

ATASCOCITA FOREST COMMUNITY GAZETTE



THE OFFICIAL MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE ATASCOCITA FOREST COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

ATASCOCITA FOREST COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION BOARD

The mission of the Atascocita Forest Community Association Board is to represent the homeowners and work for the common good of our neighbors. The members of the board are your neighbors.

They live in Atascocita Forest and serve voluntarily for three-year terms. They are elected to the Board of Directors by Atascocita Forest residents at the Annual Meeting in February. Above all, the members of the board care about the community and the people who live here.

One of the primary duties of the board is to administer the regulations contained in the Atascocita Forest covenants and guidelines. Though these decisions sometimes cause disagreement, please remember that the regulations are designed to protect the property values in our neighborhood, which in turn protects the interests of all residents.

Your Current Board Members Are:

Troy King - President/Treasurer

Kesha Stubblefield - Vice President

Tomasina Sampa - Secretary

Norman Laskie – Director

AFCA September Yard of the Month



The AFCA Board is pleased to recognize Kevin Walters at 16307 Mossy Grove Dr. as the September Winner of Yard of the Month! Congratulations and thank you for helping to keep our neighborhood beautiful! Yard of the Month runs from April - September this year. Photos of the winners are available on our website: www.atascocitaforest.org

SAVE THE DATE!

HOA Board Meetings are the 2nd Monday of every month. The next meeting will be October 14th, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. It will be held at the Atascocita Forest Community Pool located at 17415 Woodland Hills Drive, Humble, TX 77346.

The MUD Board generally meets on the last Monday of the month at noon at the offices of: Radcliffe Bobbitt Adams Polley PLLC 2929 Allen Parkway, Suite 3450 Houston, Texas 77019 The next meeting will be Monday, September 30, 2019 at Noon.



ATASCOCITA FOREST

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

EMERGENCY	911
Harris County Animal Control	281-999-3191
Poison Control.....	800-222-1222

NON-EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Pct 4 Constable Non-Emergency Dispatch.....	281-376-3472
Atascocita Volunteer Fire Dept.	281-852-2181
Harris County Precinct 4	281-376-3472
Texas No Call List Registration	866-TXN-OCAL
Emergency Roadside Assistance.....	800-525-5555

SCHOOLS

Humble ISD	281-540-1775
Whispering Pines Elementary.....	281-641-2500
Humble Middle School.....	281-641-2500
Humble High School	281-641-6300

UTILITY NUMBERS

Report Power Outage - Centerpoint.....	713-207-7777
Report Street Light Outage - Centerpoint	713-207-2222
Report Gas Leak - Centerpoint	713-659-2111
Centerpoint (Gas)	713-659-2111
Call Before You Dig	811
Water - SiEnvironmental.....	832-490-1600
Emergency Number.....	832-490-1601
Electricity - Multiple Providers.....	www.powertochoose.org
Trash - RR&R of Texas.....	866-516-9805
MUD District	www.TrailoftheLakesMUD.com

PUBLIC SERVICES

Humble Post Office.....	281-540-1775
DPS Office.....	281-446-3391
Harris County Clerk (Will Clayton Pkwy.)	281-540-1173

NEIGHBORHOOD MANAGEMENT

Community Asset Management	
www.CommunityAssetManagement.com	
Pam Valentine.....	pvalentine@cam-texas.com

ATASCOCITA FOREST COMMUNITY ASSOC.

Email the Board	board@atascocitaforest.org
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Newsletter questions.....	newsletter@atascocitaforest.org

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Have You Logged On Yet?

<https://www.atascocitaforest.org/>

- Features of the Atascocita Forest Community Intranet include:
- Receive e-blasts from the Association (i.e. Association news, announcements, community events, local area happenings and more!)
 - Resident Directory
 - Current Events and Activities
 - Documents and Forms (i.e. ACC guidelines, deed restrictions, financials etc.)
 - Event Photos and MORE!

Street Light Out?

Street Light Out? Centerpoint Energy maintains streetlights throughout Atascocita Forest. If a light is out or blinking, please report it. We pay for all of the street lights in our subdivision... every month... regardless if they are illuminated or not!! This is also a serious safety issue. To report an outage, follow these steps:

Call CenterPoint at (713) 207-2222 during normal business hours (7am -7 pm) or

Report it online at <http://cnp.centerpointenergy.com/outage>.

You will be asked to provide the following:

- A pole number for the non-functioning lights you want to report.
 - Contact information (in case more information is needed to locate a streetlight)
 - An e-mail address (if you want feedback regarding your repair request)
 - The number of streetlights you would like to report
- The system will guide you through the remaining steps.
Streets

Traffic Issues

When a resident reports that someone has run a stop sign or is speeding, refer them to the local police department's non-emergency number. We can't control the way people drive but we can be understanding of the residents concern and listen. Referring them to local law enforcement is the only suggestion we can make.

Who to Contact Info

Harris County Sheriff <http://www.harriscountysoc.org>
(713) 221-6000

Constables Prec. 4 <http://www.cd4.hctx.net>
(281) 376-3472

The AFCA HOA Board is looking for volunteers to assist and potentially join the Board!



Are you looking for a rewarding way to get involved in your community? Do you know want to get to know your neighbors better? Do you want to take a proactive role in ensuring your property values are preserved for the immediate future and in the long run? Then you might be the one we are looking for!

What are the traits of a great Board Member?

Enjoy volunteering – Board Members must work without compensation and have the time, patience and enthusiasm needed to solve community issues.

Are civic-minded – The best board members get to know their neighbors, enjoy building community, take pride in the place they live and put the community's best interests first.

Have mettle – Managing a community is challenging. We need HOA board members with a can-do attitude who refuse to get discouraged, even when faced with tough decisions and situations.

Exercise fairness – Board members are there to serve their community and demonstrate respect to all community members,

regardless of how they feel about an issue personally. Rules must be applied evenly to all community members.

Take their role seriously – As a potential Board member, you have a fiduciary responsibility to a large non-profit corporation (the home owners association) that controls valuable community assets.

Have a mind for business – Board members need to see the big picture and make sure long-term business decisions that will ultimately increase property values for all residents.

What is the time commitment?

Each term is 3 years. While the Board meets officially once a month, it is not uncommon to meet outside the traditional meeting schedule on committees, or in workshop meetings to discuss specific topics. In addition, there is virtually daily contact with the property management company, vendors and other Board members.

How do I volunteer?

Once you are sure you meet all the qualifications and time available to commit, please attend the next monthly meeting and express interest. We will be discussing potential candidates and meeting each candidate individually to discuss potentially filling a vacancy on the board.



We are looking into adding some new articles in the newsletter. Please feel free to e-mail newsletter@atascocitaforest.org on any of the below and we will do our best to include it. Several suggestions are as follows:

Questions and Answers section: This is your chance to ask questions regarding the neighborhood and potentially have them answered. Please keep in mind this cannot include questions regarding specific deed restrictions violation letters. We will do our best to answer any questions possible.

Restaurant Reviews: Do you have a review of a favorite local restaurant in our area or would you like to see a review on one? Have you been to a local restaurant and done a review or would you like for us to have someone try it out? Let us know the name of the business and the location and we will try to have your review added or have it reviewed.

Special Announcements: Do you have something special you want the neighborhood to know about? Let us know about special events in the area or anything you would like the neighborhood to know about and we will try to include it!

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LANDSCAPING TIPS

October

- The fourth batch of fertilizer should be applied on the first week.
- Continue with the regular mowing schedule.
- Start your fall clean up by removing all leaf, plant debris and diseased plant parts.
- Perennials and other plants that need insulation during winter need new mulch to be installed.
- Water landscapes plants well until the ground is frozen.
- Dig and store tender perennials, tubers and summer bulbs.
- Divide perennials and reduce unwanted plants in bed.
- Prune back roses. Cover root flares or trunks with mulch.
- Drain pipes and blow out irrigation systems.
- Spring flowering bulbs can be installed by the end of the month.
- Spray anti-desiccant on plants.
- Fertilize trees and shrubs by using balanced fertilizers.
- Turn water off to exterior features by the second week.
- Inspect outdoor lights, replace and repair if necessary.
- If you have a pond, it needs to be cleaned out.

November

- You can continue to cut grass until it stops growing.
- Start installing winter burlap screening to protect plants from the winds and temperatures below 50°F.
- The fifth and last application of fertilizer should be done by the second week of the month.
- Cut down perennial beds after several killing frosts.
- Clear up any leaves left behind in the landscape.
- Check the catch basins, drainages and window wells.
- Soil pH levels should be checked.
- Hoses and other gardening equipment should be stored and put away properly.



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HOA Updates

Community Pool – Greater Houston Pool Management has been contracted to maintain and clean the pool and pool equipment and provide lifeguards during the 2019 swimming season.

The pool has officially closed for the season as of Labor Day, September 2nd, 2019.

The Park – A complete list of park and pool rules can be viewed on the Atascocita Forest website, under Community Amenities.

Community Clubhouse – Two modular buildings have been approved for purchase to for use as a future Community Clubhouse. A deposit has been made to secure the buildings and bids will soon be requested for the additional needs to extend the parking into the current picnic area, relocation of the picnic area along with new barbecue pits, landscaping needs, utility needs, etc. There are no new updates at the moment.

HHS Theater Presents: She Kills Monsters

Come join us at Humble High School on October 3rd, 4th and 5th at 7 p.m. as the Theatre presents She Kills Monsters.

She Kills Monsters tells the story of high school student Agnes Evans as she deals with the death of her younger sister, Tilly. When Agnes stumbles upon Tilly's Dungeons and Dragons notebook, she finds herself catapulted into a journey of discovery and action-packed adventure in the imaginary world that was her sister's refuge.



Trunk Or Treat

Whispering Pines Elementary PTA and Atascocita Forest Community Association would like to invite you out to our Trunk or Treat. All ages welcome!

Where: Whispering Pines Elementary School Parking lot: 17321 Woodland Hills Drive, Humble, TX 77346

When: Thursday, October 31st, 2019 from 6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Bring you decorated vehicle out to hand out candy and enter in the card decoration contest. A sign up for parking spots will be set up with the Whispering Pines Elementary PTA prior to the event. Please make sure to sign up prior to the event. You can reach them at www.myvlink.org/WhisperingPinesPTA or on Facebook at www.facebook.com/WPEHumblePTA

Please bring your family and friends to enjoy the music, get candy and participate in the costume contest. Food will be available for sale.



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Lago Forest Park

Thank you to the Trail of the Lakes M.U.D. Board for the Districts First Park. The Board held a ribbon cutting ceremony and Dedication Ceremony at the new Lago Forest Park located at 5000 ½ Dappled Grove Trail on the southeast corner of Lago Forest Drive and Dappled Grove Trail on Saturday, September 7th 2019 at 10 a.m. Other projects completed include the two fitness stations located in the cul de sac areas on Wintergreen Dr and Pinion Court separately. Construction continues on the walking trails and you can find more out about the projects on the Trail of the Lakes webpage: <https://www.trailofthelakesmud.com/parks-and-trails/> or by attending their monthly meeting at: Radcliffe Bobbitt Adams Polley PLLC 2929 Allen Parkway, Suite 3450 Houston, Texas 77019 at noon on the last Monday of each month.



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Humble ISD 2019-20 Calendar

August

- 1-2 Staff Workdays**
- 5-9 Staff Workdays
- 12 First Day of School
- 15 MS and HS Late Arrival*
- 16 HMS/SMS Early Dismissal
- 22 MS and HS Late Arrival*
- 23 HMS/SMS Early Dismissal
- 29 MS and HS Late Arrival*
- 30 HMS/SMS Early Dismissal

September

- 2 Labor Day Holiday
- 12 MS and HS Late Arrival*
- 13 HMS/SMS Early Dismissal
- 19 MS and HS Late Arrival*
- 20 HMS/SMS Early Dismissal
- 23 Elementary Holiday/Staff Workday
- 26 MS and HS Late Arrival*
- 27 HMS/SMS Early Dismissal

October

- 3 MS and HS Late Arrival*
- 4 HMS/SMS Early Dismissal
- 7-11 Student & Teacher Holiday
- 17 MS and HS Late Arrival*
- 18 HMS/SMS Early Dismissal
- 24 MS and HS Late Arrival*
- 25 HMS/SMS Early Dismissal
- 31 MS and HS Late Arrival*

November

- 1 Elementary Holiday/Staff Workday/
Parent Conferences
- 1 HMS/SMS Early Dismissal
- 7 MS and HS Late Arrival*
- 8 HMS/SMS Early Dismissal
- 14 MS and HS Late Arrival*
- 15 HMS/SMS Early Dismissal
- 21 MS and HS Late Arrival*
- 22 HMS/SMS Early Dismissal
- 25-29 Thanksgiving Break

December

- 19 MS and HS Early Release
- 20 Early Release for All Schools
- 23-Jan. 3 Winter Break

January

- 6 All Students Holiday/Staff Workday
- 7 Spring Semester Classes Begin
- 15 MS and HS Late Arrival*
- 17 HMS/SMS Early Dismissal
- 20 MLK Day Holiday
- 30 MS and HS Late Arrival*
- 31 HMS/SMS Early Dismissal

February

- 3-7 Student & Teacher Holiday
- 13 MS and HS Late Arrival*
- 14 HMS/SMS Early Dismissal
- 17 Elementary Holiday/Staff Workday
- 20 MS and HS Late Arrival*
- 21 HMS/SMS Early Dismissal
- 27 MS and HS Late Arrival*
- 28 HMS/SMS Early Dismissal

March

- 5 MS and HS Late Arrival*
- 6 HMS/SMS Early Dismissal
- 9-13 Spring Break
- 15 Elementary Holiday/Staff Workday
- 19 MS and HS Late Arrival*
- 20 HMS/SMS Early Dismissal
- 26 MS and HS Late Arrival*
- 27 HMS/SMS Early Dismissal

April

- 2 MS and HS Late Arrival*
- 3 HMS/SMS Early Dismissal
- 10 Good Friday Holiday
- 23 MS and HS Late Arrival*
- 24 HMS/SMS Early Dismissal
- 30 MS and HS Late Arrival*

May

- 1 HMS/SMS Early Dismissal
- 22 High School Early Release
- 25 Memorial Day Holiday
- 28 MS and HS Early Release
- 29 Early Release for all Schools
- 29 Last Day of School

June

- 1-4 Teacher & Staff Workdays

Inclement Weather Days:

Feb. 3 & 4
May become student school days if time is lost to bad weather. Otherwise, will be Student & Teacher Holidays/ Administrative Workdays.

Regular School Hours

Elementary School: 7:55 a.m. to 3:20 p.m.
 Middle School: 8:25 a.m.* to 4 p.m.
 *HMS/SMS begin at 8:20 a.m.
 High School: 7:15 a.m. to 2:50 p.m.

Student Days

Elementary School 171
 Middle School & High School 175

Teacher Days 187

July 2019

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March 2020

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May 2020

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June 2020

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* HMS and SMS do not participate in Late Arrival days

** District Comp Days: Aug. 1 & 2

Legend

- Holiday
 - Semester Begins/Ends
 - All Students Holiday/Staff Workday
 - Elementary Holiday/Staff Workday
 - Summer Closing Days
 - Student & Teacher Holiday/ Administrative Workday
 - STAAR/EOC Projected State Testing Days
- Calendar subject to change if the state changes testing days.

All grade levels (K-12) will have 9-week grading periods.

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