

Woodlake Neighborhood Watch Newsletter

WHY DOES THE LAKE PRODUCE A "ROTTEN EGG" SMELL IN THE SPRING AND EARLY SUMMER?

During the months of winter, the upper layer of water (Epilimnion) becomes colder than the lower layer (Hypolimnion). Since the cold water is heavier, it "sinks". The warmer water "rises" to the surface and since decomposing organic material is present on the lake bottom, the water brings along several gases, primarily Hydrogen Sulfide, that are released into the air. People commonly refer to this process that occurs in the winter and spring as the lake "turning over".

Although some of these gases, such as Hydrogen Sulfide, smell like rotten eggs and can be dangerous when concentrated in enclosed areas, the release of the gas from the lake does not pose any risk to humans or wildlife.

BELL COUNTY SHERIFF TIP LINE: WANTED AS OF SEPTEMBER 15th, 2015 - http://71.6.170.26/revize/bellcounty/departments/cscd/adult_probation/most_wanted.php, and/or; <http://bellcountycrimestoppers.com>;



Christopher Bryant, from Belton, is this issue's featured fugitive - Wanted For: Assault on a Public Servant. Bryant's DOB is: 03/09/'90, is a W/M, 5'9", wt. 210 lbs, with HAZ Eyes and BRO Hair.

FROM AUSTIN: The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) has upped the award for information leading to the arrest of Roy Arevalo, 19, to \$10,000 during the month of September.



Arevalo, has ties to the Razin

Unida gang, a is wanted for engaging in organized criminal activity.

Details:

- Ties to Bryan, Corpus Christi, Houston and Navasota
- CCH - manufacture/delivery of a CS, engaging in organized criminal activity.
- 5' 6", 210 lbs.
- SMT - 2 angels on his abdomen; "Texas A&M" and "Texas" on his right arm; three women, clown faces and "Arevalo" on his chest; and others on his left arm and left leg.
- AKA - "RJ," "Youngster" or "Junior."

For more information or updates in the event of his arrest, see his [wanted bulletin](#). (Source: KXXV.Com)

GANGSTER DISCIPLES ACTIVITY HIGH IN CENTRAL TX

The TxDPS released its 2015 Gang Threat Assessment on August 31st, which reported a higher than normal activity in the Killeen-Temple-Fort Hood area by the Gangster Disciples, a predominantly black group that authorities say has been involved in human trafficking.

The gang, which was formed in the 1960s in Chicago, has been linked to the U.S. military both in the U.S. and abroad.

In June, Folk Nation/Gangster Disciples member Richard Gray and co-defendant, Deion Lockhart, were sentenced to three concurrent life terms.

Two other gang members were also found guilty: Emmanuel Lockhart, 24, and former El Paso County juvenile probation officer Timothy McCulloch, Jr., 29.

These 4 defendants had been involved in the forced prostitution of juveniles and adults in Killeen, El Paso, Albuquerque, N.M., Las Vegas, Nev., and in Colorado.

The largest and most active of the street gangs in Central Texas, however, are still the Bloods, Crips and Latin Kings, the report says.

The report identifies other significant gangs in the region as the Texas Syndicate, Banditos Outlaw Motorcycle Gang, and Aryan Circle.

The report identifies the five gangs as posing the greatest threat to Texas as the Tango Blast and Tango cliques, Texas Syndicate, and Texas Mexican Mafia because of "their relationship with Mexican cartels, consistent transnational criminal activity, statewide presence, a high propensity for violence, and close associations with ruthless Mexican cartels.

COMMON CON-GAME IS NOW A FACEBOOK SCAM

This Facebook funeral scam will make your blood boil.

Soon after giving birth, a young mother was informed that her new daughter had glioblastoma multiforme, the most common and generally the most aggressive type of brain cancer in infants.

To deal with her grief, the mother set up a Facebook account for her sick daughter where she posted photos, received kind wishes, prayers and generous offers.

One kind offer came from a woman offering to start a fundraiser where she would donate 75%

of the proceeds she made off of crocheted baby outfits to cover the funeral costs.

The offer was graciously accepted posted messages to the baby's Facebook wall encouraging people to order these handcrafted outfits. The mother had no reason to be skeptical since many other businesses and Facebook users offered to start their own charities to help the bereaved family in their time of need.

FAMILIES GOING THROUGH A CRISIS ARE EASY PREY. FAKE FUNDRAISERS, CANCER VICTIMS AND FICTITIOUS "GOFUNDME" CAMPAIGNS ARE COMMON SCAMS

All seemed fine until the mother tried to collect the money raised from the crocheted outfits and the excuses began: needing more time to finish up a few pieces, then her husband had fallen off the roof and she needed to tend to his injuries, etc.

After several more attempts to get the money she was promised, the mother began asking to learn that none of the customers who had pre-paid for the baby outfits had ever received them or ever heard of the benefactor. Nor did any of the mother's efforts refund any of the money they paid.

It's not uncommon for families going through a crisis to be preyed upon. Things like fake fundraisers, people pretending to have cancer and fictitious GoFundMe campaigns are common among those who experience traumatic losses like that of a child. (Source: Cailyn Finkel)

CERT – THE NEXT PHASE IN THE MATURATION OF OUR NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH EFFORTS

Knowing and understanding the threat/hazard is one thing. Being prepared as an individual household dealing with a natural disaster, pandemic, large zone power loss (black-outs), or mass destruction is another.

It's impossible to predict when or if the event that cuts our community off from First Responders will occur. To cope as a community, answering questions from the sample survey is a first step identifying assets, strength and vulnerabilities.

1. Preparation:

- What is the hazard (Tornado, Wildfire, Earthquake, etc)?
- Determine deadline to shelter in place or

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evacuate (unless mandatory).

- Are you and your family prepared to evacuate within 30 minutes or less?
- Are your vehicle fuel tanks kept at least ½ filled?
- Is your designated shelter safe, immediately accessible and large enough?
- If not at home, do you and your family know where to go in an emergency?
- Do you, a family member or any neighbor require special assistance?
- Do you and your family have contact information for your neighbors?
- Is out-of-area next of kin contact information available?

2. Resources:

- Are you prepared or know whom to contact if emergency medical attention is needed and EMS cannot respond or is unable to get to your location?

- Do you have the ability to provide emergency medical assistance?
- Are your emergency supplies (food, water, first aid) adequate to your needs and if necessary, your neighbor?
- **Would you be willing/able to provide shelter** for your neighbor should the need arise?
- Do you have the ability to provide material support (bedding, clothing, financial assistance or temporary quarters) to a neighbor in need?
- Do you have tools, equipment and materials necessary for wildfire abatement or casualty rescue (shovel, rake, flashlight/batteries, pry bar, long water hose, etc)?
- Are you physically able/capable and willing to assist/organize teams for fire suppression and light search and rescue?
- Do you have a generator?
Are refuel cans on-hand, extra propane supply, lantern or cooking fuel available?

3. Communication:

- Do you have a cell phone with immediate family members, out-of-area next of kin, and immediate neighbors listed in "Emergency Contact" group for ready access?
- Do you have all emergency and non-emergency numbers readily available?
- Are the latest emergency notification and/or weather forecast apps like "Code Red" or "Weather Radar" loaded on your I-phone?
- Do you have the ability to communicate via High Frequency or Ham radio?
- During power outages, do you have the ability to communicate/receive hazardous weather information or call a first responder (police, fire, EMS)?
- Are you able to contact/check-on neighbors you are aware of that may require special assistance in an emergency situation?