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Waterwood Neighborhood News

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THE WNN FOR A LAUGH OR TWO!

Info at a Glance

CALENDAR

- INDEPENDENCE DAY 07/04
- WATERWOOD 4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION AND FIREWORKS! 07/06 (MORE INFO PAGES 7-10 WNN)
- COMMISSIONERS' COURT 07/10 9AM
- WIA MEETING 07/15 9AM
- MUD MEETING 07/19 3PM
- COMMISSIONERS' COURT 07/24 9AM

SAVE THE DATE!

- TRIVIA NIGHT 08/09 6PM
- WOMEN'S LEAGUE BINGO NIGHT 10/19

HELPFUL NUMBERS

WATERWOOD SECURITY
936-661-2800

SAN JACINTO COUNTY SHERIFF
936-653-4367

WIA OFFICE
936-891-7710

WATERWOOD MUD
936-891-7182

INFORMATIVE LINKS

WATERWOOD WEBSITE

WATERWOOD MUD

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ATTENTION HOMEOWNERS

Make note of our Waterwood Improvement Association board meetings! Come and catch up on the goings-on in your community! Get involved, be active! 3rd Monday of the month, 9am



THE LARGE TURNOUT AT THE OPEN MEETING HAD THE BOARD A LITTLE NERVOUS

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WATERWOOD NATIONAL GOLF & RECREATION ASSOCIATION

Please Attend the WNGRA 2024 2nd Quarterly Meeting. Sunday July 14th, Noon, at the WIA Pavilion. We will provide updates regarding Membership, Financial Status, Operational Projects, and Begin the 2025 Board Officer Nominations Process.

Agenda

- Welcome & Attendee Sign-In
- 2024 Waterwood Open Golf Tournament Report
 - Attendance, Gross Receipts, Net Proceeds, Feedback
- Operations & Maintenance Report
 - Projects Completed YTD
 - Projects in Progress
 - Planned Projects for Balance of Year
- Financial Report - Alex Chrestopoulos
 - YTD Monthly Contributions, Budget vs Actual, and Variance
 - YTD Expenses, Budget vs Actual, and Variance
 - YTD Bank Account Balance
- Membership Report
 - Current Dues-Paying Membership Total
 - Associate Membership Total
 - Membership/Guest Green Fee Automated Payment Signage
- Board Membership Nominations
 - Reminder: President & Treasurer Positions End December 2024
 - Assign a Nomination Chair to Assemble Candidates
- Questions and/or Suggestions
- Adjourn

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**YOUR VFD & AUX HAVE BEEN WORKING HARD TRAINING
AND CLEANING THE STATION
WE ARE ALWAYS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS FOR BOTH THE
VFD AND THE AUX**



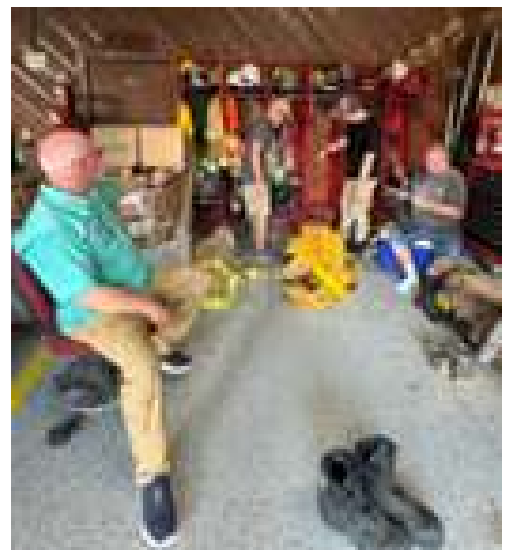
FIRE FIGHTERS AND AUXILIARY MEMBERS



PATRICK AND ED



PATRICK AND RON



MARVIN, RON, PATRICK, & ED

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WVFD Auxiliary Group

MY GRACIOUS WHAT A MONTH MAY WAS WITH ALL THE STORMS AND RAIN!!!!
THANKFULLY MAY IS OVER. WE HOPE YOU WILL ALL HAVE A SAFE, FUN SUMMER.

DON'T FORGET TO COME SEE US FOR JULY 4TH CELEBRATIONS
WE WILL ONCE AGAIN BE SELLING COTTON CANDY FOR THE NOON MEAL AT THE
PAVILION

WE WILL ALSO HAVE A 50/50 DRAWING
IN ADDITION, WE HAVE RECEIVED A DONATION OF
CURAD 175 PIECE FIRST AID KITS
WE WILL SELL THEM FOR \$12



IF YOU MISS THE NOON MEAL LOOK FOR OUR TENT AT THE MARINA FOR THE
FIREWORKS WHERE WE WILL HAVE HANDOUTS FOR THE KIDS.

FOR MORE INFO ON BECOMING A WATERWOOD AUXILIARY MEMBER, PLEASE
CONTACT CAROLE MAGEE AT CAROLE.MAGEE@GMAIL.COM

WIA SOCIAL CORNER

Here you can find the latest and greatest information on events happening in our neighborhood. Information can also be found on FACEBOOK. Please contact Wiasocialgroup@gmail.com if you need additional information. Thank you for allowing me to be part of your journey!!

UPCOMING EVENTS - SAVE THE DATES

**INDEPENDENCE DAY
CELEBRATION
6 JULY 2024
PAVILION - 11 AM TO 1 PM
MARINA - 6:30 PM
FIREWORKS BEGIN
CIRCA 9:30 PM**




**Trivia night
9 August 2024
WIA BOARDROOM
HAPPY HOUR AT 6PM
GAME TIME AT 7 PM**


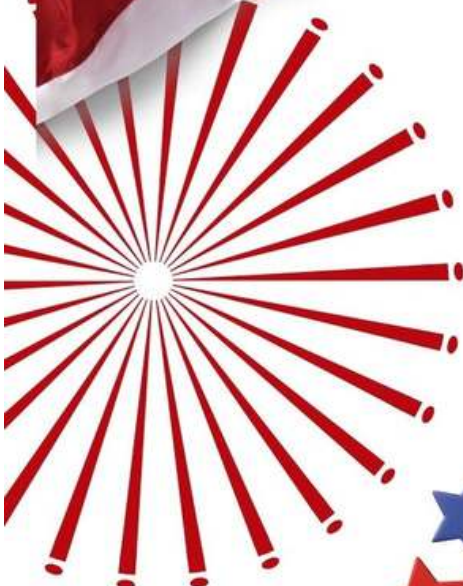


**BACK TO SCHOOL MOVIE NIGHT
SEPTEMBER 2024
PAVILION AND POOL
TIME TBD
MOVIE FEATURING
JAWS**

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11 am - 1 pm - WNGRA will
be selling Hot Dogs and
chips at the WIA Pavilion.
Golf Cart Decorating
Contest and Parade



**WATERWOOD'S
INDEPENDENCE
DAY
CELEBRATION**


6TH JULY, 2024



**6:30 - FOOD TRUCKS, GAMES
MUSIC, BOUNCE HOUSE & WIA'S
ANNUAL FIREWORKS SHOW**

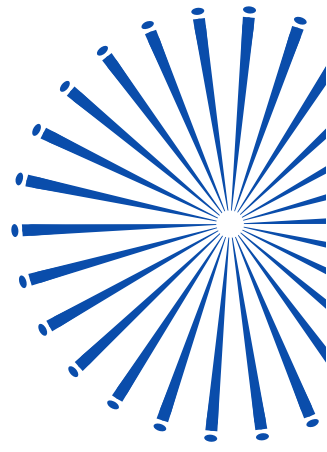
FEATURING
GREG RILEY AS
DJ

More info 936-891-7710 or wia@waterwood.com
WE ARE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS!!

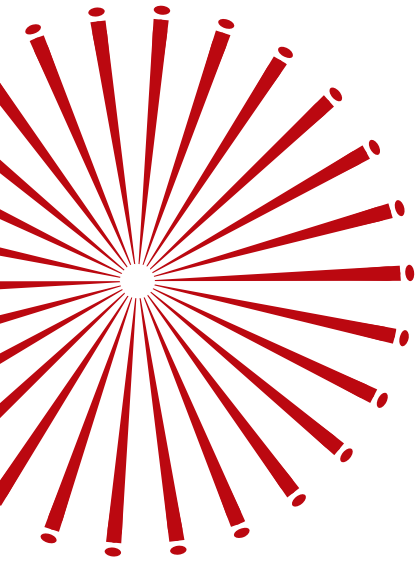




WATERWOOD
PRESENTS



**Independence Day
Celebration
at the
Marina**



**6th July 2024
6 PM**



Fireworks begin at dark

**FOOD TRUCKS, MUSIC,
BOUNCE HOUSE &
FIREWORKS SHOW**

Music By **DJ GREG RILEY**

Food Trucks By

**TRISH QUICK FOOD BBQ
KONA SNOW CONES**





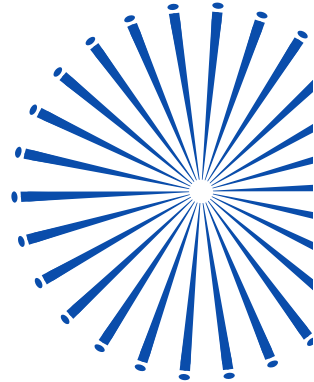
TRISHA'S QUICK BBQ

PLATES

- 1 MEAT - \$13.00
- 2 MEAT - \$15.00
- 3 MEAT - \$17.00

SANDWICHES

- \$10.00
- RIB
- LINK
- BRISKET
- CHOPPED BEEF



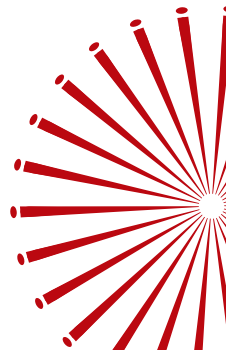
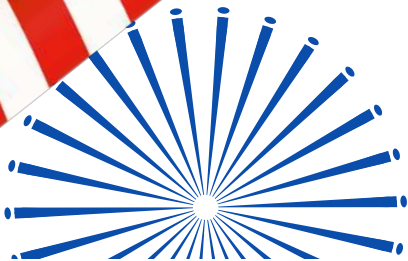
- CHILI CHEESE DOG - 2 for \$5.00
- CHILI CHEESE FRITO PIE - \$5.00
- CHEESE NACHOS - \$5.00
- CHILI CHEESE NACHOS - \$6.00

SIDES

- \$1.00 EACH
- PICKLES
- KOOL-AID
- PICKLES

DRINKS

- \$1.00 EACH
- COKE
- SPRITE
- DR. PEPPER
- PEPSI
- SPRITE



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Waterwood Women's League News

Summer! Hope all of the Waterwood Women's League ladies are enjoying their summer festivities. Time to relax and unwind before our fall meetings start. The Bingo committee chairs are working hard this summer so Bingo Night will be a fun, successful event. Waterwood Women's League is dedicated to providing scholarships for deserving seniors in our area schools through our fundraising events. All proceeds from the fundraising events go toward scholarships. The scholarship recipients use their scholarship to further their education which in turn helps our community.

We have 2 big fundraisers each year - a Spring Garage Sale and a Fall Bingo Night. We couldn't raise the money needed for these scholarships without the help of our community and neighbors. Thank you for making the garage sale such a FANTASTIC success!! Bingo night is coming on Saturday, October 19, 2024. The Women's League needs your support, so please plan on joining us for Bingo Night. If you are unable to attend but wish to help, you can help in other ways such as donating an item to the silent auction or raffle. You could sponsor a bingo game or donate an old gift card you have lying around for a door prize. WWL truly appreciates any kind of participation. The Bingo committee chairs would love your help.

The committee chairs are:

Coordinators - Pam Sultan (713-703-5713)

Dianne Chrestopoulos (940-297-9943)

Bingo items - Pat Chandler

Advertising - Nancy Stewart

Silent Auction - Siobhan Dagleish (832-607-7358)

Raffle items - Pat Chandler (936-377-4506)

Door Prizes - Sally Charlton (832-275-1638)

Wine draw - Julie Ross

On-line donations - Carole Magee

Set up/take down - Sharon Gusman

Concessions - Jane Presley & Tommie Kwaitkowski

Bingo Night

Saturday, October 19, 2024

W1A pavilion

5:30 - 6:00 Concessions

6:00 - 9:00 Bingo

Hope to see you there!



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KEITH'S CORNER: WATERWOOD MAINTENANCE

Greetings from the maintenance department, neighbors.

Progress since the last column:

The damage to the pool area from the fallen huge pine tree is nearly corrected. Our long national nightmare is nearly over. The playground company has been working in the area over the last 3 - 4 days and has the new GOLIATH swingset in place. Love that name GOLIATH!!!! (I guess we'd better not put in a DAVID swingset next to it, there might be problems.....)

Please do not bombard Lisa with questions about when the playground will open. At the time of this writing even I, Keith, your Humble Maintenance Servant, don't know. I can tell you it will be Soon, and perhaps in a time frame that will please many people, but Lisa WILL publicize the Opening Date before it arrives. Many thanks to Tom Readal for his assistance and advice on several matters during the planning for these repairs.

The sprinkler systems at both the 190 entrance and the 980 entrance have been refurbished. They fully work now and they have been modified so that exposed Control Boxes are not visible. We hope that this will discourage vandalism. We can control them from a Smartphone.

I am looking for a volunteer to handle the controls (by Smartphone app) that govern the watering of these two entrances. It is a VERY simple task and would be best served by someone who cares about the appearance of the entrances and takes pride in their appearance. In other words, if you drive by the entrances 7 times a week and don't give them even a sideways glance, you are probably the wrong person for this job. If you are interested, please contact the WIA office and I'll get back with you. I estimate that this job will take less than 4 hours per YEAR as long as you pay attention to the entrances and care about them like many of us do.

We will proceed this month to place a barrier in a specific spot in the subdivision which may help minimize the damage done by careless and perhaps intentional four-wheelers.

Federal Disaster Response

Last month we dug into the extent of the damage caused by the May Storms. This month I'm going to tell you about what we're doing as a Board in the aftermath of the disaster.

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Federal Disaster Paperwork Requirements

The best way to describe working with the federal government is this: "To fix 100 pounds of problem, you have to supply them with 1,000 pounds of paper." All of us who work for you, the residents, we not only have to cut trees, work to fix roads and culverts, and repair the pool facilities. We also have to spend hundreds of hours making sure that we document everything.

There was a 'Drop Dead' date by which Waterwood had to get all of our claims documented and submitted to FEMA. If we missed that date, we would have not received a dime of federal disaster money. We have met that date, which was June 22. We submitted our documentation to San Jacinto County's Disaster Administrator as part of Precinct 4's tally. We had to work with Precinct 4 since PCA's and HOA's have no legal standing to ask for federal money. Thanks to Mark Nettuno for working with me on this.

Residents, please remember this: The money we spent on roads and culverts has been applied for, but there is no guarantee that we'll ever get all, or any, of it back. Why? Because we have to fight for the money through not only one, but two bureaucracies: The Federal Government [FEMA] and San Jacinto County [Precinct 4]. Good Luck to us as we start this journey.

The application is only the beginning; there are mountains of paperwork and dozens of hurdles still to cross with FEMA, the SBA, and San Jacinto County. Believe me, I've seen their rules: there are a zillion ways they can disqualify or reject us. Like most government agencies, their rules protect themselves instead of helping the common man; we have to fight for every dollar.

I'm Proud of WIA Support of the Maintenance Team

This last month, the WIA Board and its president Larry Maas stepped up in a big way to support the huge amount of repairs that we had to perform in a very short time frame. The essence of their support is that this crisis demanded immediate decisions about spending large sums of money RIGHT NOW. At the time such decisions must be made, nothing whatsoever is known about the likelihood of ever receiving any of that money back. The WIA Board took the big gamble on dozens of urgent repairs, paying for all of them with WIA money - YOUR money. In the urgency of the moment on April 29th, it was the Right Thing To Do.

To those who complain about

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the high price of the annual WIA fees: Feel about them as you wish, this is America. The strong financial position of WIA allowed Waterwood to fix the worst of the damage starting on the very morning that we woke up to see it. None of the other entities that people usually lean on to help us were in any position to help. Precinct 4 was so overloaded with urgent disaster needs that they asked for, and agreed to, a split in the work: they handled the 'Big Stuff' [Waterwood Parkway, 980. Marina Road] while my team handled 'Everything Else.'

The damage to Waterwood's public stuff, including the Pool, the VFD and WIA areas, roads and culverts, and trees / debris, is approximately \$250,000, which includes really rough estimates of the costs to 'mitigate' the damages - in other words, upgrade them to stop the damage from happening again. With WIA's backing, these are all in the process of being fixed right now.

A Personal Thank You - ESD

Many of the WIA Board members attended the ESD #2 Hearing at the Commissioner's Court Meeting last Wednesday, June 26.

I personally am proud and grateful for all the support of Waterwood. There were approximately 50 people there in support of the ESD issue.

Fifty! The folks that came out represented a wide range of folks from all of our various subdivisions.

Fifty!

Do you know that fifty people is about 1/8 of the entire total of registered voters in the proposed ESD2 geographical area?

One eighth! All to a single meeting!

You guys were awesome. Great work. Now, please do it One More Time. In part because of your large turnout, the Court did NOT reject our bid to have this issue voted on in November. We had been expecting a rejection. Instead, we still have a fighting chance, with more potential for success than when we started. Please, show up again in large numbers! We might be able to push this across!

By the way, more math: 153 of you signed the petition asking the Court to let us vote on an ESD, back a couple of months ago. There were a few technicality rejections reducing that number to 138. Given that there are roughly 400 registered voters in the proposed ESD 2 area.

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that means that about 35 % of the voters in the ESD area not only gave this issue lip service, but signed up, went on the record in writing, and had their voices heard. Have any of you ever heard of a petition that reflected that high of a percentage of the total voting population? Most petitions need to have something like 5% or a maximum of 10%. We hit 35%.

ONE MORE TIME. WATERWOOD!



DEC Report for July Newsletter

Our DEC drives were done the second week of June, for the most part the neighborhood is looking good. We only found 10 New Violations total (the least since we started drives in November 2023), of those, most were tree stumps or mowing. 14 Violations have been cured and taken off the list.

LET'S CONTINUE TO WORK
TOGETHER AND KEEP
WATERWOOD AN ATTRACTIVE
NEIGHBORHOOD FOR ALL TO
ENJOY.

*Enjoy
every
moment.*

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The advertisement features a central image of a white bowl containing four colorful pill capsules. Each capsule has text written on it, representing different service plans. The background is a light blue gradient with a subtle fiber optic pattern. The text is in a bold, blue, 3D-style font with orange outlines. A small vertical logo 'opticon.com' is visible on the right side of the top banner.

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WATERWOOD RESIDENT WHO WORKS MONDAY-FRIDAY, 8:00 AM-5:00 PM, AT SAM HOUSTON STATE UNIVERSITY (SHSU) IS SEEKING TRANSPORTATION TO SHSU CAMPUS IN HUNTSVILLE, PREFERABLY, WITH SHSU STAFF OR FACULTY MEMBER. WILL SHARE FUEL COSTS. CALL KELLEY AT 936-294-1719 (WEEKDAYS) OR 936-891-7239 (EVENINGS AND WEEKENDS).

Let's have some fun

Did you know about these special days in July?

July 4

- Sidewalk Egg Frying Day- (HmMMM, I wonder why!?!)

July 6

- International Cherry Pit Spitting Day- the first Saturday of the month (cherries are everywhere now. YUM!!)
- International Kissing Day (grab your sweetie and enjoy!)
- National Fried Chicken Day (and enjoy this even more! HA!)

July 11

- Cheer up the Lonely Day (go by and check on, or call, a lonely friend, make their day <3)

July 13

- Barbershop Music Appreciation Day (who doesn't appreciate great music!)
- National French Fries Day (alright, now we're talking!)

July 17

- National Hot Dog Day - the third Wednesday in July (lots of dawgs in the summer!)
- Peach Ice Cream Day (get to churnin'!)

July 21

- National Ice Cream Day - the third Sunday of the month (I say let's make it every Sunday in July...heck, why not for the whole year? I'm down!)
- National Junk Food Day (better watch those calories on this one)

July 23

- Picnic Table Day (park yourself at a picnic and enjoy....)
- Vanilla Ice Cream Day (Bluebell homemade vanilla and you're my new bestie!)

JULY 24

- National Tequila Day (who's ready to head to the Mexican Caribbean?!)

Final thoughts...



Just pulled the door handle off, safe to say it was as surprised as I was...



“

I love how summer just wraps its arms around you like a warm blanket.

ELLIE ELMORE

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in Texas...

EVER!!!!

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