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General Manager's CORNER

Pomona's Fall Town Hall
October 20th 6:30pm
Trendmaker Model
Home



Agenda:

- ▶ Welcome
- ▶ Team Introduction
- ▶ Police Report
- ▶ Association Overview
- ▶ Landscaping 101 with Dr. Moon
- ▶ Open Forum



HOMEOWNER Spotlight

Robert T. Grays

High School Information
L. V. Hightower High School –
Graduated June, 3, 2016



College Plans:
Robert received a partial
scholarship and will attend
Midwestern State University
to major in business and also to
play football.



SAVE
THE
Date
12.02.16

Celebrate the Holiday Season at Pomona's
First Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony!
December 2nd @ 6:30pm
Fish Camp

EXPLORATION ZONE Grand Opening

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On July 2, 2016 Pomona had the Grand Opening Event of Exploration Zone. That day Mt. Pomona was stated to be the highest point in Brazoria County. Residents gathered to enjoy James Coney Island and sweet treats from Southern Ice Cream. Alvin I.S.D. joined the event and jazzed up all of our students for summer reading by providing each resident with 2 books to take home. Chick-fil-a and their cow gave away several gift cards to winners of the spinning wheel. The Manvel Cub Scout Pack 483 volunteered their time to show residents how to assemble and fly kites. We had several winners as we gave away passes to Schlitterbahn, the Children's Museum, the Houston Zoo, Studio Movie Grill in Pearland and much more. Exploration Zone is a wonderful place where residents can enjoy the playground and the vast beauty of nature that surrounds it.



Developer's CORNER

What an exciting summer we have had! Exploration Zone is completed and the Grand Opening of this park, along with Mt. Pomona, occurred on July 2, 2016. Camp Pomona is underway with the first building near completion. The first building will consist of offices for the Developer and Lifestyle Manager to be onsite along with restrooms and a large covered porch. We are on schedule to open late fall. Landscaping for Pomona has officially been turned over to LandCare, the HOA landscape maintenance company. We have begun construction of our Phase 2 plans for the community which will open summer of 2017. In addition, the elementary school is on schedule to open Fall of 2017 and a ground breaking ceremony announcing the name is expected this fall. Stay tuned for the many wonderful things coming to Pomona!



Gardening by *the Moon*

By: Dr. Robert E. Moon

WHO DOESN'T LIKE TO SAVE MONEY?

Did you know you can save both money and water just by taking a little time to manage your irrigation system? If you set your irrigation automatically and never change run times and number of days to operate throughout the year, this can be very expensive with the current water rates. The more water used, the greater the cost and the use of water, a valuable resource, which needs to be a concern for all of us!

It might seem difficult to set and re-set the irrigation controller, but it is not that hard. You will need to read the instruction manual for your controller. You can find this manual in the garage or in your homeowner information packet. This is the number one complaint I hear from homeowners, but it is not difficult. Now practice! Go to the garage and practice. You will find it as easy as setting your DVR or your iPhone.

Manually setting your irrigation controller is so important because this is the way you can save the most dollars and water. It makes good sense to only run water when plants need the water! You will find that there are many weeks and even months during the rainy season and winter that you can leave your system turned to "off". By doing this, you can experience savings up to \$1,000 per year on your water bill depending upon seasonal changes and weather for each year. When you are on vacation or it is a busy time of the year for you, go ahead and operate the system automatically.

If you are wondering how to set the irrigation system taking into consideration seasonal changes in plant water needs, you will find important seasonal irrigation recommendations in your homeowner's packet. This information gives run times and number of days to water. If you cannot find this information, contact your builder or the First Residential Representative and they can provide this information. If you follow the seasonal water schedule, you will save over \$700 per year.

Go ahead, read, learn, practice and set your irrigation controller for the season or better yet, operate manually and start planning how you can best use that extra \$700 to \$1,000 per year savings.



Pomona's Philanthropy:



LONE SURVIVOR™ FOUNDATION

Lone Survivor Foundation is committed to renewing, empowering, and restoring hope to this nation's heroes through health, wellness, and therapeutic support and we rely heavily on the kindness and generosity of third party fundraisers and communities like you to continue our mission.

The vision of the Lone Survivor Foundation is to provide exceptional therapeutic, outdoor, and unique opportunities that optimize recovery and healing of affected U.S. Military wounded service members and their families. We accomplish this by:

- ▶ Building nationally recognized therapeutic facilities that support wounded service members and their families affected by -
 - ▶ Post-Traumatic Stress (PTS)
 - ▶ Mild Traumatic Brain Injury (mTBI)
 - ▶ Military Sexual Trauma (MST)
 - ▶ Chronic pain
- ▶ Providing therapeutic and educational retreats for –
 - ▶ Individuals
 - ▶ Service Members
 - ▶ Care Partners
 - ▶ Couples
 - ▶ Families
- ▶ Emphasizing the use of Equine Assisted Learning (EAL) using the EAGALA model, neurofeedback, combat-trauma specific yoga and other cutting-edge modalities to heal and empower wounded service members and their families.
- ▶ Helping to reduce the wounded service member's need for narcotic pain management through targeted educational and therapeutic opportunities.
- ▶ Helping to stabilize and enhance family structures and relationships through education, counseling, support, and inspiration.
- ▶ Providing support through awareness and inspiration to motivate Americans to recognize and offer assistance, mentorship, and care for our wounded service members and their families.

Keep a look out for upcoming volunteer opportunities and other ways to get involved with Lone Survivor Foundation.

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As another way to build community, residents can stay connected by joining our private Facebook page. Where ever you are in the building stage, we would love to get to know you. Send Lori Evans, Lifestyle Manager, lori.evans@fsresidential.com your email address to be added to the group. We look forward to meeting you and introducing you to your neighbors at our next gathering!

WE ARE SOCIAL



Bring the BEST of Fall to the Table with Creative Centerpieces

Jack-o-lanterns on the porch. Check. Ghostly cut-outs peering through every window. Check. You even managed to work in Thanksgiving with your creative Indian corn wreath. But there's one thing that looks spookily bare and eerily un-hospitable—your tabletops.

Now is the time for a little TLC for your four-legged furniture, and we've got the answer. Check out these easy and autumnal DIY centerpieces that will make your tabletop a thing of beauty.



Glam Up Some Pumpkins

Spook out and spiff up everyday pumpkins with a little glue, some glitter and artful embellishments.



Happy Harvest Centerpiece

Simply fill a low, trough-like or oblong tray with gourds, leaves,

pinecones, apples, nuts and candles. Make it low enough so that food can be passed and guests can carry on a conversation un-obstructed. The result is a beautiful arrangement for Thanksgiving or any fall feast.

Go with the Glow

Bring a warm glow to the table safely with these charming flameless luminaries.



Lovely Leaves

What says autumn more than falling leaves? Just trim branches with bright, autumn-colored leaves and place them in contrasting



glass vases half-full with water. It's an effortless statement that's both modern and timeless.

Pumpkin Chocolate Chip Bread

INGREDIENTS

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| 3 1/2 cups all-purpose flour | 1 (15 ounce) can 100% pure pumpkin |
| 1 tablespoon ground cinnamon | 1 cup canola oil |
| 1 tablespoon ground nutmeg | 2/3 cup water |
| 2 teaspoons baking soda | 1 teaspoon vanilla extract |
| 1 1/2 teaspoons salt | 4 large eggs |
| 3 cups granulated sugar | 1 cup semisweet chocolate chips |

DIRECTIONS

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Spray three 9x5 inch loaf pans with cooking spray and set aside.
2. In a medium bowl whisk together the flour, cinnamon, nutmeg, baking soda, and salt. Set aside.
3. In a large bowl, combine sugar, pumpkin, canola oil, water, vanilla, and eggs. Mix until smooth.
4. Slowly blend in flour mixture. Fold in chocolate chips. Evenly divide batter between the three loaf pans.
5. Bake for 60 minutes, or until browned and a toothpick comes out clean. Remove loaves from oven and cool in pans on a wire rack for 15 minutes. With a knife, go around the bread and loosen the loaves. Remove from pan and cool completely before slicing.

