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November 2022

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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 19, 2022 4-6 P.M.

BENEFITING THE SHEPHERD PARK PLAZA AND CANDLELIGHT PLAZA CONSTABLE PROGRAM

See page 2 for more details



Holiday Arch Lighting Parade: December 4



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? Shepherd Park Plaza had several gracious hosts for this event. Below are some photos from the night.

As always, thank you to our constables for keeping us safe!









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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2022 4-6 P.M. | CHANTILLY LN

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.

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 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 2023 - 2024 Civic Club Board will be held March 2023.

"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." ~ Margaret Mead

Halloween Yard Award Winners!

Congrats to our neighbors for their winning Halloween yard decorations!

Best All Around 1st: 1163 Chantilly 2nd: 1036 Candlelight

Scariest 1st: 1028 Candlelight 2nd: 970 Chamboard

Most Original 1st: 983 Chamboard 2nd: 1062 Cheshire



Most Halloween Spirit

Section 1: 1178 Curtin

Section 2: 1006 Chantilly

Section 3: 1120 Cheshire

Section 4: 1032 Candlelight

Honorable Mention: Curtin cul-de-sac







Shepherd Park Plaza Civic Club

Welcome New Residents!

New to the neighborhood? Looking to connect and find out more information about the Shepherd Park Plaza neighborhood? Please contact our SPP Civic Club Board Greeters (email carmenbusceme@gmail.com) so we can welcome you officially! All new neighbors receive a welcome packet, so reach out to our neighborhood greeters if you haven't received yours.

Going on vacation soon? Planning to be away from home for an extended time?

Be sure to sign up for the Constable Vacation Watch! Recommended to give a 2-week notice, if possible. http://pct1constable.net/sign-up/vacation-watch/

Winter Holiday Yard Awards

Start planning now for the below award categories! Stay tuned to the SPP Facebook page 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.

Do you have an upcoming celebration? Do you want to give a special shout out of recognition or honor?

\$25 will secure you a business card size space to highlight and share your news! All proceeds go to the SPP Constable Program fundraising. Send an email to the Pulse Editors at Pulse@shepherdparkplaza.com for any questions and content submission. Deadline for submissions is the 15th of each month. First paid, first published. Spaces limited to 4 shout outs per month.

In the Community

Durham Elementary Sponsorships Available

Durham is seeking sponsors for the 2022-2023 school year! These are opportunities for families and businesses to support the school. More info about the different family and community sponsorship levels can be found here: durhampta.org/sponsor or email sponsorships@durhampta.org. Scan the QR code for more information!



US Flags for Yards

The US holiday flag service is a fundraiser for Boy Scout Troop 277, 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 ♦ 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.

https://shepherdparkplaza.com/dues

Can't remember if you contributed? Check link online or email Membership@shepherdparkplaza.com. If you haven't received your Constable Program sticker, please contact your Section Rep. Civic Club: \$25 Constable Program: \$325

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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/



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.

We appreciate our local advertisers!

The local advertisers that you see throughout the Plaza Pulse 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



Editor Eats

By Rachel Mathews

The Upside Pub is open and just in time! The weather now is perfect to enjoy a beer on the patio. The menu is short, but everything we tasted was fresh, delicious, and perfect for sharing. We had the diner fries and potato latke balls, but they also offer sandwiches, wings, and salads. They do have sports channels available, along with board games and shuffleboard. Happy hour is available Monday through Friday from 3-5pm, including some food options. Check the website for updated specials.

We chose beer and wine for our drinks, but we plan to try the old fashioned and margaritas (on tap!) during the next visit. The staff is amazing, so come support this local addition! Parking is available but limited. Kids are welcome and WIFI is available.

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Mark It, Photograph It, Record It

With the holidays upon us and more decorations being placed, don't forget to take a few extra minutes to label your decorations! If you remember, there was a burglary in Garden Oaks and the stolen property was RECOVERED by the Constable's office because "The complainant was able to provide the investigator with a description of his bicycle and tools, along with serial numbers." Here is a great lesson and reminder for all of us! If you have mowers, trimmers, bicycles, or anything of value, you should mark it. You can use your name or even better, your address. DO NOT USE YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER! Use permanent markers or an engraving tool. Take a picture of the item and if it has a serial number, record it. There are a multitude of free home inventory forms available on the internet where you can keep the information.

Be sure to mark your decorations. It seems that thieves like to decorate **their** yards using **your** decorations. You can help deter the thieves, and if your item is stolen, possibly get it returned to you **if it is marked**. We are thankful to have the Constable Patrol and the tenacious investigators that are a part of the excellent service we receive. If you have not paid your Constable contribution, please do so now. Additional information is available on page 3 and 5.

Prepare for Cold Weather

Keep in mind the tips below so you are prepared!

- Check the Forecast at weather.gov or your favorite weather app, station, etc. Make checking the forecast part of your regular routine so you'll know when to expect cold weather.
- Weatherproof Your Home. Insulate any water lines that run along exterior walls so your water supply will be less likely to freeze. Caulk and weather-strip doors and windows. Repair roof leaks and cut away tree branches that could fall on your home or other structure during a storm.
- **Protect Your Pets and Property:** If you have pets, make sure they have plenty of food and water and are not overly exposed to extreme cold. Take precautions to ensure your water pipes do not freeze. Know the temperature thresholds of your plants.
- Fill Up the Tank: Make sure your car or vehicle has at least a half a tank of gas during extreme cold situations so that you can stay warm if you become stranded.
- Install or Check Your Smoke Detector and Carbon Monoxide Detector. Changing your batteries with the daylight saving time change is a good practice.

General & Special Election Voting! Early Voting: Oct 24 - Nov 4 Election Day: Nov 8

Visit www.harrisvotes.com to view your sample ballot and find a poll location. Typical voting hours are 7am - 7pm.

Nearby poll locations:

SPJST Lodge 88 - Annex in back of main building 1435 Beall Street

Acres Homes MultiService Center - Auditorium 6719 West Montgomery Road

Houston Community College Northline Campus – Room 115 8001 Fulton St

Sheraton Houston Brookhollow Hotel – Jasmine I and II 3000 N Loop W Freeway

Support our local public schools!

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- Kroger Community Rewards Durham Elementary
- Office Depot School ID 70097774
- Box Tops Download the Box Tops app and scan grocery receipts

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





Shepherd Park Plaza

Annual Membership and Deputy Constable Program Dues

www.ShepherdParkPlaza.com

Please update your contact information and submit your dues today!

All payments submitted will go toward most immediate and needed fundraising year.

Annual Deputy Constable Program contract renews in October.

Payments may be submitted via one of the following:

- Mail (Please include this form and make check payable to SPP Civic Club)
- Venmo @SPPCC (Please indicate name, address, and designations within comments)
 - PayPal via QR code to the right or https://shepherdparkplaza.com/dues



Scan to pay now

Description		Submitted Amount	Annual Dues	Comments	
SPP Civic Club Membership D	Dues	\$	\$25	Year:	
Deputy Constable Program		\$	\$325	Year:	
Other (ex. Entrance Bed, Citizens Patrol, etc.) Please indicate in comments preferred designation		\$	Optional		
Total Amount Submitted		ş			
Payment Method		☐ Check ☐ Ver	□ Check □ Venmo □ PayPal		
Auto Renewal		☐ Yes, via Venmo	☐ Yes, via Pa	ayPal □ No	
Personal		Contact Informat	ion		
Name 1 – First and Last					
Name 2 – First and Last					
Address					
Phone 1					
Phone 2					
Email 1					
Email 2					

Include Contact Information in Shepherd Park Plaza Directory?

	YES
п	NO

Visit www.ShepherdParkPlaza.com to:

- Sign up for email updates
- Check out local neighborhood organizations
- Obtain contact information for SPPCC Board Members
- Read the latest and archived Plaza Pulse Newsletters and more!

Please return completed form to:

SPPCC Membership Director P.O. Box 10453

Houston, TX 77206-0453



SPP Garden Club

Our next meeting is November 14 at 1163 Chamboard. Program will be focused on herbs and doors open at 6:45pm. **We would love to have you!**

Email gardenclub@shepherdparkplaza.com for any questions

Garden Club Member Yard of the Month

The Garden Club Member Yard of the Month is Marti Turner. Her liriope lined walkway leads to a festive fall display of pumpkins, gourds, chrysanthemums, caladiums, and coleus which are tended to by two smiling scarecrows. Marti's stone edged garden also includes ligustrum, Boston and asparagus ferns, periwinkles, begonias and a rose bush. Stop by for a look, it will make you smile, too. Congrats Marti!

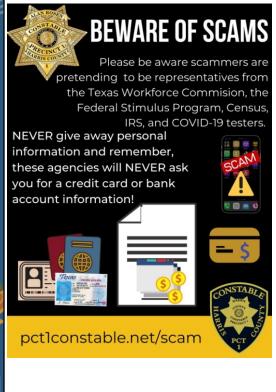
Save the date! Garden Club Plant Sale on April 1, 2023

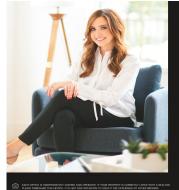


Garden Club Local Highlight

Looking for trees and wanting to save on your budget? Keep an eye out for future Trees for Houston tree giveaways! The local organization has monthly free tree giveaways during planting season around the city. There are quite a few upcoming tree giveaways already scheduled for November & December! In addition, Trees for Houston is currently breaking ground to build their new campus right outside our neighborhood off 43rd between Ella and TC Jester, across from Waltrip High School. Find out more about this great local organization at https://www.treesforhouston.org







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DEPUTY CONSTABLE PROGRAM RESPONSE CALLS

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SEPTEMBER 2022

CONTRACT CHECKS 310	MILES PATROLLED4,347	MEET THE CITIZEN / OFFICER14	
VACATION WATCH99	OPEN DOOR / WINDOW1	ALARM3	
Burglary1	Suspicious Person2	Suspicious Vehicle4	
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF0	WELFARE CHECKO	Information Call3	
DISTURBANCE3	Traffic11	Follow-Up0	
Animal2	Park Check2	SCHOOL CHECK0	

^{**}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

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

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UTRRMsOBVgQ

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.

Left: Deputy Osviel Lopez – Day Deputy Right: Deputy Maria Aguirre – Night

CITIZENS PATROL

SEPT 2022

TOTAL WEEK DRIVING HOURS

TOTAL 12

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!

Drainage Project

The City of Houston Garden Oaks and Shepherd Park (West) Drainage and Paving Project is continuing.

See link below for project details: https://www.engagehouston.org/garden-oaks-shepherd-park-west

Questions? Contact City of Houston buildforward@houstontx.gov or 713.387.0311

Info on the Garden Oaks & Shepherd Park
East project here: https://
www.engagehouston.org/garden-oaks-and-

www.engagehouston.org/garden-oaks-andshepherd-park-east

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).

Deed Restriction questions?

Check out the Section Deed Restrictions online at https://shepherdparkplaza.com. Want to talk to someone? Contact our Deed Restriction and Architecture Control Board Member, Darryl Rickaway, at 713-316-5255.

IMPORTANT CONTACTS		Police/Fire: 911		CITY HELPLINE: 311	
Constable Dispatch 713-755-7628	HPD (non-emergency) 713-884-3131	Plaza Pulse Editor pulse@ shepherdparkplaza.com	Plaza Pulse Advertising advertising@ shepherdparkplaza.com	SPP Membership 713-201-3322	
Deed Restrictions 713-316-5255 Architecture Control 713-316-5255		Entrance Bed 713-501-3695	Plaza Moms Rep plaza.moms.houston@ gmail.com	Garden Club Rep gardenclub@ shepherdparkplaza.com	
Section 1 Rep 713-882-8613	Section 2 Rep 832-287-1211			SPP Civic Club president@ shepherdparkplaza.com	

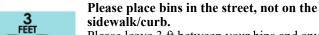
SPP CALENDAR

NOVEMBER 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		PLAZA MOMS 1	2	3	4	5
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6	7	8	9	10	11	12
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13	Thepherd Park Plaza	15	16	17	18	19
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20	21	22	23	24	25	26
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27	28	29	30			
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= Curbside Recycling



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

Ready to pay your annual Civic Club dues and join the Constable Contract? Pay via Venmo (@SPPCC) or scan the QR code for more information Civic Club: \$25 Constable Program: \$325



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: Rusty & Karen Klasen 990 Chamboard	Section 2: Mark Zastrow 963 Thornton		
Section 3: Jeff Gleason 1109 Martin	Section 4: Chip & Sandy Cherry 1021 Richelieu		



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Shepherd Park Plaza & Candlelight Plaza

THIRD QUARTER 2022

*data courtesy of Houston MLS, as of October 1, 2022

Housing Update

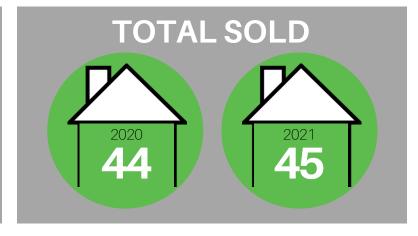














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