



## Newsletter of the CandleRidge Homeowners Association

### *From the President's Desk...*

Dear CandleRidge Residents,

Our annual meeting will be Thursday, September 23, 2021, at 7 PM and will be on ZOOM. See pages 4 and 7 for the meeting details and Zoom log on details. We really do welcome your participation. If you are interested in holding a position on the Board, please contact me at the address listed on page 9. We will send all CHA homeowners with an email on file with us an email reminder ZOOM invitation a couple of weeks before the meeting.

In other news around CandleRidge, the City Parks Department will be installing a new play structure at the playground next to the lake on French Lake Drive and moving the current one to the corner of Kingswood and Willow Way. The CHA Board voted on August 26<sup>th</sup> to purchase two additional swing sets and two merry go rounds, one each for the Willow Way at Kingswood location and one for a spot on Willow Way farther east.

We've added a new link to our website called "Egret Information Web Page." It has all the information we've gathered on how to prevent an Egret Infestation in your trees. It's at: <https://www.candleridgehomeowners.com/egrets.html>. In either late December or the first week in January, we will set up a neighborhood meeting to make plans concerning our 2022 egret defense measures that will need to be in place from January/February through June of 2022.

The FWISD is requesting our help in promoting the 2<sup>nd</sup> Bond Election. We will have more on that later and possibly hold a ZOOM meeting with a representative in late October 2021. Supposedly, this will NOT raise taxes.

Lastly, thank you to all our homeowners for keeping CandleRidge looking great. I am impressed with the well maintained yards and beautiful landscaping as I drive around the area. CandleRidge is a great place to live thanks to each of you. Use your MYFW app to report any city problems or code violations. It is a great tool for streetlights, potholes, dead animals, high weeds and grass. and more.

Thank you for letting me use this platform to bring you the news from around our neighborhood.

**Steve Roebuck, President**



September 2021



**Back to School**

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## *In the Park...*



1. Back to school time usually means fewer park visitors during the day and more park activity during the evening especially once cooler temperatures arrive. Drive safely and comply with posted speed limit signs around the park and neighborhood.
2. There seems to be lots of park visitors arriving after curfew. Park hours remain 5 AM to 9 PM year round. FWPD does patrol after hours to assure compliance with the park curfew. It also seems that there is non-compliance of the NO SMOKING ordinance in the city parks.
3. Regular scheduled maintenance of mowing, weeding, and trimming will still continue until early fall. PACS will continue with regular trash pickup and debris removal from the lake. The lake wall has been recently treated for weed growth. Overall, the city and the mowing contractors have done a good job keeping up the maintenance this summer considering the excessive rain we had this year.
4. Some trees were lost during our brutal freeze this winter. The city has been evaluating the health of the trees in the park and greenbelt areas. Those severely damaged have either been removed or will be as the City crews continue this process.
5. Speeding cars are becoming a safety issue in the neighborhood. In most areas the legal speed limit is 30 MPH, and around the park and in the alleys, it is 20 MPH. With the simultaneous rebalancing of work and school schedules, people become rushed. Please SLOW DOWN and BE CAUTIOUS as you drive! Allow extra time in getting back to your normal work and school schedules.
6. Coyotes will become more active with the upcoming cooler temps, so take precautions to protect pets.
7. A couple of beavers have been reported to be in the creek along the greenbelt area close to Hulen. The nutria that was present around the footbridge has not been seen in a while now.
9. Some residents have been letting their children visit the park unsupervised. Children under age 15 should be accompanied by an adult. An unattended child with a cell phone does not guarantee safety!
10. Reminder, LEASH UP AND CLEAN UP after your pets while visiting the park and taking walks
11. As residents, we all have the goal in mind to keep our park safe and beautiful, so let's all do our part to keep it this way. Thanks for your continued efforts to maintain this goal. If you are interested in helping with our neighborhood park or have other inquiries, please email [parks@candleridgehomeowners.com](mailto:parks@candleridgehomeowners.com).

**Dana Wells**  
Park Coordinator



## DEED RESTRICTIONS

Please read your deed restrictions before building or adding to your home or property. This important document contains certain restrictions as to what can be added or modified to a property in CandleRidge. In short, the following is a brief excerpt from our Deed Restrictions of the main issues that the Board gets complaints concerning.

1. No plot shall be used for any purpose except for the erection and maintenance of 1 private dwelling house designed for the occupancy of a single family. No plot shall be used in whole or in part for any purpose inconsistent with private dwelling house use. (no commercial operations).
2. All dwellings shall be constructed of stone, masonry, brick, stucco, or of a glass building material of the kind usually used for outside wall construction.
3. No fence, wall, or hedge shall be placed on any lot nearer to any front street than is permitted for the house on said lot, and no fence, wall, or hedge shall be placed on any portion of the sites with a greater height than six feet (6'). No wire or woven fence is permitted on any part of any lot.
4. No animals, livestock, or poultry of any kind shall be raised, bred, or kept on any lot, except that dogs, cats, or other household pets may be kept provided that they are not kept, bred, or maintained for any commercial purpose.
5. No noxious or offensive trade or activity shall be carried on upon any lot or lots.
6. No sign shall be erected or maintained on any plot except a "for sale" sign or "for rent" sign, and it shall not exceed five (5) square feet in size.
7. Any portion of any lot that is exposed to the public view must be maintained by the property owner in a neat and orderly fashion.
8. No outbuilding, shop, trailer, or residence of a temporary character shall be permitted.
9. No dwelling or structure shall be erected or maintained nearer than seven (7) feet from the side line of any plot and accessory structures encompassed by 6 foot stockade fence.
10. No trailer, camper, boat, or other vehicle may be regularly parked, stored or maintained in the front yard or side yard of any plot. (No Parking in Front Yards.)

The CandleRidge Homeowners Association relies on each homeowner to "be a good neighbor" and abide by the deed restrictions. Remember, you signed an agreement (Deed of Trust) to abide by these covenants when you purchased your home.

Thank you to each Homeowner for abiding in your covenants.

**Your CandleRidge Board**



## New City Councilman! Dr. Jared Williams



Meet our new District 6 City Councilman

Welcome Dr. Jared Williams

Email: [District6@fortworthtexas.gov](mailto:District6@fortworthtexas.gov)

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Assistant Kendyll Locke: [kendyll.locke@fortworthtexas.gov](mailto:kendyll.locke@fortworthtexas.gov)

Contact Councilman Williams or his assistant with any questions or concerns that you have.



### ANNUAL H.O.A. MEETING



Go to [www.zoom.us](http://www.zoom.us)  
Meeting ID: 870 4573 1914  
Passcode: 169563



## Candleridge Garden Club Autumn Program 2021

We welcome everyone, living in Candleridge or not, to join our friendly and active garden club. Our president is Faye Youngblood. For additional information, email Barbara Ford. [cdt.bford@gmail.com](mailto:cdt.bford@gmail.com), text 817-980-1430. Dues are \$16 per year. Our upcoming fall program is as follows:

Sept. 21: By special request from our members, this program will feature 4 subjects : Quick Pickling, Jams, Drying Herbs, and Herb Tea. This will be presented in mini-presentations by Rena Tanker, Ginny Schmidt, and herb specialist, Chris Masterson.

Oct. 18: We plan to tour the HISTORIC GARDENS of THISTLE HILL. Elizabeth Staples, a Master Gardener and other Candleridge Garden Club member will be our guides. Liz volunteers at the Thistle Hill gardens. NOTE: Because of tour restrictions, this tour is only open to members.

Nov 15: What to do with those pumpkins from Halloween? Answer, come to our Decorating Pumpkins with Succulents program presented by Candleridge Garden Club president Faye Youngblood.

Candleridge Garden Club meets at 7 PM on the 3rd Tuesday of the month from September through May at St. Matthew's Lutheran Church at Granbury and Welch.

*See you there!*



# BLUE CODE

## Citizens On Patrol

### Thank You Citizens on Patrol Volunteers

How do you contact the city? Here are some of the most often needed telephone numbers. Remember, if you need an officer dispatched, the primary numbers are:

EMERGENCY	911
Non-Emergency	817 392-4222
Records (Obtain a copy of a report)	817 392-4160
Alarm Permits	817 392-2222
Animal Control	817 392-3737
Auto Pound	817 392-5950
City Call Desk (good for almost anything)	817 392-1234
Code Compliance)	817 392-1234
Crime Stoppers	817 469-8477
Family Violence	817 392-4355
Graffiti Abatement	817 212-2700
Municipal Court (Tickets)	817 392-6700
Narcotics	817 378-1500
Parks and Recreation	817 392-5700
Prisoner Inquiries (MLEC)	817 473-8676
Report Road Rage	817 392-4441
Sex Offender Information	817 392-4350
South Division Admin	817 392-3400
South Division Criminal Investigation	817 392-3460
South Division COPS Coordinator	817 392-3418
South Division Crime Prevention	817 994-6924
Transportation & Public Works (TPW) (Potholes, lights, signs)	817 392-8100
Traffic Division	817 392-4850
Victim Assistance	817 392-4390
Youth Section	817 392-4180



You can use the new City App to learn many things as well as to report issues.

**Marty Moskowitz**  
Acting COP Captain







Ducky life certainly welcomed summer after the brutal winter which surprised everyone this year. Then came rain, rain, and more rain. Although the ducks loved all the rain, they were happy to see it go. They welcomed the sunshine and the less brutal heat they've experienced this summer. They still spent the summer shade hogging during the day and swimming during the evening. They move slower in hotter temps, so offer your patience and respect by allowing them to cross the street safely. Remember you are in an air conditioned car, and they don't get that luxury. Some of our second attempts at repopulation were successful this year. Many of our mother ducks wised up and decided to try and raise their ducklings on land instead of in the lake. This allowed safety from our very active and hunting turtles. Others that chose to introduce their ducklings to the lake were not so lucky. Also, we had new predatory birds this summer, black crown night herons. They took out many ducklings. These herons not only hunted at night but were witnessed hunting during the day as well. Occasionally, a Canadian geese would fly in and spend a week or so resting before continuing its journey. The lake will have a "FULL HOUSE" again come October when the migratory ducks arrive. We look forward to their beauty as well as the soothing and relaxing sounds they make. Our feathery friends appreciate being treated with kindness and respect since French Lake is their home. For those of you who express your support and generosity by providing monetary contributions for food and care, we want to say "QUACK QUACK" to you for making those quacks happy ones. Our feathery friends are ready to welcome fall and anticipate the arrival of all their visiting friends. They are hoping the turtles will hibernate early this year..... wishful thinking!

#### QUACKY FACTS:

- Ducks have serrated edges on each side of their beak.
- Ducks have a very high metabolism.
- The average lifespan for a duck is 5-8 years.

**Dana Wells, The Duck Lady**



### National Night Out

The Fort Worth Police Department invites all residents to participate in the 38th annual "National Night Out" celebration on Tuesday, October 5, 2021. Residents are asked to turn on their outside lights and spend the evening outdoors with their neighbors, police officers, and other City personnel. Anyone can host an event during "National Night Out." To host an event, go to <https://natw.org/registration/>



# Welcome New Neighbors

Welcome to CandleRidge!

I am glad to welcome you to our beautiful CandleRidge neighborhood!! Houses in CandleRidge have been selling very quickly with lots of updates being made to the homes. Homeowners tell me they love the beautiful trees and the greenbelt walk ways where they go to exercise. I would like to come by your home and meet you to give you a CHA Welcome bag which contains a few gifts and information about our community.



**Karen Hunn**  
New Neighbor Chairman

*Do you have new neighbors?*



## **Reminder! Pay your Dues Online with PayPal**

Did you know that you can pay your annual dues on our website?  
To do so, go to [www.candleridgehomeowners.com](http://www.candleridgehomeowners.com)

**Don't forget our Facebook page too!**  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/172430886475729>



Our CandleRidge Annual Meeting is just around the corner! Please mark your calendars now!

**When:** Thursday, September 23, 2021

**Time:** Meeting starts at 7:00 PM

**Location:** Go to [www.zoom.us](http://www.zoom.us)

Meeting ID: 870 4573 1914 ~ Password: 169563

Zoom reminders will be sent a few days prior to the meeting!

**Send us your email address!**



- Hear Annual Reports!
- Vote for new officers!
- Meet your new city councilman!

## CandleRidge Homeowners Association Membership Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ (Cell) \_\_\_\_\_ (Other) \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

I am willing to help with:

\_\_\_\_ Park maintenance \_\_\_\_ Gardening \_\_\_\_ Greeting neighbors \_\_\_\_ Legal Advice (licensed attorney)

\_\_\_\_ Code Issues \_\_\_\_ COP Program \_\_\_\_\_ Other (indicate position)

*The Candleridge Homeowners Association never sells or otherwise shares its membership list. Providing your email address to this form will allow you to receive urgent email updates from CHA. Please complete this form and return it with your annual \$25 dues or \$15 for 65+ Senior households.*

Use **PayPal** on our website [www.candleridgehomeowners.com](http://www.candleridgehomeowners.com) or mail checks to:  
CHA Membership Chairman, P.O. Box 331871, Fort Worth, TX 76163-1871



### Dues are now due annually at the first of the year!

We want you to join so that you can help fund CandleRidge projects for this year. Dues are either only \$25 per household per year or \$15 per year for Senior Households 65+. Please pay online with **PayPal** on our website [www.candleridgehomeowners.com](http://www.candleridgehomeowners.com), or mail a check to our membership chair to:

**CHA Membership Chair**  
**P.O. Box 331871, Fort Worth, TX 76163-1871**

**If you haven't joined for 2021, please do so now.**

Aside from efforts to inform you about important news and events for our neighborhood, board members work to keep our neighborhood the great place it is: from Old Glory waiving above French Lake to the beautiful flowers at her feet, from bench painting projects to exercise and playground equipment and smart looking signs, and from maintenance to zoning issues. We regularly keep in touch with the city and other neighborhood associations. Your dues fund these projects, so please join.

**Thank you,  
Your CandleRidge Board**

**Pay Dues**





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