# THE WIMBLEDON WATCH

The Wimbledon On The Creek **HOA and Residents' Newsletter** March 2023 Issue, rev 1r Brought to you by an anonymous donor



Welcome to this month's issue of The Wimbledon Watch newsletter! All issues of this flyer will be published monthly and available on the WOTCHOA.com website and on the WOTC Facebook page. This month's issue will also be physically printed out and taped to your front door. Additional future issues may be printed out physically, at the discretion of the HOA Board. Like a ship's watchman/lookout, it keeps the 64 households in our community connected and informed about a variety of subjects, including serving as a reporting tool for keeping you up to date on the status of HOA projects and budgeting outlays.

We WELCOME content submissions from you, the residents! Want to announce a birthday party? Graduation? Wedding? Birth? Death? Let us know! Throwing a BBQ? A block party? Let us help spread the word! Lose something? Find something? Tell us! Having a Garage/Yard Sale? Free publicity here! Have a favorite recipe? Share it with us! Want to feature your pet? Send us a photo! Took a great picture of something in our neighborhood (a sunrise, snowman, bee, bird, grasshopper, rabbit, squirrel, holiday decorations, etc.)? Submit it! Send newsletter questions and content offerings to the editor, at: newsletter@wotchoa.com



### Announcements

Your HOA at work:



Sprinkler System Repair: During the month of January, our HOA replaced over 30 broken sprinkler heads, fixed 4 sprinkler leaks, and replaced 2 sprinkler valves!

Fence Repairs: Next, the HOA will be replacing broken pickets and rotten bottom trim on fences that face Mansfield Road, and along Bardin Road, between Mansfield Road and Coventry Lane.

Late notices, for nonpayment of assessments, went out on March 1st.

#### Calendar Calendar

The next two WOTC HOA Board meetings will be on April 13 and May 11, at 7:00 pm, at 1905 Tudor Ct. HOA Board meetings are held every second Thursday of the month at 7pm. If you want to be at the Board meeting, please contact any current Board member at least a week before the meeting to notify them of your desire to attend, so accommodations can be made for your attendance. You can also contact a current Board member after the Board meeting for a copy of the meeting minutes.

#### Did You Know? (HOA Rules)

Article X, Section 6, paragraph 3 of the WOTCHOA Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions (CC&R) prohibits residents from running a business from their homes? "No activity, whether for profit or not, which is not related to single-family residential purposes, shall be carried on upon any Lot"

As with all provisions of the CC&R, if you wish to apply for an exception to this restriction, contact the Modifications Committee to submit a request for an exception. The process for this was explained in the February 2023 edition of The Wimbledon Watch WOTC newsletter.



# **Homeowner Tips** {Foundation, Maintenance, Lawn & Garden, Utilities, Recycling, etc.}

#### **Watering Guideline/:**

The City of Arlington prohibits watering between 10 AM and 6 PM, year-round, except for hand watering and the use of soaker hoses.

When watering by hand, use a hose with an attached sprayer that has an automatic shutoff when you let go.

You are REQUIRED to have an operating rain/freeze sensor for your sprinkler system, regardless of the controller type.

Never water during rain or during temperatures below 40° F.

Ensure your sprinkler heads are not broken and that your system is not running too long (more than 10-15 minutes) and flowing into the road.

Ensure your system is not watering the road, sidewalks, driveways, fences, sides of your house, or other objects that are not plants. Check with the City of Arlington for current drought restrictions.

Sources: www.arlingtontx.gov/city hall/departments/water utilities, www.WaterMyYard.org



# Letters to the Editor (For public letters only. Private letters should be submitted via

the WOTCHOA.com website. Editor's answers may come from the Editor or from a member of the HOA Board}

Dear Editor: I'm (a resident) and just wanted to let you know I am loving the newsletter content! It was informative, fun, and I really enjoyed reading through it all. Thank you for putting this together to bring more connection to our HOA!

Answer: Thank you for your kind words! I'm glad you enjoyed the new newsletter. Please talk to your neighbors about it and get them excited and involved too! Still looking for a pet of the month. Do you or your neighbors have any pets? Any pet. A goldfish, a parrot, a tarantula, an iguana, a guinea pig...

Reply: Of course! I wanted to make sure you knew your hard work was appreciated and I look forward to more! Can I use my own 3 dogs as pets of the month?

Dear Editor: What are the City of Arlington rules for trash pickup?

Answer: WOTC trash pickup days are Tuesdays and Fridays. Recycle pickup is also on Fridays. No trash pickup is performed on New Years Day, July 4<sup>th</sup>, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, or Christmas. Trash must be placed no earlier than 7 pm the night before, and no later than 7 am the morning of. Don't place any containers on curb you wish to keep. Max weight 50 lbs/bag. Visit <a href="www.arlingtontx.gov/city\_hall/departments/garbage\_recycling">www.arlingtontx.gov/city\_hall/departments/garbage\_recycling</a> for more information, including rates & fees, self-hauling rules, and what will or won't be picked up.



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# Featured Families of the Month

Collettee Corbin and Dustin Smith: This couple met while Dustin was stationed in the military. They have 3 kids, plus a pet. Dustin works as an Industrial Territory Sales Engineer. They like to eat out (they are "Foodies"), and Dustin is a big Dallas Cowboys fan! Dustin also likes to smoke meat/BBQ, and to do woodworking—he has built a magnificent custom table in their dining room. Collettee works as a realtor's assistant. Both like attending happy hours and eating wine/cheese charcuterie trays. Their kids and Dustin all participate in martial arts.

Greg and Zena Young: Greg and Zena met in high school (and even graduated together), then reconnected on Facebook and married. They have 3 children. Greg retired from manufacturing management. He likes to shoot guns and cook. He likes to be experimental when he cooks. He also likes spicy food. Greg also volunteers at a food pantry. Zena is a schoolteacher. Zena likes to spend her time in her art studio, painting and sculpting. One of their children likes to play soccer, shoot a BB gun, chew gum, and play/wrestle with Greg. Before COVID, Greg and Zena used to travel around the world. Nowadays they enjoy family time and eating out.



# Pets of the Month







"Maddie" (Domestic Longhair) (Boston Terrorist)



"Roxv" (St Bernard/Lab)



"Maggie"



(Carolina Dog) (Great Pyrenees/Mastiff)



#### **THE BULLETIN BOARD** {Your space for announcing stuff !}

(waiting for more submissions from the WOTC community...)

Send content submissions to: newsletter@wotchoa.com











What's an arguably better (and certainly cheaper) way to PUBLICLY say "HAPPY BIRTHDAY", "Thank You!", "I ♥ U" or "Happy Anniversary!" to someone LOCAL, than

by using one of the above, expensive, NON-LOCAL methods?

Instead, say it on your LOCAL WOTC HOA & Residents' newsletter Bulletin Board, for FREE !!! Just sayin'...



{Pix from our beautiful neighborhood! Photo Rules: Must have been taken within the WOTC boundaries, must have been taken within the last 3 years, must not be of the **Month** personal items (such as a vehicle), and a person or pet must not be the main subject)













2/20/23 Sunset Out the Window

3/10/22 Palm Tree 4/7/21 Front yard Butterfly 1/10/21 Frosted Flowers 3/1/23 Snake Intruder 3/24/22 Robin Guest















3/13/21 Blossoms

5/7/22 Hibiscus

8/4/22 Cicada Shell

5/6/22 Clematis

8/2/22 Frog Visitor

4/16/22 Hibiscus

12/22/22 Ladybug



# Recipe of the Month

The Ultimate St. Patrick's Day Casserole (by HolidayLambWorld-Cuisine)

Directions: (Time: 3 hours Yield: 4 servings) Ingredients: Lamb, Onions, Carrots, Tomato Paste, Butter, Step 1 - Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F. Mashed Potatoes, Tomato Paste, Cooking Oil,

Step 2 -In a large skillet over medium heat, heat the oil.

Chicken Stock, Dijon Mustard, Salt & Pepper

Step 3 -Add the onions and the carrots to the oil. Cook, stirring occasionally, until the onions are golden, about 5 mins.

Step 4 -Add the lamb to the veggie mixture and cook, while crumbling it, until it is no longer pink, about 5-7 minutes.

Step 5 -Add the tomato paste, the Dijon mustard, the chicken stock, the salt, and the pepper to the lamb mixture, reduce the heat, and simmer until the liquid has thickened and has mostly evaporated, about 15 minutes.

Step 6 -Spoon the lamb mixture into a 13x9-inch baking dish.

Step 7 -Spread the mashed potatoes on top of the lamb mixture and drizzle them with the butter.

Step 8 -Bake until the mashed potatoes have browned, about 50 minutes.





#### Jokes

- 1. I'm so afraid for the calendar. Its days are numbered.
- 2. What do you call a fish wearing a bowtie? "Sofishticated."
- 3. If April showers bring May flowers, what do May flowers bring? Pilgrims.
- 4. What do a tick and the Eiffel Tower have in common? They're both Paris sites.
- 5. I ordered a chicken and an egg from Amazon. I'll let you know which comes first.
- 6. Singing in the shower is fun, until you get soap in your mouth. Then it's a soap opera.
- 7. I thought the dryer was shrinking my clothes. Turns out, it was the refrigerator all along.
- 8. Why do fathers take an extra pair of socks when they go golfing? In case they get a hole in one!

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