



APRIL COVE MAINTENANCE FUND, INC. ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE

Sunday, February 18th, 2018

1:30 PM

Lakeside United Methodist Church

All members are encouraged to attend and participate in the annual meeting.

If you are unable to attend, your vote(s) may be cast by Proxy. You may limit your proxy to the election of officers and ACC members or you may elect to sign a full proxy which may be used for any vote taken during the meeting. Proxy forms are provided with this notice.

Draft minutes and the financial reports from the 2017 annual meeting were distributed last March. They are available on our website (www.aprilcove.org), or you may contact Scott King if you would like a hard copy.

A copy of the financial report for 2017 is enclosed for your convenience. By making this available to the membership prior to the meeting, we hope to provide you with time to review and understand the report.

Lakeside United Methodist Church is located at 515 FM 416. The church is approximately ½ mile east of April Cove, across from the September Sound subdivision. The meeting will be held in the Activities Room

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**Burn ban is in effect in Freestone County.
Check the Freestone Co website for the
latest status.
www.co.freestone.tx.us**



ANNUAL MEETING DRAFT AGENDA

1. Call to order
2. Agenda Review
3. Introduction of Members –
Establish Quorum
4. Minutes
5. Appoint Election Inspectors
- 6 .Reports from Committees
 - A. ACC
 - B. Maintenance
 - C. Goodwill
7. Reports from Officers
 - A. Progress Report
 - B. Financial Report
8. Budget
9. Old and Unfinished Business

10. New Business
11. Elections
12. Good and Welfare
13. Adjournment

Please contact Susan Barkley at 903-599-2832 if you would like to help provide refreshments during the meeting

We also need volunteers to help at the sign-in tables. Please contact Susan at the number above if you can come to the meeting a few minutes early and assist.

ACMF BOARD POSITIONS OPEN

Each year we elect a President, Vice President and Treasurer. Additionally we elect one of the three members of the architectural committee and an alternate.

Please consider serving on the Board for the upcoming year, The strength of April Cove depends on the strength of our Board and we must have individuals within the membership willing to fill the Board positions. Ideally, Board members should live in the subdivision or be able to come to the subdivision for meetings and activities.. If you have questions, please contact a Board member.

Southern Oaks Volunteer Fire Department will hold their annual chili supper and cake auction on March 3rd, 2018 at the fire station.



APRIL COVE WEBSITE

www.aprilcove.org

ANNUAL DUES FOR 2018 OF \$200 PER LOT OR TRACT HAVE BEEN SENT OUT EITHER BY MAIL OR EMAIL IF YOU HAVE NOT YET SENT IN YOUR PAYMENT, PLEASE DO SO AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.



APRIL COVE FALL WORK DAY

Thanks to all who participated. Unfortunately due to a family emergency the new street signs were in Plano on the work day. The good news is the signs are ready to go for our Spring work day. See you then.

Thank you to all that participated.



REMOTE CONTROL FOBS FOR THE FRONT GATE

Remote Controls can be purchased from Susan Barkley our Assistant Treasurer and Webmaster, (susanjanebarkley@gmail.com) for \$25.00 per remote device.

ASSOCIATION COLLECTIONS

Please check your records to verify that your ACMF account is current for all dues and assessments. Annual dues are due January 1st and road fees are due July 1st. Invoices are sent out as a courtesy however failure to receive an invoice does not release you from your obligation to pay your dues on time. Thank you!

HELP NEEDED MOWING THE RIGHT OF WAYS IN 2018

Spring will be here soon and we need volunteers to help mow the right of ways. If you can help in the up coming year please let us know at the upcoming annual meeting or email Scott King at Geowzrd@aol.com.

We have a Hustler X1 and it has a canopy to protect from the sun. Sweet ride!

PLEASE VOLUNTEER!!

Hustler X1



GOODWILL COMMITTEE

The committee greets new people into the AC community, provides meals to help those within our AC community who are ill or injured, hosts an annual Memorial Day gathering and anything that promotes the general good of our community.

Cheryl Wangrin founded this committee and has headed it up for the last few years. She has done an outstanding job but she would like to hand the baton to a new chairperson. If you would like to volunteer please contact Cheryl or any of the board members.



EVENTS

ACMF Annual Meeting Feb 18 1:30 pm.

The annual Southern Oaks VFD will hold their **Chili Supper/Cake Auction** on Saturday, March 3 from 5:00 - 7:00. There will also be a silent auction of baked goods. Everyone in the community is encouraged to come and participate. This event is the only fund raiser each year for our local volunteer fire department. If you would like to donate any baked goods for the live Cake Auction or the silent auction, please contact Cheryl Wangrin at cywangrin@yahoo.com.

"**The Rose**" sponsored by the Trinity Star Arts Council is an evening with cabaret singer/songwriter Amanda McBroom. This is a Valentine concert held on Saturday, February 10 at Depot X Event Center in Fairfield Tx. Tickets are \$35. This is a "dress in your finest" event with a cash bar, canapes, confections and chocolate. More information is available at www.trinitystarartscouncil.org.

5th Annual Righty Run will be Feb. 24 at 8:00am at Fairfield Lake State Park. This is held for pediatric stroke awareness. Cost is \$30 for the 5K and \$20 for the 1K run. For more information or to register online, visit www.therightyrun.com.

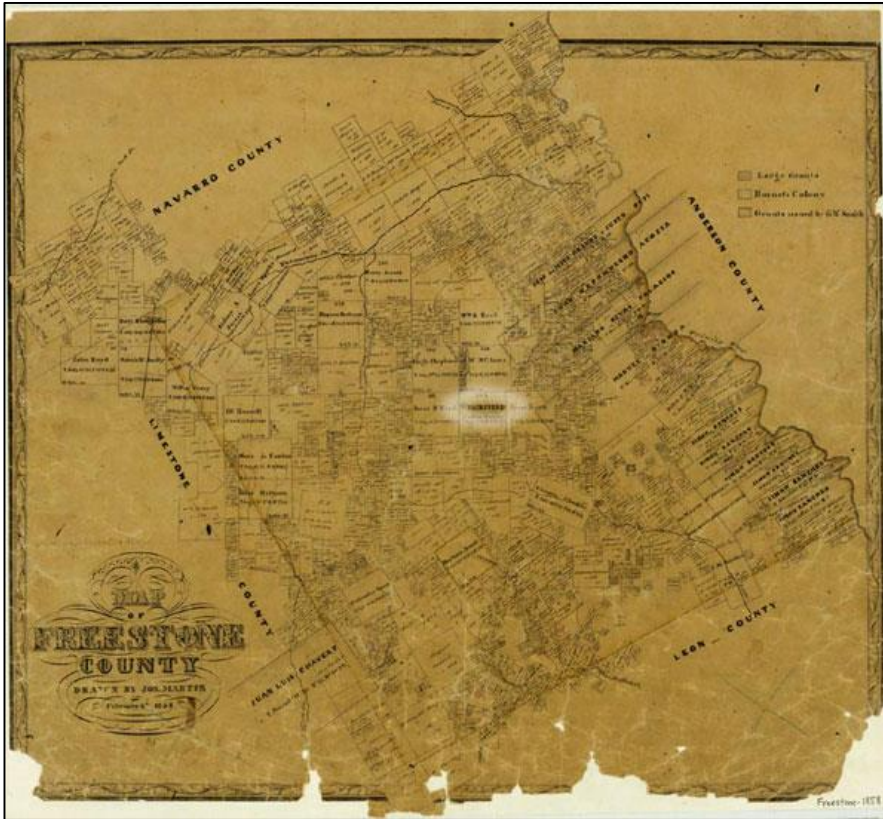
Annual Gala for the Fairfield ISD Education Foundation will be held March 2 at 6:00pm at the Twisted Vines Event Center in Fairfield. The cost is \$40 for an evening of cocktails, comedy and magic. The event includes dinner and auction. All proceeds benefit FISD teacher grants. More information is available at www.fairfieldisd.foundation.com.



BALD EAGELS IN APRIL COVE!

Bald Eagles that were originally introduced as breeding pairs in Fairfield Lake State Park have made it to Richland Chambers. Fairfield Lake has Eagle boat tours from December thru March.

Fairfield Lake State Park (near Fairfield in Freestone Co.) is about 90 miles southeast of Dallas. From I-45, take US 84 east to FM 488. Turn left on FM 488, drive 3 mi., turn right on FM 2570, drive 2 mi., and go right on FM 3285 to the park entrance. Hours for the 2-hour barge tour: 10-noon (with a second tour from 1-3, if necessary) on Dec. 16 and 30, 2000, Jan. 6, 20, and 27, 2001, and Feb. 3, 10, 17, and 24, 2001. Groups of 15 or more may schedule tours at other times with advance notice. *Reservations required.* Fee: \$15 (\$10 with Texas Conservation Passport), \$10 age 16 and younger; group discounts available. Wheelchair accessible. Write to Fairfield Lake State Park, 123 State Park Rd. 64, Fairfield 75840; 903/389-4514.



Fairfield Heritage

Originally named Mound Prairie, the community began life around 1850 on a 100 acre tract of land donated by David Hall Love when the location was chosen to be the county seat. A post office was granted in 1851 and by the following year, there were three dry-goods, a grocery, at least two hotels and a jail. The first courthouse (of four) was constructed in 1852, and the others came in 1854-56, 1891-92, and 1919-21. In 1891 and again in 1918 Wortham and Teague both challenged Fairfield for the role of county seat but both lost to the established Fairfield

The town's first paper was the weekly *Texas Pioneer*, set up in 1857. In 1854 a school for girls opened in the second floor of the Masonic lodge and two years later a boy's school opened in another building. The Fairfield Female College opened in 1859, enrolling over 100 students the first year. During Reconstruction, Freestone County was (briefly) one of four Texas counties placed under martial law. The town had a population of 500 in the mid 1880s served by four general stores, five groceries and two hotels.

The town enjoyed the 1880s, unaware of the calamities that were on the way. A meningitis outbreak in 1890 killed 32, but this was almost forgotten in 1900 when a tornado struck. In 1903 the boll weevil infestation destroyed the cotton crop and if that wasn't enough, a fire in 1911 burned much of what was missed by the tornado.

Despite the serious setbacks, and never having a railroad connection, Fairfield grew. By 1904 the population was up to 629, growing slowly but steadily to 1,047 by 1940 and doubling to 2,074 by 1970. Fairfield never acquired a railroad. It had been bypassed by the Trinity and Brazos Valley in 1907, but managed to survive – a most unusual occurrence in Texas. Fairfield got a waterworks and infrastructure in the 30s, although the town never had a library until the mid 50s. From 1890 through the early 1930s, Fairfield hosted a 3-day Confederate reunion of Confederate veterans. In 1951 the town's centennial celebration was held on the former reunion campground which morphed into an annual homecoming festival, and later became the Freestone County Fair.