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Tips to Discourage Burglars

The association makes every effort to maintain a secure environment in our community, but there is only so much we're authorized to do. Unfortunately, illegal entries into homes in our area—and others—happen from time to time. Residents can do more to protect themselves and their property than the association can do. Here are a few common-sense suggestions for reducing your chances of being the target of burglary.

Install double-cylinder, dead-bolt locks on your outside doors and include a reinforced strike plate to strengthen the doorframe.

Lock all doors and windows no matter how briefly you'll be out of the house.

Install bars or lock pins on sliding doors and windows. These are available at local hardware or discount stores. Some mechanisms allow you to lock a sliding window or door in a partially-open position so you can enjoy fresh air securely while you're at home. However, if you go out, close the window and lock it.

That old trick of hiding a key somewhere outside your home is a bad idea. Burglars—or anyone who may have seen you hiding the key—will know where to find it. Instead, give a key to a neighbor or leave one with the association management office.

"John, I've gone to pick up your sister. I'll be home at 3:30.— Mom" This note also means, "Burglar, this house will be unoccupied for 45 minutes. Help yourself." Don't ever leave notes like this.

yapper or a yowler, please consider some of these bark-abatement ideas

to keep the noise down in your area. Your neighbors will thank you!

problem! Help is as close as the Yellow Pages. Training not only helps

your dog, you'll be surprised how much it helps you, too. You may get

some insight into why your dog barks so much, or what it is trying

Training. Always the first recommendation for any behavioral

Dogs left alone all day get bored and restless, and many find relief in barking. Some respond noisily to any and all activity. But, nothing is as annoying as incessant barking—even for dog lovers. If your dog is a

move on to one that does.

there's an emergency.

Confinement. Sometimes simply bringing an outspoken dog indoors or confining it to a crate can cut down on the disturbance to neighbors.

If you're going to be out of the house for a short time, leave a

If you're going to be away for a longer time, such as a vacation, take

a few simple precautions to keep your home from looking empty. Ask

a neighbor to collect your mail and keep the door and porch clear of

delivery notices, newspapers and fliers. Pick up several electric timers

at the local discount store, and use them to turn lights, a television

or radios on and off at various times during the day and evening.

Let your neighbors and the manager know how to reach you in case

Marking your valuable personal property won't prevent it from being stolen, but it will help you get it back if it is. Engrave your

driver's license number on items in a hidden area. Check with the

local fire department, police station or library to borrow an engraver.

They're also available at large discount stores and are worth the investment if you have many items to mark. Photographing the

item (and the engraved marking, if possible) will make it easier to retrieve your items from the police if they are recovered, and will aid

It doesn't take much to discourage a burglar. He succeeds on

opportunity, and if your home doesn't offer a good opportunity, he'll

in making an insurance claim if they aren't.

television or radio on to create a sense of activity and presence.

Reduce stimulus. Close drapes to help muffle street noise, or leave a radio on to mask it. Disconnect telephones and doorbells before leaving your home if they upset your dog or make it bark.

Companionship. Dogs are pack animals; they need companionship—a cat, bird, or another dog. Consider a mid-day visit from a pet-sitting service, or drop your pooch off at a friend's place or a day-care facility once or twice a week.

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to communicate.

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Guard House	281-357-4183

SCHOOLS

Tomball Independent School Dist	281-357-3100
Willow Creek Elementary	281-357-3080
Canyon Pointe Elementary	281-357-3122
Northpointe Intermediate	281-357-3020
Willow Wood Junior High	281-357-3030
Tomball High School	281-357-3220
Tomball Memorial High School	281-357-3170

PROPERTY TAX

Harris County Tax	713-224-1919
Mud #280 and Mud #15	
NW Harris WCID	

POLICE & FIRE

Emergency	1
Harris County Sheriff (Non Emergency)	0
Klein Vol. Fire Dept	9

MEDICAL

Tomball Regional Medical Center	281-401-7500
Methodist Willowbrook Hospital	
Houston Northwest Medical Center	
Cy-Fair Hospital	281-586-4700
Texas Sports Medicine Center	.281-351-6300
Poison Control	800-764-7661
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UTILITIES

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See You Later Summer!

It's that time of year—you're exchanged your swimsuit for sweaters and scarves just in time to roll up your sleeves and prepare you home for cooler weather. As we watch summer fade into the sunset, consider adding the following items to your winterization checklist, and ensure your home is in tip-top shape for the fall and winter seasons.

Update your window treatments. Summer's venetian blinds and sheer curtain panels won't keep the frigid air from creeping in on a cold night. Consider switching to a denser curtain fabric for the winter months to keep your home feeling cozy and keep heating bills low.

Schedule appliance check-ups. Your HVAC system, air ducts and hot water heater should be checked by a licensed professional to ensure all elements are in good shape for the change in weather—especially if any appliances worked overtime during summer months.

Don't forget the attic. Check for leaks in the roof, possible cracks in attic windows and insufficient insulation. With the help of a licensed professional or advice from your local home improvement store staff, you can shield your attic from harsh weather.

Replace weather stripping. Doors and windows need extra help to hold heat inside your home. Inspect all door and window perimeters for cracks or tears in your current weather stripping. You also can add a second layer of protection with temporary weather stripping applied overtop your existing seals.

Deep clean and declutter. Thoroughly clean your home's nooks and crannies inside and out. Ensure electrical cords, outlets and air vents are dust- and clutter-free; tidy up garages and storage areas; and clear any debris from your home's exterior, especially around vents and drains.





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	Nov 2 - 5 • Blowout's Biker Bash 2017	BlowoutBikerProductions.com
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	Nov 9 - 12 • 37th Annual Houston Ballet Nutcracker Market	NutcrackerMarket.com
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Annual Board Meeting

In accordance with the By-Laws for the Canyon Gate at Northpointe Homeowners Association, the 2018 Annual Meeting of the members will be held on January 18, 2018.

The purpose of the Annual Meeting of the members will be to elect one (1) Director to the Board of Directors of the Association for a term of three (3) years. A quorum of ten percent (10%) of the membership entitled to cast votes must be present, in person or by proxy, at the Annual Meeting.

If you are interested in being placed on the Ballot for the Board of Directors, please review and return the Candidate Information Form as directed in the attachment to the Canyon Gate at Northpointe Owners Association at the address above by December 10, 2016. You may also fax your form to 281-290-6774 or email it to staff@ cgnoa.com.

Please note: Completed Candidate Information Forms will be copied included with the Annual Meeting Notice for review prior to voting by each member. Candidate Information Forms will be printed (double-sided) in alphabetical order by last name. Please limit responses to one (1) page. It is recommended that responses be typed for ease of reading.

Thank you, Board of Directors

Canyon Gate at Northpointe Homeowners Association

Considering running for your community Board of Directors?

Board members are unpaid volunteers that are elected to serve three (3) year terms. If elected, you will share in the responsibilities of making decisions about where you live. Commitments vary from a couple of hours of email a week and 3-4 hours of meetings in any given month. Additional time commitments may also include special projects, committee liaison time and training hours throughout a calendar year. Of



As a Board member, you will want to carefully review and understand all the HOA's governing documents, such as the bylaws, articles of incorporation, covenants, conditions, and restrictions (CC&Rs), and day-to-day operating rules. The Association is also subject to Local, State and Federal Laws.

The Board's powers and duties is not limited to, but includes such things as:

• Enforcing provisions of the declaration, articles, and bylaws for the ownership and management of the development.

• Paying taxes and assessments that are, or could become, a lien on the common area.

• Contracting for insurance on behalf of the association.

• Contracting for goods or services for the common areas or for the association.

• Delegating powers to any committees, officers, or employees of the association as authorized by the governing documents.

• Preparing budgets and financial statements for the association.

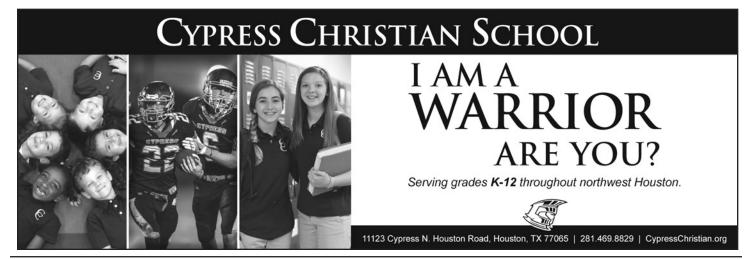
• Formulating rules of operation for the common areas and facilities, and

• Conducting disciplinary proceedings against members of the association for rule violations.

• Participate in training courses or gather information regarding the applicable Texas Property Laws.

Volunteering to serve as a Board member can be a serious commitment of time and energy.

If you have any further questions regarding running for the Board of Directors, please contact the management office at manager@cgnoa.com.



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course, some Board members volunteer much more time as their schedules permit.

The governing body (or Board of directors) of the HOA is responsible for the management of all aspects of the Association. It may delegate management of certain activities to other persons or businesses, such as a property management service, but it must retain ultimate control.

Board Candidate Application and Questionnaire

Please prepare and return a written statement regarding your desire to be a candidate for the Board. This statement will be included in the Annual Meeting Notices mailed to all owners of Canyon Gate at Northpointe OA, Inc.

Please note it is not a requirement that you prepare a written statement or provide any of the information suggested prior to the meeting as you may also be nominated from the floor at the Annual Meeting. However, it is requested that the information asked for below be provided so that the residents can have an initial impression of your qualifications and background.

Please submit your typed information on a 8.5 x11 sheet of paper. Submissions should not exceed 1 typed page.

Name:		
Phone: (H) (C)		
Address:		
Email:		
Owner Since?		
Occupation:		
Company:		
Have you ever served on a Homeowners Association Board or Committee?		
If yes, where and in what capacity?		
In what areas of the Association are you interested?		
ACC Gates/Security Deed Restriction Enforcement		
Parks/Irrigation/Landscape/ Newsletter/Communication/Website		
Social Other (explain)		
Introduction: Discuss your background, expertise or any experience that qualifies you for a Board of Directors position. (For example: occupation, organizations, education, special interests, regular meeting attendance, HOA committees, previous or existing involvement in an HOA, etc.)		
Why are you interested in running for the Board or remaining on the Board?		
What skills, qualities and practical experience would you bring to the Board of Directors?		
In what specific ways have you contributed to our community in the past? (If you are a new resident, provide examples from your previous community)		
What is an area of improvement that would benefit the entire neighborhood and why?		
What is your vision of the community five years from now?		

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We will be sending notices violation notices to owners whose trees are not in compliance with the following guidelines. The portion of the document which include the specific language regarding tree trimming is noted below:

"... Tree branches should not impede vehicle, emergency vehicle, school bus, delivery vehicle or pedestrian traffic. Branches are to be maintained at a minimum height of fourteen (14) feet above the roadway pavement and eight (8) feet above the pedestrian walkway or sidewalk."





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