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Photo by Deb Harlow

ELECTION SCHEDULE

The annual meeting packet will be mailed out the **first part of September**. The ballots are due back by **4:30 PM on Thursday, Oct. 6**.

THE CANDIDATES

We have 6 candidates for the 4 open positions on the board. You will have 4 votes per ballot. The candidates in the order they will be listed on the ballot are:

Jack A. Cliff
Rick Brown
Debbie Nicholson
Patricia Zappa
Robert O. Beckles
Lynn Spencer

Candidates bios follow (in order as on the ballot).

JACK A. CLIFF

I am a full time Waterwood resident. I have 40 years experience in the accounting/finance field including audit, corporate accounting management and investment advisory.

My education includes a B.S. in Economics from Texas A&M and a Master's of Business Administration from The University of Texas – Austin.

I currently own my own financial consulting practice.

I served as treasurer for the Rushwood Homeowners Association in Houston in the 90's.

I have served on the Boards of several charity events raising funds for Cystic Fibrosis Research.

I am not looking to displace any exiting Board members who wish to retain their positions. I would like instead to volunteer my time and services for an open position.

RICK BROWN

I have been a full-time resident of Waterwood for over five years and plan on living here the rest of my life. My wife, Teresa and I enjoy living in Waterwood and we are thankful every day for the opportunity to live in such a beautiful and peaceful place.

I have served two partial terms on the WIA board and have completed a full two year term. I have

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been a past member of the finance, security, and communications committees.

I came to Waterwood after 30+ years in the Information Technology area for a large independent oil & gas company. I believe my technical and management skills can contribute to improving the Waterwood community.

As the name, Waterwood Improvement Association implies, improvement is my primary goal. In order to achieve this goal, change must occur. Things cannot get better if things don't change. I hope to do more than an efficient job of managing the operations WIA currently provides and I am willing to agree to use current funds for projects, if it's in the best interest of Waterwood.

I will do my best to make Waterwood a great place to live for everyone. I plan on accomplishing this by listening, having an open mind, thinking creatively, and always being receptive to new ideas. I am proud to live here and I appreciate your support. Pure Waterwood.

DEBBIE NICHOLSON

Hello, my name is Debbie Nicholson and I'm running for the WIA Board. My husband Mike and I moved here in June, 2015 and are now full-time residents. We chose Waterwood because of the natural beauty, the rural setting and of course Lake Livingston.

As a Board Member, my goal will be to help grow our community with an ultimate aim in improving our infrastructure. Improving or adding such as the golf course, boat ramp, marina, club house, etc, will enhance our community and help future growth and

ensure we have a community we will all be proud of.

I am retired now, but my professional career included working with residential builders and real estate offices. I've also served on an Architectural Board, as I currently do in Waterwood.

As many of you are aware, we are in the final stages of giving our billboards at 190 and Waterwood entrance the new facelift they so desperately needed. I was happy to serve as chairman of the billboard committee and I'm excited to see the new billboard completed. Thanks again to all of you who participated in our contest.

If elected to serve on the Board, I'll do my best to drive much needed change in our community. I look forward to serving.

PATRICIA ZAPPA

I am running for the board to be more involved with the community and to share the responsibility of getting things accomplished in a timely manner. I know that some Waterwood residents are unable to come to the monthly meeting because they work. I will listen to any concerns you might have and bring it to the attention of the other board members. You can email me at (pgzappa@yahoo.com) with concerns or suggestions.

I am a member of the Waterwood Golf Association and I love to play GOLF. I play Euchre on Thursdays and it has allowed me to meet several members of the community. I volunteered for the July 4th 2015 and 2016 celebrations. My husband and I are working with Waterwood Volunteer Fire

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Dept., providing some of their maintenance on the fire equipment.

I moved to Waterwood in 2013 with my husband Leonard. We have a lovely daughter, a great son in law and two wonderful grandsons who love to visit us in Waterwood and before the election we will have a beautiful granddaughter.

Here's my story: I'm a t-Shirt kind of person. I tend to be blunt and to the point and some may feel that I need to work on my social skills; which I'm willing to do. I believe in fairness and equality. I have volunteered when needed and will continue to do so.

For 18 years I worked for EDS in their Data Processing Department as a shift supervisor in Houston. In early 1990's we moved to Harrison, Arkansas where I worked at the Comfort Inn as a night auditor and then a night manager. For 11 years I traveled across America with my husband as team truck driver. We moved back to Texas and settled in Waterwood Whispering Pines 2.

I have a broad array of work experiences. This includes the ability to communicate with all types and levels of individuals and meet crucial deadlines while dealing with complications as they arise.

I look forward to servicing you on the board.
Thank you.

ROBERT O. BECKLES

I possess a wealth of experience which uniquely qualifies me to continue to serve as a board member. I have been a home owner for more than twenty seven years. A licensed attorney for more

than thirty seven years, a past Municipal Court Judge in Dallas, Texas, a Certified Mediator, and an Administrative Judge Texas Board of Education.

The past year having been on the WIA Board, I have become familiar with the process. We are rejuvenating Waterwood, making it great again. I would like to continue to be part of its rebirth. The plans are already in motion. I respectfully ask for the opportunity to continue to serve.

LYNN SPENCER

I grew up 60 miles south of Houston. After graduating from high school I attended Lamar University in Beaumont studying Mechanical Engineering. Joining the Air Force in 1968 and worked as an electronic countermeasures technician during the Vietnam conflict. After the military, my work was at Dow Chemical, Freeport as a controls systems tech, while commuting to University of Houston at night studying Electrical Engineering. After graduating from U of H, Dow Chemical offered me a position as Dow Pipeline engineer developing microprocessor bases sensors and new radio communications for pipeline monitoring. Retiring from Dow Pipeline as SCADA manager and Global Tech center consultant. My next position was with Standard Automation as software for automation, sales manager. One of my customers (Enbridge Energy) hired me as Pipeline SCADA supervisor. While working at Enbridge, my wife Myra and myself bought a place in Waterwood, and became a weekender. Retiring from Enbridge Energy as Sr. Manager of various engineering and technical departments, we made the decision to move to Waterwood permanently. I was known for creativity and out of the box thinking. A

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favorite of mine was to always challenge “that’s the way we have always done it”. My career of managing people and technical projects management provides experience to help improve Waterwood in the future. I am currently working on the Billboard project with Debbie Nicholson and Carol McVay, also working with Bob Lane and John Charlton on improving internet speed to Waterwood and Fire Department Fire suit optimization. Looking forward to helping WIA improve some current processes and generate new improvements.



Photo by Donna Curren

Waterwood Women’s League Upcoming Meetings and EVENTS for 2016-2017

By Trista Byrd

It has been a long hot summer and we are all ready to get back to work raising money for our Scholarship Program. Many things are planned and we look forward to having you join us.

The tentative Calendar for the Year is as follows:

September 14, 2016 10:00am - Grace Community Church, Sue’s Boutique on the Lake Style Show, salad and dessert lunch provided

October 12, 2016 10am - Visit to the National Museum of Funeral History, 415

November 9, 2016 10 am - Point Blank Community Church, *activity to be determined*

December 14, 2016 10am- Visit to Woodbine Hotel, 209 N Madison St., Madisonville. Lunch and shopping, ornament exchange - Bring unwrapped Toys for Tots Campaign.

January 11, 2017 10:00am –First United Methodist Church of Onalaska, 700 S. Highway 356, Onalaska - Craft activity. Soup and Chili lunch will be provided.

February 8, 2017 1:00pm – Lunch Italian Restaurant in Livingston, slide show on the Galapagos Islands presented by Trista Byrd and Jane Presley.

March 15, 2017 2:00pm – Azalea Trail in Nacogdoches. Driving and Walking tour, Lunch at Clear Springs Restaurant.

April 9, 2017 10:00am – Mama Won’t Fly”, play at the Huntsville Community Theater. 1023, 12th St. Huntsville. Dinner and Meeting at “1836 Steakhouse, 2641 11th St., Huntsville

May 10, 2017 10:00am – Grace Community Church. Last meeting of the year. Membership vote on 2 yr terms for officers, Barbecue luncheon.

September Meeting

The September 14, 2016 meeting will be held at Grace Community Church beginning at 10:00 a.m. and we will have a Style Show presented by Sue’s Boutique on the Lake. A salad and dessert lunch will be provided and it will be a very enjoyable time.

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We will discuss plans for the year and collect this year's dues of \$20 if you have not already paid.

If you wish to attend please contact LallaGoka by email tomlalla@windstream.net or by calling her at 936-891-5962 or 832-837-9660.

The Women's League is a great way to meet new people and help out the community at the same time. Our main purpose is to raise money for scholarships for deserving high school students. If it weren't for scholarships, some students in these areas would not have the opportunity to further their education.

The league also supports Care Share, providing food and basic household essentials for those in need.

If you are not a member of the WWL and would like to join us or find out more about the WWL, we ask that you contact LallaGoka by email tomlalla@windstream.net or by calling her at 936-891-5962 or 832-837-9660.

THE PET CORNER

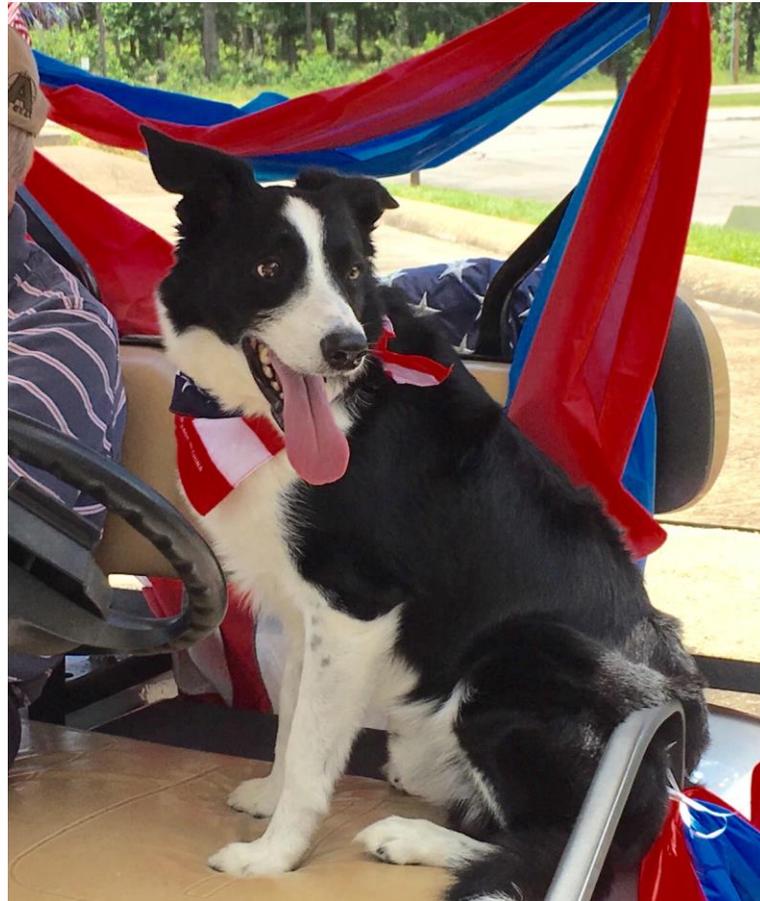


Photo by Sally Charlton

Bandit is the beloved fur companion of Sally and John Charlton. We all love Bandit!

Send your picture of your beloved pet and we will select one or two per month to feature.

We love our pets! Send your pictures to waterwoodwnn@gmail.com.

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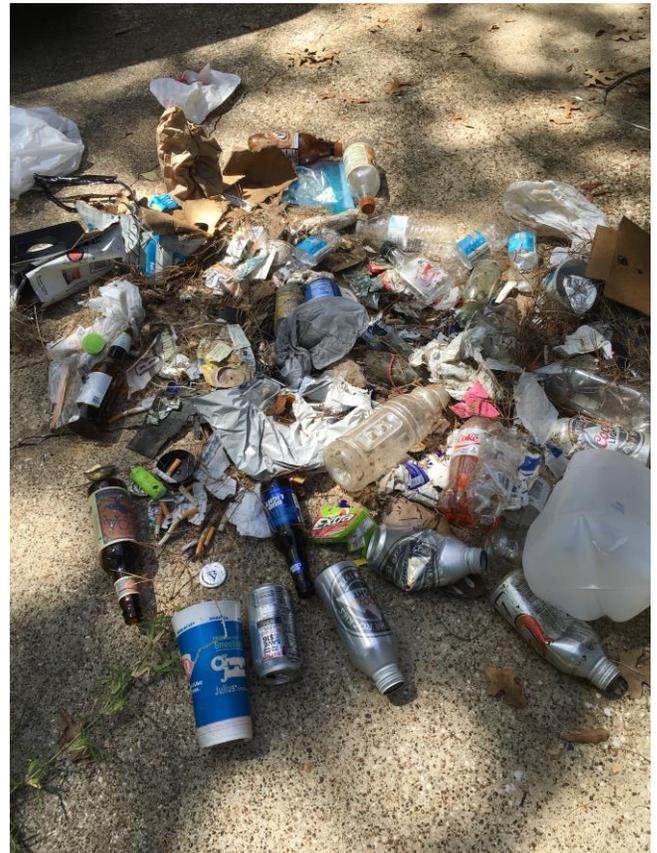
COME OUT AND SUPPORT SHSU VOLLEYBALL/BOOK DRIVE

By Marissa Maas

Hi, this is Marissa Maas, over on Bayview Circle in Waterwood. I am working in the athletics department at SHSU and have become the Head of Marketing for the SHSU volleyball team. There is a book drive going on with Sam Houston State University's volleyball team and they are asking people to donate gently used books at their home volleyball games. The books that are collected will be donated to a local school at the end of their volleyball season. The books should be age appropriate for kids in 5 th or 6 th grade. Come out and support the SHSU volleyball team and donate a book!

The scheduled dates of games are: Oct. 20, Saturday Oct. 22, Tuesday Nov. 1, Thursday Nov. 3, Saturday, and Nov. 5.

Weeknight games start at 6:30pm and weekend games start at 2:00pm. If you can't go to a game but still want to donate, there is a donation box outside the sales offices in the mailbox area.



LOST TRASH

Photo by Pat Zappa

I found your belongings along the side of Waterwood Parkway. Here is a list of items: Beer cans and beer bottles (lots of them broken) water bottles, cigarette butts (Winston & Marlboro brand), Pepsi and Coke products, at least 12 empty bottles of peppermint Schnapps (somebody has an issue), Coastal Creamy Delight Hard Candy wrappers, hopefully you are getting the idea! PLEASE DO NOT LITTER IN WATERWOOD IT'S OUR COMMUNITY. TAKE PRIDE!!

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HEAVY TRASH

By Mike Bercu

Our garbage trash area is not the place to put your heavy trash.

On the first Monday of every month we have an appliance and large item curb pickup, by request. Please contact the WIA office in advance to inform them of the item you want picked up and we will work to assist you. If you cannot do it Monday, also call the WIA Office.

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CLASSIFIED ADS

Classified ads accepted at no cost.

Please note the new email for classified ads:
waterwoodwnn@gmail.com. Deadline is the 1st of the month and must be submitted each month. Keep it short and simple. Space will be limited to 10 ads per month in the newsletter.

Norwegian Docking Buoy for sale. \$40.00
Beth Fletcher
[936-891-5647](tel:936-891-5647)

Al Rincon has a pontoon boat for sale.

WATERWOOD SERVICES

Provide name and contact information for providers of services to Waterwood such as A/C, Plumbing, Stump grinding, Tree Service, Housekeeping, Handyman, etc. Send an email waterwoodwnn@gmail.com to have a service added.

Realty

Amy Bunyard, Walzel Properties
Phone: 713-962-7523
Contact: amywbunyard@gmail.com
Website: www.amybunyard.com

Melanie Cook Owner/Agent
Palmer Real Estate
800-824-9416
www.palmerrealestate.com

Pizza

Simple Simon's Onalaska
936-646-7743
Hours 11:00 to 9:00 PM
Buffet 11 to 2 daily and Tuesday 5 to 8

Churches

Point Blank Community Church
432 Robinson Way
PO Box 274, Point Blank, TX 77364
830-329-3372
www.pointblankcommunitychurch.com

Grace Community Church
6801 FM 980 N
North of WW Parkway, past Poole Creek on the Left
Pastor: Bryan Waddell (Waterwood Resident)

Lawn Care

Metz Lawn Care and Fencing
(936) 355-9014

Computer Service

ABitPersonal (Tim Bryant)
Highway 190 & FM3186
Onalaska, 77360
Phone: [936 433 1643](tel:936-433-1643)

Recommended by Betts Horn

Painting

Mark Price
Quality Painting Interior and Exterior
Huntsville, Texas
30 years experience
[936-439-3105](tel:936-439-3105)

Highly recommended by Margaret and Dick Evirs

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Travel Services

Teresa Brown
Gomega Travel
Specializing in Group Travel and Cruises
tbrown72777@hotmail.com
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Small Engine Repair

Zappa Small Engine Repair and Maintenance. We specialize in providing everything from your annual equipment maintenance needs to completing major repairs. Many times the work can be completed at your home saving you the time and effort of taking your machine to a service center which can lead to weeks without your equipment. Customer service and doing the job right are our focus. Please contact Pat at [832-579-8250](tel:832-579-8250) to schedule a consultation.

Beauty Products

Mary Kay products
Call for an appointment
Janas Goldsmith
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janal22@windstream.net

WNN ARTICLE DEADLINE

Send pictures and articles of interest to Teresa Brown at waterwoodwnn@gmail.com. Deadline for articles and pictures is the 1st of each month.

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