# River Oaks, Texas

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City Hall will be closed on Thursday, December 23rd and Friday, December 24th for the Christmas Holidays and on Friday, December 31st for New Years Holiday. There will not be garbage collection on either Friday, December 24th or December 31st, but there will be regular garbage service on both Thursdays prior to the holidays, December 23rd and December 30th. Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

#### If you mistake these as pretty holiday lights, you shouldn't be driving











### National Drunk and Drugged Driving Prevention Month, or National 3D Prevention Month

December is National Drunk and Drugged Driving Prevention Month, a time to raise awareness about the consequences of driving under the influence of alcohol and drugs. The time between Thanksgiving and New Year's Day is one of the deadliest and most dangerous times on roadways due to an increase in impaired driving. According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, drugs (for example, marijuana and cocaine) are involved in about 18 percent of motor vehicle driver deaths while drunk driving accidents account for 31 percent of all motor vehicle accidents. Thousands of drivers and passengers lose their lives each year because of drunk and drugged driving.

Most people would never imagine that their holiday celebration could result in a fatality or imprisonment, but the risks associated with driving while impaired are very real and can result in tragic consequences for everyone involved.

If you are traveling, going to parties or going out with friends this holiday season have a designated driver or arrange for a ride home. Remember, you are committing the crime of impaired driving whenever your ability to operate a vehicle is impaired by effects of illegal drugs, prescription medication, over-the-counter medication, or a high blood-alcohol concentration.

Drink responsibly, drive responsibly and encourage family members, friends and co-workers to be safe and responsible drivers for the holidays and beyond.

Accidents caused by driving under the influence are, of course, totally preventable. The City of Westworth Village Department encourages you to act responsibly this holiday season, this new year and every year to follow, commit to act responsibly and drive safely.

### **OPERATION SANTA PAWS**

Operation Santa Paws encourages animal lovers to share the gift of giving at shelters everywhere from December 1st to December 24th. During this holiday season, let's show a little extra love to our furry friends whom we love with all our hearts. The campaign goal of Operation Santa Paws is stocking the shelters with much-needed supplies. Our four-legged friends need to feel loved during the holidays just like we do!





Friends of the River Oaks Animal Shelter is now Available on Amazon Smile.

Not familiar with Amazon Smile? Amazon donates 0.5% of the purchase price from your eligible Amazon Smile purchases to a charity of your choice at no extra cost to you. Simply click on the link provided to add the shelter as your charity of choice and make your online purchases through smile.amazon.com at checkout.

It is a simple way to be charitable this holiday season while finishing up your holiday shopping.



## RIVER OAKS ANIMAL CONTROL & WATER EMERGENCY AFTER HOURS

Call Non Emergency Police Dispatch 817-626-1991

## This Weeks Yard Sales

### **Yard Sale Applications Accepted**

8:00 am—4:30 pm Monday—Friday

#### **PER CITY ORDINANCE:**

You may only have two yard sales a year, 4 months apart.

You must have an active water account in your name or be on the attention line. You must provide government issued photo ID.



| Friday                     | Saturday | Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday |
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| <b>24</b> City Hall Closed | 25       | 26     | 27     | 28      | 29        | 30       |