



# THE PLAZA PULSE

SHEPHERD PARK PLAZA CIVIC CLUB

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# HAPPY NEW YEAR

## Happy New Year from the SPPCC Board

The Shepherd Park Plaza Civic Club Board met in December for a holiday party at the home of **Joel and Romi Sandel**. Many of the Board members brought their spouses, so it was a great opportunity to enjoy a casual gathering and share some fun stories about the history of the neighborhood. There was also some discussion of the beautiful tunnel of lights on Thornton Street and how we hope to expand the themed streets in 2013. The Board's historian, **Carol Jean Hebert**, and her husband **Charlie** took some great pictures. One of the pictures below shows what a festive mood everyone was in. The Board members wish all of you a healthy and happy New Year!



# 2013!

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## Support SPP Safety Give to the Constable Program

The requested Constable Patrol contribution for the coming year is \$200 per household. With the recent increase in crime in our area, it's important that we deter potential criminals with the visibility and authority provided the Constable Program. We all benefit through a safer neighborhood, lower crime, and higher property values, and it's an investment worth making to keep SPP a wonderful and safe place to live!

**What do you get for \$200?** A full-time armed and uniformed deputy patrolling our neighborhood in a marked vehicle 40 hours per week. Officers from the Constable's patrol division make numerous sweeps of SPP when our deputy is not on duty. **Deputy James Moulden** is assigned to our neighborhood, and he is very dedicated and committed to keeping SPP safe. His work hours are set by the SPPCC board and are based on crime statistics for our neighborhood and the patrol hours of our Citizens Patrol. A great part of the time, our deputy is patrolling while we are fast asleep.

**Can you contribute in installments?** We realize that a lump sum payment may not be feasible for everyone, so you are welcome to contribute in installments. You may do so by mailing periodic payments or by making online payments as you are able. However, we are not able to send out reminders or more frequent bills, so you are asked to set up your own reminder system so that you can make your desired contributions in a timely manner. No donation is too small... even \$5 a month can make a difference!

**Please send your contribution today!** The sooner we receive your \$200 contribution, the better able we are to budget for the coming year. If you can't immediately afford the \$200, please send what you can—contributions in any amount are welcome. In fact, we are now able to accept recurring contributions through PayPal at [www.shepherdparkplaza.com](http://www.shepherdparkplaza.com). Or you may mail your contribution to SPPCC Membership Director, 1135 Richelieu, Houston, 77018.

## What's Happening Around Houston *by Carol Jean Hebert*

### The 1940 Air Terminal Museum

The 1940 Air Terminal Museum is nestled within the original art deco terminal at the William P. Hobby Airport. This building traces the heritage of civil and business aviation throughout the 20th century. The Museum showcases the civil aviation, including the airlines, general aviation and business aviation. Memorabilia, such as photographs and silver service items, chart Houston's fascinating aviation history. The entire ground floor of the historic Terminal is occupied by the Museum. The restoration of the upper floors, including the observation decks and the tower cab, is pending.

Outside the terminal building, guests can monitor airport activity or marvel at the Museum's daily air shows. Elsewhere onsite, the newly restored 1928 Carter Field Airmail Hangar shelters historic aircraft, including a Lockheed Lodestar and a volunteer restored St. Louis Helicopter. This facility is closed on most weekends. Throughout the year, the Museum also hosts frequent annual events, including a monthly Wings and Wheels open house. Here you can see static airplane and automobile displays



**The 1940 Air Terminal Museum is open to the public between the hours of:**  
**10 am to 5 pm. Tuesday—Saturday**  
**1 pm to 5 pm Sunday**

**The Museum is closed on Mondays**  
**Admission is \$5 Adults and \$2 Children.**  
**Wings and Wheels Ticket prices: \$7 Adults and \$3 Children (12 and under)**  
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**Patrol Hours** *Prepared by Charli Merchant*

WEEK	HOURS PATROLLED
1	26.25
2	28.5
3	39
4	33
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>126.75</b>

**Interested in patrolling?** Contact **Karen Cruse** at 713-824-4799 or [kjcfm4954@yahoo.com](mailto:kjcfm4954@yahoo.com) for information.

Training for Citizen Patrol certification is the second Tuesday of each month at 9455 West Montgomery at 7 pm. Anyone who regularly walks in the neighborhood is invited to join the COP group. More eyes on our neighborhood means more watching for suspicious activity.

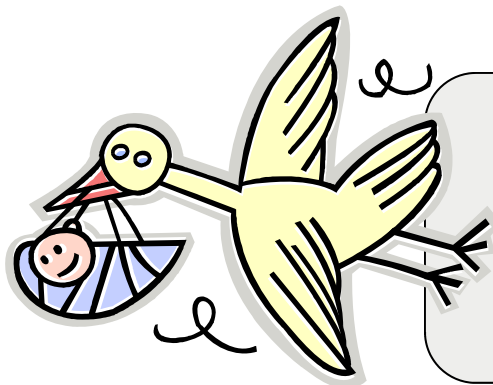
Winner of the random drawing for the \$10 gas bonus this month is **August Galiano**. To be eligible, auto patrollers must turn in at least 4 hours by the 5th of the month

## Holiday Decorating Winners Announced

BEST OVERALL		
1st	1147 Thornton	Gary & Sarah Moseley
2nd	1110 Richelieu	Chris & Deborah Campos
BEST RELIGIOUS DISPLAY		
1st	1162 Curtin	Bill & Aileen Hartman
2nd	1062 Cheshire	Mary Kleinhenz
MOST ORIGINAL DESIGN		
1st	1159 Curtin	Philip & Leann Salmons
2nd	1024 Richelieu	Chuck & Jeanette Blesener
BEST TRADITIONAL DISPLAY		
1st	1038 Thornton	Charles & Angie Heinrich
2nd	1026 Candlelight	Owen & Juli Crow
BEST NOVELTY DISPLAY		
1st	4707 Apollo	Chris & Kim Shultea
2nd	939 Chantilly	Jeremy & Colleen Cockrum
BEST LIGHTING DISPLAY		
1st	4725 Apollo	Kenneth & Pat Thompson
2nd	1028 Candlelight	Nikki Bui & Greg Walls
BEST DOOR DESIGN		
1st	1067 Thornton	Cecile & Whanell Spriggs
2nd	1039 Martin	Kristin Baumgarten & Tommy Denson
BEST WINDOW(S) DISPLAY		
1st	971 Thornton	Mickey & Monica Krause
2nd	1111 Cheshire	Andrew & Sadie Barcia

BEST CUL-DE-SAC DECORATION/LIGHTING		
1st	Candlelight, Weest of Park Plaza	
2nd	Thornton Street (+ the arches on Apollo), between Apollo and Brian Haven	
SECTION 1		
Favorite	1006 Chamboard	John & Maxine Bolds
Children's Favorite	1051 Curtin	James & Brenda McKee
SECTION 2		
Favorite	4706 Thornton Cir.	Melvin & Susan Clayton
Children's Favorite	1147 Chantilly	George & Wilma Lahrssen
SECTION 3		
Favorite	1051 Cheshire	David & Stacey Bartula
Children's Favorite	1025 Martin	Laurie & Paul Hardwick
SECTION 4		
Favorite	1007 Richelieu	Evan & Mary Burris
Children's Favorite	1020 Richelieu	Lawrence & Patricia Sliva
MOMS FAVORITE		
	934 Chantilly	Jay & Christy McKinzie
PRESIDENT'S AWARD		
	1106 Richelieu	Ryan & Kathy Moroney

*Congratulations!*

- The **Bartula** Family of 1232 Thornton welcomed **Brooklyn Claire** on November 10 at 5:20pm. She weighed in at 8 lbs 13 oz. All are doing well, and big sister **Bailey** is so in love with her sister!
- **John and Alisa Tackett** of 1110 Curtin, along with big brother **Ian**, were excited to welcome a baby boy, **Finley Evan Tackett** on December 6 at 11:10 pm. Finley was 8 lbs, 3 oz and 20.5 inches long.

## CALLS HANDLED BY DEPUTY CONSTABLE



# NOVEMBER 2012

Arrests..... 0  
Alarm Responses ..... 3  
Citizen Contacts ..... 105  
Disturbances ..... 0  
Investigations ..... 0

Park Checks..... 14  
Vacation Watch ..... 7  
Misc. Calls ..... 23  
Dispatched Calls ..... 16  
Total Calls ..... 169

Miles Patrolled... 879

### Traffic:

Verbal/Written Warnings... 0  
Citations... 2

## Letters to Santa

Santa came to visit the children of Shepherd Park and Candlelight Plazas in early December, and here is a sample of the letters written:





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--Jessica K., Houston, TX

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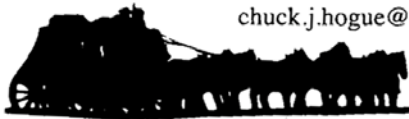
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**CITY HELPLINE: 311**

Citizens Patrol  
**713-824-4799**

Deed Restrictions  
**713-305-5035**

Plaza Moms  
**713-775-0307 or 832-477-7871**

New Neighbor/Greeter  
**713-305-5036**

Garden Club  
**713-344-7013**

CP Vacation Watch  
**713-682-5959**

Architectural Guidelines  
**713-301-4054**

Plaza Pulse News  
**713-628-4210**

SPP Historian  
**713-681-1552**

Traffic & Safety  
**713-824-4799**

SPP Membership  
**713-683-6502**

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**713-683-9945**

Pulse Advertising  
**713-688-0574 or 713-681-3600**

Men's Group  
**713-683-9945**



## SPP CALENDAR

JANUARY 2013



= Trash and Yard Waste

= Curbside Recycling

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 	2 	3	4	5
6	7	8  	9	10 	11 	12
13 	14	15 	16	17 <b>Heavy trash TREE waste only</b>	18	19
20	21 	22   pm Plaza Moms MEETING	23	24	25	26
27	28	29 	30	31		

**Emergency—911**

**Constable Dispatch—713-755-7628**

**HPD—713-884-3131**

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**Share Your News**—Please pass along any news of note about SPP residents so that we can spotlight them in future issues of the *Pulse*. If you have news to share, please let us know by emailing [pulse@shepherdparkplaza.com](mailto:pulse@shepherdparkplaza.com) or contacting **Romi Sandel** at 713-962-4171.



The next Plaza Moms meeting will be Tuesday, January 22 at 7pm.

**Courtney Edmiston** will host at her

home, 1026 Martin. The next Plaza Moms Night Out will be January 10 at 8 pm at Oak Forest Chill.



### Shepherd Park Plaza Travelers

The SPP Travelers have a day trip to LaGrange and Schulenburg planned for Friday, January 11. They will visit the Texas Quilt Museum, the Texas Polka Museum, the Stanzel Model Aircraft Museum, and enjoy a good country lunch.

The group also has a trip to Hobby Center planned for Sunday, March 3, to see the musical production of *Man Of La Mancha* followed by dinner at the Rainbow Lodge. They also have a bus reserved for Thursday, April 18, with a trip in the planning stages.

All trips are on County Precinct Four buses and open to all residents 50 years of age and older. Contact **Chuck Blesener** at [ccbles77@gmail.com](mailto:ccbles77@gmail.com) or 713-683-9945 for more information.



### Men's Club

The Shepherd Park Plaza Men's Group will start off the new year by meeting for lunch on Thursday, January 10, at 11:30 am at Hibachi Grill on 34th Street. All men of the neighborhood are invited to come and meet their neighbors and share in the discussions. For more information contact **Chuck Blesener** at [ccbles77@gmail.com](mailto:ccbles77@gmail.com) or 713-683-9945.



**Gardening Tip of the Month:** *Since none of us are spending much time in our yards and gardens right now, how about taking a look at those living indoor plants? To clean dusty houseplant leaves, add ¼ cup instant nonfat dry milk to 2 cups of water. Dampen a soft cloth, and wipe on. Leaves are nourished and given a nice shine*



## Welcome to the Neighborhood!

### SECTION 3

**Maren & James Coligan**  
1012 Martin St.



### Garden Club

Happy New Year to each of our neighbors, and time to get planning for the spring gardening and planting. The fall season was culminated for the Garden Club with an outstanding Christmas Party at Corelli's on 19th with nearly 50 members, spouses, and friends in attendance. Wonderful food, friendship, and a riotous exchange of gifts were planned and hosted by second vice pres. **Corinne Oppermann**. Good job, Corinne!

Our next meeting will be held on January 14, 7 pm at the home of **Alice Bongers**, 1038 Richelieu, with a program presented by Noreen Tolman on "water gardening." Of special interest at the meeting will be the recommendations of the Beautification Committee as to the needs of the neighborhood for beautification projects that best meet the purpose of the club as outlined in our bylaws and constitution.

December Yard-of-the-Month was presented to new resident **Kris Gordon** at 1119 Thornton. And a special thanks to all the club members who so diligently decorated for the holidays and really exhibited the holiday spirit that Shepherd Park Plaza is known for.



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## November YARDS OF THE MONTH

### Section 1:

CAMILLE GAUDIANO  
943 CHAMBOARD

### Section 3:

BETTY MONTAGUE  
1031 MARTIN

### Section 2:

MARY LOU RABUN  
4719 THORNTON CIR.

### Section 4:

SANDI & CHIP CHERRY  
1021 RICHELIEU

# SPP

## Wants to Welcome You

Thanks to **Spaghetti Western**, 1608 Shepherd Drive (713) 861-1313, who graciously donated gift certificates for our newest neighbors.

<http://www.spagwesthouston.com/>.

New to the neighborhood? Even if you are not-so-new, but haven't gotten around to introducing yourself yet, contact **Eileen Hartman** at 713-305-5036 or [Eileen@hartmanassociates.com](mailto:Eileen@hartmanassociates.com) so we can welcome you officially.

**EILEEN HARTMAN**

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