

SUMMERWOOD LIFE

OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE SUMMERWOOD COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.



National Night Out Draws Record Crowd!

Tuesday night, October 4th was a night full of fun ...with activities and exhibits for the entire family and a variety of give-away items and excellent prizes from local retailers and benefactors ...all free of charge. The Harris County Deputies and Houston Police Officers were well represented and stayed throughout the evening to visit with residents. NNO is currently the largest community activity held each year in Summerwood!

The Crime Watch Committee appreciates your support!



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 and of course the big guy himself!

Refreshments will be available for purchase.

Toy Drive Benefiting HAAM

Mudpie will be on hand with storytime and a keepsake plate(s). This portion only requires advance registration and payment. It will be limited to the first 36 registrants (3 sessions with 12 children ea). The cost will be \$15. More details will be available on www.SummerwoodLife.com.

Remember to bring your camera for photos with Santa!

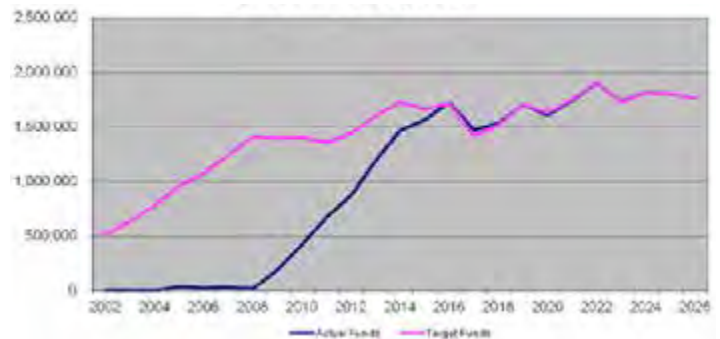
Check www.SummerwoodLife.com for the latest information about this wonderful event!

SUMMERWOOD FINANCIAL REPORT

Thanks to all the residents of Summerwood who attended our Annual Meeting in September! The great news- no increase in HOA dues for 2012! Below is a summary of our financial report.

	2010 ACTUAL	2011 OUTLOOK	2012 BUDGET
RESIDENT ASSESSMENT	1,903,592	2,013,000	2,147,919
DEVELOPER ASSESSMENT	201,175	144,000	110,000
TOTAL REVENUE	2,235,837	2,289,540	2,394,155
TOTAL EXPENSES	1,953,326	1,995,418	2,095,500
ALLOCATION TO REPLACEMENT FUND	175,973	200,000	162,232
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SCHS STUDENT VOLUNTEERS WORK AT NNO

Submitted by Barbara Probandt



Thank you to an awesome group of Summer Creek High School students for their service on October 4th to the Summerwood community.

The administrators and the staff at SCHS encourage these young people to become involved and take leadership roles. This was truly exhibited as they worked to make the National Night Out event, sponsored by the Crime watch Committee, very successful.

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Things That a Burglar Doesn't Want You to Know!

Submitted by Barbara Probandt

- 1. Sometimes, I carry a clipboard. Sometimes, I dress like a lawn guy and carry a rake. I do my best to never, ever look like a crook. So, if you don't know me, or if you have not made an appointment with me to come to your home, then you should NEVER OPEN YOUR DOOR to me.
- 2. The two things I hate most: loud dogs and nosy neighbors.
- 3. I'll break a window to get in, even if it makes a little noise. If your neighbor hears one loud sound, he'll stop what he's doing and wait to hear it again. If he doesn't hear it again, he'll just go back to what he was doing. It's human nature.
- 4. I'm not complaining, but why would you pay all that money for a fancy alarm system and leave your house without setting it?
- 5. I love looking in your windows. I'm looking for signs that you're home, and for flat screen TVs or gaming systems I'd like. I'll drive or walk through your neighborhood at night, before you close the blinds, just to pick my targets.
- 6. Avoid announcing your vacation on your Facebook page. It's easier than you think to look up your address.
- 7. To you, leaving that window open just a crack during the day is a way to let in a little fresh air. To me, it's an invitation.
- 8. If you don't answer when I knock, I try the door. Occasionally, I hit the jackpot and walk right in.
- 9. If you leave your garage door open (even when you are home), I will enjoy helping myself and you will be surprised what I can snag in a very short amount of time. Of course if you leave it open when away from home, or sleeping at night, even better. I will have all of the time in the world.
- 10. I shine my flashlight in the windows of the automobiles in your driveway in the wee hours of the morning... more often than you think, and I look for purses or wallets, electronics, money, or anything else of value. If I don't see anything of value, I leave, but if I see something I want, you should know that "smash and grab" is easy and I can usually get away.

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MUSCOVY DUCKS

Muscovy ducks are the only domestic ducks that do not come from Mallard stock. They are a South American species, originating from Brazil. The original (wild type) coloration is black and white, but domestication has produced many more colors. Day old ducklings range in color from a solid pale yellow to yellow and black, the feet are yellow and black. Muscovy ducks tend to hiss rather than quack.

The males can grow to be quite large, weighing 10-15 lbs. Most of the females are 5-7 pounds but can reach up to 9 and sometimes 10 lbs. Their feet have strong sharp claws and are built to grasp, so that they can perch on branches. Muscovy are unique because of their bright red crest around their eyes and above the beak. Although, often considered ugly because of these large red warty caruncles. They are, however, very personable, interesting birds. They are quite intelligent and entertaining.

Unlike most domestic waterfowl, Muscovy will often fly up and roost. They are very good flyers, especially the smaller females, but are known more for flying around than flying away. They do not swim much because their oil glands are under developed compared to most ducks. Muscovy hens can set three times a year, and the egg clutches can vary from 8 to 21 eggs. The eggs

are incubated for 35 days. Muscovy when crossed with other breeds, produce sterile offspring. For instance, if you cross a Muscovy male with a Pekin female you will hatch mules; if you cross a Pekin male with a Muscovy female the progeny are called hinnies. Whereas a Pekin takes 28 days to hatch and a Muscovy takes 35 days, a mule or hinny takes 32 days to hatch.

By the age of about three months, the males are nearly twice as large as the females. Not sure if this is always the case. But, it has been found that in younger Muscovies, the feet of the males are often larger. It is quiet, a good forager and is naturally broody. Muscovy ducks are good mothers and hatch and brood their ducklings efficiently.



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The program features a comprehensive clinic in Humble, staffed by Memorial Hermann-affiliated, fellowship trained orthopedic and neurological surgeons. Using the newest technology, they help patients regain strength, mobility, flexibility and functional independence. Also on hand is a team of rehabilitation specialists who can guide patients to a safe and timely return to daily activities.

Joshua Woody, M.D., a physician affiliated with the program, is fellowship trained in shoulder and elbow surgery. He has extensive experience in joint replacement and complex reconstruction of both upper and lower extremities. He says, "Losing normal joint and muscle function, whether through a medical condition, trauma or prolonged repetitive motions, can be very frustrating. Our goal is to help patients return to work and the activities they enjoy, whether it's athletics or a stroll around the block."

Other physicians affiliated with the Memorial Hermann Northeast musculoskeletal program include Theodore Shybut, M.D., Shaun Weaver, M.D., and Albert Fenoy, M.D. The musculoskeletal team treats patients of all ages and is the preferred provider for Humble ISD student athletes. Non-athletes are also welcome and worker's compensation is accepted.

To learn more about the Memorial Hermann Northeast musculoskeletal program, please call 281.319.5900 or visit memorialhermann.org/northeast.

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MATH STRATEGIES TO USE WITH YOUR CHILD AT HOME

*Submitted by Danielle Hecard
K-5 Instructional Math Coach - Summerwood Elementary*

We all want our children to grow up to be great, efficient problem solvers. Using mental math is one of the most powerful problem solving methods to accomplish that goal. Here are a few addition and subtraction strategies to use with your child that support mental math problem solving.



Addition Strategies	Problem	Example
Adding by Place	392 + 258	300 + 200 = 500 (hundreds place) 90 + 50 = 140 (tens place) 8 + 2 = 10 (ones place) 500 + 140 + 10 = 650
Keeping One Number Whole	392 + 258	392 + 8 = 400 400 + 250 = 650 (Keep 392 whole, break apart 258 into 8 & 250)
Changing the Numbers	392 + 258	400 + 250 = 650 (Take away 8 from 258 & Add 8 to 392 to make 400) Or 400 + 258 = 658 (Add 8 to 392 to make 400) 658 - 8 = 650 (Minus 8 to find the sum)
Subtraction Strategies	Problem	Example
Subtracting One Number in Parts	144 - 82	144 - 40 = 104 104 - 42 = 62 (82 is broken into parts 40 & 42)
Subtracting Back	144 - 82	144 - <u> </u> = 82 144 - 4 = 140 140 - 40 = 100 100 - 10 = 90 90 - 8 = 82 (4 + 40 + 10 + 8 = 62) Therefore, 144 - 82 = 62
Adding Up	144 - 82	82 + <u> </u> = 144 82 + 18 = 100 100 + 44 = 144 (18 + 44 = 62) Therefore, 144 - 82 = 62

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Winners to be announced in the December Summerwoodlife Newsletter. Please send your questions and/or your nomination to summerwoodnewsletter@gmail.com and be sure to include a jpeg picture! Deadline for nominations is Tuesday, November 8th



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