

Home Owners Association Meeting This Month

The annual Tealwood Home Owners Association Meeting is the fourth Tuesday of this month. This is our one opportunity each year to come together to meet and be met by our neighbors, so mark your calendar and plan to attend.

The meeting will be held in the Cafetorium of Frostwood Elementary School, on the corner of Gessner and Memorial Drive, on February 26, at 7:00 pm. The 1991 officers and directors will be elected at this meeting. The proposed slate of candidates appears at right.

After the business meeting, Steve Radack, our Precinct 3 County Commissioner will address the Tealwood home owners. This is your chance to find out what's going on in our part of the county, and to ask questions of our elected representative.

This very abbreviated edition of the newsletter is the result of an extremely busy January for your editor, and the fact that no one has come forward to help with the publication. I'm optimistic that both problems will somehow be remedied by the time the April edition needs to go to press.

Tealwood Home Owners Association Proposed 1991 Officers & Directors

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Tom Harrison	Treasurer
Harold Wallace	VP Maintenance
David Kazden	VP Architecture
Nancy Campbell	Secretary

Bob Greg	Directors - one
Ron Ramsey	year terms

David Kazden	Directors - two
Harold Wallace	year terms

Jim Harris	Directors - three
David Dickson	year terms



DOG GONE IT! Both Houston and Bunker Hill have strict ordinances about dogs running loose in residential neighborhoods. Many families in Tealwood have pets and for the most part, their pets are well disciplined and remain confined in their own yard. Furthermore, most of us do not want to risk having our pets stolen or injured in an accident.

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Dog Gone It - from page 1

There are a few exceptions where pets are allowed to run loose and perform nature's acts on someone else's property. This is not only against the law, but most discourteous and inconsiderate. The ordinances require that dogs should be on a leash at all times and must be accompanied by the owner. The ordinances have been in existence for many years. It would truly be a shame for someone to lose their pet through willful negligence or from being picked up by city authorities.

Tom Harrison, 12334 Longworth

Write to the Editor with your comments and opinions. Submissions will be printed as space permits.

Deed Restrictions FYI Highlights

Deed restrictions are vital to maintaining the value and character of our neighborhood. To increase awareness and understanding, this column highlights excerpts from the current Tealwood deed restrictions.

"No structure of any kind and unless first approved in writing by the Architectural Control Committee, no wall, fence or hedge may be placed or maintained nearer to the front lot lines or nearer to the side street than the building set back lines shown on the recorded plat of Tealwood, Sections One, Two and Three. Except as herein provided, no structure, exclusive of

fences, shall be placed or maintained nearer than ten (10) feet to any interior side lot line of any lot located in the City of Bunker Hill Village, Texas, and no structure, exclusive of fences, shall be placed or maintained nearer than five (5) feet to any interior lot line of any lot located in the City of Houston, Texas, provided, however, that in the City of Bunker Hill Village, Texas, an accessory building not sharing a common wall within the main building may be placed or maintained not less than five (5) feet from the interior side lot lines, and provided further that in the City of Houston, Texas, an accessory building which is located seventy-five (75) feet or more from the front lot line may be placed or maintained not less than three (3) feet from the interior lot line. No structure, exclusive of fences, shall be placed or maintained nearer than five (5) feet to the rear lot line of the lots in Tealwood, Sections One, Two and Three. No balcony, cornice, porch, eave roof or roof overhang of any kind may extend more than thirty (30) inches beyond the building lines herein prescribed."



The President's Desk Bill Purifoy

The annual Tealwood Homeowners meeting was held Tuesday, February 26, 1991. Unfortunately, only 28 people attended, which means approximately 14 households were represented. We would certainly have loved to have had a larger number participating out of the 174 homeowners in Tealwood.

County Commissioner Steve Radaack addressed our group, and discussed various projects for Precinct 3, as well as the County Jail issue, and the Metro issue. During the meeting, Mrs. Pat Minnis Barbee drew the winner in the contest sponsored by John Daugherty Realtors, and gave away a beautiful piece of Baccarac Crystal. The winner was Dennis Lichtenstein, of 202 Gessner.

At the end of the meeting, a lady came up to me and made the statement that Tealwood was one of the most unfriendly places in which she had ever lived. Although she had not attended the recent Valentine coffee, a personal word from a neighbor might have prevented her forming this opinion of our neighborhood. I would like to encourage each resident of Tealwood to take the time to get to (See President, Page 6)

The Seven Year Itch Bob Longmire

Relief is here!! The Tealstone Condominium tower, which stands guard over the intersection of Vanderpool at Gessner, has recently been purchased by a limited partnership after seven long, lonely years. Residence units should be on the market by June of this year. The new owners, Tealstone L.P., are reported to have paid something less than the asking price of \$10 million. They've already contracted to make substantial improvements to the building, including updating the lobby and redecorating the original model units. Centeq Realty will handle the marketing of individual residences, and their Brenda Ashliman says that the building is in very good condition despite sitting idle for seven years. It contains 59 units: 11 one-bedroom, 33 two-bedroom, 11 three-bedroom, and the penthouse floor which is reserved for up to 4 residences. Units range in size from 1,098 to 3,042 square feet. All of the units, except the penthouse, are framed and sheet-rocked, which allows the buyers to select decor according to their own taste. The penthouse floor is "wide open."

Tealwood old-time residents may remember the strong opposition which arose back in 1980, when the developers announced plans to construct "the first high-rise residence" in the Memorial area. Many hated to see the demise of the swim club which had been on that site, and others were concerned about increased traffic on Gessner. The Tealwood Homeowners Association voted not to formally oppose the project, but a number (See Tealstone, Page 6)

Editor's Notebook Plenty of Good News

A great many good things have happened since the February issue. First, new Tealwood Homeowners Association officers and directors were elected at the general meeting held on February 26, 1991. Please take a moment to note the names of your neighbors who have

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volunteered their time to the homeowners association. If you know some of these folks, be sure to express your appreciation for their work on behalf of Tealwood.

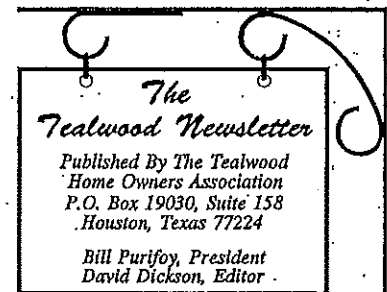
And more good news! You may recall that I blamed a busy January and a severe lack of help for the very abbreviated February issue of the newsletter. I am extremely happy to announce that two of our neighbors have come forward and volunteered their time and effort to the newsletter. Cheryl Moncrief has volunteered to undertake a regular cooking column for the

newsletter. Judging by this month's column, we can look forward to some real gastronomic gems in coming issues. Bob Longmire, at 238 Vanderpool, has also volunteered to be a regular contributor. Bob is already involved in two other newsletters, MACNEWS for the Exxon Annuitant Club, and True Grits, the Longmire Newswire for his extended family. Don't miss Bob's inaugural article in this issue.

It is also very appropriate that I take this opportunity to acknowledge the work of the block captains who diligently deliver the newsletter and other communications from the homeowners association. They are:

Jack Grundy	Mary Feller
Jere Noerager	Noe Woodman
Nancy Campbell	Carol Piper
Bob Longmire	Naomi Dempsey
Carolyn Purifoy	Gretchen Odum
Jean Dickson	

An enormous "thank you" goes to each of these folks for their tangible contribution to making the homeowners association and the newsletter work.



Introducing *Cheryl Moncrief*

Hello Tealwood neighbors! I'd like to introduce myself briefly, now that I have presumed to write a cooking article for our newsletter. My name is Cheryl Moncrief, and with my husband I live at 250 Vanderpool. We moved into Tealwood from Champion Forest, where we had leased a home temporarily after our move from Southern California.

One of my hobbies over the years has been cooking. I guess I started out when my husband bought me my first Julia Child cookbook, and French cuisine sort of fit, since I had majored in French at UCLA. Since that first book I have collected many more, and I have worked in catering and at two different cooking schools. I have had the good fortune to study with some of the great names in cooking: Julia Child, Richard Grausman, Jacques Pepin, and Guilliano Bugialli to name a few. I also took a one day workshop at the Cordon Bleu school of cuisine in Paris, and a six week class from a graduate from there. One of my favorite new chef/teachers is Hugh Carpenter, author of *Pacific Flavors* and *Chopstix*. I developed a series of cooking classes to be taught in my home - and then we moved after only one session! Maybe that's why I "needed" to write this column - withdrawal! Anyway, call me anytime with questions, comments, and critiques at 461-3033.

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know your neighbors, especially newcomers to Tealwood. I am reminded of the time when my wife and I bought a house at Lakeway. On a Friday evening after we had moved in, the doorbell rang, and as I went to the door I saw this giant of a man standing there. He stuck out his hand with a bottle of wine and said, "I'm Keith Foreman, welcome to Lakeway." Over the years we became good friends, but it was that opening that got us going. I would like to take this opportunity to encourage everyone to get involved, be part of a friendlier neighborhood, and be an active citizen of Tealwood.

I am sure that each of you has noticed that the brick entrance sign to Tealwood has been partially knocked down. This accident was the result of a high-speed chase involving the Houston Police Department and a young man in a stolen car. The sign is insured through homeowners association, and we hope to get the rebuilding started in the very near future.

I do want to take this opportunity to wish each one of you a real warm and happy year in 1991.

Tealstone - from page 1

of residents from Tealwood and Whispering Oaks organized a vigorous ad-hoc opposition effort. Things became so heated that the developers filed suit against the opposition group to bring an end to the obstruction of their "legitimate business." It must have worked; the building was completed and units offered for sale with occupancy by the spring of 1984. The timing was not good. The

Articles Wanted

The Newsletter welcomes articles by Tealwood residents on almost any subject. Both one-time and regular contributors are needed. Contributions should be 150 to 250 words and may be submitted typed (double spaced) or as text files on DOS-compatible 3 1/2 or 5 1/4 inch diskettes.

The Newsletter is normally published during the first two weeks of even-numbered months. The deadline for submissions to a particular issue is the beginning of the last week of odd-numbered months. Send articles to the Newsletter at the address on page 2 or contact David Dickson at 460-8931 for more information.

Houston real-estate market was well into its nose-dive by then. Unable to sell any units, the developers lost their deed in 1985 to Mainland Savings of Houston, which itself later failed. That's when the property fell into the hands of the FSLIC which decide to keep it in mothballs until the recent sale.

Did You Know? *The Year of Mozart*

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart was born in Salzburg Austria on January 27, 1756 and died on December 5, 1791. Thus 1991 is the bicentennial of his death and is being widely celebrated throughout the world. In his short lifetime of only 35 years, Mozart composed a treasury of music which is truly mind-boggling. He could do it all - chamber music, choral music, Masses, Operas, major orchestral works - the musical genius in excelcis.

Bob Longmire

The President's Desk Bill Purifoy

I am happy to report that we are making progress on our projects. The monuments at both entrances are complete, and bids for improving the cul-de-sac landscaping are being taken. For the Bunker Hill residents, I would like to advise you that we have a new mayor --

George Stubblefield III. I would like to encourage each of you to take a greater interest in voting in the Village elections. It is my understanding that only 7 out of the approximately 90 Tealwood homes in Bunker Hill voted in this most recent election. Mayor Stubblefield assures me that he intends to hear the needs of our residents, but we also need to let him see our interest. I'd like to take this opportunity to wish each of you a safe and happy summer.

New Residents Tealwood Information

New residents may obtain copies of current deed restrictions; the Tealwood Neighborhood Directory, and Constable telephone stickers from the Homeowners Association secretary, Nancy Campbell, at 827-1747.

Getting Ready for Summer Jean Dickson

With warm weather solidly upon us, it's easy to push those warm woolen winter clothes to the back of the closet and the bottom drawers of the dresser. But without taking a few precautions, you may never be able to wear your favorite woolens and cashmeres again.

Beware of the moth! Or, more precisely - moth larvae. For it is the hatched eggs that wreak havoc on clothes made of animal fibers (wool, cashmere, mohair, feathers, down, and felt). Larvae will also feed on stained synthetic fabrics. Cotton and linen cloth (vegetable fibers) are at risk from other pests like silverfish and crickets.

The key to protection is prevention. Before storing your cold weather clothes, send them to the cleaners to remove any stains. For protection during storage, your options are cold storage, insecticides, and repellent. While cold storage is the best protection, it is too expensive as a general solution for protecting all our winter clothing. The two remaining approaches, insecticide and repellent, are much more affordable and practical for general use.

Many of us think of smelly moth balls (of camphor or naphthalene), but new products (of Paradichlorobenzene) are more effective. These products require much smaller levels of application than traditional moth balls, and leave no clinging odor or residue. However, these

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Play Your Cards Right ♠♦♣♠ Tealwood Party Bridge Group

Do you like to play bridge? Are you available one day a month from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm? Would you like the opportunity to visit monthly with some of your neighbors? If your answers are YES, the Tealwood "party" bridge group is for you! Players rotate hosting the group's two tables in their home about once each year on the 4th Monday of the month. If you are interested in joining the Tealwood "party" bridge group, please call Sally Curtis at 827-7747.

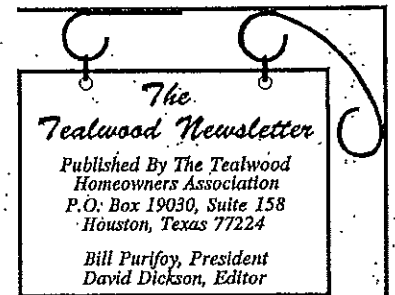
An Unlikely Trio Bob Longmire

Benjamin Franklin, Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, and Marianne Davies. This unlikely trio was "connected" by an even stranger musical instrument, the glass armonica. It was invented by Benjamin Franklin after his visit to England in 1761. There he heard a musician performing on musical glasses - producing the sound by rubbing the rims of different size wine glasses, a rather cumbersome process. Benjamin Franklin created a more convenient instrument by horizontally nesting a series of glass bowls attached to a rod rotated by foot treadle. The musician played the instrument by rubbing his moistened fingers on the spinning glass rims, and was now able to play four part chords across a range of 3-1/2 octaves. Franklin gave one of his instruments to his niece, Marianne Davies who made the new instrument popular throughout Europe soon after its

invention. Mozart later became inspired to write for the delicate instrument what were to become his last chamber music compositions. One of these, "Adagio and Rondo in C Minor, K.617" was composed in 1791, the year Mozart died.

Moth - from page 1

products are toxic, and should be used only in areas we enter infrequently. Repellents, like aromatic cedar or herbal products, will not kill the larvae, but their vapors will cause the moth to avoid laying eggs in that area. If eggs are already present, the repellent will not prevent the larvae from hatching and feeding on your clothes. Clean clothes offer added insurance, but not a guarantee of protection. Many of us are interested in natural, environmentally sound approaches to storage of our clothes. Clean clothes stored with a natural repellent is the most ecological approach; but offers a lesser degree of protection than a chemical insecticide.



Did You Know?

A Rose is a Rose is a Rose.

And a hurricane, is a typhoon, is a cyclone. I had never really understood that until recently. After reading about the devastating cyclone that hit Bangladesh, with nearly 150,000 dead, I became confused. Somehow in my mind "cyclone" was another name for a tornado. I had never heard of a tornado causing such widespread flooding and casualties as this one.

Of course not, because a cyclone is not a tornado, but a hurricane. Some simple research cleared that up for me. When a tropical storm matures and intensifies (with winds in excess of 75 miles per hour), it is called a hurricane in the Atlantic Ocean and its tributary seas (like the Gulf of Mexico): In the Pacific Ocean it's called a typhoon, and in the Indian Ocean it's called a cyclone. Anyone living in Houston knows about a hurricane. It can affect an area as wide as 500 miles, bringing heavy rain and flooding along with the high winds. That's what hit Bangladesh.

A tornado is quite different. It's a dark funnel shaped cloud, containing violently rotating winds, that develops below a heavy cumulonimbus cloud mass and extends toward the earth. The funnel twists about, rises and falls, and where it reaches the earth causes great destruction. The diameter of a tornado varies from a few feet to a mile. The rotating winds attain velocities of 200-300 mph, and the up-draft at the center may reach speeds of 200 mph. No matter where in the world such a storm occurs it is called a tornado.

Bob Longmire

Wild Life In Tealwood

Jean Dickson

Some may think that the only indications of the wild life in Tealwood are stereos booming from passing cars. However there's a wildlife of a gentler sort -- blue jays, woodpeckers, squirrels, armadillo, and, yes, even possum.

It's not uncommon to hear the sound of a woodpecker on a morning jaunt through the neighborhood. A search through the tall pines will win you a peek at the red headed fellow. Closer to pedestrian level you'll find the mockingbirds. They like to perch atop the medium size trees and warble their morning songs to all who pass by. But be careful, if you get too close to a nest, mother will swoop down to chase you away.

Of course, squirrels are ever present throughout Tealwood. But the most unusual visitors to our yard are the armadillos and possum. The armadillos have tunneled under our fence in several places, and I've seen them lumbering across Vanderpool where the slough is. The most wondrous discovery for this city girl, however, was to see a possum quietly staring through my window one evening. Later that week I heard a scratching at my bedroom window. To my surprise it was a larger possum pawing at the window frame. I watched as he ambled off into the night, unconcerned at the encounter.

Who would imagine that, in the heart of the city, we would have such an abundance of wildlife. Do yourself a favor -- stop, look, and listen to the wildlife of Tealwood.

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when a job change brought them to Houston, first to Briar Meadow and later to Tealwood. In 1987 Harold retired from Mortgage and Trust of Houston, but he still serves them as a consultant - that is, when he and Lo are not jetting somewhere. They love to travel and have made numerous trips to Europe. This year they will visit Alaska, including a "first-ever" cruise. Other joint interests include bridge and exercise swimming at the YMCA Dad's Club. Harold plays golf at both Brae Burn and Inwood Forest and like most golfers, is determined to get his handicap down. Lo also "owns a set of clubs."

Harold is listed, in the Tealwood Directory, as Vice President for Maintenance. But he is the first to admit that Lo really does the work. She's the one who makes sure that the sprinklers in the common areas are in working order, the ditch on the north border of Tealwood is kept clean, the esplanades are mowed, and areas are refurbished as needed. She wishes that all Tealwood residents would have a better understanding of just how their assessment dollars are being spent and suggested that future Newsletters cover that topic.

After 22 years they still think that Tealwood offers a lot of attractive homes, a peaceful neighborhood atmosphere, and a convenient location. But they miss the "old time community spirit," and hope that it can soon be revitalized.

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Volunteering to bring the interested parties together. If you are interested in working toward some kind of neighborhood-wide social function, let me know. At the end of August (enough time

New Residents

The following items are available from the Tealwood Homeowners Association through the association Secretary, Nancy Campbell at 827-1747.

Neighborhood Telephone Directory
Constable on Patrol telephone decals
Tealwood automobile decals
Copies of current deed restrictions

Submissions

The Newsletter is published in even-numbered months. Articles are welcome from all Tealwood residents. The deadline for submissions is the end of the third week of the preceding month. Contact David Dickson at 468-3931 for more information.

for even the most serious procrastinators among us to respond), I'll circulate the list of everyone who contacted me, to everyone on the list. Once everyone who's interested knows about everyone else who's interested, perhaps we'll achieve critical mass and something will begin to take shape. So, if you've got the interest, give me a call (468-3931) and I'll put you on the list.

Concert - from page 1

Presley, the Beatles, the Crystals, and many other great artists of rock and roll. Some of their favorite songs are "Twist and Shout," "Great Balls of Fire," and "Don't Be Cruel." The universal appeal of their music makes them popular with both kids and adults. Come see for yourself!



The President's Desk

Bill Purifoy

My wife and I were holding our annual "Cousins Camp at Lakeway" when David Dickson called about the President's letter for this month's Tealwood Newsletter. Cousins Camp is a week when we bring all four of our grandchildren, they range in age from 13 to 3 years, together without their parents. It's both a treat and a challenge

for us. So, when David called, I had to re-orient my thinking to Tealwood and the Newsletter.

The year is fast getting away, and all is going well. I'd like to take this time to thank those people who have made things happen for us so far this year -- the Wallaces for landscaping projects, the Harrisons for collecting the maintenance fees and keeping the books straight (no small feat), the Dicksons (and all those who contribute articles and time) for the newsletters and identification decals, and the Block Captains for getting everything delivered.

Thanks also go to each resident for your ongoing contribution to making Tealwood a friendly and nice place to live. Give yourselves a pat on the back, and keep up the good work! I hope that each of you has a safe and happy Labor Day.

Labor Day Concert In the Neighborhood

There will be music in the Tealwood air on Labor Day! A local band, The Flashbacks, will be presenting a free outdoor concert at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, September 2, at 207 Paul Revere Drive (one street west of Tealwood). All Tealwood residents are invited -- walk on over!

The Flashbacks have been called an "old time rock 'n roll" band. But "old time" they are not! The young band is made up of five talented kids, and two are Tealwood residents. From Tealwood are Scott Menscher, age 13, playing the drums and Paul Andrew Van Hook, age 13, playing the bass guitar. John Harrison, age 14, plays the guitar; Preston Cody, age 13, plays the keyboard and saxophone; and Andrea Cody, age 11, is their singer.

The Flashbacks have been together since 1987 when they made their debut at the Frostwood Elementary School Talent Show, directed by Tealwood resident Sue Shefman who encouraged them to continue with their music. They have since performed in concert at several school carnivals, played at a black tie dinner dance at the Ritz Carlton Hotel, and recently were featured at the Kids' Expo held at the Astrohall. Their next scheduled performance is a concert at the Houston Italian Festival on September 14.

The Flashbacks play music from the 50's and 60's, songs most often referred to as "Pop Classics." Their music includes hits from Elvis

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Editor's Notebook Sociable Security

Every day I notice more cars in the neighborhood with Tealwood decals in their rear windows, and that's great. Certainly, the decals by themselves wouldn't go very far in reducing crime in our neighborhood. But, combined with the Constable on Patrol service, individual homeowner security lighting, and a general consciousness about neighborhood security, the decals can make a difference. So, if you've already applied your decals, encourage your neighbors to do so. And, if you haven't yet taken the time to apply them, try to do so soon. Wouldn't it be great if every car in Tealwood had a decal by Labor Day?

And now for something completely different. In the two years that Jean and I have lived in Tealwood, I've heard a number of people express interest in holding some kind of neighborhood-wide social event. From listening to some of the long-time residents, it seems that at various times in the history of Tealwood there were neighborhood-wide social gatherings, block parties and the like. Earlier this year Ginny Stinson hosted a Valentine coffee (which I understand was very well received), but to my knowledge, that was the first such event in a long time, and no others are currently being planned.

My theory is that while some residents would like to be involved in planning some kind of neighborhood social function, they don't know who else has a similar interest. Therefore, I'm

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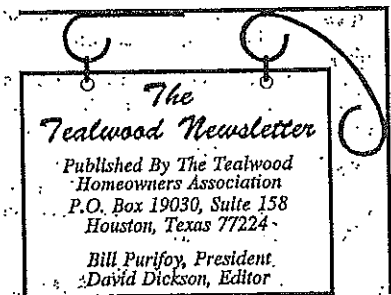
Hi There, Neighbor!

Bob Longmire

Harold and Lo Wallace were willing "guinea pigs" for this first of a series of interviews designed to introduce some of our Tealwood neighbors. They remember when most Tealwood residents knew one another and socialized frequently. There were women's garden clubs and bridge groups, block cook-outs on Sunday afternoons, and a strong sense of neighborliness. That was back in 1969 when they first moved into their new home at 318 Vanderpool, with two sons, then 12 and 10 years old. There were more children in Tealwood then too, maybe the magnet that brought families closer together.

Harold and Lo are both native Texans-- Harold from San Antonio and Lo (short for Loraine) from Brenham. They are both graduates of the University of Texas and lived in Austin until 1959

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The President's Desk Bill Purifoy

We narrowly missed a budget crunch before Houston City Council, responding to public pressure, reversed its decision to stop rebating \$6 per household to subdivisions that provide for their own garbage service. The incumbent Houston mayor has for some time been trying to

eliminate the rebate for subdivisions, like Tealwood, where the city does not provide garbage service (this applies to 90 homes in Tealwood that are in the City of Houston.) For Tealwood, the rebate amounts to \$540/month or \$6480 annually. The city sent notice that our rebates would end on 10/31/91. This would have impacted the last two months of the 1991 Tealwood Homeowners Association budget, and would have required an increase in homeowner maintenance fees to balance the 1992 budget. Your homeowners association, along with those from many other subdivisions, wrote letters protesting the ending of the rebates, and we were preparing to appear before city council to voice our opposition when the council suddenly reversed its decision. As voters, you need to be aware of those council

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Greenbacks For Green Areas Bob Longmire

Tealwood's attractiveness is enhanced by the "common green areas" scattered through the subdivision. The largest is the esplanade on Gessner from Memorial to Vanderpool. Others are:

- o the green strip at the Tealwood entrance from Memorial Drive,
- o the two esplanades on Tamerlaine,
- o the green areas in the two cul-de-sacs on Vanderpool and the one at the 200 block of Gessner.
- o the green circles on Tunbridge and Longworth, and
- o the green strip along Memorial Drive between Tealwood and Gessner.

These areas total some 90,000 square feet (2 plus acres) and contain about 120 trees and numerous shrubs and other plantings.

To keep these areas attractive requires weekly mowing, cleaning, and edging. The trees and shrubs need periodic feeding, spraying, trimming and mulching. No surprise -- the same things that your individual yards need to keep them neat and attractive. And then there's water. Yes, these areas have sprinkler systems which are operated as needed by Tealwood residents who have volunteered to care for certain areas. Lucky for us, the labor is free, but the water costs plenty. (See Green Acres, Page 2)

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members who backed mayor Whitmire in the original decision to end the garbage fee rebate, they are Goodner, Tinsley, McGowen, Calloway, Gorczynski, Reyes, and Robinson. The Tealwood board will be meeting soon to establish the 1992 budget, and it is our desire to maintain the maintenance fee at its current level of 30 mills. We currently have only one homeowner who is delinquent on the 1991 fee, and the board is preparing to exercise the first lien option of foreclosing on this property. We will soon be having our election of officers and directors for 1992. We ask anyone interested in becoming involved in the homeowners association to PLEASE step forward.

Green Acres - from page 1

Common green-area care costs nearly \$12,000 annually, broken down as follows:

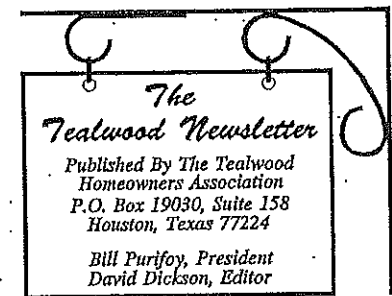
Water	\$ 2,850
Mowing, edging, cleaning	\$ 6,600
New plantings, tree removal and trimming	\$ 2,000
Sprinkler repair	\$ 500
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Annual green area care	\$11,950

If you're quick with figures you'll soon decide that we're getting quite a bargain. I'd guess that a typical Tealwood lot has 10,000 square feet or less of "green area" to be maintained. If that estimate is in the ballpark, then the common green areas within Tealwood would be equivalent to about 9 lots. The mowing, edging, etc., cost of \$6,600 per year would be equivalent to about \$60 per month per typical Tealwood lot - probably

less than half of what most residents are paying for their lawn service. We can thank the Wallaces (VP for Maintenance) for their efforts to keep these costs under control.

1992 Maintenance Fees Tom Harrison

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The President's Desk
Bill Purifoy

This will be my last letter to you as president of the Tealwood Homeowners' Association. The past 21 months have flown by, and with your help a number of good things have been accomplished. Landscaping for many of the common green areas, and a new entrance

monument at Tealwood and Memorial Drive are among the Tealwood projects completed in 1991. My thanks to those who served as officers and directors during my administration, and a special thanks to the block captains, who have kept the information flowing. It is great to see so many people involved.

The Tealwood Homeowners' Association Board met on Tuesday, November 19th, and set the maintenance assessment for 1992 at 32 mills (3.2¢) per square foot. This represents a small but necessary increase of 2 mills (2/10ths of cent) per square foot.

Our holiday decorations will be up soon, and I wish each of you a wonderful holiday season. I've enjoyed serving as your president, and hope that 1992 will see us all continue working to make our neighborhood an even better place to live.



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Notice of Annual Tealwood Homeowners Association Meeting

The annual meeting of the Tealwood Homeowners Association will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 25, 1992. The location of the meeting is being finalized, and will be announced in January.

Planned Meeting Agenda

- Election of officers & directors
- Speaker
- Social hour and refreshments

Circle 2/25/92 on your calendar today and make plans to attend this important annual meeting.

Nominees for 1992 Officers and Directors

President	David Dickson
President Elect	Jim Harris
Treasurer	Ada Till
Secretary	Sally Curtis
VP Maintenance	Harold Wallace
VP Architecture	David Kazdan

Directors - 3 year terms
 Bill Purifoy
 Bob Longmire

Directors - 2 year terms
 Tom Harrison
 Jim Harris

Directors - 1 year terms
 Harold Wallace
 David Kazdan

Editor's Notebook
Final Edition

Beginning next year, Bob Longmire will take over as Editor of the Tealwood Newsletter, making this is my final edition in that role. I would like to express my sincere appreciation to all those who have played a part in publishing the newsletter during the past two years. Thanks to Bob Longmire, Cheryl Moncrief, and Bill Purifoy who have been regular contributors, and to Sally Curtis and Nancy Campbell who have helped in folding and distribution. Also thanks to all of the Tealwood block captains who we've depended on to deliver each issue. And, I'm sure we all remember the fine nature articles contributed by Steve Gallager before he passed away late last year. Thanks for all of your help, it's been fun!

David Dickson

New Editor Takes On Newsletter
Introducing Bob Longmire

Beginning in 1992, the Tealwood Newsletter will be in the capable hands of Bob Longmire. Bob enjoys desk-top publishing as a hobby, and has been a regular contributor to the Tealwood Newsletter since April. Bob is also involved in the publication of two other newsletters, MACNEWS for the Exxon Annuitant Club, and True Grits, the Longmire Newswire for his extended family, which include his seven children and six grandchildren. Both originally from New Orleans, Bob and his wife Gayle have lived in New York and Tokyo, and are now our neighbors at 238 Vanderpool.

Fire! Call 911
Bob Longmire

Do you remember being awakened in the middle of the night by fire engine sirens a couple of months ago? You probably thought, like I did, that they were just passing by on their way to another neighborhood. Wrong!! They were headed for 319 Tamerlaine, the home of Marcel and Lynn Gremillion, where a fire was raging in the garage and threatening their home and possibly their neighbor's, too. It all started about 1:30 A.M. on a Saturday morning, October 19, when Lynn Gremillion, who was home alone, was awoken by a strange noise (probably something exploding in the garage). She moved through the house in darkness (all power was off) and finally saw the flames. "Call 911," she thought but soon discovered that the phone was dead. With some difficulty she found the key to the inside dead-bolt lock and let herself out to seek help from her

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Tealstone Takes Off *Bob Longmire*

Since our report, in the April Newsletter, the Tealstone Condo has been the scene of feverish activity. First to arrive were the contractors to handle the remodelling of the lobby, general refurbishing of the building, and redecorating of the model units. Then came the Centeq sales staff with their advertisements, and the open house in early July.

Well, what has all that produced? According to Brenda Ashliman of Centeq Realty, "It's produced results well ahead of schedule." Eleven units have been sold and 15 units have been leased (a third of the lessors are considered potential buyers). Sales results and prospects are so encouraging that Centeq is no longer advertising for lease business.

Fifteen units were actually occupied by mid-November (5 by buyers and 10 by lessors). The swimming pool, exercise room and "club house" with game and meeting rooms should be in use by the time you read this. A homeowners association board has been formed and is meeting weekly.

Would you like to know more? Then by all means, "Drop in for a tour," invites Ms. Ashliman. A Centeq sales representative is on duty at the Tealstone seven days a week until 5 p.m. and will be happy to show you around the model units and common facilities.

Maintenance Fees *1992 Statements*

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neighbors, the Campbells. Fire trucks arrived in about 7 minutes and the skillful firemen managed to save the Gremillion's home. The garage and its contents were totally destroyed, including a Ford Explorer and a Jaguar XJS. Limited damage was also suffered by two neighbor's homes. It was later determined that the fire started in an electrical outlet box in the garage (aluminum wiring) into which was plugged a "bug-zapper." Lessons learned? The Gremillions realize now that keyed dead-bolt locks throughout the house (with keys removed) may be good for security, but they add to the risk of being trapped in the home during an emergency.

Deed Restrictions *FYI Highlights*

Deed restrictions are vital to maintaining the value and character of our neighborhood. To increase awareness and understanding, this column features excerpts from the current Tealwood deed restrictions.

"No structure of any kind and unless first approved in writing by the Architectural Control Committee, no wall, fence or hedge may be placed or maintained nearer to the front lot lines or nearer to the side street than the building set back lines shown on the recorded plat of Tealwood, Sections One, Two and Three. Except as herein provided, no structure, exclusive of fences, shall be placed or maintained nearer than ten (10) feet to any interior side lot line of any lot located in the City of Bunker Hill Village, Texas, and no structure, exclusive of fences, shall be placed or maintained nearer than five (5) feet to any interior lot line of any lot located in the City of Houston, Texas, provided, however, that in the City of Bunker Hill Village, Texas, an accessory building not sharing a common wall within the main building may be placed or maintained not less than five (5) feet from the interior side lot lines, and provided further that in the City of Houston, Texas, an accessory building which is located seventy-five (75) feet or more from the front lot line may be placed or maintained not less than three (3) feet from the interior lot line. No structure, exclusive of fences, shall be placed or maintained nearer than five (5) feet to the rear lot line of the lots in Tealwood, Sections One, Two and Three. No balcony, cornice, porch,

Did You Know? *New Resident Information*

Attention (and welcome) new Tealwood residents. The following useful items are available from the Tealwood Homeowners Association.

Neighborhood Telephone Directory
Constable on Patrol telephone decals
Tealwood automobile decals
Current deed restrictions

Contact the association's Secretary, Nancy Campbell, at 827-1747.

eave roof or roof overhand of any kind may extend more than thirty (30) inches beyond the building lines herein prescribed."

Questions regarding Tealwood deed restrictions should be addressed to the Tealwood Homeowners Association, in care of David Kazdan, Vice President of Architecture.

*Happy
Holidays*