

Spring Branch Civic Association

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Fall 2022 Newsletter

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ANNUAL HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE: Please join us on Sunday, December 4th, 3-5 pm, at the home of SBCA President Bev Chambers, 9717 Cedardale. Enjoy holiday treats and bubbly. You are welcome to bring a beverage or light bite to share. Spread the word! All SBCA residents are welcome!

YARD OF THE MONTH: Photos of our two current winners are below. Beautiful, right? Check them out! Thank you to the two homeowners for being such an asset to our neighborhood.

9617 Maribelle Way



9769 Tappenbeck



STORM DRAINS: It is finally that time of year when leaves begin to fall and a lot of leaves end up in our street gutters and then accumulate around our storm drains. When that happens, it slows drainage during storms and water builds up in the street and houses are more likely to flood. For those of us who have lived here since at least 2009, we get nervous when it rains hard and fast. PLEASE, keep your street gutters clear of leaves and check the storm drains around your house. You'd be surprised how quickly leaves and trash can accumulate around those drains. If you are feeling energetic, clean a neighbor's storm drain! We will all benefit!!

THANKSGIVING: Spring Branch Management District supports local food pantries. If you need food assistance or wish to donate food or to volunteer, visit sbmd.org/give.

OAK TREE PARK: Volunteers work regularly on our park at 1441 Oak Tree which SBCA adopted from the City of Houston early last year. We meet at 8 AM on the 2nd Tuesday of every month and spend a couple of hours at the most. Come when you can and do what you can. Or, you could donate a mow. Either mow it yourself or pay your lawn guy to mow it or donate \$60 to SBCA. Send an email to sbcivicassn@gmail.com if you are interested in helping out at the park or donating a mow.

OAK TREE PARK VOLUNTEERS: If anyone knows of a student organization looking for community service hours, we would appreciate the help for our park. There is a core group of SBCA homeowners who show up every month (2nd Tuesday) to clean up and mow when needed, but we could use extra help occasionally. Help mowing? Maybe someone could build a park bench or picnic table? Help us build a flower bed and plant flowers in the spring? We're open to suggestions from anyone who wants to participate.

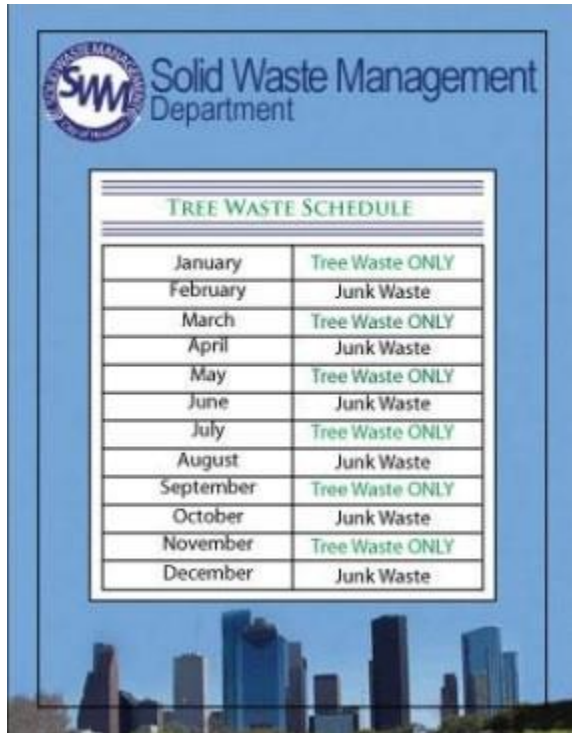
BAKER RIPLEY HOUSTON TURKEY TROT:

Thanksgiving Day, November 24th. 30th Anniversary of this event. Race start times are from 7:25 am to 9:00 am. Distance: 10K, 5K, Kids run 1K. Race starting point is at the corner of Post Oak and Westheimer in the Galleria. Click on the following link for more info and to register for this event -- <https://houstonturkeytrot.org/>

TIRZ BOARD MEETING: The next TIRZ 17 Memorial City Redevelopment Authority Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 6th, 8:00 a.m., 9600 Long Point Rd., Suite 250. The public is welcome to attend in person or via zoom. The agenda and zoom link will be posted on the TIRZ 17 website (houstontirz17.org) closer to the date of the meeting. Public comments can be made in-person at the meeting or submitted in writing by 5:00 p.m. Monday, December 5, 2022, to lcayton@haweshill.com and it will be read aloud during the public comment section.

HEAVY TRASH: Our regular heavy trash pickup days are the 4th Wednesday of the month which this month will be Wednesday, November 23rd. November is a **TREE WASTE ONLY** month which means the City will pick up only TREE WASTE. If you have anything else in your pile, the City won't pick up any of it!! Please be aware of City ordinances concerning when to put your heavy trash out for pick up as well as when and where to put your bins out for regular trash and recycle. Click on this link - <http://houstontx.gov/solidwaste/trashfacts.pdf> -- to be directed to "Trash Facts" on the Solid Waste page of the City website. The Trash Facts services guide has all the basic information you need to know about trash and recycling services. Please note the heavy trash pick up restrictions on page 2 of "Trash Facts."

Here's the link to the holiday schedule for the Solid Waste Dept. - <http://houstontx.gov/solidwaste/holiday.html>. There is also a phone app (HTX Collects) which will send reminders of your pick up days and notify you of delays.



IMPORTANT CONTACTS:

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State Senator - John Whitmire
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State Representative – Lacey Hull
512-463-0727
<http://www.house.state.tx.us/members/member-page/?district=138>

ISSUES IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD: Everyone can help preserve our neighborhood just by following deed restrictions and City ordinances and respecting your neighbors. If you see a violation, please report it. If you are not sure whether it is a violation or not sure how to report it, send an email to this address and we'll help.

Happy Thanksgiving everybody! Hope to see many of you at our Holiday Open House on December 4th!

Annual Dues are only \$20. Thank you to everyone who has paid their dues by mail or PayPal or at our Annual Meeting!

Please join SBCA to help support our efforts to provide venues for neighbors to meet and to keep residents informed of issues relevant to our neighborhood. There is a PayPal page on our website -- www.springbranchcivic.com -- and you can pay online using your PayPal account or a credit card. Or, you can mail your \$20 check payable to SBCA to P. O. Box 430574, Houston TX 77243-0574.