



Steeplechase

NEWSLETTER



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

Save The Date

Mark your calendar's for the following
Steeplechase events

NOVEMBER 6

November Open Resident's Meeting has
been CANCELED

DECEMBER 4

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

HAPPY

Thanksgiving

SAFETY CORNER

TIP OF THE MONTH

THE IMPORTANCE OF SMOKE ALARMS FOR YOUR FAMILY

Few of us realize how easily — and how quickly — fire can harm our loved ones. Fortunately, there is a simple, affordable way to help prevent this from happening: the smoke alarm.

By providing an early warning in the event of fire, smoke alarms may allow you and your family sufficient time to reach safety. Many people have neglected to install smoke alarms despite their life-saving potential and low cost. Even those who do have smoke alarms often take them for granted — forgetting that they need some attention to continue working properly. UL offers the following tips for purchasing and maintaining smoke alarms.

Step 1: Buy smoke alarms — and cut your family's risk in half.

Experts report that consumers may cut their risk of dying in a home fire in half simply by having a smoke alarm installed. Smoke alarms are available at nearly all hardware, department and discount stores, often for under \$20. So don't delay — get out there and buy one. The peace of mind you'll have from knowing that your family is safe and secure is worth the investment.

Step 2: Look for the UL Mark

When you purchase a smoke alarm, look for the UL Mark on the product as well as on the packaging. The UL Mark tells you that a representative sample of the smoke alarm has been evaluated by UL scientists and engineers to nationally recognized safety requirements. It also means that UL conducts follow-up evaluations to countercheck that samples of the smoke alarm continue to meet these safety requirements.

Step 3: Don't just buy one! There's safety in numbers

Install at least one smoke alarm on each floor of the house or residence and outside all sleeping areas. Some fire safety advocates recommend installing smoke

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IMPORTANT Telephone Numbers



Emergency.....	911
Sheriff's Dept.....	713-221-6000
Cy-Fair Fire Dept	911
Cy-Fair Hospital.....	281-890-4285
Animal Control	281-999-3191
Center Point (Street lights)	713-207-2222
http://cnp.centerpointenergy.com/outage	
Neighborhood Crime Watch	SteeplechaseSecurity@gmail.com
Library.....	281-890-2665
Post Office.....	713-937-6827
Steeplechase Community Center.....	281-586-1700
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Trash Pick-up (Best Trash, LLC) (Wed. & Sat.)	281-313-BEST
Harris Co. Pct. 4 Road Maintenance	281-353-8424
Harris Co. MUD #168.....	hcmud168board@gmail.com
Community Events.....	281-586-1700
Clubhouse Rentals: Private Parties and Community Events (Phyllis McFarland).....	832-922-8030
Traffic Initiative	281-290-2100
Private Pool Parties	713-416-5161

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Community Maintenance Concerns

Chaparral Management Company	281-586-1700
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Clubhouse Rentals

Private Parties and Community Events (Phyllis McFarland).....	832-922-8030
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Pool Company Contact

Texas Aquatic Enterprises, Inc.	713-416-5161
.....	www.texasaquaticenterprises.com

Board Member Contact

Chaparral Management Company	281-586-1700
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Schools

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Cy-Ridge High School.....	281-807-8000

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alarms inside each sleeping area if sleeping with the door closed.

Step 4: Keep your alarms working properly
Working smoke alarms are needed in every home and residence. Test and maintain your smoke alarms at least once a month, or follow the manufacturer's instructions. Smoke alarms most often fail because of missing, dead or disconnected batteries. Replace batteries at least once a year. Testing is generally as simple as pushing a button and listening to hear the beep.

Step 5: Practice a fire escape plan
In addition to installing smoke alarms in your home, UL also recommends that you develop a fire escape plan and practice it at least twice a year with all members of your household. In the event of a fire, every family member should know at least two ways out of each room. Stay as close to the floor as possible during your escape. Hot air and smoke rise, so the air nearest the floor may be safer to breathe. If you encounter a closed door during your escape, feel the door before opening it. If it's hot to the touch, use another exit. The heat could indicate fire on the other side of the door. Teach your children how to escape in case of a fire — not to hide under a bed or in a closet.

Some individuals, particularly children, older people and those with special needs, may not wake up to the sound of a smoke alarm. You should be aware of this when developing your home fire escape plan.

Designate a well-lit place, a safe distance away from your home, where everyone will meet in the event of a fire. This will help firefighters determine if anyone else is still inside the home. And remember, never return to a burning building for any reason.

Review of smoke alarm installation, safety and maintenance

- Read and follow the manufacturer's installation and maintenance instructions (including regular testing).
- Install fresh batteries in your smoke alarms at least once a year.
- Don't allow anyone to disconnect or "borrow" the batteries from your smoke alarms. A smoke alarm can't work unless it's connected to a power source.

If the warning alarm sounds, don't panic. Stay close to the floor and get out of the building. Before opening any doors, check the temperature. If the door feels hot to the touch, don't open it. Use an alternate exit.

BE SAFE and BE SMART!

Lynn Cirillo
Steeplechase Security Coordinator

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NAME: _____ TELEPHONE: _____

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VEHICLES: _____

COLOR	YEAR	MAKE / MODEL	LICENSE #	DRIVEWAY / GARAGE
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_____	_____	_____ / _____	_____	_____ / _____

LIGHTS LEFT ON YES / NO TIMER ON LIGHTS YES / NO

IF YES, WHAT ROOM LOCATIONS:

ALARM: YES / NO PETS: YES / NO TYPE: _____
WHERE: _____ INSIDE OUTSIDE GARAGE

EMERGENCY CONTACTS: (Include phone #'s and at least one key holder with alarm codes if alarm is set)

NAME	PHONE #	KEY HOLDER	ALARM CODES
_____	_____	Y / N	Y / N
_____	_____	Y / N	Y / N
_____	_____	Y / N	Y / N
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ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

PLEASE MAIL OR FAX TO
HARRIS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
Attn: Vacation Watch
23828 Tomball Pkwy
Tomball, TX 77375
Fax (281) 290-2177

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If You...SEE Something SAY Something: iWatch Harris County

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.

What is iWatchHarrisCounty?

iWatchHarrisCounty is a mobile crime watch tool that you and your

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).

Why should I report these behaviors and activities?

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.

What should I report?

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 downloadable app found on iWatchHarrisCounty.com
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ONLINE SERVICE OPTION

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.

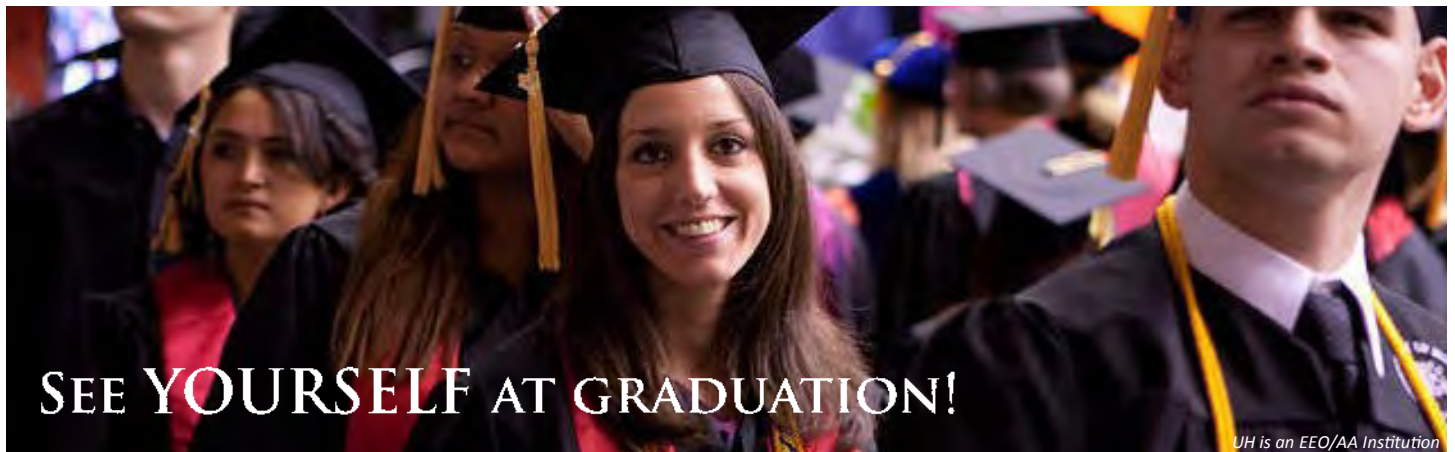
To access this service, please visit the Sheriff's Office web site: www.hcso.hctx.net

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.



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