

The Timbergram

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TMCC General Meeting Tuesday, Nov. 15th 6:30 P.M. Sinclair Elementary **School Library** Come Early! Pizza + Soft Drinks! Save the Date TMCC Snowfest Social! Saturday, December 10th See inside for more details!

Timbergrove Manor Civic Club Recommended Nomination Slate for 2023

The representatives of the Nominating Committee, as required and executed according to Article II Section 3 of the Timbergrove Manor Civic Club By-Laws, have created a slate of candidates we recommend to the dues paying and voting members of the Timbergrove Manor Civic Club.

As a committee, we are recommending the election of the following people based on the efficiency, effectiveness, and proven record of each individual. Each nominee has proven a desire to improve the neighborhood, from increased neighborhood activities, representation within local government, and broader awareness and contribution of the Timbergrove Manor Civic Club. For these reasons, we are recommending the election of the current board, excluding vice president, and the election of one current director and two new directors.

We recommend the following slate of nominees for election:

President: To Be Determined Director: Andrew Halphen
Director: Michelle Richburg Secretary: Peter Davies
Vice President: Courtnie Hays Treasurer: Roxanne Hall

TIMBERGROVE MANOR
CIVIC CLUB BIOGRAPHIES
OF NOMINEES FOR THE
2023 BOARD

To Be Determined (President)

At the time of press, the Nominating Committee is still recruiting for the President role.

Courtney Hays (Vice President)

Both Native Texans, my husband and I grew up in the Houston area and moved to Timbergrove in 2008. After flooding during Hurricane Harvey and witnessing, first hand, the community effort that it took to rebuild our house, we knew we were

never leaving! We currently live on Linton Rd. (woo hoo) with our three children and lazy, American Bulldog, Cooper.

I attended college at the University of North Texas where I earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Early Childhood Education and a minor in Spanish. Years later, I went back to school to pursue a degree in nursing. I am currently a registered nurse and after some time working in the ER and having young children, I have found my happy place as an elementary school nurse.

As a family we spend most of our time outside in the driveway with our neighbors or most recently, at the TSA ball fields watching our kids play.

ISSUE

Holiday Lights Contest!

Timbergrove Manor Holiday Light contest has arrived! See inside for more information on contest details.

Reminder!

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

Peter Davies (Secretary)

Peter is a Licensed Professional Engineer and has lived in Section 5 since 1988 and raised two daughters who attended Sinclair Elementary School.

He has served as the Secretary of TMCC since 2010 and participated with Super Neighborhood Council-14 since its founding and currently serves as a TMCC Delegate.

Roxanne Hall (Nominee for Treasurer)

Roxanne is our current Treasurer and has lived in Timbergrove since 1993, 26+ years. First, she lived on Cindy Lane and now lives on Pineshade Lane.

She raised her children here in Timbergrove and they are now thriving adults.

Through the years raising her children, she was on the PTA and leads the 4th and 5th grade trips ensuring the students received great new experiences.

Business wise, she manages global teams, global services and multiple projects with large complex project budgets. She looks forward to giving back to her community.

Michelle Richburg (Director)

Michelle and her husband, Ronnie have lived in Timber Grove Manor since 1997. She has previously been on the Board and organized numerous events for the Civic Club. She is a retired teacher of 27 years and has two grown girls, Reagan and Nicole.

She enjoys camping, hiking, reading and

Andrew Halphen (Director)

Andrew has lived in Timbergrove for two years, after being attracted to the neighborhood's strong sense of history and ability to keep perfectly good homes away from the wrecking ball! He grew up in the Houston suburbs prior to attending Texas A&M and receiving a bachelor's degree in construction science.

Andrew is a Preconstruction Director for a large general contractor known for building notable projects like NRG Stadium. Andrew has had the privilege of working on a number of notable historic renovations and new construction projects during his 13+ years of experience in the construction industry.

He is committed to his friends and family. You can often find him out in the neighborhood enjoying dinner and beverages with friends.

> *Nominations can be made from the floor the evening of the election.



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Timbergrove Manor Sales Statistics 2020 - 2022

2020	#HOMES SOLD	AVG PRICE	AVG DAYS ON MARKET	
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				
QTR 1	22	\$705,276 54		
QTR 2	14	\$678,036	22	
QTR 3	21	722,143 34		

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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS



Ho, ho, ho, the holiday season is here! The annual Timbergrove Manor Holiday Light contest has arrived! Time to dust off those lights and grab a ladder.

Houses that wish to be judged in this year's competition need to have their lights up and on by **December 2**nd. The winners will be announced in the January issue of the Timbergram.

Contest categories are as follows:

- Best Original Block Theme/Decorations
- Best Religious Theme
- Best Inflatables Display
- Best Overall Use of Lights
- Exceptional Achievement

JOIN THE TMCC SECURITY COMMITTEE!

The Timbergrove Manor Security Committee is seeking volunteers.

If you're passionate about our neighborhood security and would like to help our Security Chair with current and future security initiatives, send an email to **security@timbergrove.org**. The Committee plans to meet before year end.

Snowfest Social!

Mark your calendars for **Saturday**, **December 10**th. Join your neighbors for the last TMCC event of the year, our annual Snowfest at Jaycee Park!

Look forward to all of your favorites: The real SNOW, train rides, pictures with Santa Claus, great food and hot beverages. We would love to see you there! If you are able to volunteer at this event, please send an email to volunteer@timbergrove.org.

General Meeting

Join us on Tuesday, November 15th at 6:30 p.m. in the Sinclair Elementary School library.

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, November 11th.



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Lorraine Cherry Nature Preserve News

OUR CALENDAR YEAR DRAWS TO A CLOSE

Friends of The Lorraine Cherry Nature Preserve sponsors weekly **Bird Walks in the Forest** each **Tuesday morning at 8:00 a.m.** from now until December 13. If you'd like to join, meet at the kiosk on Shelterwood across from the corner of Pineshade. Dress for the weather, wear comfortable shoes, and bring your bug spray and water. Consider bringing binoculars if you have them as it really adds to the experience. If you hear thunder, the Bird Walk will be canceled until the following week.

If you're more of a night owl, don't forget our First Thursday of the Month Evening Bird Walks. Our last Evening Bird Walk in the Forest will take place at **5:30 p.m. on November 3**. In December and January, the days are too short to start an evening walk at 5:30, so we will resume the evening walks again on **February 2, 2023.**

Injured Birds or Animals at the Nature Preserve

One question that is asked fairly frequently is, "What should I do if I see an injured bird or animal at the Nature Preserve?" The best answer is to take a photo and call the Wildlife Center (713-861-9453). *Please do not try to rescue a bird or an animal without asking a wildlife expert first.*

In the fall of 2020, there was a fledgling Great Horned Owl spotted in the Nature Preserve on the ground. A neighbor thought they were helping by trapping the fledgling in a box and taking it to the Wildlife Center of Texas. However, there was nothing at all wrong with the fledgling. Often, if owl or hawk fledglings are on the ground, they are learning like a toddler. Did you know that fledgling owls have hooks on their talons so that they can climb trees to get away from danger? And that they can fly, too?

Removing that fledgling from the Nature Preserve, no matter how kind-heartedly, removed it from the care of its owl parents. They lost their fledgling that day and they left their nest in the Nature Preserve immediately. The owl parents learned that our Nature Preserve was not a safe place to raise the fledgling. And although we have heard and seen (even seen sleeping) Great Horned Owls since, we haven't seen a Great Horned Owl nest in the Nature Preserve since.

Taking a photo and calling the Wildlife Center (713-861-9453) BE-FORE you attempt to help a bird or animal that you perceive to be in distress will save you from potentially taking the wrong action.

MORNING MINDFULNESS

Please join us **Saturday**, **November 5**, at 9:30 a.m. for a free **Morning Mindfulness Session**. Bring a foldable lawn chair and meet at the kiosk on Shelterwood prepared to spend about an hour with Heather Sullivan of Mindful Green (*mindfulgreenhouston@gmail.com*). According to Heather, "Mindfulness is a powerful but simple tool

-focusing your awareness on the present moment, while calmly acknowledging and accepting your feelings, thoughts, and bodily sensations. This powerful technique is even more impactful when practiced outdoors, in nature, lowering your blood pressure, stress levels, and heart rate." We are very excited to partner with Heather for this free class at the Nature Preserve and hope to see you there!

WIRELESS WILDERNESS

The Wireless Wilderness is completely refreshed to reflect the name change of the Nature Preserve. But, it's more than just new signage -we've added a couple of stations to it as well. Besides the dial up access, the Wireless Wilderness now has scannable QR codes which give you access to the new recordings as well as more photos. The next time you are in the Nature Preserve, look for the new signage, all of which is located on the main loop of the trail and listen to a station or two.



Please, come visit the forest soon!



Crime Statistics in Timbergrove Manor 2021 vs. 2022

TMCC Security Chair Larry Scruggs has been comparing crime in Timbergrove Manor for 2021 and 2022 on a quarterly basis to give us a better sense of the security in our neighborhood. These are the third quarter highlights for July and August. Unfortunately, data for September was unavailable at the time of print.

J	А	COUNT 2021	THIRD QUARTER CRIME STATISTICS FOR TIMBERGROVE WEST	COUNT 2022	INCR OR DECR	J	A
1	0	1	Burglary, Breaking and Entering	3	INCREASE	2	1
2	2	4	Theft from motor vehicle	4	No Change	2	2

As noted in the graph, THEFTS have remained the same in 2022 compared to 2021 while BURGLARY, BREAKING AND ENTERING have increased by 200%.

Purse Awareness Starts with YOU!

With the holiday season comes higher crime rates. Protect yourself and your belongings with these tips from the Security Committe

ALWAYS Be Aware of Your Surroundings

- Hold your keys & lock your car doors when pumping gas.
- Alternatively, carry your purse while refueling.

When Carrying Your Purse

- Never walk with your purse facing the traffic aisle.
- Always hold your purse tightly or use a crossover strap.
- Eliminate clutter –only carry necessary cards & cash.

While Shopping Inside Stores

- Secure your purse with the shopping cart's child safety strap.
- Keep your purse closed & zipped.
- Never leave your purse unattended, even for a second.

Additional Tips

- Look around as you enter parking lots.
- If you feel uneasy or see suspicious activity, ask for an escort, especially at night.
- Park beneath a light or in a well-lit place if shopping after dark.
- When unloading your cart, place your purse and child in the vehicle first.
- If you are going to place packages in your trunk and continue shopping, re-park beforeyou continue shopping.
- If making multiple purchases, make your most expensive purchase your last purchase before returning home.



Report suspicious behavior or circumstances to Store Management immediately.

Report all crimes to the Houston Police Department.



Sinclair Corner

We've had a great start to the school year and appreciate all the support for our Fall Festival and Boosterthon! We invite the community to shop at our Scholastic Book Fair happening November 10-18. Please check our website for details and times: www.sinclairpto.org.

Our annual Silent Auction will be held at the SPJST Lodge 88 on February 10 and we are in need of sponsors and donations. Please reach out to *silentauction@sinclairpto.org* if you are interested.

School tours began last month and will continue every Thursday from 9-10AM. Tours will start in the cafeteria and we invite all interested families to come visit our campus.

If you have any questions please reach out to the front office: 713.867.5161.

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Block Captains Building Community

On October 4, Block Captains across the neighborhood hosted National Night Out in their driveways. It's always such a lovely time to get together with neighbors, and the weather was right on point for this one.











1+1+1= One SIPER Neighborhood

If you've heard the term Super Neighborhood 14 mentioned recently without knowing what it meant, here's what you need to know.

Timbergrove Manor Neighborhood Association (TMNA) consists of Sections 1 - 4 of Timbergrove Manor and is on the east side of TC Jester Blvd. Timbergrove Manor Civic Club (TMCC) consists of Sections 5 - 14 of Timbergrove Manor and is on the west side of TC Jester Blvd. Lastly, Lazybrook Civic Club (LCC) contains the neighborhood of Lazybrook, which shares boundaries with both TMNA and TMCC. Together, the three neighborhoods make up Super Neighborhood 14 (SN14). Because of the close proximity of the neighborhoods, working together is much more effective than working alone.

If you are on Facebook and want to stay connected with the latest Super Neighborhood 14 happenings, please join our private Facebook group. It has the most up-to-date information of what is happening in Super Neighborhood 14 in realtime, as it has additions to it daily and you will be "in the know" as to how the neighborhoods are working together. Recently, SN14 has had a lot going on.

Precinct 4 is undergoing some much needed street and sidewalk repairs and replacements. In August, Harris County Precinct 4 Commissioner Jack Cagle announced the **Super Neighborhood 14 Community Project**. The approximate \$5M effort funded by Harris County Precinct 4 is a partnership project with the Super Neighborhood 14 Community and the City of Houston to bring rapid response to constituent concerns regarding neighborhood mobility issues.

The project began in September and consists of concrete street panel replacements and repairs, asphalt repairs, sidewalk repairs and ADA ramps installations. The project began in area A-1 (pictured below) and is estimated to be substantially complete by January, 2023, with

the exception of Grovewood Lane between Ella Blvd and TC Jester Blvd which will need to be completed after the school year. The project does not include any work on the major thoroughfares.

To kick off the new school year, SN14 celebrated the new Sinclair SPARK walking trail, and highlighted multi-modal safety in our area. Super Neighborhood 14 invited all members of our community as well as members of our neighboring Super Neighborhoods, to Walk, Bike & Roll to Sinclair Elementary for an afternoon of fun. A good crowd showed up and showed off their bike and scooter skills. Everyone also had a chance to check out and sit in emergency vehicles and learn about how local transportation initiatives affect our community. Texas State Representative Ann Johnson, Harris County Precinct 4 Commissioner Jack Cagle, Houston District C Council Member Abbie Kamin, HISD Trustee Bridget Wade, Houston Public Works, Houston Transportation Planning, the Houston Police Department, and the Houston Fire Department were all in attendance.

In a **Multi-Modal Forum**, representatives from Metro, Texas Department of Transportation, Bike Houston, Houston Parks Board, the Houston-Galveston Area Council, and the City of Houston Planning Department presented transportation changes coming to Timbergrove Manor.

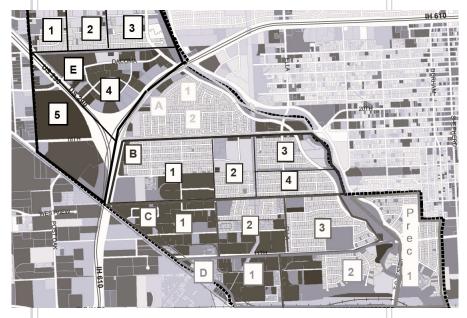
SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL GRANT - An application for pedestrian accessibility to schools, parks, mass transit, etc. centered on Centerpoint Easements will be submitted this year. Please submit any areas of concern that you have to the following link which the City will use to prioritize funding:

https://www.letstalkhouston.org/vision-zero/maps/vision-zero-map-tool

Recently, **Tours** by elected officials have been made to highlight our community needs to those who represent us.Lizzie Fletcher is our United States Representative for District 7 and Dr. Tina Pederson is

the Harris County Flood Control District's Executive Director. Both of them were able to tour specific areas of concern within our community including flood prone areas, streets lacking adequate sidewalks or bike lanes, and areas of rapid, dense development as well as identifying green space that can be used for parks, trails, and bike paths to improve mobility within Super Neighborhood 14. It was really wonderful to have them take the time to come to tour.

Much more will be happening in Super Neighborhood 14 soon. Be sure to check out the Facebook group for the latest information available until the next Timbergram.





Scan to visit the Facebook group page!

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or

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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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Our doctors strongly believe that "clean teeth at night" is the key to great dental health. We recommend seeing kids for their first dental visit at one year of age when teeth are starting to erupt in order to discuss this healthy habit. Both Dr. Lindhorst and Dr. Theriot stress making sure that after the last nightly feeding, parents brush kids' teeth well and put them in cribs and beds with sparkling clean teeth. The only beverage children (and adults) should have after night time brushing, is water. Night time bottles of milk as well as nursing once the teeth are erupted, can cause significant dental decay. Cavities in young children are extremely emotionally and financially difficult for families and we do all we can to prevent them. So please take our advice seriously and repeat our motto.... CLEAN TEETH TO BED!



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Soild Waste Collection Schedule

Tree Waste: Recycling - Every other week:

Wednesday, November 16 Thursday, November 10

Thursday, November 24 - HOLIDAY

Junk Waste/Heavy Trash:Thursday, December 8Wednesday, December 21Thursday, December 22

Trash & lawn waste are collected each Thursday.

Yard of the Month

Submitted by Sandra Crook

The Yard of the Month winners will be announced in the next issue, January 2023.

INTERESTED IN WINNING THE NEXT YARD OF THE MONTH?

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.

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

yardofmonth@timbergrove.org.

BLOCK CAPTAIN NEEDED

The 6103-6235 block of Abington Way is in need of a Block Captain.

The Block Captain position is a laid back, easy way to volunteer, but such an essential part of community building in our neighborhood!

If you live on Abington Way and are interested in volunteering for the neighborhood, email *blockcaptains@timbergrove.org* to find out more!



Helpful Phone Numbers

Houston Police Non-Emergency: 713-884-3131

Houston Park Rangers: 832-395-7100

Report Air Pollution (Foul Odors): 3-1-1