## The Waterstone Tablet

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## 2017 Annual Meeting and Dinner

We had our annual meeting and dinner last month at Soulman's Barbeque. The business meeting and election were concluded in thirty minutes. The ballots for the election of new board members were collected and tallied. The results brought back Harold Snyder and Nancy LeMay, each for a two year term. Hardeep Sidhu was elected as the Alternate Director. Mike Patel, Al Beckett and Laura Woodward and her son, Jim will remain as Board Members for one more year.

After the meeting, everyone was treated to a full "two-meat" barbeque dinner. If you didn't join us, you missed a great free dinner and some good fellowship with your Waterstone Estates neighbors. We had over 50+ neighbors RSVP, but only 32 showed up for the dinner. We hope that next year, everyone is able to attend. It is a great way to get to know your neighbors. **Please see page 3 regarding an update/increase to the Home Owners Dues for 2018.** 

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A lot of changes happened in 2017. We had 2 families leave, but 2 new families moved in. We had a Cleveland Pear tree planted at the entrance. We implemented Neighborhood Watch meetings. We planted new bushes and flowers at the entrance. We had a successful Garage Sale. We had a wonderful Texas Night Out with a great showing. We put in freeze/rain sensors for the sprinklers by the front monuments. We have collected dues from 117 Home Owners as of today, 12/31/17. Thank you to everyone who has paid because this helps to maintain our beautiful landscaping, sprinklers, lighting etc. Please pay your dues as early as you can. Also, if you are having financial issues, contact me and we can set up a payment plan.

### **Neighborhood Voice**

#### **Board Meetings**

Meetings of the Board of Directors are scheduled for the last Monday of each month at 7:00pm. Meetings are held at Grandy's on the north I-30 service road. Notices for these meetings are posted near the entrance to Waterstone Estates. Property owners are welcome.

#### Full-Color Waterstone Tablet Newsletters

To see our full-color newsletters, go to: www.waterstone-estates.org.

#### Neighborhood Watch

Diane and Lupe Gonzales, Neighborhood Watch Directors, have informed me that they will be having more neighborhood meetings regarding safety in our neighborhood, home improvement, professionals to guide us in making decisions regarding our homes and lives. I will keep everyone updated on dates/times and meeting topics. (Below is Lupe's email). lupeg71@gmail.com



#### A few reminders

Please remember to tie up your trash/recycle bags when you leave them at the street on Tuesdays and Fridays. As you all are aware, we have some windy days in Rockwall, especially on trash pick up days.

Also, remember to pick up after your furry companions (cats and dogs). Bring an empty bag with you when you take your dog/cat for a walk. It is your responsibility and it's a neighborly thing to do!!!

Please be aware of the speed limit signs in our neighborhood. We have small children who ride their bikes and play in their yards. We also have many people who like to walk the neighborhood. There are a few cars who drive in the neighborhood going at least 10-15 mph over the speed limit. SLOW DOWN PLEASE. It's the law.

Please feel free to attend any of the Board Meetings. They are held the last Monday of the month at 7:00 pm at Grandy's. We would love to see you there, I will announce the meetings to the entire neighborhood the morning of the day the meeting will take place.



# Correction to the Financial Report that was mailed to every homeowner on October 31, 2017.

At the Annual Meeting that was held Thursday, November 16, 2017, the Board of Directors decided to increase the Home Owner dues from \$162.00 per year to \$170.00 per year. The Board has not requested an increase in the assessments in 3 years. It was needed because the yearly expense is approx. the same amount that is brought in by the annual dues. We need to have some reserves in case we need to hire a lawyer for the road connection issue, for the sprinkler repair at the easement by the pond, or the painting of the fence along Yellowjacket Lane The \$8.00 increase will bring our annual dues collection from \$19,764.00 to \$20,740.00.



#### Maintenance Fund Status (As Of November 30, 2017)

2017 Budget	2017 Received	Spent	Bank Balance	Reserves	Total Cash Available
\$19,451.	<b>\$20,633.</b>	<b>\$17,371.</b>	<b>\$5,641.</b>	\$8,000	\$13,641.

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Miniature Pony or one of Santa's "odd looking" reindeer?

He was found wandering Murphy Drive on December 23. Soon after Amy Pennell took the picture, the City of Rockwall Animal Control was there and rescued the pony/reindeer (?).

Apparently he escaped from the backseat of the owner's car...or was it Santa's sleigh (?).

