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NEW DEVELOPMENTS "STOMPING" IN TO SHEPHERD FOREST

Up and down 34th Street, changes to the familiar landscape are taking place - and our little neighborhood is about to receive an influx of exciting new businesses. A major player in this recent resurgence is ReVive Development, whose Marketing & Leasing Director, Monica Danna, attended our April General Meeting to discuss some of their ongoing projects in the area.

Revive Development has been curating and developing unique commercial properties in The Heights, Oak Forest and Garden Oaks for nearly 15 years. Recent projects have included the White Oak Entertainment District in The Heights, home to Tacos-A-Go-Go, Christian's Tailgate, Barnaby's Cafe and Public House; the retail center at 19th & Shepherd housing Fat Cat Creamery, Hugs & Donuts and Tarka; the retail center at Yale & 11th fronted by Lola's; and the Garden Oaks Center, home to Molly's Mutt House, Pink's Pizza and Shepherd Park Draught House.

They are currently finishing up the Ella Oaks Center on the western side of Ella Blvd. at 34th. Confirmed tenants there are Aladdin Mediterranean Café, BB's Cajun Café, Reforme Lagree Fitness, Marble Slab Creamery, Branché Boutique, Brush & Bobby (a hair salon), and the legendary Surfhouse. The spaces formerly occupied by Heights Cleaners, RJ's Boot Company and the tire shop on the corner are also under option.

STOMPING GROUNDS, the new development on 34th near Alba by ReVive Development Co., will feature 2 main buildings containing a mix of retail, hospitality and office space, centered around an 8,000 sq.ft. lawn. While the Ella Oaks development nears completion, they are also preparing to break ground on another exciting project - Stomping Grounds. Centered around an 8,000 square foot lawn, this family friendly destination will be a thoughtful mix of dining and drinking establishments, with a planned additional 5,000 sq. ft. of second floor office space. The building designs incorporate a repositioned warehouse and a new building, both with large windows and access onto 15' deep patios fronting the center lawn. With more than ample parking, this development hopes to attract patrons from across the city as well as the surrounding neighborhoods of The Heights, Garden Oaks, Oak Forest - and of course, Shepherd Forest.

We can't wait to see what other businesses become part of these exciting developments, and the new opportunities and positive impact they're sure to have on our community.



JUNE SHEPHERD FOREST CIVIC CLUB MONTHLY MEETING MONDAY, JUNE 18TH 6:00 PM - UNION KITCHEN - 3452 ELLA BLVD

Our good friends at Union Kitchen will once again host this month's General Meeting & Social. Join us to meet and mingle with your neighbors and SFCC Board members. We will be voting to approve the recently updated SFCC By-Laws, and discussing the latest information from the Security Task Force. Other topics of interest and upcoming events are also open to discussion. We hope to see you there!

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

4/26	800 Block Ansbury (Sec. 1)	Theft
4/26	2300 Block Ansbury (Sec. 2)	Theft
4/27	1800 Block Ansbury (Sec. 1)	Theft
4/28	2300 Block Ansbury (Sec. 2)	Theft
5/1	1200 Block 34th (Sec.1)	Theft
5/4	Marlborough	Package Theft
5/8	2400 Block W 34th (Sec. 2)	Burglary
5/11	2200 Block W. 34th (Sec. 2)	Burglary
5/15	3000 Block Larknolls (Sec. 3)	Theft from Vehicles
5/18	4400 Block Gardendale (Sec. 3)	Theft
5/19	1700 Block Stonecrest (Sec. 1)	Burglary
5/25	4200 Block Marlborough (Sec. 3)	Theft from Vehicles

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 Citizens on Patrol Coordinator, Debby Fisher, 434-221-6222.



HAPPY JUNE BIRTHDAY TO MICHAEL MOORE (6/01)

HAPPY ANNIVERSARIES!

Lynette & Darrell Tidwell (6/13), Joe & Jean Jungbauer (6/14), and Richard & Delinda Holland (6/24).



SPECIAL CONGRATULATIONS to long-time Sec. 2 residents **Robert & Marie Hemphill**, who celebrated **65 YEARS** of marriage on June 6.

Condolences to Section 2 resident Cookie Davenport on the passing of her mother, Demetra Doss, on May 31 at the age of 101

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.

HOUSE KEEPING

PLEASE NOTE 2 IMPORTANT ITEMS WHICH REQUIRE YOUR ATTENTION on the yellow insert included with this month's newsletter.

SECURITY SURVEY: After months of research and discussion, we have finally identified what we believe to be the best option to provide contract Security Services for Shepherd Forest. Before we can proceed further, we need your feedback. Please review the included information and let us know if you are willing to participate.

BY-LAWS UPDATES: There are a number of proposed updates to the Shepherd Forest Civic Club By-Laws, which require approval by a majority of Civic Club members. Please see the included insert, review the proposed changes and submit your vote. Thanks!

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

SMART SHOPPING FOR LONG TERM CARE INSURANCE

The potential costs for Long Term Care may be substantial, but it's important to remember that the cost of Long Term Care Insurance is also increasing with your age. Here are a few basic tips to keep in mind when shopping for Long Term Care (LTC) insurance.

1. Assess Your Risk. When searching for the right LTC policy, first asses the potential needs you'll want to cover. With a careful review of the factors that could affect the cost of your Long Term Care, you can determine how much care you might potentially need, which makes budgeting easier to calculate. Consider factors such as Hereditary Conditions, Your Personal Health, Family Longevity, Availability of Family Caregivers and your Personal Preferences.

2. Consider Your Options. LTC Premiums have been on the rise in recent years, as the original assumptions made by insurers have turned out to be inaccurate. With the expectation that premiums will continue to rise, many people have started to look at hybrid products that combine LTC insurance with life insurance. Hybrid policies can be expensive as well – so make sure you do a reasonable amount of comparison shopping.



HOW LANDSCAPING CAN MAKE YOUR HOME SAFER

Summer is here. The rain and warm temperatures are giving rise to luscious growth, and around the neighborhood, residents are busy getting their yards back in show-off shape - possibly hoping to land one of the coveted Shepherd Forest "Yard Of The Month" signs. But did you know that those same landscaping efforts might make your home not only more attractive, but safer?

For starters, a well maintained lawn and landscape is a sure sign of a conscientious and diligent occupant - not typically the first target of someone out for no good and looking for an easy mark. And, by keeping the shrubbery around your home, particularly the entrances and walkways, neatly trimmed, you actually make your home safer from break-ins. The last thing you want is to make it easier for a thief to hide when attempting to break in, so eliminate his options for hiding spots. He may only need a few minutes of cover to make his entry, but with no place to hide while doing it, he's less likely to even try. You could even plant thorny shrubs by your windows (Holly is a popular choice in our neighborhood) to make it not only difficult to break in, but painful! $\begin{array}{l} \mbox{THE LOCAL} \\ \mbox{Bechalist} \\ \mbox$

3. Buy Early. It's typically most ideal to purchase LTC insurance in your fifties. As premiums climb with each year you age, costs can skyrocket if you're shopping for an LTC policy past 65. It's also important to buy while you're still in good health and can better pass the underwriting standards of insurers – allowing you to benefit from more affordable premiums.

Most importantly, remember that while the costs of an LTC policy may seem daunting, they are certainly more affordable than any Long Term Care needs you may incur that aren't covered.

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Believe it or not, thoughtfully planned and maintained landscaping can make your home not only more attractive, but safer from vandalism, break-ins and other crime.

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CITY TREE WASTE & JUNK WASTE COLLECTION

Section 1 & 2 Pickup - 3rd Thursdays June 21st, July 19th, August 16th

Section 3 Pickup - 4th Tuesdays June 26th, July 24th, August 28th



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 JUNE WINNERS!

- Sec. 1 Maria Sanchez 919 Stonecrest
- Sec. 2 Richard Kercho 1715 Ansbury
- Sec. 3 Kenneth & Toye Egger 4402 Marlborough



LUSH AND COLORFUL FLOWERBEDS ACCENTUATE THE HOME OF MARIA SANCHEZ, OUR SECTION 1 YARD OF THE MONTH FOR JUNE.

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