



NORMANDY FOREST

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NORMANDY FOREST REMINDERS

PARK REMINDERS

- The park is open to residents from dawn to dusk the gate is locked from 6pm-6am in the fall back season
- During the Spring forward season gate will be locked 8:30 pm – 6am
- Help keep our park clean. Pick up after yourself when picnicking, and clean up after your pets.
- Keep your pet on a leash.
- The jogging trail is for walkers and joggers. Bikes are not allowed, as they create ruts in the trail. Please remind your children not to ride on the trail.
- If you see any suspicious persons or odd activity in the park or greater neighborhood, contact the constable at 281-376-3472. Add this number to your cell phone contact list for your convenience.

GOING ON VACATION?

Don't forget the Precinct 4 Constable's office offers protection for your home while you are on vacation. Go to http://www.cd4.hctx.net/online_forms.php?formID=vacation, and simply fill out the request form.

When a situation occurs in our neighborhood, your first reaction may be to call 911, however, I'd like to encourage you to call the Constable's office directly because the response time will more than likely be faster. The reasoning behind this is when we place a call to 911, they dispatch it to Sheriff's office who then dispatches the call to the Constable's office. If we can go straight to the department who will be following up on our call it may save us some valuable time. Please note,

in most cases, if it is in the early morning hours, they don't typically knock on doors unless requested in order to not disturb the citizen or in some cases, place them in danger. If a citizen wishes to be contacted by phone or in person regarding a call that typically would not require it, please advise dispatch of this.

The Constable's office phone number is 281-376-3472 save it to your cell phone contact list

MUD BOARD MEETINGS

MUD Board Meetings are held every fourth Tuesday of the month at 4:00 PM, at 3327 La MER in Normandy Forest. The meetings are open to all residents.

Home Owner Association Meeting

The HOA Meetings are held every other month on Tuesday's at 7:00 pm, in the Normandy Forest Clubhouse. Watch for the signs throughout our neighborhood reminding you about the meeting. All residents of Normandy Forest are invited and encouraged to attend.

TRASH PICK UP

Trash is picked up twice a week, on Monday and Thursday mornings. Please remember to remove your trash can from the curb and out of the driveway by the evening on those respective days.

Heavy Trash Pick Up Day is every second Friday of the month, only once a month.

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NORMANDY FOREST COMMITTEES

THE ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE

Danny Rodriguez 281-528-6640
Mark Lawson 281-651-8034

The Association has an active Architectural Control Committee that approves or denies all construction and any improvements. You may request an ACC form by contacting Chaparral Management 281-537-0957 or the association website. Please keep in mind that the Association has thirty days (30 days) to approve or disapprove any ACC and verbal approvals or disapprovals are not given.

SECURITY COMMITTEE

In the event of an emergency please call “911” or for Precinct 4 please program your cell phone with the number below.

Precinct 4 281-376-3472
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ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

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Sally Rodriguez 832-788-4186

MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE

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Gas | Centerpoint Energy 713-659-2111
Electric | Reliant Energy 713-207-7777
Phone | AT&T www.att.com
Sewer | Harris County MUD #28 281-353-9809
Trash | Republic Waste 281-446-2030
Fire Department | Spring VFD 281-355-1266
County Commissioner | Jack Cagle 713-755-6444

MANAGEMENT COMPANY

Chaparral Management Company, AAMC
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NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

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PRECINCT 4 CONSTABLES UPDATE

This month I wanted to return my column to the most important aspect of my Department. The Harris County Pct. 4 Constables Office was built on one simple concept. That concept is community based policing. This philosophy is almost as old as the office of Constable itself rooted in the old world beat cops who walked the streets in a certain area. Even the term "COP" is based on Constable on Patrol.

IN todays community based policing organization it is far more challenging and requires a cooperative agreement and relationship between law enforcement and its citizens. By having the same patrolmen in the same area they get to know the residents, good and bad, and from there have the true pulse of a community. By watching the area youth grow up, the youth are for more likely to confide in the deputy and

when needed, even ask for assistance.

With this said it is imperative to engage your deputies and get to know them. Let them know about your concerns and suspicions. Attend your neighborhood meetings where in many cases you can share these concerns. In today's world of technology we are all too often caught up awaiting a social media update. There is no substitute for conversation and real interaction. Without you the community your deputies are only able to act on half the information.

In closing let me assure you that Constable Hickman and his staff are firmly committed to serving your needs and can exceed your expectations when we all work together for a safer community.

Reminders (Continued from Cover)

STREET LIGHT OUTAGES

You may report Normandy Forest Street light outages by calling Centerpoint Energy at

(713) 659-2111 or logging on to centerpointenergy.com

Please note you will need

the lamp post number located directly on the non-working lamp post.

ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL

You must always contact the Architectural Committee when

making any kind of improvements to your property. Please contact Chaparral Management 281-537-0957 ext.18, Fax-281-537-0312, or email service1@chaparralmanagement.com Laura Davis Architectural Control Department

ANNOUNCEMENT

Normandy Forest Community Garage Sale Coming Soon so save the date April 5, 2014. A reminder by postcard will be distributed 2 weeks prior to the saved date & ad will be placed in the Greensheet.

Easter Egg event will be held in April more information to come.



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ADD HEIGHT WITH CURTAINS

If your drapes have enough length, consider moving the curtain rod to the ceiling, which will give the room a greater sense of height. Before you make the move, measure your curtains to make sure they will still graze the floor if you move the rod. If you need a little extra length and your drapes currently hang by a rod pocket, invest in drapery clips, which will make the drapes hang a little bit closer to the floor.



Randy's Lawn Fertilization Schedule

For southern grasses including: St. Augustine, Bermuda and Zoysia

FERTILIZE - four times a year: Late February-Early March - apply a simple 15-5-10 for an early green-up. Most companies that make slow-release fertilizers also make a non-slow-release 15-5-10 that provides for a quick two-week green up before we get to the heart of the fertilizer schedule.

WARNING: Some people will be tempted to use a weed-and-feed at this time, but if you've been following the Garden Line herbicide schedule, there should never be a need. However, spot weed-and-feed treatments are recommended for those with turf-only landscapes or landscapes that have been established for many years. Most weed-and-feeds contain Atrazine which burns roots of young trees and shrubs.



LATE MARCH-EARLY APRIL - apply slow-release 3-1-2 ratio fertilizers. Recommended formulations:

19-4-10	Nitro Phos Super Turff
18-4-6	Fertilome Southwest Greenmaker
18-0-6	Fertilome's Zero Phosphate Formula
15-5-10	Southwest Fertilizer Premium Gold
20-0-10	Bonide Premium Lawn Food

LATE JUNE-EARLY JULY - apply slow-release 3-1-2 ratio fertilizers. (Recommended formulations 19-5-9, 19-4-10, 18-4-6, 15-5-10.)

OCTOBER-NOVEMBER - apply winterize formulas for winter hardiness. Ratios vary, but make sure they are "winter" or "fall" formulas designed for southern grasses. (examples: 18-6-12, 8-12-16, 10-5-14) Will make lawns winter-hardy.

JUNE-SEPTEMBER - if turf grass looks yellow (chlorosis) or necrotic, use an application of either granular or liquid iron. Once a year should be enough.

THIRD ANNUAL TEXAS STALLIONS RELAYS YOUTH TRACK MEET

Date: **Saturday, March 29, 2014**
Time: **8:30 am (Gates open at 7am)**
Location: **Klein Collins High School,
20811 Ella Boulevard, Spring, Texas 77388.**

The 3rd Annual Texas Stallions Relays promises to be a fun and exciting events offering 3 relays, 8 open running events and 4 field events with over 500 athletes. The meet is open to youth ages 3 - 18. Competition takes place in ten one-two year age divisions, with athletes generally falling between the ages of 6 and 18. Awards will be given to the top six participants in each event. This event is sanctioned by the Amateur Athletic Union of the U. S., Inc.

Registration: **7:00 am, Morning of Event.**
Cost: **\$6 per person.**
For more details, visit www.texasstallionsrelays.com.
Contact: **Lavoxkeia Carnes, 832-415-0568x101**



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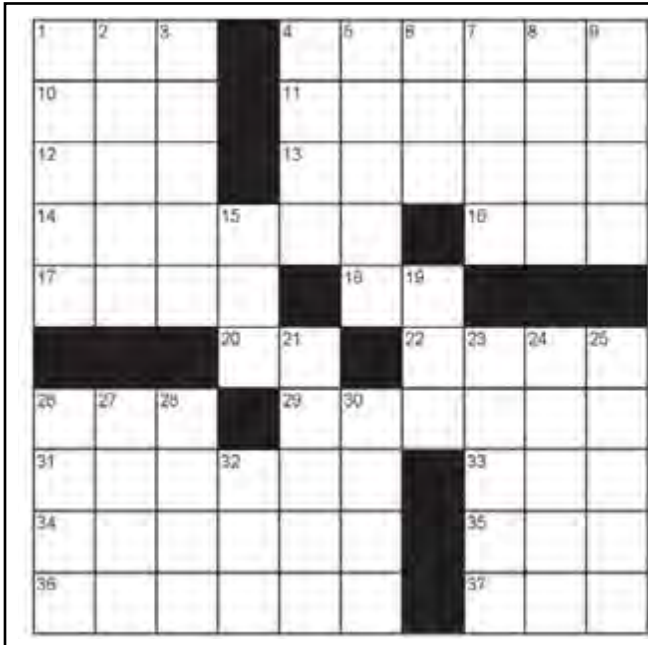
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26. Short-term memory
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35. Cask
36. Star system
37. South southeast

DOWN

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2. Ice house
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4. Ashen
5. Excuse
6. Cocktail drink
7. Follow
8. Eaten
9. Association (abbr.)
15. Words per minute
19. Abridged (abbr.)
21. Become less tight
23. Onion like vegetables
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