

The Official Newsletter of The Steeplechase Community Improvement Association, Inc. and Steeplechase

SAFETY CORNER TIP OF THE MONTH

Summer is upon us. Kids are out of school, neighbors are on vacation. From a security and safety point of view...the time is ripe for mischief! What should you do?

- Keep a watchful eye on foot traffic through our neighborhood and report anything suspicious to 713-221-6000.
- Going on vacation: Make sure your house doesn't look abandoned and available for mischief. Use an adjusting light-timer for indoor lighting. Ask a trusted neighbor to collect your mail and newspaper.
- Going on vacation: Send your vacation watch form in to HCSO – it's located in the newsletter and on the www.Steeplechasetx. com website!
- Spring/Summer yard clean-up: Trim those bushes and light-up the outside of your home.
- Make sure your house number is clearly visible from the street in the event of an emergency, that number is a lifesaver.
- Park your vehicle in your garage. If you don't or can't, remove anything you value and make sure windows are rolled-up, vehicle is locked and alarm is on.
- Keep outside lights on at night and install additional motion sensor lights.
- Know your kids friends. Who are they? Where do the live? Who are their parents?
- Sit in front of your home in the evenings and catch-up with your neighbors. Strengthen your ties and build your friendships!

BE SAFE & BE SMART!

Lynn Cirillo Steeplechase Security Coordinator

For more safety tips, LIKE us on Facebook: Steeplechase Safety & Security

http://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/Steeplechase-Safety-Security/181933781906989 Mark your calendar's for the following Steeplechase events

JULY 3 SCIA Board Meeting; Cancelled Due to Holiday

JULY 4 Fourth of July Cookout at the Pool 5pm Games, 6pm Food, Moonwalk

AUGUST 7 Open Resident's Meeting @ 7pm Steeplechase Clubhouse

> AUGUST 7 National Night Out

AUGUST I I Safety and Crimewatch Cook Out at the Pool, 5pm Games, 6pm Food, Moonwalk

September 4

SCIA Board Meeting; Open to Resident's @ 7pm Steeplechase Clubhouse

OCTOBER 2 SCIA Board Meeting; Open to Resident's @ 7pm Steeplechase Clubhouse

> OCTOBER 2 Texas Night Out

NOVEMBER 6 Open Resident's Meeting @ 7pm Steeplechase Clubhouse

December 4

SCIA Board Meeting; Open to Resident's @ 7pm Steeplechase Clubhouse



IMPORTANT Telephone Numbers



Emergency
Sheriff's Dept
Cy-Fair Fire Dept911
Cy-Fair Hospital
Animal Control 281-999-3191
Center Point (Street lights)713-207-2222
http://cnp.centerpointenergy.com/outage
Neighborhood Crime Watch SteeplechaseSecurity@gmail.com
Library
Post Office713-937-6827
Steeplechase Community Center 281-586-1700
Deed Restriction Issues (CMC) 281-586-1700
Water/Sewer713-405-1750
Architectural Control (CMC) 281-586-1700
Trash Pick-up (Best Trash, LLC) (Wed. & Sat.) 281-313-BEST
Harris Co. Pct. 4 Road Maintenance 281-353-8424
Harris Co. MUD #168hcmud168board@gmail.com
Community Events
Clubhouse Rentals: Private Parties and Community Events
(Phyllis McFarland)
Traffic Initiative
Private Pool Parties

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Community Maintenance Concerns

Chaparral Management Company 281-586-1700	i
Clubhouse Rentals	ļ
Private Parties and Community Events	I
(Phyllis McFarland)	I
Pool Company Contact	I
Texas Aquatic Enterprises, Inc713-416-5161	i
www.texasaquaticenterprises.com	i
Board Member Contact	ļ
Chaparral Management Company 281-586-1700	I
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Schools

Emmott Elementary	281-897-4500
Campbell Middle School	
Cy-Ridge High School	281-807-8000

Want to Help Steeplechase Go Green?

Join our E-Mailing List at www.SteeplechaseTX.com. Please add webmaster@steeplechasetx.com to your address book to ensure you receive our emails. Your email address will not be shared, published, or used for soliciting. Interested in receiving neighborhood security alerts? If so, please send an email request to steeplechasesecurity@gmail. Remember, for your safety, emails are sent using 'blind copy' (BCC) so you will need to add steeplechasesecurity@gmail to your safe senders list.



Already on the security alert distribution list? Please make sure if you have changed your

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STREETLIGHT OUT? REPORT IT!

CenterPoint Energy maintains streetlights throughout our electric service territory in and around Houston. In order to report an outage, you will be asked to provide:

- a pole number for the non-functioning light(s) you want to report
- contact information (in case more information is needed to locate a streetlight)
- an e-mail address (if you want feedback regarding your repair request)
- the number of streetlights you would like to report

To report if you know the streetlight number, visit: http://cnp.centerpointenergy.com/outage

To report using Centerpoint's map system, visit: http://gis.centerpointenergy.com/sloreporting/

The process is easy, simple and will take no more than five minutes.

What Preventive Health Screenings Are Right For **Me**?

> * According to the U.S. Preventive Services Tas Force and the Affordable Healthcare Act. Check with your insurance provider for details

NOT AVAILABLE ONLINE

Keepsake Ornament Premiere is July 14th & 15th Open at 7am on Saturday, July 14th

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If You See Something, Say Something!

The Harris County Sheriff's Office is committed to serving the citizens of Harris County through a cooperative working relationship between the police and the people we serve. The success of solving crime lies in the actions of the citizens who have knowledge of, or view these criminal acts.

With your help, we can all strive to make Harris County, Texas a safer place to live and play.

iWatchHarrisCounty.com is a community awareness program that educates the community about suspicious activities & criminal behaviors. iWatchHarrisCounty focuses on criminal behavior and criminal enterprises that could also indicate a nexus to terrorist activities. Citizens are provided a convenient reporting method to provide tips and leads to police concerning crime that is affecting their community. iWatchHarrisCounty allows our citizens to harness the

communication capabilities of the internet/social networking sites to report crime tips and leads. This site is a new and innovative tool to increase our community wide effort to reduce crime.

This app is available for iPhone, Blackberry and Android mobile phones. Visit http://iwatchharriscounty.com/ for more information and to download the app.

iWatchHarrisCounty is a mobile crime watch tool that you and your



Trash Removal

- Cabinet Painting
- Wallpaper Removal and Texturizing
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- Fence Repair/Replacement

neighbors can use to report suspicious or criminal activity. It's a proactive, hands-on, partnership between you, the citizens of Harris County, and the Harris County Sheriff's Office (HCSO). You are the eyes and ears of your community. Your awareness of suspicious

behaviors and activities and reporting it to the police can help

solve crimes or prevent crimes.

Give as many details as possible, for example:

- -Time of day
- -Where it happened
- -What you witnessed
- -A description of individual(s) involved
- -Was there a vehicle?
 - -Color and license plate number?
- -Have you seen this activity before?

There are four ways to report:

- -Report online at iWatchHarrisCounty.com
- -Text a tip to 1-855-HCSO-iWatch (1-855-427-6492)
- -Use the app found on iWatchHarrisCounty.com
- -Call 1-855-HCSO-iWatch (1-855-427-6492)

If you have an emergency and need the police immediately do not use iWatchHarrisCounty, call 911.



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Online Service Option For Citizens Reporting Crimes

The Sheriff's Office has implemented an on-line service called "CopLogic" for Harris County citizens to report crimes. THIS IS FOR REPORTING LOST PROPERTY, THEFT OR VANDALISM ONLY AND WHEN THE COMPLAINT NO SUSPECT INFORMATION. This service is provided as an option to the citizen in lieu of waiting for a unit to respond to their location and response can sometimes take several weeks.

Examples of incidents that can be reported via CopLogic:

1. LOST PROPERTY: When property is missing or lost, i.e. leaving items in a restaurant or missing from home.

2. THEFT: Property is taken without the owner's permission.

3. VANDALISM: The act of changing, modifying or defacing public or private property, i.e. graffiti, knocking over a mailbox, throwing a rock through a window, etc.

To access this service, please visit the Sheriff's Office web site: www.hcso. hctx.net. Click on "Report Crime" link at top of screen. Click on "Report an Incident." Follow instructions on the screen for filing an offense report.

CopLogic is an alternative method for the citizen to report the crime quickly, get a case number and print a copy of the report. It does not replace entering a call for service for a unit to respond if the citizen prefers to see a unit or does not have access to the Internet.





October 1, 2012

Tee'd Off at Breast Cancer Golf Classic At The Club at Falcon Point Tee Off at 12:30 pm

To register/sponsor, go to www.teamtira.net

Lunch/Dinner/Auction/Awards

\$130/golfer | \$475/team Join your golfer for dinner – dinner \$25.00 All proceeds will benefit Metastatic Breast Cancer research

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Big Congratulations to Girl Scout Troop I 5320!

Steeplechase's very own Girl Scout Troop 15320, received the award of BROWNIE TROOP OF THE YEAR, from the Heather Meadows Service Unit.

The Troop attended the Bridging Ceremony on Tuesday, May 15th. At the ceremony seven of the ten girls, in Troop 15320, bridged over from Brownies to Juniors. As each of the girls walked over the bridge, they were greeted by Troop Leader, Becky Peno, the current Juniors and Parents. A big THANK YOU to all the parents, of Troop 15320, for all their continued support throughout the year!



Pictured left to right Front Row: Jordan Peno, Madison Crowell, Alex Burton, Lindsay Fryer, Evelyn Nava, Sarah Manger and Kaylynn Garcia Second Row: Jasmine Moffett and Trinity Valentine. Not Pictured: Kayla Crisp



STEEPLECHASE steeplechase landlords/tenants

If you are the owner of a Steeplechase property that is rented to others, please ensure that Chaparral Management has an alternate set of contract information so that you will receive all communications about important Steeplechase events and issues. This contact information should include mailing address, telephone number, fax number, and email address.

Additionally, you need to ensure that your tenants are provided with a copy of the Steeplechase Rules & Regulations and the Covenants & Restrictions and that they will abide by these governing documents while a tenant in Steeplechase.

If you have any questions or need any additional information, please contact Chaparral Management at cmc@chaparralmanagement.com.



SEND US YOUR Event Pictures!!

Do you have a picture of an event that you would like to run in this newsletter? Send it to us and we will publish it in the next issue. Email the picture to newsletter@ steeplechasetx.com. Be sure to include the text that you would like to have as the caption. Pictures will appear in color online at www. PEELinc.com.





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Tech-Etiquette: Is there an App for Civility?

In today's age of apps and gadgets, it's likely that you or someone you know has benefitted handily from the ubiquitous smartphone in today's digitally-dependent society. If the question were posed to our current generation, "What item would you never want to be without?" it is fair to say that most individuals living in 21st century America would answer: "My phone!" Without our phones, it is certain that many of us would be lost. We would be unable to text, tweet, phone, email, face time, and even friend or like another individual. Would we really? Is American society becoming so dependent upon these technological devices that we are challenged to even recognize our our humanity within? How many young men and women know the value of the age-old adage "Never leave home without a smile?" Is who we were created to be, in such competition with what we hold in our hand, that we have forgotten the simple value of kindness - shared in a smile, of gratification - by greeting another with a genuine handshake? Is it technology that propels our lives, or are we doing our best to prepare our lives to propel the technology that supports them?

Regardless of how many apps and buttons and gadgets, and even insurance, we carry on our smartphones, could it be that we have something even better when it comes to insuring our ability to connect with the people we like? Or to be-Friend those to whom we're attracted, or bring restitution to those un-Friended? Today's digitally-dependent generation has a challenge before them that

Submitted by Darcy Folsom

none before have known. That is, being able to successfully pair technology with common courtesy. Remembering what our grandmothers taught us about the civilities of life (carried in our hip pockets) may apply more today, than any app could ever provide. But pairing the art of civility with the current age of technology requires practice. The 21st century can only get better as those old-fashioned manners make their way from our pockets to the person next to us. After all, the words we speak are far more significant than the technology that transmits them. Why not polish a few points of etiquette this summer and complement your savvy skills on your smartphone? By doing so, you and your smartphone may just move from merely getting the message delivered, to doing so with principles that shape our character and improve our attitudes about both our electronic devices, and the lives of those who use them.

TIP #1 - When you take a call in the presence of another person, you are communicating, "You are secondary; the caller is more important than you are." If you are expecting a call, let your companion know in advance, and excuse yourself before taking the call, limiting the call to under one minute. Never use a cell phone on a date, unless there is an emergency.

TIP #2 - If you find it necessary to use your smartphone while driving, make it a habit to get into your car, buckle up, and prepare your hand's free device to activate the call BEFORE starting your engine.

TIP #3 - Allow your personality, not your PDA to impress others. Avoid using novelty

ringtones, and choose the vibrate option as much as possible.

TIP #4 - Remove your earpiece when not on the phone. Always keep your phone in a pocket or a purse, rather than laying it on the table next to you.

TIP# 5 - When in a public place, refrain from using your ear buds to listen to your favorite playlist. Instead, be prepared to greet those who are near you, looking oncoming passersby in the eye, with a smile and "Hello!" This is not only courteous, but it is also a way to remain sure about your surroundings.

As you travel to the lake or the seaside with friends, consider the value that a few manners may add to the dynamics of your summer relationships. Ask the question - is there something more fundamental than a fancy app, or gadget insurance to satisfy our lack? What have we already been given as a way to connect with the people we like, and those we want to be-Friend? Rather than search your smartphone for the latest apps, ask your companion's permission to practice with them, as you begin to apply these principles of Tech-Etiquette. These courtesies will both benefit the words we speak and the actions we offer, as we engage those around us with the very acts of courtesy we desire for others to share with us. Practicing the art of civility alongside the technology that propels our lives, I believe we will see our digitally-dependent generation become the one to re-engage our culture with civility and the accomplished principles of common courtesy.



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LEARN CPR



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