

- January 31st – SF Re-scheduled Tree Planting Event
- Feb 12th – Civic Club Rodeo Roundup Social
Demeris BBQ – Loop 610 @ West 18th
Meet & Mingle with neighbors - 5 to 8:00pm
- February 14th – HAPPY VALENTINES DAY!
- March 3rd – Harris County Primary Elections
- March 8th – Daylight Savings Time begins
- March 16th – SFCC Meeting – Deed Restrictions
Speaker: City Legal Department
- March 16th thru 20th – SFCC Citizens on Patrol
Aluminum Can Drive – save your aluminum!!!
- March 28th – Annual Easter Egg Hunt and
Professional photos with the Easter Bunny

SECURITY NEWS

Please pay attention to what you see around you and don't hesitate to contact HPD if something doesn't look right. You never know how your information could be related to another crime or how the picture you just snapped could help solve a crime ring in the neighborhood. We must all get involved, talk to our neighbors, and **report all crime**, regardless of how insignificant it may seem at the time. After you have made an HPD report, please notify **Security Coordinator Paul Berry at (915) 373-8820**.

According to SpotCrime, several assaults, thefts, and automobile burglaries were reported at apartments in the 1700, 2100, and 4200 blocks of West 34th. In addition, the following crimes near the Shepherd Forest area were reported to HPD recently:

- 01/08 – 2100 block of Stonecrest – assault
- 01/09 – 2100 block of Stonecrest – assault
- 01/22 – 3000 block of Ella – assault at restaurant

Once again, we send our thanks and appreciation to our very dedicated Citizens on Patrol members who patrol our neighborhood to keep a watchful eye on what is going on. Hats off to every one of you !!



Mark your Calendar!
Saturday, March 28th - 10am

WIRELESS EMERGENCY ALERT SYSTEM AVAILABLE

Emergencies don't care where you are – they can happen when you're at work, school, at home, or on vacation. The Wireless Emergency Alerts (WEA) system was developed to help inform the public in a specific area of emergency situations that require them to take action quickly to avoid injury, such as weather emergencies, terrorist activity, shelter-in-place orders, evacuations, & other emergencies which require action to protect life.



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SHEPHERD FOREST CIVIC CLUB

RODEO ROUNDUP

Thur, Feb 12th 5:00-8:00 pm
Demeris BBQ - Loop 610 @ West 18th

Join your neighbors for some great fun at the next SFCC Social and help kick off the official "Houston Rodeo" season!

SF CIVIC CLUB SOCIAL SET FOR FEB 12TH

The Shepherd Forest Civic Club's Rodeo RoundUp Social event is just around the corner. Make plans now to attend the social on **Thursday, February 12th from 5:00 – 8:00 pm** and have a fun evening with your neighbors while enjoying some great BBQ and hearing the latest details on the upcoming Houston Rodeo. All Shepherd Forest residents and their families are invited and encouraged to attend this fun civic club event which will be held at **Demeris BBQ**, located at 1702 West Loop North (near West 18th at Loop 610 – on the feeder road between Houston Garden Center and Whataburger.)

The Rodeo themed event will have news and tidbits directly from the Rodeo Speakers Committee & will also serve as a SFCC social for neighbors to meet and mingle. A large variety of food and beverage options from the restaurant menu will be available for you to purchase, so come on out and get a belly full of great Texas BBQ!

Be sure to wear your favorite western wear, jeans, hat, and/or boots and help get everyone in the spirit for a month of festivities and entertainment as we kickoff the 2026 Houston Rodeo season.

Shepherd Forest is home to many volunteers, and their assistance is what makes our Civic Club the success that it is. Just a small bit of time volunteering for your neighborhood is not only rewarding, but can make an *enormous* difference. The Shepherd Forest Civic Club is looking for committee volunteers to serve on our **Citizens on Patrol, Membership Committee, Welcome Committee, Social Committee, Beautification Committee**, and many more! Because we rely *solely* on volunteers, Shepherd Forest is only as successful as our volunteers are strong. *Whatever* your interest, we have a place for you to volunteer. Check out our committee volunteer opportunities at www.shepherdforest.org and consider giving just a little of your time to help out the Shepherd Forest Civic Club.



If you haven't already done so, please take a minute to complete the Shepherd Forest Civic Club Survey. We want to hear your input on a variety of topics to make sure our Civic Club reflects the needs of the people who live here. Go to <https://www.shepherdforest.org/survey.html> or scan this QR code to begin the short survey. We want to hear from you and we appreciate your feedback on the issues!





On **Sunday, March 8th**, Daylight Savings Time will officially begin, so remember to set your clocks, watches, microwave, and other time-keeping items **FORWARD ONE HOUR** before you go to bed on Saturday night. This means you will lose an hour of sleep that night – so don't forget to set your clocks forward. Say hello to longer days and Daylight Savings Time as you "spring forward!"

Texas Independence Day is a state holiday that commemorates the adoption of the Texas Declaration of Independence on March 2, 1836. On that date, delegates met at the small riverside village of Washington-on-the-Brazos, and overnight wrote, and then adopted (without debate), the **Texas Declaration of Independence**, which declared their independence from Mexico and created the Republic of Texas. Today, the only remaining of the original five copies of this document can be seen at the Texas State Archives in Austin. Show your Texas Pride and celebrate this important Texas holiday!



Happy Texas Independence Day - March 2nd



PARTY LINE

Warm Happy Birthday wishes are sent to our neighbors **ANGIE JOE** who celebrates on 2/16 and **JESSICA CABALLERO** who celebrates on 2/22. Special Happy

Birthday wishes also go to **NORA BERRY** on 2/23 and to **JUSTIN BERRY** on 2/28. Several neighbors will be celebrating their birthdays in early March, including **COOKIE DAVENPORT** 3/04, **TYLER MCKOY** 3/04, and **BID NUTT** on 3/10. Hope each one of you have a wonderful birthday!

Happy Wedding Anniversary wishes are sent to Bron Holly neighbors **SHARON & IAN KINLOCH** who will celebrate their big day on March 6th.

If you're new to the neighborhood, have birthdays, anniversaries, or anything special to share in this column, please send your information to the Shepherd Forest Civic Club at info@shepherdforest.org



ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT

Saturday, March 28th at 10:00 am

Plans are now underway for the exciting **SFCC ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT** scheduled to take place **Saturday, March 28th at 10:00 am**. This much anticipated Civic Club event will again be held at **Stonecrest Park**, which is located on East T. C. Jester near Stonecrest. All Shepherd Forest residents and their children are invited and encouraged to attend this special family event. Children participating in the egg hunt are divided into groups by age and a separate egg hunt area will be available for babies/young toddlers. **EVERY** participant will win a prize at the egg hunt. The Easter Bunny will be on hand to greet the children and visit with everyone starting 15 minutes prior to the Egg Hunt, so grab the kids and an Easter Basket and come out for a fun-filled morning. Shepherd Forest Civic Club members will have the opportunity to have a **free professional portrait** with the Easter Bunny taken by Kevin Dunn of PortraitEFX Photo Memories. If you're not a SFCC member, you still have time to join or renew your 2026 SFCC membership dues by simply scanning the QR code. Donations of small, individually wrapped candy are appreciated and will be collected at the February 12th civic club social. Of course, cash donations for the event are always gladly accepted! For more info about the Egg Hunt or to make a donation, contact the SFCC at www.shepherdforest.org. Don't miss all the *Egg-citement* on **March 28th at 10 AM!**

It's time once again for the Shepherd Forest Civic Club to start **collecting aluminum cans** to raise cash for our Citizens on Patrol (Security) program. All you need to do to help is recycle your aluminum cans (pie pans and foil can also be recycled) and save them for our Citizens on Patrol fundraising efforts. The collection dates will be **March 16th through March 20th**. Large containers will be provided at **1418 Stonecrest,**

3007 Topham Circle, and 4206 Marlborough so that you can drop off your cans at any of those locations at a time that's convenient for you. Just drive by and drop off. Make sure they are in a closed plastic bag for easy transport and less mess. The cans will be recycled and all proceeds will benefit our Shepherd Forest Citizens on Patrol and Security Committee. If you have cans you are unable to drop off that are in need of being picked up, please call SFCC Security Coordinator Paul Berry at (915)373-8820.



SF Tree Planting Re-Scheduled to Jan. 31st

Due to the predicted arctic blast and forecasted icy conditions, the City has rescheduled the Shepherd Forest Civic Club tree planting event to **Saturday, January 31st**. Volunteers are still needed for this fun event and should meet at the park between **8:30 and 9:00am** to receive their equipment and instructions for planting the trees. All tools, shovels, trees, mulch....will be provided by the City Parks Department. If you, or anyone you know, are willing to help with this project, please sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F45ABA62FAAF4CE9-60735149-tree>. For more information, contact Katie Hassett at katiehassett@gmail.com. You can make a **BIG** difference in our park!

Space Heater Safety

- Always place on flat, level surface
- Must be placed 3 ft from anything that can burn (rugs, papers, clothes)
- Make sure all smoke alarms are working
- Visit www.usfa.fema.gov for more tips



Registering your Pet is the law.

The City of Houston Municipal Code (Section 6) requires that anyone who owns, keeps, possesses, or has control of a dog or cat four months of age or older must have his or her pet registered, vaccinated against rabies every year, and a registered microchip. The City's pet registration identifies and protects your pet in case it becomes lost. (Even indoor pets can get out and become lost.) You are required to renew your registration yearly and update when you move and/or your pet is given away, lost, stolen or is deceased.



REMODELING OR UPDATING YOUR HOME?

The Shepherd Forest Deed Restrictions require residents to submit all building and/or construction plans to the Shepherd Forest Civic Club Architectural Committee for approval **BEFORE** any work begins on their construction project.

To find out more information about this issue or to find a Building Approval Application, visit the SF Civic Club website at www.shepherdforest.org and look under the "Quick Links" tab for help.



Primary Elections for both political parties in Harris County will be held on **Tuesday, March 3rd, 2026**.

Voters are allowed to vote at **any** voting location across Harris County for Early Voting and on Election Day. Early voting for the Primaries will be held **from February 17th through Feb 27th** at multiple locations. Registered voters may cast ballots in either Texas' Republican or Democratic primary, but not both. Third-party candidates will appear on the ballot in November. The last day to register to vote in the Primary Election is **Monday, February 2nd**. Don't miss this privilege!