

Councilman Larry Green talks about our area's safety – Please see reprint of September 9, 2014 Houston Chronicle article attached!

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2015 HOA DUES

For the HOA to best serve our community and properly maintain our amenities, we need to receive your HOA dues promptly. Notices for the 2015 dues will be mailed out very soon. Please be aware that non-payment of dues severely impacts our community, as we cannot maintain the common areas, clubhouses, parks, pool and tennis court without your dues. As such, please ensure you pay your HOA dues as soon as you receive your invoice. Failure to pay dues can result in extraneous fees, liens and even foreclosure.

SO PLEASE PAY PROMPTLY!

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Deputies assigned to WBPOA:

Sgt. P. Basralian
Deputy Antone
Deputy Nowlin
Deputy Simon

Please contact your alarm company and have the Constable's precinct listed as the first police authority contact.

Going on vacation? Please register for a deputy vacation watch by visiting the Precinct 7 website and select "Vacation Watch" - <http://www.harriscountytexas.gov/conpct7/>

PLEASE NOTE: Deputy Dickson, who has patrolled our neighborhood for several years, has transferred to the Harris County Sheriff's Office. As such, a new deputy has been assigned to our neighborhood, Deputy Simon. We will miss Deputy Dixon, and extend our gratitude for the great job he did for us as well as wish him much success with his new duties. Please be sure to extend a warm welcome to Deputy Simon when you see him around!

SAVE THE DATE!

Please join us for our WBPOA National Night Out Event – Tuesday, October 7th from 6:30pm – 8:00pm at the Braes Ridge Clubhouse, located at 10810 Braes Ridge. WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE!!

HOA Rules Regarding Home Improvements

Reminder that before doing any landscaping or home improvement project involving the exterior of your home (including the front AND back yards), such as painting, the construction of patio covers, pools, etc., you MUST obtain approval first from the Architectural Control / Review Committee by completing the Architectural Control Application. The application can be found on the WBPOA website, and a copy is attached to this newsletter. Failure to receive approval for the improvement and / or change may result in you having to remove, alter or change the improvement in order to comply with the rules and regulations of the HOA, as well as possibly incurring fines and / or liens.

District K council member touts safety of area communities

By Robin Foster | September 9, 2014

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More Information

Want more info?

Connect with Southwest Houston 2000 Inc. at its website, swhouston2000.org, or on facebook at [SWHouston2000](https://www.facebook.com/SWHouston2000)

For a list of certified Blue Star multi-family properties, visit [Blue Star - Multi-Housing Program](#) or contact HPD's Apartment Enforcement Unit at 713-308-3900

Contact Houston City Council District K 832-393-3016 or email districtk@houstontx.gov

Crime statistics show that Southwest Houston neighborhoods are among the city's safest, and Houston City Councilman Larry Green credits the work of residents who are engaged in the community.

"We have some challenges. There will always be criminals out there. But I think we have systems in place, organizations in place like Southwest Houston 2000, to help address them," Green recently told the group's safety and security committee.

Formed more than two decades ago, Southwest Houston 2000 Inc. is a coalition of civic and religious groups, nonprofits and businesses that works to improve quality of life in the region. Crime prevention is a key focus for its safety committee.

Green said his District K, which extends from Braeswood Boulevard into Fort Bend County between Almeda Road and Gessner, ranked as third safest in Houston in "Part I" crimes, behind District E, which includes Clear Lake and Kingwood, and District G, which takes in River Oaks and the Memorial area. Part I crimes include violent and property crimes such as murder, rape, aggravated assault, burglary, robbery and theft.

District K had 10,156 Part I crimes in 2013, compared to 9,740 in 2012, the data shows. District E Part I crimes fell 2.1 percent to 6,859 in 2013, and District G had 9,973, 1.1 percent less than in 2012.

"Obviously, we want to have the lowest crime rate," Green said.

"It's happening," said Perry Radoff, who chairs the SWH 2000 safety committee.

Radoff routinely collects data on police calls for service to local apartment complexes, where many of the area's crimes reported. From 2011 to 2013, the number of calls continued to trend downward at most properties, his most recent report shows.

"Our folks are in better communication with Houston Police Department than ever before," says Andy Teas, vice president of public affairs for Houston Apartment Association.

A recent training session provided by the Blue Star program to reduce crime at rental properties was filled to capacity by apartment staff members, he said.

Blue Star, a joint effort by HPD and HAA, also requires multifamily properties to comply with an environmental safety survey and to host a safety social involving residents.

HPD has cracked down on high-crime properties, putting in place remedial action plans where necessary, Teas said.

The Brays Oaks Management District helps area apartment owners and managers connect to HAA and similar services, including tenant screening.

Last month, the district's Richard Rodriguez unveiled a program that will recognize properties focused on safety and crime prevention.

Teas said the improved economy has helped. With fewer vacancies, apartment managers can be more discriminating about whom they rent to.

"A rising tide lifts all boats, and I think that's very true," Teas said.

But still, Green agreed with Radoff that more work is needed to address area poverty and its impact on youths.

"It's very difficult for us to change what happens in those households," Green said.

"The only thing we can do is make sure that, when they come out, the community is safe and able to provide resources so the kids have an outlet."

Residents in the area, including some on the committee, are advocating for more park space through the Houston Parks and Recreation Department's master parks survey process.

Green said the challenge continues to be finances.

"There still is this huge chasm in regards to the haves and the have-nots," said Green, who is focused on bringing resources and activities to his district, including afterschool programs through churches and community centers.

"I look for suggestions about systems or programs we need that we don't already have," he said.



Volunteers Needed to Serve as Block Captains



Block Captains are residents who volunteer their time and efforts to our community to serve as “point persons” between the residents, the HOA Board, its committees and our property management team. Some of the responsibilities of a Block Captain could include the following:

- Get to know your neighbors, at least by sight, so you will know when someone is around who doesn't belong
- Encourage your block neighbors to keep an eye out for each other (for security, emergencies, welfare checks, etc.)
- Encourage National Night Out meetings for your block
- Welcome new neighbors on your block and ensure they know about amenities, HOA regulations, etc.
- Help keep neighbors informed of emergency situations such as hurricanes, etc.
- Assist the HOA Board by notifying them of issues on the block (any suspicious activities, code violations, etc.). You will NOT be asked to handle these issues directly
- Make sure all neighbors receive the neighborhood newsletter or other informational flyers
- Assist the HOA Board by obtaining signatures on proxies, if ever required
- Attend HOA Board meetings (your option) to help keep your neighbors informed

You will not be asked to do anything that puts yourself in harm's way. The time involved is minimal. By serving as the “eyes and ears” of our community, you will play a big part in keeping it safe, friendly and beautiful. You can even “co-share” and team up with a neighbor. If you have an interest in serving as a Block Captain, please contact any of the Board members or Ry Reid, or attend the upcoming Board Meeting on Tuesday, September 23 at 7:00pm, Ludington Clubhouse.

Did You Know?

At 27 miles long and 3 miles at its widest point, Galveston Island was originally home to the Akokisa and Karankawa Indians. Spanish explorer Cabeza de Vaca was shipwrecked on the island in 1528, and lived among the Karankawa for years as a medicine man and slave. In the late 1600's, French explorer Robert Cavalier La Salle claimed the area for King Louis, naming it St. Louis. In 1785, Jose de Evia charted the Gulf of Mexico and re-named the Island and the Bay after Bernardo de Gálvez, a Spanish colonial governor and general. The island was taken over by French pirate Louis-Michel Aury in 1816, and then literally stolen from him by the more famous and popular pirate Jean Lafitte in 1817. Lafitte renamed the area “Campeche” and ran quite a successful pirating business until he was forced off the island in 1821 by the US Navy after attacking an American ship. Texas was still Mexican territory at this time, so after Lafitte was booted off, Mexico established the Port of Galveston in 1825. Sadly, before the Civil War, the port was a major site of the sale and transport of slaves from Africa and other points in the US to Texas. On a better note, Galveston served as headquarters for the Texas Navy during the Texas Revolution, and even briefly served as one of the capitals of the Republic of Texas in 1836. From 1845 to 1924, Galveston was the “Ellis Island of the Gulf”, serving as a major gateway to immigration from Europe, Mexico, South and Central America and Asia. The island was on the edge of becoming a major US port when it was devastated by the Great Hurricane of 1900, which remains the deadliest hurricane to ever strike a US Coast. The island was hit by another huge hurricane in 1915, and although she was well protected by the seawall by now, the island took a few years to recover. By 1917, Houston had become the largest port in the US when it built the Ship Channel. Not to be outshined and staying true to its pirating past, Galveston became a bootlegging and gambling mecca during Prohibition and continued this ribald tradition until the Texas Rangers raided the island in 1957. The island languished until the early 1980's, when it began a renewal campaign that has proven highly successful. Today, Galveston is a thriving tourist town offering fun in the sun while celebrating its colorful history, with over 2,000 buildings listed with the National Registry of Historic Places. Galveston and the surrounding areas were seriously ravaged again in 2008 by Hurricane Ike, but true to her pirate history and Texas spirit, the island refuses to be defeated; she has since rebounded and will continue to flourish.

Surprising uses for: Shaving Cream! These tips are for shaving FOAM, not gel: (1) use a small amount of shaving cream to clean bathroom mirrors. No fog! Works for eyeglasses and car windows too! SMALL amount is key (2) after you wipe the mirror, shine up those chrome fixtures (3) use to clean paint off hands (4) clean up stains from carpet and clothes – dampen stain slightly, spray on foam, let sit for a moment, clean up with damp sponge (rinsing as needed, spot test first).

Want to be an active member of your community? Come to a Board meeting, contact one of your HOA Board Members or Ry Reid to find how you can serve on one of the Board committees or serve as a Block Captain!

"TRIP" YOUR WAY TO BETTER SAFETY

TRUST YOUR INSTINCTS!! Always go with your gut! Feeling embarrassed later is better than risking your life
REDUCE or eliminate opportunities that may make you a target
INCREASE your awareness of your surroundings, even in places you are most comfortable
PREPARE yourself, family, home, car and even your schedule daily with safety in mind

DON'T FORGET!! Please join us for our WBPOA National Night Out Event - Tuesday, October 7 - 6:30pm – 8:00pm - Braes Ridge Clubhouse – 10810 Braes Ridge – **LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE!!**

On Wednesday, August 13th, the WBPOA Security Committee held a meeting at the Braes Ridge Clubhouse where four members of the Houston Police Department presented information on gang and other criminal activities in the apartments surrounding our neighborhood. A second meeting was held on Wednesday, August 20th, also at the Braes Ridge Clubhouse, where Constable May Walker of Precinct 7 presented information on how the precinct is addressing crimes in the area, answered questions about our deputy contract and provided safety tips for our community to follow. Homeowners from our WBPOA as well as the neighboring communities who share in our deputy contract attended both meetings, as did Sergeant Basralian, who oversees our deputy contract.

Wednesday, August 13 - the following points were brought up by the HPD Police officer, Gang Unit officers and the Hot Spot Officer:

- There are 197 apartment complexes in the Southwest / Fondren area. Gang members live in almost all of them.
- Apartment managers have procedures in place in an attempt to address the gang activity within their complexes, and the Brays Oaks Management District assists by paying for background checks, etc. However, gang members often will pay off a "clean" person rent a unit, then utilize the apartment for their gang activities. When found, apartment managers will evict the gangs, but the eviction process is lengthy
- Apartment managers, HPD and the Brays Oaks Management District are working together to address ongoing issues to stop gangs and other criminal activities
- In answer to the question of how many gangs there are in our immediate area, the response was: there is no way to know for certain. This is due in part because while Hispanic gangs tend to keep "true" to their gang affiliations and thus it is easier to keep track of their numbers, black gangs blend their affiliations depending on areas of expertise (for example, the Bloods and Crypts will team their members in areas of burglaries, certain drug deals, etc.). There is no way to track the number of these "umbrella" gangs.
- Despite their affiliations, all gangs have one purpose and one purpose only: **TO MAKE MONEY**
- Gang members operate with one philosophy in mind: They are predators looking for prey
- Gangs have begun hitting up larger groups of people as they can hit up more people at one time, and groups seldom fight back
- Gangs recruit members at very young ages, as young as 9 years old. Children and pre-teens cannot be arrested for many activities and can only be charged as juveniles for other crimes. Records are usually expunged at age 18
- Many criminals are arrested time and time again. They are able to bond out and get released quickly. The number of times someone gets arrested is now considered "street cred"
- Gang members look for easy targets – **DO NOT BE ONE**. Pay attention to your surroundings and be alert; do not be on your cell phone – that is the #1 thing they look for.

While it is important to know what is going on around the neighborhood, it is also important to realize that our neighborhood has historically been consistently safe – We are "AN OASIS SURROUNDED BY ORGANIZED CHAOS". Our safety is due primarily to our deputy patrol, but also to our neighbors practicing good personal safety tips and practicing the "See Something, Say Something" motto. There will be some upticks in crime during the summer months when teenagers are home from school and at loose ends, and there will be crime spikes from time to time. However, the main thing to remember is to remain calm, stay safe and practice good safety tips. Do not be in strange areas at night, stay away from the apartment complexes and do not "invite" the gangs into our neighborhood by tempting them with unlocked homes and unlocked cars. Information spreads QUICKLY in gangs – they will know within hours that an area is "prime for picking" if you leave your vehicles and homes open for burglary. Remember the sole purpose of gangs: **TO MAKE MONEY**. Do NOT make it easy for them to do this, or they will invade like roaches. **PLEASE DO YOUR PART TO HELP PROTECT THE NEIGHBORHOOD.**

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Wednesday, August 20 - the following points covered by Constable May Walker and her team:

- Precinct 7 works in coordination with the Houston Police Department and often work on the same radio bands
- Both HPD and the Constable Precincts throughout Houston are focusing on addressing gang activities, along with the City
- Neighborhoods can remain safe by establishing volunteer citizen patrol groups who would work closely with the neighborhood deputy patrol and the HOA in maintaining community safety
- **THE MOST IMPORTANT SAFETY MEASURES START WITH YOU!**
 - Practice the "See Something, Say Something" Community Motto – call in all suspicious persons and activities
 - Key the Precinct 7 Dispatch number into your cell phones and land line phones (see yellow box above)
 - Get to know your deputies – speak with them as they drive by
 - Stay alert – know what is going on around you
 - Never leave extra keys under door mats or anywhere outside
 - Remove your garbage and trash bins from the street as soon as possible on pick up days. Bins left at the street or in the driveway make it look like you are not home; in addition, it is HOA rules that all bins must be out of eye sight at all times on non-pick up days
 - **KNOW YOUR NEIGHBORS**; keep an eye out for each other. The best security patrol are "nosy neighbors". **BE ONE.**
 - Clean out your garages and park your cars there where they belong
 - If you insist on parking in the driveway or streets, **LOCK YOUR CARS** and remove all valuables from your vehicles. Even nice sunglasses are temptation. It may be costly to repair a broken car window, but (1) most criminals prefer not to make noise in breaking windows and (2), most importantly, unlocked cars just encourage local criminals to return to the neighborhood for "easy pickings". They will return within a couple of weeks as they know you will most likely have replaced your stolen items by then
 - Lock all access points into your home: all windows and doors, including the door from the garage into the house
 - **NEVER** open the door to anyone you do not know, including any persons stating they are with city utility services. If in doubt, **CALL** the deputy service
 - Close your garage doors. Install a keyless entry **OUT OF SIGHT** from the street
 - When working in the yard, keep garage doors closed. It may be a hassle, but your tools and other items will not "walk off" while you are in the back yard working
 - Get a security alarm and have it monitored. Security systems not only protect your home from burglaries, they can also notify you of fire, carbon monoxide, medical emergencies, floods, etc. Security systems start as low as \$17 per month for monitoring
 - List Precinct 7 as your first law enforcement contact on your home security systems
 - Utilize the Precinct 7 Vacation Watch when leaving town
 - Ask trusted family members or neighbors to watch your home while you are traveling
 - Use automatic timers – not only will this help while you are traveling, but you will also not come home to a dark house during winter months
 - Install motion detection exterior lights
 - Use a pet sitting service to watch your pets – not only will your pets be more comfortable, pet sitters double as house sitters

Please keep these safety tips in mind. If ever in doubt, **CALL OUR DEPUTIES!!** Please keep in mind, as the dispatcher is obtaining information from you, he / she has already sent a deputy to your location, so the time is not being "wasted". Never be embarrassed to call – our deputies serve to keep us safe and provide peace of mind. **IT IS ALWAYS BETTER TO BE SAFE THAN SORRY.**

Our Community

Community News

The SEPHARDIC GAN/TORAT EMET (SG/TE) school officially opens as of Thursday, August 28th!! Some work will continue on the site for a while, but please be aware that a new school zone will be set up at the main entrance into the neighborhood. Please be sure to welcome the students and faculty, and be on the watch for children as they walk to and from the school!

Community Parks

Fall is coming very soon, bringing cooler temperatures. Perfect for a nice little picnic in the park – and wouldn't you know we have two community parks at your disposal! How is that for perfect? Please enjoy the Ludington or Kittybrook parks and please be sure to clean up after your visits!

Cooler weather also makes for an absolute perfect tennis game! So enjoy the weather by challenging someone to a fun game of tennis! If you don't know how to play, then no worries! You can learn at your leisure right in your own backyard!

Community Clubhouses

The holidays will be here SOON! So please consider renting one of the clubhouses for your next event. Jeanette Calhoun or Joy Cunningham will be happy to assist you in providing nice facilities that are close to home. Their contact details are on the front of the newsletter. WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AT THE BRAES RIDGE CLUBHOUSE FOR OUR WBPOA NATIONAL NIGHT OUT EVENT TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7TH!!

Ludington Pool

Please note, with school back in session, the pool will be available for month of September at reduced hours as our life guards are also back in school. Be sure to get a few laps in before it closes for the winter! August 30 through September 28: Labor Day (Mon 9/1) 11:00 am to 9:00 pm; thereafter, Mon & Tue: closed / Wed, Thurs, & Fri 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm / Sat & Sun 11:00 am to 8:00 pm. To enjoy the pool and any of the community amenities, your homeowner dues must be paid in full.

HOA Rules Regarding Garbage / Recycling / Yard Waste / Junk & Tree Waste

Garbage Bins: Weekly pick up. To be placed at the curb the night before scheduled pick up date (ie, Wednesday before a Thursday pickup)

Recycle Bins: Bi-weekly pick up. To be placed at the curb the night before pick up date (See Schedule A attached)

Yard Waste (grass and flower bed clippings, etc.): Weekly pick up with regular household trash, but must be in City approved clear plastic compostable bags with a city seal on the bag (found at hardware stores and most grocery stores)

Junk Waste & Tree Waste (tree trimmings, large limbs, etc.): Alternate Monthly pick up. Can be placed at the curb up to 4 days prior to scheduled pick up date. Pick up dates for Junk Waste and Tree Waste alternate months (Junk Waste – even months / Tree Waste – odd months).

If for any reason a household has too much trash to fit inside the black garbage bin, residents can purchase city stickers to place on the outside of large plastic garbage bags. The stickers can be purchased from Fiesta or Seller's Brothers customer service windows. The stickers MUST be visible street side, or the bags will not be picked up.

Residents with physical limitations can contact 311 and complete a Solid Waste Pickup Request Form (for either regular trash or recycles, or both) to qualify for special pick up services. If qualified, city services will then pick up from the residents' specified locations and return them to the same location when emptied. The location MUST be out of sight from the street, but accessible to the city services (ie, behind unlocked fence gate).

All bins, yard waste, junk waste and / or tree waste MUST be removed from sight by the end of the scheduled pick up date, or the homeowner will risk incurring fines. ALL BINS MUST BE KEPT OUT OF SIGHT AT ALL TIMES OUTSIDE OF TRASH PICK UP DAYS – NO EXCEPTIONS.



For everything you have missed, you have gained something else. For everything you gain, you lose something else. It is about your outlook towards life. You can either regret... or rejoice. ~Anonymous

Community Events and Things to Do

Tune in for different events and places highlighted each month!

For Adults

Alley Kat Steak Night (Mondays)
(713) 874-0722
Dinner Detective Mystery Dinner
www.thedinnerdetective.com

For Children

John C Freeman Weather Museum
<http://wxresearch.org/wch/>
Fire Museum of Houston
www.houstonfiremuseum.org/

For Free!

Bayou City Outdoors
<http://www.bayoucityoutdoors.com>
Weekend Guided Hike Tours
<http://www.brazosbend.org/>

Other Events in Houston

For many more ideas, visit <http://www.visithoustontexas.com/travel-tools/events/>

Sep 4-7: Texas Contemporary Art Fair. Showcasing original works from the most innovative and progressive international and local artists today. George R Brown. <http://txcontemporary.com/>

Sep 4-14: A Midsummer Night's Dream. Enjoy Houston Ballet's interpretation of a Shakespearian classic! <http://www.houstonballet.org>

Sep 6: Celebrate Houston Ship Channel's 100th Birthday! Many exciting and educational activities and attractions from tours of the M/V Sam Houston Vessel, a tug boat tug-of-war, an interactive antique fire truck, toy sailboat games, face painting, treasure hunts and much more! <http://promotehoustonshipchannel2014.org/>

Sep 7: The Afters. Concert. Friendswood Community Church. <http://friendswoodchurch.org>

Sep 8: Bayou City Outdoors & REI Present: Hiking 101. Whether you are looking for an urban hike or a backcountry hike, it is important that you know where you are going, wear the correct clothing and shoes and have the right supplies for your journey. REI on Westheimer. <http://www.bayoucityoutdoors.com>

Sep 9: Aretha Franklin. Concert. Arena Theater. <http://www.arenahouston.com/events/category/events/>

Sep 13: Farmer's Market Bike Ride. Bike to various farmers markets in the city, stop for lunch and rest. Approx 15 miles in total over 3 hours, so is good for all levels of bikers! Onion Creek Restaurant. www.onioncreekcafe.com

Sep 14: Mini Pops Pop Up Shops! There is an array of handmade and vintage goods for sale from preppy and pretty, to punk and rock & roll. Mini Pops is always a free event. Pavement Clothing/Montrose. www.popshophouston.com

Sep 16: Miro Quartet. Enjoy this dazzling quartet from the Austin area. Chamber Music Houston <http://chambermusichouston.org/home/>

Sep 16-28: Victor/Victoria. a warm, funny look at the nature of love, gender perceptions and the battle of the sexes. Hobby Center / TUTS. <http://www.tuts.com/ShowPage/tabid/243/sid/114/Default.aspx>

Sep 20-21: 14th Annual Hot Sauce Festival. Test your "hot"ness bravery at this festival celebrating hot sauce, salsa, marinades, rubs, wing sauce, pickled products, jams/jellies, dips and more! <http://houstonhotsauce.com/>

Sep 20-21: 19th Annual Texas Home & Garden Show. Explore a wide range of the newest home and garden products. If it belongs in a home you'll find it at the Home and Garden Show. NRG Park <http://nrgpark.com/events/consumer-shows/19th-annual-texas-home-garden-show>

Sep 26: Jen Shyu's Solo Rites: Seven Breaths. A woman living simultaneously in multiple cultures and "projecting her ancestry" through contemporary monologue. Asia Society Texas Center. <http://asiasociety.org>

Sep 27: Anthology of Tango. Dance and music chronicling the history of tango and its creators. University of St. Thomas - Jones Hall Phone: 713-525-3520

SAVE THE DATE!! TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7TH FROM 6:30PM TO 8:00PM – WBPOA NATIONAL NIGHT OUT EVENT @ BRAES RIDGE CLUBHOUSE – 10810 BRAES RIDGE – SEE YOU THERE!!



The difference between school and life? School teaches you lessons, then gives you tests. Life gives you tests, from which you must learn the lessons. ~ Unknown



Andy, The Awesome Possum

NOTE FROM THE EDITOR: Andy, the Awesome Possum, has taken some time off to enjoy a bit of the summer before the school year gets heated up. He is busy visiting with some of his wildlife friends and will be super excited to tell you all about the fun they had when he gets back next month.

In the meantime, Andy wants you to please be sure to visit his pals at the Texas Wildlife Rehabilitation Coalition. There are many exciting things to see at the center and they love having visitors! It is also getting winter time, and TWRC really needs your assistance as they prepare to help orphaned and injured wildlife during this time. Attached to this newsletter is the TWRC's wish list of items that they would be grateful to receive.

Remember that Andy discussed squirrels in last month's newsletter? Did you know he had perfect timing?? Because is **BABY SQUIRREL TIME** at TWRC! So you can learn all about baby squirrels, or visit all the other animals they are caring for right now! So schedule a center tour or visit TWRC's education wildlife soon!!

Center Visits

TWRC Wildlife Center is open seven days a week from 10:00am until 2:00pm. Guests are always welcome to drop by and explore the center's education wildlife. Things get very busy at the center, so TWRC cannot guarantee to be able to a lot of time with you, but they really hope you stop by and say "Hi" and visit the animals. You may even meet one of Andy's possum relatives!!

Please note, while "drop in" visits are free, due to space and staffing limitations, groups of 5 or more will need to call the center and arrange a Center Tour prior to visiting. Bringing donated wish list items are not necessary for drop by visits, but are encouraged and appreciated, so please consider doing so.

TWRC Center Tours:

Allow an experienced volunteer to introduce you to education wildlife, guide you through the center and lead you in an activity benefiting wildlife in rehabilitation! So much fun at such little cost!

- \$5.00 and 1 Wish List donation item per participant
- Minimum 5 participants
- Maximum 40 participants

The TWRC Wildlife Center is located in Spring Branch part of Houston, 10801 Hammerly Blvd., #200, Houston, TX 77043 – just a few miles from our neighborhood and right off the Sam Houston Tollway.

Be sure to visit soon – Andy will be so excited that you did!

Be sure to stay posted for more fun Texas wildlife facts from Andy, the Awesome Possum!

See Something, Say Something!

Unfortunately, with the summer months and teen gang members having extra time on their hands, we have seen an uptick of criminal activity in our neighborhood. At least one of the issues was successfully diverted due to sharp-eyed neighbors who practiced the SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING motto and contacted the Constable Dispatch. However, there was a home invasion that occurred in the early morning hours. While this particular event may have been "targeted", that does mean it will be allowed to occur in our neighborhood. We ask everyone in our community to remain diligent at all times, as the eyes and ears of our neighbors are the absolute best weapon we have against crime. Be sure to put the Constable Dispatch number in your speed dials, and if you see or hear anything suspicious, please practice the SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING motto – nothing is too insignificant to bring to the attention of our deputies. This also helps us determine where to request focused attention from our police authorities as well. **SAFETY STARTS WITH YOU!!!!**

HOMEOWNER ASSOCIATION COMMITTEES:		TEXAS DPS OFFICE		
<i>If you would like to serve on one of these committees, please come to the next Board meeting</i>		Driving Tests / In-Person Driver's License New & Renewal		
Architectural Review (ARC): Barbara Hite, Jeanette Calhoun, Marc Warren, Tom Roberts		Closest (South Gessner close to West Airport - Approx 2 Miles)		
Clubhouse:	Jeannette Calhoun, Tom Roberts, Joy Cunningham	12220 South Gessner	Mon - Thur:	7:30am - 6:00pm
Landscape:	Jeannette Calhoun, Tom Roberts	Houston, TX 77071	Fri:	7:30am - 5:00pm
Newsletter:	Dyaz Godfrey, Mari Angelo	Phone: 713 / 219-4100	Sat:	Closed
Parks & Recreation:	Danny Fishman, Jeannette Calhoun, Tom Roberts	Second Option (Rosenberg - US 59 @ Hwy 36 - Approx 20 Miles)		
Pool:	Phil Abrams	28000 Southwest Freeway, Suite A	Mon - Thur:	7:30am - 6:00pm
Security:	Barbara Hite, Barbara Getzer, Yonah Nathan	Rosenberg, TX 77471	Fri:	7:30am - 5:00pm
Tennis Court:	Zally Lazares, Asher Belles, Neal Harris	Phone: 281 / 517-1630	Sat:	Closed
BLOCK CAPTAINS:	Volunteers Needed!	More Info: http://www.txdps.state.tx.us/administration/driver_licensing_control/rolodex/searchresults.asp		
WEBSITE INFORMATION:		LOCAL LIBRARIES		
City of Houston (General Info):	www.houstontex.gov	City of Houston Libraries		
City of Houston Services (311 Online):	http://hfdapp.houstontx.gov/311/index.php	Morris Frank Library		
Constable Precinct 7 Vacation Watch:	http://www.harriscountytexas.gov/compct7/	Brays Oaks Towers Building	Mon & Thur	11am - 6pm
Texas DPS Driver's License Renewal:	http://www.txdps.state.tx.us/driverlicense/	10103 Fondren	Tue	12pm - 8pm
West Bellfort Property Owner's Association:	www.westbellfortpoa.com	Houston, TX 77096	Wed	10am - 6pm
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION		Houston, TX 77096	Fri	1pm - 5pm
Concert Arenas		Phone: 832 / 393-2410	Sat	10am - 5pm
Arena Towers	http://www.arenahouston.com/events/category/events/	<i>(on Fondren just passed Willowbend)</i>		
Cynthia Woods Mitchell Pavilion	http://www.woodlandscenter.org/	Meyer Branch Library	Sun & Mon	Closed
Miller Outdoor Theater	http://milleroutdoortheatre.com/	5005 West Bellfort Street	Tue & Wed	10am - 6pm
Sports Complexes		Houston, TX 77035	Thur	12pm - 8pm
BBVA Compass - Dynamo Soccer/TSU Football	http://www.bbvacompassstadium.com/	Phone: 832 / 393-1840	Fri	1pm - 5pm
Minute Maid Park - Astros	http://houston.astros.mlb.com/hou/ballpark/index.jsp	<i>(on West Bellfort just before Kroger's)</i>		
NRG Stadium & Park - Texans & Rodeo	http://nrgpark.com/nrg-stadium	Houston Main / Central Library	Mon - Thur	10am - 8pm
Toyota Center - Rockets	http://www.houstontoyotacenter.com/	500 McKinney	Fri & Sat	10am - 5pm
Things to do in Houston:	http://www.visithoustontexas.com/things-to-do/	Houston, TX 77002	Sun	1pm - 5pm
Volunteering Opportunities:		Phone: 832 / 393-1313	<i>(Located Downtown at McKinney & Smith. Garage Parking - \$2 per hour, max \$16 - NO STREET PARKING EXCEPT ON SUNDAYS - TOWING ENFORCED; Street parking is free on Sundays)</i>	
City of Houston	http://volunteerhouston.org/	Harris County Library		
Harris County	http://www.harriscountycitizenrcps.com/	West University Branch	Mon	10am - 8pm
USEFUL NUMBERS		6108 Auden	Tue & Wed	10m - 6pm
Name	Phone Number	Houston, TX 77005	Thur & Fri	1pm - 6pm
Animal Control (BARC)	713-229-7300	Phone: 713 / 668-8273	Sat	10am - 5pm
Anti-Gang Office	832-393-0931	<i>(@ Corner of Auden & Milton in West U)</i>		
Brays Oaks Management District	713-595-1221	STATE, COUNTY & CITY OFFICIALS		
Citizens' Assistance	832-393-0955	Position	WBPOA's District	Currently Held By
City Council District J	832-393-3015	Mayor	Houston	Anrise D. Parker
City Council District K	832-393-3016	County Judge:	Harris County	Ed Emmett
City of Houston Services:	311	Tax Assessor-Collector:	Harris County	Mike Sullivan
Constable Precinct 7 - General Info	713-643-6118	Treasurer:	Harris County	Orlando Sanchez
Constable Precinct 7 - Dispatch	713-643-6602	County Attorney:	Harris County	Vince Ryan
Emergency	911	District Attorney:	Harris County	Devon Anderson
Harris County Flood Control:	713-684-4197	County Clerk:	Harris County	Stan Stanart
Health and Human Services	832-393-5169	District Clerk:	Harris County	Chris Daniel
Houston Fire Department Non-Emergency	832-394-6700	County Sheriff:	Harris County	Adrian Parker
Houston ISD	713-556-6000	County Constable:	Precinct 7	Constable May Walker
Houston Police Department District #17	713-773-7901	County Commissioner:	Precinct 1	El Franco Lee
Houston Police Department Non-Emergency	713-884-3131	Metro Transit Authority Chairman:	Houston Metro Area	Gilbert Andrew Garcia
Mayor's Office	832-393-1000	City of Houston Council Member:	District K	Larry Green
Milne Elementary School	713-778-3420	HISD School Superintendent:	Houston	Terry B. Grier
Parks Department	832-395-7000	HISD School District:	Position 9	Wanda Adams
Public Works and Engineering	832-395-2511	Houston Community College District:	District 9	Christopher W. Oliver
Solid Waste Management	713-956-6589	Justice of the Peace:	Position 1	Judge Hillary H. Green
Sterling Association Services (WBPOA's Property Management)	832-678-4500 x253	Justice of the Peace:	Position 2	Judge Zinetta Burney
Welch Middle School	713-778-3300	State Board of Education:	District 4	Lawrence A. Allen, Jr
Westbury High School	713-723-6015	State Senator:	District 13	Rodney G. Ellis
		State Representative:	District 131	Dr. Alama A. Allen
		Governor:	Texas	Rick Perry
		US Representative:	District 9	Al Green
		US Senators:	Texas	John Cornyn
				Ted Cruz

ACROSS

- 1) Friendly bat of the eye
- 5) Cake made for a shower
- 9) "Poppycock!"
- 14) "Author unknown" (Abbr.)
- 15) It may follow something?
- 16) Habituate (to)
- 17) Opera-house box
- 18) Shadowy film genre
- 19) Maxims
- 20) Opposite of being in the dark
- 23) Veto vote
- 24) Bale contents
- 25) Adds to the bill
- 29) Alexandra's husband
- 31) Party mix
- 34) Not the outgoing type
- 35) Is bedridden
- 36) Approximately
- 37) Concluding
- 40) Has vittles
- 41) Time of "comfort and joy"
- 42) Detestation
- 43) "Comin' Thro' the ___"
- 44) Go AWOL
- 45) Glucs
- 46) It's after me, often
- 47) Reno action
- 48) TV show's target
- 57) Blacksmith's need
- 58) Excessively dry
- 59) Pickle flavoring
- 60) Public to-do
- 61) Bearish advice
- 62) Flamboyant rock genre
- 63) Allowed for the container weight
- 64) See 42-Across
- 65) Some evergreens

Puzzle Page

Answers for puzzles to appear next newsletter

JUST WING IT

By Tim Burr

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60						61				62				
63						64				65				

DOWN

- 1) Street signal directive
- 2) Look ___ (visit briefly)
- 3) Scrubbed, as a space launch
- 4) Had no doubt
- 5) Medicinal shrubs
- 6) "Crypt" or "phrase" ending
- 7) "Clueless" catchphrase
- 8) Home to Machu Picchu
- 9) Stalwart column
- 10) Like blizzard conditions
- 11) Gargantuan
- 12) Seed sheath
- 13) Well-being
- 21) Short-tailed lemur
- 22) Tibet's Forbidden City
- 25) Birch tree
- 26) Brightly colored eel
- 27) Descended on the mother's side
- 28) Fresh information
- 29) Every film has one
- 30) Gin flavorer
- 31) French right
- 32) Item under consideration
- 33) Angelou works
- 35) Feverish condition
- 36) Discontinued GM line, briefly
- 38) Synthetic material
- 39) Ringtailed carnivore
- 44) "Curses! ___ again!"
- 45) Go door-to-door
- 46) Wind around
- 47) Muscular
- 48) Far-reaching
- 49) Empire builder of old
- 50) Happily-after link
- 51) Deep cut
- 52) Field of expertise
- 53) Impatient and anxious
- 54) "Aida" river
- 55) Hammerhead part
- 56) Shady giants

Wuzzle Puzzle

A wuzzle is a phrase made up of a display of words, in an interesting way. Try to figure out the well-known saying, person, place or thing that each wuzzle is meant to represent.

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ASTRONOMY WORDSEARCH

- | | | | |
|--------------|----------|-------------|------------|
| ACCELERATION | AEROLITE | ALBEDO | ASTEROID |
| ASTROPHYSICS | AURORA | BARYCENTRE | BOLIDE |
| BOLOMETER | CEPHEID | CROMOSPHERE | COMET |
| ECLIPSE | EQUINOX | GALAXY | GRAVITY |
| METEORITE | NADIR | PENUMBRA | PERIHELION |
| STRATOSPHERE | UMBRA | ZENITH | |

WHAT'S THE WORD?

1. On opposite, yard enclosure
2. Small boulder, 5th letter
3. Trailer the 5th letter, lumber
4. Automobile flu
5. Foot cousin, sphere

Circle of Fun
Maze
Connect A to B

God gave us two ends – one to sit on and one to think with. Success depends on which one you use: Heads you win, tails you lose.
- anonymous

PRESTO CHANGO!

TOAD
POND

Everyone wants happiness; nobody wants pain –
But you can't have a rainbow without a little rain

WHAT'S IN COMMON?

1. Road – Weather – Treasure
2. Chips – Sweet – Spears
3. Right – Love – Bermuda
4. Buck – Baby – Wisdom
5. Crab – Caramel – Candy

JOKE CORNER (Answers on back page)

1. Why was the student's report card wet?
2. What did the farmer use to mend his pants?
3. What kind of shoes do all spies wear?
4. What goes up and down, but never physically moves?
5. What is taken before you get it?

September is named for the Latin word *septem*, which means "seven"

September 2014

Birthstone: Sapphire
Flower: Aster
Zodiac Signs: Virgo and Libra

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Labor Day	2	3	4 Recycle Pick Up	5	6
7	8	9	10	11 Patriot Day	12 Tree Waste – North Side*	13
14	15	16	17	18 Recycle Pick Up Tree Waste – South Side*	19	20 Leil Selichot
21	22	23 Fall Begins HOA Board Meeting 7:00 pm – Ludington Clubhouse	24	25 Rosh Hashanah	26 Rosh Hashanah	27
28	29	30	SAVE THE DATE! WBPOA National Night Out Event Tuesday, October 7th 6:30pm – 8:00pm Braes Ridge Clubhouse		JOKE CORNER ANSWERS: 1. Because it was below "C" level; 2. Cabbage patches; 3. Sneakers; 4. The temperature; 5. Your picture	

* WBPOA – Northfield III and IV (North Side of West Bellfort): Junk Waste 2nd Friday of even months / Tree Waste 2nd Friday of odd months
* WBPOA – Northfield V (South Side of West Bellfort) – Junk Waste 3rd Thursday of even months / Tree Waste 3rd Thursday of odd months



BOLIVAR FERRY



SEAWOLF PARK

Seawolf Park is a memorial to the USS *Seawolf*, a US submarine mistakenly sunk by our own Navy forces in 1944 during WWII. It is located on Pelican Island, just north of Galveston. Seawolf Park is unique in that it has a submarine, the remains of a merchant ship and a destroyer escort (designed to conduct anti-submarine warfare) -- the hunter, hunted, and the protector -- all in one museum area. The park is also home of two preserved US Navy ships, the USS *Cavalla* and the USS *Stewart*, and the remains of the WWI tanker SS *Selma*, the largest concrete ship ever constructed. Also preserved at the park is the conning tower of the submarine USS *Carp* and the sail of the nuclear attack submarine USS *Tautog*. The park has a picnic area with fishing allowed on the pier for a small fee. There is pedestrian access to the shoreline on either side of the park, where fishing is free. Pelican Island can be accessed via the Galveston Causeway or by taking the Bolivar Ferry. The Bolivar Ferry is free and offers an 18 minute ride across 2.7 miles of the Bay's access point to the Houston Ship Channel.

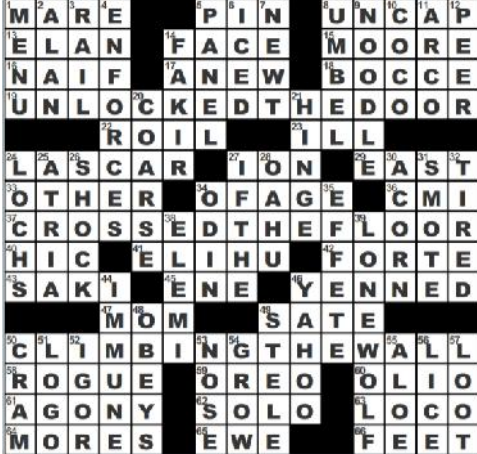
Texas State Bird – the Mockingbird

The Mockingbird was named the State Bird of Texas in 1927 – which is actually quite appropriate, given the bird's fierce sense of protection and feistiness - they are small but not afraid of anything! The birds will not hesitate to chase dogs, cats, other animals and even humans if they get too close to the birds' territory – or to steal fur (or hair!) to line their nests! Mockingbirds will tangle with squirrels and other animals over bird feeders – and they usually win! The mockingbird is 10 inches long, soft gray with lighter bellies and darker gray wings with distinctive white markings. Their Latin name, *Mimus polyglottos*, means "many tongued mimic". They are able to mimic anywhere from 50 to 200 other bird's songs, and even other sounds such as rusty hinges, whistling, cackling hens and dogs' barking so expertly that even an electronic analysis can't tell the difference between the bird and the original! The birds are either cheered or cursed for their bold chutzpah and singing. They eat insects, crustaceans and small vertebrates, as well as fresh fruits and vegetables (putting them on the "cursed list" with gardeners). But they must not be that big of a pest -- they were actually kept as caged birds along the East Coast in the late 1800's, and were purchased for up to \$50 each – quite a lot of money in the 1800's! They were so popular that people stole them from nests, so the bird almost disappeared. The practice was made illegal, and the feisty mockingbird was able to return to the wild where everyone can appreciate them and their amazing repertoire of songs!

Answers to August 2014 Puzzles

I DON'T DO WINDOWS

By Lou Holman

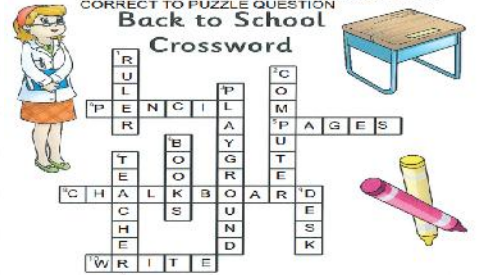


NUMBER BLOCK ANSWERS

1	5	0	10	1	6	3	10	4	53
6	2	12	5	9	5	9	5	10	40
8	8	9	12	6	11	7	8	5	63
4	10	5	9	7	9	10	1	8	74
12	2	12	6	9	9	8	5	2	63
11	3	7	7	6	3	4	2	3	65
3	3	1	8	11	2	7	2	3	46
2	6	0	1	3	12	10	1	5	40
5	12	3	8	0	5	12	11	6	62
52	51	49	66	52	62	70	45	46	47

NOTE FOR ANSWER #7 DOWN: "S" ADDED BY NEWSLETTER EDITOR TO BE GRAMMATICALLY CORRECT TO PUZZLE QUESTION

Back to School



Across

- Do you need to sharpen yours?
- Write or draw on this.
- You write on this with chalk.
- Please _____ your name on your work.

Down

- Draw straight lines with this.
- It has a keyboard and a screen.
- Where you go to play at break (recess).
- Read this at home or school.
- They help you learn new things.
- The teacher sits here.

True or False

- TRUE – Human babies are born with about 300 bones. Many fuse over time. Adults have 206 bones
- FALSE – Dogs are omnivores
- TRUE – Frogs are cold-blooded members of the animal group amphibians
- FALSE – the fastest land animal is the cheetah
- TRUE – DNA is short for "DeoxyriboNucleic Acid"
- TRUE – Yogurt is created by bacterial fermentation of milk
- FALSE – Sharks belong to the FISH group, not MAMMALS

Back to School Prep

- 5 dogs X 4 bones each = 20 total bones
- Tsunami
- 40 (500+40+20+9 = 569)
- 50% of 180 is half, so Pete read 90 pages
- Temperature (Thermodynamics)

Say That Again?

- Beware of the Dog
- Beside Himself
- Blow the Whistle
- Better Late Than Never
- Bed of Roses

Hinks Pinks!

- Bread Bed; 2. Sleek Leek; 3. Cat Brat; 4. Flame Game; 5. Tan Man

Recipe for Kids

HUMMUS MADE EASY

NOTE: Adults should handle the food processor or blender.

In a food processor or blender, puree the chickpeas and garlic with the olive oil, lemon juice, tahini (if using), cumin, and 1/2 teaspoon salt until smooth and creamy. Add 1 to 2 tablespoons reserved juice if needed to get desired consistency; puree again, taste and add 1/4 teaspoon salt if needed. Transfer to a bowl. Drizzle with 2 tablespoons olive oil and sprinkle with the paprika. Serve with vegetables, pita bread or pita chips.

- 1 can (15 oz) chickpeas, drained (reserve about 2 tblspns juice)
- 2 tablespoons tahini (optional)
- 1 glove garlic
- 1/4 cup olive oil (plus 2 tblspns)
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- 1 teaspoon cumin
- 1/4 teaspoon paprika
- 1/2 teaspoon Kosher salt

APRICOT CHICKEN

(serves 12)

Recipe for Adults

- 12 Chicken thighs
- 1 cup apricot preserves
- 1 cup French or Catalina Dressing
- 1 package dry onion soup mix

In a medium bowl combine the preserves, dressing and soup mix. Mix together. Place chicken pieces in a 9x13 inch baking dish. Pour apricot mixture over chicken and bake uncovered in 350 degree oven for 50 to 60 minutes. Serve with white steamed rice if desired.

- 1 stick butter or margarine
- 1 cup brown sugar
- 1 tsp cinnamon
- 1 can sliced pineapple (in rings), drained, RESERVE JUICE
- Maraschino cherries
- 1 Duncan Hines Pineapple Supreme or Yellow Cake Mix
- 1-1/3 cups reserved pineapple juice (add water if necessary to get to 1-1/3 cups)
- 1/3 Cup Vegetable Oil
- 3 Large Eggs

For both!



PINEAPPLE UPSIDE DOWN CAKE

In 13X9 cake pan, melt butter. Sprinkle cinnamon over melted butter, then sprinkle the brown sugar. Lay slices of pineapple into the pan on top of sugar (should fit all, break the last two slices in half and put in the middle of pan). Put maraschino cherries in middle of each slice, and all around (as many as you like). In large bowl, blend together dry cake mix, 1-1/3 cup reserved pineapple juice, vegetable oil and eggs. Gentle pour the cake batter over the pineapple rings. Bake at 350 degrees (glass pans) or 325 (dark or coated pans) for about 50 minutes to an hour. Test cake with toothpick; if clean, remove from oven. Allow to cool in pan for 20 minutes. Cover pan with large serving platter; CAREFULLY flip both over at same time to invert cake onto the serving platter.

WEST BELLFORT PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.
ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL APPLICATION

In accordance with the governing documents of your Association, all exterior improvements and/or changes from the original construction must be submitted for and approved by the Architectural Control/Review Committee (ACC/ARC). Failure to receive approval for the improvement and/or change may result in you having to remove, alter or change the improvement in order to comply with the rules and regulations of the Association. Please complete the application below in its entirety and return to **STERLING ASSOCIATION SERVICES, INC. (SASI) to 11201 LAKE WOODBRIDGE, SUGAR LAND, TX. 77478 (Phone 832-678-4500) Email: ry@sterlingasi.com or Facsimile 832-678-4497)**

Community Association _____
 Property Address _____ Sec/Blk/Lot ____ / ____ / ____
 Name _____
 Work# _____ Home# _____ E-mail _____
 Mailing Address _____

- No improvement will be considered and is automatically denied without the following:**
- ▶ **A site plan/survey indicating location of the proposed improvement, providing the distance from the structure to the fence and/or lot lines and easements.**
 - ▶ **Color swatches and samples or pictures of materials to be used in the improvement (shingle, paint, brick, stain, siding, etc).**
 - ▶ **Completion of all applicable areas below of the application.**

Status: _____ / _____ - _____ / _____ / _____ _____ / _____ / _____ _____
 Start Stop Date Date of Completion Under Construction

Check one of the following:

- | | | |
|---|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Exterior Paint | <input type="checkbox"/> Roof (Weatherwood or Driftwood Only) | <input type="checkbox"/> Pool/Spa |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Patio (ground) | <input type="checkbox"/> Sunroom/Patio Enclosure | <input type="checkbox"/> Permanent Basketball Goal |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Patio Cover | <input type="checkbox"/> Gazebo | <input type="checkbox"/> Portable Basketball Goal |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Deck | <input type="checkbox"/> Arbor/Pergola | <input type="checkbox"/> Room Addition |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fence | <input type="checkbox"/> Mailbox | <input type="checkbox"/> Driveway/Sidewalk (new & extension) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gates/ Burglar Bars | <input type="checkbox"/> Solar Screens | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Statuary |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Window Shades/ Awnings | <input type="checkbox"/> Playground Equipment | <input type="checkbox"/> Storm Doors/Windows |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | | |

Size: Height _____ Width _____ Length _____

Location of Improvement:

Front of House Back of House Left side of house (stand and face house) Right side of house (stand and face house)

List of Materials with color and/or material samples or photos provided (check all applicable)

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Base paint color _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Trim paint color _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Garage door paint color _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Garage door trim color _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Stain color _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Fence color/material _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Siding color/material _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Roof color _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | |

____ I understand the ACC/ARC are a group of volunteers in the community and will do their best to act as quickly as possible in their determination regarding my application. I hereby certify that the proposed construction/ modification is in full compliance with all the Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions and all guidelines currently adopted by the Association. I do understand the committee has 30 days to review the request.

____ I understand that the decisions are determined concerning only my architectural plans submitted. I am responsible to obtain whatever easements, permits, licenses and approvals, which may be necessary to improve the property in accordance with the submitted plans.

 Owner's Signature _____
 Date
 APPROVED/APPROVED CONDITIONALLY/DISAPPROVED.

 ACC COMMITTEE CHAIR SIGNATURE and Date

Recycle More

The City of Houston accepts recyclables at curbside, the Neighborhood Depository/Recycling Centers and drop-off facilities.

Examples of acceptable plastics and materials:



1 Plastics
Soft drink and water bottles



2 Plastics
Milk jugs, juice bottles, and food containers



3 Plastics
Detergent bottles, shampoo bottles



4 Plastics
Condiment bottles



5 Plastics
Yogurt containers, caps, straws and empty medicine bottles



6 Plastics
Styrofoam blocks

(Not Accepted in Outside Recycling Program. Accepted at the Westpark Recycling Center and ESC - South only)



7 Plastic
Large water bottles



Mail, Envelopes, and Paper



Aluminum, Tin, and Empty Aerosol Cans



Flattened Cardboard



Used Motor Oil*
*Accepted in the Curbside Recycling Program, depositories, dropoff locations and Westpark.



Newspapers, Magazines, Telephone Books and Catalogs



Glass
Accepted in automated recycling, neighborhood depositories, dropoff locations and Westpark.



City of Houston
Solid Waste Management
Department

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www.houstonsolidwaste.org

or call 3-1-1 for additional information.

2014 Bi-Weekly Collection Schedule

Schedule A

Schedule B

City Holiday *(Follow the adjusted "Holiday Schedule")

January						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	1

February						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	1

March						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
23	24	25	26	27	28	1
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23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31	1	2	3	4	5

April						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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13	14	15	16	17	18	19
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27	28	29	30	1	2	3

May						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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June						
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29	30	1	2	3	4	5

July						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31	1	2

August						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	1	2	3	4	5	6

September						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	1	2	3	4

October						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
28	29	30	1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	1

November						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
16	17	18	19	20	21	1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	1	2	3	4	5	6

December						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
30	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	1	2	3

● If your collection day is during the "A Week" then follow the schedule for the shaded yellow week. Ex: Tuesday A service days in January are the 7th & 21st.

● If your collection day is during the "B Week", you will follow the unshaded week's schedule. Ex: Thursday B service days in January are the 2nd, 16th and 30th.

*For the Holiday Schedule and additional information, visit our website at www.houstonsolidwaste.org or call the Houston Service Helpline 3-1-1.

TEXAS WILDLIFE REHABILITATION COALITION WISH LIST

- Postage Stamps
- Gift Cards (*grocery, pet or hardware stores, Walmart, Target, gas cards*)
- Copier Paper (*white or pastel*)
- Zipper Storage Bags (*gallon or quart size*)
- Toilet Tissue
- Facial Tissue
- Trash Bags (*12, 33, 55 gallon*)
- Dawn Liquid dish detergent, original blue
- Anti-bacterial Hand Sanitizer
- Anti-bacterial Liquid Hand Soap
- Anti-bacterial Wipes
- Liquid Laundry Detergent
- Unscented Bleach
- Swiffer Products
- Rubber Gloves (all sizes)
- Small Hand-held Mirrors
- Zip Ties (*6 inches or longer*)
- Flashlights
- Batteries
- Heavy Duty Scissors
- Duct Tape
- Scotch Tape
- Plastic Butter-type Containers
- Glass Aquariums
- Heating Pads (no auto shut-off)
- Puppy Pads
- Distilled Water
- Pecans (*shelled, cracked or whole – not salted – can also use walnuts and almonds*)
- Whole Acorns
- Wild Bird Seed
- Purina Puppy Chow
- Purina Cat Chow, Indoor Formula
- Iams Adult Cat Food, Hairball *Formula (used to feed baby birds)*
- Strained Chicken Baby Food
- Canned salmon or sardines in water
- Wild Bird Seed
- Hand & bath towels

Please also visit: http://www.amazon.com/gp/registry/wishlist/3J2AGN3TJHXUM/ref=cm_sw_su_w for a list of items that can be ordered through Amazon.com.

All items donated to the TWRC Wildlife Center are tax deductible and items can be dropped off during their normal business hours. If you are able to donate any of the items listed or would like to donate an item that is not listed, please feel free contact TWRC at (713)468-8972. They would love to take any shelving, pet crates and carriers, plastic storage bins and all sorts of things that you may have that is taking up space – give them a call or a visit – they love company!