

## The Timbergram

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# TMCC General Meeting

In-Person Meeting

Tuesday, May 10<sup>th</sup>

6:30 P.M.

Sinclair Elementary School Cafeteria

Come Early!

Pizza + Soft Drinks

TMCC Independence Day Ice Cream Social

Monday, July 4<sup>th</sup> *More details to come!* 

## Block Captains in the Backyard

Submitted by Laura Bradham, Block Captains Chair

On April 10, 2022, Timbergrove Block Captains got together to celebrate community with each other. Several Block Captains were new and hadn't met each other previously, which made it all the more exciting to get together.

Timbergreeter Chair Lorie Hood left with bragging rights after winning a disc golf tournament, not so easy to do with the wind that we had in the yard! A big Thank You to all of our Block Captains for all the behind the scenes work that you do to promote community in our wonderful part of the world.

If you are interested in becoming a Block Captain and live on the 1701-1823 block of Droxford, please email Block Captain Chair Laura Bradham at *blockcaptains@timbergrove.org*.



## ISSUE

#### Always Be On Your Guard

The TMCC Security Committee offers robbery prevention tips

#### Reminder!

Pay your Civic Club dues! \$30 for single and \$60 for family membership. Log on to pay at timbergrove.org

## TMCC Indepedence Day Ice Cream

Social

## 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. This "sweet" family-friendly neighborhood mixer is a favorite year after year.

We're looking for volunteers to help our event sponsor Jennifer Vickers, TMCC Director and local Realtor with Vickers Properties Group at KSP organize the fun. The planning committee will next meet on Wednesday, May 18 at 5:00 PM. Interested in lending a hand? Email *volunteer@timbergrove.org* to help out.

Mark your calendar now for Monday, July 4 and look for more details in the coming weeks online and in the next edition of The Timbergram.











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Spring cleaning?
Not sure what to do with your donations?

HERE ARE A FEW CHARITIES TO DONATE TO AFTER SPRING CLEANING!

- 1. For Community Donations:
  - Buy Nothing Timbergrove & Lazybrook Facebook
- 2. For Free Donation Pick Up:
  - West Houston Assistance Ministries, 713.780.2727
  - Houston Local Charity, 281.387.4734
  - Houston Habitat for Humanity, 713.671.9993
  - The Salvation Army Houston, 1.800.728.7825

## **EPA Completes** Cleanup At Local Facility

Submitted by Pedro Palomino, Environmental Affairs Chair

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) recently completed the clean up of an asbestos-contaminated property at 3025 Maxroy Street, the site of Vermiculite Products, Inc. Asbestos is a mineral fiber with unique properties, such as heat resistance, that has made it a popular component of many manufactured goods, mostly in building materials. Asbestos fibers may be released into the air by the disturbance of asbestos-containing material during product use, demolition work, home maintenance, etc. Exposure to asbestos increases your risk of developing lung disease, such as lung cancer, mesothelioma and asbestosis.

The Vermiculite Products facility began operation in 1941 to process vermiculite for use in concrete aggregate. It received 213,750 tons of vermiculite ore between 1967 and 1986 that was found to be contaminated with asbestos, which was subsequently released into the environment during the exfoliation process. In August 2021, the EPA began the excavation and removal of ~28,000 tons of asbestos-contaminated soils over 6 acres, and abatement of asbestos-contaminated dust inside two buildings. The EPA took efforts to prevent exposure during clean up activities, including keeping the soil wet and continuous perimeter air monitoring to assure that no airborne asbestos is escaping the site.

EPA Coordinator Mike McAteer stated "that there were a few days during our 6 months of work we exceeded the dust standard for short bursts of time due almost exclusively to truck traffic going past the monitors and from the smoke coming from the neighboring SouthWaste facility." He also confirmed that the daily monitoring found no exceedances of the air clearance standard for asbestos mixed with dust.

You can find more information on EPA's clean up project here. https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/2435dab8a187448398c71d-5fbabaf77f.

#### **BROUGHT TO YOU BY HEIGHTS PEDO ORTHO**

#### How worried do I have to be if a front baby tooth is fractured?

This depends on how large the fracture is. Small fractures contained to the enamel (outer layer) of the tooth are only an aesthetic issue and can but do not have to be repaired. They do not cause discomfort or sensitivity. Larger fractures that involve dentin or pulp (middle layers of the tooth) need to be treated to prevent infections or sensitivity. You always need to contact your dentist however, to make sure there are no fractures of bone or root coincidental with the visible tooth chip.

#### What about a permanent tooth?

Fractures of permanent teeth, unless very small, should be repaired with composites (fillings) or crowns depending on the size of the fracture and age of the child. If fractures involve nerve/pulp tissue and any bleeding is seen near the tooth fracture, you should see your dentist immediately to determine the appropriate treatment and help avoid any further complications. However, if fracture is contained to the enamel only, your child can be seen on the next business day, but as soon as possible.



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## Always Be On Your Guard: Tips to Avoid Being Robbed

#### **Prevention Strategies**

Walk alertly and confidently.

Trust your instincts, avoid uncomfortable situations.

Frequently scan your surroundings.

Be alert when walking at night, consider walking with a friend.

Intoxicated people are easy targets.

#### Be smart about cash.

Carry only what you expect to use.

Avoid showing your wallet.

Keep needed cash, credit card, and ID in an accessible pocket.

Avoid outdoor ATMs, particularly at night.

Do not carry large purses with all your valuables inside.

#### Be safe in parking lots.

Scan the area around you.

Be observant for groups of people driving or hanging around.

Be aware of cruising or parked cars containing more than one person.

Have car or door keys in hand.

Enter, exit, and lock doors quickly.

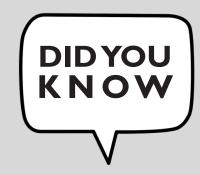
Watch to see if you have been followed.

#### Bank your cash.

Be alert at the local check cashing business, carrying cash marks you as a target.

Non-United States citizens can open non-interest accounts with approved picture ID.

Use ATM or debit cards for easy access to cash anywhere.



Robbery is a crime of violence that threatens the safety and quality of life of a community.

Robbery is a crime of opportunity that can be reduced through awareness and prevention.

Over 80% of robberies are of individual victims and are committed by one or more male robbers.

Failure to report a robbery, not prosecuting the criminal if you are a victim, not providing information to police or Crime Stoppers about robbers ensures continued victimization.

Most robberies are committed:

60% occur between 7 p.m. -3 a.m.

40% occur along roads, streets and sidewalks with the victim on foot.

40% occur at apartment properties and all other parking lots.

Always be on alert and stay safe!



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## New Citizen Patrol Group Signs To Be Installed

The TMCC Security Committee is working with the neighborhood Citizen Patrol Group to secure new security patrol signs for the neighborhood. We will be placing new or updated signs at the entrances to Timbergrove Manor West from the major thoroughfares such as W. T.C. Jester Blvd., Ella Blvd., W. 11<sup>th</sup> St., Seamist Dr., Salford Dr., the Southern corner of Shirkmere Rd. and West 11<sup>th</sup> St., and the North corner of Shelterwood Dr. and West 11<sup>th</sup> St.

The new signs look like this:



These signs remain the property of the Houston Police Department. The community is leasing the signs. It is illegal to tamper with these signs. If you see someone tampering with or taking the signs down, please report it to the non-emergency number 713-884-3131.

You can send any questions and concerns or requests to see a list of all the signs we will be installing to *Security@timbergrove.org* and a member of the Security Committee will respond quickly.

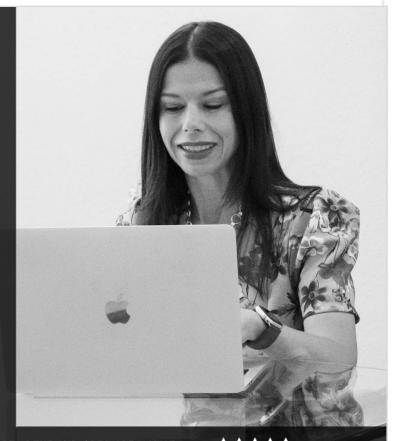
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### Join the Civic Club!

#### 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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#### Hello Neighbors,

I have some exciting news to share with you about the neighborhood!

I have **never** seen the Timbergrove Real Estate market as <u>HOT</u> as it is now! In fact, as we continue to see a limited amount of available inventory in the neighborhood, many home sellers are experiencing an increase in sales prices. There is currently a high demand as buyers are realizing prices aren't going to get any lower.

There has never been a better time to sell your house! Correct pricing, staging, preparation and professional guidance will get your Timbergrove home sold quickly and for top dollar.

If you are considering selling your home, I would love an opportunity to interview for the job of being your Realtor.

I have a verifiable, proven record of success and stellar client reviews. But don't take my word for it!

Please check out HAR.com/Efferson where you can review sold listings, past buyer sales and raving client reviews.

Thank you in advance for your consideration. I look forward to hearing from you.



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ASR - Accredited Seller's Representative,

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## Lorraine Cherry Nature Preserve News

Submitted by Laura Bradham

#### **Spring Migration Coloring Contest**

To celebrate the spring bird migration of 2022, Friends of Lorraine Cherry Nature Preserve Park hosted a coloring contest for children from April 1 - May 1.

Two children, between the ages of 6 and 9, were awarded a copy of Kids Guide to Birds of Texas, and two children between the ages of 10 and 12 were awarded a copy of Birds of Texas Field Guide on Sunday May 15th at 3:00 pm at the park, followed by a brief, private Bird Walk in the Forest. In addition, each of the four selected winners received four tickets to the Houston Audubon Raptor and Education Center located on Sims Bayou. To learn more about the Raptor Center, visit the Houston Audubon website.

Even if you missed the coloring contest, you can still print out an image (or all of them!) from the coloring tour of Lorraine Cherry Nature Preserve on the West 11th Street Facebook page. Have your child work their magic to make it their own and learn a little bit more about the wonders of the forest.

### From Wildly Overgrown to Growing Wildflowers: Changes in the Garden

You might have noticed changes in the Wildflower Gardens at the edge of the forest on the W 11<sup>th</sup> Street side of the park near the water fountain. That's because Lorraine Cherry Nature Preserve recently hosted two volunteer workdays. In October, we cut and removed dead plant remains and planted over 2,000 seeds given to us by the Native Plant Society of Texas. In March, we planted a few more seeds, cut out a few more dead bits,

removed some invading vines, and planted a plant here and there as well.

If you are interested in attending one of our workdays in the future, please email *Incphouston@gmail.com* to be added to the Volunteer Bank.

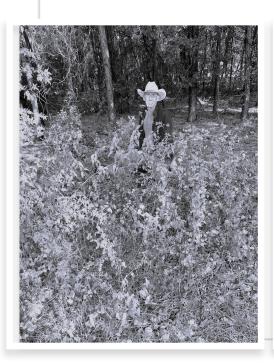
The flowers are starting to take off in the gardens! These native flowering plants attract native and migrant butterflies alike with their colors, fragrances, and nectar. Hopefully you've been enjoying the spring weather and seeing the multitudes of Pipevine Swallowtail, Eastern Tiger Swallowtail, Julia Heliconian, Red Admiral, Monarch, Juvenal's Duskywing, Roadside Skipper, and Cloudless Sulphur butterflies that have been floating about the park this spring.

#### Last, But Certainly Not Least-Dogs

Recently, off-leash dogs at Lorraine Cherry Nature Preserve have been rather aggressive. A first time visitor to our park was reportedly literally pinned to a tree byoff-leash dogs. He had to wait quite a while for their owner to find them and call the dogs off. Off-leash dogs are leaving feces throughout the park since their owners are not with them 100% of the time the dogs are in the park. And a report has been received that a visitor to the park had to call someone else's dog off of a running rabbit.

Did you know about TC Jester Dog Park, located at 4201 T C Jester Blvd? That is a place you can take your dogs to run and roam off leash and play with other dogs at the same time. Please respect our park and please respect our park visitors by keeping your dog on a leash at all times at Lorraine Cherry Nature Preserve (city ordinance Sec. 6 -101) and all other Houston City Parks that are not dedicated Dog Parks.

I'm looking forward to seeing you in the park soon!







## TMCC General Meeting Update

The return to in-person meetings has finally arrived. After two years of TMCC General Meetings on Zoom, we're ready to meet with residents face-to-face once again. Join us on Tuesday, May  $10^{\rm th}$  at 6:30 pm in the Sinclair Elementary School cafeteria. The guest speaker will be announced in the electronic edition of the Timbergram prior to the meeting.

Please submit questions to be addressed at the meeting to *volunteer@timbergrove.org* by Friday, May 6.



In-home tutoring with a Timbergrove-local, certified dyslexia teacher this Summer 2022!

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Dylan Hickey-McWhorter

Kindergarten Readiness Lower Elementary:

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**Upper Elementary:** 

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### Sinclair Corner

Join the Sinclair PTO on Saturday, May 21 as we kick-off our book fair with movie night on the Sinclair front lawn.

The fair will continue through Friday, May 27 and we encourage neighbors to shop after school. Additional details, such as times and location will be available on our website.

We also encourage current and incoming families to keep checking the PTO website for information on school supply sales and summer socials.

#### www.sinclairpto.org

We've had agreat year and we appreciate the continued support of our Timbergrove neighbors!





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### MOSQUITO AUTHORITY'S MISSION TO PROTECT LOCAL DOGS FROM HEARTWORM

#### **Our dog Manny**

In 2016 the Everhard Family adopted a Chihuahua named Manny. He was timid from previous neglect and had been infected with heartworm. He quickly became a loved member of the house and became an incredibly happy dog. He died only two years later from Heart complications leaving everyone heartbroken.

#### Visit to the Houston Humane Society

We reached out to the Houston Humane Society, and they introduced us to sponsorship opportunities available for businesses and individuals. We decided to sponsor a



Heartworm treatment for one of their rescues. HHS invited us to the adoption facility in Houston to tour the center and meet our rescue dog Bear. Bear is a 1.5yr old large mixed breed who was heartworm positive. He was the most loving dog and it made us feel great to know that we were able to support him on his path to a loving future. We had a wonderful time meeting the staff volunteers and animals there!

In 2021 HHS helped 3,637 homeless animals find a home, provided medical care to 35,214 animals, performed 7,905 spay/neuter surgeries, and provided 2.6 million meals to animals in need.

#### **About Mosquito Authority**

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## **→** HEARTWORM FACTS



- An average of 7 in 10 mosquitoes in a heartworm positive dog's kennel carries heartworm. The Southeast US has the highest incidence rate of Heartworm (2019).
- Houston vets report of an average of 100+ cases of heartworm per year per clinic.
- Dirofilaria Immitis, also known as heartworm is a small threadlike worm hat spreads from host to host through the bites of mosquitoes. The major hosts for heartworm are infected dogs.
- Heartworm larval development transpires in the body of the mosquito before being passed to other animals, especially in warmer temperature environments.

## MOSQUITO FACTS



- A total of 3,560 species of mosquito are recognized worldwide, 190 of those occurring in North America and at least 87 occurring in Texas which represent 12 genera.
- 4 genera of mosquito (present in Houston) transmit heartworm: Aedes, Culex, Anopheles and Mansonia.
- Culex, Anopheles, and Mansonia genera mosquitos are standing water species, meaning they lay eggs in permanent shallow bodies of slow-moving or stagnant water.
- Aedes are artificial container/tree hole species which hatch when flooded by water but require a period of completely dry conditions beforehand.
- Both types of mosquitoes are major threats in the Houston area

## CALL TO ACTION

- To support help Houston animals in need consider offering time and resources to HHS www.houstonhumane.org
- To find resources about disease-carrying mosquito activity in Houston visit www.hcphtx.org/mc for an interactive map of mosquito-borne disease
- To protect your home and pets from mosquitoes visit Mosquito Authority at www.bugsbite.com and sign up today!

## Volunteer with TMCC!

Looking to get involved with the Civic Club in 2022? We have opportunities for you!

#### **Deliver the Timbergram**

Lace up your walking shoes and help us deliver the newsletter to our residents. Sign up for a block or two!

Learn more: volunteer@timbergrove.org



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	#HOMES SOLD	AVG PRICE	AVG DAYS ON MARKET
2020			
QTR 1	9	\$658,397	63
QTR 2	11	\$533,045	42
QTR 3	20	\$632,000	32
QTR 4	14	\$557,857	28
2021			
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			
JAN	2	\$455,000	2

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#### **Soild Waste Collection Schedule**

Tree Waste: Recycling - Every other week:

Wednesday, May 18 Thursday, May 12
Wednesday, July 20 Thursday, May 26
Thursday, June 9

Thursday, June 23

Junk Waste/Heavy Trash:Thursday, June 2Wednesday, June 15Thursday, July 7

Wednesday, August 17

Trash & lawn waste are collected each Thursday.

## Yard of the Month

Submitted by Sandra Crook

To win Yard of the Month, you must be a current dues-paying TMCC member and cannot have won a YOTM award within the past year. Congratulations to the following neighbors for their attractive, well-groomed yards! Please remember to pay your dues and help us continue to make our neighborhood beautiful.

If you have a neighbor whose yard you would like to nominate for YOTM, please let us know by emailing: yardofmonth@timbergrove.org.

#### March Winners:

Section 5 - 6123 Hurst

Section 6 - 1251 Clovis

Section 7 - 6314 Cindy Lane

Section 8 - 6715 Grovewood

Section 9 - 1311 Seaspray

Section 10 - 6727 Kury

Section 11 - 1518 Droxford

Section 12 - 6510 Kury

Section 13 - 2526 Haverhill

Section 14 - 2218 Tannehill

#### April Winners:

Section 5 - 6114 Abington

Section 6 - 6427 Waltway

Section 7 - 6547 Cindy

Section 8 - 1307 Jeannine

Section 9 - 1319 Seaspray

Section 10 - 6607 Kury

Section 11 - 6306 Kury

Section 13 - 2511 Haverhill

Section 14 - 2306 Droxford

#### **Helpful Phone Numbers**

Houston Police Non-Emergency: 713-884-3131

Houston Park Rangers: 832-395-7100

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