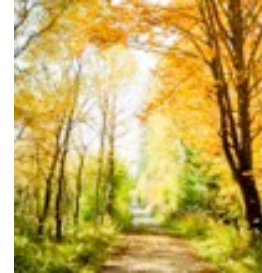


Cimarron Country Newsletter



It's autumn!



FROM THE DESK OF THE PRESIDENT

Wow! This year has flown by. Can you believe we are already planning for Christmas and the upcoming annual home owners meeting?

Christmas in our subdivision is a fun time for decorating our yards. The judging of the decorations is a joint venture with the yard of the month committee and the other volunteer committees. Though I enjoy looking at the yards and the beauty of each, I always felt like handing out the awards was the most rewarding! The beauty of the yards was a reflection of those within and visiting with the homeowners provided many interesting stories. One neighbor inspired a young teen neighbor to decorate. Another exclaimed... "my wife will be so excited...but now I'll have to do this again next year!" Some did research on the internet for unusual decorations and bargains and others shopped the used market. One turns off the lights on judging night because getting an award was not the goal. He does it for the children! Christmas is a time of wonderment and a time to reflect on the reason we celebrate this glorious season.

Congratulations to all who have managed to keep their properties looking nice. Drought, hurricane, freeze, and then another drought have certainly challenged even the most avid gardener. Deer, squirrels, birds, armadillos, and wild hogs are additional pests for gardeners, but celebrated by others. Keeping a balance is not always easy.

Human pests are also to be watched for! Holidays are times of enjoyment, and unfortunately, a time of increased activity by vandals and thieves. We will increase our security patrols when we can, but budgetary constraints limit our efforts. Get to know your neighbors and communicate with them when you are away. Consider security lights and cameras. I want one of the wild game cameras to see the critters that wander by at night. I'm told these are also useful to help catch unwanted human intruders. Watch out for each other and keep emergency numbers handy. Our directory is a good source for these numbers.
Cary Sheffield, President, CCPOA

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ALL EMERGENCY AND OFFICIAL
NUMBERS ARE IN THE CIMARRON
COUNTRY DIRECTORY.

Elections:

Early voting for our Elections precinct is from October 18-29 at MALCOLM PURVIS LIBRARY and ANY OTHER EARLY POLLING PLACE.

Election Day is November 2 at MAGNOLIA HIGH SCHOOL

Montgomery County Board of elections can be contacted: 9159 FM 1484 Conroe, Texas 77303
Phone: 936-539-7843 <http://www.co.montgomery.tx.us/election/>

VOLUNTEERS-



YARD OF THE MONTH : ccyotm@yahoo.com



OCTOBER: 40802 PIPESTONE

SEPTEMBER: 9410 DEER LODGE

Hospitality and Service Committee announces!!!!

Cimarron Country Annual SOS Food Drive

Sunday, 11/14/10 3-5 pm

Please bring donations-canned goods, non-perishables, diapers, cleaning products, hygiene products- to the community sign on Cimarron Way so we can share with the less fortunate.

ACC EMAIL ADDRESS

cimarronacc@att.net
http://www.cimarroncountrypoa.org/architectural_control/Index.html

If you can help your community in any way or if you have some time but don't know how you can help, please contact the Board at bod@cimarroncountrypoa.org

2010 CCPOA Board of Directors

President – Cary Sheffield

VP– Phil Carpenter

Secretary – Pat Byers

Treasurer – Betty Linder

Director – Joyce Payée

Regular Board Meetings are held in January, March, May, July, September, and November.

All property owners are more than welcome at any board meeting. Please remember to give adequate notice (5 days, per by-laws) if you intend to come to the meeting.



VOTING.....State and Federal Elections OCT.18-29 NOV.2

NEW BEGINNINGS

Some say this will be the most important midterm election in our lifetimes. **BE PART OF HISTORY.** Information on voting in Montgomery County TX is found at <http://www.co.montgomery.tx.us/election/> The address is: 9159 FM 1484, Conroe, Texas 77303 Phone: 936-539-7843.

We have been asked to tell you if you vote straight ticket for one party, to make sure you go back and review your choices before submitting so that you are sure all candidates you mean to choose are checked.

FEBRUARY VOTERS' MEETING- COMMUNITY ELECTIONS

NEW BEGINNINGS-

In the annual meeting in February 2011, we will be voting on a **new board of directors** due to the fact that there will be **four** open positions on the Board. Two years ago, with a full open slate, we elected Sheryl Diletto and Pat Byers to three year terms. We also elected Cary Sheffield, Betty Linder and Butch Pink to two year terms. Sheryle Diletto and Butch Pink have since resigned and were replaced by Phil Carpenter and Joyce LaPayée who are fulfilling the remainder of Sheryle and Butch's terms. If you are interested in this service to your community or can contribute, please send a simple paragraph, telling us a little bit about yourself, by December 31st, to bod@cimarroncountrypoa.org so we can publish in the January newsletter. You may include a picture if you choose, although that is not necessary.

If you are considering this service, come to the November or the January board meeting dates TBA...email or call us.

HALLOWEEN

We know our parents and neighbors are the very best anywhere, but please remember safety is first for trick or treating.

Children should be accompanied when trick or treating on our darkened streets.

Costumes should be short enough that they doesn't get caught on anything.

Make-up is preferable to heavy masks.

Light sticks and reflective clothing or stickers can help drivers see your child.

Children need to avoid houses that are dark.

Candles need to be watched and out of the way of children and pets.

All candy should be inspected before allowing children to snack on it.

And remember candy can hurt an animal.





Christmastime decor

Cimarron Country is going to have the Christmas lighting contest again this year. Judging will take place on Sunday, December 12th- The following are the categories to be judged this year by the combined volunteer groups:

1. Best Lighting
2. Religious Design
3. Most Creative
4. Special Excellence
5. Children's Choice

Children (Ages 4-15) can sign up by looking for an email with permission and intention coming out at the beginning of December or can notify the board if they wish to participate. Parents will again be responsible for driving the children around. The last page here shows a copy of that form which you can save now if you prefer.

Christmas lighting at the entrance will go up at the SOS food gathering event on NOV. 14th. Come and direct us and chat a bit as you drop off your contributions!



Safety tips: Remember to eat well and rest as you go about the holidays. Being tired can create dangerous situations for you as you travel and shop. Keep all presents and purchases locked and hidden from sight whether you are in your car or at home. Always check your immediate area and if you feel uncomfortable, get somewhere safe and call 911. Your instincts are usually good, whether it be about a situation, food or people!

All of us on the Board wish you and yours a happy and safe Holiday Season!

2010 DECORATION CONTEST “CHILDREN’S CHOICE”

The following child would like to participate in the Children’s Choice Christmas Decoration Contest:

Name: _____ **Age:** _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Parent’s Signature: _____

**CIMARRON COUNTRY CHRISTMAS DECORATION CONTEST CHILDREN’S CHOICE
BALLOT**

1st Choice ADDRESS: _____

2nd Choice ADDRESS: _____

CHILD’S NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____