

THE PLAZA PULSE

SHEPHERD PARK PLAZA CIVIC CLUB

November 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



Shepherd Park Plaza is composed of residents who generously volunteer their time and talents for the betterment of our community. It is through your annual membership dues that the SPP Civic Club can support the neighborhood through a wide range of services. Due to the financial diligence of the SPP Civic Club, we have been able to maintain our annual household membership dues at \$25/ year.

The Constable Program dues of \$325/year provides for two uniformed deputies patrolling our neighborhood in a marked vehicle 80 hours per week. This provides for a day and night shift patrol coverage! We encourage all of our SPP neighbors to call the Constable Dispatch at 713-755-7628 should they witness unusual activity or to address a public safety concern.

Payments may be submitted via one of the following:

- Venmo @SPPCC (Please include your name and address in the comments)
- Mail (Please see insert in this month's Pulse)
- $\bullet \ \ PayPal\ or\ Credit\ Card\ at\ \underline{https://shepherdparkplaza.com/dues}\ (may\ incur\ additional\ fees)$





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.

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/



© HOUSTON 311 HELP & INFO

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.

SPP Short Stack Shuffle Success!!!

Thank you to everyone who participated in any way for the first ever Short Stack Shuffle! Congratulations to our winners! You can spot them by the yard signs in their front yards!



Kids

1st - Benjamin Busceme 2nd - Emory Pearson 3rd - Olive Pearson



Men

1st - Chris Gertson 2nd - Victor D'Souza 3rd - Daniel Valdez



We couldn't have done it without you!!



Women

1st - Sarah Maller 2nd - Brittany Gertson 3rd - Katheryn Stenberg



Best Costume Adult: Kelly & Jason Lavar Kid: Katelyn Caldwell



Pancake Crew (left to right) Tom Caver John Garza Kevin Simpson Roberto Barrera



Plaza Garden Club Yard of the Month

The Plaza Garden Club Yard of the Month for October is the home of Julie Hetrick at 1019 Chamboard.



Her garden is completely filled with a beautiful mix of natives and blooming flowers. There are American holly, golden spider lilies, red yucca and loropetalum shrubs to provide a base. The Mexican heather, lantana and periwinkles are all blooming in a burst of color. Pots of plumeria and trailing lantana add height and color as does her vitex tree. Most striking of all is the mass of crimson fountain grass which gives her garden the perfect fall touch.

The next Garden Club meeting will be on November 13th at 6:45PM, and will feature Margaret Pierce of the Houston Garden Club discussing Native Plants. The meeting will be held at 1145 Chantilly. Light bites and drinks will be served. Find out more at https://shepherdparkplaza.com/plaza-garden-club/.



Front yard looking a little...brown?
Considering planting more hardy plants in your flower beds!









Citizens Patrol September 2023 Total Driving Hours 13

Patrollers who turn in at lest 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 Deborah De Bram! Thank you to all our volunteers!

Deputy Constable Program Response Calls

Figures are for entire contract, including SPP and Candlelight Plaza
September 2023

CONTRACT CHECKS156	MILES PATROLLED2,942	MEET THE CITIZEN / OFFICER3
VACATION WATCH10	CIVIL PROCESS3	ALARM3
ABANDONED VEHICLE1	SUSPICIOUS PERSON6	SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE1
ACCIDENT1	WELFARE CHECK1	STOLEN VEHICLE1
BURGLARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE1	TRAFFIC STOP/INITIATIVE7	FOLLOW-UP2
PROPERTY FOUND1	PARK CHECK0	SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT1

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



Holiday Arch Lighting Parade: December 3rd!

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















New to the neighborhood or just looking for more information on Plaza Moms Society? Please scan this QR code to find out more.



Christmas bells are jingling, so come join us for some mingling!

Santa will be making his annual stop to Sheperd Park Saturday December 2nd for our Holiday in the Park celebration. This year in addition to photos with Santa, we will have crafts, breakfast, a holiday coloring contest, a chance to write and mail your letters to Santa, and general holiday merriment! Please check your email in the next week to sign up and reserve your family's spot. *We are looking for volunteers to help us make this magical event happen. If you are interested in helping, please email us at plaza.moms.houston@gmail.com.*

On the evening of Tuesday December 12th, we hope our moms can join us for our White Elephant party. Escape the stress of the holidays with a mom's night out complete with cocktails, appetizers, and a fabulous gift exchange. Check your email and Facebook for more details.

Plant Markers in Shepherd Park

Have you noticed the plant markers in Shepherd Park?

The Plaza Garden Club funded a project to add plant markers along the walking trail, with funds raised from the annual plant sale. Special Projects chair, Carolyn Long, worked with community member Mickey Kleihnenz to prepare a list of plants. Mickey volunteered to install the plant markers.

As Mickey eloquently stated, "The power of a name. A name creates an anchor for identity. It is the foundation for relational growth. It holds memory...feeling...meaning. One way for this park to call humans into a relationship with nature is by naming the different beings living here."



Thank you to the Plaza Garden Club and the neighbors who shopped the Plant Sale for making this great addition happen!

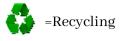




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Constable Dispatch 713-755-7628	HPD (non-emergency) 713-884-3131	Plaza Pulse Editor pulse@ shepherdparkplaza.com	Plaza Pulse Advertising advertising@ shepherdparkplaza.com	SPP Membership membership@ shepherdparkplaza.com
Deed Restrictions 713-316-5255	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 Calendar November 2023						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16 TREE WASTE	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		







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.

Neighbor, Top 20 under 40 Realtor & Community Advocate.

jessica@indyquest.net | 281-704-2061









OCTOBER Yard of the Month				
Section 1: Brent & Margaret Hotard 1002 Curtin	Section 2: Todd Dawson & Patricia Brourassa 979 Thornton			
Section 3: The Schmidt Residence 1125 Cheshire	Section 4: David A. Balthazor 1018 Richelieu			



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Upcoming Events

December 3rd - Holiday Arch Lighting Parade