

HAPPY EASTER

Notice: The Fiesta Especial was cancelled this year.

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Mayor's Message



Electronic Signs Installed. In early March the electronic message signs were installed at City Hall and on the corner of Crestway and Jim Seal Drive at Takas Park. These are a welcomed addition to our ability to effectively communicate with our Citizens. They have already helped to advertise our Volunteer Meeting, our first New Resident Orientation and Art in the Park. They can be used

for day-to-day announcements as well as communicating in emergency situations. For those who have noticed they are rather bright at night, the lights can be adjusted.

Volunteer Opportunities. On March 1st and again on March 4th, we held meetings to introduce citizens to or our volunteer programs in the city. The response to these meetings was better than I expected. We had over 50 citizens agree to be added to our database of volunteers for various opportunities in Windcrest. We introduced our Volunteer Coordinator, Anita Luna-Caulk. Anita is a 15-year resident of Windcrest and she has a heart for volunteer opportunities. Councilmember Marcus Yax briefed the Block Coordinator Program which is designed to identify citizens who would be willing to help coordinate citizen needs in their "block." I briefed the opportunities for citizens to serve on our various Boards and Commissions. You can still add your name to the volunteer list by going on the City of Windcrest webpage under "Get Involved" and put your information in the system. We used "Facebook Live" to broadcast the sessions. Both of the sessions are available on the "City of Windcrest" Facebook page for your review. Feel free to email or call me with any questions.

New Resident Orientation. Our first New Resident Orientation was held on March 21st. Councilmember Strzelecki and I organized this meeting to welcome our new residents and help them navigate their way around how business is done in our great City. We will hold new resident orientations again on on the 3rd Tuesday in June and September. All residents are welcome to attend, even if they are not new. It will be a great way to see how the city works and put a face to a name for our City Staff and leaders. Look for information on the City Website, Facebook or Instagram.

Rackspace. As many of you know, Rackspace is leaving Windcrest. They announced in October of last year that they expect to be in their new location mid to late 2023. This move will result in loss of sales tax but because of the solid financial position of Windcrest, we expect to be fine. Know that we are working every day to identify a business to replace Rackspace. We have met with our State and Federal representatives to help identify a suitable replacement. We hope to share good news soon.

I am continuing my "Coffee with the Mayor" every Saturday that I am in town. Please see my Facebook page (Dan Reese, Mayor, City of Windcrest) for updates. We begin at 8:30 at Las Palapas on Walzem. You are welcome to come anytime you wish and leave as you desire. Coffee and beverages are on me!

Dan Reese

[&]quot;The credibility of the message is intrinsically tied to the integrity of the messenger." ~Chip Ingram



POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS



By Jim Cole, Police Chief

CITIZEN'S PATROL WINDCREST

The Police Department will be recognizing our Telecommunicators during National Public Safety Telecommunications week being held between April 9 thru 15, 2023. Telecommunicators are truly the un-sung heroes of law enforcement. They not only bring a calm voice in distraught situations, by their actions, they quickly bring needed services to our citizens and police officers alike. Please check our Facebook page as we highlight these members during that week.

You may have seen that instead of "Coffee with Cops" we started a "Pizza with Police" in March. Unfortunately, several training obligations occurring in April make having our Pizza with Police event impractical. We should be able to resume our monthly meetings in May.

Wearing the Windcrest Badge Highlighting Badge 103

Officer Omar Williams Windcrest Police Department wears Badge 103



Officer Williams is a 2021 graduate of the Alamo Area Law Enforcement Academy and he served honorably with the Unites States Army for over 21 years before retiring at the rank of Captain. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Regis University. Officer Williams is assigned to Central District,

Patrol Operations "C" Shift. Omar is the proud father of two twin boys who are 15 years old.

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Need a ride to an appointment?

Did you know... the City of Windcrest has contracted Greater Randolph Area Service Program (GRASP) to help provide low-cost rides to the residents of Windcrest?

Transportation is offered to residents of the City of Windcrest Monday – Friday from 9am – 2pm. Appointments may be scheduled 48 hours in advance for medical trips and other appointments. The curb-to-curb service fare is \$5.00 per trip within a 5-mile radius from Windcrest. Buses are wheelchair accessible. Spouses and Caregivers may accompany at no extra charge. To schedule a trip call (210) 658-3578 and give them your trip details. A GRASP shuttle will pick you up from the scheduled pick-up location (curb-to-curb) at the set time and take you to your destination.

Be sure to be prepared to be picked up at least 15 minutes before the shuttle is scheduled to arrive. The shuttles can be easily accessed even with mobility devices such as wheelchairs and walkers. Service dogs are allowed on the shuttle, just be sure to inform the ride dispatcher when scheduling your ride if a service dog will be riding with you. Other pets and emotional support animals are not allowed. Spouses or Caretakes ride for FREE.

Be aware that the shuttle drives are NOT allowed to leave the shuttle for any reason. For more information visit: www.windcrest-tx.gov/GRASP





Windcrest
Women's
Golf
Association

April Showers bring May Flowers and make the Greens on Windcrest Golf course really perk up. It's also a Good place for a Spring Break. Great fun and excellent prices at Windcrest Golf! Please join us every Thursday- tee time is 9am. We welcome all levels of lady golfers. Information or questions please call Mary 210-608-9645

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SMOKING is DANGEROUS please be careful!

While unattended cooking remains the #1 cause of home fires, careless smoking continues to be the #1 cause of fire death in the U.S. This is true despite the decreased number of smokers since 1980 and improvements in flammability standards for upholstered furniture and mattresses in recent years. Fire risk indicators from the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) show that the risk of dying in a residential structure fire caused by smoking materials rises with age. Older residents are more likely to be on medications that can cause drowsiness and be less likely to trek outside the building whenever they want to smoke. Adults with respiratory problems who are on medical oxygen and still smoking present a particular hazard to themselves, to the other tenants in their building and to responding firefighters. There is no safe way to smoke if you are using medical oxygen. Even if the tank is shut off, the fire danger remains because of because of increased oxygen concentrations that absorb into the person's clothing, hair, bedding or furniture and near the connecting tubes. Where an individual indicates by statement or action they intend to continue smoking while using medical oxygen, some physicians may refuse to prescribe the oxygen because the fire and burn risk outweighs the benefit of therapy. Smokers on oxygen often suffer extreme burns or die from the immediate contact with oxygen-enriched flame. At a minimum, there should be a general policy in all rental housing that "No person can smoke in an apartment unit where medical oxygen is used." More fire losses result from careless smokers than from smokers on medical oxygen. Fire risks increase whenever smoke detectors have been disabled, when tenants mix smoking with alcohol or drugs, or when the smoker is sleepy. Current statistics from the NFPA show that 40% of the persons who died in home smoking material fires were sleeping at the time of the fire.

WINDCREST FIRE DEPARTMENT CARES



A Message From Fire Marshal Zelenak

Clothes Dryer Safety

Doing laundry is most likely part of your everyday routine. But did you know how important taking care of your clothes dryer is to the safety of your home? With a few simple safety tips, you can help prevent a clothes dryer fire in your home.

- Do not use the dryer without a lint filter.
- Make sure to clean the lint filter before each load of laundry. Remove all lint that has collected around the drum.
- Rigid or flexible metal venting material should be used to sustain proper air flow and drying time.
- Make sure the air exhaust vent pipe is not restricted and the outdoor vent flap will open when the dryer is operating, also check for birds' nest if the vent is damaged.
- Once a year having your air exhaust vent pipe cleaned to remove any lint build up is highly recommended.
- Keep the area around your clothes dryer clean of things that will burn, like boxes, cleaning supplies and clothing, etc.
- Turn the dryer off when you leave home or when you go to bed.





Code Compliance & Enforcement

By Lieutenant Ben Crum



Did you know...

Soliciting services door to door is against City Ordinance without a proper permit? Solicitors must pay a permit fee and pass a background check from the Windcrest Police Department before the permit is approved. If you see a solicitor in your neighborhood or on your property and are concerned because they look suspicious, do not answer your door. Simply call the Windcrest Police Department at 210-655-2666 and a patrol officer will locate and identify the person to verify their permit.

Spring cleaning time again! It's also that time of year when we remove unsightly items from our properties in time for Brush and Bulk Pick-Up. Please take advantage of this service to remove any materials you may want to clean up from around your residence. Brush and Bulk Pick-Up times depend on the Section where you live, see map below and check the City's website for more detailed information. Code Enforcement and Patrol Officers will be out enforcing this matter.

If you need any assistance or want to report a violation of the Windcrest City Code, please contact your Code Enforcement Officer via the Windcrest Police Department Dispatcher at 210-655-2666 or send me an email thru the link provided within the Code Enforcement site located on my page.

Do I need a permit?

Working on home repairs this spring? Don't forget City Code require permits to be pulled for some project!

Permitted work is reviewed and inspected by a state licensed building inspector for safety. Permitting also creates a record of the repair or addition and can help correctly appraise the value of your home. Contractors and homeowners doing their own work can pull permits online at www.mypermitnow.org. Plans can be submitted, reviewed, and a permit issued all from the comfort of your home or office. After the work is complete you can schedule the inspection for a date and time that suits your needs.

These are some common types of home maintenance project that do and do not need to be permitted:

Permit Required

Roof Repair Foundation Repairs Plumbing Repairs Heating and AC Repairs New Fence or Repair with Post Removal Concrete Flatwork Enlarging or Modifying Windows Lawn Irrigation Systems Oak Tree Trimming Masonry Mailbox Accessory Building or Shed Home remodeling or Demo In ground and Above ground

Permit Not Required

Painting Drywall Repair Bathroom or Kitchen Fixtures Cabinet Replacement Flooring Repair or Replacement Automatic Garage Doors Same Size (like for like) Window Replacement Landscaping Non Oak Tree Trimming Standard Mailbox installation Private Property Tree Planting Siding repair (non-asbestos)

Before any new construction, projects or landscaping begins it is always recommended that you call 811 to locate any buried utilities on your property. If you or your contractor have any questions about the work you are doing please contact our permits clerk at 210-655-0022 ext. 2430 or by email at permits@windcrest-tx.gov.



Greetings from your local Animal Care & Control! We have seen an increase of stray dogs Windcrest. As a result, there are approximately fifteen dogs being held at our kennel. These dogs are boarded for owner pick-up and then, if the owner is not found, the animal becomes adoptable after seven business days. Adoptable dogs have been vet checked, vaccinated, and spayed or neutered. Check out the City website or come to our local adoption events to see the animals we have available. The Animal Control Unit holds two adoption events per month!

We have had a lot of dogs loose and were able to return most of them on the same day to their owners. Reminder, register your pet with the City, have a collar with tags, and chip them with your current information. If you come across a dog or cat that you are pretty sure belongs to someone, please first note your location, call our non-emergency line at 210-655-2666, and either keep an eye on the animal or contain it for us to get there and help find the owner. We do not take in cats but will try to help to contact the owner if chipped or help you find a foster for misplaced kittens.

If you would be willing to foster a dog or kitten, please let us know! We have dogs that need home experience which only you can provide. This will help them become more adoptable. We also get calls for kittens found which need

temporary homes until we can place them with new owners or back in the community with a TNR Caretaker.

Enjoy the warmer weather. Keep yourselves hydrated, and your pet too!





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LIONS CLUB NEWS By Lion Tim Flick

Thank you again to everyone who came out and supported the Lions Club at our Pancake/Sausage Breakfast. Your support at fundraisers like these allow us to continue to help those in need in our community and do things like continuing to supply dictionaries to local elementary schools. We couldn't do it without the support of our wonderful Windcrest residents!

Lions Club and LEO Club members also recently went to Mobility Worldwide to help assemble PET carts for the leg disabled around the world. PET carts are hand-cranked Mobility Carts, vehicles that allow them to go where ordinary wheelchairs won't go. They are provided at no cost to the recipient and gives them the Gift of Mobility.

$(\underline{https://mobilityworldwide.org})$

Keep an eye on our website and Facebook pages for upcoming events. We are looking at holding some new events and fundraisers this year. We'll keep you updated on all the upcoming happenings!

Your Windcrest Lions Club is a community service-oriented organization and makes a real and positive difference in people's lives. If you would like to be a part of the goodness, we would love to have you join us! You can reach out to our membership chair at smagtx@aol.com.



Lions Club members deliver dictionaries to Camelot Elementary students!



LEO's from Roosevelt HS help out at the Pancake Breakfast.

If you would like to learn more about joining the Lions Club, you can contact us at 210-951-9463, on Facebook at www. facebook.com/Windcrest Lions or on our website at www.windcrestlionsclub.org.

We are currently meeting at the Windcrest Civic Center, and you are welcome to join us!

PUBLIC WORKS

By Chris Gamboa

Public Works Director

A detailed map with date's is provided on the city's website.

Please do not put out any chemicals, concrete, hazardous materials, or tires.

Haz-Mat pickup will be held on a later date. Please be on the lookout for more details coming in a future newsletter.

This spring's Brush and Bulk pickup starts on April 3rd and ends on April 21st.

The Public Works department extends a bless Spring season to all.

Chris Gamboa

Director of Public Works (210) 655-0022 Ext. 2490 cgamboa@windcrest-tx.gov



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Windcrest Spring Bulk and Brush Pick Up

THE CITY OF WINDCREST CURBSIDE BRUSH AND BULK PICK UP WILL RUN APRIL 3 thru APRIL 21, 2023.

This service is for WINDCREST RESIDENTS ONLY. Brush and bulk collection will be picked up in sections throughout the city. For your reference, please refer to the guidelines below to identify the section your collection will occur.

Our Spring bulk and brush collection will begin in SECTION 1.

SECTION 1:

All homes located west of Midcrown are located in Section 1. Curb side service will begin on Monday, April 3, collecting through Friday, April 7. ALL brush and bulk items to be collected MUST be placed out on the curb NO EARLIER than Monday, March 27, and NO LATER than Sunday, April 2. Collection will only be picked up once in each section. Republic Service WILL NOT return for additional pick-ups or missed pick-ups due to collection not being placed out after Sunday, April 2.

SECTION 2:

All homes located east of Midcrown, south of Crestway, and west of Eaglecrest are located in Section 2. Curb side service will begin on Monday, April 10, collecting through Friday, April 14. ALL brush and bulk items to be collected MUST be placed out on the curb NO EARLIER than Monday, April 3, and NO LATER than Sunday, April 9. Collection will only be picked up once in each section. Republic Service WILL NOT return for additional collection or missed collections due to items not being placed out after Sunday, April 9.

SECTION 3:

All homes located north of Crestway and east of Eaglecrest are located in Section 3. Curb side service will begin on Monday, April 17, collecting through Friday, April 21. ALL brush and bulk items to be collected MUST be placed out on the curb NO EARLIER than Monday, April 10. and NO LATER than Sunday, April 16. Collection will only be picked up once in each section. Republic Service WILL NOT return for additional collection or missed collections due to items not being placed out by Sunday, April 16.

Refer to the map above to confirm the section your collection will be picked up. Each section will be serviced ONLY ONCE. Your collection must be out on the curb by the prescribed date. If your items are not on the curb by your section deadline, your house will be MISSED. THERE WILL NOT BE ANY RETURN VISITS FOR PICK UP. Any materials placed out after your street has been service, the homeowner will be responsible for disposing the materials at the Republic dumpsite and pay their dumping fees. Citations will be issued for bulk and brush left out after their designated date.



Brush/Bulky Guidelines:

- Limit your brush pile to five (5) cubic yards.
- To determine the cubic yards take the Length x Width x Height of the pile and divide by 27. (this will equal the cubic yards for example 5ft long by 5ft Wide by 5ft High = 125 divided by 27 equals 4.63 cubic yards.
- Brush must be placed within eight (8) feet of the curb.
- Do not place brush piles in front of parked cars, near fences, trees, mailboxes, beneath overhead wires, lowhanging tree limbs, or on top of gas/water meters.
- Accepted Materials: Shrubs, Tree Branches, Woody Vines, Other herbaceous and woody plants, BBQ grills (without compressed gas tanks), Carpeting, Fencing, Furniture, Mattresses, Toilets, Water heaters, Appliances

Refrigerators, freezers, and a/c window units will be collected only if refrigerant has been removed and the appliance is tagged and certified, indicating removal of refrigerant.

Materials Not Accepted:

Household Trash, Construction Debris, Glass (such as doors or Windows), Hazardous Materials (paints, household cleaners), Compressed Gas Tanks, Tires, Televisions, Computers, Waste Oil, Medical Waste, Appliances with refrigerant that has not been removed and certified.

Any questions regarding materials not listed here, please contact Republic Services directly at 210-304-2732.





The Windcrest Garden Club will meet again on **Monday**, **April 3, 2023** at 9:00am outside the Windcrest Civic Center to vote for new 2023-2024 officials before leaving for our spring field trip to the Japanese Tea Garden.

During the March WGC meeting David Wallace, Water District No 10 Manager, provided information about the state of the water district and outlooks for rain this summer. Participates were provided cash saving tips to managing your water bill and garden care. A new amendment to the WGC by-laws was voted and approved to change meeting times to include night time and electronic meetings.

The Garden Club will have our Spring Fundraiser Plant Sale at the Windcrest Methodist Church on **Saturday, May 6, 2023** from 8:00-2:00pm or until plants and flowers are sold out. Beautiful blooms will be in abundance!

Windcrest Gardeners: It's time to set-up the next watering schedule for the Windcrest Gardeners. WGC needs volunteers to water pots around the city. For more information please contact Elizabeth via text.

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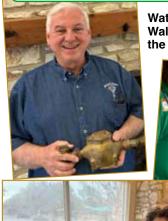


MEMBER FD



Save the Date: Installation/ Appreciation Luncheon on Monday May 1, 2023, location and cost TBD.

Reservations are required.



Water District #10, David Wallace, came to speak at the March GMM.



Windcrest Garden Club members listen in to the meeting minutes.

Pro Tips: Remember to let the roots of your trees, breathe. New research confirms that earth should be removed from the base of trees so rotting won't occur from watering the tree. Also, plant flowers together that need the same amount of water to give them the best chance to bloom.

If you be-LEAF in growing plants and friendships, join WGC today to enjoy knowledgeable speakers, creative garden improvement designs, and community service projects. Mail payment for \$20.00 addressed to Windcrest Garden Club, 413 Zephyr Dr, Windcrest TX 78239.

We are a 501(3)c organization.





Windcrest Women's Club News

NOTICE! **CHANGE OF APRIL GENERAL MFFTING** LOCATION and TIME! **EVENING**

DATE: Wednesday, April 26th

TIME: 6:30 pm.

PLACE: Las Palapas

Restaurant Meeting Room

4802 Walzem Rd., Windcrest, TX 78239

MEETING!



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Easter Word Search



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Community Connections

Apara Autism Centers of San Antonio



Come join us for real conversation on topics related to Autism and parenting.

This series is FREE and open to the public.

Please RSVP using the QR code below or by emailing Nercan@AparaAutism.com



April 18 6-7pm

Reducing Meltdowns

Do you struggle with emotional outbursts with your child? Join us to talk about the "why" behind tantrums and meltdowns. Discuss alternative ways to help children communicate their wants and needs.

All meetings will be held at **Encino Public Library** 2515 E. Evans Rd San Antonio, TX 78259



Social Skills Group



Ages 15-18 years old March 21st-July 11th, 2023 **Every Tuesday 4:30-6:30pm**

Does your child struggle with social interactions or making friends? Join us for a 16 week program focused on building skills in self-awareness, communication skills, social gatherings, and handling teasing or bullying.

Topics will discuss current challenges that individuals are facing and provide proactive approaches for problem solving and building personal connections with others.

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Apara Autism Center (San Antonio North) 1922 Dry Creek Way, Suite 101 San Antonio, TX 78259



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It's that time of year again.

Fiesta!!!

The festival which originally began in 1891, also known as the Battle of Flowers, commemorates the Battle of the Alamo, which took place in San Antonio, and the

Battle of San Jacinto, which led to Texas' independence from Mexico in April 1836.

The launch of Fiesta festivities begins on April 20th and runs through April 30, 2023. Fiesta has everything from parades, carnivals, food, live music, dancing, costumes, and events that the whole family will love.

Fiesta brings in over 2.5 million people to the region and has an economic impact of \$340 million in sales to the local economy.

With this number of people coming to San Antonio, they are bound to stay in Windcrest at one of our hotels, eat at our restaurants and fuel up at our gas stations.

Did you know that for over 10 years, Windcrest in conjunction with disABILITYsa has hosted Fiesta Especial?

Fiesta Especial * is an official Fiesta San Antonio experience created for children and adults with physical, cognitive, and developmental differences and the family and friends who love them. Fiesta Especial creates an inclusive education experience engaging individuals with disabilities in Fiesta's culture, diversity, and celebrations. Individuals with disabilities and our community are invited to take part in the Royal Court, 1K and 5K, Parade, and Celebration experiences.

NOTE: Unfortunately, this year, there will not be a Fiesta Especial due to it being canceled by disABILITYsa. Stay tuned for next year's announcement on dates and times for this event.

For more information on these events, check out their websites at:

www.fiestasanantonio.org

http://www.fiestaespecial.com/5k-and-parade.html





Whoop, whoopee! It is TxWeACT's Ten Year Anniversary!

Yep, been doing that "animal thing" for a decade! Part of our celebration is going to be a Windcrest pet dog photo contest where the winner will be on the cover of our Windcrest Newsletter in August. August is the month of the National Dog Day, the 26th to be exact. So here is what you need to do to enter your dog in the competition.

Must live in Windcrest
One entry per address
One dog photo (dog must be living)
No costumes
Submit photo by April 30th
(no late entries)

Email photos to <u>TxWeACT@yahoo.com</u> with the dog's name, your address and contact information. Announcement will be made after May 2nd! Come on now....let's see those cute pups that live in Windcrest! (Any questions can be sent to <u>TxWeACT@yahoo.com</u>)

Just so you know: Lovelost helps pets with just one photo! If your pet goes missing, just one-click uses pet facial recognition technology to search our national database of found pets....petcolovelost.org. If your dog goes missing, send them its picture. If you find a dog, send them its picture and then hope the facial recognition makes the match....and you find the dog's owner. Really a neat idea!









Children's Programming

Toddler Story Time Sundays 2:30 – 3:05pm Pruitt Library

Toddlers actively participate in stories, music, and movement to enhance their social, emotional and language development.

Recommended for children ages 18 months-3 years and their caregivers.

Let's Build: LEGO Bricks and More Sundays 3:30 – 4:30pm Pruitt Library

Join us at Pruitt for a STEAM inspired construction program. Use your imagination to build on your own or with other aspiring architects and creative thinkers using a variety of materials. Best for ages 5-12.

Children's Yoga Mondays 6:00 – 6:45pm Pruitt Library



Dedicated to helping the next generation lead healthier, happier lives. Join us each Monday for this amazing yoga program designed for children and their parents. Parents are encouraged to participate and must remain in the room with their child.

Tween Yoga Mondays 6:45 – 7:30pm Pruitt Library

Dedicated to helping the next generation lead healthier, happier lives. Join us each Monday for this amazing yoga program designed for tweens, ages 9-12.

Teen Programming

Teen Chess

Tuesday: 4:30 to 5:30pm L109 (4/4, 4/11, 4/18) Ages 13-19

Chess lessons for teens with our nationally ranked Chess Master, Alex Weinberg. A take-away dinner is available following lessons before free play.

Teen Anime Hour

Wednesday: 4:30-5:30pm, room L109 (4/5, 4/19)

A casual hangout to watch and discuss all of your favorite anime and manga. Snacks included!

Free Jam Fridays

Friday: 4:30-5:30pm, Library pit space (4/21)

A place to bring your instrument to jam, try something new or get some musical guidance from our resident Teen library staff/musicians, Nick and Lauren!





Adults & Seniors Craft Time

Join us in-person!

You'll be entertained treating your friendly backyard birds with this simple bird feeder. For longevity, keep it under an eave or other partly covered area. All materials are provided. PLEASE NOTE: this program is for adults & seniors only.



Saturday, April 22 Begin any time between 10:30 AM – 4:00 PM

Molly Pruitt Library 5110 Walzem Rd 210.650.1122





Fast Facts about Carbon Monoxide Alarms



OFTEN CALLED THE INVISIBLE KILLER, carbon monoxide is an odorless, colorless gas created when fuels —gasoline, wood, charcoal, natural gas, propane, oil, and methane — burn incompletely.

Equipment and vehicles powered by internal combustion engines are a common source of carbon monoxide. Vehicles running in an attached garage or generators running inside a home or attached garage, can quickly produce dangerous levels of carbon monoxide.

The dangers of CO depend on a number of variables, including the person's health and activity level. Infants, pregnant women, and people with physical conditions that limit their body's ability to use oxygen can be more severely affected by lower concentrations of CO than healthy adults would be.

A person can be poisoned by a small amount of CO over a longer period of time or by a large amount of CO over a shorter amount of time.

Low level CO poisoning can often be confused with **flu symptoms**, food poisoning, and other illnesses. Some symptoms include shortness of breath, nausea, vomiting, dizziness, lightheadedness or headaches. When extremely high CO levels are present, confusion, incapacitation and loss of consciousness can occur within minutes.

Interconnected CO alarms offer the best protection; when one sounds, they all do. A licensed electrician can install hard-wired interconnected CO alarms, or homeowners can install wireless alarms, plug-in alarms, or battery operated alarms.

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