

# THE ATASCOCITA FOREST COMMUNITY GAZETTE

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## ATASCOCITA FOREST 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.

### Current Board Members are:

Troy King - President/Treasurer  
Kesha Stubblefield - Vice President  
Norman Laskie - Director  
Janet Cowart - Director

We are currently in need of an additional volunteer for the Board to fill a recently vacated seat by Tomasina Sampa, who was the secretary. We would like to thank Tomasina for her service and wish you good luck in your future ventures. Whomever is interested in filling the role, please contact us at [board@atascocitaforest.com](mailto:board@atascocitaforest.com) for more information.

## Upcoming Events April 4th

The District will offer another free e-recycling event in Spring 2020. Electronic Recyclable items include: personal computers (PC's), keyboards and mice, speakers, cords and cables, game consoles, laptops, hard drives, car batteries, fax machines, printers, cell phones, rechargeable batteries, projectors, telephones, toner cartridges, PDA's, and more. Please visit the District's website [www.trailofthelakesmud.com/garbage](http://www.trailofthelakesmud.com/garbage) for a full list of acceptable items, or about recycling materials accepted and general garbage collection.

You will be required to wait for assistance when disposing of your electronic waste.

### Saturday April 4, 2020

10am-12pm

Humble Middle School Parking Lot, 11207 Will Clayton Parkway, Humble, TX 77346

### May 9th

Come pick up your pool tags for FREE at the Atascocita Forest pool! One pool tag will be issued per family / Household and is good for up to 6 people, including

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## April

04.....F- Recycling Collection Event 10 am- 12 pm  
Humble Middle School Parking Lot.....11207 Will Clayton Parkway, Humble, TX 77346

13.....Monthly HOA Board Meeting 6:30 pm  
AFCA Community Pool.....17415 Woodland Hills Dr, Humble TX 77346

27.....Monthly MUD Board Meeting 12:00 pm  
RBAP PLLC Office.....2929 Allen Parkway, Suite 3450, Houston, Texas 77019

## May

09.....Pool Tag Pick Up Day 8 am- 10 pm  
AFCA Community Pool.....17415 Woodland Hills Dr, Humble TX 77346

16.....Pool Party & Tag Pick Up Day 12 pm- 4 pm  
AFCA Community Pool.....17415 Woodland Hills Dr, Humble TX 77346

23.....Pool Opens for Memorial Weekend Only  
Friday 5/23 12 am- 8 pm - Saturday 5/24 12 am- 8 pm - Sunday 5/25 12 pm- 7 pm

TBA.....Monthly MUD Board Meeting 12:00 pm  
RBAP PLLC Office.....2929 Allen Parkway, Suite 3450, Houston, Texas 77019

29.....AFCA Community Pool Officially Opens

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## 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
Website Questions/Problems .....	website@atascocitaforest.org
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### BOARD MEMBERS

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household residents and guests. Tags not picked up during this free event can be purchased at the CAM office but will incur a \$5 fee. Additional tags will also be available at a \$5 fee limit one additional tag per household.

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8 am-10 am

AFCA Community Pool, 17415 Woodland Hills Dr, Humble TX 77346

#### May 16th

Come pick up your pool tags for FREE at the Atascocita Forest pool! One pool tag will be issued per family / Household and is good for up to 6 people, including household residents and guests. Tags not picked up during this free event can be purchased at the CAM office but will incur a \$5 fee. Additional tags will also be available at a \$5 fee limit one additional tag per household.

Come enjoy a fun-filled afternoon at the pool with your neighbors! Residents are welcome to bring food and drinks to the event, and coolers are welcome. Alcohol is not permitted. Pets are not allowed in the pool area. Residents are also encouraged to bring folding chairs to ensure adequate seating for everyone!

#### Saturday May 16, 2020

12 am - 4 pm

AFCA Community Pool, 17415 Woodland Hills Dr, Humble TX 77346

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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!

## HOA Updates

**Community Pool** – Blue Water Recreational Services LLC has been contracted to maintain and clean the pool and pool equipment for the 2020 year's maintenance and lifeguard services. The board will be standardizing the hours of operation for the coming pool year. The pool will reopen at the end of May 2020. The Board has approved the bid based on the guarantee of a higher quality lifeguard in hopes of a more successful pool year. The upcoming season will include a reduction in the number of persons allowed in per tag. There will be one tag provided free of charge per household with up to 6 people per tag. Additional tags will be available at a small charge of \$5.00 per tag.

The Park – A-Z Wright's Tree Service was contracted for a drain to be installed in between an area between the play structures to assist with standing water issues. Bids are still being received and reviewed for pressure washing of the buildings, play structures, as well as the concrete sidewalks. Fence removal and reconfigurations work has been contracted to FenceLine to remove two sections of fencing along the old Park Picnic area and along the Elementary School to assist in the next phases of construction. The section along the school is to be replaced after the buildings are installed and new fencing is to be run on the opposite side to keep the Park area secure. Bids are also being sought for additional Kiddie Cushion to replace some of the lower areas in the playground. The security locks on the Park will be repaired and new security fobs will be issued to all residents. Please watch for an announcement on what day the new fobs will be handed out.

**Community Clubhouse** – Two buildings have been approved for purchase to for use as a future Community Clubhouse. A deposit has been made to secure the buildings along with the first payment. The trash cans are still pending relocation along with the Doggy Doo station that is currently located in the former picnic area. Bids are being requested to extend the parking into the current picnic area, landscaping needs, utility needs, to remodel the modular buildings as needed for community appeal and functionality, etc.

## Carrot Cake Thumbprint Cookies



You can have your cake and eat it, too--as a cookie! The bases for these thumbprints are studded with grated carrots, chopped pecans, golden raisins, and rolled oats. The creamy filling features fresh goat cheese (cream cheese would work in its place) and a swirl of apricot jam. The result? Layers of flavor in every bite.

### Ingredients

- 1 stick unsalted butter, melted, plus ½ stick, room temperature for frosting
- 1/3 cup packed light-brown sugar
- 1/3 cup granulated sugar
- 1 large egg yolk, room temperature
- 1 cup all purpose flour
- ½ teaspoon ground ginger
- ½ teaspoon ground cinnamon
- ¾ teaspoon coarse salt
- ¾ cup old-fashioned rolled oats
- ¾ cup packed finely grated carrots (about 3)
- ¼ cup golden raisins, chopped
- ¾ cup pecans, finely chopped
- ¼ cup confectioners' sugar
- 2 ounces cream cheese, room temperature
- 1 ½ teaspoons apricot jam

### Instructions

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees. In a large bowl, whisk together melted butter, brown and granulated sugars and yolk. In another bowl, whisk together flour, ginger, cinnamon and salt. Stir flour mixture into butter mixture to combine. Mix in oats, carrots and raisins. Cover and refrigerate for 30 minutes.

2. Roll dough into 1 ½ inch balls; roll balls in pecans to coat. Space 2 inches apart on parchment lined baking sheets. Bake for 10 minutes. Remove from oven; press an indentation into the center of each cookie with the end of a wooden spoon. Bake until golden brown on bottoms, 10 to 12 minutes more. Transfer cookies to a wire rack and let cool.

3. In a bowl, beat remaining ½ stick of butter and confectioners' sugar on medium until smooth. Beat in cream cheese until just combined. Swirl in jam. Fill the center of each cookie with cream cheese mixture and serve.



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## 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

## LANDSCAPING TIPS

### April

- If turf is dry opt for a dethatch/verti-cut lawn.
- Remove all leaves, debris and leaves as part of your spring cleanup completion.
- Check if the window wells, catch basins and other drainages are clean.
- Before Forsythias finishes its bloom you should apply the first round of turf fertilizer that has crabgrass pre-emergent. Do not put any crabgrass pre-emergent on areas where the lawn is thin.
- Mow lawn as required by conditions. Try not to remove more than 1/3 of the grass plant a time.
- Fertilize spring bulbs late in the bloom cycle. If you have tulips fertilize them while blooming and after.
- Reestablish and cultivate bed edges. Apply pre-emergent to beds.
- If the soil is not overly wet you can transfer, plant or divide perennials.
- Plant spring pansies for color.
- Ornamental planting beds can be fertilized for slow release of fertilizers. Ground covers should also be fertilized as well.
- Start monitoring the grounds for pests.
- On the first Sunday of April reset your automatic timers on outdoor lighting. Check the bulbs and replace them if necessary.
- On the second week of April you can turn on your irrigation system. You should also check if all zones and/or heads are working properly.
- Hardscapes should be checked for damage from the winter weather. Make repairs as necessary.

## Atascocita Forest Pool Schedule

We are looking forward to a successful pool season this year with Blue Water Recreational Services providing our services this year. If there are any issues feel free to e-mail [pool@atascocitaforest.org](mailto:pool@atascocitaforest.org) so that we may have the issues resolved as soon as possible.

### THE POOL WILL BE CLOSED MONDAYS FOR CLEANING

May 23-25 | Friday -Saturday 11 AM - 8PM | Sunday 12 pm - 7 PM

May 29-31 | Friday -Saturday 11 AM - 8PM | Sunday 12 pm - 7 PM

June -July | Tuesday - Saturday 11 AM- 8 PM | Sunday 12 PM - 7 PM

August 1st -August 13th | Friday -Saturday 11 AM - 8PM

Sunday 12 pm - 7 PM

August 15th - September 6th **WEEKENDS ONLY** Saturday 11 AM -

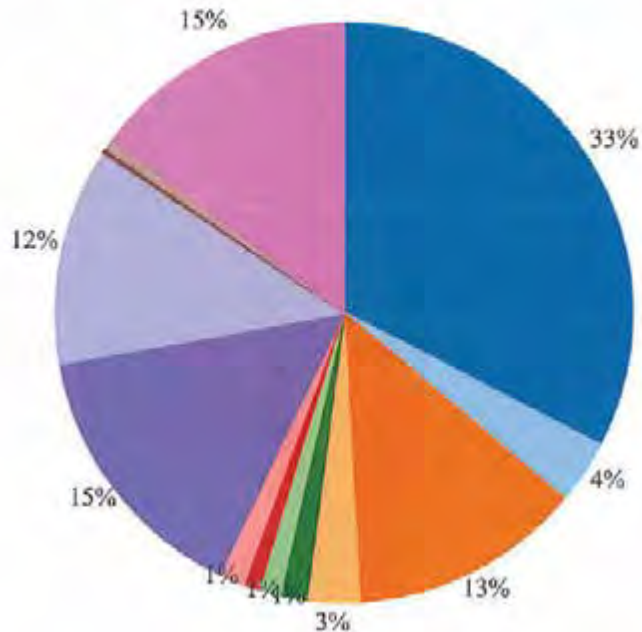
8PM Sunday 12 pm - 7 PM

Labor Day September 7th Monday 11 AM - 8PM

## MONTHLY MEETING STATISTICS

- We are 70% collected on HOA
- dues as of February 31st
- We are up 1% in collections as of the same time last year
- 338 Deed Restriction Violations
- were issued for January
- 5 Residents attended the February 2020 Board meeting

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#### Water Safety Instructors (Ages 16+)

If you're **at least 16 years old** and a **proficient swimmer**, you can become an American Red Cross Water Safety instructor with Sweetwater Pools, Inc. Learn to **teach children** and adults to swim, and give water safety presentations to your community.

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Monthly Contract Stats

## TRAIL OF THE LAKES MUD

For January 2020

### Categories

Burglary Habitation: 0	Burglary Vehicle: 3	Theft Habitation: 1
Theft Vehicle: 1	Theft Other: 0	Robbery: 0
Assault: 1	Sexual Assault: 0	Criminal Mischief: 0
Disturbance Family: 6	Disturbance Juvenile: 0	Disturbance Other: 18
Alarms: 25	Suspicious Vehicles: 19	Suspicious Persons: 11
Runaways: 2	Phone Harrassment: 1	Other Calls: 147

### The Atascocita Forest Security Patrol noted the following in addition to the constables above statistics.

1. 9 Vehicles Stickered in the neighborhood (parked the wrong way, possible abandoned, flat tires, damaged, parked for long periods, parking near curbs, and expired registration.)

2. 8 Sex Offenders in the Subdivision. Checked and verified with Harris County Sheriff's Office Sex Offender Registry and all requirements were met as of January 15, 2020. No issues or violations at this time. For complete detail of addresses and case information, visit the DPS Website.

3. 10 suspicious/possible stolen/abandoned vehicles license plates ran in the neighborhood.

a. License plates ran through TCIC/NCIC for stolen. No stolen vehicles found and/or recovered in the neighborhood in the month of January.

4. Vacation Watch Request: None report this month.

5. Vacant Houses were checked. No issues found.

a. House at 16700 Quiet Trail was secured. Both front and rear doors. House was looked at by HOA and pictures were taken and forwarded to Pam for action.

6. Calls for service answered and On-Viewed by Extra Security.

a. Solicitor – Solicitors located on Oaktrace and Mistylace,

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Crestline, Shrub Oak. Lawn company placing cards on people's doors. They were told to leave. No issues

b. Loud noise complaints:

i. 17500 block of Favor Bend Ct.

ii. 3600 block of Trace Ct.

iii. 16300 block of Mango Ridge

c. Suspicious persons

i. 17600 block of Favor Bend – Male questioned and identified.

Visiting a friend in the neighborhood

ii. 3600 block of Woodlace – 2 males questioned and identified.

Lives in the neighborhood.

iii. 3900 block of Wells Mark – Male and Female walking down the street at 1am. Both were questioned and followed until they made it home.

d. Civil Standby – 16700 block of Quiet Trail

e. 5 Meet the Citizen calls in the neighborhood. No issues reported.

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