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One of the highest priorities of our Shadow Creek Ranch HOA is to manage and maintain the common areas of our community with the ultimate goal of preserving the value of our homes. But what many of us forget is that our HOA is powerless to deliver to us things we want most, things only politicians may decide if and when we will get them. Had more Shadow Creek Ranch residents come to the polls to vote in the past, consider what our community might be enjoying today:

- the existing re-zoning project might have been considered years earlier and choreographed more thoughtfully to lessen impact to us and our children (there may be another rezoning coming our way in a few short years)
- Shadow Creek schools might have a police presence during drop-off and pick-up to mitigate speeding and cell phone usage through school zones and also at sub-division entrances where there have been incidents between children biking and automobiles who pull into the bike lanes before stopping.
- our West Pearland schools might have implemented an aggressive honors program focusing on college prep, outstanding SAT scores, and preparing our kids for Ivy League consideration
- the Shadow Creek Sports Complex, whose bond was approved

years ago, could have already been built and serving our residents

- the west side library could have been a free-standing building, delivered years earlier
- the apartments being built might have been more evenly dispersed and restricted in number
- the list goes on and on!

There are many other initiatives that can be delivered when political candidates know they need Shadow Creek voters in order to win their election. When you learn of a Shadow Creek resident running for an Alvin ISD board position or City of Pearland office, please show up and vote for them. Scott Sherman (our city councilman) and Nicole Tonini (the only Shadow Creeker on the Alvin ISD board) are outnumbered and need more of us to serve along with them. Shadow Creek can have the same prestige as Sugarland, Katy, and The Woodlands if you vote your neighbors into office so they can help us. It can be among the most prestigious neighborhoods in the Houston Metroplex if you wield your potential ballot box power. Election Day is Saturday, May 10. Early voting begins Monday, April 28 and continues until Monday, May 5. Please vote and help transform Shadow Creek Ranch into the neighborhood that we, and our HOA, want it to be!

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Shadow Creek Soccer Club Fall Registration

Ages 4-9 – Saturday games 8-12 noon

Ages 10-13 – Sunday games 3-6 pm

Girls only league Ages 9-11 – Saturday games 8-12 noon

First Game = September 20. Neighborhood teams. Registration includes a full uniform, practice equipment, and a trophy. Practice times decided by team parents. Teams coached by team parents. More info and registration at:

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DEADLINE TO REGISTER JUNE 1



Shadow Creek Summer Swim Team

Ages 6-13. Join the Swim Team for great coaching and many practice sessions. This year Team members get a bonus option of warming up their swimming skills in May—Mon/Wed/Frid 7-8 pm evenings.

First practice: Saturday, June 7. Last day Saturday, June 28. Practices Saturday mornings, Tuesday & Thursday evenings, and Wednesday mornings. Make any or all practices. To be eligible for the team, a swimmer must be able to swim one length of the pool with head in the water. No tryouts for the team. Each Swimmer will become an AAU member that includes AAU insurance.

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By Kelli Dilling

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You need to become familiar with your competition and establish a selling price that's consistent with comparable homes in your area. You can do online research and visit open houses yourself, but at this stage, it's time to hire a real estate agent.

Your agent can provide you with a Comparative Market Analysis (CMA) which details what other homes like yours have sold for (this would come from MLS not on-line services). When you visit open houses, notice features that make positive or negative impressions on you. Now ask your agent to suggest ideas to ensure your home makes a positive impression, and make suggested repairs and/or consider staging. At this point, you and your agent will come up with a realistic selling price.

The most critical task of any agent is negotiating the sale of your home. For this, you need one who has been in the business for a while. There is a difference. By selecting an experienced agent, you'll be helping ensure a positive outcome.

Through the negotiating process, your agent will work hard to help you and the buyer come to an agreement that you both can live with. Your agent should always show respect for the other party and set a positive tone for the negotiation.

Be involved. Remember you and your Realtor are on the same team and have the same goal. You want a strategy from your agent that is wise and efficient and provides a good outcome for the sale of your property.



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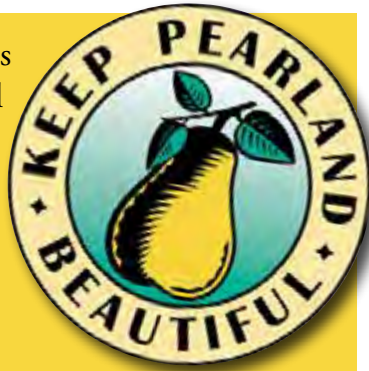
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The 2014 Don't Mess With Texas Trash Off will be held on Saturday April 5, 2014 at 7:30AM at the Pearland Community Center. The theme of this year's DMWT trash off, held in conjunction with Keep America Beautiful's Great American Trash Off, is "Pitch in Pearland – Put Litter in it's Place," a rallying call that encourages volunteer groups, community leaders, and people of all ages and walks of life to begin creating a litter free community through their efforts as volunteers, and through their daily choices and actions. Participants will assemble at the Pearland Community Center on the morning of the event for a continental breakfast at 7:30AM before heading out to make Pearland a cleaner city.



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 shadowcreekcranch@peelinc.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.



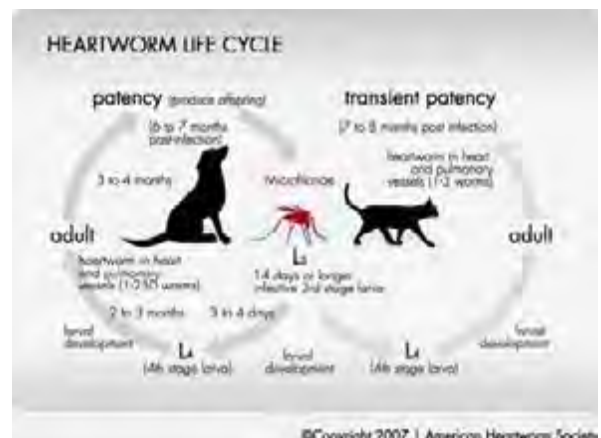
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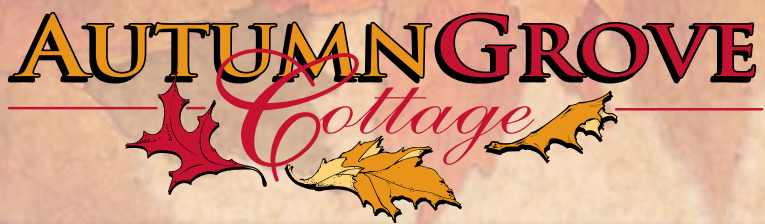
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Shaw selected as principal of Alvin ISD's Dr. James "Red" Duke Elementary

Dr. James "Red" Duke Elementary is scheduled to open in the fall of 2014, and the Alvin ISD Board of Trustees recently approved the lead administrator who will open the campus.



Fulvia Shaw, current principal of E.C. Mason Elementary was selected as principal for the new school during the March School Board Meeting. Shaw has extensive experience in campus management in Alvin ISD, as she has been with the District for the past 14 years in various capacities. She has worked at the secondary level as an assistant principal of Alvin High School, and as a junior high summer school principal. She has also worked

as an assistant principal at Don Jeter Elementary and Mary Marek Elementary, prior to taking the role of principal at Mason Elementary. Before joining the Alvin ISD team, Shaw worked as an elementary bilingual teacher for eight years in another school district. She has a Bachelor of Science degree from Briar Cliff College and received her master's degree from Stephen F. Austin University.

"This is truly an amazing opportunity. I appreciate the trust that the Board of Trustees and superintendent of schools has placed in me, and look forward to the opening and success of the 15th Alvin ISD elementary campus," said Shaw.

"Fulvia Shaw has displayed great leadership as the principal of E.C. Mason Elementary. She is committed to making sure every student receives incredible learning opportunities. Her experience and vision will be great assets as she works to establish an outstanding staff and campus culture at Dr. "Red" Duke Elementary," said Dr. Fred Brent, superintendent of schools.



Board of Trustees also approved the designation of Robert Wilcox as the assistant athletic director / head coach of the Alvin High School football team. Wilcox comes to the District from Kingsville ISD, where he was the head football coach at King High School.

"Coach Wilcox is a man of Integrity and is passionate about making those around him reach their fullest potential, while striving to obtain their goals. He knows and has demonstrated at

previous schools the importance of building great relationships with the staff at the high school, junior highs, elementary campuses and

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within the community. Robert is a proven winner both on and off the field, and we are excited to have him as a part of the Alvin ISD family,” said Coach Mike Bass, Alvin ISD athletic director.

Wilcox has more than 24 years of experience in the field of education and coaching. He has worked for multiple school districts in Texas and received his Bachelor of Science degree from Lamar University and his master’s degree in Sports Management from the United States Sports Academy.

Trustees also approved Chenda Moore, current Manvel High School lead counselor, as the District lead counselor. The District lead counselor position is a newly approved position and Moore will be the first to fill it. “Moore’s more than 14 years of counseling experience and leadership will be valuable in providing guidance and leadership to our elementary and secondary counselors,” mentioned Darrell Alexander. Moore has a Bachelor of Science degree from University of North Texas and her master degree in school counseling from Tarleton State University.

As Alvin ISD continues to grow additional positions will be posted online. Outstanding individuals interested in working as a part of the Alvin ISD team are encouraged to visit www.alvinisd.net to stay abreast of opportunities, and all of the great things occurring in the District.

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