



## ROOSEVELT FOOTBALL VARSITY SCHEDULE

DAY	DATE	GAME	SITE	TIME	DAY	DATE	GAME	SITE	TIME
Friday	24-Aug	Taft (Srimmage)	Gustafson	6:30	Friday	5-Oct	Madison* (Homecoming)	Heroes	7:30
Friday	31-Aug	Stevens	Comalander	7:30	Friday	12-Oct	MacArthur	Comalander	7:30
Thursday	6-Sep	Jay	Gustafson	7:00	Saturday	20-Oct	Johnson*	Heroes	7:00
Saturday	15-Sep	Canyon	Heroes	7:00	Saturday	27-Oct	Churchill*	Comalander	7:00
Friday	21-Sep	Austin Bowie	Burger	7:30	Friday	9-Nov	Reagan*	Heroes	7:30
Friday	28-Sep	Lee*	Comalander	7:30					



**National Night Out,**  
**Tuesday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
**6-8pm**



**COSTUME FUN RUN**  
**Saturday, October 27<sup>th</sup>**  
**Registration starts at 9am**  
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# Mayor's Message



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## Dear Friends, Neighbors and Citizens,

It is September, so that means schools are back in session. Watch out for the children heading to and from school. It also means that it is budget time. This is probably the most important single item that your Council works on and approves for the city. If the budget is completed and approved per the publisher's deadline, I will send out a synopsis of the 2012-2013 Budget along with goals and plans in the October issue of the Newsletter. If not, you will receive this synopsis in the November issue. We encourage you to remain active and involved, and we promise that we will continue to modify and refine how we do business. As we all know: If we stay the same, we cannot improve.

**Budget:** Your Council and Staff have been working on the budget for quite some time. There have been many discussions (some spirited) and plans proposed. The Department Heads work with the City Manager and Finance Director to make their budget for the next fiscal year. They also formulate their game plan and mission. This year, there are proposed changes as we continue to tweak our operations to make the city more efficient and ensure we maintain that customer service is #1. We have an open door policy, so if you have questions or comments, please contact any Council Person, the City Manager or myself, and we would love the opportunity to discuss any issue with you. This administration will continue to project revenues conservatively and make realistic projections with regards to expenses. As stated, it is my goal to invest over \$3 million dollars on the streets, over \$1 million in the parks all in cash over the next 3 years. At the same time, we want to be debt free within three years while reducing taxes every year and keeping a healthy reserve in the rainy day fund. These goals will be accomplished if we all continue to work as a team.

**Finance:** Our sales tax revenue continues to increase. We were very fortunate that our revenues far exceeded our expenses. We adjusted/amended the budget, and will be purchasing additional equipment for the police department with proceeds from this year's budget. We will also add some dollars to the rainy day fund and the various Capital Improvement Project Funds. While you may hear of other cities having budget woes and decreasing services and increasing taxes, we are doing just the opposite. As I have stated in the past many times, it is our plan to be debt free in three years and to eliminate property taxes in Windcrest in seven years. Be confident and rest assured that Windcrest is in great financial shape.

**Speeding Issues:** This issue remains at the forefront of this administration. The Council will discuss possible actions at the September 10th Council Meeting. I ask all citizens wishing to voice an opinion to take time to come to this meeting and/or email me or anyone else on Council. Your opinion matters!!

**Code Compliance Ordinances:** Alleys and street tree limbs are the focus for the next two months. You should have received a flyer in the mail. Please take the time to make sure your property is in compliance. If you need assistance in determining whether your property is compliant, please call Public Works Director Tom Garcia. Remember that this is a public safety issue.

**Marketing the City:** This administration promised to do a better job marketing our city. A gatefold was created and 8500 copies were printed. This hand out product helps spur interest in our city. It is first class and professionally done. Additionally, there are two new websites being created. One is for the EDC and the other for the residential area. It has taken more time than anticipated, but once they are unveiled, I am

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confident they will be worth the wait. A new phone app was approved and creation of this cutting edge technology will surely separate our city from the norm. We have a weather station and camera that we are projecting to place at the Windcrest Golf Course. This would be accessible to all media, as well as, our own city sites. This will expose the Windcrest name to many new faces. There are many things that the EDC is working on for the benefit of the city. We are working towards a goal of having a sister city in China. This is very exciting. We are working with Rackspace and Bexar County to establish, and hopefully, formalize a relationship. We have had discussions with HEB, several restaurant chains, hotels and the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. We plan to grow with businesses that make sense and follow the lead of Rackspace being good corporate citizens. In a future Newsletter I plan to devote the entire article to marketing our great city.

**National Night-Out:** This National event has taken on a higher priority under this administration, and especially with the Police Department and Chief Al Ballew. We encourage everyone to participate. It is Tuesday, October 2 from 6 – 9 PM. From 6 – 8:30 PM at City Hall, we will have a city gathering in conjunction with the individual street and area gatherings. The city will be providing free entertainment, food and beverages to the citizens. Please hold this date on your calendar and read Police Chief Ballew's article later in this Newsletter and in next month's Newsletter for more details.

**Administration and Courts:** As I am writing this article, City Secretary Heather Weidenbach has taken maternity leave. Her baby is due any day now. This is exciting. She will be out three months, but do not worry, the current staff has pulled together and everyone is taking on extra work. The TEAM WINDCREST attitude is alive and well at City Hall. In September, we will also be having our 5th Warrant Round-up. We are planning to work and coordinate with sister cities and work as a team. This is the first time we have tried this concept. Our city cities are inquisitive as to how we have increased our revenue every month when compared to years past.

**City Hall Campus, Parks, Pool and Common Areas:** Within the next two months, landscaping projects for City Hall will commence, as well as some common areas. Much more is planned and being discussed during the budget hearings. I am also proposing a new soccer field(s) to be built on the land at the corner of Crestway and Jim Seal Drive. You may have noticed that this area is being leveled off. I believe this is a perfect spot for a soccer field(s) and additional park space. Please let me hear from you. I need to know what you think. We are not close to being finished, but I am confident you will see some changes for the better, and by

emailing and calling, you will have a needed voice in these continued improvements.

**Windcrest Elementary:** Windcrest resident and Elementary School Principal Jeanie Weidenbach has been spending countless hours assisting with the plans of the approximate \$14.75 million in renovations to the Windcrest Elementary School in the heart of our city. This will dramatically change the city for the better. We are fortunate to have Mrs. Weidenbach committed to this project. As soon as plans are at the stage that they can be made public, we plan on sharing the information with the citizens and devoting space in the Newsletter to keep everyone abreast of the progress.

**Windcrest Little League:** Recently, I had a meeting with the new Board of the Windcrest Little League. I cannot tell you how hard they are working for all of us. Whether you have children or not, Little League is important for our community. They are going to put a group together and volunteer to put up Christmas lights to residents that need help. Please contact Katye Brought and she will get you to the right person if you desire this service. They are looking for help. If you want to donate money or time please reach out to this organization. Additionally, they are having Fall Ball this year. Go by and watch one of the games at Takas Park. It is the best entertainment value in town!

**Light-Up:** Can you believe we are just months away from the biggest event of the year! Please, start your planning now. Judging will be December 12 and Light-up starts December 15th. A lot more is being planned for this year. We will have the biggest Light-up in our history! After all, we are the City of Lights. Call or email Katye Brought (210-655-0022) or (kbrought@windcrest-tx.gov) to get more details. Let's all get involved! The Firefighters and the Windcrest Little League are willing to help residents put up their lights. Let's all help our neighbors. The Council has allocated more money for this event than at any time in our history. Let's make this year's Light-up the best ever. Stay tuned for more details.

**Volunteering and Participating:** We need more people on Newsletter Committee. Please call Katye Brought at City Hall if you can help with the Newsletter, Light-up, National Night-Out and/or the Costume Fun Run. Remember that there are still places of service within the City. If you want to participate or volunteer in an area of the City, you won't be turned away. Give me a call or email me to get involved.

*Your Mayor and humble servant,  
Alan E. Baxter*

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## FROM YOUR

Mayor Pro-Tem, Pam Dodson



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I am amazed at how quickly this year has gone by. I can't believe school has started, fall activities are beginning and we have almost completed work on the City's budget. We have had a number of meetings to plow

through all the numbers and to try to determine the best way to spend the tax payer dollar. Yes, and even to try to save some of those hard earned dollars for any unexpected expense. You still have time to express your concerns or ideas so please call a council person and let your voice be heard.

You have also received your notice that we are trying to enforce our codes on the appearance of our yards, streets and alleys. Please help us beautify our community and do the necessary trimming, clipping and mowing needed. We have a new code enforcement officer who I am sure would love to meet you any other way than to hand you a ticket for not complying. He is a really nice guy so make a real effort to meet him on other terms! You too need to realize that this is also a safety issue for our fire department if you have limbs hanging over the street that do not meet our codes....the tops of our fire trucks do not need to be brushed off by low hanging limbs.

I hope by now you have come to the realization that the best government is one that is closely observed by the people so come on down to our meetings on the 1st and 3rd Monday of the month....we really are better than anything you can watch on TV and it is YOUR community!

## Councilmember

Rita Davis

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So far your Council have had 2 Budget Meetings with 4 more planned. Everyone is welcome to attend these meetings and give his/her input. The City's deadline for filing the Final Budget is Sept. 31.

After researching and weighing the consequences of non-compliance with State procurement laws (which may include felony conviction, fines and/or removal from office and/or imprisonment) whether intentional or accidental, I am urging the Council to fund a position of a professional Procurement Specialist. However, City staff has suggested that we hire an Accountant who will act as a part-time Procurement Clerk. This person need not have prior procurement experience, but will be sent for basic procurement training. I feel that the staff position leaves the City in jeopardy.

The Comptroller of Texas has provided a Procurement Manual as a means for cities to comply with the State's Purchasing goals. The following principles are provided for use in local government procurement:

1. Centralize the purchasing authority,
2. Develop written policies and procedures,
3. Establish the purchasing function at a high level in the organization to ensure its independence from control by any department or division,
4. Develop overall goals and strategies to ensure that purchasing practices are consistent with those goals and strategies,
5. Ensure that purchases are based on actual requirements and not on individual brand or source preferences,
6. Consolidate purchases to take advantage of volume discounts,
7. Track and justify all emergency purchases for transparency to make abuses detectable; eliminate so-called emergency purchases for non-emergency purposes,
8. Require requisitions and authorizations of all purchases of goods and services.

I feel that funding a position to centralize all procurement requirements under a professional Procurement Specialist will comply with the intent of the Comptrollers Purchasing Manual and will save the city money and protect our integrity.

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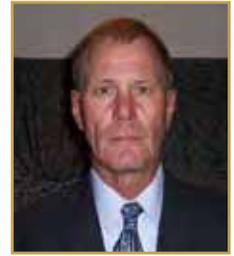
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## Councilmember

**John Gretz**

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Dear friends and neighbors,

How time flies and we are all getting older by the minute... can't we have a resolution to change minutes to years? I've lived in Windcrest since 1995, and as I've stated before, I never got involved in city stuff until past leadership and city personnel ripped us off for millions of dollars. I can't wait until the long awaited trial will finally commence this September. I will be there each and every day! Justice will be served... finally!

I am proud to be a member of our current Windcrest leadership team and I am equally proud to serve under Mayor Alan Baxter! Without Alan's involvement, Windcrest would not even be close to be out of the situation mentioned in the last paragraph... period! In fact, that is exactly why he got involved! He grew up here as a kid and played ball at our little league fields... he loves our city! Without his legal and business background, Windcrest wouldn't be where it is today. How many other local cities haven't raised taxes? How many other local cities want to reduce taxes? Nada!

We have a city team that is second to none, from our city manager on down. We have a cadre of citizen volunteers that spend long hours to do what is best for our great city... and don't ask for a penny! They simply love our great city! Those are the ingredients that make Windcrest the best kept secret in the San Antonio area. We need each and every citizen to join the team, get involved, and do their part to make Windcrest the best of the best! Get my drift?

## Marketing and Events Katye Brought

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As the summer ends and we enter the fall, we are keeping the momentum going! On October 2 the Police Department will be hosting a National Night Out! Make sure to check out Chief Ballew's article for more information! Also, on Saturday, October 27th we will be having a FREE Costume Fun Run for the residents! Registration starts at 9am and the race at 9:30am. Start planning out your costumes!

I am excited to announce that the Marketing websites for the City and EDC will be live late September/early October! [GoWindcrest.com](http://GoWindcrest.com) and [DevelopWindcrest.com](http://DevelopWindcrest.com) are in the finishing stages and we are looking for multi-generational families which currently live in Windcrest for this project. If you are interested, please contact me!

To follow the status of the websites, get news on our events and for all information on the City of Windcrest, make sure to like us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter!

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## Councilmember

**Gerd E. Jacobi**

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### Windcrest Budget

Fellow citizens it is that time of the year again and yes it has to be done, I am talking about our 2012-2013 city budget.

The good thing about our budget every year is, of course, that it is open, yes open, to all residents of our city. It is advertised and anyone who wishes to come and sit with us, the Mayor, City Council, City Manager, City Secretary and Finance Officer, is welcome to do so. It is always informative and very interesting to say the least.

We have no hidden agenda's; everything pertaining to the budget is out in the open and on video. We are in the "Black" so to speak and even with the repayment to Rackspace, if we did not have to repay that money our budget would be even better. The city is doing well. Your money is being used as a reinvestment to our city that benefits all of our citizens. Our Mayor, bless his soul, is always looking to see what can be done to improve our cities well-being.

Of course let us not forget all the wonderful volunteers that help keep our budget down. I really want to applaud them for putting in all those extra hours of their time. It shows that the people of our city are working together. I am proud to live in Windcrest.

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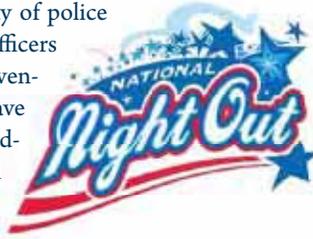
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## POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS

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

### National Night Out in Windcrest!

Autumn is on the way and that means National Night Out 2012 is too! On Tuesday, October 2, 2012, from 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm, the Windcrest Police Department will be hosting a Free National Night Out event at City Hall. Join us for this great event in front of City Hall! We will have food and drinks available, along with demonstrations by our K-9 Unit, display of police equipment and your Windcrest Police officers to answer questions regarding crime prevention or other neighborhood issues you have questions about. In addition, the Windcrest Police Department Citizen's Patrol members will be available to answer questions about membership and volunteering.



National Night Out is designed to heighten crime awareness; generate support and participation in various Windcrest Police Department crime prevention programs; strengthen police and community partnerships and send a message to criminals letting them know that the City of Windcrest does not tolerate criminal activity.

If your block or cul-de-sac is planning a neighborhood cook-out or get together, please contact my NNO 2012 Windcrest Police Department coordinator, Corporal Adam Lee at 655-2666 to register. A Windcrest police officer will be scheduled to come by and spend some time with you and your neighbors. This is a great time to meet your neighbors, talk about crime prevention issues and make a difference in your community. Last year, over 37 million people across America participated in National Night Out. Please join me at City Hall on October 2nd to celebrate our fight against crime and to show the rest of Texas that the City of Windcrest does not tolerate CRIME!

Sincerely,  
A.O. "Al" Ballew  
Chief of Police

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## FIRE DEPARTMENT NEWS

Dan Reese

### FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

October 7<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>

#### "HAVE 2 WAYS OUT!"

*The reality is that when fire strikes, your home could be engulfed in smoke and flames in just a few minutes.*

It is important to have a home fire escape plan that prepares your family to think fast and get out quickly when the smoke alarm sounds. What if your first escape route is blocked by smoke or flames? That's why having two ways out is such a key part of your plan.

This year's theme, "Have 2 Ways Out!", focuses on the importance of fire escape planning and practice.

Windcrest Volunteer Fire Department invites members of the community to support the purchase of life-saving fire safety educational materials. These items are a critical component of community education programs, but are being cut back in lean economic times. To help, the National Fire Protection Association has created Sparky's Wish List: Partnering for Fire-Safe Communities, an online resource for fire departments to create registries for Fire Prevention Week materials. Businesses and the public can fulfill departments' wish lists and provide these important educational materials for their communities. Materials start at just \$10, so even a modest purchase can help! To learn more visit [www.sparkywishlist.org/give](http://www.sparkywishlist.org/give) or to inquire about a larger partnership, contact Lisa Scott [redacted] e-mail [lscott@windcrest-tx.gov](mailto:lscott@windcrest-tx.gov)

#### Helpful info:

##### **Disposing of Extinguishers**

If your extinguisher is a single use model, you must dispose of it properly. This means you cannot put it in your household trash or drop it in a local dumpster. The materials that fire extinguishers are made of, combined with the chemicals inside, qualify old extinguishers as hazardous waste. To dispose of an old or empty extinguisher, put in a call to your area sanitation services. They will be able to instruct you as to where to take your extinguisher or where and when you can place it for pickup by the department.

Hazardous waste disposal in Windcrest is during the month of October. Dates will be posted in the City newsletter.

##### **Annual Wincrest Light-up and Fill-the-Boot 2012**

The Fire Department is getting geared up for our Annual Fill-the-Boot campaign and we are requesting that everyone light up this year. Remember December 15th is the first official day of Light Up! This event is one of our main fundraisers and is fundamentally important to the Windcrest Volunteer Fire Department and the City of Windcrest. This year we are starting something new; the Windcrest Volunteers will be assisting approved residents light-up. If interested please call or e-mail Lisa Scott for more information: 210 655-0022 or [lscott@windcrest-tx.gov](mailto:lscott@windcrest-tx.gov).

##### **What's New at WVFD!**

Donations to your Windcrest Volunteer Fire Department may now be made on-line with Pay Pal at [www.windcrestfire.org](http://www.windcrestfire.org). Just click the yellow "donate now" button on the left side of the home page.

## Municipal Court Report

By Kelly Rodriguez, Municipal Court Clerk,  
krodriguez@windcrest-tx.gov (210) 655-0022 ext 2250

### Warrant Round Up

The second warrant round up of the year will be held September 4-7. Past warrant round ups have been held for two days with extended court hours to allow people to come and pay. This time it will be held during business hours but for four days. Our warrant program has been VERY effective. People are becoming more aware that the City of Windcrest is serious about people respecting our laws. Thus, the court has seen an increase in people taking care of their citations before it gets to warrant status, which was one of the goals of this program. Thank you to the Mayor and Council for their support with this program.

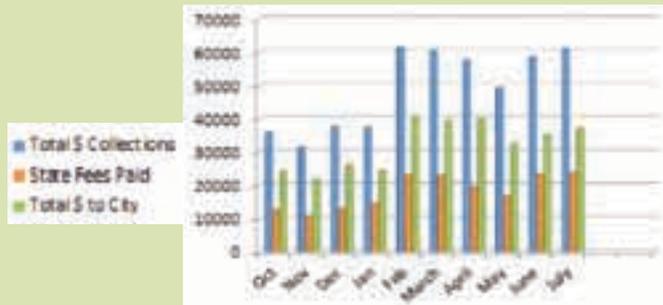
### Tips for the Road

After entering a curve you should slow down before entering the curve and then hug the inside for the entire length.

### Where Does The Money Go?

Here is a chart of the money collected from fines and fees, what goes to the state and what the City actually gets from it. This is a report for the FY 2011-2012. For more information please contact Kelly Rodriguez, Court Clerk at (210)655-0022 ext 2250 or krodriguez@windcrest-tx.gov.

### DISTRIBUTION OF TOTAL COURT COLLECTIONS



## Director of Windcrest Economic Development Corporation

### Sherry Mosier

The EDC continues to develop relationships to recruit new business, improve relationships with existing businesses, and assist with marketing efforts to help promote our local businesses and the City of Windcrest.

The EDC and the City have joined the North San Antonio Chamber of Commerce and are working with the North Chamber to form a "Windcrest Council". We are also members of the Randolph Metrocom Chamber of Commerce and continue to be involved with this great chamber as well to give our businesses more choices and opportunity to promote their business. We encourage our local businesses to join one of these fine chambers or both.

In the Rackspace section of town, construction is really moving along on the Racker Road Project... all businesses in the area are open.

On the north side of Walzem, the new Mattress Firm, located at 8400 Fourwinds Drive in the Windsor Park Centre, had a soft opening July 28th and the Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting August 25th... it was a great success.

Other notable highlights include the repaving of Walzem Road... thank you TxDOT!

Please visit the City's Facebook and Twitter pages for updates on projects mentioned and for information on new projects coming to town. EDC Board meetings are the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers. We welcome your ideas for new projects for EDC funding consideration, please stop by the EDC office trailer behind City Hall or call us at 967-9381.

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## From the Desk of Tom Garcia, Director of Public Works

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The Public Department has had a busy month. With the new Code Enforcement notices going out we have had to trim up many trees in our community to comply with the Code. We are fortunate to have knowledgeable hard working Tree men to take care of these problems to keep public traffic ways clear.

Brook Falls pond has its second water fountain back in the water. The second fountain not only makes the pond look better but it also helps with aeration of the entire pond which decreases the moss that pops up from time to time. So we invite all of Windcrest and our neighbors to come enjoy the view.

Also, at Brook Falls, most of you have noticed the Gazebo has been removed. After years of weathering of the wood and erosion of the ground under the Gazebo it was for the public's safety that we removed it. There are plans to rebuild a better and safer one in the near future.

And for some more great news, it has been communicated to me by Richard Frenzel, GM of BCWCID #10 that the Water District plans to fix many blacktop areas that have been damaged due to pipe breaks/water leaks around the city. The specific areas being looked at for repair are: 5800 Blk of Winterhaven at Jolie Cove, 300 Blk. Windcrest at Tennis Court, 5822 Winterhaven by curb and 430 Crestwind Dr. Mr. Frenzel informed me that it will be much cheaper to do several at a time than just one at a time. These projects are in the bidding phase and should be on the way soon. I want to tip my hat to Richard Frenzel and his hard working crew for all they do for our city.

We want to thank everyone that has called into public works. Your calls are the foundation in which helps Public Works do a better job for Windcrest. The Public Works staff looks forward to working every day to improve the condition and increase the beauty of the City Of Windcrest. Many thanks...

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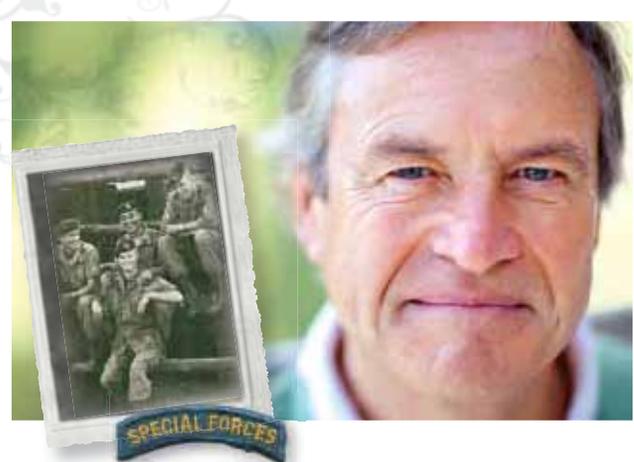
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**OUTSTANDING PUBLIC DRINKING WATER SYSTEM AWARD.** At the annual Texas Commission on Environmental Annual Public Drinking Water Conference, held in Austin on August 7th and 8th, Bexar County Water Control and Improvement District #10 was presented with the Outstanding Public Drinking Water System Award for 2012. The criteria for this award is comprehensive and the award is only presented every other year. There are over seven thousand public drinking water systems in the State who are eligible for this award, so it is a high honor to be given this recognition.

**BILLING QUESTIONS.** We've received numerous questions recently from our customers regarding their bills. The questions run the gamut of "Did you read my meter?"; "Why is the water bill so high because I could not have used that much water?" to "Did the EAAPF (Edwards Aquifer Authority Permit Fee) go up?" or "How do you compute the charges?" Those are all good questions and we would rather you ask them than wonder what is going on or complaining to your neighbor.

We read every meter every month; no exceptions. We don't stop until we accomplish that. Next, we audit the readings, looking for

anomalies, especially high readings and "zero" readings. What constitutes a high reading is somewhat subjective; in the winter we recheck readings above 30 ccf and during the summer we use 50 ccf as the threshold. Only then, do we compute the bills.

Next comes the question of high bills. Once the reading is confirmed, your bill is a math problem for our computer. We have rate formulas that compute the charge and we've never seen a mistake in the computations. Not saying they are infallible, but they are solid. Many times customers only look at the water charge when relating they "could not have used that much water". It is not unusual for a customer to have a \$7 or \$8 water bill in December and a \$50 water bill in July, especially when we are in critical period. In fact, almost 10% of our customers had a water bill higher than \$50 this June. And that number will grow through September. Our Critical Period rates are very high; it is our ultimate weapon in curbing consumption. "Everybody" knows we are in the midst of a drought, but "somebody" else is responsible for overwatering. Enforcement of watering restric-

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tions may be limited, but our meters are on duty 24/7 and they are tireless!

Did the EAAPF (Edwards Aquifer Authority Permit Fee) go up? Yes, the EAA recently increased the Management Fee from \$39/acre foot (325,851 gallons, enough water for 3 average homes for one year) to \$113/af. In defense of the EAA, they are complying with a mandate from the 2007 Texas Legislature to implement a plan that protects the endangered species in Comal Springs and downstream from the springs. You can probably expect the fee to go up again in 2013. We make nothing on this charge; it is a pure pass-through.

“How do you compute the charges?” We have several rate structures that are applied depending on the time of year and drought conditions. Under normal weather conditions, we apply “winter” rates from November through June and summer rates from July through October. However the last two years have been anything but normal. During drought periods, we impose Drought/Critical Period rates that go into effect whenever the Edwards Aquifer Authority declares/imposes critical period. Those rates are designed to discourage excessive consumption. Our CP rates mirror our summer rates for consumption between 0 and 15 ccf (11,200 gallons) as a con-

sion to our conservative customers. Then the rates start going up and they will get your attention! We consider consumption in excess of 30 ccf as cause for concern and set the rates accordingly. As stated earlier, the rate structure is put into the computer and it does the work. Our rates are posted under the “Information” window of our website [www.bexarcountycid#10.com](http://www.bexarcountycid#10.com). Space limitations preclude posting them here.

**WATER STATISTICS FOR THE MONTH:** The average household used approximately 10,550 gallons of water (14.1 ccf) during the June-July billing cycle. That’s about 150 gallons per person per day; it was 155 gallons last month and it compares favorably to the 185 gallons per person last year during the same time frame. Consumption during this billing period ranged from zero to 97 ccf (72,566 gallons).

During the June-July billing period, we pumped a total of 30.8 million gallons. During the same period last year this time, we pumped almost 39.4 million gallons.

**RAINFALL.** We received 4.32 inches of rainfall in July for a total of 24.14 inches for 2012. Believe it or not, that total is above average for the year. Go to <http://www.srh.noaa.gov/productview.php?pil=DGTEWX> for a comprehensive drought status report.



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## Garden Club

The Windcrest Garden Club Yard Awards are over for the summer & we want to thank you! ~ Not just the monthly winners, but also ALL the Windcrest residents who work so hard to make their yards a lovely sight for us all!

### Announcing the 2012-2013 Windcrest Garden Club Officers:

**President ~ Shirley Ann Noll**

**Vice-President ~ Carolyn Freeman**

**Secretary ~ Kitty Mulkey**

**Treasurer ~ Marji Gentet**

**~ We appreciate these ladies for their commitment!**

We'd like to extend an open invitation to attend our 1st meeting of the new season ~ Monday, September 10th at 11 am, at Takas Civic Center. We'll have our annual "school supply drive" benefiting the children of Windcrest Elementary.

Representatives from the school will be joining us, so bring your donations to the September meeting. It'll be a potluck luncheon, so you can bring your favorite dish to share & bring a friend. Membership is open to all, not just Windcrest residents. Dues are still just \$10 a year.

### Upcoming events:

Executive Board Meeting ~ Monday, September 24, 10 am  
Hostess ~ Marji Gentet

Wednesday, October 10th ~ field trip to tour the Kitchen Pride Mushroom Farm in Gonzales, TX & have lunch nearby. We'll meet at the Civic Center @ 8:45 am for carpooling.

Executive Board Meeting ~ Monday, October 29, 10am  
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## Women's Club News

**Pamela Dodson**



The meeting on **September 26, 11:30am - 2pm**, will be our autumn **Fashion Show presented by J. Marie's Design** at the Takas Park Civic Center. If you have not made reservations, please let Garlene [redacted] know you want to be there!

On **October 24th** we will be on a fall trip to Dripping Springs, Texas from 8:30am to 4pm. We will be visiting the Texas Hill Country Olive Company and will also be able to get a lunch and do some shopping in Wimberly, Texas. Reservations will be needed for this special trip.

The Windcrest Women's Club meets on the 4th Wednesday of each month from August through May, except in November when the club meets on the 3rd Wednesday. There is no meeting in December since we have our Christmas Party.

You know it is never too late to join this group of ladies and it is only a cost of \$20 to meet with us all year long. We share lots of good food and the laughing never stops.

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## Animal Control Task Force



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We are now housing our dogs at the Alamo Heights Kennel Club. You can still get information about dogs picked up in Windcrest by calling our police dispatch (655-2666) and asking to speak with our Animal Control Officer. The

Animal Control Officer will be changing some of his hours since he will be trapping community cats early in the morning when cats are more likely be out and about. The Task Force has been working with Home Depot to trap two litters of kittens and their mommas. We are hoping to socialize the kittens so they can be adopted and sterilizing the mommas so that these kittens are their last litter. Right now we have a number of kittens and a cat up for adoption so check out our website. ([windcrestcitizen.com](http://windcrestcitizen.com)) Please really consider providing one of our cats with a home... it is the best way to keep them off the streets.

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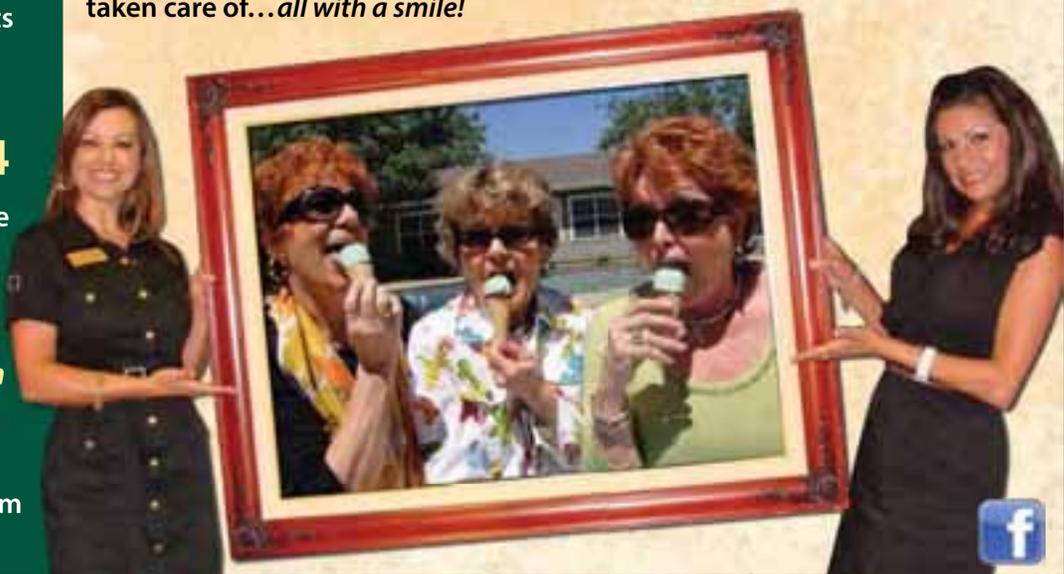
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Greenery items are: **HOME DELIVERY:** 22" Noble Fir Wreath - \$21.00; Western Cedar Garland (1) - \$20.00; Centerpiece - \$17.00; 28" Mixed Evergreen Wreath - \$31.00; 22" Mixed Evergreen Wreath - \$21.00; Holiday Cones - \$7.00; Optional Plaid Pre-Tied Bow - \$3.00; Decorator Kit (new item with candle, bow, LED lights, cones) - \$20.00. **DIRECT MAIL DELIVERY:** 22" Mixed Evergreen Gift Wreath - \$39.00; Western Cedar Gift Garlands (2) - \$42.00; Gift Centerpiece - \$34.00; 28" Mixed Evergreen Gift Wreath - \$42.00; Cone Gift Basket - \$33.00; and Evergreen Gift Set - \$72.00.

If a Lions Club member does not contact you for orders, please call Barbara Leonhardt, [REDACTED] to place your order. Thank you in advance for your support to this annual fund-raising event, which provides revenues for Lions projects including sight research, eye screening, dictionaries for third graders, Lions Children Camp and Lions Low Vision Center.



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# Windcrest Lions Club

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It's been a busy summer for the Lions Club. We are pleased to announce our Roosevelt High School LEO Club's nomination for district LEO Club of the Year!

Lisa Alanis, the Roosevelt High School LEO Club advisor, was recognized for her unparalleled contribution in making the LEO Club successful. Ms. Alanis, an outstanding educator, is able to delicately balance fun, student recognition, and love for community in the LEO Club members. We salute Lisa and the LEO Club for all they do for our community.

This summer our Lions marched in the 4th of July parade; participated in the Walzem Community Festival; offered free eye exams at the YMCA through the Lions Mobile Eye Screening Unit; bought and personalized over 500 dictionaries for distribution to all local public school third grade students; and purchased classroom supplies for Windcrest area elementary school teachers.

We meet monthly on the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays at 6:30 pm at the Windcrest Civic Center. Join us!

**Please support our Christmas Greenery fundraiser and come to the Chili & Cornbread Dinner, Saturday, November 3rd!**

For information call Lion President Rick [redacted] or membership chair Lion Marlene [redacted] or email [WindcrestLions@aol.com](mailto:WindcrestLions@aol.com).



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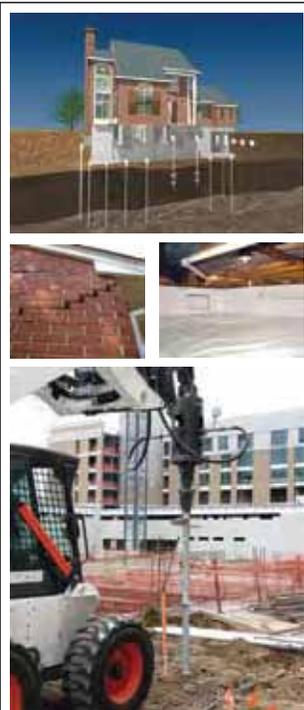
Thank you,  
Jack Leonhardt

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# 2012 Windcrest Light-Up

By Elizabeth Freeman

Happy Holidays! It can be easy to forget when it's boiling hot outside that it is never too early to start thinking up fabulous ideas for our annual Windcrest Light-Up. This year our illustrious city's light-up theme is: Windcrest Presents: "Colors of the Season." Start thinking up great ideas now for the 2012 holiday season so that you can hit those holiday sales early and get great deals on your holiday decorations! The official light-up will be on December 15, 2012, but the judging will take place on December 12th, so make sure that you have all of your lights and decorations ready to go by the 12th. Windcrest Light-Up has been a San Antonio area holiday tradition for more than 50 years, and you do not want to miss out on the fun!

Windcrest Light-Up was started by Barbee and Murray Winn in order to create attention and promote Windcrest when the city was first getting its start. Barbee had the idea to give each home a string of lights – and in 1959 the tradition was born. When the Windcrest Women's Club was started in 1960, the club took on "Light-Up" as an annual project and have organized the event each year ever since. For decades, people have come from all over to see the "Windcrest Lights" and look forward each year to learning that the "Windcrest Lights Are On". This year, let's once again welcome others to Windcrest and try to set a new record for the most homes decorated - even if it is just a single strand of lights!

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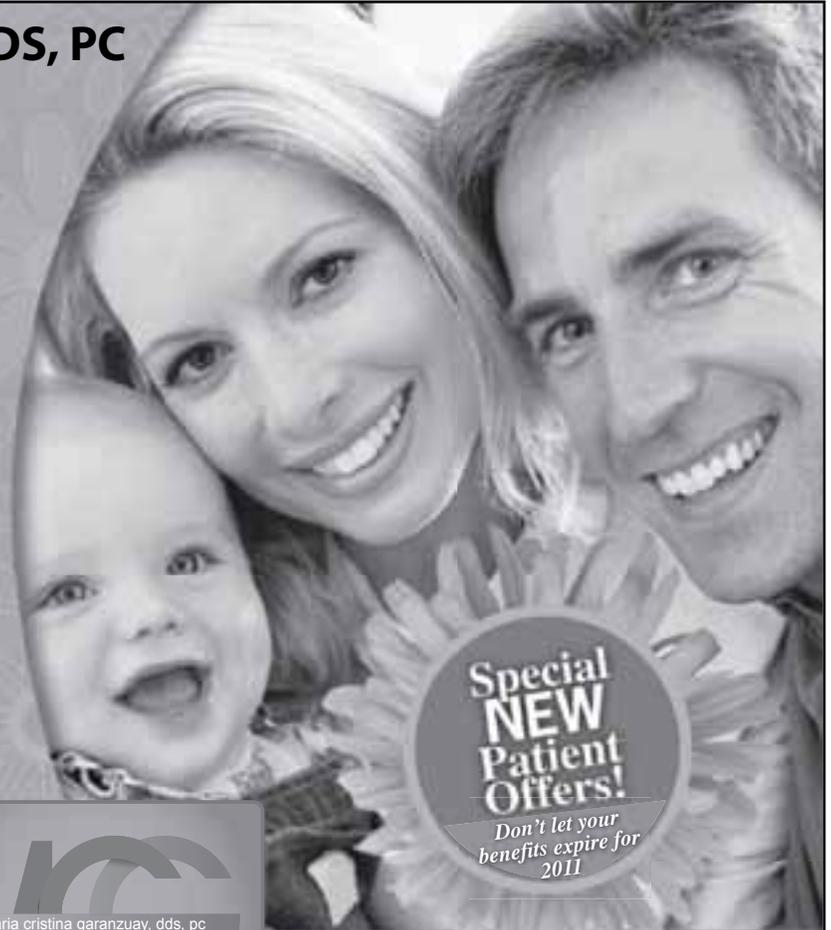
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**City Offices will be closed  
on the following day:  
September 3<sup>rd</sup>**



## City Meetings in Windcrest City Hall Council Chambers

Budget Workshops	September 4, 5, 6	9 a.m., 10 a.m., 6 p.m.	Parks & Recreation	September 12, 22	6:00 p.m.
SCCM Public Hearing	September 10	5:00 p.m.	EDC Meeting	September 13, 26	6:00 p.m.
Special City Council Mtg	September 10	6:00 p.m.	City Council Meeting	September 17	5:15 p.m.
Municipal Court	September 4, 11, 18	4:00 p.m.	Water District Meeting	September 20	7:00 p.m.

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