

# NORMANDY FOREST

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## HURRICANE HARVEY

Our community is blessed to have so many residents helping those in need from the floods of Harvey. Many of our neighbors donated money, food, clothing, cleaning supplies and their time to help flood victims. A special thank you to the young people of our community for their outstanding service during this tough time.





# NORMANDY FOREST

## NORMANDY FOREST COMMITTEES

### THE ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE

Brian Badger ..... 281-353-1972  
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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.*

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# FLOODWATER MOSQUITOES

If you've been outside lately, you have most likely noticed the giant mosquitoes that seem to want to pick people up and carry them off. With recent weather conditions, floodwater mosquitoes have emerged in large numbers.

Floodwater mosquitoes lay their eggs above the water line in ponds, ditches, pastures, or other places where water collects. The eggs can remain in dry areas and when these areas are flooded the eggs hatch, leading to swarms of hungry mosquitoes. These mosquitoes are larger than mosquitoes we are used to and can swarm in high numbers.

While floodwater mosquitoes won't last forever, other mosquitoes called container breeding mosquitoes emerge when floodwaters begin to recede. Many of these species are ones that we are used to seeing around our homes.

Many things can help to reduce mosquito problems around the home. Eliminate all sources of standing water. Containers such as watering cans, buckets and bottles can turn into mosquito breeding grounds. Water should be drained from birdbaths, gutters, flowerpots and pet dishes at least once a week. Children's wading pools should be emptied of water at least once a week and stored so they cannot collect water when not in use. Tree holes should be filled in with sand or mortar, or drained after each rain. Leaky faucets and pipes located outside should be repaired.

Areas that cannot be drained, such as ponds or large rain collection systems, can be stocked with mosquito fish that eat mosquito larvae. Dunks can also be used in these areas. Dunks are a small, donut-shaped product that contains *Bacillus thuringiensis* var. *israeliensis*. The donut disrupts the life cycle of the mosquito and is non-toxic to humans, amphibians and fish.

When outside, wear loose-fitting, light colored clothing with long sleeves & long pants. Repellants containing active ingredients such as DEET, Picaridin, IR3535, or oil of lemon eucalyptus can be effective to keep mosquitoes from biting when activities cannot be rescheduled.

For more information or help with identification, contact Wizzie Brown, Texas AgriLife Extension Service Program Specialist at 512.854.9600. Check out my blog at [www.urban-ipm.blogspot.com](http://www.urban-ipm.blogspot.com)

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## HOA BOARD ELECTIONS

There are three directors up for re-election in November. If you would like to run in the upcoming HOA election, please contact Valerie Overbeck at Chaparral. 281-537-0957 for additional information.

## FLU VACCINES

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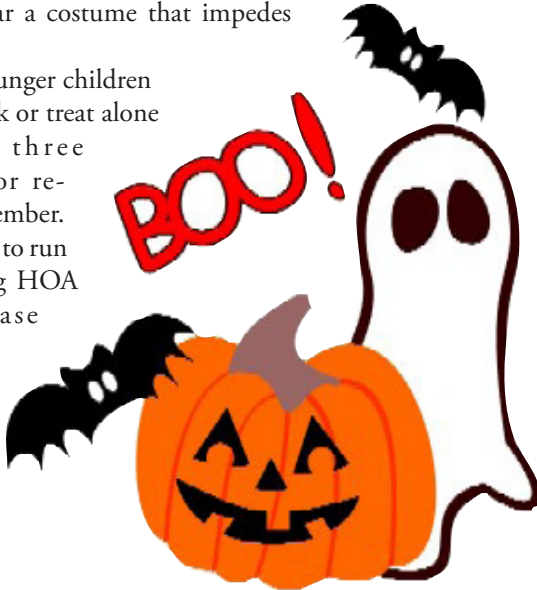


## HALLOWEEN

### REMEMBER:

- Put your porch light on if you will be distributing candy on Halloween
- Watch for children crossing streets
- Check candy before your child consumes any of it
- Carry a flashlight
- Don't wear a costume that impedes your sight
- Watch younger children
- Don't trick or treat alone

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## COOL WEATHER MEANS BROWN PATCH

With the onset of cooler weather and rain, there is another threat to Texas lawns. Brown patch is a disease caused by fungus. St. Augustine is the most common grass affected, but Zoysia and Bermuda are also susceptible. Affected areas will have circular shapes that are brown in color and will enlarge and merge together. This happens in late October to November. Fungicides are the most effective and it is best to apply them in the early stages of the disease. Lowes, Home Depot and Ace Hardware sell products that will easily treat this disease.



## PUMPKIN SNICKERDOODLES



### INGREDIENTS:

3 3/4 cups flour  
1 1/2 teaspoons baking powder  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon  
1/4 teaspoon ground nutmeg  
2 sticks unsalted butter, room temperature  
1 cup sugar  
1/2 cup dark brown sugar  
1 cup pumpkin puree  
1 large egg  
2 teaspoons vanilla extract

### FOR THE COATING:

1/2 cup sugar  
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon  
1/2 teaspoon ground ginger  
Dash of allspice

### DIRECTIONS:

- In a medium bowl, combine flour, baking powder, salt, cinnamon, and nutmeg. Whisk together to blend. In a large bowl, beat together butter and sugars on medium speed until well combined. Next, still on medium speed, beat in pumpkin.

Then, add the egg and vanilla extract. Lastly, add in the dry ingredients. Beat until combined, but do not over mix. Cover the dough, and refrigerate for one hour, until firm.

- Preheat oven to 350 degrees.
- Line baking sheets with parchment paper. In a small bowl, mix together the sugar and spices for the sugar coating. Scoop dough (approximately 2 1/2 tablespoons) and roll into a ball. Roll the dough ball in the sugar mixture, and place on the lined baking sheet, leaving about 2 inches between each cookie. Take a drinking glass with a flat bottom and moisten with water. Dip the glass in the sugar mixture, and use it to flatten the dough balls. Re-sugar the glass as needed.
- Bake the cookies for 10-12 minutes. Remove when the centers of the cookies have set. Let cool on the baking pan for approximately 5 minutes, and then transfer to wire to cool completely.



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