



Update

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By Your Association:
Community of Nolan River Estates

Reflections

While 2018 begins to appear smaller in the rear view mirror, the impact of how much history, data, and “spirit of NRE”, Kurt and Michele Newman retained and reflected as they lived and worked among us all. Their recording, organizing and retention and their desire to perform their long-time volunteer responsibilities with care and excellence has been a model for each of us Board members and truly they have set the bar very high. As one grew to know Kurt and Michele on a deeper level it became clear that only one word “love” truly described the motivation behind their wide spread influence here in NRE. Love of their country, their community, and most importantly—their love for each and every member of NRE was the stuff of which every person dreams—but which eludes most of us in this time in history. They will be missed by all of us, but rest assured, they were and are involved in every aspect of the Board’s transition to insure a seamless transfer of duties and authority as they settle into their new life in North Fort Worth.

Despite the challenges of transition, much was addressed and accomplished last year including a detailed update to our NRE Bylaws, major re-staffing of the Board, developing committee chairs that are involved, conducting our garage sale, and working in a successful Fall Fest—all with the crucial help of many dedicated volunteers. All of us on the Board are beyond grateful for the support of the community and many volunteers who always seem to step up when the need arises.

As a Board we never forget that we only exist because of you and to serve you. We seek your prayers for wisdom and direction as we lead.

Board President, Jim Ely
817-675-3266



Since 1996

There were only about 30 homes in NRE in 1996 and there was a serious water availability problem; but we (Kurt & Michele Newman) fell in love with the place/ It was the right amount of land at the right price and a laid back HOA. We built the next year. Now there are 100 homes on the 118 lots within NRE.

Through the years, we’ve enjoyed making a lot of friends and we will dearly miss living in NRE. It has been a very rewarding journey. Our new address is 3401 Amador Dr., Apt 8302, Ft. Worth TX 76177. The new owners (the Biggs family) at 4844 Saint Leger Dr. (Rainbow Hill) will be an asset to the community. Our e-mail address will remain the same – mmnewman6@juno.com
Submitted by Kurt Newman



Assoc. Meeting Notice

Thursday, 17 January 2019

Rio Vista VFD Meeting Room - 7 P.M.

- I. Invocation
- II. Minutes
- III. Treasurer’s Report
- IV. Old Business
 - A. Special Purchases
 - B. Budget Report
 - C. Annual Report
- V. New Business
 - A. Property Ownership Update
 - B. Committee Reports
 - 1) Garage Sale
 - 2) Architecture
 - 3) Good Samaritan
 - 4) Animal Safety
 - 5) Community Clean Up
 - C. Budget Proposal
 - D. 2019 Officers Election
 - 1) Mary Stotler – Treasurer
 - 2) Chris Vidler – Corr Secretary
 - 3) Geneva Ely – Rec Secretary
 - E. 2019 Committee Chairs
 - F. 2019 Ideas for Goals
- VI. Open Discussion – General Topics

NRE Nominations – 2019 Officers

President – Jim Ely
Vice President – Volunteer Needed
Recording Secretary - Geneva Ely
Corresponding Secretary – Christine Vidler
Treasurer – Mary Stotler

Additional nominations are encouraged and may also be accepted at the January 2019 community meeting. Nominated individuals must be a current NRE owner willing to serve and current on HOA dues. Owners may nominate themselves for a position.

We really need and encourage new volunteers, please help support our wonderful community.

In The Know/What's Up?

We're always looking for information to add to our newsletter, so please help us out with this by sharing with us; special events, occasions, activities, etc.

Here are a few ideas on what to share:

Announcements: birth, adoption, death, engagement, wedding, anniversary, graduation, reunion, military, retirement, etc.

Awards: academic, sport, agriculture, club, business, military service, etc.

Please provide name (if they are a resident of NRE) and how they're related to the resident: son/daughter, parent/grandchild/grandparent/etc., and where they live within NRE-street only. Pictures may be included and shared as well.

R.C. McFall



NRE has been blessed to have had two outstanding Precinct Commissionaires since the HOA restarted in 1996. R.C. McFall, was the first of the two, when the community decided to adopt the 5 miles or roads within NRE. Walking into his office for the first time made me think I was seeing a miniature John Wayne. I gave our proposal, explaining what arrangement the community would like to make with the Precinct. He paused, for a pregnant minute and finally said, "Where have you been?" Not being sure of what he meant, after another minute, he added, "I've wanted to do that for a long time." It was the

beginning of a long and mutually rewarding relationship. "Mac" left us on October 13, 2018.

Submitted by: Kurt Newman

Oktoberfest & Trick-or-Treat Hayride Update



About 76 people had a great time at the Simmons home for the Oktoberfest this year. Five trailers were pulled this year for the trick-or-treaters. The Morris family on CR 1219 had another Carn-Evil haunted house and it was a stop for the trailers. The Association donated 150.00 for their fundraiser (Alzheimers Awareness). The kids and adults loved it. A special thanks to the Simmons for hosting the event, they also volunteered to host in 2019.

A special thank you to all that help volunteer for the event, Keith

Runnels, Blake Bourg, Rick Rodriguez, Eric Dumas, and Nathan James for pulling the trailers throughout all the stops. And, to all that donated their time with set up, grilling, games, and clean up, Chris Vidler, Geneva & Jim Ely, Michele Newman, Sean & Mary Stotler, and Bridgett Collup.

Newcomers

Timothy & CC Biggs moved into their new home at 4844 Saint Leger Dr., Cleburne TX 76033

Shooting Guns

Shooting guns within NRE is forbidden by the deed restrictions. The only exception is for self-preservation. Shooting a gun for fun within NRE is NOT permitted. Not only is it not allowed, it scares fellow neighbors.

2018 Ownership Dues

It's not too late to pay the 2018 dues of \$50.00. Here is a re-cap of dues received: 48 of the 95 owners paid dues or a 50.5% participation for the year. Please make dues payable to CNRE, mail to Mary Stotler, Treasurer @ 4320 St Leger Dr., Cleburne, TX 76033.

Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are still needed specifically for the following positions. Please contact any officer if you think you might be able to help.

Vice President

C.O.P. Program (Citizens on Patrol)

Host annual garage sale

Storage for Garage Sale Products/Items

Tech for Newsletter and Web Site

**DEER RESCUED BY NRE
RESIDENT**



Sean Stotler, a St Leger resident freed a deer from a fence that he/she was attempting to jump. Thank you for helping our wildlife around our community Sean.



Crime Watch

Saturday, December 15, 2018 property damage was done on Gold Cup to the green 911 sign, mailbox, and gate keypad. There were also numerous beer cans at the drive entrance into the gas well drive on the corner of Gold Cup and St Leger Dr., along with evidence of someone doing donuts in a pasture near St Leger. Camera and videos were reviewed, and a police report was filed.

In an unrelated incident, a Johnson County resident reported an incident near the intersection of CR 913 and CR

913B involving the reporting citizen and the driver of a white Camry. The Camry driver, a white male wearing a black rain jacket and black beanie attempted to flag down the reporting citizen who did not stop. This caused the Camry driver to speed up and tailgate the reporting driver. Following this, the Camry driver pulled far ahead, exited his car, and produced a small cal. automatic pistol which he pointed at the reporting driver although no shots were fired. Johnson County Sheriff's Officers have been alerted and have a description of both the car and the driver. JCSO reminds all drivers to be cautious of any unusual events similar to this or that might involve other attempts to signal a driver to leave the protection of their personal auto.

For security reasons, the nose neighbor is a good neighbor.

Classifieds



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House for Sale: 4181 S. Nolan River Road, 1,482 sf, 2 Bed, 2 Bath on 10 acres with outbuildings at \$360,000. (3)

House for Sale: 4940 S. Nolan River Road, 2,800 sf, 5 Bed, 3 Bath on 17.5 acre, at \$350,000. (2)

House for Sale: 4400 Saint Leger Dr., 5,376 sf, 4 Bed, 4 Bath, on 10 acre, at \$384,900. (2)

House for Sale: 3757 Preakness, 2967 sf, 4 Bed, 4 Bath on 5 acres, at \$359,000—**SOLD**

House for Sale: 4844 St. Leger, 3308 sf, 4 Bed, 2.5 Bath, Oversized Garage and Storage on 10 acres, at \$433,000—Sold

Important Phone #'s

Fire, Medical, Police Emergencies.....911

Johnson County Sheriff's Office
Non-Emergency.....817-556-6060

Crimestoppers.....1-800-794-8477

Wild Animal Sightings
Texas Parks & Wildlife.....817-202-5080

High Water, Bridge Issues, Burn Bans,
Road Damage or Debris
County Precinct #1.....817-645-0441

Digging Underground
Call Dig Tess.....1-800-344-8377

Electrical Outages
TXU.....1-888-313-4747
UCS (Co-op)..... 817-556-4000

Water Supply Issues
Southwest Water, aka
Monarch Utilities.....1-866-654-7992

Community COP's
Jim Ely.....817-675-3266

Not Sure? Contact any Board Member
at: www.nolanriverestates.com or
email: nrecommunity@juno.com.

Routine Stuff

Let Chris know if you see a mistake or if published information is unclear.

New Phone Number or email address?
Please let Chris know at 817-648-2086
or cvidler59@gmail.com.

Assn. Meeting Minutes - The minutes of Association meetings are available on line at nolanriverestates.com. A hard copy of the minutes is mailed only to owners who request a hard copy.

Community Cleanup - The next community cleanup is Saturday, **12** January. Please contact Shelly Johnson at 817-897-8751 or email her at shellrj00@yahoo.com for details.

Twig Girdler Beetles

No doubt you have noticed the often dead—occasionally not—limb ends littering your lawn around the base of most tree's canopy here in Johnson County. 2018 was a banner year for this grayish beetle, with long antennae, and a face reminding one of a grass hopper. The photo below reveals a most vivid reminder that this creature, aka *Oncideres cingulate* has come to use and abuse the largest trophy in most prized landscapes. Note the classic notching around the small branch ends. Also noted in the photo is the precision of the notch this beetle cuts in its signature circular fashion. The notch, may lead one to presume the damage



could have been made by a genetically engineered miniature beaver, causing the limb end to detach, usually in periods of windy conditions. The beetle mates and deposits its eggs in the woody part of the limb end to overwinter. With a ready food supply for the larvae, summer will start the cycle all over again from August to October. While extension agents are stingy on recommendations for sprays, the best advice for control is likely the least costly—pick up the fallen branches often and burn or bag them. This writer has had this infestation in 2018 here in NRE but has witnessed its affects as far East as the Tyler area.

Opening of New CHS Spring 2019



Front View of New CHS

On Monday January 7, the students of CHS returned to a new high school erected on the site of their former Alma Mater which had been repurposed and rebuilt to become a Career Technology Education Facility. The \$224 million bond package approved by Cleburne voters in 2016 funded the above listed projects as well as the following projects already slated or presently in work:

- Renovate fine arts and athletic venues
- Renovate Cook and Coleman Elementary Schools
- Fund campus technology improvements

Current workflow projections show a completion of final stages in January of 2020.



View of CHS Library

Littering

It's unsightly, it's unsanitary, it's costly and by the way folks,
IT'S ILLEGAL!

Please don't litter and please take note of those who do.

Pipeline Progress

All of us in NRE have driven over the mud and mess of the construction of the new gas pipeline being installed by Troy which commenced early last spring. It is no secret that they, like many weather dependent firms, are running substantially behind on the completion of the pipeline install through NRE. During the last phone call to Troy, we were assured that as soon as all pipes are laid, welded, and buried, their land reclamation and seeding operations would reach out to each household and individual property affected. Their right of way crews took videos of each impacted property before the install and each property affected would be brought back to its previous condition.

Johnson County Animal Shelter Campaign

If you are interested in helping in the grass roots efforts to secure permission and funding to build and operate the county's own animal shelter please contact: Marcea Haubert at 817-774-5980 or 817-558-9537. Her email is as follows: jomarhaubert@gmail.com.

The Lighter Side

Are you aware of the young man who was diagnosed as a dyslectic, agnostic, insomniac? Symptomatically, he lay awake at night wondering if there was a dog.

IT'S NO JOKE!—MOWED PROPERTIES HAVE A POSITIVE IMPACT ON EVERY COMMUNITY RESIDENT IN NRE.