



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

Hurricane Season Is Here – Are you ready?

Plan ahead for a hurricane to minimize loss and injury. The list below was taken from Harris County Office of Homeland Security & Emergency Management. The time to plan and prepare is now, not when the hurricane forms in the Gulf.

Before the Storm

General Preparedness through the Season

- Keep your vehicle gas tank above ½ full through the season.
- Test run generators monthly with a load to insure proper working order.
- Consider the purchase of flood insurance, even if outside of a floodplain.
- Have cash on hand in small denominations for year-round preparedness.
- Maintain portable battery powered AM radio.
- Contact 2-1-1 to register if you need transportation assistance to evacuate.

Home Preparedness

- Board up your windows or close storm shutters.
- Trim the trees and shrubs around your home.
- Cleared loose and clogged downspouts and rain gutters.
- Perform an inventory of home contents (electronics, jewelry, appliances, clothing, etc.) and store in safe place.
- Take detailed photos(s)/videos(s) of home property and contents (internal and external) and store in safe place.
- Secure or remove all items outside your home (grill, hanging plants, potted plants, etc.).
- Tie down small or young trees to prevent uprooting.
- Store all important documents (insurance papers, etc) in a waterproof container and in a secure location.
- Prepare your evacuation kit using the pertinent items in the attached Emergency Essentials Kit checklist.
- Turn off propane tanks.
- Fill the bathtub and other large containers with water for sanitary purposes (cleaning, flushing toilets, etc.)

Visit www.hcoem.org for additional information on Hurricane Preparedness.

STEEPLECHASE COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE DATE SET

The Steeplechase Community Improvement Association is sponsoring a Steeplechase community-wide garage sale on Saturday, May 21st from

8:00 am until 12:00 noon. The Association will advertise the community garage sale in the local newspapers starting on Saturday, May 7th and will put signs up on Sunday, May 15th at the Fetlock at Eldridge, Paddock Way at Eldridge and West Road at Yearling entrances. The garage sale date will be posted on the marquee at the clubhouse starting on Sunday, May 8th and will remain there until the garage sale is over. The Association needs to get some idea of the number of participants, so if you are planning to participate please send an email to Stacy at Chaparral Management (sjohnston@chaparralmanagement.com) or call Stacy at 281-537-0957.

If we do not get a reasonable number of participants, the sale will not be advertised.

SUMMERTIME REMINDERS

Keep your pets on a leash, it's a Harris County ordinance.

When walking with your pet on the trail, please use the Mutt Mitts to clean up after your pet.

Lock your cars, whether on the street or in your driveway. Mischief is always around the corner.

Report suspicious activity. The Deputies always say "If we don't know, we don't go". Non-emergency sheriff's number is 713-621-6000.

For security related questions, contact Steeplechase's security coordinator at steeplechasesecurity@gmail.com

Have a Safe, Fun Filled Summer!

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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
Deed Restriction Issues (CMC)	281-586-1700
Water/Sewer	713-405-1750
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 #168.....	hcmud168board@gmail.com
Community Events.....	281-586-1700
Clubhouse Rentals: Private Parties and Community Events (Jinnie Kelley).....	832-922-8030
Traffic Initiative	281-290-2100
Private Pool Parties	281-446-5003

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Community Maintenance Concerns

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Clubhouse Rentals

Private Parties and Community Events (Jinnie Kelley).....	832-922-8030
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Pool Company Contact

Aquatic Management of Houston.	281-446-5003
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Board Member Contact

Chaparral Management Company	281-586-1700
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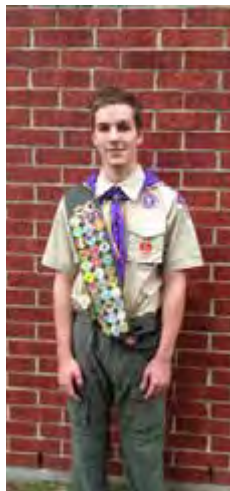
Schools

Emmott Elementary.....	281-897-4500
Campbell Middle School	281-897-4300
Cy-Ridge High School.....	281-807-8000

Contact the Management Company

www.steeplechasecia.com
or by phone 281-586-1700

Eagle Scout Project



Hi. My name is Adam Dye and I have lived in Steeplechase all my life. I am a Boy Scout with Troop 1177 based out of Foundry United Methodist Church and am eagerly pursuing my Eagle Scout rank. I have been in Boy Scouts since the first grade at Emmott Elementary School.

To earn my Eagle Scout rank, I must complete an Eagle Scout project. My project is to collect various items for Star of Hope. The items they are in need of most are new men's boxer shorts, men's, women's or children's socks and t-shirts; diapers, pull-ups, and wet wipes; new toys and games (no bicycles or stuffed animals). My goal is to collect 2,000

items.

If you would like to help me to meet my goal and make a donation, you may contact me at 713-569-7727 or dyeagl@aol.com to arrange a pickup. Any donation would be greatly appreciated.

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WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR SIDEWALK MAINTENANCE?

HARRIS COUNTY, HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION OR HOMEOWNER



The following excerpt is from Harris County Precinct 4's website. After you read the excerpt it is clear that the responsibility for maintenance of the sidewalk is that of the homeowner. So, if the sidewalk in front of your home is uneven (trip hazard), tilted (falling hazard), cracked or other, it is your responsibility as the property owner to correct such issues. Such repairs/replacement work is not the responsibility of Harris County or Steeplechase Community Improvement Association. (The only exception is that the SCIA is responsible for repair/replacement of sidewalks in the common areas of the subdivision.) Furthermore, the SCIA deed restrictions require sidewalks and as such the homeowner must have, and must maintain the sidewalk on their property. Removal of sidewalks is not an option; it would be a deed restriction violation.

If you have additional questions, please contact Chaparral Management at 281-537-0957, email cmc@chaparralmanagement.com, or visit Chaparral's website at www.chaparralmanagement.com and submit an online request.

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Or, bring your questions to the SCIA monthly BOD meeting.

Sidewalk Maintenance: If the sidewalk damage is caused by a leak (sinkhole) in the storm sewer, Precinct 4 maintenance crews will repair the sinkhole and sidewalk. However, *Precinct 4 will only repair a sidewalk that has been damaged by a sinkhole. If the sidewalk damage is not the result of a sinkhole, Precinct 4 will not be able to accommodate the request.* Sidewalks are typically installed by the developer as an amenity to the community, therefore, sidewalk repair ultimately is the homeowner's responsibility, unless the damage is caused by a sinkhole as noted above.

To request service, please complete the online Work Order Request Form (WORF) below. The WORF is available by logging on to www.hcp4.net/cad/worf.htm.

Requests for service can also be made by calling the Community Assistance Department at 281-353-8424, or the PDF format of the WORF can be faxed to 281-893-5589, or mailed to 1001 Preston, Ste. 950, Houston, Texas 77002.

After hours, weekends, or holidays, please contact the Harris County operator at 713-755-5000 to report road hazards, such as blinking traffic lights, missing manhole covers or storm drain grates, missing stop signs, etc.

UPCOMING BOARD MEMBER ELECTION

If you have an interest in serving as a member of the SCIA Board of Directors, you can print a Board Member Questionnaire from the Steeplechase website and mail the completed form to Chaparral Management at P O Box 681007, Houston TX 77268. You can also email the questionnaire to cmc@chaparralmanagement.com. Questionnaires must be received by Chaparral Management before 5:00 p.m. on May 21, 2016 in order for your name to be placed on the Proxy.

On or before June 6, 2016, the Annual Meeting Notice along with a Proxy and a copy of your questionnaire will be mailed to all owners to consider when casting their proxy vote at the Annual Meeting of the Members scheduled for June 21, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. at the clubhouse. There will be two (2) Directors elected to serve a three (3) year term.



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SCIA BOD DETAILS ACTION TO BE TAKEN RESULTING FROM THE NEW AMENITY SURVEY

The BOD reviewed the Resident Survey results at the March meeting and decided to proceed as follows.

- SCIA will maintain four (4) tennis courts in “competitive play” condition. The four (4) lighted courts will be reconstructed in due course.
- SCIA will encourage MUD 168 to extend the Bayou Trail from the current end at Steepleway Blvd. to Steepleway Blvd. at the clubhouse bridge. The BOD also recommends that consideration should be given to inclusion of some physical fitness stations (for example, simple structures like a balanced beam, pull up bars, etc.), benches, lights, water features or other like items.
- The BOD will not develop amenities available at other local facilities; e.g. track and basketball at Emmott Elementary.
- Any infrastructure intense amenity (e.g., splash pad) will be sited at the clubhouse for easy access to existing utilities (water, power, etc.) and for access control to the amenity.

- SCIA will consider only low initial, low maintenance cost simple amenities, if any, on the greenbelts. Examples include a sand volleyball court and passive exercise stations (see above re Bayou Trail extension). No new permanent structures will be sited on the greenbelts; the greenbelts will remain basically the same as is.

- The BOD will evaluate (location, required square footage, initial cost, maintenance cost, etc.) the feasibility of three amenity options, splash pad, miniature golf and volleyball (sand and hard court). No capital funds for a new amenity will be spent in 2016. No development will happen until 2017 or beyond.

- The BOD will be contacting possible volunteers to help with these evaluations and planning.

If you have additional questions or comments, or if you want to volunteer to help, please contact Stacy Johnston at Chaparral Management Company. 3/29/2016



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events such as long jump, triple jump, high jump, discus, shot put and javelin. It is an excellent opportunity for track and field athletes to further develop their skills for middle or high school track, as well as a cross-training opportunity for football, soccer, swimming, and other fall programs. Our coaching staff is athlete-centered USATF certified coaches with experience training national qualifiers, Junior Olympic Medalist, and helping high school athletes obtain track and field scholarships. Visit the team website at <http://www.SpringKleinAthletics.org> for registration forms and information, or contact a Coach Carnes at (832) 415-0568 x101, or TeamSKA@skathletics.com

Cy-Fair Kiwanis Club

Come-learn about service organizations in your community; become involved in service to your community through involvement in the Cy-Fair Kiwanis Club. You will hear up-to-date information about issues confronting your community as well as other information that may be of value in your life.

Is your child a member of a Key Club in high school? The Cy-Fair Kiwanis Club sponsors all of the Key Clubs in the CFED. Kiwanis members attend Key Club meetings and service activities. We are proud of these Key Clubs and have chosen their sponsorship as one of our primary service projects.

Enjoy food and fellowship with others in the Cy-Fair area at regular meetings on the first, second, and third Tuesday of each month. The Club meets at 12:15 pm at Hearthstone Clubhouse. If you work or live in the area, we welcome your attendance at our meetings. We invite you to consider membership in the Cy Fair Kiwanis Club.

Meetings for the month of May will be held on May 3, 10 and 17. Enjoy a complimentary lunch with us and learn more about the organization. For more information, call George Crowl 832-467-1998 or John Carroll at 281-463-0373.

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Junior High Challenge Ladder

Steeplechase residents in sixth, seventh and eighth grade can participate in the junior high challenge ladder. Our goal is to get players well prepared for high school tennis team tryouts and team competition. Players can make challenges in four categories:

1. My school / my grade level
2. My school / Open division - all grades
3. All schools / my grade level - this matches players against other sixth, seventh or eighth graders from other schools
4. All schools / Open division

There is no charge for Steeplechase residents. For additional information or to sign up, contact Coach Royer.

Tennis Lessons for Kids and Adults

Private, semi-private and group lessons are available from U.S.P.T.A. certified coach, Rod Royer. Steeplechase residents receive a discounted rate of \$40 per hour, \$30 / 45 minute session and \$20 / 30 minutes. With use of an iPad, students and coach can analyze all shots instantly and understand the technical changes that need to be made. Please call or text Coach Royer to set up your first session.



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