

Travis Ranch Beacon

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Up Coming Events



Travis Ranch Holiday Yard Decorating Contest

Competition: December 3rd through December 17th

Please register by December 2nd. Email trcommunity@outlook.com for registration information.

Winners will be announced at the community Christmas Party on December 19th

- 1st Place: Holiday Gift Basket
- 2nd Place: Dinner for two at Applebee's
- 3rd Place: Small Holiday Gift Basket



WINTER WONDERLAND HOLIDAY PARTY



Saturday, December 19
5:30 to 7:30 at Lewis Elementary

There will be Food, Fun & Fairy Tales

Make sure to bring a camera. There will also be a photo area set up so you can take your own pictures!

We will be making holiday cards for our soldiers, and putting together gift boxes for the children at the Norville Center. For every 3 unused items you bring, you will be entered into a raffle. Items needed for the gift boxes are children's socks, gloves & hats for girls and boys ages 3 yrs. to 10 yrs.

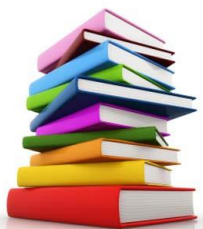
LOVE TO READ!



The Little Free Library is coming to Travis Ranch! The Little Free Library is for all members of the community, young and old. These types of libraries are all over the world including Dallas and Forney. The Forney Arts Council recently placed one in the Xeric Garden.

The purpose of these new little libraries is to promote literacy and the love of reading by taking a book to enjoy, and by adding a book you love and want to share. The one in Travis Ranch will be near the pool. We also hope to have story time and activities surrounding the library. The cost to build is going to be about \$225. We will be accepting donations toward building the little library right now. **We also need someone with carpentry skills to help us build the library.** Once the library is built, we will be accepting book donations for all ages. If you are interested in donating money, or building the Little Free Library, you can contact Nichole Doyal at 704-608-9485 or email trlittlelibrary@yahoo.com.

To learn more about the Little Free Library visit the www.littlefreelibrary.org website.



Norville Children's Shelter

The A. Fern Norville Shelter Foundation is located in Kaufman and is dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for children and young adults who are displaced from their families, or who are involved in the foster care system due to abuse, neglect or abandonment.

We will be collecting items to put in gift boxes at the December 19 Holiday Party. Items needed are socks, gloves and hats for girls and boys ages 3 years to 10 years.

These items will be delivered Monday, December 21 from 4:00 to 7:00 pm. Volunteers from our community will also be helping to serve food and play games with the children. If you are able to provide side item dishes (food), or monetary donations, please contact Amy Johnson Social Committee Chair.

Email: trcommunity@outlook.com



Highlights from the Annual HOA Meeting

Essex conducted the annual HOA meeting November 11 at Lewis Elementary. There were over 150 people that represented our community! Below are highlights of the meeting.

- Establishing a quorum. In order to establish a quorum, we need 10% of the community which equals 341 in person or by proxy. This total includes homeowners, any land builders currently own, and land the developer owns. When there is a need to vote in an HOA meeting, Essex will make sure they bring enough proxies from the developer to reach our 10% so the meeting will be official and minutes recorded.
- Introduction of attendee's from Essex Association Management, L.P.
 - Ron Corcoran – owner,
 - Jim Aenchbacher - Association Manager
 - Melinda Rainey – Assistant Association Manager
 - Cinnamon Low – Administrative Assistant
- Review of 2014 year end financials. This information can be found on the HOA website.
- Recent Texas law states when a community gets to be 10 years old, 1/3 of the board should be elected. There will be an election in the March meeting to elect one home owner to the board of directors.
- Essex set up an Advisory committee from home owners that returned the Committee Interest Form. We have 10 members on the Advisory committee right now that will meet early December. These people are Gary Sieburg, Rebecca Wathen, Randy Miller, Valicia Bryant, Kenneth Uding, LaQuintta Wilson-Owens, Amy Johnson, Brenda Haney, Amanda Ewald and John Cavender. Here is a description of the purpose of the Advisory Committee: The Travis Ranch Advisory Board will primarily serve as liaison between the residents of Travis Ranch and the Management Company and occasionally, the Board of Directors. It will especially promote transparency with the residents in the operation of the HOA. It will function in an advisory role with the Management Company where appropriate and also with the Architectural Control Committee (ACC).
- One huge concern of many residents has been the lack of care and landscaping in the common areas. Due to recent drought the water pump has had to be moved further out in the lake in order to get the sprinkler system up and running again. This project is almost complete, and a new landscape company was recently hired in order to improve the common areas in our community.
- Another area of concern has been the condition of the streets, mainly Raines County. The streets are the responsibility of the MUD district, and has been contracted out to be repaired within the next six weeks.



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<https://www.facebook.com/groups/777948552226964/>

Advertise Your Business

Travis Ranch Home Businesses

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1452214508366490/>

Travis Ranch'ers Business & Bartering

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/TRBNB/>

GARBAGE & RECYCLE CALENDARS

~ November 2015 ~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4 Garbage & Recycle Bulk Pick up	5	6	7
8	9	10	11 Garbage Only	12	13	14
15	16	17	18 Garbage & Recycle	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 Garbage Only	26 	27	28
29	30					

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20	21	22	23 Garbage Only	24	25 	26
27	28	29	30 Garbage & Recycle	31		

~ January 2016 ~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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10	11	12	13 Garbage & Recycle	14	15	16
17	18	19	20 Garbage Only	21	22	23
24	25	26	27 Garbage & Recycle	28	29	30
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