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# **SOCIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE 2016 EVENT WRAP-UP**

A big thank you to everyone that came out to the Fall Creek Concert & Cook-off on Saturday, October 22nd at the Sports Complex. Between enjoying the offerings of the authentic Mexican food truck, dancing to the live Latin sounds of Paraiso Latino, and sampling a variety of recipes entered into the salsa, queso, and guacamole cook-off, it was a huge success! Big congratulations to our cook-off winners in the four categories:

- Salsa: Salsa Salsa! by Mark Madsen
- Queso: Just In Queso by Cristina Lara
- Guacamole: Naranja Avocado by April Lemmon
- Fire Fighters Favorite: Southern Gold (Queso) by Mona Bordelon









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Breakfast with Santa held on Saturday, December 3rd was also a great time for the whole family despite the inclement weather. Adults and kids alike enjoyed their breakfasts, pictures with Santa, cookie decorating, placemat coloring, ornament crafts, and holiday music. We send very special thanks to the Summer Creek High School Choir for their beautiful voices which brought us the sounds of Christmas and to the incredibly hardworking resident volunteers and helpers from Primrose School!

#### **FALL CREEK SPORTS COMPLEX UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES**

Check out the youth sports options at your Fall Creek Sports Complex this spring at www.fallcreeklife.com. The youth baseball league and soccer league are great ways to get your young one into organized sports. Adult softball, soccer, and kickball leagues are also available along with Camp Gladiator fitness classes so Moms and Dads can take care of that New Year's resolution to get in shape!

Don't forget to submit a reservation form to reserve the fields or pavilion for your party and activity needs this spring. And, remember to advertise your business by sponsoring the sports complex through a sign or banner. Contact your Recreation Director, Kas Kramer, at recdirector@fallcreeklife.com if you have questions and for more information.

#### SOCIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING Friday, February 10th • 6:00pm - 8:00pm • Los Cucos

Do you and your family enjoy community events like Music in May, Moonlight Movie Night, Concert & Cook-off, and Breakfast with Santa? Then the Social Events Committee needs your help! Join us for margaritas and brainstorming at Los Cucos on Friday, February 10th from 6:00pm – 8:00pm. We will be planning the 2017 events and encourage your input. It's your community! All ideas and assistance are welcome so that we can continue these great events and develop new ones for our neighborhood. Please contact your Lifestyle Director, Kas Kramer, at recdirector@fallcreeklife.com with questions and for more information. Hope to see you there!

# THE Leaves OF FALL WINTER 2017 CREEK

# NEW PHOTO AMENITY ID BADGES

Fall Creek Residents,

We are in the process of converting the current amenity key FOB access system to a NEW photo ID badge access system.

Residents beginning at age 12 will need to have a Fall Creek amenity ID badge in order to access any of the amenities which include the fitness center, tennis courts, park restrooms and pools. Minors (18 years or under) need to be accompanied by an adult to receive an amenity ID badge. Minors 16 years of age and up will have full access to all amenities with their amenity ID badge, but must present a driver's license or state issued ID to receive an amenity ID badge in the accompaniment of an adult. Minors 12 to 15 years of age will only have access to Pool 1, tennis courts and park restrooms.

With over 2,500 homes in Fall Creek, we will produce the badges for several villages each month. To see if your Village is scheduled, go to fallcreeklife.com. We will also announce the villages on the LED Board at the Mesa Rd. entrance. Additionally, signs will be placed in front of the villages to alert homeowners who are scheduled that particular month to come in and have your amenity ID badges produced.

If your village was announced some time ago and you did not have the opportunity to come to The Clubhouse to get your ID badge made, it is not too late. Please come in as soon as you have time. We would like to have all residents processed before the 2017 pool season begins.

Until your village has been scheduled, residents will continue to use their fob's as the primary form of access. When everyone in the household aged 12 and up has had their ID badges made, all access FOB's for your household will be deleted and no longer of use. We are requesting that residents bring their old key FOB's into the Clubhouse to be recycled and to delete as we move forward, to minimize the purge later. Amenity badges are currently free during this transition, however we strongly encourage all residents to take good care of their new amenity ID badges, as any lost or damaged badges will be replaced for a \$25 fee.

Caregivers and/or Domestic Personnel who need access to the amenities as part of their position will need to be accompanied by a homeowner in order to obtain an amenity ID badge.

Tenants will need to provide a lease agreement and other form of ID as proof of residency in order to obtain ID badges.

We have temporarily extended Clubhouse/Office hours for homeowners to obtain ID Badges during the hours of *Monday through Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.,*Friday 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

As with any transition, we ask for your patience during this process.

\*\*Please visit fallcreeklife.com for Clubhouse/Office hours as they are subject to change.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

## FREQUENTLY CALLED NUMBERS

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Harris County Sheriff (Non-Emergency) 713-221-6000 Option 6

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Humble Independent School District 281-641-1000

Fall Creek Elementary School 281-641-3400

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Dear Residents

If you haven't already had a chance to visit our Board's official website, FallCreekLife.com, now's the time! The site is regularly updated with community news, event information, and official documents. It also includes a host of resources, such as the schedule for rolling out the new amenity badge system, photos of Yard of the Season winners, and the Green's Bayou Tributary (P-133) petition. For residents hoping to get involved, each of the community's official committees has its own page detailing its duties, meeting schedule, and contact information. And best of all, with just a click of a button you can subscribe to receive official updates from the Board.

Be sure to visit FallCreekLife.com today!

Evie Granville

Resident and Webmaster

# **GET YOUR GARDEN GLOVES READY!**

The first annual Fall Creek Garden Party is coming your way on February 25th from 11am to 4pm at the Fall Creek Park! We have a beautiful neighborhood and it doesn't stay that way without maintenance. The Fall Creek Landscape Committee recognizes that we all have common yard and garden issues so we decided to create an event that would both educate and entertain our residents. Some highlights of the Garden Party:

- Live demonstrations to show you how to tackle landscape problems like overgrown trees, shrubs, garden pests and more! Bring your questions about plants and yard maintenance for our community landscape team, Shooter and Lindsey.
- Have a plan for your yard but don't know where to start? Yard and garden-related vendors will be there to answer your questions.
- Fun learning activities for the whole family.
- Food Trucks!

Get a head start on the spring season and get transform your outdoor space into a private retreat to relax and entertain. Let the clipping begin!

# **STREETLIGHT OUT?**

Contact Centerpoint Energy for repair of streetlights that are not working: 713.207.2222 phone, 713.207.9760 fax 6 digit pole number along with the or www.centerpointenergy.com/outage

For faster repair when calling Centerpoint, remember to obtain the closest physical address to the street light that is not working.



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# **6 Home Projects That** Cost Less Than a TV

- Revamp your outside entrance with a new welcome mat, potted plants w/ colorful flowers, or updated doorknobs.
- 2. Modernize your bathroom w/ a new paint color, fresh towels, new shower mats & curtain. The focal point will be taken off the outdated fixtures.
- 3. Repaint your interior walls. There's nothing like a fresh coat of paint. Light colors are perfect for opening up small places.
- 4. Update your kitchen cabinet hardware. This is a quick & cost-friendly way to jumpstart your kitchen.
- 5. Rejuvenate your light fixtures. Dated light fixtures not only look bad, but they provide dull lighting.
- 6. Clean your carpets. Steam-cleaning and spot treatments make a huge difference, especially on carpet that has a lot of foot traffic.\*

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# LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE

The Landscape Committee would like to thank all of the volunteer judges and , Jermon Malone, coordinator for the Winter Wonderland Contest. We could not implement this fun event without your help. Our next contest will be for Spring Yard of the Season. If you had a blast being a judge or want to get involved in a small way to improve Fall Creek, we have a time limited opportunity for a volunteer coordinator to work with us to help recruit judges, track winners' addresses and oversee the judges' meeting. Contact us at landscape@fallcreeklife.com for more information.

# P-133 CHANNEL REPORT

Repairs in the area between Maple Creek and Pine Crest villages has been completed. Along with the repairs completed to the bridge over Mesa, this finishes two areas of work taken on in 2016.



The next area to be addressed is behind the Wynnwood section and can be seen in photographs below. The permit has gone through public comment and is back with the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACoE) Galveston District. Also the USACoE has received further responses they requested from Brown and Gay Engineering. USACoE have responded positively to these comments and the current indication is for them to issue the permit for construction to proceed within the next couple of months.

There is a petition that we ask you to sign on Fall Creek Life ( http://www.fallcreeklife.com ) in order to present to local officials as necessary. At the top of the page there is a link to the petition where you can sign electronically.



# **A Note** from FOPAWS: Reasons to Foster a Pet



goal is to help lost pets find their way home and to find forever homes for

- friends and meet others who care about animals!
- Get more active: Foster dogs require exercise and are a source of motivation to take a walk or throw a ball around.
- of a pet, without the financial responsibility. FOPAWS uses donations supplies to care for the animal while being fostered.
- Never be bored: Pets are a constant source of entertainment!

If you are interested in fostering or have any questions, please email us

# FALL CREEK Tennis **TENNIS** COMMITTEE

Court Reservation System Upgrade The Tennis Committee is excited to announce the new reservation system upgrades. This new platform will ease the process when reserving a court. Be sure to make your court reservation in advance by following the reservation link at FallCreekLife.com.

Arriving for your court after 10 minutes of scheduled time will forfeit your reservation. Pease use courtesy when reserving and use the email confirmation information to cancel your reservation so that the court can become available again should your plans change. Remember to clean up after yourself and make sure you have collected all of your belongings before leaving.

## Programs

Keep an eye out for future junior and adult programs offered on the tennis courts. The Tennis Committee is in the planning process to create clinics, adult mixers or tournaments that may be supported by our community. If you have a suggestion or request you would like the committee to review please email tennis@ fallcreeklife.com

#### Meetings

The Tennis Committee meets on the 3rd Thursday night of each month. Come join us at The Clubhouse from 6-7:30pm with your concerns or ideas. Together, we can enhance the quality of the tennis experience for all Fall Creek residents and their guests.



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#### **Live Chat**

Visitors to our website can click the little green box in the lower left to chat live with a Spectrum representative during regular business hours. This makes an easy way for you to get answers to your questions without having to make a phone call or send an email. Our representative will quickly address your concern or direct you to the person who can best assist you. After-hours, the chat system will send an email message via the website for you.

#### **Frequently Asked Questions**

Some people who live in a homeowners association may have questions about things like what they should do if they can't pay their dues on time, how to get approval for improvements they want to make to their home or lot, and what the association does with the money collected from homeowners. You will find the answers to those questions and more right here: https://www.spectrumam.com/hoa-fag/

#### **Homeowner Forms**

Many of the forms you and other homeowners may need are available right on our website at https://www.spectrumam.com/homeowner-forms/. Whether you need to update your mailing address, apply for a payment plan, submit a home improvement request, or report a compliance violation in your neighborhood, you can do all that here.

#### Contact Us

As a board member, your main point of contact at Spectrum for association-related matters will always be your Community Manager. For homeowners who have questions they can't find answers to on our website, they can simply submit their question or concern via our form at https://www.spectrumam.com/contact/, and we'll make sure it gets into the right hands for follow-up.

Our website is just one more way Spectrum strives every day to be the best association management resource we can be, for you as a board member, and for all homeowners living in your neighborhood.

# SHELL HOUSTON OPEN RETAIL TENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

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As a Volunteer you will get a special inside look of the event, while working in the fast paced retail tent assisting customers on the floor, restocking and assisting cashiers.

Shifts are available starting Thursday March 30st through Monday April 3th. Each volunteer will receive a complimentary tee shirt to wear as a uniform while working, free transportation on the shuttle bus, and access to the tour event before or after your shift.

Vicki Bernstein, the Retail Operations Manager states that "we always have many return volunteers each year and it's like a reunion to see them again – we enjoy working and meeting our local community through this event."

Volunteers can access the sign up form online at www.golfclubofhouston.com. Click on the sign up form, complete and email to Vicki@ Bernsteinretail.com or call with questions to 281-734-9841. We will call or email to confirm your times.

A portion of all Shell Houston Open retail sales are provided to the Houston Golf Association to benefit the Houston Community, it's youth and various designated charities. Come on out and help us contribute to a worthy cause while enjoying the venue first hand.

# A LETTER FROM OUR DEPUTY, DIANE PETERSON

The end of 2016 brought some exciting changes for Deputy Jesus Gonzalez (day shift Fall Creek unit) as he was promoted to the rank of Sergeant. This was a welcome and exciting change for him as he continues his career in law enforcement, now as a supervisor. This recent promotion however, means Sergeant Gonzalez was transferred to another duty assignment outside of the Fall Creek Community. We wish Sergeant Gonzalez well in his new position and we know he will be a great asset to his new duty assignment, just as he was to the residents of Fall Creek. We will definitely miss his smile, his outgoing personality and willingness to always lend a hand to our community.

We would also like to extend a warm welcome to Deputy Gerald Barnes as he joins the Fall Creek Community. Deputy Barnes has over 20 years law enforcement experience and is excited to bring those years of experience to benefit of the residents of Fall Creek. Deputy Barnes has been with us about a month and he is enjoying getting to know everyone. He enjoys visiting and learning about everyone's experiences and welcomes you to stop and visit with him, share your stories, and your concerns in the community.

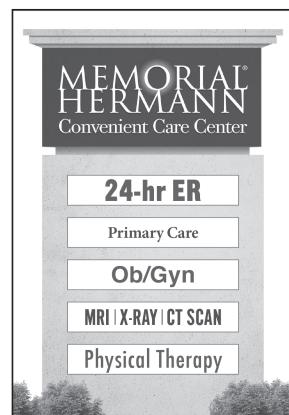
As we begin the New Year, we would like to share some basic safety tips with our residents, in an effort to help keep safety our top priority.

- 1. Vehicles are not stopping for crosswalks still. When you approach a stop sign, pedestrians in the crosswalk have the right-of-way. No part of your vehicle should be "IN" the crosswalk and you should not proceed until the pedestrian has safely crossed. (See Texas Transportation Code: Title 7, Subtitle C, Sec. 552.003. PEDESTRIAN RIGHT-OF-WAY AT CROSSWALK.)
- 2. Sidewalk Use. Sidewalks are provided for you in almost ALL areas of Fall Creek. If there is a sidewalk provided, you are required to use it and

not walk or run in the street. Yes, believe it or not, it is a violation of law (a Class C citation can be issued) to walk in the roadway where a sidewalk is provided. (See Texas Transportation Code: Title 7. Subtitle C. Sec. 552.006. USE OF SIDEWALK.) This is especially a problem in the early mornings with joggers who seem to think the entire roadway belongs to them. (As a jogger and a police officer, I understand both sides of this common complaint.) I have had several people flag me down on their way to work and tell me they almost ran over someone jogging in the street because they could not see them and  $\ /\$  or the jogger ran in front of them without regard to vehicle traffic. Please use your best judgment when running in the early morning. Just because you can see a vehicle, doesn't mean the driver can see you. There are beautiful paths and sidewalks throughout the Fall Creek Community for your use, so please take advantage of these.

3. We have had a few burglaries this past week - to vehicles and garages (4 total). YOU are the first line of defense. Keep the doors on your vehicles, residences, garages, etc. LOCKED! The burglaries this past week were due, in part, to vehicles, residences, and garages left unsecured. Crooks always look for easy targets so please be sure to keep your property locked at all times and be aware of your surroundings. Please keep your garages closed if you are not outside or working in your garage and please remove any valuables from your vehicles. We would also urge you to NEVER LEAVE A GUN in your car! Remember, if you see something suspicious, please call it in to our non-emergency line at 713.221.6000 and as always, call 9-1-1 if it is an emergency.

Best Regards, Deputy Peterson



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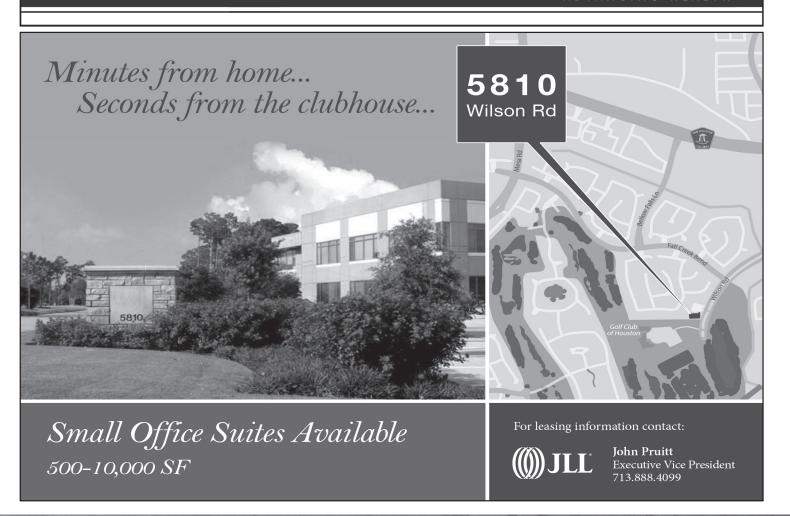
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