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## Fiesta Especial in the City of Windcrest

### Saturday, April 21, 2018

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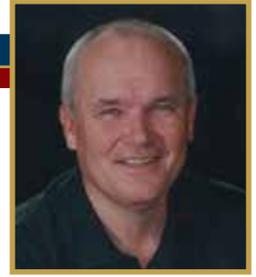


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# Mayor's Message



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As I write we are hopefully ending a season of flu and colds, as one who rarely gets sick, the experience I had with a flu like illness was not pleasant.

On January 21, 2018, the City received four petitions, per our charter, the petitions were certified on January 29, 2018. Three of the petitions were regarding recall. As of this writing, it is unclear when the recall items will be voted on. One of the petitions was a referendum petition that is authorized in Article VII in the Windcrest Home Rule Charter. That referendum reads:

"Shall the creation of the Windcrest Volunteer Bugle Crew be repealed and cancellation of the fire protection agreement between the Windcrest Fire Department and the Windcrest Volunteer Fire Department Bugle Crew be mandated"

The Council passed an ordinance setting a special election on the referendum for May 5, 2018, a uniform election date in the City of Windcrest.

The City Staff, the Council and myself have spent a lot of energy on the petitions. This is a right of all citizens and we support their rights and are committed to upholding them. That being said, the City Charter is in need of some clarifications and I would like to see a group committed to review and possible amendments. If you are interested in participating please reach out to me, I will begin the necessary actions to proceed.

In the November election, we received some feedback from the citizens on streets. There is no question that we are in need of repairs to our streets. The questions will be of priority and how the repairs are paid for. We will be seeking citizen participation in these issues. I have asked the city manager to get some guidance as to the best way to proceed. If you would like to participate in review and recommendation of the street repairs and funding please contact me or the City Manager via email with your interest and contact information.

We want to encourage citizen participation in all aspects of the life of the city. As on now, if you are interested in participating, the process is unclear. We will be developing a more structured system to identify who would like to participate and what they would like to do. As we develop this, please refer to our website and Facebook for more timely information.

*Dan Reese, Mayor*

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# POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS

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

## Safety at the Pump!

Being prepared should be a way of life...at home, at work and even while refueling your vehicle. To keep you safe not only from a criminal act but from other factors as well. Criminals work hard daily to perfect their illegal skills! They look for every opportunity and they size up every potential victim! They look for easy opportunities at the fuel pumps, such as, purses or wallets left on the front seat and doors unlocked. These crimes occur while you are busy refueling, a criminal drives up, opens the passenger door, grabbing your property and fleeing. Refueling your vehicle can be dangerous; however, here are a few safety tips that will help to keep you safe!



- Keep your vehicle locked at all times while refueling.
- Keep valuables (purses, wallets, etc.), out of sight.
- Be aware of your surroundings before you exit your vehicle and especially while refueling.

- If possible, never let your fuel fall below a half tank. If you wait until your fuel is on empty, you leave yourself no safe alternatives.
- Focus on refueling and your surroundings...360 degrees, leave other business until you are back in your vehicle and secured.
- Use well-traveled and service stations or convenience stores.
- Never leave your keys in the vehicle or in the ignition.
- Never use cell phones while refueling.
- Beware of credit card skimmers at the pump.
- Never get back into your vehicle while filling it with gas. If you absolutely must get in your vehicle while the gas is pumping, make sure you get out, close the door **TOUCHING THE METAL**, before you ever pull the nozzle out. This way the static from your body will be discharged before you ever remove the nozzle. It is the vapors that come out of the fuel that cause the fire, when connected with static charges.

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## Mayor Pro-Tem

**Jim Shelton** Place #3-jshelton@windcrest-tx.gov

Business goes on—The City Council passed an ordinance to return to the once a month REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS on the 3rd Monday of each month. If the 3rd Monday should fall on a Holiday, that month's regular meeting will be on the following Monday. Special Council Meetings may be called if necessary.



More importantly-talks continue concerning the Spring Brook Senior Living Development-Windcrest LLC. The 300 page study and analysis is now projecting a nearly \$160 MILLION investment from the development company. Of course ventures such as this (like Rackspace) will require financial incentives. Of all of the people I have heard and talked to only one, I repeat only one has been against this project. The opposition was against the developer, not against the concept. I have personally met with the major principles from Chicago-at their request. I believe we have a golden opportunity to create something of lasting benefit for our city.

It's time that we all work for the betterment of Windcrest.

*Jim Shelton*  
Mayor Pro Tem

## Councilmember Frank Archuleta

Place#4 - farchuleta@windcrest-tx.gov



As a newly elected official and a lifelong learner it is incumbent upon me to meet your expectations. To this end, I have been engaged in a aggressive educational plan. I have completed a three (3) hour web-based training course on the "Anatomy of a Commercial Building" and one (1) course on "The Six Secrets to Construction Success". When representing the City of Windcrest in a commercial transaction, knowledge in building structure and systems is vital. I requested and received a scholarship to attend "Newly Elected Officials Training." I learned some basics for my job description and was able to network with some outstanding peers throughout the state. Finally, I attended the 2018 Annual Traffic Exposition. I attended the one (1) day training opportunity that was free to public officials. The training I selected was in roadway evaluation and database systems available for road safety. There were no expenses incurred to the City of Windcrest for my training, including vehicle parking. I thank you for your trust and I will continue to grow my knowledge base to better serve Windcrest.



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## Councilmember James McFall

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Many thanks to Fire Chief Jonathan Weidemann who has the highest qualifications, training, experience, and education than any other Fire Chief in the history of Windcrest.

Chief Weidemann and the Bugle Crew Association have implemented positive changes in the Fire Department that have brought it to high moral and ethical standards.

Under the leadership of Chief Weidemann, the Bugle Crew Association raised \$30,176.61 from December 9th through 26th during the Fill The Boot.

TRANSPARENCY and ACCOUNTABILITY of their finances are what the citizens of Windcrest are asking for and deserve from our Fire Department.

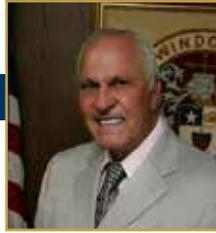
I am hopeful that our newly-elected Mayor, Dan Reese, and newly-elected council, will work with us and support the progress that has been made with the new Association-Bugle Crew. Thank you for your continued support.

James McFall

# Councilmember

## Gerd E. Jacobi

Place#1- gjacobi@windcrest-tx.gov



First of all I am so glad to see that we still have a Newsletter. Now let's get into the month of March. March is a perfect month to start going on short and or long excursions. Walk around one of our parks and see the different type of wildlife that has made our parks their home. I walk around the park that is close to my house at least twice a day. Unfortunately I only see, maybe, two to four people walking with their dogs enjoying our parks. I guess people are too busy to enjoy the outdoors. I am fortunate that I am retired and able to enjoy my life a little bit more.

Every day we are confronted with so many problems in our lives and you know before you know it you are gone. Enjoy your life while you can stress is one of the main reasons for bad health and physical discomfort, so if at all possible try to avoid stress.

By the way if you look up Ordinance #2016-618E(0), it amended Ordinance #2016-618D(0), which was enacted on May 2, 2016 by changing the commencement time of regular City Council meetings to 6PM. Again as always if you have any positive ideas for the future of our city, please contact me. Enjoy your month of March.

# Councilmember

## Joan Pedrotti

Place#5- jpedrotti@windcrest-tx.gov



I think it is wonderful that CM Shelton reached out and thanked all the people and Organizations that assisted with this year's light up. And I agree 100% that it was amazing. The Women's Club does so much to make this the centerpiece of our City of Lights. I can assure you that the light up chairman has a daunting job, but the result is so awe inspiring it is worth all the effort. Next year will be the 60th Annual Light Up and I hope everyone will join me in my proposal to dedicate it to Ms. Barbee Winn the wonderful woman who began this great tradition.

I also applaud CM Jacobi in his heartfelt support of the volunteerism in our great City. I am thankful to he and his wife and everyone else that offers their time and support to the many great organizations in this City. Unfortunately, I do not believe politics belong in our city newsletter. I strongly believe that the governing of our city belongs in council chambers where it is our sworn duty to follow the laws set forth in the Windcrest Charter. I told each and every one of you that is what I would do if elected, and I believe I have kept that promise.

I would like to thank everyone for their faith in our city and the out pouring of support I have received from our community. Most importantly, I would like to thank every citizen who has come to our council meetings and watched the live stream. The future of our city is in the strength and integrity of our citizens.

# City Secretary News, Kelly Rodriguez

krodriguez@windcrest-tx.gov

During the month of January the Mayor and Council passed some Resolutions you may be interested in.

### Resolution

2018-654(R), authorizing the creation of a "Safe Exchange Zone" at the Windcrest City Hall to help and assist citizens to safely broker transactions with strangers.

2018-655(R), authorizing the purchase of eCitation Mobile Electronic citation equipment and accessories, from Tyler Technologies for a total price of \$58,648.00.

2018-656(R), authorizing the purchase of one (1) 2017 Chevrolet Caprice PPV (Police Package), from Caldwell Country Chevrolet for a total price of \$37,320.00.

## VFDP

The Windcrest Volunteer Fire Department has reached out and retained the services of a Fire Service Consultant to look over all aspects of the department in preparation for Insurance Services Offices (ISO) evaluation. FTC Services currently looking at our fire departments apparatus, equipment, training, staffing/personnel, call types, building types, water supply and community demographics so an effective plan can be made to prepare for the evaluation and provide the highest level of protection for our citizens. On a scale of 1 – 10 with 1 being the best, our current ISO rating is 2.

One of the members of our organization is a member of the Southwest Texas Regional Advisory Council (STRAC) and Texas Task Force 1 Swiftwater Rescue Teams. He recently attended additional Rope Rescue recertification class. His participation on these teams is a huge benefit for the department and community.

The Windcrest Fire Marshal has been diligently performing inspection on businesses in the community. He generally performs approximately 10 inspections and re-inspections daily when on duty. These inspections make the City of Windcrest a safer place and assists in keeping insurance rates down.



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The Windcrest citizens' patrol hopes all Windcrest residents had a happy, safe, and secure holiday season. The WCP thanks the efforts of our Windcrest police department for maintaining our city as a safe place to live.

We would like to recognize one of our volunteers who has invested more than 35 years as a Windcrest Citizens Patrol member - Marshall Branzell is retiring. Mr. Branzell states it has been a pleasure and a privilege to have served in this capacity in the City where he and his family have enjoyed living for almost half a century. We all wish the best to him and appreciate his dedication and commitment to volunteering in Windcrest.

Come join the WCP. You can pick-up an application at the police department or through one of the WCP captains whose names and contact information appear on the back of the Windcrest newsletter.

**Col. Henry M. Berman CPT/Coordinator of the WCP**

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*From the Desk of*  
**TOM GARCIA**  
Director of Public Works  
tgarcia@windcrest-tx.gov

This has been a banner year for leaf collections. The amount of leaves that fell this year seemed to be the most ever. Lucky for us, we have the new street sweeper that is doing a fantastic job keeping streets clean of all debris. We want to give special thanks to **Chris Estes** for doing an outstanding job as our sweeper operator. Keep up the good work Chris.

We also want to give the below information on 2018 Curb side pick-up to put on your calendars.

- May21 - June8, 2018
- September24 - October12, 2018

These are the scheduled dates for 2018 curb side pick-up. The zones will go in numerical order of 1 through 3.

More information will be shared as we get closer to the date. As usual please keep informing us about issues that may occur in our city. Extra eyes in our community are always a good thing.

Many Thanks,  
Tom Garcia / Windcrest P.W. Director

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR AND RECYCLE YOUR BOOKS, CDS, & DVDS W/NBB DRIVE THRU USED BOOK COLLECTION

**Saturday, March 17, 2018**

**10AM - 12 PM**

**Windcrest City Hall Parking Lot**

Bridge Builders will be collecting gently used books, CDs, and DVDs to support area PTAs/PTSAs. Collected items will be sold by these groups at the NEISD Council of PTAs Annual Used Book Sale on April 6,7, and 8, 2018 at Blossom Athletic Center. Paperback books sell for 50 cents and hard back books, CDs, and DVDs sell for \$1.00. There will be Bonus bag sales on the final day.

W/NBB will have collection boxes in the Windcrest administrative office and Post Office areas from Monday, March 12 through Friday, March 16, 2018. Then on Saturday, March 17, 2018 items will be collected in the Windcrest City Hall Parking Lot from 10AM - 12PM. Contact W/NBB to have items picked up.



# ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

## WEDC Promoting StoreFront Improvement Program

The Windcrest Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) is encouraging local businesses in need of a facelift to apply for a matching grant from our Storefront and Streetscape Improvement Program. Through our local Business Retention and Expansion (BRE) efforts we are improving the appearance of commercial areas while at the same time improving pedestrian and customer experience. WEDC will match 50% of a business's investment up to \$9,999 to improve signage, street level appearance and the building facade.



The WEDC board has authorized \$60,000 for this year to assist in this effort to revitalize commercial areas and leverage private investment in Windcrest. The applicant must be a property owner or business tenant of a street level business with a street front presence and access. If the applicant is a business tenant, the business will need to have the property owner's consent for the proposed improvements and must have been established in Windcrest for at least 12 months.

Eligible business types include most retail and service operations and the expenses that can be covered by the grant include labor, design and material costs. Projects are reviewed on a competitive basis, subject to budget availability and must meet all state and local laws and regulations. For more information please contact Jessica Butler at 210-612-2789 or email her at [jbutler@windcrest-tx.gov](mailto:jbutler@windcrest-tx.gov).

The Windcrest Economic Development Corporation is looking to fill a vacant Board position. The candidate must be a resident of Windcrest and have general community or business experience. For more information you can contact the EDC Coordinator Jessica Butler at (210) 612-2789. If interested in participating as a member of the EDC Board, please send your resume electronically by March 23, 2018 to [jbutler@windcrest-tx.gov](mailto:jbutler@windcrest-tx.gov) or mail to 8601 Midcrown Dr Windcrest TX 78239.

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## Cub Scout Pack 8541

Congratulations to our own Council Member, Mr. Frank Archuleta, for his award from the VFW honoring his support of Cub Scout Pack 8541.



## ★ ★ ★ ★ CODE ★ ★ ★ ★ ENFORCEMENT UNIT



Happy Spring Season everyone and wishing all a joyful month. I hope everyone is excited with our beautiful weather even with spring cleaning time upon us again! Keep in mind... this weather will help to make grass, weeds and vegetation grow quickly. Take advantage of the weather to prepare for removal of materials you may have ready for disposal, taking advantage of the spring curb side brush pick-up. Most importantly...do not put items out too early! Please inquire regarding your scheduled neighborhood date for pick-up. Don't forget to clean your alley by cutting the vegetation, grass and weeds behind your property fence and the tree branches that are hanging low over City streets; this not only helps our sanitation trucks, but greatly assists first responders with access to the alleys with no issues, helping to insure quick and safe emergency response. Please clean and maintain your swimming pool and keep checking your property maintenance...help us to keep the City of Windcrest looking beautiful and vibrant.

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 me an email thru the link provided within code enforcement site located on my page.



This month the Windcrest CERT Team would like to remind you of the website that offers a wealth of information on preparing your family for disaster. This sight has a wealth of information for you to reference. Also, in the event that you are displaced from your home, there may not be availability of food in the grocery stores, and depending on the conditions, restaurants may not be able to open, so what do you do? Visit [www.preparewith.com](http://www.preparewith.com) to purchase a 72 hour food supply for sale at \$10 per person. For a 2 Week food supply that lasts for 25 years for \$67 per person, visit [www.preparewithlars.com](http://www.preparewithlars.com) In Your Kit You'll Receive Meals sealed in military-grade mylar, affordable & easy to prepare meals, tasty food grown & packed in the U.S.A.

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# WCID #10

WCID Board of Directors approved the sale of water to the new Wash Tub that is being built in Windcrest.

The District General Manager was given authority to locate and get bids from IT Companies and make a recommendation to the Board. The IT Company will create a new District website that will allow the Water District to better communicate information to customers and to be more user friendly.

The Board approved the purchase and installation of bullet proof safety glass to be installed in the District Office. It is unfortunate that this is necessary to protect our employees, but the national climate now makes it advisable to do so.

A new agreement with the City concerning Windcrest Fire Hydrants was adopted by the Board. The new agreement will ensure that Fire Hydrants will be tested regularly, repaired and outfitted with quick connect equipment which will help guarantee that there is a better chance to save lives and property if there is a fire at a residence or business.

A new rate structure was passed. New rates were required to make necessary water and sewer infrastructure repairs as well as to keep up with operating expenses. We are still below the average in this area for water rates. The bill at the end of March will reflect the new rates.

The District Policy and Procedures Manual that was completely revised was adopted by the Board.

The Board approved a committee to interview perspective bond council and a Special Meeting January 29th at 11AM to approve a bond council.

Sue Alexander,  
President, WCID #10 Board of Directors  
salexanderbcwcid10@gmail.com



We are looking to open our season on March 3, 2018. Please come out to support the players and wish them the best of luck for a great season!

Your Windcrest Little League Board of Directors is still selling seats for the 2018 Battle of Flowers and Fiesta Flambeau parades. Tickets are \$12 each and are located in a prime area on S. Alamo near E. Commerce. This year's Battle of Flowers Parade will serve as one of several events celebrating San Antonio's Tricentennial and is sure to be fun for the whole family. Please purchase your parade tickets from us by contacting Christie Ramos at christieramos0512@gmail.com.

In our continued efforts of making upgrades to our facilities and equipment we have revamped our sponsorship and donation opportunities. The city is planning to help with costs, but we need to raise our own funds to purchase and replace old baseball/softball equipment, replace field maintenance equipment, and continue to maintain our fields. We have a variety of sponsorship and donation opportunities including team sponsorships. Visit our website or call our sponsor hotline at 210-646-1611 for additional information.

Your Windcrest Little League Board of Directors includes:

President: Aaron Garcia

Vice President: Mike Garner

Player Agent: Stanley Flowers

Secretary: Gracie Garcia

Concession Manager: Jackie Garner

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Communications Officer: AnnaMarie Ramsey

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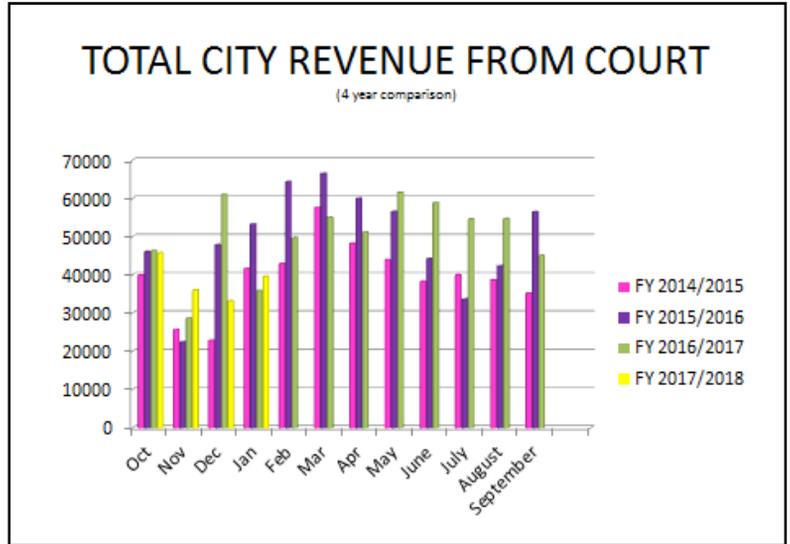


## Child Passenger Safety Seat Systems

In the Transportation Code, Sec. 545.412 CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY SEAT SYSTEMS; OFFENSE a person commits an offense if a person operates a passenger vehicle, transports a child who is younger than eight years of age, unless the child is taller than four feet, nine inches, and does not keep the child secured during the operation of the vehicle in a child passenger safety seat system according to the instructions of the manufacturer of the safety seat system. An offense under this section is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not less than \$25 and not more than \$250. Buckle up the children!

## TOTAL CITY REVENUE FROM COURT

Here is a 4 year comparison chart of the money collected from fines and fees. For more information please contact Kelly Rodriguez, Assistant Court Administrator at (210)655-0022 ext 2150 or krodriguez@windcrest-tx.gov.



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# Women's Club News

Lois Wooton

Old Bag Luncheon is 15 March, 11a.m. to 3p.m. at the Windcrest Civic Center. Our professional auctioneer makes this a really exciting event! Make your reservation today by calling Dorothy Ferrell, 210-656-1625. Cost is only \$15. This special event is our major fundraiser to support local community service projects. For more information, contact Community Service Committee chair, Kathy Littlefield, 210-654-0534.

**Look, it's not too late!**  
**RSVP for Old Bag Luncheon**  
 Call **210-656-1625** Before 15 March

UPDATE!! On Wednesday, 28 March, 10a.m. in the Civic Center. Our speaker is Dr. Dacia Rapier, MD. Dr. Rapier is a radiologist who will speak about women's health. She believes in treating the mind and the body by working to decrease anxiety. You'll not want to miss this interesting speaker.



Dr. Dacia Rapier will speak on "Women's Health at the 28 March coffee at the Civic Center 10a.m.-1p.m."

Save these April dates: Spring Social is 6 April, 6-10 p.m. at Civic Center. Make your reservations now: call Dorothy Ferrell, 210-656-1625. On 25 April, the Honorable Judge Lisa Jarrett will speak at our 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. coffee.

6 April, 6-10pm  
**RSVP NOW**  
**Spring!**  
 Social

Want to be a member? Just fill out the form below and send to: Windcrest Women's Club, 549 Crestway, Windcrest TX 78239 along with a check for \$20 or bring it to any meeting. Remember Windcrest Women's Club is a 501c3 Non-Profit organization and your donations are tax exempt?

Complete and mail to: Windcrest Women's Club, 549 Crestway Dr, Windcrest TX 78239 Make checks payable to: Windcrest Women's Club

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

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As part of our 2 April meeting, we will gather at the Civic Center at 9:30a.m. to vote for our 2018-19 officers. This is PRIOR carpooling at 10a.m. to Bishop Jones Center to hear Marjorie George speak.



Our Spring plant sale is on 14 April at the Windcrest Methodist Church grounds on Midcrown Drive. Come Yard Award Judging starts the end of April; so you won't want to miss this opportunity to find the perfect plants to replace those lost in this winter's cold weather. Also, remember, proceeds go toward community service projects.

It's not too early to make your reservation for 7 May Installation /Appreciation luncheon by calling Marilyn Welch (210-654-1500) or Marji Gentet (210-313-6659). The event will be held at the beautiful Woodward Mansion on San Pedro. Cost is \$25. You don't want to miss out on this fun event.



A great turn-out on 5 February to hear our own Jamie Whitfield share the long history of Guerrilla Gardening and "how to" tips for us to join the fun. Many of us were reminded of Lady Bird Johnson's campaign to bring back Texas wildflowers to our highway medians.

Don't miss out on the fun! Just complete the form below and send it to the address on the form along with your check for \$15.00 or bring it with you to our next meeting. Watch the Windcrest Newsletter for more updates.

**WINDCREST GARDEN CLUB MEMBERSHIP FORM**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse Name: \_\_\_\_\_

(I'm renewing my membership: NO INFO CHANGE \_\_\_)

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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# WINDCREST ANIMAL CARE & CONTROL UNIT

Officers A. Fuentes and M. Gonzales



As spring approaches in Windcrest, wildlife will be looking for mates, particularly skunks! March is mating season and that's why their signature smell is so common at this time. Used as a defense, skunks spray each other when competing for a mate or when unreceptive to courting attempts. Skunks are non-aggressive, gentle animals that do not spray other species unless provoked. Skunks prefer to stamp their paws signaling their fear in lieu of spraying. Skunks are beneficial to humans, dining on insects, mice, and baby rats, but go unappreciated due to their poor reputation.

We have recently received some complaints regarding feral-community cats. The City of Windcrest TNR Program is in place to help maintain and control the population of the stray and feral cats in the city. TNR programs have proven to be vital to many cities by cutting down on the overpopulation of these cats. The colonies are no longer able to produce offspring, so the colony will not grow in great numbers. It also prevents other stray or feral cats from coming into an area that is already colonized. Healthy cat colonies also assist in keeping the rodent and insect populations down. Overpopulation can sometimes be a problem but here are few ways you can help decrease this growing number:

- Spay and neuter your cat
- Foster or adopt
- Education is an important part of prevention so spread the word

If you have any questions or concerns about the program or want to volunteer, please contact the Animal Care and Control Unit by calling the Windcrest Police Department at (210) 655-2666.

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# WINDCREST ANIMAL CONTROL TASK FORCE

- Pam Dodson

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A big thank you to our community for the support of our pet immunization clinics in January and February.

Your support makes the planning and all the work, worthwhile.

It is the time where you will be seeing little ones appear...baby birds, baby wildlife, puppies and yes, kittens. Please do not remove kittens from an area just because you don't see mom. She is probably out there looking for food. Help her by placing some food where you see the young, then call us and we will make every effort to try to trap the family. We try to wait until the kittens are eating the food because trapping is a lot easier. We can then trap them all, spay mom and try to socialize the kittens for adoption. If you find puppies, call animal control and he will make every effort to trap the whole family and take them into his care.



Remember to pick up after your dog...is the number one complaint for animal control in our city....really???

Yep, and you can be ticketed for it.



March Madness!

March into Spring!

March wearin' the Green!

Stop Marching and come PLAY golf.

Windcrest Women's Golf would love to meet lady golfers of all levels. Thursdays 9AM tee time at Windcrest Golf Club.

Mary  
210-608-9645

# FIESTA ESPECIAL



**REGALIA:** The emblems or insignia of royalty, especially the crown, scepter, and other ornaments used at a coronation.



Break out your royal garb for this run and parade in the City of Windcrest on Saturday, April 21st from 8am – 12pm! Food, Fun, Festival, Games, Activities, and more will be available in the City Hall parking lot. Participate by walking, running, rolling, riding, or sitting out front to watch the parade go by!

We'll provide the crown and you bring the rest and race to the finish line in all your Fiesta® Regalia.

All of the festivities begin in the heart of the City at City Hall and then spread out around the Golf Course and winding through the neighborhoods. Household along the route are encouraged to display your Fiesta Spirit to earn the 2018 Fiesta® Spirit Award! Points are given for Fiesta® décor, the number of people in your lawn, and the amount of cheering for the runners and parade.

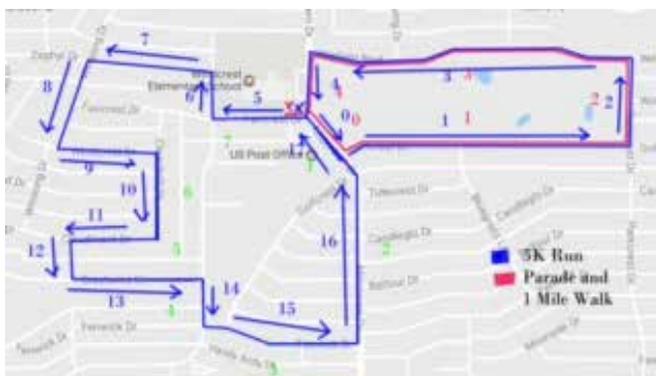


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The 2018 Fiesta Especial Run is an inclusive run featuring divisions for individuals using wheelchairs, adaptive mobility devices, sighted guides, power chairs, riders, incumbent bikes and more with staggered starting times!

Don't much care for walking or running? We've got an option for you too! Register for the Virtual Marathon and bowl, weight-lift, hula-hoop, or aerobicize your way around the 26 Mile route. Challenge your friends to join!

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# Bexar County Master Gardener Events

*Pat Brown, Certified Texas Master Gardener*

Did you know Bexar County Master Gardeners is the largest Master Gardener organization in Texas with 300 Certified members? Master Gardeners serve under Texas Department of Agriculture and are overseen by Texas A&M AgriLife Extension. Education to the public is our mandate. This is our second Cultivate. The event is planned for each Fall and Spring.

All Master Gardener Events are family oriented.

**Spring Blooms – Saturday, March 10, 2018 8am-2pm.** San Antonio Water System Parking Lot. 2800 N HWY 281 at Mulberry. SA, TX. Free Admission.

Various plants for sale by SA Organizations: Bexar County Master Gardeners, Herb Society, Master Naturalists, Men's Garden Club.

Freebies from vendors selling gardening supplies. Food Truck. Bexar County Master Gardeners will be answering your questions and selling the 2018 Rodeo tomato Sunfire, which is heat setting. Plus, new Texas Superstar plants developed by Texas A&M AgriLife Extension. Some hanging baskets will be available.



**Converse Green Day – Saturday, March 17, 2018.** Rain day is March 24th. 10am-2pm. 900 South Seguin Road, 78109. Free Admission.

Garden. Workshops, food trucks, children's activities, FREE plants from CPS while supplies last.

Pat Brown will Chair the Master Gardeners at their station.

Please email galore438@att.net with any questions.



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Municipal Court	Mar 6, 13, 20	4:00 p.m.	Water District	Mar 15	6:30 p.m.
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