

RIVER OAKS, TEXAS Cherishing the Past. Embracing the Future.

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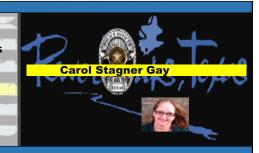
November is Native American Heritage Month, or as it is commonly referred to, American Indian and Alaska Native Heritage Month.

The month is a time to celebrate rich and diverse cultures, traditions, and histories and to acknowledge the important contributions of Native people. Heritage Month is also an opportune time to educate the general public about tribes, to raise a general awareness about the unique challenges Native people have faced. Challenges being historically and in the present and the ways in which tribal citizens have worked to conquer these challenges.

It is with great sadness to report that one of our Telecommunications Carol Stagner Gay lost her 18 month battle with cancer.

Please keep her family in your thoughts and prayers.

SPATCHER



World Kindness Day November 13, 2019

Please join the community of Castleberry ISD and the Caring Hearts and Helping Hands Committee Members as we celebrate Word Kindness Day!

We invite you to look for ways to make kindness the norm in your daily life.

World Kindness Day is a great day to begin building a new routine which means including intentional moments of kindness, laughter, and delight. It also means taking a moment to enjoy and recognize when

5 Ways YOU Can Make a Difference:

those things are happening.

- 1. Send an uplifting text to a friend or family member.
- 2. Include intentional moments of kindness to others in your daily routine.
- 3. Go slightly outside of your comfort zone at least once a day to make someone smile.
- 4. Share compliments with a co-worker, friend, family member, or even a stranger.
- 5. Treat someone to a small token of appreciation.

World Kindness Day

<u>ISTORICAL MARKER FOR JOHNNY RUTHERFORD</u>



HISTORICAL MARKER UNVEILING CEREMONY NOV 9TH: Johnny Rutherford, 3 time winner of the Indianapolis 500, will be honored on Saturday, November 9, 2019 at 10:00 A.M. at Coates Park located on River Oaks Blvd with the unveiling of the historic marker as presented by the American Racing Memorial Association and the City of River Oaks.

Help Keep Firearms Safe From Children!

The River Oaks Police Department participates in a nationwide grant from the U.S. Department of Justice called "Project Childsafe." Project Childsafe provided the police department with FREE gunlocks to distribute in our community. The purpose is to secure any firearms kept in the home and to keep them safe from children.

An unsecured firearm handled by an unsupervised and curious child can result in deadly consequences. Under certain circumstances, the parent of a child who gains unlawful access to an unsecured firearm may be charged with the crime of Making a Firearm Accessible to a Child, Texas Penal Code.

Gunlocks are available at the River Oaks Police Department Dispatch for anyone who is interested. Help us protect kids from accidental firearms injuries and deaths. Keep your guns and ammunition locked and away from children.

PUT WASTE IN ITS PLACE

Don't put fats, oil or grease down the drain.

It can cause pipes to clog resulting in costly repairs and environmental contamination. Collect them in a container and throw them in the trash.



Keeping your tires properly inflated can extend their life by almost 5,000 miles.

When your tires can no longer be used, recycle them.





Don't throw rechargeable batteries in the trash.

Recycle them at your local home improvement and electronics retailers.

Each Texan generates about six and a half pounds of garbage each day.

Reduce waste by buying less.
Purchase only what you need, by reusable products, avoid items with a lot of packaging.

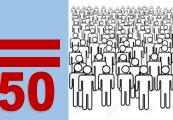




Recycle used motor oil

The used oil from one oil change can contaminate one million gallons of fresh water a years supply for 50 people.







The average household has 28 electronic devices.

Consider purchasing refurbished electronics. Also, donate used electronics or recycle these devices if they are no longer working.





If a collection opportunity exists in your community, take household hazardous waste such as used fluorescent light bulbs, drain cleaner and pesticides to a

Items such as food, yard trimmings, paper, glass, metal and plastics account for over 80% of household trash

Make a huge impact by composting and recycling as many of these items as possible





River Oaks, Texas

CODE ENFORCEMENT

We all get busy in our day to day life's...Just a little reminder about outdoor storage ordinance.

Items must be out of the view of the passing public.... Example/Merchandise for sale, tires, lawn mowers, vehicle parts, boxes, totes, ice chest, Indoor furniture, trash bags, Chemicals & supplies etc....

Items Allowed Example/Outdoor patio furniture, bbq grill that your using, pots for plants.

ARTICLE 6.03 "PROPERTY MAINTENANCE" IN DIVISION 3 "OUTSIDE STORAGE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY" SPECIFICALLY CITED UNDER SECTION 6.03.060 "OUTSIDE STORAGE PROHIBITED" OF THE RIVER OAKS CODE OF ORDINANCES AS AMENDED.

Division 3. Outside Accumulation of Personal Property

Sec. 6.03.061 Outside accumulation prohibited

- (a) Outside accumulation of the personal property designated in subsection (b) is prohibited in the front or side yard on property within all residentially zoned districts and on property used primarily for residential purposes, including multifamily property. For the purpose of this section accumulation is defined as being a mass or quantity of something that has gradually gathered or been acquired.
- (b) Outside accumulation of the following items is prohibited:
- (1) Merchandise for sale;
- (2) Building materials (except with a valid building permit with the city);
- (3) Trash cans, trash containers, including trash bags, and recycling containers (except when placed at street curb on collection days);
- (4) Chemicals and supplies;
- (5) Inventory or supplies for a business;
- (6) Indoor furniture, barbecue grills, including smokers, ice chests, and pet kennels;
- (7) Lawnmowers and other lawn care equipment;
- (8) Tools;
- (9) Boxes, bins, barrels and buckets;
- (10) Motor vehicle parts and accessories; including, but not limited to, engines, transmissions, electrical equipment, suspension parts, tires, hubcaps, camper shells, and other motor vehicle parts. For purposes of this section, a camper shell, also sometimes referred to as a canopy, topper, cap, bed cap, box cap, or simply shell, is a small housing or rigid canopy used as a pickup truck or coupe utility accessory, including but not limited to tonneau/truck bed covers; and
- (11) Unattended motor vehicles stored on jack stands or otherwise lifted from the ground or surface.

Sec. 6.03.062 Preclusion

Nothing in this article shall preclude the city from enforcing any nuisance, health and safety, or fire code violations that are screened from public view or exist anywhere on a property.

Sec. 6.03.063 Offense

It shall be an offense for a person to violate any provision of <u>section 6.03.061</u>. An offense under this division shall be a class C misdemeanor punishable by a fine of up to \$500.00. Each day that a violation is committed or allowed to continue shall be a separate offense.

Sec. 6.03.064 Affirmative defenses

It is an affirmative defense to prosecution for an offense under <u>section 6.03.063</u> that any of the following conditions apply:

- (1) For purposes of $\frac{\text{section } 6.03.061}{\text{(b)}(1)}$, that a valid garage sale permit was obtained prior to the sale of merchandise.
- (2) For the purposes of <u>section 6.03.061(b)(2)</u>, that the building materials are used in active construction or demolition work performed on the property for which a permit has been issued by the city. Where materials are stored for work not requiring a permit, that the materials are stored no longer than single period of ten consecutive days within any six-month period.
- (3) For purposes of section 6.03.061(b)(6), that the barbecue grill or smoker is actively being used or is mounted to an attached trailer that is licensed and is capable of being operated on the public roadway.

November 11, 2019 Veteran's Day

Firing on the First World War's Western Front ended on Nov. 11, 1918 at "the eleventh hour on the 11th day of the 11th month." After four years of fighting, an eerie stillness fell across the battlefields of Europe. The next day, Allied commander Field Marshal Ferdinand Foch sent a message to the Allied Armies: "You have won the greatest battle in history and served the most sacred cause - the Liberty of the World."

Celebrating the end of war soon turned to sober remembrance of all who were lost. Armistice Day, officially recognized by President Wilson in 1919, is still observed throughout the world with many stopping for a moment of silence at the 11th hour of this day to honor those who brought about the end of the "Great War." Known as Remembrance Day in many countries, the poppy is commonly worn and remains the symbol of commemoration originating from Canadian Lt. Col. John McCrae's poem "In Flanders Fields."

In 1954, after the return of veterans from both World War II and the Korean War, President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed a bill rededicating Nov. 11 as Veterans Day and encouraged Americans to commit themselves to the cause of peace and to honor America's veterans for their courage, honor, patriotism and sacrifice.

Last year on the eleventh hour on the 11th day of the 11th month marked the 100th anniversary of the day the guns went silent on World War I.

Veterans Day is a time for us to pay our respects to those who have served. For one day, we stand united in respect for you, our veterans.

We celebrate and honor America's veterans for their patriotism, love of country and willingness to serve and sacrifice for the common good.

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old: Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. at the going down of the sun in the morning, LEST WE FORGET.





FRIDAY 09

SATURDAY 10 **EDC Meeting**

6:00pm

SUNDAY

MONDAY

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TUESDAY

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WEDNSDAY

THURSDAY

MEETING @ 7PM

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The Giving Tree

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Please help the River Oaks Public Library decorate their Giving Tree with donations of new hats, gloves, scarves and socks. This will be an ongoing community event through the Winter Season.





Please donate to the River Oaks Animal Shelter

www.riveroakstx.com and click under resources on the link Donate Here to the Friends of the River Oaks Animal Shelter.

You can sign up by calling the Customer Experience line at 801-709-1509 or go to Recyclops.com/riveroaks Tell your neighbors to get signed up!

We only have 85 signed up, we still need 15 more households before pickup will start.





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On November 5, 2019 Tarrant County

announced the Ban on Outdoor Burning Has Been Lifted





RIVER OAKS PUBLIC LIBRARY FUNDRAISER

River Oaks Public Library is having a fundraiser at Chipolte, located at 6706 Westworth Blvd, Ste #101 in Westworth Village on Saturday, November 23, 2019 from 4:00pm to 8:00pm. Please make sure to tell the cashier you're supporting the cause to make sure that 33% of the proceeds will be donated to the River Oaks Public Library.

5 ELIMINATION TALENT CONT

Saturday, November 30th, Admission is \$5 at the River Oaks Event Center. Entry Fee for each contest is \$25. People Choice award is \$300. Contact the River Oaks Event Center at 817-732-5885 for an application and return it back to the Event Center.

