

# WATERWOOD NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

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### 4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY EVENTS

Everything you want to know about the activities is on Page 3. With the revision of the all awards will be at approximately 5:45 following the costume contest. (Instead of 5:00 PM). Also, food will be available for purchase.

### BOAT PARADE INFORMATION

Come on out and decorate your boat. The boat parade is not just for Boat Club members, everyone is welcome. Please sign up for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July boat parade at the WIA office by Friday July 3rd. You will be given a number to be displayed on the left side of your boat. Participants will meet in middle of Waterwood bay at 3:45. We will proceed to the marina in numerical order (maybe) and make two passes past the judges. Last year we had 10 boat and hope to have more this year. If you have any question or concerns, please contact Rick Brown (gilead71@gmail.com).

### WATERWOOD SUNRISE

Photo by Teresa Brown



### SUMMER GARDENING/YARD CARE

Contributed by Dona Curren

Whew!!! It's hot... too hot to be doing much gardening. But there are some things we can do to keep our yards and porches looking nice this summer.

Mulching our flower beds, and even vegetable gardens, will help keep the weeds down and reduces water evaporation from the soil. It will also keep the temperatures of the soil more moderate.

Raise the mowing blade on your lawn mower. The longer blades will protect the roots from the sun and heat. Water well rather than too often. Watering too often causes the grass roots to stay close to the surface rather than growing down as far as they should—reaching deeper, cooler, moist soil. Shallow roots will require more frequent watering.

Plants in pots offer color for the landscape. Potted plants will have to be watered more often, but keeping a small watering can on the porch or deck makes this an easy and even relaxing chore.

There are many plants that do well in our summer heat. Some Annuals that give us wonderful summer color are CALADIUMS and COLEUS—both favored for their beautiful leaves, not their flowers. Other Annuals are MARIGOLDS, PORTULACA, IMPATIENS (shade) and PENTAS. Many of these colorful plants are available already planted in pots or hanging baskets—ready to display.

Some Perennials that appreciate the heat are PLUMBAGO, ESPERANZA, HIBISCUS, LANTANA, VERBENA, and my favorites—SALVIAS. Most of these perennials are root hardy so may disappear in the winter but will return in the Spring. Many HERBS also do well in the heat—Basil and Oregano are two—and these fresh herbs are so good on grilled meats and fish.

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Herbs also do well in pots or just stuck in your flower beds between your other plants.

Keep your birdbaths filled for the birds. Some birds that will not come to your feeders will come to a birdbath. Butterflies will be attracted to the bright colors of your summer flowers. Do not use insecticides or kill caterpillars feeding on your plants—they may become butterflies. And the leaves will grow back.

So, by doing these things, which take not too much effort, we can maintain a garden in our summer heat. Grab a glass of tea, have a seat in the shade, and enjoy your yard and the Nature it attracts.

### FITNESS CLASSES

Toning and strength class is held on Tuesdays and Pilates and yoga is held on Fridays in the Activity Center. Both classes start at 8am and the cost is \$10 per class. Contact Laura at [936-577-6295](tel:936-577-6295) for more information.

### WATERWOOD SUNSET

Photo by Justin Curren



### BOOK CLUB 2.0

Ladies, a 2nd Book Club will begin in September as the original book club is full. Maximum number of

participant will be 10. Contact Teresa Brown at [tbrown72777@hotmail.com](mailto:tbrown72777@hotmail.com). Come join the fun and read some great books!

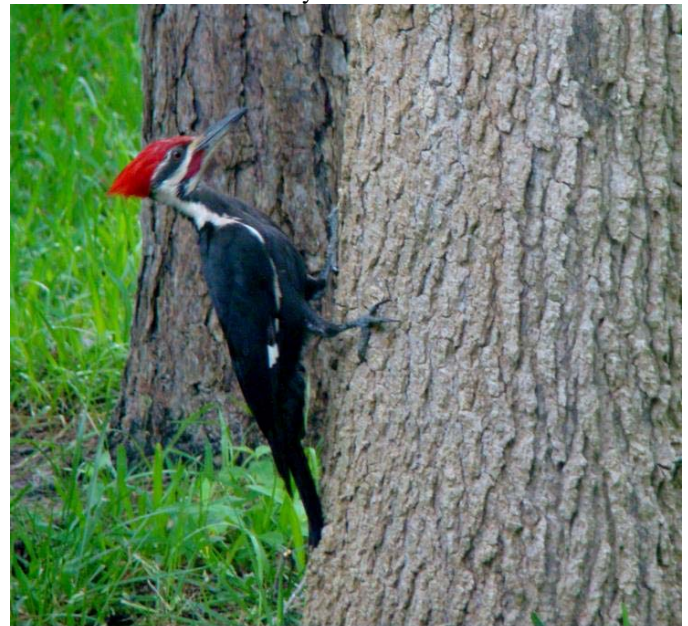
### CRITTER CAUTION

Just a reminder –watch where you are stepping and before reaching down to pick up twigs, limbs, anything outside - be alert to the possibility that snakes are moving out and about due to the warmer weather.

If you should be bitten by a snake, call 911 and let the emergency dispatcher know you are in San Jacinto County in Waterwood and give your street address. Waterwood has Emergency Medical Technicians available to handle all emergencies.

### WATERWOOD WILDLIFE

Photo by John Charlton



### WINDOW CLEANING

Contributed by Steve Heide

A new gentleman, professional glass cleaner is giving estimates in Waterwood as he is wanting to work in our neighborhood. He just completed cleaning the

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Livingston Hospital Windows. Contact Info: Paul Edmonds at [409 - 554 - 5252](tel:409-554-5252) email: [clearviewglass11@yahoo.com](mailto:clearviewglass11@yahoo.com). Paul was recommended by Carl Hatcher (CH Marine) Livingston.

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Photo by Maryann Prine



### MARINA CHANNEL

Contributed by Steve Heide

With the recent heavy rains, Pools Creek has deposited a lot of sediment in the marked marina channel. Last night, Lisa and I ran aground in an area that is normally 3ft deep. If anyone is out boating, if they will make several passes up and down the marked channel,

accelerating and decelerating their motors, we can move a lot of that sediment out.

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### NEW EDITOR!!!

Welcome Teresa Brown, our new editor! She is asking for your help for contributions to the Waterwood Neighborhood News. Send pictures and articles of interest to Teresa Brown at [tbrown72777@hotmail.com](mailto:tbrown72777@hotmail.com). Dead line for articles and pictures if the 1<sup>st</sup> of each month.



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## **JULY 4TH**

### **FESTIVITIES**

**10:00 AM—July 4th PARADE will begin at the WIA office.**

**All motorcycles, trucks, cars, golf carts and bicycles are welcome**

**12:00 PM— Competitions at the Marina Field**

**Water Polo by the Waterwood VFD & a Horseshoe Competition**

**4:00 PM— Boat Parade at the Marina**

**With awards to follow at 5:00**

**5:00 PM— BAND WILL BEGIN PLAYING AT THE MARINA**

**5:00 PM— GOLF CART CONTEST AND AWARDS AT THE MARINA**

**5:30 PM— COSTUME CONTEST AND AWARDS AT THE MARINA**

**\*\*\*\*\* FOOD will be available at noon at the marina \*\*\*\*\***

**\*\*\*\*\* Hot dogs, chips, drinks, and sno-cones \*\*\*\*\***

**FIREWORKS WILL BEGIN**  
**AT DARK AT THE MARINA**

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#### Metz Lawn Care and Fencing

My name is Robert Metz and I have been providing lawn care, landscaping, roof/gutter debris cleaning, power-washing and fencing around the neighborhood. I do have many "Handy Man" skills. Skills I have picked up throughout all the moves made in the Army. Such as, repairing holes in walls, replacing doors, minor plumbing, screen repair and installation, painting, ceiling fan installing and many other tasks.

We service anyone that lives in the general area. Presently, we service from Riverside along FM 980 to ST HWY 190. We have over 30 residential and commercial clients.

Our hours are daylight to dark but, if it is an emergency please call I'll be there.

My pricing is very reasonable. Since I live here, I don't need to add the 25 plus miles others have to factor in their cost

We use all commercial equipment such as, Dixie Chopper, Stihl, and Echo to name a few. I would like to purchase some specialized equipment and have investment opportunities if you're interested please contact me.

My wife Carol and I will be married 28 years this May. We both graduated from Huntsville High School. We have two children, Ashley 24 and Patrick 19 who are also on my team.

**(936) 355-9014**

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## GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH

6801 FM 980 N – North of WW Parkway, past Poole Creek on the Left

You Are Very Welcome to Join Us

Breakfast - Sunday Morning 9:30 AM

Sunday School 10:15 AM

Sunday Worship Service 11:00 AM

Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 PM

Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7:00 PM

Brother B. J. Johnson, Pastor - Presiding