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The Never Ending Cycle (or is that Recycle?)

At this time, our trash and recycling is being processed by Republic Waste Services. Any problems or questions are to be directed to the Manager of our HOA at PCMI - Khara Mathews. She may be reached at kmathews@stes.com or (281) 870-0585 x-1350.

Virtually everything will remain the same (pick up days, times, recycling and heavy trash on Thursdays). The following changes are in effect immediately: ONLY #1 & 2 plastics will be accepted. NO styrofoam or wax coated paper (milk & juice cartons, microwaveable food packaging, or boxes with grease and/or food residue, like pizza, etc.) will be accepted. As in the past, they will not recycle glass.

If you have branches, limbs, grass that has not been picked up by Harris County/FEMA you may bag/bundle them for Republic to pick up. Limbs and branches must be cut into 4 - 5 ft. lengths and bundled/secured (preferably with string). Bags/bundles must weigh no more than 50 pounds. Please do not block sidewalks, streets, storm drains, mail boxes, fire hydrants, electronic equipment boxes or any other public easements with any type of trash or debris!!

Thank You, Merci Beaucoup, Gracias, Grazie, Danke!

No matter what language it is in....a BIG ONE goes to Steve Rice & his "trusty" chain saw, Paul Saulnier, Al Lajimodiere and (2) other identified gentlemen that took time away from their own personal clean up time to clear the main entrance at Willowbridge Park Blvd. (WBPB) after Mr. Ike wreaked havoc on us! They were out in the rain clearing trees at the entrance and just past the Stonebridge entrance

off WBPB. Steve's chain saw and their strength made short work of a BIG problem since incoming and outgoing vehicles were both using the outgoing side of WBPB.



Never Ending Saga (Signal Update)

FINALLY! Did You Miss It? CenterPoint started installing their poles! Of course, we had another of those "nasty contingencies". On Wednesday, Oct. 8th they hit a main gas line resulting in Gleason Elementary being evacuated to Bang Elementary for the rest of the school day. In addition, our main entrance and West Rd. in both directions was blocked for several hours. With all the maps and diagrams they have, it really makes you wonder how this could happen! Once CenterPoint finishes we are by all accounts still looking at a couple of months before we will have lights hanging like the ones at Cabin Creek Dr., Ranchstone Dr. and Steepleway Blvd. Maybe they'll save some time and not put the black plastic on ours (maybe saving a day or two not having to remove it!). Cross your fingers and wish for it to be completed sooner or later. After all, haven't we encountered all of the contingencies? How many more can there be???

HOA Annual Meeting

We hope you were able to attend the annual HOA meeting held October 23rd. If not, you may contact Khara Mathews at PCMI for information or read the December issue of WillowTalk for results which were not available at deadline submission time for this issue.

"PICK UP STICKS"

Many of our more "mature" homeowners may remember a childhood game called "Pick Up Sticks". Some of our younger ones may get a chance to play it (different rules of course, and not near as much fun). On Monday(10/6) Harris County/FEMA made their first pass through the neighborhood and picked up limbs and branches (if they were separated from other trash and debris). They told us they would be back on Tuesday (10/7) to pick up fences, gates, etc. That didn't happen. They are now asking that remaining debris be put curbside prior to Monday, October 20th. Hopefully, by the time you read this, all debris will be gone...but if not, then it will most likely become your responsibility to dispose of it. Initially they said they would not pick up contractor debris (shingles, carpet, padding, etc.), maybe they will (or did) **but if not, you will be responsible for it.**

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Important Numbers

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CenterPoint Energy	
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Household Hazardous Waste

Household Hazardous Waste (aka HHW) poses a special problem for our residents. HHW (paint, pesticides, pool chemicals, batteriesall types, gasoline, used motor oil, cleaning products, etc.) are toxic to our environment.

To safely dispose of these types of toxic waste:

- 1. Follow instructions on packages/containers for disposal (if none, call the manufacturer)
- 2. Take it to a HHW collection event (visit www.CleanWaterways. org or call (713) 290-3000 for dates and locations)

If interested in having the HazMobile come to our neighborhood for a one day collection event, e-mail me at blallinger@hotmail.com expressing your interest.

Questions, Complaints, Comments?

Contact Khara Mathews at PCMI by e-mail: kmathews@stes.com or calling 281-870-0585, ext 1350. To ensure prompt attention and response please make sure you include your full name, address, and a contact number. Please remember that being polite and practical helps. We are all trying to do a good job and keep our neighborhood a pleasant place for residents.

Gleason Elementary School PTO Launches Box Tops Fundraiser

The Gleason Elementary School PTO has recently launched their 2008-2009 Box Tops for Education fundraising campaign. This year they have set a goal of earning \$1,500.00 through Box Tops to help raise money for Gleason's programs and materials.

Box Tops for Education is a school fundraising program started by General Mills in 1996. To date, Box Tops has helped America's schools raise over \$200 million to buy the things they need but can't always afford, such as library books, art supplies and playground equipment. The Box Tops for Education program offers school supporters three easy ways to earn cash for schools through everyday activities like buying groceries, shopping online and purchasing books. Schools can earn a total of up to \$20,000 each year.

If you'd like to help the students at Gleason Elementary reach their goal, there are several easy ways to get involved. Collect Box Tops from hundreds of familiar, participating products and send them to Gleason Elementary, "Attention Katherine Villar - Box Tops Coordinator" at 9203 Willowbridge Park Blvd Houston, TX 77064.

Participating products include Huggies, Kleenex, Betty Crocker, Pillsbury, Cottenelle, General Mills, Green Giant, Yoplait, Hefty and Ziploc.

Another option is to shop from your favorite online stores at the Box Tops Marketplace. Up to 8% of each qualifying purchase is donated to Gleason.

You can also buy books through the Box Tops Book Club. Order quality titles from award-winning authors and illustrators throughout the school year. Gleason earns one Box Top for every dollar spent.

Please sign up on the Box Tops website at boxtops4education.com. Designate Gleason as the school you wish to support. At the Box Tops website, you'll learn more about all of the easy ways you can choose to make a difference -- all at no additional cost to you.





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<u>Willowbridge - Stonebridge</u> Brandon Vick Memorial Run-4-Fun to be held on November 7, 2008

The Brandon Vick Memorial Fun-4-Fun will be held on November 7 at Cypress Christian School. This event is dedicated in loving memory of Brandon Vick who passed away suddenly in the summer of 2003. Brandon would have been a senior this year.

"Brandon's education at Cypress Christian School began in 1998. Brandon loved the Lord, loved his family, loved his school, and loved his friends. Whatever Brandon did, he did with all his heart, as was the case with the Run-4-Fun, year after year," said Brandon's parents, Dale and Celeste Vick.

"At the end of his 6th grade year, Brandon came home with a heavy heart and asked our family to pray for his friend who might not be able to attend school the following year due to financial reasons. Brandon was a very compassionate person. In keeping with his prayer, a fund was initially set up to assist with tuition needs in these situations."

Cypress Christian School continues to keep Brandon's memory alive through the Brandon Vick Memorial Run-4-Fun. Proceeds from this event have blessed the elementary school with items from their "wish list." In addition, 10% goes towards tuition assistance for elementary students in need.

Proceeds from Run-4-Fun have provided the following items over the years:

- Elementary Computer Lab
- Library Enhancements
- Music Department Enhancements
- Art Department Enhancements
- **Playground Equipment**
- Technology upgrades
- New Televisions and Stand for the Classroom
- Cable and Wiring for the Classrooms ٠
- Playground Enhancements/ Playground Shade Structure •
- Projectors for the Classrooms
- Laminating Machine
- Die Cut Machine and Various Stamps
- **Elementary Performances and Competitions**
- Teacher Classroom Supply Vouchers
- Map Rails
- Artwork Display Strips for Hallways

For more information on this event or how you can contribute to this fund, contact Jody Pollos at 281-770-5326 or Jody.Pollos@ CypressChristian.org. Donations can be made on-line via the school's website at www.CypressChristian.org under the "Support CCS" tab "On-line donations."



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WILLOWBRIDGE MARKET REPORT

Courtesy of "*Super Dave*" #1 in Sales in Jones Rd and West Rd Area!

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

	Apr 08	May 08	Jun 08	Jul 08	Aug 08	Sep 08
\$300,000 +	0	1	1	1	0	0
\$270,000 - 299,999	0	0	0	0	1	0
\$240,000 - 269,999	0	0	1	0	0	2
\$200,000 - 239,999	0	0	3	1	1	0
\$170,000 - 199,999	1	2	0	0	0	0
\$170,000 -	1	0	0	0	1	0
TOTAL	2	3	5	2	3	2
Highest \$/Sq Ft	80.27	80.34	94.90	84.71	86.78	102.54

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