



Newsletter of the CandleRidge Homeowners Association

Summer 2023

From the President's Desk...

Dear CandleRidge Residents,

Greetings Neighbors, I would like to take this space to introduce our new board members. Sandra Allen is our new Parks Coordinator. Our New Neighbors Committee Chairman is Roger Ellis. Their contact information will be in the back of the newsletter. Sandra has been in contact with the Parks Department, and she has relayed to us that the lake dredging should start this summer. Also, the new playground equipment has been installed at the playground near the lake. The swing sets that were approved last September were put on hold because the city parks department has requested some changes. We will take a vote on the new plan in September at the annual meeting.

The calls about the coyotes wandering throughout the neighborhood have all but stopped. It seems as they have moved on to another location. The egrets seem to have followed the same path. The defense put up by several neighbors with the noisemakers have made them relocate. Thank you to all who participated.

I hope to see everyone at our 2nd annual 4th of July parade. Like last year, the fire truck will be on display and we will give out free ice cream, but this year we've expanded to include decorations and prizes for the best decorated people and bikes/trikes/wagons/etc. We could use help with a boom box or sound system. Do you have one that we could use? Come and walk the loop with us and visit with neighbors. See you there, and see page 3 for more info!

Our neighborhood is also in need of more Citizen Patrollers. If interested, please contact me or any Citizen Patroller. Making our presence known has proven to be one of the best tools we have to prevent crime in our neighborhood. In addition, our Neighborhood Citizen Patrol Captain, Marty Moskowitz, has been ill and hasn't been able to participate in the program, so keep Marty in your prayers.

Remember to use your MYFW app on your phone to report city code violations, high weeds and grass, landscaping that blocks the line of sight for traffic, holiday lighting that's still up, pot holes, non working streetlights, dead animals, and more.

Thank you to each and every neighbor for helping to make our CandleRidge neighborhood the best place to live. Connect with us too on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/172430886475729>.

Steven Roebuck,
President



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In the Park...



1. It's hot, but people are still enjoying the park! Bring your water, and come on out.
2. The dredging of French Lake should begin in July. This is a part of the bond program a few years back.
3. The city personnel reneged on putting in the additional swing sets that the membership approved at the annual meeting last fall, so we will need to discuss a new plan at the annual meeting on Sept. 28, 2023.
4. The playground at CandleRidge Park is now open with new playground equipment.
5. Please pick up after your dogs. Bags have been provided by volunteers, so please use one of the ones provided or bring one with you.
6. Work will start in July on dredging French Lake. For a proposed aerial view, see our Facebook page.

Sandra Allen,
Park Coordinator



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Back by popular demand

MY FW APP Training
July 18
6 pm
1000 Calvert
in the Auditorium

please RSVP with your Coordinator or @
CodeBlue@fortworthtexas.gov

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Help Celebrate the 4th of July with a Parade at French Lake Park!

Participants need to gather near the footbridge by 9:45AM.

The parade will start promptly at 10:00 AM.

Decorate your bicycles, tricycles, wagons, and more!

You could receive an award for best decorated!

Residents and their pets on leashes are also welcome to participate.

The parade will take place along the walking path at French Lake.

Join the fun and enjoy the free ice cream!

Positions Open on the Candleridge Board:

**Secretary
Historian**



Let a Board Member know if you are interested in serving.

Candleridge Garden Club

Did you know that our Candleridge Garden Club is the only garden club in Fort Worth that meets in the evenings? The meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month from September through May. Meeting times are from 7-9 PM, and the annual dues are only \$16. We meet at St Matthews Lutheran Church which is located at the corner of Granbury Road and Welch Avenue. Prior to each meeting, Stone's Throw Farm Truck offers fresh produce and other farm goods from their truck from 3:00-6:00 on a Garden Club meeting night.



Candleridge Garden Club's monthly meetings are enjoyed by all attending. Generally, they feature a program with a guest speaker. There are also demonstrations, plenty of how-to instructions, and tips on better gardening. In addition, it would be a rare meeting without our pass-along plants from our members.

We welcome everyone, living in Candleridge or not, to join our friendly and active group. Our president is Faye Youngblood. If you would like more information on our Candleridge Garden Club, send an email to gardenclub@candleridgehomeowners.com.

See you in September!!



Citizens On Patrol

Thank You Citizens on Patrol Volunteers

Citizens on Patrol and the Fort Worth Police Department recently hosted a Community Safety Fair at the Wal-Mart on McCart. It was a great program where citizens got to know their local police force and learn about the various programs available to local neighbors. FWPD furnished food, bounce houses, and prizes for the kids.

One such program that was represented was Citizens on Patrol. It is important that we maintain a vibrant neighborhood patrol program. The police department offers free training, and all the COPs rules are explained to all the patrollers at the training. If you are thinking about joining, please know that we are not allowed to confront suspects. We only call in incidents and suspicions to 911 or on our 2-way radios. This helps keep all us citizen patrollers safe. Having a presence in our neighborhood makes a criminal want to go somewhere else if he sees one of our cars with the COPS signs on it patrolling through the neighborhood. Email Warner Filley to sign up or to ask a question: Warner.Filley@FortWorthTexas.gov



For all existing Citizen Patrollers, there will be a conference in Fort Worth hosted by the Texas Citizens on Patrol Association September 13-17. There will be training and other events, Call 817-201-2354 for more information or email alison.golden@fortworthtexas.gov to register.

1st Quarter 2023 Crime Statistics

Crime Statistics for District 6:	City Wide Crime:	District 6 % of Total
Crimes Against Persons: 351	3,503	10.0%
Crimes Against Property: 959	7,753	12.4%
Crimes Against Society: 76	1,294	05.9%
Total Crimes: 1,386	12,550	11.0%

We have our fair share of crime around here, so be vigilant, know your surroundings, close your blinds when away from home, install security cameras, keep your driveway well lit up at night, lock your cars, remove valuables from your car when not in it, and join the COP unit.

CandleRidge residents are strongly encouraged to support the City’s police establishment and further strongly encouraged to join the Citizens on Patrol program. With the decrease in pandemic cancellations, training for the program has increased. To get more information or to fill out an application for COPS, contact Steve Roebuck at president@candleridgehomeowners.com. Additionally, our COPS patroller team looks forward to Marty Moscovitz’s return as our Acting Captain.

Steve Roebuck,
COPS Patroller



New Neighborhood Police Officer (NPO)

Hello CandleRidge,

My name is Officer Billy Atkins, #4309, and I am the new J16 Neighborhood Police Officer for the South Division. Some of you may recognize me from my previous stint as a NPO in J16. I am pleased to have found a permanent home in this beat, and I look forward to collaborating with you all. Please call or text me if you have any issues that are police related or that require follow-up attention that the patrol officers cannot provide. As always, when you have an emergency, please call 911. For non-emergency issues that requires a police response, call the non-emergency number 817-392-4222.

My Contact Information is:

J16 NPO - Billy Atkins 4309

Cell 817-988-1031

Office 817-392-3712

Billy.Atkins@fortworthtexas.gov

B. Atkins,

Fort Worth Police



City Affairs—Fires

Seems like this year we have had more than our share of house fires in the Candleridge and Wedgwood South areas. Curious as to the causes, I contacted the area fire chief who told me that, to his knowledge, they were electrical fires, with one being what he called an "accidental" fire from outdoor grilling. None have been kitchen grease fires.

About five years ago, we had a grease fire in our kitchen. Thankfully, I had a large fire extinguisher that I have always kept at the front of the cabinet underneath the sink. The flames of our fire were touching the wood above and around the sides of the cook top. This big red extinguisher put it out in seconds. Remarkably, we had little damage other than to the wood floors in our living and dining room.

Most of us with extinguishers have the red ones. These usually meet fire extinguisher standards A, B, and C. They are fine, especially for outside use, but the extinguisher chemicals needed to meet the "A" standard include phosphorus. The phosphorus dust was all over our kitchen and wood floors. After some effort, our counter tops and cabinets cleaned up fine, but the wood floors stayed dull for over a month. After much cleaning and polishing, they finally got their luster back. We replaced our big red extinguisher with one rated B,C. The "B" is for kitchen fires. These canisters are usually white.

I have two extinguishers in my garage and one by my Weber grill outside. The fire chief told me that in addition to always checking the pressure gauge on your extinguisher, you also need to shake them every once in a while as the needed chemicals can settle to the bottom.

Writing this article prompted me to go check my extinguishers. Two of mine read "discard" or "recharge." ...Got to go! I'm on my way to buy a new one now.

Bill Atkins,

City Affairs

