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Official Newsletter of the Chelsea Harbour Homeowners Association

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## A Message From The Your Community Manager...

Hi! My name is Jaine Prieto and I am your Community Association Manager. Our newsletter is a great way to stay informed on information about your community and important homeowner's information. If you are a new resident to this community... Welcome!

The hot, lazy days of summer are over. It is time to start thinking about the cool weather

arriving soon and getting ready for the holidays. Lawns are looking GREAT! Many thanks to those who continue to keep their lawns green and weed free. Here are a couple of reminders of possible violations that I look for during my monthly drives to your community:

- Trash cans need to be stored out of public view. Trash cans are not allowed to be placed on the side of the home. All trash cans must be brought in the same day of trash pick up.
- Basket Ball goals need to be removed from the driveway and side of the house. Basketball goals must be stored out of public

view when not in use.

- I have noticed that many homeowners are not edging their yards. Edging is part of lawn maintenance. You will see what a difference this makes. A manicured lawn is always of envy!
- Please be sure that all your exterior improvements are being submitted and approved by the ACC committee. If this process is not followed you could find yourself in violation facing legal action and possibly being required to take down your improvement/modification to your home.

Hope that you find the information in this newsletter helpful and interesting. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact our Resident Service Group at 1-866-473-2573 or by email at CHEHARBO@Ciramail.Com

Sincerely,

Jaine Prieto

Community Association Manager

#### **ANOTHER REMINDER!**

PLEASE park your vehicles in the garages or driveways. To prevent congestion of vehicles parked in the street, which are a nuisance to your neighbors and cause accidents while the children are traveling to and from the tennis courts and playgrounds.

Any vehicles stored or parked in the streets for extended time are subject to County of Fort Bend enforcement as well as enforcement from the association. It is prohibited to park or store inoperable, commercial or oversized vehicles in the community. It is the responsibility of each resident to abide by the city ordinances and deed restrictions, and to be courteous of their neighbors while parking in the streets. Do not block driveway access, do not park in front of a neighbor's residence, and do not park in front of the mailboxes. Always park your vehicle in the garage or driveway while not in use. Your cooperation in this serious matter will provide a safer environment for the children in your community and a courtesy to your neighbors.

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# Homeowner's Associations What are the Benefits?

- Homeowners associations protect your property values by ensuring compliance with the community guidelines, design standards, and deed restrictions.
- Volunteers within the community work to shape the quality and cohesiveness of your community by forming committees and organizing recreational activities.
- You automatically share the ownership of common property that you may not have purchased otherwise.
- Your dues, along with the dues of other homeowners in the community, provide for the maintenance of the common areas and the association that manages the property for you.
- Many planned communities also have attractive entry features and landscaping, which create a tremendous visual appeal and enhance your property values.
- HOAs are "grass roots" organizations often referred to as the most involved form of democracy in America today.
- Community members elect a board of directors for the association. Many HOA members also serve on committees that oversee the everyday details of managing the association.

We invite you to become more involved in your homeowners association. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact our Resident Service Group at 1-866-473-2573.

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## Austin High School News -----November 2013 ———

- Austin High School students-Olubusola Akinniranye, Safiya Bharwani, Salena Huang, Nicholos Joseph, Ami Kapadia, Ann Keenan, Rohan Kondetimmanahalli, Mark Li, Michelle Lu, Tianze Qian, Sarth Raj, Jenny Ren, Patrick Seiler, Olivia Wright and Kevin Wu are among the semifinalists in the 2013 National Merit program. Congratulations to these students.
- The Austin High School Symphony Orchestra was the only National Winner in the Mark of Excellence/National Orchestra Honors Project in the High School Full Orchestra category and Austin High School Symphony String Orchestra was one of two to receive National Winner recognition in this High School String Orchestra category. These orchestras are under the direction of Mrs. Carolyn Vandiver and Mr. John Law. The Symphony orchestra is made up of strings from the orchestra and wind players from the Honor Band.
- If you're an Austin High School senior or parent, Project Graduation 2013 is your ticket to fun! The next ProGrad meeting is Tuesday, November 5 in the AHS Commons at 7 pm. Attend and earn 50 Bulldog Bucks (both parents and students)! Bring used ink cartridges and/or cellphones to a meeting (in a baggie with the student's name written on it) and get even more bucks! There are lots of ways to earn those precious Bulldog Bucks.

- Every hour volunteered by students and parents gains 50 bucks, as does every \$25 in donations. Sell tamales and poinsettias this month? Earn bucks. Turn in goods for the January garage sale? Get bucks. The more you do, the more bucks you accumulate and can spend next June at ProGrad. Check-out the ProGrad website for more way to help support this event http://austinbulldogprograd. weebly.com.
- Did you know that you can earn a YES hour for donating blood? The Blood Drive at AHS (sponsored by HOSA) is November 22nd in the gym. The YES box is located at the front office window.
- Wednesday has a different look in the commons most Wednesdays, students will find colleges set up during lunch to answer any questions, the students might have. UNT, Sam Houston, Texas Tech, Rice University will be visiting on the 11th of November. Stop by and check them out.
- Do not forget to purchase an AHS yearbook, so you will have all your memories preserved- https://shop. smart-pay.com/. Check out http://ahsaccess.weebly.com/ for the AHS sports schedules as well as the latest news, events and information from Austin High School. You can also check out the Legend AHS's newspaper ahslegendnews.com.

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### **Holiday Light Decorating Contest**

The Board of Directors would like to take this opportunity to thank all the Chelsea Harbour Homeowners for doing such a wonderful job keeping up their yards over this last spring and summer. A large part of property value is how it looks from the outside.

The holidays are a great time to give our neighborhood some extra bling by adding holiday lights to your landscape. Our homes have beautiful architectural features that look great when highlighted by strings of lights. Tree and bushes can be wrapped with lights or your yard outlined. In our community we all see each other's backyards too. You might want to light your dock or pergola or wind a string of lights through the

iron fence.

Our "Keep Chelsea Harbour Beautiful" Committee is sponsoring a Holiday Light Decorating Contest. The winner will be selected on December 8th. Yes that is early but we want to be able to announce the winner in the January newsletter so we need to select a yard early in the holiday season. The yards will be judged by the front yard display only. The weekend after Thanksgiving is a great time to get your holiday decoration up so your family is able to enjoy the decorations for the entire holiday season. The prize is a \$50 Lowe's gift card. Thanks again for taking pride in your neighborhood and keeping your yard looking great all year.





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### **Annual Home Owners Meeting** and Board of Directors Elections

Monday December 2nd, 2013 at 7:00 pm the Chelsea Harbour Board of Directors will hold their Annual Meeting and election at the clubhouse. It is important that you attend this meeting so that you can participate in making decisions about our neighborhood. The way you participate is by voting for Board members. There must be a quorum to convene the annual meeting. Our Association bylaws require a quorum of 1/10 of the votes in the Association. There are 350+ homes or votes in Chelsea Harbour, so 35 homes must be represented at the Annual Meeting. If you cannot make it to the meeting you can send your proxy vote to the secretary. Our bylaws require the proxy to be registered (sent to) the secretary in advance of the meeting. There is no provision to send your proxy to the meeting with a neighbor. You can send your proxy to the secretary at secretary@chelseaharbourhoa.com

If you are interested in running for a position on the board at this election please email your information to the secretary at secretary@chelseaharbourhoa.com by Friday November 15 so that your name can be included on the proxy ballot. This year three positions are up for election. The board members who will end their two-year terms in December are Don Charly, William Lee, and Dan Turner. This was Dan's first term on the board. Don has served several terms on the board and William was the first resident member of the board and has served on the board since that time.

All the candidates will be at the Monday December 2nd

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- Atascocita CIA
- Blackhorse Ranch
- Briar Hills
- Bridgeland
- Chelsea Harbour
- Coles Crossing
- Copperfield
- Cypress Creek Lakes
- Cypress Mill
- **Eagle Springs**
- Fairfield
- Kleinwood
- Lakemont
- Lakes of Fairhaven
- Lakes of Rosehill
- Lakes on Eldridge
- Lakes on Eldridge North Houston
- Lakewood Grove
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meeting to share their thoughts.

Dan Turner submitted a statement for publication in this newsletter:

I am looking forward to serving another term on the Chelsea Harbour Home Owners Association Board. I serve in the position of treasurer. You may have met me if you have ever rented the clubhouse. As a member of the Amenity Committee I take care of clubhouse rentals as a courtesy to our neighbors so they do not have to go to the RealManage home office on Dairy Ashford to pick up the key. I also serve on the Architectural Review and Safety committees. The board and I have been busy the last couple of years making meaningful improvements in our neighborhood such as attractive plantings, new benches at the playground and tennis courts, installing a security camera system and replacing aging fountains. I would like to personally invite all my neighbors to attend the annual meeting at the clubhouse and I would be grateful for your support. I look forward to hearing your new ideas on how to continue to improve our beautiful neighborhood.

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