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Homeowners Association

# The Rosehill *Report*

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## MESSAGE FROM YOUR HOA BOARD PRESIDENT

*Janice Morris*

Your HOA needs you. On occasion the Board is faced with issues that may require the input of someone that is more technically qualified to give advice regarding repair work to equipment or grounds within Lakes of Rosehill. If you would be willing to give advice on an "as needed" basis please contact Cindy Angelo at Chaparral Management and give her your name and area of expertise to be put on a referral list for your Board. Cindy's contact information is: (281) 537-0957 ext. 12. Examples of occasional help needed would be civil engineers, those with heavy rotating pump equipment/maintenance backgrounds, large electric motor repair, and professional arborists. Your talents would not require that you join the Board, rather act as an advisor when needed.

There has been more activity with our roads since the last newsletter. Harris County has been working to install french drains on both sides of Lasting Rose, which crosses Briar Rose. The drains are being installed under the grass about two feet from the curb going through the yards of the homes on Lasting Rose, and will more properly direct the water into the regular storm water drains. During heavy rains, the county's contractor reported that a lot of the water has been pooling underneath the street rather than draining into the storm water drains in the street. The concern is that ongoing water erosion will damage the concrete structure of the street. This repair is part of the punch list required by the county for the original developer to complete before they approve the roads. The board will report more updates as we get them.

Derek Uzzle continued to take the lead in fixing the equipment and grounds for the grand re-opening of the playground that took place on July 18th. Work completed included replacement of some of the slings for the swings, water blasting the wood structure and applying a stain/ water protection product, and spreading new child-safe mulch. Derek's work certainly brought the playground back up to acceptable standards and we hope that it will be enjoyed by the neighborhood children for some time to come.

The tree at Lake III that was struck by lightning has been replaced with an oak tree. Last year during the heat of the summer there was a fish kill that occurred due to lower oxygen levels in the lakes. If anyone should notice the same problem this year, please call Cindy Angelo immediately so that we can have the contractors clean them up.

Lastly, if any of our residents wish to advertise their business in the newsletter they should contact Peel Publishing directly to make arrangements. Peel Publishing may be contacted by phone at 1-888-687-6444, or by email address at [sales@peelinc.com](mailto:sales@peelinc.com).

Until the next issue, have a safe and enjoyable summer.

## Hurricane Preparedness

Hurricane season in the Atlantic Ocean is between June 1st and November 1st and our local weather forecasters have been reminding us to plan for our family's emergency needs for a 72-hour period. They recommend setting aside a supply of bottled water, non-perishable foods that need no cooking, a new supply of batteries, a battery operated radio, and all the medicines that your family may need. They also suggest having a copy of your important documents, prescriptions, insurance policies, and financial records with your emergency supplies and to expect

It doesn't hurt to share your emergency contact numbers with friends on your block and to think about where you all might gather in case of high winds or flooding. If you do decide to evacuate, let others know where you are going. If your block doesn't have a Neighborhood Watch program this might be a great time to think about forming one.

It is a fact that most of the homes that flooded during Hurricane Ike, Houston's last big storm were outside the established flood plain. It is not as well known that you do NOT have to be within a flood plain to purchase flood insurance. To

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track a storm or for information on flood insurance from the Harris County Flood Control District go to [www.hcfd.org](http://www.hcfd.org) or phone them at 713-684-4197.

Hurricane season is also a great time to check with your personal insurance agent to be sure that you have adequate coverage for the property you own. Remember that your personal property is NOT covered by the association's policy. It is designed to cover the common areas, pools, clubhouses, tennis courts, sidewalks, fences, etc, that are owned by the association.

Chaparral Management Company, the professional community association management company hired by the Board of Directors also has a Disaster Preparedness Plan for our community and our Board. An emergency team is assigned to our community and the Chaparral Management Company will alert our service contractors to assist after the storm has passed. If you see damage to our fences or clubhouse or any of the association's property, please report it as soon as possible to Chaparral Management at 281-537-0957 or via email at [recovery@chaparralmanagement.com](mailto:recovery@chaparralmanagement.com). They will be making inspections and working with the association's insurance company as soon as possible after the storm has passed and your reports will be very helpful.



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# LAKES OF ROSEHILL

## Girl Scouts are Recycling and keeping Houston Beautiful!

### What Can You Recycle?

Lots of things can be recycled. Paper, cans, plastics, and glass can all be recycled.

These are just some of the things the City of Houston recycles:

- Newspapers and magazines.
- Aluminum and steel cans.
- A soda pop can is made of aluminum.
- A soup can is an example of a can made of steel.
- Empty aerosol cans are ok, too, because they are made of steel.
- Plastic soft drink and detergent bottles labeled with a 1 or 2.
- Glass jars and bottles.

It's especially important to recycle paper. Cans, plastics and glasses are each less than 10% of household waste. We throw away four times that much paper. Remember to store your recyclables in the garage or in some other safe, dry area. Keep collecting them until it's recycling day at your house - when

you set them out for curbside pickup or drop them off at a recycling center.

### How Do You Prepare Items For Recycling?

Sort materials, rinse containers, and store in a safe, dry place. It's easy. With a little practice, it takes less than five minutes a day. Sort your materials and rinse any leftover contents from containers so your items won't begin to smell bad or attract ants and bees. Here is how the City of Houston wants you to sort materials and get them ready to recycle.

- Newspapers: place in paper bags, stack and store.
- Cans: empty, rinse and store.
- Plastic containers: empty, rinse, flatten and store.
- Glass containers: empty and rinse. Separate by color - clear, brown, and green. Store unbroken.
- Motor oil: drain and store in a sealed container.

### How Does Houston Recycle?

The City collects all the recyclable materials we've talked about - and many more.

The City of Houston offers several recycling opportunities which include:

- Curbside program
- Wood waste recycling
- Yard waste
- Neighborhood depositories
- Household hazardous waste
- Staffed recycling hotline
- Used oil
- Consumer drive-thru facility
- Christmas tree recycling
- Office paper recycling

The City of Houston has set up several programs to recycle many different types of materials. But it's people, not programs that make recycling work. We have to change the way we've been throwing things out for years. When we persuade everybody to recycle, and we all work together, recycling becomes

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more effective. It's up to each of us to make the effort.

So if you haven't been recycling, get started. And if you already recycle, keep saving things to reuse. Support anything that helps the environment and cuts down waste. Here is a case where everyday actions can have a direct and immediate impact on the world around us.

The answer to our garbage problem begins in our homes and at our curbside. Recycling starts with you. The City staffs a recycling hotline, call to find out what is recyclable, the proper way to dispose of trash, and where to take recyclables. The number is 713-837-0311.

This earth saving message is brought to you by the City of Houston and Girl Scouts of San Jacinto. Visit [www.houstonbeautiful.org](http://www.houstonbeautiful.org) to download a free Recycling Activity Book.

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## HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS ELECTRIC SERVICE

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- For widespread power outages, CenterPoint Energy has a restoration process by priorities that will be followed in the event of a major storm.
- When a major storm is forecast, all customers should plan to be without power for an extended amount of time following landfall.
- If someone in your home depends on electricity for life-sustaining equipment, you need to make other arrangements. Evacuation would be a good option.
- Turn off your electricity at the circuit breaker if you evacuate and expect flood water to approach your home.
- Unplug sensitive electrical appliances, such as TV and computers.
- Maintain line clearance from trees and weak limbs.
- What should you do following a major storm or hurricane?
- Limit calls to CenterPoint Energy during the first few days to only true emergencies. CNP's technology indicates locations in the case of widespread power outages.
- The company's first priority in restoring service is to key facilities vital to safety,

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- Restoration times can vary for severe weather event. Under CenterPoint Energy's restoration process, your neighbor's power may be restored before yours if there is a problem with your individual service drop.
- Stay away from low-hanging or downed power lines. Treat all downed power lines as if they are energized. Report low-hanging or downed power lines to (713) 207-2222.
- Avoid standing water – energized power lines could be submerged in the water.
- If you have evacuated and want to check your home for electric service, please do not call CenterPoint Energy in the first few days following the storm. Instead, we suggest: leave your answering machine activated and call your house to check if it picks up, call neighbors, monitor the news, and check website CenterPointEnergy.com for general outage information.

- Do not connect generators directly to wiring in a house or building without having a licensed electrician disconnect the wiring from CenterPoint Energy's service. It can create a safety hazard for CenterPoint Energy's lineman.
- Never run generators indoors or in a garage. Gasoline-powered generators can produce carbon monoxide, and the odorless fumes can be deadly.
- What should you do if your electrical outlets are covered with water or you have damage to weatherhead or other electrical facilities?
- Contact a licensed electrician before turning on the main circuit breaker.
- Check your weatherhead, which connects the overhead power line to your home or business. Any weatherhead problems will need to be repaired by your electrician prior to CNP restoring service. (Your electrician should obtain all permits required prior to you contacting CNP for a work order.)
- Any submerged appliances or equipment will need to dry for at least one week and be checked by a qualified repair person prior to being turned on.
- Once all repairs have been made to your electrical equipment, then contact your provider and they will issue a work order to CenterPoint Energy to begin work and restore your service.

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## FINANCIAL FOCUS

### *Investors Can Learn from World Cup Teams*

It's World Cup time, and soccer fans everywhere are focusing on South Africa, where 32 countries compete for what may be the most coveted championship in all of sports. As a spectator or casual athlete yourself, you can certainly admire the skills of the World Cup players — but as an investor, you can also learn a great deal from them.

#### **Let's Look At Some Key Areas Of Soccer And See How They May Apply To Your Investment Philosophy And Techniques.**

- **Offense** — When a forward, or “striker,” scores a goal in a soccer game, it can look almost effortless. But it's not that simple. Before the striker could even make the kick, the ball had to be moved around, sometimes by almost the entire team, before it was in the right place for the striker to shoot. As an investor, you, too must position your portfolio properly so that, when the occasion arises, you can take some “good shots.” Specifically, stay invested in the market, so you'll be prepared to take advantage of good buying opportunities, as when prices drop.
- **Defense** — In soccer, the defenders, such as the fullbacks and the goalkeeper, must anticipate the opposing team's moves and then react to them. And as an investor, you must be ready to cope with threats, such as market volatility, economic turmoil, inflation and so on. When these forces appear, you may need to adjust your portfolio in one way or another. However, your best defense is preparation — and one of the best ways to be prepared for any event that could affect your investments is to build a diversified portfolio. Diversification can help smooth out the ups and downs of the market to help reduce the effect any one investment may have on your portfolio. (Keep in mind, though, that diversification, by itself, cannot guarantee a profit or protect against a loss.)
- **Stamina** — As you watch World Cup matches, you will see very few substitutions. In fact, only three players can be substituted throughout the entire course of a game, which places a premium on players' stamina. As an investor, you also need to have the staying power to “go the distance,” despite the bumps in the road you will encounter. But if you have the patience and discipline to

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## Financial Focus - (Continued from Page 8)

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- **Teamwork** — For a World Cup team to succeed, it needs outstanding teamwork. The players must know one another's tendencies, must communicate well and must trust each other to make the right plays. When you invest, you can also benefit from working with a team, which may consist of your financial advisor, your tax advisor and your legal advisor. The investment world can be complex, with ever-changing laws and regulations, so you'll want to be confident that you're making the right moves at the right time.

You may never get to play in the World Cup, but, by observing the players and the games closely, you can learn some lessons that can apply to your portfolio.

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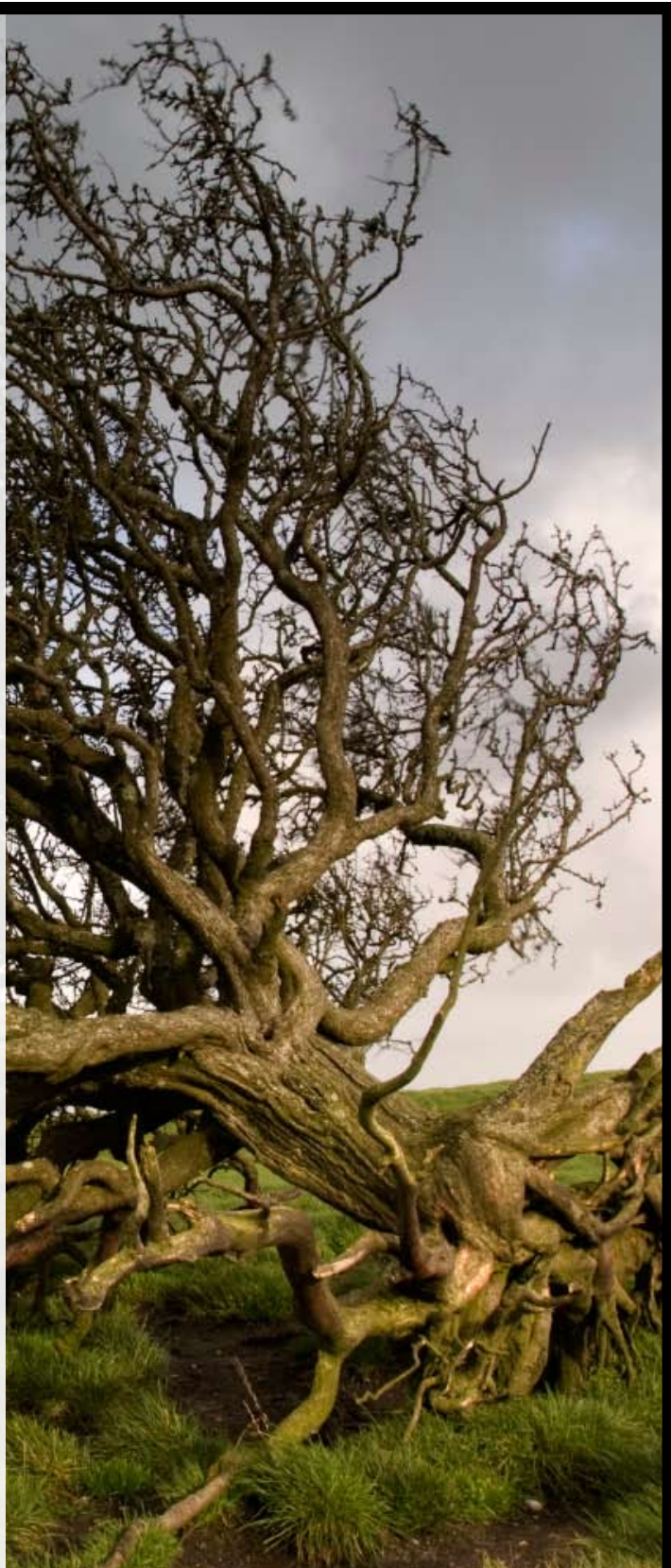
# 2010 Storm Season IS HERE!

The 2010 Hurricane Season began on June 1, 2010, and will end on November 30, 2010. The experts are predicting a busier-than-usual hurricane season for 2010. If the early forecasts prove to be accurate, the 2010 hurricane season will stand in sharp contrast to the relatively mild 2009 season. In 2009, Hurricane Ike caused tremendous damage throughout the greater Houston area. A large portion of the damage inflicted by the Hurricane was caused by uprooted or fallen trees.

In preparation for Hurricane season, we should make our trees more wind resistant by removing diseased and damaged limbs, and strategically remove limbs throughout the canopy. This provides less wind resistance in a storm when the wind can blow through the tree. Keep overhanging branches on homes to a minimum, and check for trees entangled in power lines.

Native trees such as Live Oak, Cypress, and Red Maple do survive hurricanes better than non-natives. In high winds, Palms will bend, but not always break. Since they originated in the tropics and sub-tropics, their trunks have adapted to hurricanes. Although fronds will be damaged in a storm, most Palms including Chinese Fan, Majesty, and Pygmy Dates will recover. Queen Palms are the exception due to very low wind tolerance.

We all live extremely busy lives out here, and when storms approach it could be too late to thin out or take care of that dead tree that has been there for a while. Take some time to care for your trees and they will thank you in many ways.



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Friday	6:00 PM - 10:00 PM
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