

# The Palm Valley Review

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## BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE -

Congratulations to our first yard of the month winner, The Steubers! All credit for their yard is given to Reymundo and Vetor who maintain the pristine yard! Take some time and drive by their yard located at 5425 Palm Valley Drive North! The Steubers have chosen a February winner so keep an eye out for the Yard of the Month sign. It could be your yard!

**PALM TREE FRONDS** – Please be advised that city employees are not responsible for picking up palm tree fronds or old Christmas trees from yards/driveways. They will remove any tree limbs that block street traffic for safety purposes only. Take care to bag your yard clippings, tie together palm fronds and tree limbs and place by curb for Waste Management. These should be kept out of sight until collection day or the evening before.

## FROM THE DESK OF CHIEF GARCIA

Report any suspicious activity to 873-1500

### POLICE BLOTTER JANUARY 2 - 23, 2014

JANUARY 4, 2014

Offense: Public Intoxication

Location: 1500 N. Stuart Place Rd

Person Arrested: Jorge William Ayala, 24 yrs old

Disposition: Cited for Municipal Court

JANUARY 19, 2014

Offense: Theft

Location: 5000 blk Bellino Est value: \$455

Means: Jumped rear fence

Property taken: 3 Lawn chairs, poop scooper

JANUARY 13, 2014

Offense: Attempted Burglary of Vehicle

Location: 1800 blk Gary Player

Means: Entered unlocked vehicle

Property taken: None

JANUARY 22, 2014

Offense: Theft

Location: 5000 blk Bellino Est value: \$500

Means: Jumped rear fence

Property taken: Electric smoker



### Helpful Hints:

Secure your property, whether it be in a fenced backyard or not  
Keep lights "ON" or install motion-detector lighting  
Report ANY suspicious noises/persons to 873-1500  
Lock vehicles  
Keep garage doors closed

## IMPORTANT SAFETY TIPS!

Walkers/joggers, use reflective clothing/lighting when dark outside

Bicyclists, stop at STOP signs, and use proper lighting at night

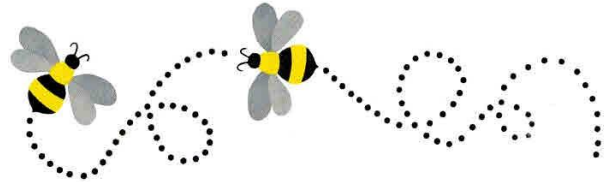
If walking animals when dark, ensure they are visible/identifiable

**\*\*Lights are available free of charge at City Hall\*\***



**GATING UPDATE** – The council voted to rescind the previous gating project with Hurricane Fence Company. The related lawsuit styled Matt Gorges, Dean Hall, Ruthie Ewers, Tyler Shield, Dana Minor, Ned Cooley, Sam Tisdale vs. City of Palm Valley was Non-Suited by a signed Order Granting Plaintiffs' Non-Suit Without Prejudice on December 6, 2013.

**THE BUZZ...** For an upcoming section, please provide your feedback on the following two items. You may have already submitted your comments. For those of you who have not, please submit your comments to me – [juliecmartin236@aol.com](mailto:juliecmartin236@aol.com) or contact City Hall. Thank you for your continued participation. We read all comments and take all ideas into consideration.



- **SAFETY** - In recent months, concerns regarding lack of street lighting around Palm Valley has been brought to the City Council. We'd like to get your feedback regarding the addition of approximately 9 new light poles throughout the City that have been budgeted for this year. The following are PROPOSED addresses where lighting concerns have been noted:
  - On Palm Valley Drive East - 408, 508, 600, 1601, 1200, 1400, 1525, 1716.
  - 5501 Palm Valley Dr North. 1700 & 141 Palm Valley Dr West.
  - PVD and Byron Nelson. Arnold Palmer & Byron Nelson. Sam Snead & PVD West.
- **RECYCLING** - The City Council would like to get your input in starting a Recycling Program here in Palm Valley. We'd like for this to be successful and would like to get an idea of how many citizens would be willing to participate. If you chose to subscribe to the service, the monthly fee for pick-up/removal of your recycled items would be nominal - perhaps around \$10/month depending on participation numbers.



## SIGN UP! SIGN UP! SIGN UP!

**CITIZEN COMMUNICATION ALERT SYSTEM** – Stay up-to-date on any alerts issued by the City including the Police Blotter! Visit the city's website at [www.palmvalleytx.com](http://www.palmvalleytx.com), go to the link that shows 'sign up' and follow the instructions. It's free. You will receive alerts via email or through text message, pending on your preference.

**NEXTDOOR** - It's a free, private neighborhood network. Find out what's happening in Palm Valley's neighborhood and, recently added, Wildwood subdivision. You will find posts for upcoming events, lost & found items and pets, safety subjects, recommendations, items for sale, etc... Visit [www.nextdoor.com](http://www.nextdoor.com) to sign up today!

**AUTOMATIC PAY** is available! We'd like to encourage anyone interested in automatic pay for their water bill to please fill out the form on the last page of the newsletter and drop it of at City Hall. This would help reduce disconnect and reconnect fees for some properties. It's easy and will save you time!

**PALM VALLEY'S ON THE MAP!** – Per the U.S. Postal Service, you can now use Palm Valley, TX as part of our address versus Harlingen, TX. The local Post Office has confirmed that they will honor the delivery of mail to Palm Valley, Texas.

Major decisions often result in some measure of regret. However, that does not apply to Marcia's and my retirement in Palm Valley 21 years ago. We could not be more satisfied with our choice of residence. There are a number of obvious reasons for our feeling but the selfless dedication of our city's employees is one of the most significant reasons.

I have never been exposed to any professionals who give more in the discharge of their daily duties. They prevent the majority of problems from occurring and they quickly correct those that could not be foreseen.

It is my privilege to know most of them on a first name basis. They are friendly, outgoing and above all responsive. Does that mean that they are infallible? Of course not. Are any of us? I cannot recall the number of municipalities in which I have lived, but I can say without equivocation that the City of Palm Valley employees are the best and we are, indeed, fortunate to have them!

John Hollingsworth - Council member 2006-2012



**SUPER BOWL XLVIII** - Kickoff for this year's Super Bowl is scheduled to take place on Sunday, February 2, 2014 @ 6:30 pm ET between Denver Broncos and Seattle Seahawks.

**THE XXII OLYMPIC WINTER GAMES 2014** – Currently, the Olympic games are to take place in Sochi Russia. The Opening Ceremony is scheduled for February 7<sup>th</sup> with closing ceremonies set for February 23<sup>rd</sup>. NBC will again air the games this year with an unprecedented coverage. Visit NBC.com for scheduled coverage of the games. **Go U S A!**



**VALENTINE'S DAY** – According to Wikipidia, “St. Valentine's Day began as a liturgical celebration of one or more early Christian saints named Valentinus. The day was first associated with romantic love in the circle of Geoffrey Chaucer in the High Middle Ages, when the tradition of courtly love flourished. In 18th-century England, it evolved into an occasion in which lovers expressed their love for each other by presenting flowers, offering confectionery, and sending greeting cards (known as "valentines").” So, don't forget your special someone this Valentine's Day!



City Hall / Muni Court 423-8384  
Police Dpt 873-1500  
Water Services 423-4040  
City Website: [www.palmvalleytx.com](http://www.palmvalleytx.com)

*“Love is just a word until someone comes  
along and gives it meaning.”  
~ Author Unknown*

Next Council Meeting is scheduled for February 18, 2014 @ 5:00 pm

### **The Council**

Mayor: John Cutney

Mayor Pro-Tem: John Widger

Councilmembers: Joe Jones, Julie C Martin,

Bill Werley, Sr and Debe Wright