

# THE PLAZA PULSE

SHEPHERD PARK PLAZA CIVIC CLUB

# August 2023

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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

## July 4th Parade and Holiday Yard Winners

Section 1: 4503 Apollo

Section 2: 1066 Chantilly



Section 3: 1105 Martin

Section 4: 1019 Richelieu











## 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 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/

#### Neighborhood Shout Outs!

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 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.

#### 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.

## In the Neighborhood

### City of Houston Drainage and Paving Project - REMINDER!

The City of Houston Garden Oaks and Shepherd Park (West) Drainage and Paving Project is continuing to progress. As a reminder - please be sure to take before / after pictures of your yard, should any issues arise.

https://www.engagehouston.org/garden-oaks-shepherd-park-west

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

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

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 nonemergency 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 service.



Crew: Marc Meyers, Tommy Peterson, Corley Walters, and Matthew Walker

# Thank You Flag Crew



## Positive Interaction Program (PIP) -North Division

Attended by Deborah De Bram and Katherine Peale

Presenter: Sgt. Tracy Hicks - Auto theft Detective

LAST YEAR - 4405 GUNS STOLEN FROM VEHICLES (AUTO THEFT) - 15% INCREASE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR Discusion Points:

- Vehicles are broken into to steal the vehicle itself, and also just to check for gun to steal (multiple break-ins in one place in one night).
- There are 18,000 stolen vehicles per year. Perpetrators need a stolen car to commit crimes. There is money in selling stolen guns and
- Auto thefts Old cars are easy to steal because they have the old-style key fobs. Of current cars, Dodge Hellcat (fast engine) is a popular choice for car thieves. Pickup trucks with a compartment behind seat is not a secret; do not rely on it for security. Other popular vehicles to steal are Honda, Kia, and F150 truck.
- Anti-theft devices Steering wheel club. Apple trackers have remote to your cell phone, can lock up doors, detect vibration from sawing off catalytic converter, disable ignition. Install plate to cover up catalytic converter (1214 stolen last month).
- There are \$300 gun safes that lock on to seat post but, realistically, never leave a gun in your vehicle.
- "Jugging" is up 55% criminals watch at bank and follow victim to break into car and steal money you have stashed.

Sgt. Hicks says, "Educate everyone about this, do not make it so easy for criminals!".

Neighbor, Top 20 under 40 Realtor & Community Advocate.

















It is that time of year. Kids are going back to school, the weather is turning cooler (ha ha), and Plaza Moms Society is kicking off a new season! Save the date for our Kickoff Party Tuesday August 29th at 7:00 p.m. Come join your fellow mothers in the neighborhood while we relax with good food, good drinks, and good conversation. If you have never been to a Plaza Moms' event, we hope that you chose this one as your first. We will be raffling off a paid membership for one lucky new member who attends the party.

Please visit our website for more details. As a reminder, dues for the 2023-2024 season will be due September 1st. You can also find us on Facebook and Instagram.

plazamomssociety.wildapricot.org



#### HISD

https://www.houstonisd.org/hisd

**School Day Start and End Times** 

First Day of School: August 28, 2023

Elementary: 7:30-3:00

K-8 & Middle School: 8:30-4:00

High School: 8:30-4:10

#### St. Rose of Lima

https://www.stroseschool.org

First Day of School: August 14, 2023



### The SPP Garden Club is currently on their summer break!

Our regular schedule is to meet on the second Monday of the month at 7pm from September through May.

## Deputy Constable Program Response Calls

\*Figures are for entire contract, including SPP and Candlelight Plaza\* June~2023

CONTRACT CHECKS144	MILES PATROLLED4,243	MEET THE CITIZEN / OFFICER5
VACATION WATCH62	DISTURBANCE2	ALARM2
BURGLARY1	SUSPICIOUS PERSON4	SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE6
THEFT (OTHER)1	WELFARE CHECK1	INFORMATION CALL2
DRUG OD/POSSESSION1	TRAFFIC3	CIVIL PROCESS2
ARSON FIRE1	VEHICLE ABANDONED1	SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT2

\*\*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

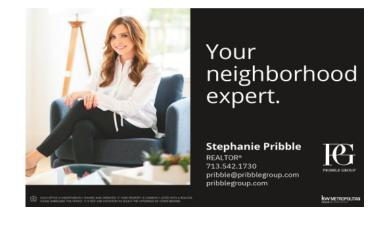
### North Shepherd District - June 2023 Meeting Report

In order to learn about candidates for our 2024 District H City Council Member upcoming election, attend forums, bring questions, and invite speakers to attend your meetings.

Keep aware of Houston Planning and Development by following on:  $\underline{letstalkhouston.org}$ 

- · City ordinances regarding street parking
- Creation of Preservation Districts
- Changing designation of Council Districts
- Changing townhome driveway curb cuts, minimum lot sizes, reduced parking spaces

Next meeting - 7/20/23







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FREE ESTIMATES

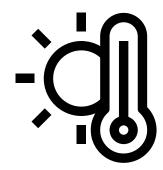
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# EXTREME HEAT





## BE SAFE DURING

- Never leave people or pets in a closed car on a warm day.
- If air conditioning is not available in your home go to a cooling center.
- Take cool showers or baths.
- Wear loose, lightweight, light-colored clothing.
- Use your oven less to help reduce the temperature in your home.
- If you're outside, find shade. Wear a hat wide enough to protect your face.
- Drink plenty of fluids to stay hydrated.
- Avoid high-energy activities or work outdoors, during midday heat, if possible.
- · Check on family members, older adults and neighbors.
- Watch for heat cramps, heat exhaustion and heat stroke.
- Consider pet safety. If they are outside, make sure they have plenty of cool water and access to comfortable shade. Asphalt and dark pavement can be very hot to your pet's feet.
- If using a mask, use one that is made of breathable fabric, such as cotton, instead of polyester. Don't wear a mask if you feel yourself overheating or have trouble breathing.

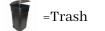
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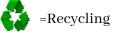




IMPORTANT CONTACTS			POLICE / FIRE: 911	CITY HELPLINE: 311
Constable Dispatch 713-755-7628	HPD (non-emergency) 713-884-3131	Plaza Pulse Editor pulse@ shepherdparkplaza.com	Plaza Pulse Advertising advertising@ shepherdparkplaza.com	SPP Membership membership@ shepherdparkplaza.com
Deed Restrictions 713-316-5255	Architecture Control 713-316-5255	Entrance Bed entrancebeds@ shepherdparkplaza.com	Plaza Moms Rep plaza.moms.houston@ gmail.com	Garden Club Rep gardenclub@ shepherdparkplaza.com
Section 1 Rep 713-882-8613	Section 2 Rep Section2@ shepherdparkplaza.com	Section 3 Rep 832-655-3425	Section 4 Rep Section4@ shepherdparkplaza.com	SPP Civic Club president@ shepherdparkplaza.com

SPP Calend	lar					August 2023
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17 JUNK WASTE	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		







By request of our collectors, please place bins in the street, not on the sidewalk/curb.

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. JUNK is defined as items such as furniture, appliances, and other bulky material.

## PACK 40 ST ROSE OF LIMA

Sign up for a Lifetime of Fun K-5th Grade boys! Thursday, September 7th 6:30pm

> St. Rose of Lima/Parish Hall 3600 Brinkman Street



Can't make it and still want to join?

Contact: Jeremiah Walcik @ jeremiah\_walcik@yahoo.com

QR Code for online applications.

JULY Yard of the Month			
Section 1:	Section 2:		
Megan & Judd Ryan	Ryan & Abby Dempsey		
946 Chamboard	1114 Thornton		
Section 3:	Section 4:		
John & Leslie Bordelon	Daren & Jamie Bartula		
1020 Cheshire	1056 Richelieu Lane		



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



# Curious where your \$25 annual SPP Membership dues go?

We use these funds in numerous ways! Below are just a few...

- Street Number Curb Painting
- New Neighbor Welcome Packets
- Flower Beds at Entrances
- Plaza Pulse Newsletter and Website
- Yard of the Month and Decorating Awards
  Placement of US flag on light poles for national holidays