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Don't Forget:

Residents please remember that anytime you wish to make a change to the "outside" of your home, front or backyard, you must submit an "Architectural Control/Review Committee" approval form (ACC) to Chaparral Management. You can visit their website at www. chaparralmanagement.com and click on forms to download.

This includes, but is not limited to: paint color, roof, adding/removing gutters, drive way pavers, landscaping, removal/adding trees, adding/extending backyard patios, pool approval, play sets/swing sets, trampolines, solar screens, flag poles, yard art, landscape rocks, pergolas, arbors, gazebos, bird house poles, storage sheds, fencing and many more.

Save yourself time and money before making changes and please submit an "ACC" approval form. Your requests will be handled in a timely fashion.

Village Creek Deed Restrictions/ Guidelines

Ever wonder who drives around looking for violators/corrections of deed restrictions? Chaparral Management employees a "Compliance" person who drives our community once a month to notes any type of deed violation and/or corrected violation. This person then mails out a letter to the residence in question notifying them of the violation or acknowledging the correction an item.

A few of the most frequent violations are simple tasks that we as residents can do to keep our community looking great. Keep your lawn mowed, weeds pulled, shrubs trimmed, sweep up after mowing & edging, store basketball goals out of sight, keep trash cans and barbecue grills stored out of front yard view, tightly secure trash when at the curb, store any recreational vehicles (boats, trailers, RVs) in garage or at a storage facility, do not leave cars parked at the curb for long periods of time and do not park any type of commercial vehicle within the community. These are just a few examples of the violations reported each month. Please help us by doing your part to keep Village Creek looking pleasantly well-kept

Yard of the Month



Congratulations to the folks at 17311 Sunset Arbor Dr. for being chosen as Yard of the Month for August!

And a big Thank You to John & Leigh Ann Wheat for taking the time each month to select the Yard of the Month winners!

Friendswood Releases Last Two Hoa Positions

After a long process for the HOA Board, and with the help of Chaparral Management, Friendswood Development has released the last two remaining HOA seats, now making a final total of five positions. If you are interested in "volunteering" for the HOA, please email Diana.christopher@sbcglobal.net with your name, phone number and a brief description as to why you feel you would be beneficial to the Village Creek Homeowners Association. Emails must be received by September 15. The three current board members will then review all information received and/or interview each respondent. We look forward to hearing from you.

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www.tomballisd.net		www.centerpointenergy			
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POOL & SPLASH PARK

The pool area, including the restrooms, has recently been power washed. Please help keep our neighborhood pool area and restrooms clean by cleaning up after yourself. These areas are not self-cleaning.

The splash park was also recently power washed to avoid slippage while playing in the water. Damage has again been noticed by SKATE BOARDERS. The stone seating wall is being used by skate boarders to "grind." This has now broken off a large piece of the concrete seating. Additionally, teenagers have been seen skim boarding across the rubber splash pad and this is destroying the surface.

These repairs are costly to the HOA (you as homeowners) each time we must make repairs to any common area within Village Creek. So if you see anyone destructing any common area property within Village Creek, please contact the Constables office at 281-376-3472 and Chaparral Mgmt. at 281-537-0957.

Pool Hours

Memorial Day Weekend-September 31, 2007 Hours: 6 am – 9 pm Lifeguard hours: Noon-8 pm Splash Park:

Open March-October Hours: 8 am – 8 pm



Back to School

The time has come for school to start again! Please be careful when leaving for work in the morning as school is back in session and children will be waiting at street corners for school buses as early as 6 a.m. and then returning home in the afternoon from 2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Willow Creek Elementary (K-4) 8:40 a.m. - 3:40 p.m. Northpointe Intermediate (5-6) 7:50 a.m. - 2:50 p.m. Willow Wood Jr. High (7-8) 7:20 a.m. - 2:20 p.m. Tomball High School (9-12) 7:25 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. School phone numbers are located on page 2 under

Semi-annual Neighborhood Garage Sale

Start gathering all those unwanted items and hidden treasures; the neighborhood garage sale is just around the corner! Sales are encouraged to be open Friday and Saturday, September 21 and 22.

Upcoming Event:

"IMPORTANT NUMBERS".

The Village Creek Social Committee will be hosting our annual Fall Festival in October. Watch for more details and opportunities to volunteer.





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Carousel of Crafts

The 18th annual Carousel of Crafts Bazaar will be held Friday and Saturday, October 5th and 6th from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Cypress Creek Christian Church, 6823 Cypresswood Drive.

This event features unique booths showcasing home decor, stained glass, wood art, clothing, jewelry, candles, gourmet food and much more.

A light lunch will be available each day. Visit our Bake Shoppe for homemade desserts and our famous Cran-Tea.

All profits go to the outreach projects of the Christian Women's Ministry including Boys and Girls Country, NAM, CAM, Youth Mission, NAM's Children's Clinic, Disciples Quadrennial, The Bridges Community Center, Star of Hope and SW Good Samaritan Ministry.



Notice:

There is a new stop sign at Imperial Crossing and Lake Vista making the intersection a four-way stop. Please take care to notice and follow all traffic signs.

Save the Date:

The Willow Creek Elementary Carnival at the Creek will take place on October 13. This is a great event that's fun for the whole family and open to the public. Watch for further details.

Cypress Christian School announces Blood Drive

The Student Council of Cypress Christian School asks you to help save a life by giving blood! The Blood Mobile will be on campus from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Monday, September 10. Please stop by the school at 11123 Cypress N. Houston Road at Jones Road to donate. If you have questions about donating blood, visit www.giveblood.org. If you need directions to the school, please call 281-469-8829.

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- Saturday, January 26, 2008 Winter Banquet at Downtown Aquarium featuring Christian Comedian, David Ferrell and KSBJ Radio Personality, Susan O'Donnell
- Saturday, April 19, 2008 –Community Carnival and Family Fun Day
- Monday, May 5, 2008 Community Golf Tournament Be sure to watch the school web site for new announcements and event details - www.CypressChristian.org.

CAT Owners - Food for Thought

Would you think it is alright if a dog in your neighborhood killed 1 or 2 cats every week? If you are like most of us, the answer is absolutely not! In the same regard, it is also not acceptable for well fed-cats to go out every week and kill birds and other wildlife. Please keep you cat indoors. Not only will your cat be safer, but they cannot kill and injure birds and other living things.



Have you lost your pet? If your answer is yes, we encourage all residents to please call Harris County Animal Control at 281-999-3191. The HOA offers their sympathy when one has misplaced a cat or dog, but please do not report lost or found pets to HOA Board Members.





Free Educational Lectures

FREE ARTHRITIS LECTURE, presented by Q. Rehman, M.D. a board certified rheumatologist, will be offered September 6, 2007, 12 - 1 pm, 11297 Fallbrook Dr. For more information contact Tere Kelly at 281-517-1008.

FREE FIBROMYALGIA LECTURE, presented by Q. Rehman, M.D., a board certified rheumatologist, will be offered September 27, 2007, 6 - 7pm, 11297 Fallbrook Dr. For more information contact Tere Kelly at 281-517-1008

Free Tree Program

The response for Centerpoint's Free Tree Program has been great! And, thanks to Tammy Golden we now have someone to coordinate the orders to ensure we get the best price on delivery and installation. The deadline for getting order forms in will be coming up soon, so be sure to let us know if you would like to take part in this great program. Please email skstengle@sbcglobal. net with any questions and Tammy will be in touch.

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6444 or advertising@PEELinc.com for ad information and pricing The deadline for ads is the 10th of each month for the upcoming month's newsletter.

Pets on a Leash

A friendly reminder to our neighbors, please keep your dogs and cats on a leash when outside of your private fenced area....this is the law.

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care to secure loose trash items, as they can easily blow away. Thanks for making every effort to ensure the cleanliness and beautiful appearance of Village Creek!

Vacation Watch Program

Take advantage of the Constable's vacation watch when you are out of town. Before leaving call the Constable's office and let them know when you will be leaving and when you will be returning. Your home will be checked during the Constable's regular neighborhood drive-through. To contact the Constable's Office, call 281-376-3472

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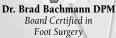
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SCHOOL BUS SAFETY

School is back in session as of August 27th. Please be aware of children walking and biking to and from school. Of course, we want all children to be safe and school buses are relatively safe. However, accidents and injuries involving school buses do happen. More often than not these injuries happen when children are entering or exiting the bus. Here are some safety tips for school bus riders.

- Have a safe place to wait for the bus, away from traffic and the street.
- Stay away from the bus until it comes to a complete stop and the driver signals you to enter.
- Hold onto the handrails when entering or exiting the bus.
- Once on the bus, take your seat and remain seated face forward.
- Talk quietly so that you don't distract the driver.
- Never throw things on the bus and keep your hands to yourself.
- When you exit the bus, take ten giant steps away from the bus. When you are closer than 10 feet from the bus, the driver might not see you. This is known as the DANGER ZONE.
- If you forget something on the bus, do not return to the bus to

get it. The driver might not see you.

- Be aware of the street traffic around you.
- If you need to cross the street, cross in front of the bus never behind the bus.

Motorists should follow safety rules around school buses. Yellow flashing lights indicate that the bus is preparing to stop. Motorists should slow down and be prepared to stop. Red flashing lights indicate that the bus has stopped and that children are getting on or off. Motorists must stop their cars and wait until the red flashing lights are turned off.

Here are a few more traffic safety tips for motorists.

- When backing out of the driveway or garage, watch out for children.
- When driving through neighborhoods and especially in school zones, watch out for children. Children don't always pay attention to traffic and don't always know that motorists have trouble seeing them.
- Slow down. Watch out for children walking or playing in the street.
- Be alert and ready to stop. Children sometimes dart into the street.



Village Creek Market Report

Courtesy of "DAVID FLORY"

This market information report is provided to keep you informed of resale market activity in your subdivision.

	Feb 07	Mar 07	Apr 07	May 07	Jun 07	Jul 07
\$350,000 +	0	0	0	0	0	0
\$300,000 - 349,999	0	0	0	0	0	1
\$250,000 - 299,999	2	4	0	2	2	3
\$200,000 - 249,999	2	3	1	2	4	2
\$160,000 - 199,999	3	1	0	1	2	1
\$160,000 -	0	2	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	7	10	1	5	8	7
Highest \$/Sq Ft	78.61	91.09	68.82	77.49	80.28	89.71

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Cream shortening and sugar. Add eggs and vanilla. Combine flour, salt, and cocoa. Add to creamed mixture. Add chopped pecans. Bake in greased and floured pan.

350 degrees for 30 minutes.

The Pet's Paws

It's summertime in Houston and it is hot! Don't forget to leave plenty of water for outdoor pets. We don't want anyone going thirsty!

Pet owners; please keep your pets on leashes when walking in the neighborhood, as a courtesy to others. Also, take care to pick up

after your pooch if they leave a gift in someone else's yard or in any common area. No one likes to see, smell or step in those gifts!

For all lost and found pets, please contact the Harris County Animal Control office at 281-999-3191. These trained professionals are the best choice for taking care of these matters.



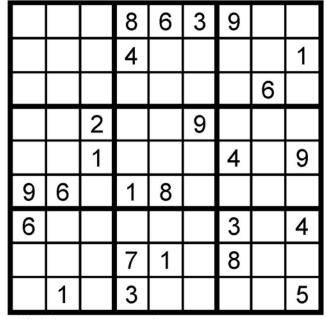
Identity Theft Warning

Remember to shred all personal information including credit card applications and old checks before putting them in the garbage. Incidents of people going through trash have been reported in other neighborhoods and serve as a reminder that no one is above this terrible crime. For more information on how you can protect yourself from Identity Theft visit the Constable's website at www.cd4.hctx.net.

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Sudoku

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