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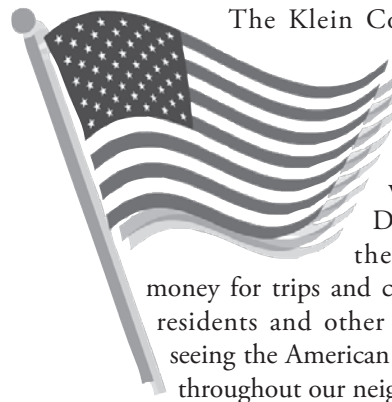
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Have a  
safe Fourth  
of July  
Neighbors!

## NORMANDY FOREST FLAG PROGRAM



The Klein Collins High School band, orchestra and choir have been putting flags up around our subdivision since 2005. The program was the brain child of MUD Director, Rich Doll, to help these high school kids earn money for trips and competitions. Over the years residents and other subdivisions have enjoyed seeing the American flags flying on every holiday throughout our neighborhood.

If there is ever a time your flag is missing or you have any concerns regarding the flag program you can email the Klein Collins Band at [KCMusicflags.com](mailto:KCMusicflags.com).

## TRASH PICK UP



receptacle as possible. Thank you!

Most Mondays and Thursdays trash is picked up by an automated truck. Trash that is not in the container will not be picked up. Please try to get as much in the trash

## WALL UPDATE

The Board thought we could get the wall started by May 1st. The last approvals that we thought would be a snap, just weren't that easy. We are pleased to announce that all the legal and technical matters are resolved, and that construction is scheduled to start on July 2, 2018.

The work will begin on Spring Cypress Road with the entire project taking about six months to complete.

There are three Phases. Phase 1-Spring Cypress and north up Falvel to Le Fleur. Phase 2- Le Fleur north to FM 2920. Phase 3-FM 2920 .

We are having resident meetings for each Phase, and we urge perimeter residents to attend when we schedule the meeting for your Phase of the construction. The Phase 1 meeting was held in April, and we will schedule the additional meetings about three to four weeks before construction starts on the next Phase. Please check the Newsletter, Next Door -Normandy Forest, and And Normandy Forest Facebook for updates and further information.

## CONGRATULATIONS

Willmarie Muniz Winner of the Harvey's Hero Award!

# NORMANDY FOREST

## NORMANDY FOREST COMMITTEES

### THE ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE

Brian Badger ..... 281-353-1972  
Cecil Mixon ..... 832-663-5200

*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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MUD #28 ..... Meet 4th Tuesday of the Month @ 6:30pm  
Hayes Utility South (Water & Sewer) ..... 281-353-9756  
Trash | Republic Waste ..... 281-446-2030  
Heavy Trash ..... 2nd Friday of the Month  
Fire Department | Spring VFD ..... 281-355-1266  
County Commissioner | Jack Cagle ..... 713-755-6444  
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### MANAGEMENT COMPANY

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### OFFICE HOURS

9am to 5pm | closed for lunch 12:30 to 1:15 pm

## SUMMER SAFETY RULES

Here are some steps you can follow to protect your loved ones from heatstroke:

- Look before you lock! Make a habit of checking your vehicle before leaving it.
- When a child is missing, check vehicles and car trunks early in your search.
- Keep vehicles locked at all times, even in the garage to ensure kids don't get in on their own. Keep car keys and/or keyless remote openers out of the reach of children.
- Create a reminder for yourself by putting something you'll need in the back seat of your car next to your child, like your cell phone, handbag, employee ID or briefcase, etc.
- If you ever see a child or an elderly person alone in a car, get involved. If they are hot or seem sick, get them out as quickly as possible. Call 9-1-1 or your local law enforcement immediately! Don't forget your pets! The same rules apply for our furry friends. Pets can suffer serious injuries when left in a hot car for as little as 15 minutes. Keep in mind that pets maintain a higher body temperature than humans and can't cool down as efficiently.
- Know before you go! If you are driving to a destination where

you cannot bring your pet inside with you, don't bring them in the first place. Leaving them alone in a hot car will only put them at serious risk.

- Your domestic pet can't cool down as effectively as humans. Unlike humans, pets don't have sweat glands over their entire body, only their noses and pads of their paws. They can only normalize their body temperatures through panting which isn't efficient under extreme conditions.

Have a safe summer!

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## Memorial Day



## GUESTS IN YOUR ATTIC

By Cheryl Conley, TWRC Wildlife Center



Who doesn't enjoy seeing squirrels scamper from tree to tree? Everyone loves seeing birds at their feeders. Who doesn't love seeing the does with their fawns? We live side by side with wildlife. Is it any wonder that conflicts arise between humans and the animals?

This is baby season for raccoons. You may find that a mama raccoon has taken up residence in your attic or garage. The best advice we can offer you is to leave her alone. Within a couple of weeks, she will lead her babies out of your attic or garage to live in the wild. If you just can't wait, here are a couple of things you can try. Put a bright light in the area at night and play some LOUD music. Some say talk radio is best. You can throw some moth balls in the area or ammonia-soaked cotton balls. She will probably choose to move the babies to a darker, quieter place outside. When she moves out, it's your responsibility to find out how she got in and block the entrance or your attic will always look like an apartment for rent to wildlife.

We often receive calls from homeowners asking for advice on how to stop raccoons that are getting into trash cans. Solution: try using some bungee cords to secure the top. Another issue we hear about is that raccoons are eating food that is being put out for feral cats. Since raccoons are nocturnal, simply removing the cat food at night will fix the problem except in the spring when mama raccoons can be seen looking for food during the day. No, they are not rabid! They are just hungry. Some homeowners ask about trapping and relocating. While removal may seem like a solution, it usually only creates an enticing vacancy for another animal in search of a meal. Remove raccoons from an area and it's only a matter of time before others move in to take their place. Additionally, the survival rate of relocated raccoons is very low. Raccoons are territorial and putting a lone raccoon into an area already populated with other raccoons can often result in death as the other raccoons will consider him/her as an intruder.

There are products available that may help not only with raccoons but other animals as well. One such product is the motion-activated sprinkler. When an animal gets close to the food source, the sprinkler goes off and scares them away. Just do an internet search and I'm certain you'll find other products that may work as well.

With urban sprawl and loss of habitats, we need to learn to live in harmony with wildlife. TWRC Wildlife Center can often help you find solutions to your issues. Check our website at [www.twrcwildlifecenter.org](http://www.twrcwildlifecenter.org) or call us at 713-468-8972.



# SPORTS PHYSICALS

FOR ALL SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

**SATURDAY, JULY 28**  
**8 A.M. – NOON**

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Calling all NEW and current Aggie moms! We would love to see you at one of the Aggie Mom mixers this summer, hosted by the Northwest Harris County Aggie Mom's club. This is a great opportunity for you to meet other Aggie moms, and to meet members of the NWHC Aggie Mom's Club, in a fun & casual get-together! The dates for the mixers are in June & July. Please check our website (above) for details on dates & locations. Come alone or bring another Aggie Mom with you! Dress is casual.

And please mark your calendars for Tues, August 14th at 6:30 pm. at the Houston Distributing Company, 7100 High Life Drive, Houston, Texas!! This our annual Howdy party, and a great way to meet other Aggie Moms, find out about upcoming events, and enter for a chance to win a door prize! We welcome all Aggie Moms, whether of freshman Aggies, current Aggie students or former Aggies. We'd love to meet you!

## THINKING HOLIDAYS?

The Ladies Auxiliary from St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church will hold their 26th Annual Gingerbread Village Holiday Market on October 27, 2018. If you are interested in showcasing your arts, craft, products, etc., consider joining us as a vendor this year! For an application or more information regarding this event, please email: [gingerbreadvillage@yahoo.com](mailto:gingerbreadvillage@yahoo.com).



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## SPIDER MITES

It's hot. It's dry. It's time for spider mites. Spider mites are very small to microscopic in size and depending on how good your eyesight is, you may not be able to see them without a good hand lens or microscope.

While spider mites are not insects- they are arachnids and more closely related to spiders than insects- they are pests in the landscape. Most spider mites produce a webbing around their colony. It starts on the underside of leaves and will expand out as the population increases.

Feeding can cause leaves to discolor, creating a speckled appearance on foliage. With severe infestations, leaves discolor to a silver or bronze color which may result in leaves dropping from the plant. While mites feed on the underside of leaves, damage is more apparent on the tops.

Spider mites lay their eggs along the leaf vein during the growing season. Eggs are round and large in size when compared to adult mites. Some species of spider mites peak during warmer months of the year while others become more active in the cooler months of the year. The mites are able to develop more quickly when temperatures are warmer, with some spider mites going from egg to adult in less than 1 week. Spider mites thrive in dry conditions while their natural enemies require more humid conditions. Dry conditions allow spider mite populations to grow with little predation or parasitism that would help to keep the population at an acceptable level.

There are many predatory arthropods that feed on spider mites. Some of these include predatory mites, spider mite destroyers (a type of ladybug), minute pirate bugs, big-eyed bugs, and predatory thrips. Proper watering of plants may help to reduce spider mite outbreaks as it can reduce stress brought on by drought. Using strong jets of water directed on plants can also help to dislodge spider mites. Miticides or acaricides can be used to manage spider mite outbreaks. Look for active ingredients such as horticultural oils (watch temperature when you use oils), insecticidal soaps, spinosad, abamectin, bifenthrin, dimethoate, or acephate.

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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