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What is All That Noise?

On a pretty day, you can hear the sound of motor bikes buzzing all afternoon and late into the evening. It seems we have a new entertainment area in the back of Willowforest. What a lot of us refer to as the “ditch lots” or “retention pond” has turned into motor cross central. What is going on back there?

It seems we have some property in the back of the subdivision that is not being maintained. It has been discovered by dirt bikers and four wheelers. With the lack of rain, it is dry and perfect for bicycles, motorbikes and four wheelers. But, there are several problems back there.

First, this property is private property. The owner may not be maintaining it properly, but he still owns it. We need to be respectful of his property. Unless, permission has been granted, riders may receive tickets for trespassing.

Second, the noise and confusion of the traffic has been annoying to homeowners in

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Our Amenities

Willow Forest has been around for a long time. Many of our amenities have aged. While some things have been updated and others have been reconstructed, there is still much to do.

Even after repairs were done to the pool restrooms, they are still in need of much more. The pump house is in dire disrepair. (This building houses the pumps and pool equipment, serves as storage for chemicals for the pool, and is the only place life guards have to get out of the sun.) The pump house has flooded many times. The restrooms have been flooded, though not as often as the pump house.

Something needs to be done about both structures. While repairs sound like a great idea, it seems that both structures have reached a point of no return. It is time to replace these structures.

One suggestion has been to combine the two buildings to cut the costs a little. Since the property behind the pool is owned by the association, a combined structure could be placed there.

In this effort to keep our residents and the lifeguards safe and protect expensive pool equipment, we are looking for a little help. If you work in any facet of the building industry and are willing to donate some time or materials to this worthy cause, contact one of the board members. This is one way that expenses can be kept to a minimum. The vision is a cinder block structure that will fulfill all of the necessities for a pool area, while being easy to maintain in case of the inevitable flooding.



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Willowforest--especially those near the lots, but as far away as Black Willow. Trailers with more than one four wheeler and/or motor bike have been seen parked by the lots unloading vehicles. People are coming in from other areas to ride in these lots.

At any one time, you can see bicycles, motorbikes, and four wheelers riding in the lotes at the same time. Not only does the increase in noise and traffic cause annoyance, there is the safety issue. Some of the motorized vehicles are moving at a high rate of speed. The bicyclists have had a few close calls. It gets downright scary at times.

Some of the four wheelers have been getting to the lots on the road. Many of the vehicles are not street legal. So, others are using the Willowforest common property to get to the lots. The vehicles are destroying the already stressed landscaping. Some of the sprinkler heads will have to be replaced. It looks like a truckload of dirt might be necessary to fill in some of the ruts caused by the wheels on these vehicles.

Each time you see people riding in these lots, it is suggested that you call the constable. It is scary thinking of all the things that can happen to the riders as well as on the street with all of the added traffic. It is best not to try to stop these people yourself to avoid any confrontations. Let the constables handle it. Let's try to maintain a safe and quiet neighborhood.



Klein ISD

The Klein ISD offers a mentoring program for students in elementary and intermediate schools who would benefit from time with a positive adult role-model. Mentors encourage the development of positive character traits, help students set and achieve goals, play board games, offer positive support, and share conversation time. If you are interested in becoming a mentor, you are required to attend one of the upcoming training sessions scheduled for Nov. 8 and Dec. 1. Trainings are held from 5-7 p.m. in the board room at Klein ISD Central Administration Building, 7200 Spring-Cypress Rd. Contact Angie Mentz at amentz1@kleinisd.net or 832-249-4362 to register, or visit www.kleinisd.net for more information.



Willowforest Assessment

Don't forget! The 2012 Annual Assessment is due January 1st.

Klein Oak Band

Custom Klein Oak scrapbooking papers, stickers, ABC letters and embellishments are currently being sold by the Klein Oak Band. To see the many beautiful papers, stickers and multi-layered black and gold embellishments, go to www.koband.org then click on Spirit Merchandise. For your convenience, you can even place your order online! Many organizations and sports are represented; Band, Music, Football, Cheer, Strutters, Soccer, Baseball, Basketball, Volleyball, etc... (swimming and ROTC to come). There is even a "Klein Oak Homecoming 2011" paper and many matching "Klein Oak Panthers" two page spreads as well as beautiful black and gold companion papers. You can also see and purchase all the beautiful scrapbooking papers and products at all KO home football games at the Band Spirit Sales table. Head to the website to take a look and let's get scrapin'!

Enjoy Christmas Music?

Listed below are some performances by the students at Schultz, Krimmel, and Klein Oak High School. All performances start at 7 pm and are at the respective school.

Klein Oak High school

December 2 and 3 Choir Madrigal Dinner and Concert
 December 6 Winter Orchestra Concert
 December 12 Holiday Band Concert
 December 13 Holiday Choir Concert

Krimmel Intermediate

December 6 Winter Orchestra Concert
 December 12 Choir Holiday Concert
 December 13 Band Winter Concert

Schultz Elementary

December 6 at 6pm Holiday Music Program

Go to www.kleinisd.net for more information.

Klein Oak Choir

Don't miss Klein Oak Choir's second concert of the year entitled "Light, Love, and Leave" on Tuesday, December 13 at 7:00 PM. Free admission, 240 singers, and a wonderful way to kindle your festive spirit.

Come experience nearly 400 of KISD's finest men sing on Tuesday, November 15 at the beloved KISD Men's Choir Concert. This must-see event takes place at Christchurch Baptist Fellowship and begins at 7:00 PM. There is no cost for the program.

You do not want to miss the Klein Oak Madrigal Dinner on December 2-3 at 7:00 pm. This festive evening features a catered meal and a wonderful performance by many of Klein Oak Choir's finest. Tickets are only \$20. Reserve this date on your holiday calendar and please call Assistant Choir Director Sherrie McMahon at (832) 484-5003 to make your reservation. Klein Oak advanced 28 singers to the second round of the All-State Choir audition process. Interested in supporting Klein Oak Choir? For information on how to become a Booster Club supporter, visit www.KleinOakChoir.org and click on the link.

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Letter from the Association President

Seasons Greetings to all in Willow Forest!

As you may have read in the newsletter, the ditch lots are attracting a lot of motorized vehicles, and riders of various types. At the time of this newsletter's publishing, the Association, has located the owner and will receive permission via a specific power of attorney to prosecute anyone trespassing upon the ditch lots. Any Resident who is currently riding in the ditch lots does so at their own risk, and is in violation of the Deed Restrictions. It would be in the best interest of the neighborhood as a whole, to not allow people to ride at the lots, and to report those who do to the HOA and PCT 4. Once we are in possession of the POA, the association will post the property for no trespassing with permanent signage with photo backup and file a trespass affidavit with the County Attorney's office so prosecution can be facilitated faster.

On a more lighter note, it's the Christmas season, and I would like to extend a happy holidays to all in Willow Forest. As it is the season when everyone is considering traveling, and being with family, the board will not meet this month. The Decorations will be going up soon. If anyone has ideas as to what kind of decorations we can expand upon, please let the board know.

One thing I would like is if anyone in the neighborhood, knows of a resident in Willow Forest, who is in need, please email me personally at hal.reed@reedent.net, so I may facility a donation of a Christmas Dinner to that family. This is the time of year that no one should go without.

Lastly, I would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas, and Happy New Year. Please be safe in your travels, and look forward to another great year in Willow Forest for 2012.

Happy Holidays,

Harold Reed
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