

The Official Newsletter of The Steeplechase Community Improvement Association, Inc. and Steeplechase

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#### 2007 Pool ID Tags

Unfortunately pool registration this summer has been complicated by technical problems with our software and network connection. Pool Committee volunteers have spent MANY hours working to correct this problem. We apologize for the inconvenience to residents and thank all of our volunteers for their committed service.

Some cards that were renewed or issued this year will need to be re-entered into the system. Please check your card at the gate scanner when visiting the pool; if it is not activated leave with the guard at the front desk. For further information on obtaining Pool ID cards, log-on to steeplechasetx.com or call our management company, PCMI, at 281-870-0585.

#### newsletter@steeplechasetx.com

Our newsletter e-mail address box was unable to receive your articles and messages for several weeks in May and June. Please accept our apologies. If you encounter a problem in the future sending emails to the newsletter's address, please send directly to the publisher @ peelinc.com – they will forward your article to our volunteer editor.

This is a community newsletter and we need your articles, announcements, messages and comments. The deadline for submissions is the 10th of the month for the following month, i.e. if you have an announcement for the September newsletter, send in by August 10th. The newsletter is mailed to the 1650 homes in Steeplechase at no cost to homeowners; all production and distribution costs are paid by the advertisers. Please patronize them.

Don't want to wait for the mail? View the current issue of the Steeplechase Newsletter on the 1st of each month at www.PEELinc.com

### Your Community HOA Website www.steeplechasetx.com

July 2007

As you may have heard, our community now has its' own web site. The purpose of the web site is to improve communications within the community and allow residents to quickly and easily find information about the happenings in our community. The site will only be as good as we make it, so please contribute any content that you think would be helpful and let us know what would make the site more useful to you.

The site has both public and private (resident-only) areas. If you are a resident of our community and you'd like access, you will need a user name and password. If you do not know your user name or password, please visit the web site and submit a login request eForm. Your login and password will be emailed to you. Your user name and password will be the first four letters of your last name and the street numbers of your address (example: Robert Smith at 10114 Gold Cup would be: Smit10114).

Below are some of our community web site's features. Only those features with an asterisk (\*) in front of them are available to non-residents on the public portion of the web site.

When you login, the What's New feature will highlight to you the information that has been placed on the web site in the last seven days.

Address Book: a searchable database of all community residents as well as local school information. By default, each resident's entry will only contain the name and address. If you would like, you can use the User Profile feature to update your information and share a lot more information about yourself (hobbies, work, kids, etc.). The Address Book is only available to residents with passwords. In order to make the site secure, we recommend that you change your login name and password from time to time.

Announcements: here you can find the latest info on various subjects, please contact the webmaster to have your announcements posted here.

\*Classifieds: Here residents can place and find ads for babysitters, lawn mowing, dog walking, lost and found, free puppies, etc. These kinds of ads are FREE and you can place them yourself on the web site. If you own a for-profit business and would like to advertise it here, we ask that you please pay a nominal fee per month to the

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# <u>IMPORTANT</u> Telephone Numbers



Emergency	
Sheriff's Dept.	
Cy-Fair Fire Dept	
Cy-Fair Hospital	
Animal Control	
Center Point (Street lights)	
Library	
Post Office	
Steeplechase Community Center	
Deed Restriction Issues (PCMI)	
Water/Sewer	
Architectural Control (PCMI)	
Trash Pick-up (WCA)	
	(Wednesday & Saturday)
Harris Co. Pct. 4 Road Maintenance	
Community Events	
Clubhouse Rentals:	
Private Events (Phyllis McFarland)	
Community Group Events (Jinnie Kelley)	)
Traffic Initiative	

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# **COMMUNITY CENTER CONTACTS**

Community Maintenance Concerns	
PCMI	281-870-0585
Clubhouse Rentals	
Private Events (Phyllis McFarland)	832-922-8031
Community Groups (Jinnie Kelley)	832-922-8030
Weekday Use of Club	
Jinnie Kelley	832-922-8030
Private Pool Parties	
Greater Houston Pool	713-771-7665
Board Member Contact	
PCMI	281-870-0585

# NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The deadline for submitting articles is the 10<sup>th</sup> of each month. Please send all articles and photos to: <u>newsletter@steeplechasetx.com</u> (high quality digital photos up to 2 MBs accepted) or mail your submissions to the Steeplechase clubhouse at 11250 Steepleway Blvd., Houston, TX 77065 if you do not have a computer

## **Steeplechase Board of Directors**

**Cobblestone** Betty Hattman Virginia Kelley Dan Carr Kathy Dowling

Churchill Jon Lavallee Dean Green Nace Peard Regina Abruzzese Mable Butler Green-Brook-Bridge Jim Andrews David Gerow Sarah Morales Michael Young Ron Green

If you need to contact a director within your subdivision, please contact **PCMI** at **281-870-0585** and they will forward your request.

### **Steeplechase Sanctioned Committees**

Security Communications Pool Playground Welcome Landscape Clubhouse Tennis

# Steeplechase Information Line: 281-469-CLUB - Option #3



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#### Website - (Continued from cover page)

community for this advertising.

Boards/Committees: If you are serving on a Board or Committee, please make sure your committee information is up to date. Also, remember to post those announcements.

Documents: We currently have documents available. If you have any community documents you think belong on the web site, please contact the community administrator.

Events Calendar: This calendar lists all events happening within our community. The calendar can be sorted by category, so if you want to know what events are taking place in the clubhouse or those that are golf related just sort the calendar by that category!

EForms: These are forms defined by our community for our use. Currently we have an eForm on our site to request a login (in case you forget yours) and for classified advertising. If you know of another form you'd like created, please email the community administrator.

EMail Bulletins: Here residents can sign up to receive regular emails about various community related subjects. Currently, we have a general bulletin about the web site but we would be happy to hear from others who would like to send out an occasional email bulletin on an interesting subject

\*Facilities: Here you can find out more information about our facilities.



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\*Garage Sales: If you are going to have a garage sale, advertise it here for FREE. You can place the ad yourself. Tell as much as you want about what you have available for sale. This ad will show up on the public site as well, so people outside our community can see it too!

\*Homes for Sale: If you are selling a home in our community you can advertise here. You can post a picture of your home and list all the information a buyer would be interested in. It will be available both on the public and private areas of the web site. If you need help with the ad or with scanning your house picture, contact the webmaster

\*Homes For Rent: If you are renting your home in our community, you can advertise here. Post a picture of your home and list all the information a renter would need to make a decision. It will be available on both the public and private areas of the web site.

Hot Links: This is a categorized list of interesting web sites both locally and globally. If you know of a site or a new category that you think should be listed here, please contact the webmaster

Live Chat: This is a family-oriented place where residents-only can interact with each other on subjects of interest. You can go here anytime, however we would like to create set times for specific subjects (tennis, swim team, book club, etc.) so that people interested in that subject can expect to find others available. If you have a subject that might make for an interesting chat, please contact the webmaster and we will post an announcement about the time and subject

Message Board: This is like a "slow motion" chat room where conversations can play out over days or weeks. Post a comment, question or problem here and others can read it and reply to it whenever they want. All residents can participate.

Requests & Questions: Here you can post a message or question to specific people right from the web site. Currently, the only recipient is the community administrator, but if you are the contact person for any particular subject, group, or committee please contact us to be added to the list

Reviews: Here a category can be set up - such as PLUMBER and then write a review on a particular plumber or write one about the latest movie! Share your thoughts with your neighbors.

Volunteer Needs: If you need one or more volunteers for a community event/activity/committee/etc. please contact the community administrator about posting that information here. Those looking to help out in the community, please check here often to find out where your help is needed.

Surveys: An informal place for gathering opinions and checking interests among residents. If you would like to find out how your neighbors feel on a particular subject, contact the community administrator about setting up a survey here. Each household can vote one time on each survey. Summarized results are available for all to see (not individual vote information)

If you would like to contribute to the community web site or have questions, suggestions or problems with it, please feel free to contact Mable Butler, Website Administrator at mz\_butler@hotmail.com or via the web site.

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#### July R.A.D. Classes

R.A.D. classes will be held at our community center on July 18, 24 and 25 from 6-10pm. These rape prevention defense classes are open to all women age 14 and older. For more information and to register for the classes, please call Jinnie Kelley at 832-922-8030.

### **Clubhouse Rentals**

Looking for a special place for a birthday party, wedding or anniversary reception? The Steeplechase Clubhouse can be rented out on weekends for private events. Steeplechase homeowners in good standing (all HOA fees are paid) can rent the clubhouse at reduced rates. For more information, call Phyllis McFarland at 832-922-8031.

## Wake up to MOPS @ The MET!

Register now and wake up to MOPS @ The MET on Friday mornings. MOPS @ The MET, Mother's of Preschoolers, offers 2 dynamic groups that meet either the 1st and 3rd Friday mornings or the 2nd and 4th Friday mornings from 9:15am – 11:45am. Childcare is provided with registration. MOPS is a program specifically designed to meet the need of mother's of preschoolers, newborn through kindergarten. You won't want to miss a Friday morning filled with scrumptious food, great door prizes, new friendships, encouragement, awesome speakers and a creative activity that even the most craft challenged gal can do! To find out more about MOPS go to www. metmops.org



#### **Security Alert from Top Gallant Resident**

Please watch for suspicious persons and vehicles in our neighborhood. We had our truck broken into on May 27th at 4am. Thieves broke the window and stole a bi-fold wallet. They attempted multiple charges on the credit and gas cards. We also lost other EMS credentials. We hope to find the person(s) responsible for stealing from a family that serves the community in need.

If you have any information about this crime, please contact Jim @ jpbarrie@msn.com.

### Summary of May Crime Stats MUD 168 and Steeplechase

There were a total of 504 calls/contacts with 230 contract checks and 32 "meet the citizen" checks. A summary of some other incidents in May:

**YARDMASTERS, Inc.** 

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Accident:	7	Alarms:	25		
Assaults:	6	Burglary:	15		
Bldg.Chcks:	15	Crmn.Mschf:	5		
Disturb:	35	DWI:	2		
Hme.Invas:	1	Susp.Prson:	2		
Theft:	6	Traffic Stop:	30		
Veh. Susp:	6	Veh.Stolen:	3		
Welf.Check:	5				

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#### **Roan Park Sand Party**

Steeplechase residents, scouts and volunteers from surrounding neighborhoods helped spread sand at our very own Roan Park on April 21st. It was very exciting when Dean Green brought a small bobcat to assist us. He saved us SEVERAL hours of our time! It took several hours and some back breaking work, but the park looks beautiful and safe now that the sand has been spread. A HUGE thank you to the following people for giving up their precious time! Thank you to Betty Hattman for helping us get the sand delivered! If I missed you, please email me immediately and I will correct in next month's newsletter. Erinn.Flowers@sbcglobal.net Dean Green, Tod Cox, John Cox, Dave Cox, Marty Stokes, Austin Stokes, Sam Flowers, Lucas Flowers, Tony Flowers, Erinn Flowers, Dave Epplin, Jana Epplin, Tommy Epplin, Joey Epplin, Laban Marsh, Sam Marsh,Kathy Dowling, Patrick Dowling,Madison Dowling, Scott Owen, Meredith Owen, Parker Owen, Danielle Owen

Cy-Ridge High School InterAct students showed up as well! Thank you to those volunteers!

Henry Curtis(sponsor), Luis Espinoza, Annie Nguyen, Elizabeth Bonilla, Minh Nguyen, Brian Nguyen, Chris Chan, Felicia Lam



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Upcoming Guests: Sallye Taylor Women's Retreat May 4th-6th





Stephen Levine Source Love! Dorothy Meyer Check our website June 24th! for information

www.unitynorthhouston.org

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#### **Camp Hope Comes to Cypress**

Messiah Lutheran Church is hosting three weeks of a Christian day camp called Camp Hope. The camp runs July 16-August 3; participants may sign up for one, two, or three weeks. Children in kindergarten through sixth grade are invited to attend. The campers have full days of crafts, stories, games, and songs. This is Messiah's eighth year to host Camp Hope; the counselors and small group leaders have received extensive training. The camp offers extended hours for working parents. The community is invited to share in this exciting program.

## Classifieds

**FOR SALE:** 2 - Remote controlled Trucks from Radio Shack \$20.00 each. 3 Bikes \$20.00. Bed Room Set \$80.00. Call Daniel # 281-924-8164.

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### TEEN JOB SEEKERS LIST

If you are a teen and wish to have your name published, please email your name, address, date of birth, and phone number to newsletter@steeplechasetx.com by the editor's deadline. If you are currently listed, please notify the editor if changes are needed to your age or phone number.

# Not Available On-Line





## WORSHIP SERVICES

8:15 AM - Traditional 9:30 AM - Contemporary 11:00 AM - Traditional 11:00 AM - Common Ground

# SUNDAY SCHOOL

Adults - All Times Youth - 11:00 AM Children - 9:30 & 11:00 AM

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