

# THE Current

## SHADOW CREEK RANCH

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### LETTER FROM YOUR SHADOW CREEK RANCH - ONSITE MANAGER

Please be advised that all homeowner who have received a letter in regards to restoring your lawn have been granted an extension till February 2011. Here are some tips that will help your lawn stay healthy & green throughout ~Winter Season~

1. Raking your leaves will allow the air and light to flow through your lawn properly.
2. Once grass becomes dormant, you can lower your cutting height to one inch for warm-season grass and two inches for cool-season grass. Leaving longer than two inches may trap moisture, setting up your lawn for disease to develop in spring.
3. It's okay to leave a little mulch and clippings or leaves in lawn, but not a blanket JUST A SPRINKLE. Mulch can cause Nitrogen to return to soil over winter and spring.
4. Give your lawn some breathing room. Your lawn may have become impacted over the summer with heavy use. This can restrict movement of air and water, and any lawn fertilizer you apply won't be able to penetrate the soil if it's compacted. Aerating your lawn in late fall will give it a chance to breathe. You can rent a good aerating tool for about \$100.00, or you can pay a lawn maintenance service to do it for you for about the same price, without the hard work (still hard work, but for someone else).
5. If you still have sparse patches by winter, seed bare areas. Cooler weather will allow the seeds to germinate without weeds encroaching. Aeration will improve germination. Your lawn should fill in before the ground freezes.
6. To strengthen your lawn and prepare it for its come back in spring, apply a sustained-release Nitrogen lawn fertilizer by mid-to-late November. Just because your lawn is asleep, doesn't mean it should be starved. With cooler soil, nutrients break down slower. You want to use a sustained-release product to be sure your lawn gets the nitrogen it needs as well as the phosphorous, potassium, and partially blended sulfate required for quicker green-up in the spring. There is a Scott's fertilizer made especially for winterizing. Use a fertilizer spreader for even results.
7. Give your lawn one last good dose of water. This will help activate the lawn fertilizer.
8. Drain your sprinkler lines and close down your system. This will avoid a frozen and broken water pipe. In the event of a dry winter, use your garden hose to give a light sprinkling to your lawn every three weeks or so, just enough to keep it moist.
9. While your lawn becomes dormant, weeds still have a funny way of cropping up. If this is a problem, apply a broadleaf weed control product to your lawn. Grab weeds as they crop up whenever possible throughout the winter.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!!! Sincerely, Bobbie Lopez, [blopez@amitx.com](mailto:blopez@amitx.com)

### Stork Report Shadow Creek Ranch

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# Brazoria County Municipal Utility District No. 26

As you know, Brazoria County Municipal Utility District No. 26 and Brazoria-Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 1, otherwise known as the MUDs, gave their residents the chance to decide whether they were for or against the issuance of park bonds for development of the Shadow Creek Ranch Regional Sports Park (Park) at the intersection of Shadow Creek Ranch Parkway and Kingsley Drive, in coordination with the City of Pearland. Neither MUD received the required “for” votes to proceed with the issuance of bonds. As a result, the MUDs may not issue bonds to build the first phase of the Park sooner than originally planned by the City. We appreciate the interest and voter participation from the residents of Shadow Creek Ranch. The vote counts were:

## MUD 26:

For	711 (48.27%)
Against	762 (51.73%)

## MUD 1:

For	364 (48.53%)
Against	386 (51.47%)

As a reminder, the City of Pearland operates our water and sewer system and provides garbage collection services. If you have any questions about your service, please call the City of Pearland at (281) 652-1603.

MUD 26 generally meets every first Tuesday at 11:00 a.m. at the offices of Allen Boone Humphries Robinson LLP, 3200 Southwest Freeway, Suite 2600, Houston, Texas 77027. Agendas for each meeting are posted at the Emerald Village Recreation Center, 11814 N. Clear Lake Loop, Pearland, Texas 77584, and at the Brazoria County Courthouse at least 72 hours before every meeting, and the Board of Directors invites all members of the public to attend its meetings. Please contact (713) 860-6436 if you need confirmation of a Board meeting.

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## Homeowner Tip

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## Shadow Creek Soccer Club Spring Registration

*Deadline for registration is January 20.*

Ages 4-9. Register now for Spring season at [www.shadowcreeksoccer.org](http://www.shadowcreeksoccer.org). Drive to practice and games in 3 minutes! Your child will play on a neighborhood team,

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## 2010-2011 Shadow Creek Ranch Community Section Representatives

Please Contact Your Section Representative and Provide Them With Your Name and Email Address for Future Correspondence Regarding Your Section in SCR.

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**Crystal Lake.....Wanda Ferrell.....wanda.ferrel@sbcglobal.net**  
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**Pinecrest.....Ketreus W. Butler.....female4lsu@yahoo.com**  
**Southview Terrace.....Nicole Sparks.....nelmore@farmersagent.com**

Still seeking leaders and contact information for all present leaders. Each leader will enhance the sense of community, assist with reporting issues or concern/s to your On-Site Staff, act as a liaison between your neighbors and your Board, organize community events, etc... So far these are the sections that have a representative. Please be sure to contact them immediately and give them your email address so they can add you to their distribution list. You don't want to miss out on any community news or events.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO REPRESENT YOUR SECTION:  
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## *Halloween/ Fall Celebration* in Briarwood South

Briarwood South came together for a Halloween/Fall celebration and it was a success! The block party consisted of many of the homeowners bringing dishes and candy while others volunteered their time by organizing and executing activities for all of the children. Thank you to everyone who participated and organized this great event!



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## Texas Hold'em POKER CLUB

The Shadow Creek Ranch Texas Hold'em Poker Club meets the second Saturday of each month at 7pm. We are a casual group, friendly, and beginners are always welcome. We usually have between sixteen and twenty-five participants, and the host house changes from month to month.

If you would like to drop by, call Pete W. at 281-381-4110 for more details, or email Louise at [Lwessner1@comcast.net](mailto:Lwessner1@comcast.net) to get the monthly email invitation. Because of size constraints, you must live in Shadow Creek Ranch to participate.

The buy-in is \$10 per game, and all monies are paid out as cash prizes to top finishers. Points are also awarded both for knocking people from the tournament and for playing -- the higher your finish the more points accumulated. At year-end the top ten people on the points list qualify for the Top 10 Final Table. The host house provides snacks. You are welcome to bring your own beverage of choice.

*Submitted by Peter Wessner*

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Keep Pearland Beautiful will be sponsoring its 17th Annual Tour de Lites Family Bicycle Ride on Saturday, December 11, as part of the holiday activities in Pearland. The one and a half hour evening recreational ride begins promptly at 7 p.m. at the pavilion in Independence Park and goes through the Green Tee Subdivision to view the Christmas lights. The riders then return to Independence Park for hot chocolate and cookies. There will be a limited number of hayride spaces available for those who cannot ride a bicycle. All proceeds from the ride go toward Hike & Bike Trails in Pearland. The ride includes a contest for the best decorated bicycles and/or rider. Prizes will be awarded for first place in adult and youth categories and ribbons for second place. Judging will begin promptly at 6:30

p.m. Gates to the park will close at 6:45p.m. to allow for a safe start to the ride.

The registration fee for the ride is \$15 for the first member of a family and \$5 for each additional family member. Those registering the day of the ride will pay a \$25 fee. The fee includes one ride T-shirt per family, a ride packet, route map, ride and refreshments. Additional T-shirts are available at \$10 each.

Registration forms are available on the KPB website at [www.keeppearlandbeautiful.org](http://www.keeppearlandbeautiful.org) or pick-up a copy of the form at our new office in the Pearland Community Center, 3523 Liberty Dr., Pearland, TX 77581. For more information contact Keep Pearland Beautiful at 281-652-1659.



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## SCR: Lakeside Terrace *National Night Out Block Party – October 5, 2010* (By Kimberly Baldwin)

National Night Out snuck up on us this year but with only two weeks' notice I sprang into action to plan a block party for the Lakeside Terrace section. There were approximately 60+ residents in attendance! Young, old and in-between alike shared in food, fun, prize drawings, visits from local Pearland city officials and most importantly a nice, neighborly, safe night out!

An extra special thank you to the Lakeside Terrace neighbors! *You came out in support of yourselves, you make up Lakeside Terrace and being safe and neighborly is what it's all about.* Knowing our neighbors gives us a vested interest, ensuring our properties and families maintain safety at all times. It promotes communication when we suspect something is not quite right, rather than just minding our own business. Now let's keep it going and not be strangers until next year!

### Lakeside Terrace would like to thank local West Pearland retail partners:

- **HEB** for providing a \$50 gift card which was used to purchase hot dogs with all the trimmings and paper products
- **Target** for providing a \$40 gift card which was used to purchase

prizes for our drawing. We drew names for four safety related prizes: a flashlight set, a crank light, a lantern and a water alarm. I want to thank the children of Lakeside Terrace for helping draw names from the can!

### Additionally we'd like to thank:

- **Texas Children's Health Plan** for supplying safety related coloring and activity books, pencils, postcards and stickers
- **Pearland Police Officer, T. Boutwell** for hanging out with us, talking to residents about safety and supplying trinkets for the kids, tons of safety related literature and a 2010 Call For Service report of all crimes/service calls to SCR (contact me if you'd like a copy - Kimberly Baldwin 713-436-5440)
- **Mayor Pro Tem, Scott Sherman** for visiting our event

### What we learned:

- We learned each other! We met new neighbors, became reacquainted with old neighbors, hugged, laughed, shared food and had a good time

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- Because SCR is so close to the highway, culprits can quickly get away
- Pearland businesses are only too happy to help with your NNO celebration with donations and give-a-ways, however...you must contact them early!

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