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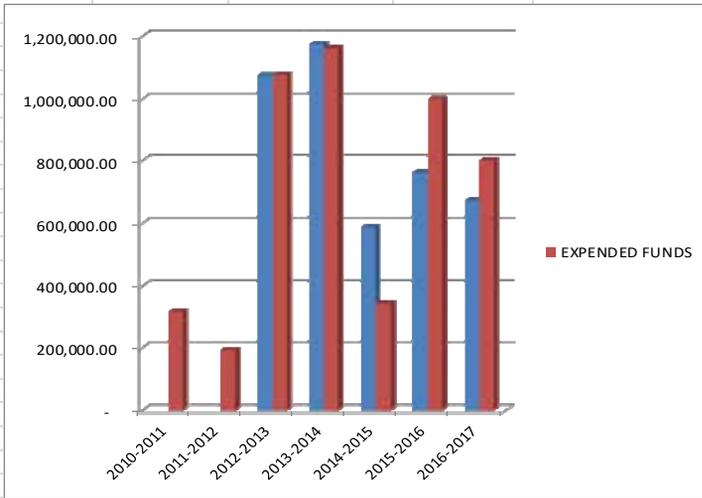
We are pleased to present to you the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Annual Budget and Plan of Municipal Services. The City of Windcrest's Annual Budget and Plan of Municipal Services is the comprehensive budget and plan for municipal services for the coming year. This document continues the direction as established by our citizens and the City Council to meet the existing challenges and effectively plan for future needs. The Council voted 3-2 (CCM Vandenberg, Shelton and Jacobi for, CCM Dodson and Wright against) to pass this budget.

BUDGET OVERVIEW

The Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Adopted Annual Budget and Plan of Municipal Services is an operational and financial plan for

YEAR	FUND BALANCE	REVENUE BUDGETED	REVENUE ACTUAL	EXPENDITURES BUDGETED	EXPENDITURES ACTUAL
2010-2011		-	322,605.01	-	316,241.95
2011-2012		367,859.00	392,265.85	360,000.00	191,696.17
2012-2013	631,852.00	382,588.25	443,727.45	1,220,000.00	1,079,079.05
2013-2014	(3,499.60)	1,166,711.25	1,177,712.33	1,320,000.00	1,161,132.49
2014-2015	13,080.24	441,739.25	574,297.91	-	344,424.66
2015-2016	242,953.49	521,582.00	521,582.00	1,071,006.00	1,000,000.00
2016-2017	(235,464.51)	910,021.00	910,021.00	800,000.00	-
TOTAL		3,790,500.75	4,342,211.55	4,771,006.00	4,092,574.32

YEAR	AVAILABLE FUNDS (FUND BALANCE + REVENUE)	EXPENDED FUNDS	+/-
2010-2011		316,241.95	
2011-2012		191,696.17	
2012-2013	1,075,579.45	1,079,079.05	
2013-2014	1,174,212.73	1,161,132.49	
2014-2015	587,378.15	344,424.66	
2015-2016	764,535.49	1,000,000.00	
2016-2017	674,556.49	800,000.00	* Budgeted
TOTAL	4,276,262.31	4,892,574.32	(616,312.01)



* Pending additional funding from General Fund (Ref. General Fund Items to Consider worksheet)

Fund	Fund Balance
General Fund (Restricted)	\$ 1,531,724.25
General Fund (Unrestricted)	\$ 767,573.21
EDC Fund	\$ 279,192.00
HOT Fund	\$ 1,420.00
WCCPD Fund	\$ 450,967.00
Streets Fund	\$ (235,465.00)

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the programs and services provided by the City during the coming fiscal year = October 1, 2016 – September 30, 2017. The proposed \$10.3 million budget includes funding for all services; including Sanitation, WCCPD, and EDC, as well as Capital Improvements. Of that amount, approximately \$9.02 million is for continued operations of all funds, as well as approximately \$120,000.00 for alley repairs and \$1.28 million for Capital Improvement Projects. The Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Adopted Annual Budget and Plan for Municipal Services is approximately 6.7% higher than the 2015-2016 Budget.

Overall, on-going operating costs increased as a result of new programs to address council priorities, and other fixed operational expenses that are addressed in more detail in the budget summary section. There are many Capital Improvements Projects (CIP) budgeted; such as, the continuation of upgrades to various parks, facilities and improvements to the streets and alleys within the City of Windcrest. Ref: page 27 on City Budget.

GENERAL FUND

The primary operating fund of the City of Windcrest is called the General Fund. The majority of revenues collected to operate this fund are derived from various taxes. This fund is used to account for all financial resources not restricted to special or specific projects. As a general rule, in all funds, we budget revenues and expenditures conservatively to enhance sound financial management. To do otherwise could impair the City’s ability to continue providing services to the citizens. In Fiscal Year 2015-2016, the General Fund budget projects revenues to reach \$6,358,791. Significant revenues in the General Fund include revenues derived from property tax (ad valorem taxes), sales & use taxes, and franchise taxes. It should be noted that our sales tax revenue continues to grow each fiscal year at a five year average of 12.7%. Other revenues that provide resources within the General Fund include fees and charges, and other miscellaneous revenues. General Fund expenditures for FY 2016-2017 have been budgeted at \$7,235,049. This increase is attributable to budgeting for increased operating and maintenance expenditures related to CIP projects.

Projected fund balance is considered excess funds that the City Council has available for appropriation. The City Council has requested a very stringent fund balance policy that limits the expenditure of these funds. This fund balance dictates that the major operating funds must carry a fund balance equivalent to three months (25%) operating expenditures as per City of Windcrest City Charter.

The ad valorem tax rate (property tax rate) for fiscal year 2016-2017 is budgeted

with a **DECREASE of 8%** at \$.3080930 of taxable assessed valuation. This is a total decrease of 32.81% in tax rates since FY 2011-2012, at 0.436495.

CONCLUSION

The City of Windcrest is a growing community with ever increasing needs, The Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Annual Adopted Budget and Plan of Municipal Services allocates resources to address priorities identified by the City Council during various Council workshops and addresses many of those needs. The budget continues the prudent fiscal and budgetary policies implemented in the past five years and provides services to the community through new and expanded programs. Each program addressed within the budget has been evaluated to ensure value to the community and enhancement to the quality of life for our citizens.

With the continued support of the City Council and the City Staff, the City of Windcrest’s Interest and Sinking (property tax supported) debt was paid off in 2014. The city is virtually debt free and we make all the improvements with cash.

The City of Windcrest EDC was granted a loan in the amount of \$1,600,000 from the Texas Leverage Fund Program in 2011 to build Racker Road on the International Headquarters of Rackspace Campus here in Windcrest to honor the development agreement between all the parties. The EDC’s repayment is from their portion of Sales Tax collected exclusively for Economic Development. The loan currently has balance of \$423,932.95.

On behalf of the City Staff and myself, I want to thank the City Council for your leadership, hard work, efforts and confidence in what we do. In the past 5 years, the City has progressively improved its financial condition while developing immediate and long-term priorities.

Finally, we acknowledge the tremendous contributions and teamwork of all City Staff in preparing the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Adopted Annual Budget and Plan of Municipal Services. The management team worked together to assist in achieving the goals set by the Mayor and City Council. Each department worked to find savings in their operating budgets, and to make suggestions for program improvements.

Thank you for all that contributed to this article and the budget.

Your Mayor and humble servant,

Alan E. Baxter



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From-Your-Mayor-Pro-Tem

Kimberly Wright

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In mid-September, we learned how successful our mosquito free efforts were for our backyard. Our ½ acre, \$25 bug zapper failed & we weren't able to replace it for a few days. Those days were miserable. With the city spraying, our mosquito predator population has been considerably lower than normal & without the benefit of the bug zapper, it was impossible to be outside without being swarmed.



Within 2 hours of installing the replacement ½ acre, \$25 bug zapper, we were able to enjoy our backyard again mosquito free. Our experience makes me question why several mosquito authorities say the bug zappers aren't effective. The environmentally aware groups don't like the zappers because they kill beneficial insects as well as mosquitoes. However, I monitor our zapper & I've observed very few beneficial insects killed compared to the daily piles of dead mosquitoes.

Despite the spraying done every 2 weeks in the city, I have heard from several citizens who are still plagued with mosquitoes. Spraying is considered a last resort by state agencies not only because it is less effective and more expensive, but the mosquitoes can develop a resistance to the pesticide. This could be happening here.

For those who find the spraying effective, it's highly likely you may be enjoying the benefits of your neighbor's bug zapper since most have coverage of a ½ acre or more.

This link provides great information for controlling mosquitoes. <http://agrillifeextension.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/2016/04/the-best-way-to-control-mosquitoes.pdf>

Councilmember

Jim Shelton

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Please remember to exercise your right to vote this month.

Blessings to your and your family during the Thanksgiving and holiday season.

Councilmember

Matt Vandenberg

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Nobel Peace Prize winner Albert Schweitzer once addressed a group of students: "I don't know what your destiny will be, but one thing I know: the only ones among you who will be really happy are those who have sought and found how to serve."

Not all are called to service in the form of an elected office, but as someone not on the ballot this year, I want to take the opportunity to thank those who have served and those who have been willing to throw their hat in the ring—whether at the local, county, state, or national level. While I do not know the "destiny" of those who are running in any of the various elections this fall, I believe that those who engage in the effort Schweitzer described to find "how to serve" make us all better by that effort.

So thank you to each person who has expended any effort this election season. I look forward to serving with those who are elected to serve in our city, and I am grateful to each person who runs, regardless of the outcome.

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A TIME TO GIVE THANKS

Let us all give thanks for what we have. There are people around the World that will never have what we have in terms of Security, Safety and just plain wellness. We are fortunate that we live in such a great city. We can walk around at all hours of the day and be assured of being protected by our great Police Force.

Let us all work together for our future and the economic growth of our city.

From my family to your family have a HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

Councilmember Pam Dodson

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I want to thank everyone who brought their prescription and over the counter drugs to city hall for our first National Prescription Take Back Day on October 22. I am hoping to hold another "take back event" in the spring, so if you left a few behind, there will be another opportunity.

I hope that you are still looking at the back of your newsletter for all the ways you can volunteer for your city. Surely you see something of interest so that you get out and meet some of your neighbors. We have lots of really good people living in our community. Come out and join us!!

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City Secretary News, Kelly Rodriguez

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

Ordinances

09.28.16 SCCM

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2016-751(O), setting fees for various city services and consolidating those fees for convenience; amending various city ordinances; and containing a severability clause and an effective date.

09.29.16 SCCM

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2016-749(O), approving and adopting a budget for operating the municipal government of the City of Windcrest for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2016 and ending on September 30, 2017; appropriating money for the various funds and purposes of such budget including appropriations of money to pay interest and principal sinking fund requirements on all indebtedness; providing a savings and severability clause; repealing all ordinances and appropriations in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance; and establishing an effective date.

2016-750(O), adopting the tax rate and levying a tax upon all property subject to taxation within the City of Windcrest, Texas, for the 2016 tax year for the use and support of the municipal government of the City of Windcrest for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2016 and ending on September 30, 2017; apportioning said levy among the various funds and items for which revenue must be raised including providing a sinking fund for the retirement of the bonded debt of the city; and establishing an effective date.

Resolutions

09.19.16 RCCM

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2016-598(R), accepting the bid of Maldonado Nursery and Landscaping for the performance of greenspace maintenance (RFP-15-16-001).

2016-599(R), approving the acquisition of certain ADP, LLC Human Resource services.

09.20.16 RCCM

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2016-596(R), a resolution addressing the Health Reimbursement Account for the 2016-2017 Fiscal Year.

09.29.16 RCCM

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2016-601(R), a resolution ratifying the recently adopted budget.

The polling places for WINDCREST voting precincts 4050, 4051, 4107, 4192, and 4195 for the November 8, 2016 election will be at the Windcrest Takas Park during the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Post Office will be closed November 11, 2016 in observance of Veterans Day

City Offices will be closed November 24 - 25, 2016 in observance of Thanksgiving.

POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS

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

At some point...everyone is a pedestrian! The City of Windcrest is an active community with many citizens walking, running or biking daily, including after dark. Despite that, pedestrians can also be part of the problem when it comes to safety on the roadways! Statistics across the United States can be quite alarming! Statistics indicate that somewhere in the United States, one pedestrian will be injured every 8 minutes and one pedestrian will die every 2 hours in a traffic crash this year.

We do know that pedestrians and drivers do not obey laws and signals consistently. Pedestrians are routinely seen using cell phones and music players while walking, running and biking. Always follow the rules of the road, cross at crosswalks or intersections only and obey all signs and signals. Look left-right-left before crossing a street. Always use the sidewalk when available and walk facing traffic and as far from traffic as possible if there is no sidewalk. Pay strict attention to the traffic moving around you. This is not the time to be texting or talking on a cell phone. It is a great advantage to make eye contact with drivers as they approach and never assume that a driver sees you. Drivers can be distracted as well and statistics also show that 57% of accidents are a result of distracted driving! Don't forget to always wear bright clothing during the day and reflective materials at night. Even better...carry and use a flashlight or other form of light at night.

You are not a Crash Dummy...So please be safe and help us protect you!



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

It's been a busy and exciting month for the City of Windcrest EDC! The Holiday Inn Express located behind Pollo Tropical had its ground breaking and we are thrilled to have them a part of our community. Below is a picture from the event. Ground has also been broken for the infrastructure of future development on the corner of Eisenhower Road and I35. There are going to be major improvements of the storm water drainage and access drive. These improvements have an estimated investment value of \$3.5 million with zero cost to the community of the Windcrest EDC!

As far as developing businesses in Windcrest, we have good news! The work in progress is being continued and on schedule for the second Whataburger of Windcrest. Building permits were issued and picked up for future development at Windsor Park Center for Urban Air. Urban Air is going to be a 35,000 square foot, family recreational trampoline and adventure park. It will be a great addition to the Windcrest business district. Finally, Taqueria Garibaldi Mexican Restaurant, right across the street from Pizza Hut, will be opening in the near future. It will be located at 5299 Walzem Road, which is on the corner of Patriot Drive and Walzem. Stay tuned for more updates from the Windcrest EDC!





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The Windcrest Citizens Patrol celebrated 40 years of continuous service to the Windcrest community on October 20. The group gathered for a festive dinner enlivened by the strum of classical guitar. Tables reflected the ruby theme

with freedom red rose bouquets on centerpieces and bottles of non-alcoholic effervescence cider dressed in custom-made tuxedo jackets. Police Chief Al Ballew and his staff secured food for the dinner supplemented by WCP members who elicited other edibles, gifts, and door prizes. From Drury Inn, Taco Cabana, Sam's, Arctic Ape, Shipley Donuts and Dunkin Donuts, many thanks to all who participated in planning set up and execution of this historical milestone.

Col. Henry M. Berman
CPT/Coordinator WCP



Jan Leaders Chairperson,
Parks & Recreation Commission
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Fall is upon us! With this our Windcrest Little League Fall Ball season is in full swing. Fall ball is considered a Little League's Training and Development Program, a slightly less competitive version of summer ball that focuses on providing players an opportunity improve their skills by playing a

variety of positions. Windcrest Little League Fall Ball divisions are broken down by wider age ranges than regular season leagues, so a player's fall ball placement will more closely simulate the division in which they will play during the next spring season.

During this year's budget workshops, the Parks & Recreation lobbied to improve our aged Little League facility. Thanks to the City Council for appropriating a good amount of money to get this renovation underway. The first project we will tackle is the replacement of the field fencing. It is not safe as it is today, so by the time the spring 2017 season begins, I have my fingers crossed that it will begin with all new fencing. Other items/areas will be targeted as far as our monies allow. Watch for improvements in the Little League area.

On another subject, too many people are allowing their dogs to run lose in the parks totally ignoring the City Code of Ordinances, Chapter 6, Section 62, Dogs and Cats At Large. Regardless of how well behaved you feel your dog is, the law states in the parks dogs must be on a leash. I know this doesn't allow the proper exercise or playing you would like to do with your dog, but until such time as we can dedicate a location for a dog park where they can be off leash to run and play, they must be kept on a leash. Citations will be issued by the Windcrest Police for all animals allowed to be off leash.

Jan Leaders
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From the Desk of
TOM GARCIA

Director of Public Works
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Happy Thanksgiving to all. Hope the holiday is fruitful and filled with loving family.

Heavy rains mid-year has helped keep our grass healthy and very green. Hope our residents get to enjoy some of the city's beauty.

The Public Works Dept. has started a crack filling program to help extend the life of our streets. It is a slow process and takes all of our crew to do it. If you come across this crew please do your best to go an alternate direction to get to your destination. If you go through this crew you take the risk of getting Tar material on to your car or truck.

Please drive carefully

Many thanks

Tom Garcia P.W. Director

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A special thanks to all the property owners who continue to maintain their properties with pride and doing an excellent job. The holidays will soon be here and that means an increase in visitors to our City. Please inspect your properties for concerns regarding sidewalk clearance, and low branches over the roadway at least 13 feet 6 inches above the street, curb to curb. Check for trash or junk that may be dangerous or unsightly. The street and alley clearance is very important for emergency response vehicles to pass thru without damage, specifically during the most congested periods. A reminder, streets are for public use and belong to anyone that needs a parking spot, but no longer than 24 hours please. For private events, be courteous and understand there will be temporary congestion. Monitor your guest's parking, checking how and where they park. During daytime hours, ensure that your guests do not park in front of mailboxes during delivery times. Don't block driveways and make you're your guest's park their cars close to the curb. Finally, please remember to remove all political signs within 48 hours after the election.

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



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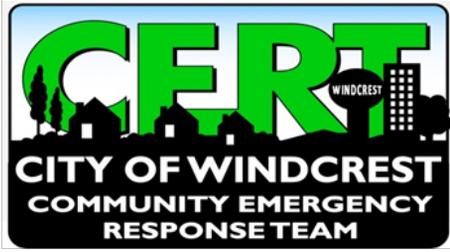
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NNO 2016 with Chief Ballew and Windcrest Disaster Preparedness Member David

We look forward to reaching out to the Windcrest community in January of 2017, to make sure our city is prepared. Not only will we be offering Preparedness training, but we will be working with Chief Ballew to begin a registry for our neighbors with Disabilities so we can be sure to know who will need special assistance in the event of an emergency. Look for upcoming training dates in the next Newsletter, to be scheduled in January of 2017. Please e-mail, text or call if you have any questions, would like to volunteer or would like to be added to the e-mail list for notifications. Kathie Maloney, Program Coordinator Windcrest Disaster Preparedness - Cell: 210-887-5069 Team E-mail: teamwindcrest@gmail.com. You don't want to wait till a disaster happens or slip into the mindset that it will never happen to you. Take some time to "Be Prepared". Make it a family or neighborhood project! www.ready.gov



MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

The Windcrest Lions Club and Roosevelt High School LEO Club will be serving delicious homemade Chili. You can spice it up just the way you like it by adding corn chips, cheese, hot sauce, chopped onions, cilantro, and chili powder. Then grab a fresh hot slice of yummy cornbread. Top it off with a tasty dessert.

Purchase your ticket early from any Lion or LEO and get \$1 off!



The Chili Dinner is a Roosevelt High School LEO CLUB Service Project!

Interested in learning more about the Lions? Call Lion Francesca at (210) 951-9463.



CHILI & CORNBREAD DINNER

Lions Club Fundraiser

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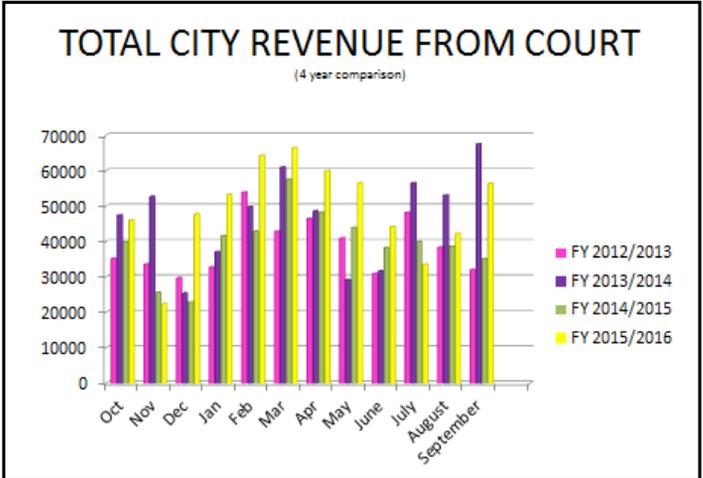
By Kelly Rodriguez, Municipal Court Clerk,
 krodriquez@windcrest-tx.gov
 (210) 655-0022 ext 2250

Windcrest Municipal Court Warrant Round Up

The Windcrest Municipal Court held a Warrant Round Up on September 12 – 16, 2016. One hundred and three warrants were cleared. Three people were transported to the Guadalupe County Jail to sit out their warrants. REMINDER – Windcrest Municipal Court Tip line is for information on persons with Windcrest warrants. All callers will remain anonymous. Anyone with a tip that leads to the arrest of a person with an outstanding Windcrest warrant will be eligible for a cash reward. Please call (210) 563-5299 to leave a tip.

TOTAL CITY REVENUE FROM COURT

Here is a 4 year comparison chart of the money collected from fines and fees. For more information please contact Kelly Rodriguez, Assistant Court Administrator at (210)655-0022 ext 2150 or krodriquez@windcrest-tx.gov.



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Women's Club News

Tinie Riggs tinieriggs@yahoo.com

Wondering where all those fashions and accessories were stored? Some of us had a trip down memory lane while others wondered if we really had the nerve to appear in public dressed like that. If you missed the presentation then you really missed a fun time.

Be sure and attend the November 16 meeting at 10:am in the Civic Center-----NOTE the date change.

Halloween is now behind us now onto Christmas light-up--just one thing after the other but now is the time for planning, sawing, painting so you will be ready for the big day BUT before then take to time to attend this months meeting and program--once again Lilo will demonstrate many ways to present snacks and goodies a real potpourri of ideas.

If you have not joined the Womens Club yet--what are waiting for? A good way to meet and make friends of your neighbors so call Lu Nix 210-653-2371. Looking forward to seeing you.



Liz Dick and Linda Oliver try some of the yummy snacks before hearing Susan Snow's very interesting presentation about the lengthy process required to have the San Antonio Missions designated a World Heritage Site during the 28 September Women's Club meeting.

Christmas Party December 8
Time: 6 p.m. - 10 p.m.
Place: Windcrest Civic Center
Cost: TBD

RSVP

Join the Women's Club Christmas celebration, call Diane Stake (946-7589) or Hazel Freeman (655-3919) RESERVATIONS.

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

Make checks payable to: Windcrest Women's Club

Full Name: _____ Spouse Name: _____

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Make plans now to join the Garden Club at their annual Holiday Potluck Luncheon, Monday, 5 December at 11:00a.m. in the civic Center. It is a great time to visit the club and get to know what we are all about. Along with the Angel Tree Giving project there will be a Silent Auction. Lots of fun items will be on the block. Remember all proceeds go to the Elementary School Coat

and other community service projects. Good food, fun gardeners and a chance to help the community, what could be more fun! Hostesses are Elaine Morrissey, Marie Bourne, Annette Hoffman, and Alice Crite.

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



Go meet "WINDY" at the San Antonio Botanical Gardens. The Windcrest Garden Club is proud to be invited to participate in this annual event. Great job and great fun!

It's never too late to join in on the fun with the Windcrest Garden Club. So take a minute, become a new member or renew your Windcrest Garden Club membership. Complete the form below and send a check for \$15.00 (payable to WGC) to Windcrest Garden Club, 5930 Winding Ridge Dr., Windcrest TX 78239. Happy Gardening!



Monday, 7 November, coffee will be a real treat! Sylvie Rogers, a long time area Master Gardener and Certified Naturalist will join us at the Civic Center at 10a.m. and share tips and tricks for Attracting Butterflies. Sylvie has extensive training in Native Landscape Design and Environment, is a seasoned speaker and always brings a great program. Don't miss it! Hostesses are Pat Couch, Concha Garces,

WINDCREST GARDEN CLUB MEMBERSHIP FORM

Name: _____

Spouse Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Home phone: _____

Cell phone: _____

Email: _____

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

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

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

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Community Involvement



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Neighbor 4 Neighbor (N4N)

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

Women's Club

Join the Women's Club on the 4th Wednesday of each month, August through May. For more information contact Kathy Littlefield 210-413-6018

Garden Club

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

Coffee With A Cop

First Friday of every month 9:30-10:30 am – Dunkin Donuts 5105 Walzem

Lions Club

You are invited to visit the Lions Club on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month - 6:30 p.m. at the Civic Center at Takas Park. Contact Lion Francesca at 210-951-9463 for more information. Lions will be conducting our annual Holiday Greenery Sale during October. If you need a phone number for the community event please use 210-951-9463. – **Chili Dinner – Saturday, November 5th**




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Friday, Dec.2, 2016 to be eligible for contest judging.

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Judging will take place on Tuesday, Dec. 6, 2016. Please keep lights on until 11 pm.
Entrants who place 1st, 2nd, 3rd or Honorable Mention in any category will be honored at the Award Ceremony on
Thursday, Jan. 5, 2017 at 7 pm. – Takas Park Civic Center

NEISD School News

NOVEMBER

- 1 Early Dismissal Ed White at 1:25 pm
- 2 Early Dismissal Ed White at 1:25 pm
- 3 Underclassmen Picture Retakes
- 5 TRHS Band Mexican Dinner Fundraiser 4 pm
-Honor & Symphonic Band Perform
- 8 Election Day
- 9 Elementary Cluster Concert 9 am
- 11 TR DATA - STEAM Carnival 6 pm - 9 pm
- 14 School Board Meeting
- 21-22 Student Holiday/Teacher Prep Day
- 23 Holiday - No School
- 24 Thanksgiving
- 25 Holiday - No School

DECEMBER

- 3 TR Patriot Barbecue 8:30 am
- 7 Senior Picture Retakes HS
TR Christmas Show 6:30 pm
- 8 TR Orchestra Concert 6:30 pm
- 9 TR Blood Drive

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- Every hour 2,000 to 3,000 puppies and kittens are born in the United States. That's about 70,000 pets a day. Only 10,000 humans are born each day in the US.
- Only 1 in ten of these animals will find a permanent home.
- A dog or cat abandoned on the street has the life expectancy of 1 year.
- 6-8 million cats and dogs enter shelters each year.
- 3-4 million cats and dogs are euthanized each year. This is not the fault of the shelters. It is the fault of irresponsible pet owners.
- Only 25-30% of dogs and 2-3% of cats are reclaimed by owners from shelters each year.
- 25% of dogs in shelters are purebred.
- Only 20-25% of animals in shelters are adopted.
- The rest must be destroyed costing approximately \$400 million annually in the United States.
- In one year a fertile cat can produce 3 litters. Feline litters average from 4 to 6 kittens. In seven years, one female cat and her offspring can theoretically produce 420,000 cats.
- In one year a fertile dog can produce 2 litters. Canine litters average from 6 to 10 puppies. In six years, one female dog and her offspring can theoretically produce 67,000 dogs.

Spay or Neuter your Pet!

Are You a Responsible Pet Owner?

Owning a pet is a privilege and should result in a mutually beneficial relationship. However, the benefits of pet ownership come with obligations and responsibilities. Keeping only the type and number of pets for which an appropriate and safe environment can be provided, includes, but is not limited to, providing appropriate food, water, shelter, health care and companionship.



Ensuring your pets are properly identified (i.e., tags, microchips, or tattoos) and that registration information is maintained up to date is also your responsibility. Current and proper registration of animals with the City of Windcrest is one responsibility that is often overlooked. Besides being properly and legally licensed, here are a few more reasons why you should:

- It's the Law;
- If your pet goes missing, having them properly licensed greatly improves your chances of getting them back;
- The expenditure for the license is far less than the penalty for being caught and prosecuted without one;
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210-287-1798 * windcrestdolphins@hotmail.com
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Meetings in Windcrest City Hall Council Chambers

Municipal Court	Nov 1, 8, 15	4:00 p.m.
Planning & Zoning	Nov 3	6:00 p.m.
Parks & Recreation	Nov 9	6:00 p.m.
WEDC	Nov 10	6:00 p.m.

Citizen Code Committee	Nov 16	6:00 p.m.
SCCM	Nov 17	5:30 p.m.
Water District	Nov 17	6:30 p.m.

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