employees to work from home. For additional clarity and to prevent confusion, this definition was included to expressly exempt such use from the permits required under this ordinance as such use does not constitute a business in and of itself.
- Section 113-383, adds authorized home occupations **must** register and obtain a business permit from the City. For a complete list of authorized home occupations please refer to Section 113-384. Also refer to Section 113-385 which outlines the criteria home occupations must maintain during the term of use.

To read the complete ordinance, please visit [https://library.municode.com/tx/windcrest/codes/code\\_of\\_ordinances](https://library.municode.com/tx/windcrest/codes/code_of_ordinances). Scroll to and click on Ordinance 2021-004(O) for the complete adopted code.

# CITY SECRETARY'S CODE OF THE MONTH

**Rachel Dominguez**  
City Secretary

The grass in your back alley can easily be forgotten when doing yard work under the Texas heat. As a friendly reminder, please refer to **Chapter 28 – Streets, Sidewalks and Other Public Places** when carrying out your regular upkeep. You and your neighbors are responsible for the greenery in your back alley. Be sure to keep the alley clean and clear.

• **Sec. 28-115. - Responsibility for alley maintenance.**

The owner and the resident of property adjacent to an alley are jointly responsible for maintaining the necessary clearances of alleys and keeping alleys in a passable, sightly and sanitary condition.

As tempting as it is, please refrain from growing bushes or small trees when beautifying the alley. Plants should not restrict access to the alley. Any greenery that can stretch out into the alley will prevent garbage trucks from entering and picking up your trash.

Additionally, do not dump any brush in the alley. You may have to wait for our semi-annual Bulk & Brush Pick-ups if you are unable to haul off tree limbs. Ensure that none of your trees have grown over into the alley. Limbs should be a minimum of 13½ feet off the ground. This will also prevent the garbage trucks from driving through the alleys.

• **Sec. 28-118. - Shrubbery, vegetation and tree height along alleys.**

It shall be unlawful for the owner and occupant of property abutting an alley to permit any shrubbery, other vegetation, brush, or tree limbs to restrict the passageway of any vehicles along alleys. Clearances for tree limbs over alleys cannot be less than 13 feet, six inches.

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NEWS

Chief Police Darrell Volz

Thank goodness the country is getting back to normal. We are planning to restart all of our social activities that we cancelled last year. We have already had several Coffee with Cops or Coffee with First Responders this year. We hope to have one every 3 or 4 months. Keep an eye on our Facebook Page for updates on upcoming events, like National Night Out, Trunk or Treat, etc.

Summer is in full swing now. Be on the lookout for kids playing as you travel our streets. They have a tendency to be less attentive as they will be preoccupied with the excitement of whatever activity they are involved in. We hope you can enjoy a whole lot of family and friend time this year with the extended family and friends you had to stay away from during COVID.

I want to just take a few minutes to talk about our Citizens' Patrol. For those that are not familiar with Citizens' Patrol, this is a little info about this great program.

- Citizens' Patrol are adult volunteers that work together within a Citizens' Patrol organization in their community to assist and support law enforcement in the reduction of crime.
- As the name implies, Citizens' Patrol are Citizens who, after being screened, background checked, and trained by their local law enforcement agency, patrol their communities acting as "Eyes and Ears" for law enforcement.
- Citizens' Patrol are also referred to as "Citizen Observer Patrols," "Community Action Patrols," "Police Auxiliary Citizens Team," "Retired Senior Volunteer Patrol," "Volunteers in Policing," "Volunteers on Patrol," as well as other names.
- The number of individual Citizens' Patrol Volunteers within the United States is estimated to be over 75,000 with groups in every state of the nation.

The Citizens' Patrol Unit is looking for new members. We only request two (2) hours of your time a month devoted to driving around town. You can drive alone or grab a CP partner to ride along with you. We would love to have you join our team. If you are interested in this program, feel free to contact me or one of the four team captains for Citizens' Patrol (Jill Vogel, Elvie Ortiz, Mike Magallanez or Joe Regan).

Stay safe and any social events we have, we would love to see you there.

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# PUBLIC WORKS

By Chris Gamboa  
Public Works Interim Director

## Happy 4th of July!

It is time to celebrate our America's independence and share emphasis on the American tradition of political freedom and patriotism. As we celebrate with picnics and barbecues, please also remember our Veterans!

Public Works has been working on various improvement projects in our city parks. After a lot of dedicated work time to these projects, our team has completed the improvements. We are pleased with the results and proud of our work. Please enjoy the playgrounds and park areas by creating memories with family and friends. Friendly reminder, no barbecues are permitted in the parks and open spaces.

More park improvements are in the queue. Be on the lookout for additional improvements in the near future, which include our walking trails. Meanwhile we ask that residents and guests use trash receptacles to help keep our parks clean and enjoyable by all.

Wishing all a safe summer!



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Lindsey Walker



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- Contractors are required to provide a **valid tree maintenance license.**
- Limbs may cut in sections **NO LONGER THAN 4ft in length.**
- All cuts or wounds must be painted with a latex-based paint **immediately** after being cut/wounded.
- Tree waste must be **disposed of immediately** in a City approved manner.

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# Windcrest Volunteer Fire Department

By Chief Dan Kramer

## What Has Your Fire Department Been Up To?

There are many things that your Fire Department does on an annual basis. One of those things just came to completion for this year.

Physical fitness is one of the most important aspects of the fire service. Heart disease is the number one killer of firefighters every year. Last year, we decided to enact a required annual physical fitness test. This test is designed to put the firefighters through similar rigors seen on the fireground. The test begins with the firefighters carrying equipment about 50 feet around a cone, then back to the starting point. They then grab a 1 3/4" hose line that is charged with water and drag it 100 feet. They walk back to the starting line and grab a 100-foot section of 5" supply hose and drag it 75 feet to a cone. Once at the cone, they turn around and pull the hose 25 more feet to their position. The firefighters then move to a large tractor tire, and strike the tire 10 times with a sledge hammer. The final station of the agility test is the dummy drag. The firefighters grab a 150-pound dummy and drag it 50 feet, turn around a cone and bring the dummy back to the finish line. The entire course needs to be completed in 5 minutes and 30 seconds. Every one of the applicants who try to get into the Department must successfully pass this course. Then, every year, every member, from the Fire Chief down to the Fire Cadets, must successfully complete the test to continue active service with the department.

Our hope is that the implementation of this test will allow for an increased level of physical fitness and a decreased risk of heart-related injuries.

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## A Message From Fire Marshal Zelenak

This month I want to talk about Grilling Safety. There's nothing like outdoor grilling. It's one of the most popular ways to cook food, but a grill placed too close to anything that can burn is a fire hazard. They can be very hot, causing burn injuries. Follow these simple tips and you will be on the way to safe grilling.

- Propane and charcoal BBQ grills should only be used outdoors.
- The grill should be placed well away from the home, deck railings, and out from under eaves and overhanging branches.
- Keep children and pets at least three feet away from the grill area.
- Keep your grill clean by removing grease or fat buildup from the grill and in trays below the grill.
- Never leave your grill unattended.
- Always make sure your gas grill lid is open before lighting it.

### CHARCOAL GRILLS

- If you use a starter fluid, use only charcoal starter fluid. Never add charcoal fluid or any other flammable liquids to the fire.
- Keep charcoal fluid out of the reach of children and away from heat sources.
- When you are finished grilling. Let the coals completely cool before disposing in a metal container.

### PROPANE GRILLS

- Check the propane cylinder hose for leaks before using it for the first time each year.
- If you smell gas while grilling, immediately get away from the grill and call the Fire Department, **DO NOT MOVE THE GRILL!**
- If the flame goes out while grilling, turn off the grill and propane and wait at least 5 minutes before re-lighting it.

I hope these tips will help you have a safe and enjoyable grilling experience this summer.



**Animal Care & Control**  
 By Animal Control Officers  
 Officer Maria Gonzalez

As some residents have seen coyotes in our city, they really pose no threat to humans or pets that are on a leash. Coyotes provide a valuable service to us by helping to keep the rodent population in check. We have also seen some foxes in our backyards, in Texas the breeding season begins in February and continues into March. Three to six pups are born in April or May, after a gestation period of about 63 days. Although the pups are born blind and helpless, they grow rapidly and leave the den within a few weeks. They seek shelter in rocky and brushy areas. It is during this period when the adults are most likely to be seen in the open as they search in neighborhoods for food. Their weight can increase from a few ounces at birth to 7 to 12 pounds as an adult.

Remember to vaccinate and register all your pets yearly including the microchip with the City of Windcrest.



# Windcrest Women's Club

By Jennifer Newman

On Thursday, May 27th the Windcrest Women's Club hosted their annual charity fundraiser, "Old Bag Luncheon & Auction." With nearly one hundred women in attendance and over \$3,000 raised, it was a huge success! Lunch was provided by la Madeleine French Bakery & Café with dessert cookies from Tiff's Treats. Donated handbags were auctioned off by Gary Rogers of New Braunfels Auction Co, LLC and everyone had a great time. The funds raised come just in time to support the Women's Club's biggest project-helping needy Roosevelt High School Seniors with graduation expenses.



The City's Annual Light Up event will be here before we know it and for everyone who is anxiously awaiting the Light Up theme, it will be coming soon, so stay tuned!



**Did you know that the Windcrest Women's Club is now accepting members from outside Windcrest with a sponsor?** It's true! For more information contact Lu Nix at 210-653-2371 or email our club president Joan Pedrotti at [j\\_pedrotti@yahoo.com](mailto:j_pedrotti@yahoo.com).

Also, you can now join and/or pay your dues online! Just visit our website at:

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# GARDEN CLUB

By: Alice Vargas Relkin

### Summer Horticulturist news from Master Gardener, Kathy Littlefield:

At the last board meetings she advised members to use care in cutting back plants affected by the recent snow and low temperature. Soon severe heat and drought will affect your gardening efforts. Although some plants may appear dead, they aren't. She also mentioned the benefit of the spring rain on our gardens.

September 6, 2021 the WGC will be meeting at the Windcrest Civic Center. The remainder of the scheduled meetings will continue as planned in the directory. Windcrest Elementary School collection of school supplies will be gathered. Lastly, be prepared for our silent auction items. Fundraising efforts will continue this season including our world famous Plant Sale.

**Windcrest Gardeners:** WGC is accepting new participants to help with projects in Takas Park. Contact Jaime Whitfield for details.

**San Antonio Botanical Garden News:** The Botanical Garden offers summer programs. Information can be found on their website <https://www.sabot.org>.

Membership continues year round. If you like Piña Coladas, and getting caught in the rain, mostly because we need rain for our garden, join today! Enjoy knowledgeable speakers, creative garden improvement projects, and community service participation as insta-benefits to membership. Members are always in our thoughts and prayers, both close or socially-distant. If you are interested, consider membership today. To be included in the directory, membership must be in by July 1, 2021.

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By Karen K. Nelson, Coordinator

The City of Windcrest and the Windcrest Economic Development Corporation have teamed up to create a strategic plan for Windcrest Businesses. This includes soliciting business input, similar to the way the City requested input from residents for the residential strategic plan, which is also currently ongoing. Representatives from the City and the WEDC visited businesses in Windcrest to discuss the Windcrest Strategic Plan Business Survey, hand delivered postcards and posters requesting they be placed in common areas for employees and customers to complete. Postcards were also mailed to all businesses in our community.

### What is Strategic Planning?

Strategic planning is a vital tool for communities as it provides measurable objectives that are designed to drive businesses and communities in the right direction.

There are typically 10 steps to a successful Strategic Plan.

1. **Invitations** – On March 16th and April 12th the Windcrest community and businesses were invited to participate in the Strategic Planning Process at the Civic Center. Notifications were posted on social media as well as posters throughout the community.
2. **Establish Focus Groups** – At the meetings, groups were divided into Focus Groups which met regularly during the planning process.
3. **Identify Goals and Objectives** – Both short-term and long-term goals and objectives are identified. In short, what does the City hope to achieve? Next, determine what steps the City will take to accomplish these. Goals need to be realistic and measurable.
4. **Gather Information** – The most up-to-date information is brought to the table to ensure that data used is accurate so that informed decisions are backed up by facts.
5. **Determine your SWOT** – SWOT is an acronym for strengths, weakness, opportunities, and threats which act as a powerful tool during the planning process.
6. **Formulate the Plan** – Once a set of goals is established, begin working on the plan. While developing the plan, consideration on which initiatives will have the greatest impact or which help improve the community are prioritized.
7. **Measurable Goals** – To ensure that the strategic plan is working, determine the best way to measure your progress. With measurable goals improvements are visibly seen.
8. **Surveys** – Citizens and Businesses were provided with links to individual surveys online. Questions were designed to measure facets of community to include: livability, recreation, communication, city services, economic development, and overall quality of life experiences.
9. **Execute Your Strategic Plan** – Once the strategic plan is in place, take the necessary steps to implement it.
10. **Performance Monitoring** – Strategic planning will not be effective unless everyone is doing their part. This requires constant monitoring and tweaking any components that are not leading to satisfactory results.

Source: *The strategic planning process in 6 steps:* <https://www.bbgbroker.com/strategic-planning-process-6-steps/>



Since 1985, people in the United States have celebrated Park and Recreation Month in July to promote building strong, vibrant and resilient communities through the power of parks and recreation, and to recognize the more than 160,000 full-time park and recreation professionals — along with hundreds of thousands of part-time and seasonal workers and volunteers — that maintain our country’s local, state and community parks. Through efforts by the National Recreation and Parks Association, the U.S. House of Representatives passed an official resolution for Park and Recreation Month in 2009 and introduced the resolution in 2017 and 2018. This year the City of Windcrest is joining the nation in the celebration of Park and Recreation Month.

With the assistance of the Parks and Recreation Commissioners and City staff, various activities have been scheduled for the community to come out and enjoy the city parks. We will be hosting activities, contests, and celebrations. Parks are vital to our community — from protecting open space and natural resources to helping fight obesity and providing activities and resources for all people. This has been especially true throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. Park and Recreation Month encourages everyone to reflect on the exponential value the city staff and the Parks and Recreation Commission brings to the community.

**This July, tell us your park and recreation story!** Parks are at the center of so many experiences and memories — moments that park and recreation professionals help make happen. Our local parks are often our first experiences in nature, our introduction to a favorite hobby or physical activity. They are places to gather with friends and family, spaces to celebrate life’s special moments, spots of respite and healing, sites that connect us with essential community services, and so much more. We want to hear your stories about what parks and recreation means to you and the memories you have enjoying the parks with family and friends. Submit your story as a **Word Document** to [newsletter@windcrest-tx.gov](mailto:newsletter@windcrest-tx.gov).

Keep an eye on our city webpage and social media page for the event and activities information.

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## Code Compliance & Enforcement

By Officer Selena Breland



The summer season is upon us. While you're outside enjoying the beautiful weather on a morning walk, tending to your yard or taking an evening stroll through the neighborhood please take the time to enjoy the beautiful yards along the way. Between July 1, 2021 and January 31, 2022 Windcrest residents are permitted to trim low hanging Oak tree branches that are impeding their yard, nearby street signs or even causing a nuisance to their property or their neighbors' property. Please read Ordinance No. 2019.713 Sec 35-4 (a)(b) and Sec 35-3 (a)-(l) paying close attention to (c),(d),(e),(f),(h) and (j) where you will be advised on who can obtain a permit and the specific regulations on trimming your Oak trees.

### ORDINANCE NO. 2019- 713(0)

#### AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING CHAPTER 35 - OAK WILT OF THE CITY OF WINDCREST'S CODE OF ORDINANCES TO REGULATE THE MAINTENANCE AND CARE OF OAK TREES, INCLUDING THE PREVENTION OF OAK WILT WITHIN THE CITY AND IMPOSING EDUCATION AND ENFORCEMENT MECHANISMS.

Before trimming your Oak trees, you must obtain a permit from Windcrest City Hall per City Ordinance No. 2019-713 (O) Sec 35-3(c) by contacting Ms. Lindsey Walker in the permits department at (210) 655-0022 Ext. 2430. The permit will cost five dollars and last the entire season (July 1, 2021 through January 31, 2022).

If you decide to trim your own trees, you, the resident, is responsible for identifying trees that are infected with Oak Wilt, which is an incurable and destructive fungal disease of Oaks which makes the foliage wilt and eventually kills the tree and infects surrounding trees. All residents must adhere to CC 2019.713 Sec 35-4 (a)(b) Proper Trimming and Disposal of Oak Trees. The resident is also responsible for hauling the discarded tree branches from their property in a timely manner per Code Compliance.

If you decide to skip the hassle and hire a company to trim your Oak tree, please ensure to hire a certified Arborist who will be responsible for obtaining the permit and providing proof of a valid tree maintenance license at the time of permit request per Sec 35-3(d) of CC 2019.713 (O). The tree trimming company you choose will also be responsible for hauling the discarded branches from your property at the time of service per CC 2019-713 (O) Sec 35-4 (b).

"Where flowers bloom so does hope." - Lady Bird Johnson. I want to thank the Windcrest residents for maintaining their yards during this rainy season. If you need any assistance or want to report a violation of the Windcrest City Code, please contact your Code Compliance Officer via the Windcrest Police Department Dispatcher at 210-655-2666 or send me an email at [sbreland@windcrest-tx.gov](mailto:sbreland@windcrest-tx.gov).



## LIONS CLUB NEWS

By Lion Tim Flick

The Lions Club recently had officer elections. Congratulations to our new Club President, Lion Marlene Patton! Marlene is a long-time member, she's been our Treasurer for the last several years, she is also our LEO Advisor for the LEO Club at Roosevelt High School and she was our Lion of the Year last year. So please join me in congratulating her and wishing her all the best in the upcoming year!

Hopefully everyone has had a chance to watch the video of the raffle drawing we held at City Hall. Congratulations to all the winners and especially to our grand prize winner, Windcrest resident Lucy Gale Walsworth! Enjoy the grill!

In conjunction with the National Police Appreciation Week, Club member Sherilyn Flick organized a special week of lunches and support to show our City's gratitude to the Windcrest Police Department. Lions Club member and City Councilman Wes Manning teamed up with the Lions Club to sponsor a catered lunch from Bill Miller BBQ consisting of fried chicken, cole slaw, tea, and every flavor of pie you can think of!

At the recent Lions Club District Convention, long-time Club member Jack Leonhardt was the recipient of our District's Highest Honor, induction into the Herb C. Petry, Jr. District 2-A2 Hall of Fame. Congratulations Jack, this is a well-deserved honor!

If you would like to learn more, you can contact us at 210-951-9463, on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/WindcrestLions](https://www.facebook.com/WindcrestLions) or on our website at [www.windcrestlionsclub.org](http://www.windcrestlionsclub.org). We are currently meeting at the Windcrest Civic Center, and you are welcome to join us!



Members of the Police Department enjoy lunch sponsored by Councilman Wes Manning and the Windcrest Lions Club.



Club members Jack Leonhardt and Sherilyn Flick with Chief Volz at the Police Appreciation Lunch.



Lions Club member Jack Leonhardt gets inducted into the District 2-A2 Hall of Fame as his wife Terri looks on.



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## TROOP 157: ADDS ONE MORE TO THE FLOCK

Scoutmaster Buckner issued the Eagle Scout's charge to Jared Relkin with Charter Rep Rick Plouch standing by. Troop 157, which has served Windcrest since 1966, welcomed their 133rd



Eagle scout in its 55 years of existence. Jared, who earned his Eagle in the spring of 2020, was being recognized now as Covid restrictions lifted to allow for the celebration. Jared's project was the beautiful planter box ornamenting the sign designating Windcrest as a Purple-Heart City. We are exceptionally proud of Jared and his achievement.

## CUBS ADVANCE

May's Pack meeting saw all of the Cubs of Pack 157 advance to their next ranks, as the pack prepares for the summer. The summer months will see scouts head to Cub Day Camp at McGimsey Scout Park off Military Dr. in San Antonio. Our older cubs will venture to Bear Creek Scout Reservation for a 3-night campout near Hunt, Tx. But The summer fun won't be limited to just these outings as even more fun is planned throughout the summer.



## Meeting Days

- Troop 157 – Monday @ 7pm
- Pack 157 – Tuesday @ 6:30pm
- Venture Crew 157 – 1st, 3rd, and 5th Sunday @ 5pm



Want more information on Scouting at any level in Windcrest Contact Justin Buckner at [Buckj64@gmail.com](mailto:Buckj64@gmail.com) or 210.744.7296

<https://beascout.org>



## Windcrest Animal Control Task Force

By Pam Dodson



Flea preventative treatments are a year-round must-have for cats AND dogs! Not only are fleas a nuisance to you and your pets, they can carry diseases that can debilitate your furry friends (and in some cases even cause death). A simple way to test if your pet has fleas is to brush over your pet with a paper towel, or part the hair and look at their skin. If you don't find any adult fleas, you'll likely see their feces (also called "flea dirt") which look like small dark specks. Fleas ingested by your pet while grooming may result in tapeworms. If you notice what looks like a piece of white rice moving on their bottom or in their stool. This is a sign of tapeworms, which can be treated with oral medication.

Adult fleas only represent 5% of the flea population, so it's important to have a routine that addresses all the life stages (eggs, larvae, pupae). Monthly topical combo products (like Revolution or AdvantageMulti) can kill up to 98% of fleas in various life stages and also protect pets from ticks, heartworms (carried by mosquitoes), and some intestinal parasites (roundworms, hookworms) too!

Indoor pets are also at risk! Some studies have shown that 1/3 of heartworm infections were in indoor-only pets! Keep your pets healthy and happy - talk to your vet for more info, or join the TxWeACT at our monthly meeting (fourth Tuesday of the month at Cross Roads Church (8102 Midcrown) at 7 p.m. And remember to spay or neuter your pets!!!

## Special Events

By Lindsey Walker

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## San Antonio Public Library Pruitt at Roosevelt Happenings

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### Tween Events

The Pruitt Page-Turners Tween Book Club meets the last Saturday of the month. We will have meaningful, insightful, and lighthearted discussions about our current book selection. The meetings are virtual via Zoom. Call (210) 650-1122 for sign up information.

### Tween Book Club Selection

*Turning Point* by Paula Chase

### Teen Summer Activities

San Antonio Public Library Teen Services has a host of on-line events planned for the Summer. Check out our awesome Instagram information. Jam out to our playlists on Spotify. Hang out, have fun, and meet new friends on one of our many Discord event channels. It's all up to you. And if you like swag, stop by a library branch near you for one of our FREE Teen Summer T Shirts. (Ages 13-18 Only)

### Teen Summer Reading Recommendations

Let SAPL Teen Services make recommendations for your next Summer Read. We have a variety of books covering all interests. To find out more go to <https://guides.mysapl.org/teensummer2021/read>

### Adult Summer Activities

Adults can go to any San Antonio Public Library branch to get a Summer with SAPL Chancla Goals For Your Soles Goal Tracker. Use the Goal Tracker to record your goal and track progress toward that goal. Goals could include reading or listening to books (including books you read to or listen to with others), participating in library activities, or participating in activities that the library has inspired you to learn more about. Once you have met your goal, visit a San Antonio Public Library branch to share your accomplishments with us and receive a Limited Edition Summer with SAPL Mason Jar.

### Welcome Back To The Library

The library is pleased to welcome back patrons for Brisk Browsing. Come in, look around, and check out materials.

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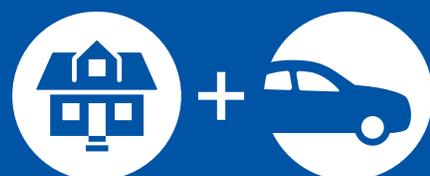
## Protect Your Home Against Mosquitoes

Mosquitoes develop in water that stands for more than five days. To reduce the mosquito population around your home and property, eliminate all standing water and debris. Here are some spots where water can collect or where poor maintenance can cause problems.



1. Pool cover that collects water; neglected swimming pool or child's wading pool.
2. Birdbath (change water weekly) and garden pond (stock with fish).
3. Any toy, garden equipment, or container that can hold water.
4. Flat roof with standing water.
5. Clogged rain gutter (home and street).
6. Trash and old tires; Drill drain holes in bottom of tire swings.
7. Tree rot hole, hollow stump, or rain puddle.
8. Missing, damaged, or improperly installed screens.
9. Uncovered boat or boat cover that collects water.
10. Leaky faucet or pet bowl (change water daily).

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