Westfield Village Homeowners Assoc.(WVHOA)

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Dear Westfield Village Homeowners:

Howdy from your Westfield Village HOA Board. For those homeowners new to the subdivision this year we welcome you!

2019 Annual Meeting

The 2019 WVHOA Annual Meeting will be held on **Tuesday**, **February 19, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.** at the College Station Fire Department Number 3 Conference Room located at 1900 Barron Road. Neighborhood Updates, Financial Report and Officer Elections will be on the agenda. A proxy form is included in this mail-out. If you are unable to attend please complete the proxy and either mail back with your HOA dues, give to an HOA Officer or email to <u>westfieldvillagehoa@gmail.com</u> prior to the Annual Meeting. If you are interested in running for a position on the HOA board or getting involved in the HOA, please contact us at <u>westfieldvillagehoa@gmail.com</u>.



2019 Annual HOA Dues and Financials

The Dues for 2019 will remain at \$150.00 per year. A copy of the Proposed 2019-2020 Budget is included in this mailout.

What Do My HOA Dues Pay For? Your HOA dues pay for the landscaping, irrigation, utilities of the common areas in Westfield Village along with neighborhood repairs\improvements and administration fees. A financial report and budget are attached for your review and will be presented at the HOA meeting and posted on the HOA website after the annual meeting.

The HOA accepts credit card/debit card payments through our website and PayPal. Payment plans can be made on your account by contacting the treasurer, Heather Humphrey at <u>westfieldvillagehoa@gmail.com</u>. If you are interested in receiving your invoices by email you may also provide your email address to Heather at the same email address.

Neighborhood Issues

Ongoing issues that we are addressing are the aging/falling fences, entry way light fixture issues, dead trees, irrigation pipeline issues, falling brick planters...simply an aging subdivision. In addition to these challenges we have ongoing issues from homeowners and renters that live in our neighborhood; including parking challenges, trash, tall grass, weeds, trailers and boats in driveways and unapproved improvements. This year we have been addressing these issues and have issued a total of 147 warning tags. We ask that you be respectful to your neighbors and observe the neighborhood integrity.

WATCH YOUR SPEED, WATCH FOR KIDS AND WATCH FOR PETS

When driving in the subdivision, please be observant, watch your speeds and slow down. We have a number of families with kids playing outside, people walking dogs, people walking and/or jogging through the neighborhood.

Solicitors

City of College Station City Ordinance requires that all solicitors and advertising door hangers have a permit to do business in the City of College Station. If you have contact with a solicitor, ask to see their City of College Station permit. The seal on the permit should be in color and not a copy for a company. Each individual should be permitted. If they refuse to show you a permit or if they are overly aggressive, please CS Police Department contact the at 979.764.3600. It is helpful if you can provide a description of the solicitor (including clothing), direction of travel and a license plate if they are in a vehicle.

Criminal Activity

As a friendly reminder, always lock your vehicles, remove items from the inside of your vehicles or put them out of view, do not leave valuable items in the bed of your truck, park in lighted areas, turn on your driveway security lights and if possible activate your car alarm.

Installing outside motion sensor lights on your home and security cameras are another deterrence and security measure. Do not leave your garage doors open for long periods of time unattended as this is an open invitation for unwanted guests to potentially attempt to gain entry to your house or walk off with your personal stuff in the garage.

While we know this will not stop all the criminal activity it will help discourage some. If you observe anything out of the ordinary or suspicious please write down as much information about the vehicle (i.e. make, color, license plate) and description of individuals and contact the College Station Police Department at 979.764.3600 immediately.

Rental Property Registration

City of College Station city ordinance requires that all owners of rental properties be registered through the City. The registration process helps prevent problems and improves communications among the neighborhood and property owners in case of health, safety or code violations. A copy of the Rental Registration Brochure is available on the HOA website under the Links tab.

Architecture Report

A friendly reminder that <u>any outside</u> <u>improvements/additions</u> need to be approved by the HOA to make sure they are in compliance with deed restrictions. Items that need approval include installation of pergolas, fence gates, painting outside of houses, storage sheds, and expansion of driveways.

Landscaping and Irrigation

Our landscapers have worked within our approved budget to maintain the aesthetics of the neighborhood. We increased the flowers planted in the planters and fertilized the entry ways and the common areas to help improve the appearances of the neighborhood. The trees in subdivision have been trimmed. the the flowerbeds weeded and mulched and the sides of the creek bed have been trimmed twice this year. In addition to the monthly landscaping of the common areas, this year we have maintained a regular monthly schedule on the mowing and cleaning of the retention pond area. If you have or see any concerns with the landscaping, please let us know.

We have had all of the known issues with broken sprinkler lines and broken sprinkler heads repaired. Our irrigation systems are fully operational. We continue to monitor and conserve usage to maintain the common areas. If you see water leaking from a sprinkler head or just a large amount of water where it should not, be please contact one of the board members as soon as possible

Fence Repair Concerns

We have had several calls about who owns the fence between neighbors. The standard protocol is the fence posts are set on the owner's property, however, when fences are installed by builders this is not always the case. Buyers sometimes ask to have the front of the fence facing their backyard so they don't see the side with the posts. Since both property owners benefit from the privacy fence we recommend that neighbors work together and share in the expense of the repairs.

If you have any questions or wish to discuss any concerns, please feel free to email your HOA Board at <u>westfieldvillagehoa@gmail.com</u>

Thanks - Westfield Village HOA Board Billy Hart – President Terry Rand – Vice President Heather Humphrey – Treasurer Chastity Lamb – Secretary