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SPIRIT NIGHT

SUMMER social

Make plans now to attend the Shepherd Forest Civic Club's "Spirit Night" Summer Social & Fundraiser on Tuesday, August 20th from 5:00 – 8:00 pm and have a fun evening with your neighbors while helping to raise funds for your Civic Club. All Shepherd Forest residents and families are invited and encouraged to attend this special event which will be held at nearby restaurant, **Local Table**, located at 2003 West 34th (Across from Waltrip High School).



The Spirit Night event will serve as a fundraiser for the SFCC with a percentage of restaurant sales that evening being donated back to the Shepherd Forest Civic Club. A large variety of food and beverage options from the restaurant menu will be available for you to purchase. All you need to do is mention "Shepherd Forest Civic Club Spirit Night" or bring in this newsletter and a portion of the money you spend will be donated directly back to your Civic Club.

The Shepherd Forest Spirit Night & Fundraiser will be another great time to meet, mingle, and/or reconnect with your neighbors, while you easily help raise needed funds for the SFCC. Come early for the "social" time with your neighbors and stay after for dinner. What an easy way to support your Civic Club!!!

SFCC SPIRIT NIGHT SOCIAL & FUNDRAISER

TUESDAY, AUGUST 20TH – 5:00 TO 8:00 PM

LOCAL TABLE RESTAURANT – 2003 West 34th

Mark your calendar now for Tuesday, August 20th from 5:00 to 8:00 pm at the Local Table Restaurant, and don't miss this upcoming exciting Shepherd Forest Social & Fundraiser.



*Don't miss the **BIGGEST** neighborhood event of the year!*
Sunday, September 22nd– 4 to 6pm
Stonecrest Park on East TC Jester
Delicious Food and Family Fun for Everyone!
(Details inside this newsletter)



PARTY LINE

Very special Happy Birthday wishes are sent to our neighbors who will be celebrating birthdays soon. They include **JC MOSIER (8/7)**, **ESMERALDA SUAREZ (8/11)**, **JAXON BERRY (8/18)**, **NELL BAHAM (8/20)**, **SOPHIA TALLENT (8/21)**, **ROBERT HAMMOND (8/24)**, **MARY**

FARMER (8/25), **GREG RESTIVO (8/29)**, **KATIE HASSETT (8/30)**, **BRANDON TRISTAN (8/30)**, and **AURORA GRACE ARENS (9/2)**. Best wishes to each of you for a very special upcoming birthday!

Deepest sympathy is sent to the family and friends of longtime Section One resident, **ISIDORE KUBECZKA**, who passed away recently. Isidore had recently turned 100 years old and was predeceased by his wife, **ROSALIE**.

If you missed last months informative Civic Club meeting, you really missed some great information presented by the **City of Houston's Office of Emergency Management (OEM)**. Take a minute to check out their website at <https://www.houstonoem.org/> for some potentially life-saving emergency information.

If you are new to the neighborhood or have any news of births, illnesses, recognitions, deaths or any other news that you wish to share with your neighbors, please send the information to info@shepherdforest.org



In September, the Shepherd Forest Civic Club will elect civic club officers (President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer) and one member to the Board of Directors. Please consider volunteering to help your civic club continue to make a difference in Shepherd Forest. Deadline for officer nominations is August 25th and a ballot will be emailed to all current paid SFCC members on September 1st. To verify your current email address is on file with the civic club, send an email to info@shepherdforest.org. **Election results will be announced at the Sept 16th civic club meeting to be held at 7pm at Garden Oaks Baptist Church (3206 N. Shepherd – across from Gabbys BBQ).**



Due to the recent Hurricane Beryl and the resulting damage across Shepherd Forest, the SFCC Yard of the Month program was once again suspended for a month. Hopefully, cleanup will continue throughout the

neighborhood and yards will be looking much better soon. Judging for the contest will resume the last full weekend of August and run through the last full weekend in September.



SAVE THE DATE!

Join us at the Picnic in the Park!

September 22nd

- * **Hot Dogs/Watermelon**
- * **Petting Zoo**
- * **Door Prizes**
- * **Vintage cars**
- * **Pet adoptions**
- * **Rodeo Clowns**
- * **Kids games**
- * **Activities**
- * **Entertainment**
- * **Police & Fire Depts.**
- * **Elected officials**
- * **Fun with your neighbors**

**BE THERE!
4 – 6:00 pm**

SECURITY NEWS

According to HPD, the following crime occurred in and around Shepherd Forest in recent weeks:

- 6/26 – 3000 blk of Guese – theft
- 7/13 – 3300 blk of Ella – theft from motor vehicle
- 7/14 – 1200 blk W. 34th – theft of vehicle parts
- 7/17 – 3000 blk of Larknolls – burglary
- 7/20 – 1200 blk W. 34th – assault in parking lot
- 7/21 – 1100 blk W. 34th – assault at temple
- 7/26 – 1200 blk W. 34th – theft from motor vehicle

Remember to always lock your car, stay alert, and be aware of your surroundings...even close to home! Report ALL CRIME to HPD immediately, regardless of how insignificant it may seem.



Voter Registration Deadlines

By Mail (postmarked) - Monday, October 7, 2024

Deadline to register for Ballot by Mail

October 25, 2024 (Received, not postmarked)

Early Voting Centers Open

Monday, October 21st to Friday, November 1st
Mon-Sat: 7 a.m. – 7 p.m. Sun: 12 p.m. - 7 p.m.

ELECTION DAY – Tuesday, November 5th

Voting Centers will be open from 7am to 7pm
Just like during Early Voting, voters are no longer restricted to an assigned Vote Center and can choose from any Vote Center in Harris County.

To register to vote in the Presidential Election or for further election information, including Early AND Election Day polling locations, specific voter sample ballots, tracking your ballot, and detailed election day results, please visit: www.harrisvotes.com or contact the Harris County Clerk's Election Division at 713-755-6965.



Don't miss the **BIGGEST** neighborhood event of the year! Mark your calendar now for the 35th annual Shepherd Forest Civic Club "Picnic in the Park" on **Sunday, September 22nd from 4 to 6 pm.** Last year's picnic set a new all-time high attendance record as residents and their families enjoyed a fun-filled afternoon. The picnic will be held at **Stonecrest Park** (East T.C. Jester at Stonecrest) and as always, we will have great food and fun activities for everyone.

Plans are now being made for a petting zoo, vintage cars, kids activities, pet adoptions, games, a firetruck, HPD display, Houston Rodeo clowns & other members of the Houston Rodeo Speakers Committee, great food, and much more. Bring out your family, neighbors, and a lawn chair and help the SFCC celebrate **35 years of neighborhood unity and community involvement.** Spend the afternoon visiting with neighbors as you enjoy great **hot dogs, games, activities** and so much more – all provided **free to you** by your Civic Club!

**SEPTEMBER 22nd
DON'T MISS IT!**

Don't forget it's almost time for most local schools to be back in session (**HISD starts August 12th**). Use **caution and proceed slowly** when driving through **any** school zone. Motorists should pay close attention to **flashing school zone lights** as well as posted speed limit signs near our schools. Motorists who do not stop and drive **past a stopped school bus** with its red lights flashing will face a \$200 to \$1,000 fine. Please be careful and watch out for our neighborhood school kids heading back to school.



Separating Your Debris

Debris should be placed curbside, without blocking the roadway or storm drains.

NO PICKUP ZONE
Any debris placed from the sidewalk toward your property will not be picked up.

DEBRIS SEPARATION
Separate debris into the six categories shown below.
DO NOT STACK OR LEAN
Placing debris near or on trees, poles, or other structures makes removal difficult. This includes fire hydrants and meters.
UNSURE WHERE TO PLACE DEBRIS?
If you don't have a sidewalk, ditch, or utility line in front of your house, place debris at the edge of your property before the curb.

Normal Household Trash
Normal household trash and bagged debris of any kind will not be picked up with disaster debris. You should continue to follow your normal garbage removal schedule.

VEGETATIVE DEBRIS
• Leaves
• Logs
• Plants
• Tree Branches
• There is no need to bag vegetative debris
• If you have already bagged vegetative debris, our crews will assess the contents during cleanup

CONSTRUCTION & DEMOLITION DEBRIS
• Building materials
• Carpet
• Drywall
• Furniture
• Lumber
• Mattresses
• Plumbing

APPLIANCES & WHITE GOODS
• Air conditioners
• Dishwashers
• Freezers
• Refrigerators
• Stoves
• Washers, dryers
• Water heaters

ELECTRONICS
• Computers
• Radios
• Stereos
• Televisions
• Other devices with a cord

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE
• Cleaning supplies
• Batteries
• Lawn chemicals
• Oils
• Oil-based paints and stains
• Pesticides

For more information or questions call 281.652.1900.

HURRICANE BERYL DEBRIS DISPOSAL

The City of Houston expects to have its first pass of debris pickup completed by early to mid-August, or about 30 days after crews began picking up downed trees, fallen limbs, and other objects from curbsides after Hurricane Beryl swept through Houston. The City has an interactive map of what sites have had their debris picked up so far. For more Hurricane Beryl related information, you may also visit <https://www.houstontx.gov/solidwaste/>

Residents are reminded that tree limbs and other debris should be placed near the curb of your yard, NOT IN THE STREET. Storm debris placed IN THE

STREET is not only illegal, but it can cause flooding to nearby homes when rain occurs. Please take a look around and make sure that the street near your home is totally clear of limbs and storm debris.

A huge THANK YOU is sent to each of the Shepherd Forest residents that went out in the middle of the recent hurricane to clear nearby drains of debris as stormwater began to inch closer and closer to nearby homes. These courageous neighbors put their lives in danger to help prevent flooding of many homes in Shepherd Forest, and our deep appreciation is sent to each one of them. Thank you, neighbors!

WHAT'S HAPPENING.

Tuesday, August 20th– SFCC “Spirit Night” Social and Fundraiser at Local Table – 5 to 8pm
Monday, September 2nd – Labor Day
Sunday, September 8th – Grandparents Day
Wednesday, September 11th – Patriots Day (9/11)
Monday, Sept. 16th– SFCC 2024 Officer Election
Sunday, September 22nd – PICNIC IN THE PARK !
Tuesday, October 1st – National Night Out
Wednesday, October 23rd – SFCC Fall Social
Tuesday, November 5th – **ELECTION DAY !**
Monday, November 18th – Salute to Veterans
Thursday, November 28th – Happy Thanksgiving!
Tuesday, December 10th – SFCC Christmas Dinner
Saturday, December 14th – Photos with Santa

MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW
For these important dates!

HOT Summer TIME

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