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TMCC General Meeting

*Tuesday, May 9th
at 6:30 P.M.*

Sinclair Elementary

Join us for pizza and snacks
before the meeting.

Children are always welcome
and there will be a craft table
setup to keep them busy.

TMCC Independence Day Ice Cream Social

Tuesday, July 4th

See inside for more details!



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Easter Highlights

Photos Credit: Jeff Wayt

The sun was shining and the eggs were filled and we had an amazing time at this years' TMCC Easter Egg Hunt Sponsored by TMCC neighbor and Realtor Elizabeth McCormick of Compass Realty. Thanks to our very talented volunteers, our Easter Bunny had a beautiful bench for photos and some great family memories were made.

The amazing teams at Heights Mobil Car Care and LifeBrook Church (formerly Lazybrook Baptist) stuffed and donated the eggs for the hunt and the kids enjoyed the race for maximum candy fun. Faces were painted, temp tattoos were stuck and crafts were colored during this great community event. Our neighborhood photographer, Jeff Wayt, was able to capture some great action shots at the Sinclair Spark Park.

Our generous sponsors and volunteers make this all possible and we are so grateful for their continued support of our Timbergrove community. If we missed you in April, save the date for our next event, the July 4th ice cream party at Jaycee Park. Hope to see you there!



Reminder: Join the Civic Club!

A kind reminder that membership is open year-round. \$30 for single and \$60 for family. Visit www.timbergrove.org to join.

Who You Gonna Call?

In an emergency, who should you call first?
Emergency numbers you should know.

TMCC Private Security Review & May General Meeting

President, Traci Riley

Join us on Tuesday, May 9 @ 6:30 p.m. at Sinclair Cafeteria.

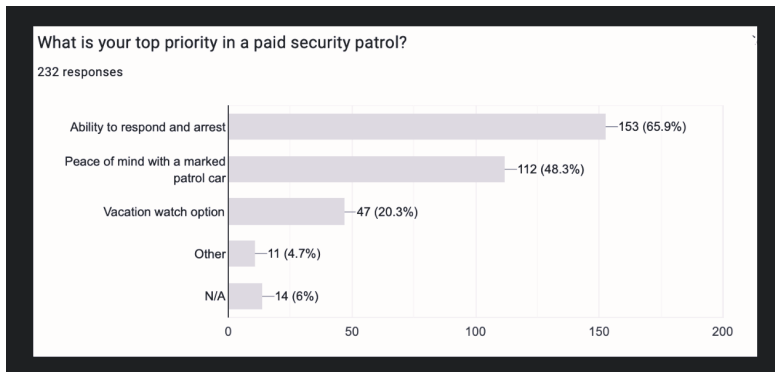
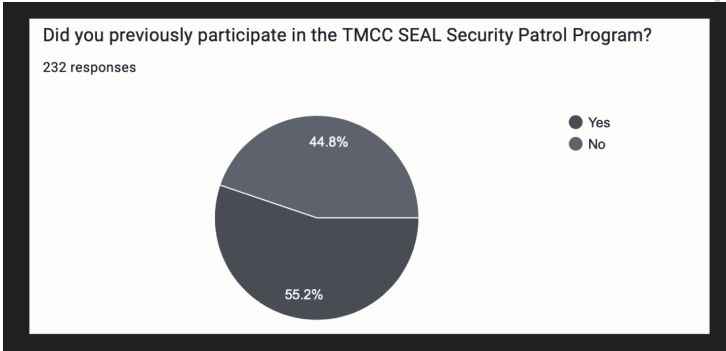
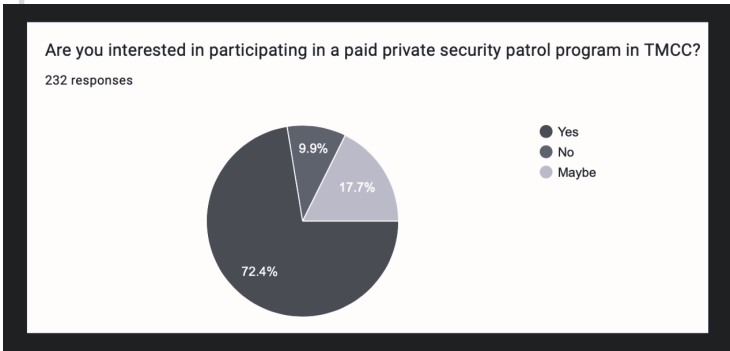
Your feedback has been invaluable in working to evaluate and coordinate security initiatives for our community. From taking the survey to stepping up to volunteer, we appreciate you! The neighborhood security survey closed on April 21 and as of April 13 (our print deadline), we had 232 residents participate in the survey. A sampling of the survey response data point is provided below.

Flock Safety presented on March 21 and we will continue looking into our next proposed security option on Tuesday, April 25 at 6:30 p.m. in the Sinclair cafeteria. Precinct 1 Constable Alan Rosen and his team will present and take questions about their contract patrol program.

In addition to our HPD sponsored volunteer Citizens Patrol network, the constable contract patrol program would be a supplemental deputy hired to patrol the greater TMCC area. Under this program, a deputy would patrol the community 40 hours a week in a marked patrol car for high visibility to help deter crime. In addition to patrols, the constable program also supports: answering alarm calls, responding to HPD dispatch, performing vacation watches, writing tickets, making arrests and completing free home security inspections for subscribers. Having a contract constable patrol program in our community can offer many benefits.

The Houston Heights Association has been a long time contract patrol subscriber and has suggested that in addition to deterring crime, there is tremendous community member peace of mind knowing their homes are monitored by trusted deputies and most of all, improved response times. From vacation watches to response times, contract patrols can be an invaluable benefit during a time when our City police force is experiencing staffing constraints. As a community, we would pay for prioritization. This is a program which benefits the entire community, but is funded solely by opt-in paid subscriptions.

We will host our May General Meeting in the Sinclair cafeteria on Tuesday, May 9 at 6:30 p.m. Join us for pizza and snacks before the meeting. Children are always welcome and there will be a craft table setup to keep them busy. We appreciate your attendance and collaboration as we finalize Timbergrove's community security enhancements.



TIMBERGROVE MANOR CIVIC CLUB INDEPENDENCE DAY ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Photos Credit: Jeff Wayt

Mark Your Calendar: TMCC Independence Day Ice Cream Social. Make plans to beat the heat this Fourth of July at TMCC's annual Independence Day Ice Cream Social, sponsored by Jennifer Vickers, of the Selling Houston Team at KSP. This "sweet" family-friendly neighborhood mixer is a favorite year after year. Mark your calendar now for Tuesday, July 4!

Interested in lending a hand? Email volunteer@timbergrove.org to help out.

TUESDAY, JULY 4 | JAYCEE PARK



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How often does my child need x-rays taken?

Frequency of x-rays depends on many factors. Some of them are contingent on home dental care and eating habits and some are related to independent factors such as salivary bacteria. At Heights Pediatric Dentistry & Orthodontics we evaluate each child based on all these factors before we decide on x-ray schedule. Kids with good oral hygiene, flossing, no previous or recent cavities, and good diet can get x-rays as infrequently as every 18 to 24 months. However, children who are at higher risk must be checked more often, either every 6 months or yearly.

What if I don't want x-rays taken on my child?

Once the frequency of x-rays is carefully assessed by the dentist; it becomes very important to follow your dentist's recommendation. Not taking x-rays at prescribed times can lead to missing important information that cannot be seen during a visual oral exam. Cavities grow and if not detected in time, can become large, which in turn can lead to much more expensive and invasive treatment needs than if they were caught early could have been avoided.



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Deed Restrictions and Design Review

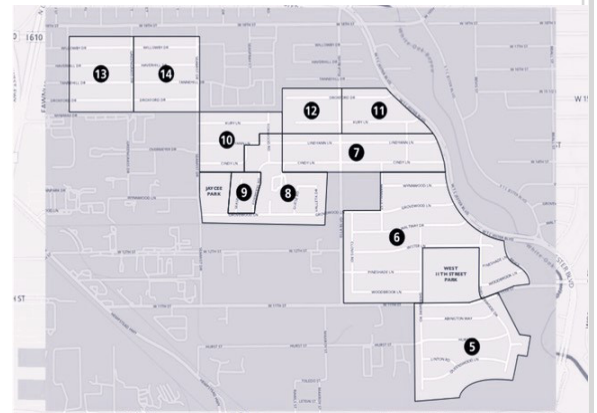
Spring is in the air and with it lots of bustling activity around the neighborhood. The TMCC website is up and running with all the info you need to review before any construction or renovation projects. Please share the webpage with your construction and design team to review design specifics and deed restrictions.

<https://www.timbergrove.org/deed-restrictions>

Each section in TMCC has their own Deed Restrictions so it's important to check your specific section. There is a map on the webpage that can guide you to your section by street name. Copies of all Deed Restrictions and Plats are listed on this page for easy access.

There is also a specific section on the webpage for solar installations. Despite what the solar salesman might tell you, there are federal and local requirements to review in collaboration with our Design Review Committee. Any solar installations not approved by the Design Review Committee are considered in violation. A fuel mix is a wonderful thing but it all remains a part of our larger design process.

Finally, keep an eye out for our new DRC Approved Plans yard signs coming to a construction project near you.



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Jan Feb 22 vs. 23 Criminal Activity in TMCC

TMCC Security Chair Larry Scruggs has compared the criminal activity that occurred in our neighborhood in January and February of this year with the criminal activity that occurred in the same months of 2022.

Date	Time	Description	Count	Premise	Address
Saturday, January 08, 2022	10:00 PM	Burglary, Breaking and Entering	1	Residence, Home (Includes Apartment)	2300 Droxford
Sunday, January 09, 2022	4:00 AM	Burglary, Breaking and Entering	1	Residence, Home (Includes Apartment)	2200 Droxford
Monday, January 10, 2022	10:00 AM	Burglary, Breaking and Entering	1	Construction Site	6200 Linton
Thursday, January 27, 2022	12:00 NOON	Theft from motor vehicle	1	Highway, Road, Street, Alley	6500 Grovewood
Date	Time	Description	Count	Premise	Address
Monday, January 16, 2023	3:00 PM	Motor vehicle theft	2	Highway, Road, Street, Alley	6500 Lindyann
Sunday, January 29, 2023	9:00 PM	Motor vehicle theft	1	Residence, Home (Includes Apartment)	6400 Wister

Date	Time	Description	Count	Premise	Address
Friday, February 04, 2022	5:00 PM	All other larceny	1	Residence, Home (Includes Apartment)	1100 Grovewood
Saturday, February 05, 2022	10:00 AM	Burglary, Breaking and Entering	1	Residence, Home (Includes Apartment)	6100 Waltway
Sunday, February 13, 2022	10:00 AM	Aggravated Assault	1	Residence, Home (Includes Apartment)	6300 Woodbrook
Date	Time	Description	Count	Premise	Address
Wednesday, February 08, 2023	9:00 AM	Motor vehicle theft	1	Highway, Road, Street, Alley	6300 Wynnwood
Tuesday, February 14, 2023	11:00 AM	Drug, narcotic violations	1	Residence, Home (Includes Apartment)	6100 Waltway
Tuesday, February 14, 2023	11:00 AM	Burglary, Breaking and Entering	1	Residence, Home (Includes Apartment)	6100 Waltway
Wednesday, February 22, 2023	3:00 PM	Burglary, Breaking and Entering	1	Residence, Home (Includes Apartment)	6300 Woodbrook

TMCC Member Update

Thanks to everyone who has paid their 2023 Membership Dues. We are off to a great start!

As a reminder, dues run from January - December of any given year (Dues paid at Snow Fest or in Dec 2022 were applied to the 2023 calendar year.) Having a double membership allows a vote from two heads of household, perhaps a little radical for 1959!



Important votes are coming up this year—make sure your membership dues are current. You can pay today on our TMCC website: www.timbergrove.org or by scanning the QR code on the left.

If you have any questions or want to double check on your dues payment or donations to date, email us at memebership@timbergrove.org

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The Lorraine Cherry Nature Preserve News

Spring's annual return to The Lorraine Cherry Nature Preserve can simply take your breath away. The leaves unfurled on our deciduous trees and filled in the canopy overhead. The bright, spring green of the new leaves cheered our hearts as we realized another winter was over.

Remember those 3,000 saplings that were planted in February? Well, many, many of them leafed out this spring as well. The spring rains brought much needed water to the Nature Preserve and our ephemeral ponds filled up multiple times. Our wildflowers bloomed in the wildflower gardens. The Carolina Laurel Cherries and the Hercules Club trees flowered and the pollinators took advantage of their nectar. You will see growing, green cherries on the "Cherry Laurels" (the common name by which they are known in Texas) throughout the Nature Preserve all summer.

The Blue Jays, White-winged Doves, and Northern Cardinals nested in the Nature Preserve. Some days, the Bird Walks in the Forest turned to magic with the songs of our nesting birds as well as the sights of migrating birds. The Great Horned Owl left and went off to nest in another location. On March 14, the first ever recorded sighting of a Barred Owl in the Nature Preserve added to the magic of the day. And, multiple people noted seeing the Eastern Screech Owl flying in the evenings.

The Wildlife Center of Texas came to the Nature Preserve on February 25 providing an excellent presentation under near perfect weather conditions. A Wildflower Garden Workday on March 4 bolstered the remaining flowers currently in our beds. And, the Second Annual Coloring Event took place during the month of April to celebrate Bird Migration in Houston.

The Run the Grove and Grovechella celebration afterwards was a great success on April 1st. This year shattered records for participation. Healthy exercise and a good time was had by all. The Friends of The Lorraine Cherry Nature Preserve will put the money raised to good use in the Nature Preserve and we thank all who participated. We used last year's donation from the Run the Grove to update our Wireless Wilderness, complete with new signage and recordings.

On Saturday, May 27, our final Morning Mindfulness of the spring led by Laura Mayo at 9:30 will take place. It will last about an hour. Meet at the kiosk across from the corner of Pineshade and Shelterwood with a folding lawn chair. Wear comfortable clothes and bring your bug spray and water.

You may have noticed the orange flags on the Wister side of the Nature Preserve. The orange flags are the flags that have traditionally been put out along W. 11th Street so that the mowing crew doesn't mow over the wildflowers there. However, with all of the sidewalk construction and expansion on the W 11th Street side, those wildflowers didn't bloom. So, this year, once some Prairie Nymphs, Texas Blue Eyed Grasses, and Desert Chicory were noticed between the forest and Wister, the flags were put out to keep that area from being mowed so everyone could enjoy the native blooms. The Nature Preserve is about so much more than the trees, it's about all of the beautiful nature growing!

Visit the Nature Preserve soon to enjoy the last of spring. Bird Walks in the Forest and programmed activities will take a break for the summer months to avoid the extreme heat.

Last but not least, please remember if you bring your dog to keep it not only on a leash but on the trail with you, and to scoop after your dog poops. Respecting the Nature Preserve as well as all of your neighbors by keeping control of your dog helps us all have a lovely start or finish to any day.



Prairie Nymph



Texas Blue Eyed Grass



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THREE TIPS FOR STAGING A HOME

CLEAR OUT THE EXCESS FURNITURE.

Put it in your attic, rent a storage unit, or donate it to a local thrift store. But please, please, please, pair down the knick-knacks, poufs, ottomans, side tables, and plant stands. When it feels empty to you, you're almost done.

BARE WALLS, WINDOWS, AND COUNTERTOPS ARE YOUR FRIENDS.

Get rid of family photos and window coverings, and clear your countertops. There should be nothing (and I mean nothing) on them - no coffee maker, no candles, no fruit bowl. Nothing. Same goes for your fridge door.

CLEAN, CLEAN, CLEAN. FLOORS, CLOSETS, WINDOW SILLS, FRONT PORCH, BASEBOARDS, & MORE.

If there ever was a time for a deep clean, this is it. If you're short on time, consider hiring a company that specializes in cleaning services for buyers and sellers.



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Pet Corner

Happy Spring to all of our animal friends!

This month we're showcasing Marlin, a 2-year-old Golden Retriever and local resident here in TMCC.



Unlike most Golden Retrievers, Marlin is considered a red golden (also known as a "Swamp Collie") and is from the field golden line, which is a more sporting version of the Golden Retriever.

Marlin enjoys running, swimming, snuggling but most of all he LOVES playing in The Lorraine Cherry Nature Preserve with his friends. You will likely find him there with his Mom and/or Dad multiple times of the day catching balls, flying squirrels and pal'ing around with his paw friends.

Marlin is also an accomplished athlete. Marlin is the current AKC single season record holder in Dock Diving Distance jumping. This is where he runs down the dock at full speed and leaps off to chase a flying bumper through the air before plunging into a pool. He can jump distances nearly 30 feet!

Marlin is also one of the fastest Golden Retrievers of all time and was recently featured on ABC and ESPN as part of AKC's Fastest Dogs USA 2022. This showcased the sport of FastCat, the 100 yard dash for dogs. Marlin runs the 100 yard race in 7 seconds reaching speeds over 30 miles an hour, a speed only reached by a few other Golden Retrievers in the history of the AKC sport.

A reminder to everyone to be respectful of the park and all our park visitors. And most importantly, please pick up after your pets!




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Timbergrove Manor Sales Statistics 2021 - 2023

2021	#HOMES SOLD	AVG PRICE	AVG DAYS ON MARKET
QTR 1	14	\$501,453	101
QTR 2	27	\$607,554	40
QTR 3	37	\$663,769	35
QTR 4	24	\$631,550	37

2022	#HOMES SOLD	AVG PRICE	AVG DAYS ON MARKET
QTR 1	22	\$705,276	54
QTR 2	14	\$678,036	22
QTR 3	21	\$722,143	34
QTR 4	17	\$620,927	62

2023	#HOMES SOLD	AVG PRICE	AVG DAYS ON MARKET
QTR 1	14	\$576,221	97
QTR 2			
QTR 3			
QTR 4			

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Who You Gonna Call?

It has happened to too many of us. Something happens to us or our property and we just don't know what to do. Someone has broken into our car, taken all our wheels and tires, stolen our tailgate, removed the tools from the truck bed, stolen our mail, etc.

The Timbergrove Manor Civic Club Security Team will be working to provide more tips in the future on how to reduce your chances of being a victim. But first we want to help with tips on how to address an issue if it does happen to you.

Security Tip #1

Contacting Houston Police. Houston uses the crime reports as one means to determine how many officers to place in different parts of the city. We would ask you to report every crime you see no matter how big or small.

9-1-1 is for Emergencies only

Examples:

- A thief is currently in the act stealing something or another crime is ongoing. Call 911
- If someone is seriously injured, having a heart attack or a similar urgent medical issue and you can't safely help them get to the emergency room. Call 911.

Non-Emergency HPD number - 713-884-3131 is used when you need to make a report about a Theft or Property Damage that has previously occurred and is under \$5000.

Examples:

- If coming home to a previously occurring home burglary or finding a burglary/theft of a motor vehicle incident in the morning but from the night prior, call the Non-Emergency Houston Police – 713-884-3131.

Online - You can also make a crime report online about a Theft or Property Damage under \$5000 if the crime has previously occurred.

https://www.houstontx.gov/police/online_report.htm

Other helpful things you can do online: You can make an online alert slip which is a report for suspicious things: Like reporting a prowler, a speeding vehicle, excessive burglaries and thefts in an area, or even a vacation watch for your home.

https://www.houstontx.gov/police/alert_slip/

Join the Civic Club!

It's not too late to join the Civic Club for 2022.



Membership is open throughout the year, and your club dues are greatly needed to support our neighborhood, such as beautification of common green space, events, security, and more.

As a paid member, you are able to vote in our annual elections and are invited to attend neighborhood events.

Two easy ways to pay:

- Visit timbergrove.org and click 'Pay Your Dues' in the upper right corner.
- Mail a check made payable to TMCC to P.O. Box 70977, Houston, TX, 77270

Dues are \$30 for a single member and \$60 for a dual household member.



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Call 3-1-1 (Report as an "air pollution" incident to be properly routed)

Log your incident on our Google Form:
bit.ly/tmcc-stench

Solid Waste Schedule

Tree Waste:

"Tree Waste" is defined as "clean" wood waste such as tree limbs, branches, and stumps. Lumber, furniture, and treated wood are not accepted during tree waste collection times, nor are items that fall into the "junk waste" category. Tree waste should be not confused with lawn clippings, which are collected weekly when bagged properly. The next tree waste collection will be on:

- **Wednesday, May 17**

Junk Waste/Heavy Trash:

"Junk Waste" is defined as furniture, appliances, and other bulky material. Tree waste is also accepted during junk waste months. The next junk waste collection will be on:

- **Wednesday, June 21**

Tires:

Residents may place up to four tires at the curb for collection during junk waste months. Collection crews will separate the tires from the junk waste. It may take up to a week before crews return and retrieve the tires.

Please be courteous and refrain from putting out your tree and junk waste too far ahead of the collection dates.

Recycling - Every other week:

- Thursday, May 11
- Thursday, May 25
- Thursday, June 8
- Thursday, June 22
- Thursday, July 6

Trash & lawn clippings are collected each Thursday.



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