



Cape Carancahua News

February 2015
OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER
CAPE CARANCAHUA PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION

Board of Directors

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Charles Taylor

Joe Wyatt



*Happy 2015 to you and yours!
The Cape Carancahua Board of
Directors and staff wish you a
prosperous and healthy year ahead.*

The New Year in the Cape brings many things – your annual membership/maintenance statement, a new mowing season, the Annual property owners' meeting and the Board of Directors election. You should have received your 2015 statement by now. It includes the option to save about 25% on prepaid mowing for lots that do not have residences. Election ballots will be mailed about the 16th of February. Please vote! You are cordially invited to attend the Quarterly meeting on February 8 and the Annual meeting on March 8. The candidates for the contested spot on the Board will speak at the February 8 meeting. If you haven't already seen the new Community Center, this is the perfect opportunity. PLUS – Pot Luck dinners will be held the day before each of these meetings.

POT LUCK DINNER

Everyone Welcome! Please join us for good food and friendship at the Community Center on February 7 about 5:00 p.m. Bring a dish to share if you like, but there is always more than enough for everyone if you're not a cook!

Please come!



The President's Report

Happy New Year from the Cape (even though it's a little late)! I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and a safe New Year; let's all hope for a good year here in the Cape for all our owners and residents.

There have been several changes in our Cape personnel in the past few months. Cyndy Hopmann has retired from the Cape after many years of loyal service to us all at the Office. Please join me in thanking her and wishing her good luck. Ambyr Valentine has taken her place at the Office, and is rapidly learning all the skills needed to handle the daily administrative work of the Cape. Aaron Starnes has joined the Maintenance Department. You will see him out in the Cape making sure that all the many jobs that need to be done to keep the Cape up and running get done. Both Ambyr and Aaron are also firefighters for the Fire Department, as well. Please join me in welcoming them to the official Cape family of employees.



I'm sure you have seen continuing progress on some Cape projects. Unfortunately, road work is not one of these. We have had serious delays in road projects, due largely to the wet and cold winter we are having. Much of the work needing to be done requires reasonably dry and warm weather. And, when other (non-Cape) road work is delayed, that delays our contractors and suppliers, which delays us even further. As soon as possible, we will commence road projects, some done by us, and some done by outside contractors. We have budgeted \$80,000 to roads in the 2015 budget, and there is still work to be done from the 2014 budget year, as well.

We are coming up on the Annual Meeting and an election for the Board of Directors. Please take time to make an educated vote. Most of the things that really impact how we live our daily lives are not decided in Washington, or even in Austin. They are decided on the local level, and we are the local-est level you've got. Remember all those folks that fought and died so you could get to vote? Don't make their loss in vain; vote every time you can, in every election possible.

Enjoy the springtime to come and look forward to the good times ahead.

Craig Brooks , President

NEW STORAGE FACILITY

Cape property owners Roy Morse and Don Buckner have constructed a secure boat/RV storage building in the Cape Carancahua Business Park. Rentals are available on a quarterly or annual basis. Covered stalls are 12'x40' with 13'6" clearance. They even have electricity to recharge your trolling motor! Outdoor storage for larger vehicles or equipment is almost unlimited. For more information, call Roy at 713-819-3503 or Don at 210-884-7482.





Coming Attractions

- February 7 – Pot Luck Dinner, 5:00 p.m.
- February 8 – CCPOA Board Meeting, 1:00 p.m.
- February 8 – Quarterly CCPOA Meeting, 2:00
- February 10 – Capers’ Meeting, 10:00 a.m.
- February 12 – ACC Meeting, 9:00 a.m.
- February 26 – ACC Meeting, 9:00 a.m.
- March 7 – Pot Luck Dinner – 5:00 p.m.
- March 8 - CCPOA Board Meeting, 1:00 p.m.
- March 8 – Annual CCPOA Meeting and Election, 2:00 p.m.
- March 10 – Capers’ Meeting, 10:00 a.m.
- March 12 – ACC Meeting, 9:00 a.m.
- March 19 – CCWSC Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m.
- March 26 – ACC Meeting, 9:00 a.m.
- April 9 – ACC Meeting, 9:00 a.m.
- April 14 – Caper’s Meeting, 10:00 a.m.
- April 15 – *CCPOA Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m.
- April 23 – ACC Meeting, 9:00 a.m.

*Tentative Dates

NOTE: Some meetings will be held at the meeting room and some at the new community center. Ask at the office or check the bulletin board and posted signs.



Ambyr Valentine

New office assistant Ambyr Valentine is eager to meet Cape property owners. She began office duties in December to replace Cyndy Hopmann who retired. Stop by the office and say “Hi” to Ambyr when you have time.

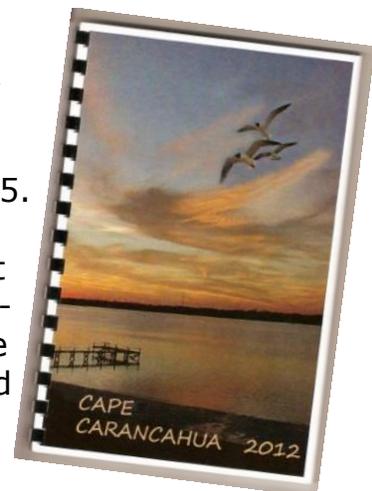
What on earth is that??



You have every right to wonder because you can hardly tell it’s a golf cart. But... that’s what has been reported driving at night with no lights. Please protect yourself, your children, and others in the Cape by never driving at night unless you have adequate lights on your vehicle. We are fortunate to be able to enjoy the luxury of driving golf carts while we enjoy the beverage of our choice and taking the opportunity to teach our children to drive without breaking the law. Let’s all help keep that special privilege. Don’t forget to get a one-time registration number at the office. It’s just \$10 and may be the only way we can contact you in the event of an accident.

PLANNING A NEW CAPE PHONE BOOK

A new Cape phone book is in the works for some time in 2015. To make sure you are included and that your contact information is correct, please stop by the office and check your listing.



Carancahua Community Volunteer Fire Department



A Record Year in 2014- Your Fire Department had very much a record year for emergency responses in 2014. Normally, we run about 45-50 calls for service in one year. In 2014, we had a total of 87 calls for service. These included 25 fire calls, 47 medical emergencies, 11 vehicle accidents (many with injuries), and 4 'other' calls. We responded to 100% of our requests for service.

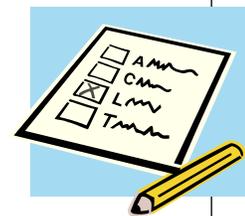
Department News- We have upgraded the traffic control equipment carried on Engine #871, which will make working around accidents on roadways much safer for us, and allow for better service for the public. We were very happy to receive a grant from Boardwalk (they own the gas plant just south of Edna). This money will be used to upgrade the water fill for Tanker #870, which will decrease fill time and improve efficiency. Results for our other grant requests are still unknown.

Volunteers Needed- Your Fire Department needs **you!** It's great to have good equipment (thank you very much for your generous support). But, without trained, willing volunteer firemen, the trucks are just big expensive paperweights. We truly need dedicated firemen. Granted, it's not for everybody, but it needs to be for *somebody*, or there will come a day in the not too distant future when we will no longer be able to serve the community. Besides, it's a pretty good job. Contact me at 713-569-4001 or at craigbrooks1@tisd.net.

Craig Brooks, Chief
Carancahua Community
Volunteer Fire Department

2015 Board Elections

The following two-year terms of office will expire on March 8, 2015:
Position 1 - Ted Grimes
Position 2 - Charles Taylor
Position 4 - Joe Wyatt



Charles Taylor and Joe Wyatt have filed for another two-year term in their positions. Ted Grimes has declined to run for another term due to family health issues. Two Cape property owners have filed for Position 1. Information from their filing forms is copied below.

Marie Weakley: "I have been a full-time resident in the Cape for eleven years. I care deeply about the future of the Cape and want to continue to move forward with improvements and road repairs. I have the experience and desire to serve all Cape residents honestly and faithfully."

Ronald Kinard: "I have dealt with the public all my working life. I have served on committees at church and served on civil and criminal juries. I know how to work with people. I ran a successful business for 23 years."

Ballots will be mailed on February 16 to all Cape property owners. Each ballot will be accompanied by an instruction sheet. Multiple owners of Cape property (other than married couples) will also receive a "Designated Vote Form" that must be completed and returned with the ballot.

Ballots must be returned in the envelope provided by Saturday, March 7, or placed in the ballot box at the meeting on March 8, 2015.

Cape Carancahua Property Owners Assn., Inc.

2015 – 2016 MOWING SCHEDULE (as necessary)

**This schedule lists the Cape's mowing dates.
If you do not want the Cape to mow your lots, they should be
mowed during the week before Cape crews start on your section.**

2015			Sept 7-13	Sections 1 & 5
March 16-22	Section 3		Sept 14-20	Section 2
March 23-29	Section 4		Sept 21-27	Section 3
			Sept 28- Oct.4	Section 4
April 6-12	Sections 1 & 5			
April 13-19	Section 2		Oct 5-11	Sections 1 & 5
April 20-26	Section 3		Oct 12-18	Section 2
April 27-May 3	Section 4		Oct 19-25	Section 3
			Oct 26-Nov. 1	Section 4
May 4-10	Sections 1 & 5			
May 11-17	Section 2		Nov 2-8	Sections 1 & 5
May 18-24	Section 3		Nov 9-15	Section 2
May 25-31	Section 4		Nov 16-22	Section 3
			Nov 23-29	Section 4
June 1-7	Sections 1 & 5			
June 8-14	Section 2		Dec 7-13	Sections 1 & 5
June 15-21	Section 3		Dec 14-20	Section 2
June 22-28	Section 4		Dec 21-27	Section 3
			Dec 28-Jan. 3	Section 4
July 6-12	Sections 1 & 5			
July 13-19	Section 2		Jan 4-10, 2016	Sections 1 & 5
July 20-26	Section 3		Jan 11-17	Section 2
July 27-Aug 2	Section 4		Jan 18-24	Section 3
			Jan 25-31	Section 4
Aug 3-9	Sections 1 & 5			
Aug 10-16	Section 2		Feb 1-7, 2016	Sections 1 & 5
Aug 17-23	Section 3		Feb 8-14	Section 2
Aug 24-30	Section 4		Feb 15-21	Section 3
			Feb 22-28	Section 4
			Mar 7-13, 2016	Sections 1 & 5
			Mar 14-20	Section 2

Section 1-	Lots	1	-	348
Section 2 -	Lots	349	-	845
Section 3 -	Lots	846	-	1340
Section 4 -	Lots	1341	-	1543
Section 5 -	Lots	1 – 26	Hwy.35	

White I-Phone
Samsung Flip Phone Verizon
U.S.Navy Lanyard with car (?) key
Trailer License Plate, exp. 3/15
Several pair of flip-flops
Men's right foot sandal, Size 10.5
Pair Child's Size 3 tennis shoes
Pair Child's Size 1 water shoes
Gray Nike tennis shoes (men's)
Ear buds
Fisher-Price Musical Pink Purse
Fur hat with tail



Pink sunglasses, black frame
Dandruff Shampoo
Black Bushnell Bag
White Hoodie
Baseball Cap, Black
Mitsubishi car key found near Pool 2
lanyard with EZ-Go Golf cart key
Religious necklace charm
Keys for a Master lock
Key (Access) found at mailboxes
Key for Dodge 4x4
House Key

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