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THE 30TH ANNUAL SHEPHERD FOREST FALL PICNIC BRING THE KIDS, MEET THE NEIGHBORS, AND HELP KEEP SFCC STRONG!

The Shepherd Forest Civic Club will celebrate our 30th Annual Fall Picnic on Sunday, September 23rd from 4 - 6 pm – and all residents are invited! The annual picnic will be held at Stonecrest Park, East T.C. Jester at Stonecrest. Bring out your whole family, lawn chairs and blankets and help the SFCC celebrate 30 years of neighborhood unity and community involvement. Spend the afternoon visiting with neighbors new and old as you enjoy hot dogs, lemonade, games, a petting zoo, singing cowboys, and much, much more – all provided free of charge by the SFCC.

In addition to the picnic, all homeowners in Section 1 & 2 that have not done so will have an opportunity to sign our amended Deed Restrictions before a notary provided by the civic club at no charge. Please take a few minutes of your time to sign these Deed Restrictions and help preserve and protect the integrity of our neighborhood. We will also have ballots that will allow you to approve the amended Civic Club By-Laws.





GET INVOLVED - CIVIC CLUB ELECTIONS ARE COMING SOON!

Shepherd Forest Civic Club Officer Elections are coming up next month, and it is not too early to start thinking about how you can get involved. As a resident of Shepherd Forest, whether you rent or own your home, you can be a member of our Board of Directors, or serve as the Vice President, Secretary, or Treasurer. There are also several other ways to participate, such as chairing or joining the committees for Security, Beautification, Hospitality, Welcoming, Deed Restriction Enforcement, etc. Bring us your best ideas and see how, as a team, we can make them happen! *To learn more about volunteer opportunities, visit shepherdforest.org/get-involved.*

AUGUST SHEPHERD FOREST CIVIC CLUB MONTHLY MEETING MONDAY, AUGUST 20TH - 6:00 PM - UNION KITCHEN - 3452 ELLA BLVD

We will be discussing the upcoming Civic Club Officers Elections, including which positions are open and what is expected from those who serve. Meet current Civic Club Officers and Board members to learn more about the benefits of being involved. Other topics of interest and upcoming events are also open for discussion.

MEETINGS ARE HELD ON THE THIRD MONDAY OF EVERY MONTH. ALL SHEPHERD FOREST RESIDENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND.

CITIZENS ON PATROL - SECURITY REPORT RECENT CRIMES REPORTED TO HPD

7/8	2000 Block Wilde Rock (Sec. 2)	Vehicle Broken Into
7/1	2400 Block Ansbury (Sec. 2)	Theft
7/30	3000 Block Attridge (Sec. 2)	Vehicle Stolen
8/1	1900 Block Ansbury (Sec. 1)	Trailer Stolen
8/3	2200 Block Bron Holly (Sec. 2)	Home Burglarized
8/3	2100 Block Bron Holly (Sec. 2)	Vehicle Broken Into

Citizens on Patrol reminds us to call HPD (911 *if it is an emergency*, or call 713-884-3131 if you should see anything or anyone that appears to be "suspicious"). AFTER you have made the call to HPD, please notify our Editor Mary Lamb via e-mail at Lambmn1011@aol.com.



HAPPY AUGUST BIRTHDAYS!

Raymond Kopycinski (8/7), Robbie Morin (8/12), Mary Ellen Restivo (8/15), Nell Baham (8/20), Zack Yanez (8/21), Robert Hammond (8/24), Greg Restivo (8/29), and Brandon Tristan (8/30).

Special Happy Birthday wishes go to Section 1 resident Sudie Nowak, who celebrates her 104th birthday on August 11.

Belated birthday wishes to Becky Bauman, who celebrated on July 11.

Condolences to the family of long-time Section 1 resident Rueben Mahlmann, who passed away on July 5.

Thanks to Jordan West, who has taken on the newsletter route along Marlborough from Gerry Barbeau. We wish her well in her recovery. Thanks to Jamie Farquhar-Rizzo, who assumed the route along Gardendale between T.C. Jester and Vollmer. She has also offered to deliver the route formerly covered by Keith Tompkins. Thanks to Keith for his reliable service over many years. You may still see him delivering along his street - Stally.

If you would like to contribute or have a suggestion for an upcoming issue, please contact Editor Mary Lamb at Lambmn1011@aol.com or 281-488-3216.

HOUSEKEEPING

The Shepherd Forest Civic Club is happy to report that the homeless people that were living on Ella Blvd under the Loop 610 overpass have been removed. With the help of neighbors and the Houston Police Department, the Civic Club was able to get their encampment moved and all debris cleared from the area. Many thanks to all neighbors that made phone calls on this issue.

MAKE PLANS FOR NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

Tuesday, October 2 is National Night Out. Stay tuned for information on planned events in Shepherd Forest - or plan your own and invite your neighbors!

CITIZENS ON PATROL COORDINATOR NEEDED!

We are currently seeking a new COP coordinator to devote 1-2 hours a week coordinating and collecting patrol reports and completing a few forms. If you would like to help us revive this important program, please contact any Civic Club Board Member (back page), e-mail Info@ShepherdForest.org or attend our next General Meeting & Social to learn more.

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MONEY MATTERS 3 SIMPLE FORMULAS FOR LIFE INSURANCE

THINKING OF PURCHASING LIFE INSURANCE? THEN YOU SHOULD BE DOING YOUR MATH TOO. WITH A FEW SIMPLE "RULES OF THUMB", AND DEPENDENT ON YOUR AGE, YOU CAN DEFINE A SOLID ESTIMATE BASED ON YOUR LOVED ONE'S NEEDS IN THE FUTURE AND YOUR CURRENT FINANCIAL CONDITION.

FORMULA 1: THE "DIME" FORMULA.

With the DIME formula (Debt, Income, Mortgage, and Education), these four areas are used to calculate your life insurance needs. Here's how:

Debt: Add together all your debts, mortgage excluded, and don't forget to include your funeral cost estimate.

Income: Take the length of time your family would need financial help, and multiply your current annual income by that number.

Mortgage: Calculate the amount of money needed to pay off your mortgage completely.

Education: Estimate the cost of sending your children to college.



FORMULA 2: MULTIPLY YOUR INCOME BY 10.

Simply multiply your annual income by 10. It's not as detailed a look at your family's needs and can be less accurate based on today's interest rates and economy, but it can give you a solid estimate.

FORMULA 3: 10X YOUR INCOME - PLUS \$100,000 PER CHILD

This is basically the same as formula 2, except now you add \$100,000 for each child you expect to attend college. Again, this formula doesn't go very deep, but can serve as a decent estimate when you're shopping for life insurance.

Contributed by Bryon Townsend, CFP. - W.R. Anderson & Co.

BACK TO SCHOOL SAFETY

August is Back to School Safety Month and a good time to review your family's safety and emergency plans. The Harris County Office of Homeland Security & Emergency Management (HCOHSEM) reminds parents that teaching their children how to stay safe before, during, and after school is crucial.

Although schools have emergency plans and hold drills throughout the year, parents should make sure that their children know their phone number, address and how to get in touch with them or another trusted adult in case of an emergency.

Traffic safety is also key to keeping children safe. Motorists are reminded that there are heavy fines for going over the speed limit and for texting or using handheld devices while driving through a school zone.

State law mandates that drivers come to a complete stop when approaching a school bus that is stopped to pick up or drop off students. Children walking or riding their bikes should only cross the street at corners, using traffic signals and crosswalks.

After school, your children should feel safe at home. Post an emergency phone list where your children can see it. Include 9-1-1, your work and cell numbers, numbers for neighbors, and the numbers for anyone else who is nearby and trusted. Practice an emergency plan often so they know what to do in case of fire, injury, or other emergency.



STEVENS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE August 1 – August 24

Donate Online via Amazon Wishlist http://a.co/iyJgsnB

Drop Off Items at Tacos A Go Go (Free Chips & Salsa with Donation)

Drop Off Items at The League: Elite Training Facility (Drawing Entry for One Week of Free Classes with Donation)

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CITY TREE WASTE & JUNK WASTE COLLECTION

Section 1 & 2 Pickup - 3rd Thursdays August 16th, September 20th, October 18th

Section 3 Pickup - 4th Tuesdays

August 28th, September 25th, October 23rd



SAVE THOSE ALUMINUM CANS!

Got Cans? Call Section 3 Resident John Carter at 713-682-5111. He will pick up to recycle - and contributes the proceeds to SFCC!

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER DELIVERY

We are always in need of additional newsletter carriers if you are interested in volunteering, please contact Mary Lamb at Lambmn1011@aol.com or text 281-488-3216.



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR AUGUST WINNERS!

Sec. 1 - 1102 W. 30th - Raul Palomo Sec. 2 - 1710 Stonecrest - Clyde & Delores Muske Sec. 3 - 4414 Gardendale - Melissa Flories



CONGRATULATIONS TO RAUL PALOMO, OUR SEC. 1 YARD OF THE MONTH WINNER FOR AUGUST.

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