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Dear Friends, Neighbors and Citizens,

March is another busy month in Windcrest. We have the 3rd Annual Firefighter's Gala, Spring Garage Sale and preparing for the Spring Brush Pick-Up, to name a few of the happenings this month in our community. Additionally, Little League and Spring Break are happening in this month. We are continuing to witness the growth of TEAM WINDCREST - both city pride and citizen participation are growing. We encourage you to remain active and involved, and we promise that we will continue to modify, change and refine how we do business. As we all know: **If we stay the same, we cannot improve.**

Develop General Master Plan Committee: This Committee consists of the following people: Col. Sue Alexander, Col. Roy Wratlslaw, Marilee Seal, Rick Kendrick, Kim Wright, Lovetta Cummings, David Diaz, Rick Cockerham, Ann Marie Arnica, Tinee Riggs, Betty Riggs, Bob Dovalina, Ruth Fritz, Jan Leaders, Jaime Waltman with Rackspace, Ed White with NEISD, David Marquez with Bexar County EDC, Tom Long with SAEDF, Walt Busby with Stratford Properties and Council Member Pam Dodson. These meetings will be open to the public and recorded – just like a Council Meeting. We will announce the meeting dates either by postcard, in the Newsletter and/or on the marquee in front of city hall or by all three means. If interested, please come to the meeting(s) or call one of the members of this committee. This is for the benefit of all.

Code Compliance Citizen Committee: This Committee consists of the following people: Mayor Alan E. Baxter, Janet Werhman, Ron Chapman, Robert Long, Margie Wendel, Randle Moore, Ron Merriman, Veronica Dixon, David Cadena, James Mackey and William Brown. These meetings will be open to the public and recorded – just like a Council Meeting. We will announce the meeting dates either by postcard, in the Newsletter and/or on the marquee in front of city hall or by all three means. If interested, please come to the meeting(s) or call one of the members of this committee. The goal is to have a couple of meetings a month and after approximately 6 meetings, present committee work product to the Council. This is for the benefit of all.

Committee for New Fire Chief: This was formed to evaluate applications for the Windcrest Volunteer Fire Chief's position and to recommend finalists to the Council. You might recall that this administration started a new protocol to hire department heads. We form a committee which consists of not only Council Members and city staff, but also citizens. This committee consists of: Chris Monestier, Ennis Mosely, Col. Henry Berman, Council Members John Gretz and James McFall. The Fire Association will all be adding three members of their choosing to this committee to ensure firefighter input.

3rd Annual Firefighter's Gala: Saturday, March 15th from 6 PM – 11 PM at the Takas Park Civic Center. This has turned into one of the most anticipated events of the year! IT WILL SELL OUT. Seats are \$50 per person. This includes free Happy Hour, meal and dinner and dance afterwards. All, yes even the beverages, are included in the price of your ticket. This year's emcee is comedian Roman Garcia. He can be seen on KENS5 TV. It is the best deal in town. You can also receive tickets by joining the Gold Elite Plus Club and/or sponsoring the Windcrest Volunteer Fire Department. Remember, the WVFD depends on these funds and your donation is tax deductible. Come valet your car, walk the Red Carpet and have your picture taken like a VIP. Then socialize at the Happy Hour, enjoy a great dinner and then dance the night away. The theme this year is Classic Hollywood in Black and Red. Call Amanda at the Fire Department to reserve and secure your seat(s). More information is in this Newsletter.

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Loss to Community: Our community deals with losses every month. I wanted to take the time to mention several that to me, and quite a few others, were especially difficult. Former Mayor of Windcrest, Mayor Cochran passed several months ago. He was a mentor of mine and will be missed. Both James and Vivian Calhoun passed over the Holiday Season. John, their only child, lost his mother and father unexpectedly within 10 days of each other. Both were very active in the community, and James Calhoun had so much to do with uncovering evidence that led to the indictment of the former City Manager and his brother, Ronnie and Gary Cain. Many citizens will never know how much he influenced this community to get back on the right path. He will be missed. Finally, we lost Mr. Bill Love. I had known Mr. Love for about 40 years. I met him when I was in 5th grade. I grew up with one of his sons. He was very active in the community and was on the Board of Adjustments. He will be missed. I am confident all are looking down on us still influencing the city, along with many others. I know I have missed some very important people that have passed recently. I apologize. Feel free to email me and I will be happy to mention them as well.

Re-cap, 3rd Annual Valentine's Party at YMCA – Sunday, February 9th from 3 PM - 5 PM: Another year, another great time. The Newsletter Committee and the Walzem YMCA throw this party and we have just as much fun as the children. Most everyone enjoyed the pool. Every child received a gift and a smile. Thanks to the YMCA for opening their doors and thanks to the Newsletter Committee. Everyone will look forward to this event next year.

Brush Pick-up: It will be March 31 – April 17: We will be mailing out a postcard to all the houses in Windcrest shortly after you receive this Newsletter detailing the section boundaries and the dates for your sections pick up. Thank you goes out to Allied Waste for working with the city so as to conduct this service after Garage Sale weekend. If you have any questions, call Tom Garcia, Director of Public Works or Katy Brought at City Hall. Please look out for the postcard.

Spring Garage Sale Weekend- It will be **March 20 – 23:** It is free to all the residents. We ask that you still come to city hall to register. This will ensure that you are placed on the free map that we hand out to everyone that wishes to go shopping.

Economic Development: On February 6th, Burke's Outlet opened and it was a huge success. Some bad news is Marie Calendar's closed because their lease was not renewed. However, there is good news. Another restaurant is already lined up to move into this space. You will see some remodeling going on very soon and this new restaurant will be opening up shortly. Also, the Planning and Zoning Commission met with the City Council and a new plat was approved for the land where the old Frost Bank building stands. The re-plat will make this lot into three lots. The plan is for the old Frost Bank building

to be demolished and this is where the IN – N – OUT Burger will be built on one of these newly platted lots. There are plans for another restaurant and for a hotel to be built on the remaining two lots. We are also currently negotiating with another retail establishment to occupy a vacant space in the Windsor Park Center. This is all very exciting news and will bring in millions in sales tax dollars. Stay tuned for more exciting news.

Rackspace Headquarters: As you will notice if you drive by their international headquarters located here in Windcrest, they are constantly improving the outside of their facility. They continue to be great corporate citizens. They donated \$20,000 to the Windcrest Volunteer Fire Department for the third year in a row. They are also expanding their headquarters another 150,000 square feet to add more Rackers. Additionally, they are also helping with recruiting businesses for our city. Our relationship with this great company grows stronger every day. A big thank you and hug to Rackspace and all the Rackers. If you see a Racker in a restaurant or store, please tell them thank you for all they are doing to enhance Windcrest.

Official Fiesta Event in Windcrest- Saturday, April 5th: Yes, Windcrest hosts an official Fiesta Event. This will be the third year in a row! It is the Fiesta Especial Parade and Promenade. You can register for the 5k at www.fiestaespecial.com. There is an article later in this Newsletter that shows the route for the Parade. It is a lot of fun and you cannot beat the price of admission – **FREE**.

Firefighter Picnic: Again, this year it will be a two day, fun filled event. The 44th Annual Firefighter Picnic will be Friday, **May 16th from 6 PM – 11 PM and Saturday, May 17th from 9 AM – 11 PM**. Admission is free and open to the public.

Save the Date: April 26 – This will be the 6th Annual Windcrest Triathlon. If interested, visit www.redemptionrp.com/WindcrestTri for more details.

Volunteering and Participating: We need more people on the Newsletter Committee, Windcrest Citizens' Patrol and Animal Task Force. Please call Katy Brought at City Hall if you wish to volunteer. Remember that there are still places of service within the City. If you want to participate or volunteer in any area of the City, you won't be turned away. Give me a call or email me to get involved.

Please email me if you wish me to add something to my article. When you visit City Hall, please stop in and say hello.

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Your Mayor and humble servant,

Alan E. Baxter



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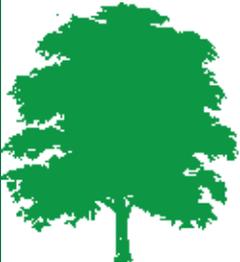
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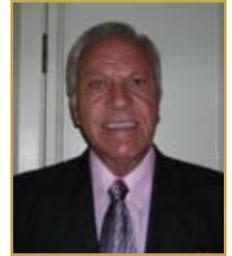
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Our Police department has a very quick response time and up to date equipment to handle any emergency and crime situation that may occur in our city. Our Police Chief, Al Ballew, has the knowledge and expertise to make sure that all law enforcement, as well as disaster situations, are taken care of by his policemen.

Our Fire department also has an excellent response time and some very dedicated volunteers working for our residents in Windcrest. Our current acting Fire Chief, Erick Vargas, is doing a great job and making sure that his Fire department has the correct and up-to-date properly working equipment to be able to handle all manner of fires and emergency situations.

I know that our support for both departments is also supported by our residents. The great work by both departments is also a factor that encourages families to purchase homes in our great city.

New businesses are coming to Windcrest, yes to sell their products or services, but I am sure that a huge factor to come here also deals with the safety and security of their business and that of their employees.

So I want to give a special thanks to our Police and Fire department for doing such a wonderful job.

FROM YOUR

Mayor Pro-Tem, Pam Dodson



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Looks like March is going to be a busy month. From the 20th to the 23rd you can be a part of the city wide garage sale.... no permit required. Just let the ladies at city hall know so they can add your name to the map. Then there is the Firemen's Gala on the 15th of March...one of those great fund raisers for our fire department. Good food, good music, and good friends.... can't find a better way to spend the evening so be sure to get your tickets now.

On a sad note....we lost a really good man that was always involved with city activities or talking our politics. Mr. Bill Love just passed away last month but we already miss the gleam in his eye and the smile on his face....a resident of Windcrest for years!!

Councilmember

James McFall

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In this newsletter, I would like to honor two of the city's most admired and outstanding individuals in the city of Windcrest- James and Vivian Calhoun.

Mr. Calhoun was not only my best friend but also my mentor and partner in dominoes. He loved Windcrest and had a strong interest in politics. He worked tirelessly to better the lives of all Windcrest citizens. He truly believed that everyone should leave their community in a better state than they found it.

Mr. and Mrs. Calhoun were true pillars of the community. People whom we should all model our lives after. They will be deeply missed and will never be forgotten.

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STREET WORK DELAYED.....Due to the selected bidder for our next phase of the Windcrest Roadway Capital Improvement Program (CIP) being unable to obtain the required bonding, a change was required. Following a meeting of our Roadway CIP committee, it was recommended to the full city council that we cancel the award of a contract to D. Plata Construction. The committee further recommended that we award a contract to RL Jones for this same construction package. Following discussion at the 11 February 2014 City Council Meeting, both actions were approved. Now we can move forward.

On February 6th. I had the privilege of attending a luncheon recognizing the 40 Under 40 by the San Antonio Business Journal. Each year there is competition for this most prestigious recognition. Katy Brought, Our Windcrest Public Relations, Marketing & Event Director (she does much more) was selected. Katy was the youngest selectee of the year at age 27. No one else under 30 was honored this year. We are very proud of Katy, a DETERMINED MULTI TASKER. When you think of 40 under 40, just think how big the San Antonio Area Yellow Pages are. Then consider how many super stars there are for the many companies listed. What an honor. Congratulations Katy. I would be remiss not to mention that the Keynote Speaker for the Luncheon was a 2002 recipient for the 40 Under 40 Award, Mr. Graham Weston, Chairman of the Board, Rackspace.



Councilmember

John Gretz

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Dear Neighbors,

I am extremely proud of the direction Windcrest is headed. From an economic development perspective, the sky is the limit! According to plans, the old Frost Bank complex will be coming down and will be the new home of a nice hotel and two restaurants... one being the first In-N-Out in San Antonio. Burke's Outlet just opened in the Windsor Park Centre and things are moving on the 111 acres south of Rackspace.

None of this stuff would happen without outstanding cooperation by every facet of "team Windcrest." Our Windcrest staff, our citizen volunteer force, our city leadership, our citizen input, and our vibrant "open for business" philosophy are key ingredients to our success! Let's keep it going! Windcrest is the best big (little) city in Texas!!!

Municipal Court Report

By Kelly Rodriguez, Municipal Court Clerk,
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Warrant Program Increasing in Activity

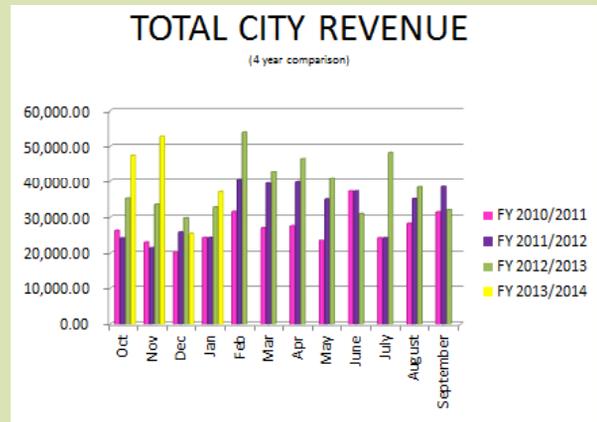
This month the City of Windcrest will be participating in the 2014 Great Texas Warrant Round Up for the first time. To increase warrant activity we are collaborating with PCT 4 Constables Office to use there License Plate Reader to locate those with Windcrest warrants.

Tips for the Road

You are in the far right lane of the freeway. You turn the steering wheel to change lanes and nothing happens. You have no control of the steering wheel. Immediately ease off the gas pedal. Turn on your emergency flashers and gently apply the brakes (If you apply the brakes too hard you could throw your vehicle into a spin). Continue braking until the vehicle comes to a stop. This can be a very dangerous situation if you are stopped on a freeway. Warn approaching drivers as well as you can.

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During the month of January the Mayor and Council passed some Ordinances and 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 at the Council Meeting simply type it in to the search bar on your internet browser.

ORDINANCES

SCCM 01.16.14

Ordinance No. 2014-706(O), an ordinance amending Chapter 23 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Windcrest, Texas to create a new "B-3" business district. (Ref 01.06.14 SCCM http://windcresttx.granicus.com/MediaPlayer.php?view_id=8&clip_id=1161_01:03:46 // 01.16.14 SCCM http://windcresttx.granicus.com/MediaPlayer.php?view_id=8&clip_id=1168_00:06:28)

Ordinance No. 2014-707(O), an ordinance authorizing commencement of the Windcrest Master Plan Development process and appointment of a Master Plan Review Committee. (Ref: 09.05.13 P&Z http://windcresttx.granicus.com/MediaPlayer.php?view_id=8&clip_id=1117_00:19:08 / 11.18.13 RCCM http://windcresttx.granicus.com/MediaPlayer.php?view_id=8&clip_id=1145_01:13:39 / 01.16.14 SCCM http://windcresttx.granicus.com/MediaPlayer.php?view_id=8&clip_id=1161_01:16:17 / 01.16.14 SCCM http://windcresttx.granicus.com/MediaPlayer.php?view_id=8&clip_id=1168_00:06:28)

Ordinance No. 2014-708(O), an ordinance granting an electric and gas franchise to City Public Service. (01.16.14 http://windcresttx.granicus.com/MediaPlayer.php?view_id=8&clip_id=1161_01:54:49 00:23:16)

RESOLUTIONS

SCCM 01.06.14

Resolution No. 2014-472(R), a resolution approving the 2013 Tax Roll as submitted by the Bexar County Tax Assessor-Collector. (http://windcresttx.granicus.com/MediaPlayer.php?view_id=8&clip_id=1161_01:57:00)

Resolution No. 2014-473(R), a resolution awarding a contract to D. Plata Construction Co., LLC for the Windcrest Roadway CIP Package #2. (http://windcresttx.granicus.com/MediaPlayer.php?view_id=8&clip_id=1161_01:57:38)

Resolution No. 2014-474(R), a resolution authorizing the purchase of ten police portable radios from Dailey-Wells communications for a price of \$37,044.00 and authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and execute a contract for such purchase. (http://windcresttx.granicus.com/MediaPlayer.php?view_id=8&clip_id=1161_02:02:17)

Resolution No. 2014-475(R), a resolution appointing mem-

bers to the City of Windcrest Parks and Recreation Commission. (http://windcresttx.granicus.com/MediaPlayer.php?view_id=8&clip_id=1161_02:13:32)

Resolution No. 2014-476(R), a resolution approving an agreement with Bexar County for the loan of a trailer purchased with Homeland Security funds for use by the Windcrest Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) and authorizing the City Manager to execute said agreement on behalf of the City of Windcrest. (http://windcresttx.granicus.com/MediaPlayer.php?view_id=8&clip_id=1161_02:04:20)

01.16.14 JOINT SCC/P&Z MEETING

Resolution No. 2014-478(R), a resolution granting a waiver of the requirement in section 4.101 of the Code of Ordinances to locate commercial signs only on the premises of the business advertised. (http://windcresttx.granicus.com/MediaPlayer.php?view_id=8&clip_id=1169_00:15:03)

TABLED

Resolution No. 2014-477(R), a resolution adopting the City of Windcrest fixed asset policy as Attachment "A" to the Windcrest Purchasing Policy. (http://windcresttx.granicus.com/MediaPlayer.php?view_id=8&clip_id=1161_02:17:38)

A Pubic Hearing was held on 01.06.14 to consider an amendment to Chapter 23 of the Code of Ordinances to create a new "B-3" Business District.



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FIRE DEPARTMENT NEWS

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Gala Behind Us – Picnic Ahead!

By the time this newsletter is published we will be closing in on our 3rd Annual Firefighter's Gala! The Fire Department and the Fire Association are excited and honored about the support that we receive from the residents of Windcrest. We are very thankful to the businesses that support our department through monetary, raffle, or auction donations for events such as the Gala and Picnic. Thank you, and know that without the support of the *Citizens, City Council, Mayor, City Management*, and the amazing *businesses* throughout the area, we could not run as efficiently as we do for the Community of Windcrest.

We will now be focusing on our **44th Annual Firefighter's Picnic** that will be on **May 16th & 17th**. The picnic will be at Takas Park, 9310 Jim Seal Dr., Windcrest Texas.

We need volunteers from the public to make this event a success. If you want to volunteer or just have a question about the Picnic please call Amanda Oscar at 599-6007. If you have any questions about the Fire Department please call Acting Fire Chief Erick Vargas or even better, schedule a time to come by and visit.



WVFD HOSTING A BLOOD DRIVE



Windcrest Volunteers will be hosting a Blood Drive on **May 17, 2014, 11:30 am to 3:45 pm** for the Windcrest Volunteer 44th Annual Firefighter's picnic. The South Texas Blood and Tissue bloodmobile will be located at Takas Park during the Picnic event. Donate blood and save a life.

As always thank you for your support!

POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS

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

It's easy to become complacent in this very busy world! However, simple reminders help keep you and your children safe from crime including abduction. I have included a few tips this month to help you remind your children including teens about being safe.

Remind your children to never leave home without your permission and to keep you advised of their whereabouts. They should always play in areas that are secure such as a fenced backyard, or in a play area supervised by a responsible adult. Avoid shortcuts using alleys or other deserted areas. They are much safer walking or playing with friends. They should never enter anyone's home without your approval. Remind them to scream, run away and tell you or a trusted adult if anyone attempts to touch or grab them, or if a stranger offers them a ride. Social media is very popular, especially with teenagers. You should monitor and control what they are releasing on sites such as Facebook, Twitter and other popular sites. Tell them to never give any information over the telephone including their name and address, or indicate they are alone. There are several app's available for your smart phone to enable tracking of your child's whereabouts via their cell phone. Know where they are... ALL of the time!

Remember...abductions can happen in seconds and with the increase in Human Trafficking, all children are vulnerable including teens. It is your responsibility as a parent or guardian to educate them and make sure they have a plan. Make sure you have a plan!

For more crime prevention information, check out the Windcrest Police Department website at <http://www.windcrest-tx.gov> and click on the tab for Police. If you would like to schedule a crime prevention presentation, contact the Windcrest Police Department at (210)655-2666, no group is too big or too small.

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From the Desk of Tom Garcia Director of Public Works

tgarcia@windcrest-tx.gov

Waiting for green grass to come back to Windcrest. Because of a colder than normal Winter we are predicting green grass will not be fully back to our area till late March. The bitter cold compromised the grass growth pattern. We are expecting however to have back all green areas lush and healthy once again.

A aggressive tree trimming season for our city green areas and Parks should yield beautiful, healthy trees for our city. Trimming not only helps our trees grow healthy, it also assures that people walking under and near them are safe from falling dead limbs.

We are asking residence to please report any and all street light outages to us so that we can have fixed. We drive the community a lot but do miss light outages from time to time. In advance, MANY THANKS...

Please continue to keep in touch with us at PW. Your information and reporting is a vital piece of the working working plan.

Many Thanks ... Tom Garcia

Code Enforcement, Jose Rosales

Spring cleaning time again! It's also that time of year we remove unsightly items from our properties in time for brush pickup. Take advantage of this service to remove any materials you may have wanted to dispose of. Please check the literature distributed by the city as to when YOUR pick-up times will be. PLEASE, DO NOT put out your brush and junk in front of your residence until the WEEKEND BEFORE you are scheduled to be picked up. This will be enforced by Code Enforcement and Patrol units. Furniture can also be placed out for pick-up, but must be broken into smaller pieces. Please keep in mind we are trying to keep the City of Windcrest beautiful.

Please correct or remove junked vehicles from your property, to include the back yard. Tree branches hanging low over roadways and alleys need to be addressed. Minimum tree height is 13' 6" above the roadway and alley. Take advantage of our brush pickup services. Professional tree trimming services are NOT ALLOWED to leave brush they trim in front of your property for brush pickup. If they do, make sure they are not charging you for brush removal fees. Please help us by doing your part for the community.

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 an email thru the link provided within the Code Enforcement page located on the City Website.



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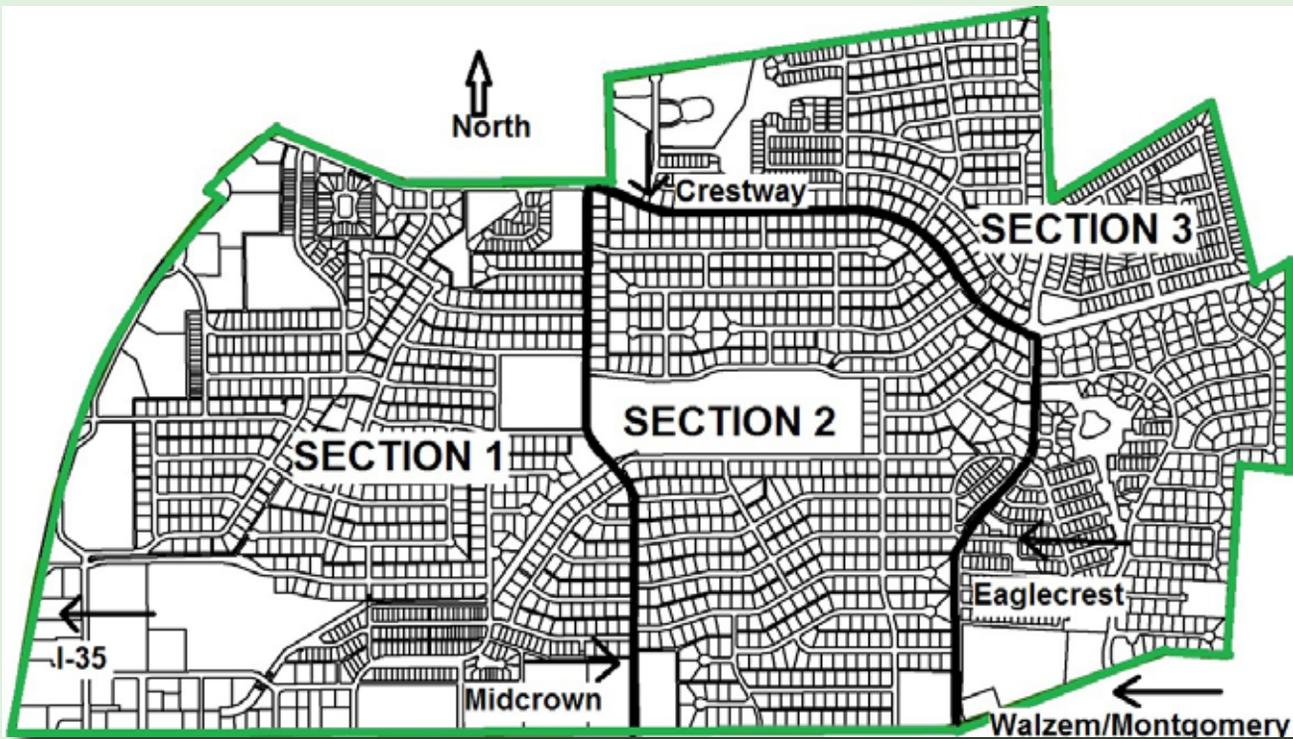
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Curb Side Brush Pickup Map

The Curb Side Brush Pickup will begin March 31st to April 17th. The city will be sectioned off into 3 sections, (just like the last time we did Curb Pick Up). We will have Section 1, Section 2, and Section 3. The map will be available on the City website and will also be mailed to you.

Allied Waste will service each section ONCE. This process normally takes a week.

Here is how it goes;

- A. Residents in Section 1 should have articles to be picked up in place no later than March 31 and no sooner than March 22. The trucks will come by your house ONLY once, so make sure you have your items in place by the prescribed date otherwise you will miss out on the service.
- B. Residents in Section 2 should have articles to be picked up in place no later than April 7 and no sooner than April 5. The trucks will come by your house ONLY once, so make sure you have your items in place by the prescribed date otherwise you will miss out on the service.
- C. Residents in Section 3 should have articles to be picked up in place no later than April 14 and no sooner than April 12. The trucks will come by your house ONLY once, so make sure you have your items in place by the prescribed date otherwise you will miss out on the service.

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Concerning water, the World supply only contains 1% potable water. The other 99% is tainted with salt or some other element that is not conducive to human consumption. Water is now in short supply this year thus far; not only in Texas but also in California, Oregon and many Western regions of the United States. Here at Windcrest

we have entered into the New Year at Stage III Watering Restrictions, and have been in Stage III throughout January and February. Edwards Aquifer hovers around the 640 foot level which is the breaking point between Stage II and Stage III Restrictions.

As we are entering into the irrigation season keep in mind these facts. The demand for water is ever increasing in the San Antonio area due to population growth. Precipitation is well below the average which holds us in a drought, and there is only so much water in Edwards Aquifer.

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4TH ANNUAL LIONS CLUB ITALIAN DINNER

Saturday, March 29, 2014

5:00 - 7:30 pm at Civic Center in Takas Park



Everyone is invited to attend the Windcrest Lions Club 4th Annual Italian Dinner on **Saturday, March 29, 2014** at the Civic Center in Takas Park. We appreciate area residents' positive response to our Italian Dinner! Spaghetti, meat sauce, salad, garlic bread sticks and ice tea for **just \$7.00**. Special thanks to Papa Dante's Restaurant for their help in making our Italian Dinner perfectly delicious.

Carry-out or eat-in in at the Civic Center. Live entertainment is planned. A Silent Auction will also be conducted. This event is a major fund-raiser for the Club. Proceeds help fund Lions programs such as sight research, a low vision clinic, children's eye glasses, the Texas Lions Camp in Kerrville and our exciting and amazing KidSight program. Our KidSight goal is to detect vision problems early. Early detection allows for early correction – and that saves sight.

Buy a ticket early from any Lion for **only \$6.00!** You can't beat that. If you don't know a LION but want to take advantage of the early bird rate, please call Lion Ann at 210-653-1238 for discounted tickets.

Thank you in advance. We are looking forward to seeing you on the 29th!



Windcrest is planning a Community Emergency Response Team 20 hour training to be held in Windcrest at the Civic Center **April 11th from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00, Saturday April 12th and Sunday April 13th from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.** Many Windcrest residents have asked to bring the training to our back yard so it would be more accessible. There will be a one hour meeting at Learn CPR First Aid and Safety located at 5313 Walzem Road, in the Luby's Cafeteria shopping center, for those of you who would like to view a short video and be able to have your questions answered about CERT and the importance of this training not only for those choosing to be part of a CERT team, but also to help you prepare yourself in the event of a disaster. **Meeting date: March 27th from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.** Contact information to sign up for the Spring Training or to RSVP for the pre-course meeting is as follows: E-mail **Kathie Maloney**: teamwindcrest@gmail.com or call at **210-887-5069**.

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Women's Club News

Lois Wooten

On 15 January, the Windcrest Women's Club went to the McNay Art Museum and viewed the special exhibit of Movie Costumes "Old and New". The Museum had several guides to explain the back story for the costumes on display. These were the actual costumes from such movies and *Pride and Prejudice*, *Sherlock Holmes* and *Pirates of the Caribbean*. They were amazing in detail and fabric. Also, because they were actually worn by the stars, we could really get the feel how those famous people looked wearing the costumes. After the tour we went to Tomatillos for lunch.

February we have our annual Membership Tea where we remember our founders and honor our past presidents. This event is a classic "Tea" and is very special. Our hostess, Valeria Brandt, Tinie Riggs, Kathy Freeman, and Pam Dodson, do a great job to make this a really special day.

March is a regular coffee at the Civic Center from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.. Our speakers will be from Pettit & Associates Law Offices. They will talk on Estate Planning, Wills and Probates. A tough subject but important to keep up to date. Hostesses are Lois Wooten and Betty Riggs. Also during the March meeting the Nomination Committee will present candidates for the 2014-2015 Club year. Nominations will also be taken from the floor. Voting will be at the April meeting. This is an important time in our club, so be thinking of how you can serve. It's not too late to join us and all Windcrest ladies are invited.



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Windcrest Garden Club

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Upcoming events:

Executive Board Meeting ~ Monday, March 31st, 10 am
Hostess ~ Marji Gentet @ 305 Cloudmont, 967-4736

** Field Trip to Sandy Oaks Olive Orchard**
Wednesday April 9th (day change) meet early at the Civic Center.
Reservations required, \$10 tour, plus the bus fee. Call Carolyn 655-5816.

Executive Board Meeting ~ Monday, April 28th, 10 am
Hostess ~ Myrna Waters @ 522 Tidecrest, 254-9475

Stay tuned for more about the Windcrest Garden Club Annual Plant Sale Fundraiser, which will be held again this spring ~ time & place soon to be announced.

"If we had no winter, the spring would not be so pleasant."
- Anne Bradstreet

Make plans to attend the next Meeting of the Windcrest Garden Club, Monday March 3rd ~ 10 am @ Windcrest Civic Center. Our own WGC Member, Mercedes Zamudio, will be Guest Speaker on a subject of her expertise. "Olive Trees: a brief history of an ancient tree & growing them in Texas". This will be wonderful preparation for our April field trip to Elmen-dorf. (Sign-up sheet & details at the meeting)

Last month, we welcomed back our exciting Guest Speaker, Gayle Randolph. Everyone took notes during her informative talk about "Preparing for Overnight Guests"

We are accepting membership renewals for next year starting now, so why not get it done? (Still only \$10 per year) Or if you've decided to finally join, next year's dues would also cover the rest of this year. Call Lois Wooton 657-4557.

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This year's theme is
"Classic Hollywood in Black and Red".

Proceeds from this Gala will go to the Windcrest Volunteer Fire Department. Your ticket includes ALL food (hot & cold hors d'oeuvres, salad, main dish, desert, drinks (wine, water and iced tea) the raffle, and dance. There is also a live and silent auction. This is the best deal in town and TAX DEDUCTIBLE. Valet parking is provided by the WVFD's Volunteer Firefighters. Seating is limited, so get your tickets now; it is first come, first served. You do not want to miss this historic event! You can get your tickets by being a Gold Elite Plus contributor (you get 2 Gala tickets, plus a sheet of raffle tickets for the Gala raffle), by being a corporate sponsor OR you can purchase individual tickets for \$50. Call the Fire Department at 210-599-6007 or come by and see Amanda Oscar at City Hall for more details.

Saturday, March 15rd from 6 -11 PM
 Takas Park Civic Center

6:00 PM – 7:15 PM Cocktail Mixer with hors d'oeuvres

7:15 PM – 9:00 PM Dinner, Raffle, Live and Silent auction

9:00 PM – 11 PM Dance; DJ Tom "The Suit" will play today's hits and your requests during breaks.

Preferred Attire for this Classic Hollywood event includes your interpretation of what Classic Hollywood looked like, with a color theme of Black and Red. We look forward to seeing our attendees as Classic Hollywood stars!

Windcrest
Animal Control
Task Force



We want to let everyone know that the Task Force is again participating in the Windcrest City Wide Garage Sale on March 22nd. We are looking for donations (NOT CLOTHING) from folks that are cleaning out their garages or attics or closets. If you aren't having your own garage sale, please call us and let us know you are interested in donating. Last year we had only a few items left over that we took to Good Will since all the donations were really good items for a garage sale. Please help us again this year!! Contact person is on the back of the newsletter under our name.



Tuesday, March 25 - 5-8:00pm



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City Meetings in Windcrest City Hall Council Chambers

Special City Council Meeting	March 3	6:00 p.m.	WEDC	March 13, 27	6:00 p.m.
Planning & Zoning	March 6	6:00 p.m.	Municipal Court	March 4, 11, 18	4:00 p.m.
Parks & Recreation	March 12	6:00 p.m.	Water District Meeting	March 20	7:00 p.m.
Regular City Council Meeting	March 17	5:15 p.m.			

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