



# The Timbergram

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## TMCC General Meeting

In-Person Meeting  
*Tuesday, Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>*

*6:30 P.M.*

Sinclair Elementary  
Library

Come Early!  
*Pizza + Soft Drinks!*

*Board Meeting*  
Tuesday, Sept. 27<sup>th</sup>  
6:30 P.M.

See inside for  
upcoming events!

## Sprinkler Upgrades Keep Our Neighborhood Looking Green Amidst Scorching Temperatures

The hot temperatures and lack of rain have been a challenge to all in the neighborhood. Keeping our lawns green and plants flourishing has been difficult. Timbergrove Manor Civic Club faces the same challenge.

Did you know sprinklers are located throughout the neighborhood on the esplanades on W. T.C. Jester Boulevard, W. 11<sup>th</sup> Street, and Ella Boulevard? The sprinklers provide water to trees on the esplanades and plantings at the monuments. Fortunately, the City of Houston supplies water at these locations, at no cost to TMCC. However, TMCC is responsible for maintenance of the sprinklers.

As a result, the Beautification Chair and several Board members conducted a “sprinkler tour” in March to inventory and assess sprinkler status at each esplanade. The assessment identified multiple locations needing repairs.

The priority for 2022 are sprinklers at the monuments at the various entrances to the neighborhood. A detailed estimate for repairs was provided by TMCC’s irrigation vendor. Unfortunately, the cost of repairs exceeded the 2022 sprinkler budget. Therefore, a proposal was presented to the board at the July 2022 board meeting and additional budget was approved. A big thank you to our dues-paying club members—your funds make improvements like these within our neighborhood possible!

Our irrigation vendor is in high demand with extreme temperatures and drought conditions. Repairs for sprinklers at the monuments is currently scheduled to be completed by the end of August.

If you notice any broken sprinkler heads or a leaking sprinkler, please email [beautification@timbergrove.org](mailto:beautification@timbergrove.org) with the location.

## INSIDE THIS ISSUE

### Snow Fest Holiday Event

It's the most magical time of the year in Timbergrove Manor! Join us on Saturday, December 10. More details to come!

### National Night Out

Come out and meet your neighbors, city officials, police and fire personnel. Tuesday, October 4 from 6 - 9 p.m.

# Annual Independence Day Ice Cream Social Delivered Sticky Smiles, Patriotic Festivities In Timbergrove

More than 100 Timbergrove neighbors gathered in Jaycee Park for TMCC's annual Independence Day Ice Cream Social and Parade on July 4th. Everyone enjoyed beating the heat with ice cream for all, including our pups. After sampling a variety of tasty treats and catching up with friends and neighbors, everyone gathered to watch as our Timberkids line up their festively-decorated bikes, trikes, and wagons along the parade route.

State Representative Ann Johnson and Girl Scout Troop 122292 led parade participants past festive balloon towers and around the park to a patriotic marching soundtrack while onlookers cheered. After the parade, firefighters from our local Houston Fire Department Station 62 gave kids a chance to check out one of their pump trucks where each had a chance to take a turn at the hose – a welcome relief on a hot summer day!

A big thank you to our event sponsor, local Realtor and TMCC board member Jennifer Vickers of KSP. We enjoyed decorations and refreshments donated by Balloon Bar HTX, Flag Fundraisers of Texas, and Heights Mobil. We couldn't do these community events without all of TMCC dues paying members, thank you! TMCC membership chair, Tanya Chaney, raffled off two prize baskets to members in attendance. Thank you also to our volunteers who worked tirelessly to organize and host the event: Cynthia Schwendeman, Traci Riley, and all of our event day volunteers!

*Photos by Jeff Wayt*



# Save the Dates

## BLOCK CAPTAINS BUILDING COMMUNITY

Our Block Captains have been in action all summer getting news and information out to their blocks. The next big event will be National Night Out, on Tuesday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, 6-9 p.m, so look for emails from your Block Captain soon. (If you don't regularly get an email from your Block Captain, email [blockcaptains@timbergrove.org](mailto:blockcaptains@timbergrove.org) to be connected.)

The 2202-2330 block of Willow is in need of a Block Captain. If you are interested in volunteering for the neighborhood, please email [blockcaptains@timbergrove.org](mailto:blockcaptains@timbergrove.org) to find out more. The Block Captain position is a laid back, easy way to volunteer, but such an essential part of community building in our neighborhood!



National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign which promotes police-community partnerships to make our neighborhoods safer. It provides a great opportunity to bring police and neighbors together under positive circumstances.

Timbergrove Manor will be hosting our own National Night Out event on Tuesday, October 4<sup>th</sup> from 6-9 p.m. Plan to come out to meet your neighbors and enjoy some fun on your block. More details will be available on the Calendar of Events on [www.timbergrove.org](http://www.timbergrove.org).

## Annual Volunteer Appreciation Event

### IT'S TIME TO CELEBRATE YOU!

We are so thankful for every one of our Timbergrove Manor Civic Club volunteers. We are excited to announce the date of our annual volunteer appreciation event. If you have volunteered with us this year, please mark your calendars for a family friendly brunch on November 6<sup>th</sup> at 11 am.

This time of year, we recognize every one of our volunteers for the time you spend making our neighborhood a great community. You could have delivered our Timbergram newsletter, served as a Block Captain, or have kept our neighborhood safe on Citizen Patrol. Maybe you were part of one of our TMCC committees, or perhaps you helped to make an event like Snow Fest a success! You are all appreciated and make Timbergrove Manor a place we all love to call home.



SAVE THE DATE

## VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION BRUNCH

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6TH  
11:00 AM IN THE HEIGHTS

It's time to celebrate you!

We could not recognize our volunteers without our generous event sponsor Heights Mobil Car Care, located at 18<sup>th</sup> and Ella. Please offer your appreciation the next time you stop by.

By mid-October, every volunteer household should have received an invitation to our appreciation brunch in the mail. If you have volunteered with Timbergrove Manor Civic Club and haven't received your invitation by October 15<sup>th</sup>, please contact [volunteer@timbergrove.org](mailto:volunteer@timbergrove.org).

Not yet a TMCC volunteer?

Email [volunteer@timbergrove.org](mailto:volunteer@timbergrove.org) to get involved!

# SURVIVING AN ACTIVE SHOOTER

In an era when senseless killing in public spaces seems to be far too common, the question is, “If you are the victim of an active shooter, will you know what to do?”

**Remember these tactics: Run, Hide, Fight**



## RUN

- Have an escape route and plan in mind.
- Leave your belongings behind.
- Evacuate regardless of whether others agree to follow.
- Help others escape, if possible.
- Do not attempt to move wounded people.
- Prevent others from entering an area where the active shooter may be.
- Keep your hands visible.
- Call 911 when you are safe.



## HIDE

- Hide in an area out of the shooter’s view.
- Lock the door or block the entry to your hiding place.
- Silence your cell phone (including the vibrate mode) and remain quiet.



## FIGHT

- Fight as a last resort and only when your life is in imminent danger.
- Attempt to incapacitate the shooter.
- Commit to your actions...your life depends on it.

If you’re able to safely call 911, here is the information you should provide to the operator:

- Location of the shooter
- Number of shooters
- Physical description of shooters
- Number and type of weapons in possession of shooters
- Number of potential victims at the location

When law enforcement arrives on the scene, here are some ways to assist them and remain safe:

- Remain calm and follow instructions.
- Put down any items in your hands (i.e., bags, jackets).
- Raise hands and spread fingers.
- Keep hands visible at all times.
- Avoid quick movements toward officers such as holding on to them for safety.
- Avoid pointing, screaming, or yelling.
- Do not ask officers for help or directions when evacuating.

The first officers to arrive at the scene will not stop to help injured persons. Expect rescue teams to follow the initial officers. These rescue teams will treat and remove the injured.

Once you have reached a safe location, you will likely be held in that area by law enforcement until the situation is under control, and all witnesses have been identified and questioned. Do not leave the area until law enforcement authorities have instructed you to do so.

*...Surviving an Active Shooter tips continued on the next page*

## HPD Resources

The Houston Police Department has produced a "Surviving An Active Shooter" video, which incorporates the run, hide, fight principles and can be found on...

YouTube:

[www.youtube.com/watch?v=54UglEczJ8A](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=54UglEczJ8A)



For more information, contact

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# TMCC General Meeting Update

Join us on **Tuesday, September 13<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:volunteer@timbergrove.org) by Friday, September 9.

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# Sinclair Corner

School is back in session and we have some great events coming up at Sinclair Elementary including the Bike Rally on September 11<sup>th</sup> and the Fall Festival on September 17<sup>th</sup>. Please be sure to check the PTO website for additional details on both events at [www.sinclairpto.org](http://www.sinclairpto.org).

Our PTO is always looking for local business and food sponsors to help with school events and lunches for our faculty and staff. If you're interested, please reach out to [president@sinclairpto.org](mailto:president@sinclairpto.org) for more information. We appreciate the continued community support!



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# Crime Statistics in Timbergrove Manor

TMCC Security Chair Larry Scruggs has put together a breakdown of criminal activity in our neighborhood during Q2 of this year. He has also included criminal activity one block outside of Timbergrove Manor to give a more thorough perspective.

## Criminal Activity Within Timbergrove Manor During The Second Quarter Of 2022

RMS Occurrence Date	RMS Occurrence Hour	NIBRS Description	Offense Count	Premise	Street No	Street Name	Street Type	Suffix	TM Section
<b>Apr-22</b>									
4/4/2022	0800	Theft of motor vehicle parts or accessory	1	Residence, Home (Includes Apartment)	1000	SHIRKMERE	RD		5
4/11/2022	1800	Theft from motor vehicle	1	Highway, Road, Street, Alley	1100	SHIRKMERE	RD		6
4/13/2022	2200	Burglary, Breaking and Entering	1	Residence, Home (Includes Apartment)	6500	LINDYANN	LN		7
4/15/2022	1000	Theft from motor vehicle	1	Highway, Road, Street, Alley	6400	CINDY	LN		7
<b>May-22</b>									
5/11/2022	1200	Burglary, Breaking and Entering	1	Residence, Home (Includes Apartment)	6000	GROVEWOOD	LN		6
5/23/2022	1400	Motor vehicle theft	1	Residence, Home (Includes Apartment)	6200	HURST	ST		5
5/23/2022	1800	Destruction, damage, vandalism	1	Highway, Road, Street, Alley	6200	WALTWAY	DR		6
5/30/2022	1400	Burglary, Breaking and Entering	1	Residence, Home (Includes Apartment)	6400	KURY	LN		11
<b>Jun-22</b>									
6/23/2022	2300	Motor vehicle theft	2 *	Residence, Home (Includes Apartment)	6100	ABINGTON	WAY		5
6/28/2022	0400	Theft from motor vehicle	1	Parking Lot, Garage	1500	T C JESTER	BLVD	W	11

## Criminal Activity One Block Outside The Perimeter of Timbergrove Manor:

RMS Occurrence Date	RMS Occurrence Hour	NIBRS Description	Offense Count	Premise	Street No	Street Name	Street Type	Suffix
<b>Apr-22</b>								
4/3/2022	2200	Burglary, Breaking and Entering	1	Residence, Home (Includes Apartment)	1600	T C JESTER	BLVD	W
4/3/2022	2300	Theft from motor vehicle	1	Parking Lot, Garage	2100	TANNEHILL	DR	
4/8/2022	0000	Theft from motor vehicle	1	Highway, Road, Street, Alley	2100	TANNEHILL	DR	
4/9/2022	2300	Theft from motor vehicle	1	Parking Lot, Garage	2100	TANNEHILL	DR	
4/11/2022	1500	Motor vehicle theft	1	Residence, Home (Includes Apartment)	2100	TANNEHILL	DR	
4/20/2022	1000	Burglary, Breaking and Entering	1	Commercial, Office Building	1700	SEAMIST	DR	
4/25/2022	2200	Theft from motor vehicle	1	Parking Lot, Garage	1700	SEASPRAY	CT	
4/26/2022	0800	Theft from motor vehicle	1	Parking Lot, Garage	1700	SEASPRAY	CT	
<b>May-22</b>								
5/3/2022	2100	Theft of motor vehicle parts or accessory	1	Parking Lot, Garage	1600	T C JESTER	BLVD	W
5/5/2022	1500	Theft of motor vehicle parts or accessory	1	Residence, Home (Includes Apartment)	1700	SEASPRAY	CT	
<b>Jun-22</b>								
6/2/2022	2100	Destruction, damage, vandalism	1	Parking Lot, Garage	2100	TANNEHILL	DR	
6/3/2022	1900	Theft from motor vehicle	1	Parking Lot, Garage	3300	11TH	ST	W
6/5/2022	2300	Theft of motor vehicle parts or accessory	1	Parking Lot, Garage	2100	TANNEHILL	DR	
6/13/2022	1600	Motor vehicle theft	1	Parking Lot, Garage	1600	T C JESTER	BLVD	W
6/22/2022	2200	Destruction, damage, vandalism	1	Other, Unknown	2100	TANNEHILL	DR	
6/28/2022	2000	Theft from motor vehicle	1	Commercial, Office Building	6800	WYNNWOOD	LN	

## 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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# Lorraine Cherry Nature Preserve News



## New Signs and a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on October 11<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m.

If you haven't seen the new signage for the nature preserve, drive by, or better yet, join us on **October 11 at 10:00 a.m.** as we celebrate our name change with an official **Ribbon Cutting Ceremony** complete with City of Houston officials. Our new signs were installed July 9 on each corner of the preserve.

And, what exactly do those signs mean now that West 11<sup>th</sup> Street Park has changed status and become The Lorraine Cherry Nature Preserve? Well, the City of Houston has been at work writing a Nature Preserve Ordinance that is in its final stages of approval. While the new Nature Preserve Ordinance prohibits any new buildings or mountain bikes in the preserve and has a tightening of dog restrictions, not too much will change for our favorite urban forest.

Dogs not only need to be leashed at the nature preserve, now they will need to stay on trails with their owners. If you see any dogs off leash or off trail while visiting, please submit an email to: [askparks@houstontx.gov](mailto:askparks@houstontx.gov). We appreciate you working with us to help correct this problem in our preserve to protect the nature within.

## Color/Draw/Build a Bug Contest

To celebrate the end of summer and back to school, Friends of The Lorraine Cherry Nature Preserve are pleased to announce a color/draw/build-a-bug contest for children. Two children from multiple grades will be selected via raffle to win a bug-related book as a prize.

In order to be eligible to win, have your child color or draw or build a bug and take a picture of their creation. To enter, just post a photo on W 11<sup>th</sup> Street Park's Facebook page with the child's name and grade level only.

Entries can be submitted starting on Saturday, August 13 until Saturday, October 8. Prizes will be awarded on Tuesday, October 11 at our Ribbon Cutting Ceremony. A drawing will be held and the winners will be notified prior to the ceremony.

The prizes are:

*1st Grade:* The Book of Brilliant Bugs, by Jess French

*2nd Grade:* Ultimate Bugopedia: The Most Complete Bug Reference Ever, by Nancy Honovich

*3rd Grade:* Butterflies Are Pretty..Gross! ,by Rosemary Mosco

*4th Grade:* Everything You Wanted to Know About Bugs, by DK

*5th Grade:* National Geographic Backyard Guide to Insects and Spiders of North America, by Arthur Evans

*6th Grade:* Common Insects of Texas and Surrounding States: A Field Guide, by John Abbott.



## Bird Walks are Back!

Friends of The Lorraine Cherry Nature Preserve sponsors weekly **Bird Walks in the Forest** each **Tuesday morning at 8:00 a.m.** September through May. Bird Walks in the Forest also take place in the evening on the **first Thursday night of the month at 5:30 p.m.** September through November and again February through May.

If you'd like to join, meet at the kiosk on Shelterwood across from the corner of Pine-shade. Dress for the weather, wear comfortable shoes, and bring your bug spray and water. If you have binoculars, it really adds to the experience to have them with you. If you hear thunder, the Bird Walk will be canceled until the following week. We are looking forward to having you join us soon.

## Drought

Not only have we had some really hot days this summer, we've been in a drought. And while one of the best bits of news about a drought is a significant reduction in mosquitoes in the forest, a lot of folks are wondering exactly what this might mean for our plants and animals.

As for our plants, especially the trees, it's hard to tell right now. With larger trees, stress isn't often seen immediately. You can visibly see the stress the shorter bushes and trees are undergoing when you walk through. While we do have the Ephemeral Pond (Stop 6 on the Wireless Wilderness Tour), we don't yet have a continuous water source for our animal residents when it doesn't rain. Or, do we?

...Lorraine Cherry Preserve News continued on next page.



This summer, we have had a dedicated neighbor volunteer who is walking in five-gallon buckets of water nearly daily to fill the Ephemeral Pond for our animal friends in need of a drink. The squirrels have even gotten to the point where they wait for him to arrive and fill up the pond before they get their morning drink and go about their day. He has even taken plastic lids filled with water to the turtles so that they can have some much needed hydration in the heat. A BIG thank you to him and his dedication to our animal friends.

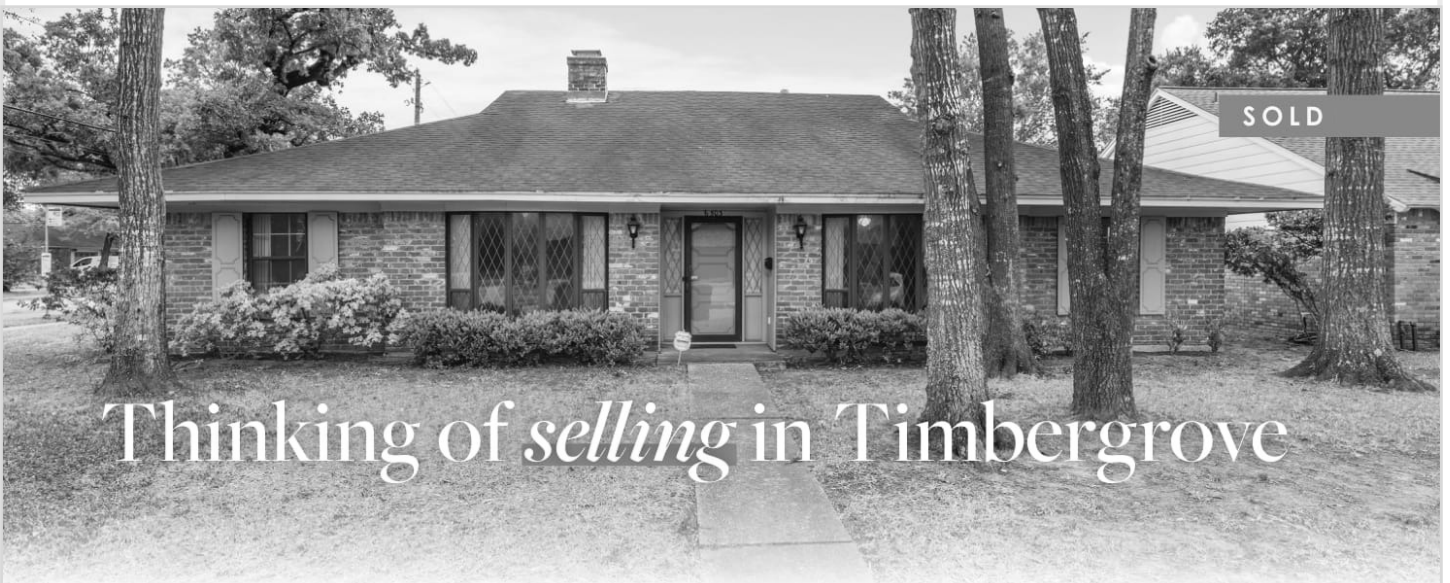
### **Save the Dates:**

**August 8-October 13: Draw/Paint/Build a Bug Contest** - Be sure to have your child join in the fun—check out W 11<sup>th</sup> Street Park Facebook page for details.

**Tuesday, October 11, 10:00 am: Ribbon Cutting Ceremony** - Come join us to celebrate the name change as the newest bit of history at the nature preserve! This will take place on Shelterwood near the kiosk. (No Bird Walk in the Forest on October 11)

**Saturday, October 28, 9:00 am: Wildflower Garden Workday** - Bring your garden tools and join us as we winterize the wildflower gardens. No donuts, just digging, done by 11:00 am.

**Saturday, November 5, 9:30 am: Morning Mindfulness** - Bring a foldable lawn chair to participate in a free mindfulness meditation in the forest. Meet at the Kiosk on Shelterwood.



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# Local Abandoned Graveyard Offers Residents a Look Back at Timbergrove Manor History



Timbergrove Manor is home to an abandoned graveyard called Vollmer Cemetery located at 6618 Cindy Lane. According to longtime resident Reen Cantazaro and her super sleuthing friend, Margo Cunningham, this almost forgotten cemetery is surrounded by Timbergrove Manor homes who literally have history in their backyards.

The hard-to-find and unmarked cemetery was established in the mid-1800s and sits discreetly on about a half acre behind a wooden fence. It contains 32 marked burial sites and an unknown number of unmarked graves as well. According to markers, the first person buried was Henry Hillendahl (1821-1878) and the last person interred was Annie C. Hilton (1888-1985).

Reen once interviewed long time Timbergrove resident and across the street neighbor to the cemetery, Gus Arndt (now deceased), about the graveyard. He told her that on the north side of the cemetery there are an unknown number of unmarked graves of African American soldiers who fought in the Civil War. At one time those graves were marked with little white crosses, but unfortunately, those little crosses disintegrated and were not replaced when the cemetery was abandoned.

The cemetery has been referred to by several names in the past including Vollmer Family Cemetery, Vollmer-Niemann Cemetery, Niemann Family Cemetery, and the Eureka Cemetery. In addition to the Civil War soldiers buried there, the marked graves hold members of several Spring Branch families, from a time when this area was known as Vollmer in the mid-1800s. Reen did quite a bit of work to get the cemetery officially registered as a historic site in 2007, though there is no historical marker to denote it.



And, while all of the neighbors surrounding the cemetery know about it and most of them have gates built into their wooden fences so that they can access it when they desire, the cemetery is abandoned in the sense that there is no point person to regularly care for it. Reen mowed the cemetery once herself. Now, she pays a mowing company to come out regularly and mow it. If anyone reading this would like to help offset her monthly mowing costs, email [blockcaptains@timbergrove.org](mailto:blockcaptains@timbergrove.org) to get in touch with her. Likewise, if one of our local Boy Scout Troops is interested in a Community Service Project, it looks as if it's time to apply some elbow grease to straighten the headstones and markers, so please email to get in touch.

In 2021, the wooden fence on the property line separating the Cantazaros's property and the cemetery blew down in a storm. Instead of replacing it with another wooden fence which would hide the cemetery, the Cantazaros put up a wrought iron fence so that the cemetery, and up to that point in time widely unknown Timbergrove Manor history, could be revealed.

A few years ago, one of the neighbors across the street from the cemetery had some landscaping work done and discovered a pet cemetery in their front yard. Because the skull of a horse they found was in fantastic condition, they brought the skull to Reen to place on the wrought iron fencing. Since then, some of our Timbergrove neighbors have given it one more name - "Cowboy Cemetery" because of the horse head skull.

Unfortunately, beyond the fact that there is a cemetery and the remains of a pet cemetery in the neighborhood, not much else is known. We don't know if there was ever a church or if it was just a burial site on part of a family farm. It adds to the mystery and charm to not know everything about it, especially as Halloween approaches. This Halloween, look for the skeleton hanging over the

wrought iron fence. That's how you'll know the cemetery's location.



You might wonder who is buried there.

While there are some unmarked and therefore unknown graves there, as well as a couple of notable folks, most who are buried there are just family members buried in a common place who used to live nearby. They lived everyday lives much as we do today. But, in an effort to name them, keep reading to learn who they were.



...Abandoned graveyard story continued on next page.

W. H. Hillendahl (1870-1904) was an early German settler. The Hillendahl family was very important in the development of Houston. Hillendahl Boulevard, the Hillendahl Neighborhood Library, and the Hillendahl Medical Clinic are all located in the Spring Branch area. A family member of the Hillendahls lived in Timbergrove Manor (and volunteered with TMCC) until 2019 when the last one of the family moved away. Other Hillendahl family members buried include: Henry (1821-1878), Kate (1820-1895), Marie Henrietta (1848-1912), Othelia Maria (1879-1918), Theo (1894-1931), and Katie Clay Hillendahl (1870-1893), along with her family members Louis Clay (1846-1935), Kate Vollmer Clay (1850-1916), Unnamed Baby Clay, Infant Clay (1 day, 1890), and Marguerite (3 mo, 1919).

Conrad Sauer (1843-1917) was a German farmer who settled in this area and operated a dairy nearby. For a time he worked paving and repairing the streets in what we now know as Spring Branch. Conrad Sauer Street is named in his honor. Other Sauer family members include: Nancy (1815-1881) and Conrad W. (1874-1939).

Niemann family members include: Marie (1813-1888), Herman (1823-1879), Henry (1852-1934), and Louis (1853-1938).

The Vollmer family members include: John (1855-1935), Henry, Jr. (1859-1891), William (1863-1940), Annie E. (1869-1938), and Paul (1903-1963).

Hilton family members buried include: George (1882-1958), James (1885-1932), Annie C. (1888-1985), Hulda (1895-1959), L. T. (1906-1982), Oliver (1912-1965), and Jewell M. (1919-1929).

Kate C. Thiel (1843-1882) is also buried there.



## Things NOT to Do When Putting Your Home on the Market

So you've decided to put your home on the market. Congratulations! Hopefully, you've brought a REALTOR® on board to help you list your house. If not please give me a call, I would love to be your REALTOR®!

As you start checking things off your to-do list, it's also important to be mindful of what *not* to do. Below are a handful of things to get you started.

### **Don't over-improve.**

As you ready your home for sale, you may realize you will get a great return on your investment if you make a couple of changes. Updating the appliances or replacing that cracked tile in the bathroom are all great ideas. However, it's important not to over-improve, or make improvements that are hyper-specific to your tastes. Make any needed fixes to your space, but don't go above and beyond—you may lose money doing so.

### **Don't over-decorate.**

Over-decorating is just as bad as over-improving. When prepping for sale, neutralize your decorating scheme so it's more universally palatable.

**Don't hang around.** Buyers want to imagine themselves in the space, not be confronted by you in your space. Get out of the house, take the kids with you, and if you can't leave for whatever reason, at least go sit in the backyard.

### **Don't take things personally.**

Real estate is a business, but buying and selling a house can be emotional. When selling your house try your very best not to take things personally. When a buyer lowballs you or says

they will need to replace your prized 1970s vintage shag carpet with something "more modern," try not to raise your hackles.

If you are considering selling your home, I would love 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! Check out **HAR.com/Efferson** where you can review raving client reviews.

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

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# 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](mailto:yardofmonth@timbergrove.org).

### July Winners:

- Section 5 - 6106 Abington Way
- Section 6 - 6234 Waltway
- Section 7 - 6303 Cindy
- Section 8 - 6514 Wynnwood
- Section 10 - 6611 Kury
- Section 11 - 1522 Droxford
- Section 12 - 1707 Droxford
- Section 13 - 2507 Tannehill
- Section 14 - 2223 Tannehill

### August Winners:

- Section 5 - 6243 Hurst
- Section 6 - 6414 Waltway
- Section 7 - 6235 Lindyann
- Section 8 - 1330 Foxwood
- Section 10 - 6762 Cindy
- Section 11 - 6202 Kury
- Section 12 - 6534 Kury
- Section 13 - 2503 Droxford
- Section 14 - 2330 Tannehill

## Soild Waste Collection Schedule

### Tree Waste:

- Wednesday, September 21
- Wednesday, November 16

### Junk Waste/Heavy Trash:

- Wednesday, October 19
- Wednesday, December 21

### Recycling - Every other week:

- Thursday, September 15
- Thursday, September 29
- Thursday, October 13
- Thursday, October 27
- Thursday, November 10

*Trash & lawn waste are collected each Thursday.*

## Helpful Phone Numbers

Houston Police Non-Emergency: 713-884-3131

Houston Park Rangers: 832-395-7100

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