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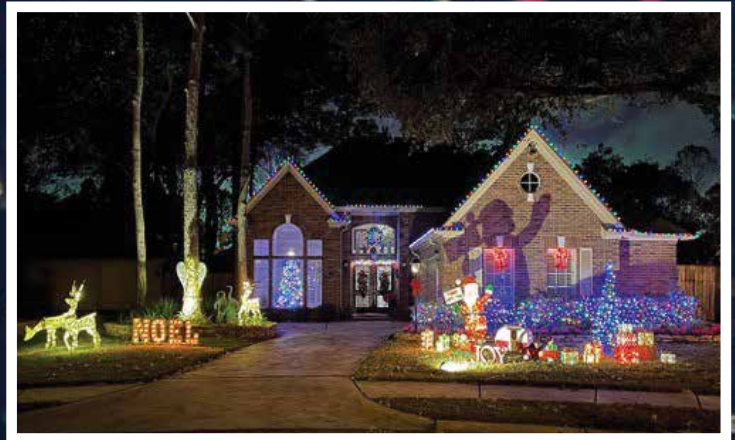
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Texas Department of Public Safety Crime Service

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..... <http://hcmud261.com/HCMUD261/Index.htm>

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To submit an article for consideration please email it to Lynn.Collins@garygreene.com. The deadline is the 7th of the month prior to the issue.

WHAT IS A HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION?

Lynn Collins

Homestead exemptions are granted by the county appraisal district where the property is located. The exemption reduces a homeowner's property tax bill by removing part of the home's value from taxation. All Texas homeowners can apply for a General Residence Homestead Exemption for their primary residence. Other exemptions are available to homeowners who are over 65, Veterans or disabled and require the same application process.

WHO QUALIFIES?

These requirements must be met to receive the exemption:

1. You may now apply as soon as you close on your home, which is new for 2022 and the result of legislative action for the State of Texas. Prior to 2022, a homeowner had to wait until the following year to apply.
2. You must own your home and it must qualify as a residence on January 1st of the year for

which you are applying. Over 65, veteran's and disability exemptions have additional requirements. To be a qualifying residence, the home must be complete and habitable on January 1st. A new home under construction would not meet this standard and would not qualify until the following year.

3. You may only claim one property in Texas at a time as homestead.

4. Only individual homeowners (not corporations or other entities) may receive a homestead exemption. Family Trusts may qualify. Check with the local appraisal district for requirements.

5. A homestead can be a house, condominium or a manufactured home. It can include up to 20 acres, if the land is also owned by the homeowner and used as a yard or for another purpose related to the residential use of the home.

HOW DO HOMEOWNERS APPLY?

1. Complete the APPLICATION FOR RESIDENTIAL HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION (available on the websites of most county appraisal districts, or at the Texas Comptroller's website at <http://comptroller.texas.gov/taxinfo/taxforms/50-114.pdf>)

2. Include a copy of your DRIVER'S LICENSE or IDENTIFICATION CARD from the Texas Department of Public Safety at www.txdps.state.tx.us. The address MUST MATCH the homestead address. Are you filing in Harris County? Search your APP store for the HCAD APP. This is a simple and quick way to file your homestead. For more information, contact your local county appraisal district office, or visit <http://comptroller.texas.gov/taxinfo/proptax/exemptions.html>.



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“How Beautiful”

I thought, as I Approached the Plant Basket of Rich Red Flowers Sitting on a Table at a Farmer’s Market.

I HAD to know what they were, as I had never seen them before!

Next to the flowers was a large tea container with the same rich color liquid as the flowers. Anything that dark and rich looking MUST be healthy and with many benefits.

Here’s what I learned:

The farmer explained it was ROSELLE, the plant that is used to make Hibiscus Tea. My husband and I purchased a dozen of the flowers and took them promptly home to brew our own tea. I can say it is much richer tasting than using a Hibiscus tea bag. This was the real deal!

I was right. Anything with that bright red color is a good source of nutrients. The flowers are very rich in antioxidants and provide many vitamins and minerals.

Some of the many benefits are:

* Cools you down and eliminates thirst. Many sports drinks add hibiscus flowers for that very reason. However, those drinks often contain lots of corn syrup or other unhealthy sweeteners. So why not make our own drink?

* The farmer did tell me it can lower blood pressure. Good research can be found supporting that claim.

* Helps to Make Our Bones and Teeth Strong: Thanks to the calcium that Hibiscus flowers contain. It has also been reported to reduce tingling in the hands and feet as well as numbness.

* Improves Our Immune System...ah, the power of vitamin C!!!

There are many other reported positive benefits such as: helps fight nasty viruses, improves blood flow, helps to regulate sugar level, helpful in fighting cancer when combined with chemotherapy and decreases alcohol absorption rates.

Please do your research if you think Hibiscus Flowers could be beneficial to your health regime. Hopefully you can find these flowers. There is SO much power in being our own advocates. Keeping our immune system healthy has never been as important as it is now. Let’s feed our cells the healthiest and most natural foods we can as we are as healthy as our cells.

NOTE: All true roselle plants—which might be known locally as rosella, red sorrel, Florida cranberry or Jamaica sorrel—are hibiscus plants, but not all hibiscus plants are roselle.

Take good care all....

Sincerely, Donna Konopka

SILVERFISH

Usually, silverfish are not seen by homeowners because they are nocturnal and are most active at night. They can commonly be found in attics, closets or near bookcases. They may also be found behind baseboards or around door and window casings. Silverfish feed on starchy foods like paper, flour, oats or glue and can eat and stain books, fabrics, food and wallpaper. Even though silverfish can cause damage, they are usually considered more of a nuisance than a pest.

Silverfish are wingless insects with flattened, elongated, carrot-shaped bodies with three long “tails” that come off the tip (or pointy end) of the abdomen. The body is covered with fine scales that give them a silver sheen. Immatures look just like the adults but are smaller in size.

TIPS FOR MANAGING SILVERFISH:

- Remove old books, papers & magazines.
- Store items in sealed, plastic bags or plastic containers with tight-fitting lids.
- Clean closets on a regular basis- vacuum and/or sweep floors and wipe down any shelves.
- Reduce humidity with fans, air conditioning or dehumidifiers.
- Repair any water leaks.
- Inspect all items before bringing them into the house.
- Target treatments to where silverfish live - wall voids, closets, attics, behind baseboards etc.

For more information or help with identification, contact Wizzie Brown, Texas AgriLife Extension Service Program Specialist at 512.854.9600.

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