

MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

NOVEMBER 2012

I hope you had a pleasant October and that there were no tricks played on you on Halloween. As we meander our way into November, I hope all of us will vote in the upcoming election. Election Day is Tuesday November 6th from 7:00AM till 7:00PM. Voting for our precinct will be at the Community Center. We have so much to give thanks for as we enter into our holiday season of Thanksgiving and Christmas. The right to vote is one of the many liberties that our nation is built upon. I am thankful that we live in a country where we can exercise that choice.

In addition to Election Day, we will have our regular council meeting on the evening of the 5th at 7:00PM. The council will hear a report from the Road Committee and vote on an annexation ordinance. They will also hear a request to install a street light on Lakeshore Road just prior to the dangerous S curve. We will have a CEC meeting on the 7th, a Police Committee Meeting on the 12th and a KSSB meeting on the 14th. The office will be close November 22nd and 23rd for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

Speaking of dangerous curves, I know all of us are aware of the curve on West Shady Shores Road prior to Fritz Lane. The Town has lowered the speed limit on that curve, increased the use of reflective chevrons and funded a study to see what could be done to ease the situation. Short of completely redesigning the area, the best remedy is to slow down and drive defensive. The property owner who has foliage along his back fence at the curve has agreed to thin it out some to alleviate the blind spot. However, the major issue is speed. I would encourage each of us to slow down as we approach either direction to see what a vehicle is going to do at the entry on to Fritz Lane. The cost to completely revamp that area is extensive. Common sense and safe driving will defer the possible chance of an accident.

Continuing on, I need to remind residents that it is unlawful to put a sign of any type on a traffic control sign such as a stop sign, speed limit sign, directional sign or warning sign. This is violating a state statute. I am sorry when a pet gets lost and needs to be found, however, if the notices are put on these signs, I and the code enforcer will be removing them. Furthermore, no garage sale signs or other advertising signs can be put on a resident's property without the permission of that resident. The signs can be removed and put in a refuse can.

The Lake Cities Library now has two Drop Boxes in Lake Dallas at the Elementary School and the Library for unwanted books. These books will be sold, donated or properly recycled by Better World Books and a portion of the sales will go back to the library to help raise funds. The library is hoping to have two more locations for drop boxes in the near future. I encourage you to take advantage of this program to help the Lake Cities Library and help the environment.

Finally, do not forget about our "A Shady Shores Christmas" on December 1, 2012. It will start around 10AM. We will have a chili cook off also. Which subdivision will have the best chili????? HAVE A WONDERFUL THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY.