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September Social Committee News I would like to thank Houston Plant & Garden on 290 for

providing the gift certificates for the yard of the month winners each month. I hope this planting season you will visit them to show your appreciation as well. Remember it may take a few weeks after you are awarded to receive your certificate.

Please neighbors; let's not park in the streets! If there is room in your driveway, please use it. The garbage truck has a most difficult time getting through when people park on both sides and it is difficult to dodge children at play with all the cars in the streets. Thank you for your consideration with this issue.

The coming events start with the Prime Time Steakhouse Wine Tasting on September 8, 2005. The event starts at 6:30 and usually goes on for a couple of hours. The cost is \$20 per person and this only includes the wines and bread/crackers/cheese for palette cleansing. Dinner is extra, but awesome! Prime Time is located on FM 1960 at Perry Road. Call me if you would like to attend.

Garage Sale Weekend is September 16th and 17th. We will put out the community sale sign and if you would like to put more signs to direct shoppers toward your sale, please do so; however, we would like you to pick them up after the sale on Saturday evening please.

I have tentatively scheduled "Lunch with Lesa" for Friday September 23^{rd.} If anyone would like to come have lunch with me please call and we will decide where to go. Last spring we had a group gathering at La Madeline Restaurant. That was an easy place to go because there was no issue with the dining ticket! We can go there again or I am open for other suggestions. This is an excellent opportunity to meet new friends and get ideas for other social events.

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Upcoming Events:

| Thursday, September 1 st | Maintenance Board Meeting 7:00pm | |
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| | Monday, September 5th - Labor Day | |
| Thursday, September 8 th | Wine Tasting Party, Prime Time Steak | |
| | House 6:30PM | |
| Friday & Saturday, September 16 th & 17 th - Garage Sale Weekend | | |
| Friday, September 23 rd | Lunch with Lisa (place tbd) | |

September 2005

Yards of the Month



George and Charlotte Bravenec 10418 Pearl



Lori and John Carrigan 10419 Cuttinghorse

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We would like to thank Houston Plant & Garden World for their sponsorship of our Yard of the Month program.

Note: Due to camera limitations we were able to show only a portion of these beautiful yards. We encourage you to take the time to drive by these homes and enjoy the entire yard.

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Last, I am looking for a volunteer to help organize **Luminaries** night this year. Let me know if you are interested. It is really not too difficult if we get committees together to each do a part. We need a candle committee, a Santa committee, a hayride committee and a cookie and decorating committee.

I hope to see a big crowd at the annual Maintenance meeting this October 13th. I understand there is a position available on the board and if I could get someone to do this job, I might run. Anyone?

Thanks! Lesa Smith Social Committee Chairman

Parking Stickers

Each resident vehicle in the Trails should have a WT parking sticker for security purposes. If you did not receive a welcome packet containing some of these, please contact your block captain. Also, if you have gotten a new car and need a sticker, please get one.

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| 4.) I believe I can serve the Community extremely well because_ | | | | |
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Jason Wong - Houston, TX USA



National Night Out In Winchester Trails









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Moms Group

I would like to start a mom's group in the neighborhood. I know there are lots of stay-home mothers (or fathers) in the neighborhood, and I think we should get together for playdates! When I first moved to the neighborhood, there was a baby-sitting co-op here. That is actually how I met some of the other moms in the neighborhood, and I can't tell you how great that group of ladies has been. While we no longer have formal meetings I will call them just to visit, we trade out watching each other's children, we have made meals for each other in happy times, and during family crisis. I have several moms that I can call if I am running late for carpool, I have plenty of resources for questions about discipline, and school.

Let's get a group together and start playing! Children of all ages are welcome, and we can get a more formal calendar of events in the works when I get a headcount.

Please call me or email if you are interested. Sarah Olvey Sarah_olvey@hotmail.com 281-807-0451

HOWDY PARTNER

Coming to the Trails from Steeplechase we welcome the Reed family at 10606 Great Plains. Dad Scott is the president of Gulf Trucking, and mom Nasaria is the vice president of Gulf Trucking. The Reeds have 3 children, Frank, 20, Valerie, 17, and Veronica, 15, as well as Diva the cat and Jada the Boston Terrier. The Reeds enjoy tournament softball, horseback riding and swimming.

Now calling 10402 Great Plains home (instead of the Heights) are Matt and Alicia Albanese, along with son Elijah, 8. Matt is a controller for a general contractor and Alicia is in marketing communications for AIM Investments. Completing the family are the cats, Mia and Mouse, and the dog, Ripple.

Welcome!

The Howdy Partner feature of the TrailWriter is made possible through the efforts of the Block Captains. If you are new to the neighborhood and have not been welcomed, please call Debbie Griesbach at 281-894-9725, or your Block Captain—we want to get to know you, and we have a handy packet of information to help familiarize you with your new neighborhood. *Sherry Wright*



GREEN THUMB CORNER

This summer seemed to be a bit milder than average but still too hot for comfort, so let's hope that September will bring welcome relief in the form of cool and rainy weather for both the garden and the gardener. School is back in session, football season is under way, and so it must be time to get into the fall growing season, when the cooler weather makes yard work more of a pleasure and less of a chore. It doesn't matter if your preference is for shrubbery, flowers, fruit, vegetable or herb growing - the calendar for this month includes "action items" for all of us, and the first hint of lower temperatures makes it a lot easier to get them accomplished.

It's hard to beat chrysanthemums for early fall color. In pots on the patio or as permanent perennials in the beds, they are an excellent addition to any yard. They should be fertilized every two or three weeks until flower buds appear, then weekly until the buds show color. Water as necessary. For best garden display, pinch out the center bud of each cluster (but if you want to produce "show quality" blooms with the large-flowered type, leave the center bud and pinch off all laterals).

Keep the roses well mulched, well fed and well watered, and they can reward you with fall blooms that may be even better than spring and summer. Cut out dead wood. As cool weather approaches, water in the morning to discourage black spot and mildew, and maintain a regular spray schedule to prevent black spot from entering leaf tissue. Check azaleas for soil acidity and keep well mulched.

Now is a good time to get started on digging up and dividing perennials like day lilies, iris, violets and cannas. And if you want to start a bed of perennials, this is the time of year to think about planting from seed or nursery transplants. Just make sure the bed is well prepared with lots of organic material mixed



in, because it's not going to get the benefit of the same regular cultivation as the beds of annuals. Also consider taking cuttings of tender plants such as coleus and geranium; root them in pots to carry over to next spring.

After the first cool spell, clean up the beds and dispose of old stalks and dead leaves which may harbor insects and diseases - you can add them to the compost heap, where the heat generated by decomposition is enough to kill most pathogens. The only thing I <u>don't</u> add to the compost pile is that nasty nut-grass, which seems to survive anything.

September is also an ideal time to start a herb garden - you can plant chives, parsley, coriander (cilantro), rosemary, dill and garlic. It needn't take much space, and the results can be very decorative and aromatic as well as useful.

This is a busy month in the vegetable garden. If you hurry, you may not be too late for broccoli, cauliflower, brussels sprouts and tomatoes, and you can plant cabbage and collards for winter greens. And it's time to seed the root crops like carrots, beets, onions, leeks, turnips and radishes. Prepare the beds with the addition of lots of organic material (compost, mulch or peat moss), and make sure that the soil is well cultivated to a depth of twelve inches or more, especially for the carrots. Try lettuce as the weather cools down. One advantage of the fall garden is that the pests are usually far less active than in the spring, so give it a try - you'll find it's well worth the effort when you savor the freshness and flavor of home-grown produce.

THIS MONTH'S TIP: If you've been thinking about establishing a strawberry bed, get started <u>now</u> by preparing raised beds with lots of pine bark mulch so that you'll be ready to plant in October. *Phil Richards*

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New Drivers – Happy 16th!

9/4 - Brittany Barnes 9/6 - Logan Suter 9/10 - William Gray, Patrick Guevara, Russell Dorr 9/18 - Kerry Spare 9/29 - Christina Movaghar

> New Voters – Happy 18th! 9/18 - Ryan Bench 9/21 - Stephen Cohrs

> New Adults – Happy 21st! 9/19 - Danielle Gutierrez

Happy 15th Anniversary! 9/18 - Pat & Sheryl O'Briant

Happy 20th Anniversary! 9/14 - Fred & Kathy Montgomery

Happy 25th Anniversary! 9/6 - Rick & Chaille Slater 9/13 - David & Marilyn Taylor 9/27 - Charles & Sharon Chude

Happy 30th Anniversary!! 9/13 - Greg & Carolyn Feigh

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Jersey Village High School Project Prom 2006

The senior parents of Jersey Village High School are hosting a Garage Sale on Saturday, September 24^{th} in the Sears Hardware parking lot on Jones at West to support Project Prom 2006. If you would like to help support the class, we will gladly take any donated items you may have for the sale. Please call Brenda Hughes at 281-955-9283 or email bhughes@partnerschrysalis.com to arrange for drop off. We would love for you to come by and shop the sale. The hours will be from 7:30 am – 3:30 pm.



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Service Minded Students at Cypress Community Christian School

From Vacation Bible School - just down the street from the school - to the inner city of Chicago, to a small village in South Africa, students from Cypress Community Christian School made wise use of their summer vacation by serving in their local community, their country and the world.

Several CCCS high school students who attend Cypress Bible Church ministered to younger students during a week long Vacation Bible School session held over the summer break. One of the lessons entitled, "From Me to We" encouraged the children to take their focus off of themselves and think about the needs of others. Among those who did just that by serving at VBS were Caroline Carthey, Elizabeth Crawford, Angie Frost, Sarah Crawford, Peyton Lambert, Josh Neuneker, and Jeremiah Neuneker.

Other CCCS students traveled to Chicago for a nation-wide conference on "how reach out to others in the community." While in the windy city, they used their new-found knowledge to participate in service projects in the inner city. These students plan to take action - right here in "Rocket Town, USA" – Houston, TX – to reach out whenever possible.

Senior Sarah Mathews traveled a bit farther to serve others. She joined a group from her church, Houston First Church of God, on a mission trip to the Sekgopo Village in South Africa. While there, she and others offered their services by helping with the construction of a new community center and by teaching in the classrooms. The best part of the trip according to Sarah was meeting the child she will sponsor over the next 10-15 years. Sarah said, "It was awesome to spend time with the people in the village and with my new friend, Precious. I highly recommend that if you sponsor a child in another nation, that you consider traveling to meet him/her. It will change your life forever."

The Administration and faculty of Cypress Community Christian School encourage students "to take their place in the world as servants of Jesus Christ" as stated in the school mission statement. As a result, many CCCS students regularly take time out of their busy schedules to help others in need – whether it is local or far away – and each of them testify that their lives were changed as a result of helping someone else.

Plans are underway for students to participate in projects with the Habitat for Humanity organization, Star of Hope Mission, Ainsley Court, Carenet Pregnancy Center and many other organizations that need assistance to accomplish their goals of helping others in need.

The faculty and students of Cypress Community Christian School welcome opportunities to serve in our community. <u>If your</u> <u>organization or group has a need</u>, please email of our Community Service Coordinators, Judy Holzman, at jholzman@cccs-hou.org or Todd Clark at tclark@cccs-hou.org.



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