

# THE PLAZA PULSE

SHEPHERD PARK PLAZA CIVIC CLUB

#### November 2021

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#### **Share Your News!**

Do you have an interesting story or news you want to share? Do you have ideas about content that you would like to see in future Plaza Pulse Newsletters?

We want to hear from you! Please let us know by emailing Pulse@shepherdparkplaza.com

Deadline for submissions is the 15th of each month



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SATURDAY, NOV 20, 2021 4-6 P.M

BENEFITING THE SHEPHER D PARK PLAZA AND CANDLELIGHT PLAZA CONSTABLE PROGRAM

See page 6 for more details!



## **Holiday Arch Lighting Parade**



Please stay tuned for more information on the SPP Holiday Arch Lighting Parade in the December Plaza Pulse and SPP Facebook group!

# **National Night Out Highlights**

Were you able to join the fun for National Night Out on October 5? Shepherd Park Plaza had several gracious hosts for this event. This year, SPP residents also created several sidewalk chalk art displays. One house even featured a bounce house! See page 5 for pics from NNO. As always, thank you to our constables for keeping us safe!



# **Constable Program Kick-Off**

We hope that you enjoyed the SPP Constable Program Fundraising kick-off parade! We are now in the middle of our SPP Civic Club Membership and Constable Program fundraising campaign.

Please support our neighborhood by sending in your \$25 Civic Club dues and \$295 Constable Program dues!

For more information on fundraising progress, see page 3.





#### Shepherd Park Plaza Civic Club

#### HALLOWEEN HOLIDAY YARD AWARD WINNERS!

**Best All Around** 1st: 975 Curtin 2nd: 4707 Apollo 1st: 1028 Candlelight 2nd: 1018 Candlelight Most Scarv **Most Original** 1st: 1026 Cheshire 2nd: 1006 Chantilly

#### Most Halloween Spirit

Section 1: 983 Chamboard Section 2: 1119 Thornton Section 3: 1030 Cheshire Section 4: 1062 Richelieu







#### WINTER HOLIDAY YARD AWARD JUDGING IS COMING!

Start planning now for the following award categories! Stay tuned to the December Plaza Pulse for judging dates.

\* Best Overall \* Best Traditional \* Best Religious \* Best Window \* Most Original \* Best Novelty \* Best Door \* Best Lighting \* Best Street/Cul-de-sac \* Children's Favorites \*

Note: No home may win more than one award.

#### In the Community

Would you like to support Boy Scout Troop 277? Holiday flag service is a fundraiser for the troop, as well as for the individual scout. The half that goes directly to an account for the individual scout allows the scout to fund his own way for camps and high adventure outings. The scout will place a flag in your yard for these holidays:

◆ Presidents' Day ◆ Memorial Day ◆ Independence Day ◆ Labor Day (until after Patriot's Day on 9/11) ◆ Veteran's Day ◆

The cost is \$50 per year, which includes posting, retrieving, and storage. In addition, any flags that become damaged will be replaced, and if you currently have flags that need to be retired, the scout will also take those! For more information, contact 277flags@gmail.com.

Check out the Shepherd Park Plaza website for access to the Plaza Pulse online, as well as key documents, such as the New Neighbor Packet, membership and constable dues validation, and much more! https://shepherdparkplaza.com



Check out the Shepherd Park Plaza Facebook page for recent discussions, news, alerts, ideas, recommendations, and neighborhood events.

Ready to pay your annual Civic Club dues and join the Constable Contract? You can pay by check, Venmo (@SPPCC), scan the provided QR code, or visit the link below. Checks should be made out to SPPCC and can be mailed to SPPCC P.O. Box 10453 Houston, TX 77206.

Please include your name and address in the memo. http://shepherdparkplaza.com/pay-constable-and-membership-dues/

Can't remember if you contributed? Check link online or email Membership@shepherdparkplaza.com. If you haven't received your 2022 Constable Program sticker, please contact your Section Rep. Civic Club: \$25 Constable Program: \$295

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City of Houston Council Member, Abbie Kamin, represents the Shepherd Park Plaza neighborhood. Find out more how she represents District C, as well as FAQs at www.houstontx.gov/council/c/



# The local advertisers that you see throughout the Plaza Pulse

We appreciate our local advertisers!

help pay for the printing of our neighborhood newsletter. Please show your support and consider contacting one of these local businesses the next time you need a quote or



Street sign down? Traffic light blinking? Tree limb down over the street? The City of Houston has a dedicated phone line and app for these types of non-emergency related issues. Call 311 or 713-837-0311.

# DEPUTY CONSTABLE PROGRAM RESPONSE CALLS

\*FIGURES ARE FOR ENTIRE CONTRACT, INCLUDING SPP AND CANDLELIGHT PLAZA\*

#### SEPTEMBER 2021

CONTRACT CHECKS 292	MILES PATROLLED2,480	MEET THE CITIZEN69
Vacation Watch70	OPEN DOOR / WINDOW8 ALARM2	
Burglary1	Suspicious Person7 Suspicious Vehicle7	
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DISTURBANCE LOUD NOISE1	Traffic8	Follow-Up3
Animal2	Park Check21	SCHOOL CHECK0

<sup>\*\*</sup>SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING - CALL CONSTABLE DISPATCH AT 713-755-7628\*\*

VACATION WATCH REGISTRY (\*2-WEEK NOTICE\*)...HTTP://PCT1CONSTABLE.NET/SIGN-UP/VACATION-WATCH/

SIGN UP FOR THE CONSTABLE OFFICE'S CRIME ALERTS AND NEWSLETTER... HTTPS://PCT1constable.net SELECT SIGN-UP > CRIME ALERTS; NEWSLETTER

#### CITIZENS PATROL

September 2021

WEEK	TOTAL DRIVING HOURS
1	0
2	3
3	8
4	1
5	5
TOTAL	17

Patrollers who turn in at least 4 driving hours by the 5th of the month are eligible for a random drawing. The winner of this month's \$10 random drawing is **Deb DeBram!** Thank you to all our volunteers!

#### Please join the Shepherd Park Plaza Citizens Patrol!

You can become a volunteer by signing up today! Training is just a few hours, and YOU can help

protect our neighborhood.

For more information, please contact Jeff Berlat at jberlat@yahoo.com or 713-502-3529 (leave a voice message) or contact August Galiano at aeg3579@gmail.com.

#### Check out the Shepherd Park Plaza and Candlelight Plaza video that our Constables made!

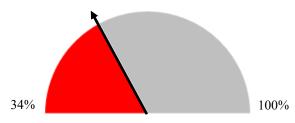
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The next time you see our Constables in the neighborhood, please say hi! They would love to meet you.

We would love to share your story of how you have benefited from the Constable Program! Please email us at pulse@shepherdparkplaza.com

# 2022 Civic Club Membership and Constable Program Fundraising Updates!

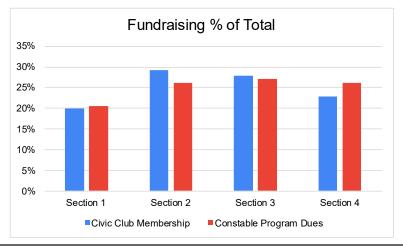
# Constable Program Fundraising Progress



Thank you to **Houston Yard Art** for refreshing our Constable Program Fundraising meter!

The meter will be rotating around the different SPP entrances, giving progress updates to our fundraising efforts!





# Shepherd Park Plaza Civic Club

# 2022 Membership Dues & Constable Patrol Program

www.ShepherdParkPlaza.com

#### **Current Resident**

#### Houston, TX 77018

This is the kickoff mailing for 2022 SPP fundraising for Membership Dues, Constable Patrol Program and Citizens Patrol Program which runs from September 1, 2021 through August 31, 2022. Please update your contact information below and mail your contribution today.

Description	Amount	Fee	
SPP Civic Club Membership Dues	\$	\$25.00	
Deputy Constable Program	\$	(Suggested \$295)	
SPP Civic Club Contribution	\$	(Optional)	
Citizens Patrol Contribution	\$	(Optional)	
Total Amount	\$		

Payments may be submitted using enclosed envelope OR PayPal via www.ShepherdParkPlaza.com.

Please update latest membership information in our database for this address.

Current Membership Database Details				
Name 1 - First, Last				
Name 2 - First, Last				
Address				
Home Phone				
Cell Phone 1 & 2				
Email 1				
Email 2				

Include Contact Information in Shepherd Park Plaza Directory YES
NO Visit www.ShepherdParkPlaza.com to
<ul> <li>Add your name to the email alert list</li> </ul>

- Read the latest and archived SPP Pulse Newsletters
- Obtain contact info for any board member

Make check payable to SPP Civic Club

Please return form & payment to: SPPCC Membership Director Michele Wiechman P.O. Box 10453 Houston, TX 77206-0453

# Continued from front page .... National Night Out Photo Highlights







4-6 P.M.

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#### CHECK-IN AT 1067 CHANTILLY LN

TICKETS ARE \$50 PER ADULT (21 AND OVER)

includes 4 "tastes" of wine/beer plus an accompanying appetizer with each.

\$30 FOR 4 TASTES OF FOOD ONLY

Purchase event tickets online at ShepherdParkPlaza.com or cash/check payable to: SPPCC, Inc. c/o Emily & Tom Leffler, 1067 Chantilly Ln 713-628-4210

Please include "SPP" or "CP" to indicate your preferred designation of Constable Program funds.

RAIN DATE: SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 4-6 P.M.

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# Constable Program Fundraising Opportunities through Candlelight Plaza

Candlelight Plaza will be hosting a Chili Cook-Off starting at 3pm on November 13th. Come join at the corner of Park Plaza and Bethlehem to sample the culinary expertise of Candlelight Plaza! A silent auction will be held and all proceeds will go to supporting the SPP/CP Constable Program and CP Civic Club.

Questions? Contact cpcc.candlegram@gmail.com

# Shepherd Park Plaza Civic Club Board

Do you want to be a leader in our neighborhood?

Do you want to join a fun group of volunteers dedicated to serving the neighborhood?

Then please consider learning more about the positions on the Shepherd Park Plaza Civic Club Board!

Reach out to the current incumbent and find out more information! We would love to share what we do and opportunities for partnership!!

Contact information for Civic Club Board Members can be found online at https://shepherdparkplaza.com/ or by reaching out to the pulse@shepherdparkplaza.com and we can point you in the right direction.

Elections for the 2022-2023 Civic Club Board will be held March 2022. Information to open positions will be shared in early Spring Plaza Pulse newsletters.

"Never underestimate the power of a small group of committed people to change the world. In fact, it is the only thing that ever has."  $\sim$  Margaret Mead





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The 2021-2022 Garden Club meets on the second Monday of the month at 7pm. Please contact our Club President, Michele Wiechman, at gardenclub@shepherdparkplaza.com for details.

We would love to have you!

#### Garden Club Tip of the Month

While you may think that things in the garden are slowing down as we head into winter, November is actually a great time for planting! November is the best month for planting or moving trees and shrubs, as they will be able to settle in and establish roots during the cooler, wetter months and be ready for a beautiful spring show. This is also a great month to prepare your flower beds with pine bark and soil or compost, especially if you are looking to plant roses early next year.

#### Garden Club Monthly Local Highlight

Don't let the shorter days leave you in the dark. The internationally acclaimed "Lightscape" arrives at the Houston Botanical Garden starting November 20. This magical light display will take your breath away as you wind through the grounds of the Houston Botanic Garden. For tickets or more information, visit https://hbg.org/lightscape/

#### Garden Club Member Yard of the Month

This month's Garden Club Member Yard of the Month goes to Elissa Walters. After Winter Storm Uri, Elissa took advantage of a good spring cleaning and planted caladiums that have flourished in her mostly shaded yard. Encore azaleas bring color at various times throughout the Year, while pittosporum, liriope, Mexican heather, and foxtail ferns provide continuous green color to the yard. A Japanese maple tree steals the spotlight in the fall, perfect understory to the water oak that is the true star of the yard. The front yard swing has been enjoyed by many neighbors, and keep an eye out for special guests who will join for the Christmas holiday! Congratulations to Elissa!



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Answers at the bottom of page 10

Do you have a budding journalist or future writer in your family? We are considering having this 'Kids Corner' feature guest articles / content from our little neighbors! If you have a child who would be interested in being a rotating guest columnist, please let us know by emailing Pulse@shepherdparkplaza.com

#### **Editor's Eats**

By Rachel Mathews, Plaza Pulse Editor

#### Valencia's Tex Mex Garage

While Houston has no shortage of delicious Tex Mex, Valencia's still manages to excel. Whether you're coming by for brunch, lunch, or dinner, you will find plentiful portions of fresh food. Valencia's offers a daily happy hour menu from 11am-6pm, so even if you aren't in the mood for a full meal, you can still enjoy some light bites and drinks. The ceviche was fresh, and the queso was a perfect appetizer. The lunch combos allow you to sample a couple of different items if you can't make up your mind. The drink menu is extensive and includes specialty drinks you won't find elsewhere. You can also order online if you prefer to dine at home.

https://texmexgarage.com/

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## **Transportation Services for Day Trips**

Did you know that transportation services are available so Harris County Precinct 4 residents, 50 and older, can participate in local educational and recreational events? These organized groups can be local community service groups, gardening clubs, men's or women's groups, and more! The Harris County Precinct 4 transportation fleet includes several wheelchair-accessible buses, but please note, buses are not equipped with restrooms.

To register to be a trip coordinator and organize a trip, visit https://www.hcp4.net/encore/daytrips/ and complete and submit the Trip Coordinator and Group Contact Form.

Trip coordinator training is available online or in person. Visit the website above for additional details and contact information.

# Support our local public schools!

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#### **Durham Elementary**

- Amazon Smile Durham Elementary PTA
- Kroger Community Rewards Durham Elementary
- Office Depot School ID 70097774
- Box Tops Download the Box Tops app and scan grocery receipts
- Spirit Night November 11-14 at Threadfare Boutique

# Frank Black Middle School

- Amazon Smile Frank Black Middle School PTO
- Kroger Community Rewards FBMS PANTHER **INCENTIVE PROGRAM #PV93**
- Box Tops Download the Box Tops app and scan grocery receipts



#### Waltrip High School

We look forward to sharing ways you can support Waltrip High School in future newsletters!







The 2021 - 2022 SPPCC Board Members are enjoying supporting this great neighborhood we live within. To help you get to know the volunteer-based board and committee, we have been featuring a 'Meet Your Civic Club Member' article highlighting fun facts and insights into your volunteer Civic Club leaders. We enjoy serving you in 2021 - 2022!



#### **Meet Your Civic Club Member!**

Name: Jeff Berlat

Position on Civic Club: Citizens Patrol Coordinator

What street do you live on? Chantilly Ln

Why did you join the Civic Club Board? I was volun-told to join. I do like being involved. What do you hope to do as a Board Member? To increase the number of Citizens Patrollers.

What's your favorite SPPCC event and why? Oktoberfest

What is your favorite local hot spot and why? (i.e. restaurant / drinks / activity) Hughie's, Kings BierHaus

and Valencia's.

What's a fun fact you want to share? I have a degree in Photography.

# **Drainage Project**

The City of Houston Garden Oaks and Shepherd Park (West) Drainage and Paving Project has officially kicked off. Please see images below for specific project details, including website and project number for more information.

Impacted residents and businesses are encouraged to contact city contractor Maher Matta at 713-501-3771, public works project manager Ismat Ara at 832-395-2394 and public works inspector Charles Jones at 281-382-7971 with requests or concerns.

#### Garden Oaks and Shepherd Park (West) **Drainage and Paving Project**

Scheduled Start: In Progress Scheduled Completion: Fall 2023

**Details:** Construction of stormwater drainage and paving

improvements, and necessary utility upgrades. https://www.publicworks.houstontx.gov/ garden oaks and shepherd park west

**Questions?** Contact City of Houston buildfoward@houstontx.gov or 713.387.0311 **Project Number** M-410017-0001-3



#### Garden Oaks and Shepherd Park (East) **Drainage and Paving Project**

Scheduled Start: TBD **Scheduled Completion: TBD** 

**Details**: Construction of stormwater drainage and paving

improvements, and necessary utility upgrades. https://www.publicworks.houstontx.gov/ garden oaks and shepherd park east

Questions? Contact City of Houston buildfoward@houstontx.gov or 713.387.0311 **Project Number** M-410022-0001-3







#### Trees for Houston - Tree Giveaway! Save the Date - Saturday, November 13

By Elissa Walters, Plaza Pulse Editor

Garden Oaks and Shepherd Park Plaza Civic Clubs are partnering together with the Garden Oaks/Shepherd Park Plaza Community Garden to bring our residents a special event!

Who: Garden Oaks and Shepherd Park Plaza residents (not open to general public)

What: Trees for Houston neighborhood tree giveaway

Why: Raise awareness and support of GO/SPP Community Garden and neighborhood beautification efforts

When: Saturday, November 13 at 9am; (rain date Nov 20)

Where: 4412 Alba Rd - GO/SPP Community Garden located off Alba, between Sue Barnett and Chamboard

**Types of trees:** Shumard Oak ♦ Swamp Chestnut Oak ♦ Loblolly Pine ♦ Wax Myrtle

A community garden takes work and funds to operate. The funding target for the Community Garden for 2021 is \$2,000. This funding will provide for irrigation, mowing, and miscellaneous gardening supplies.

If you are interested in contributing to the cost to keep our community garden growing, donations are always welcome: https://www.gardenoaks.org/gocc-home/payments/beautification-projects

If you're interested in volunteering, come to the GO/SPP Community Garden Wednesdays at 8AM with your gardening items (gloves, shovel, hat) and water for yourself. We have several wonderful individuals who volunteer regularly, but we can never have enough!

If you are interested in volunteering or a tour of the garden, please contact Garden Oaks resident Caroline Stender at 713-818-5420. Please note: volunteers don't work if it's raining and the garden is locked at all other times.

You can also learn more about the GO/SPP Community Garden, including SPP resident and volunteer Beth Galiano, by reading the front page article in the June 2021 Plaza Pulse newsletter online at https://shepherdparkplaza.com/.









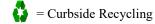
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SPP CALENDAR November 2021

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	6
		V	SPPCC**********************************			
7	Rhopherd Park Plaza GARDEN GARDEN	9	10	VEIERANS DAY ISNOUNG AL WID SIRVED	12	Tree Giveaway - 9am CP Chili Cookoff - 3pm
14	15	16	17	18 TREE WASTE	19	Wine & Beer Crawl - 4pm
21	22	23	24	Happy Thanksgiving	26	27
28	29	30				







Please leave 3 ft between your bins and any other objects. This gives the trucks room without damage to nearby items.



Reminder about Heavy Trash: TREE waste is picked up in ODD months and JUNK waste in the EVEN months. TREE waste is defined as "clean" wood waste, such as tree limbs, branches, and stumps. Lumber, furniture, and treated wood will NOT be accepted as Tree Waste. JUNK is defined as items such as furniture, appliances, and other bulky material.

October Yard of the Month				
Section 1: Kelly Bankston & John Ly 1130 Curtin	Section 2: The Turner Family 1071 Thornton			
Section 3: Paul and Linda Griffin 1063 Martin St	Section 4: James and Dorothy Worthing 1029 Richelieu			



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# SPP Wants to Welcome You

# New to the neighborhood?

Contact Courtney Carlson Siegmund at courtneytcarlson@gmail.com so we can welcome you officially!





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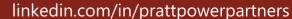


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