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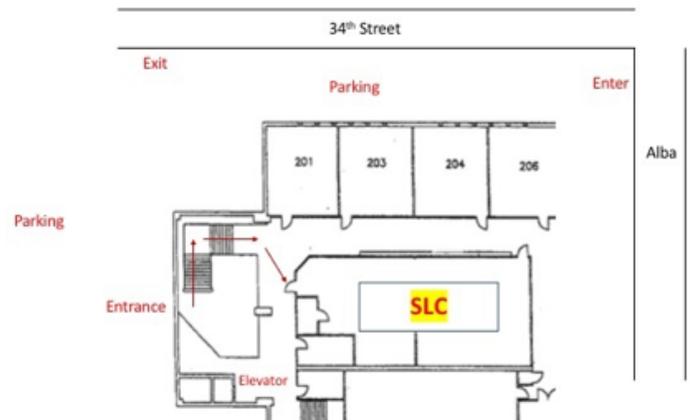
BE AWARE - THE TOP TEN LATEST SCAMS IN HOUSTON

Have you recently received a phone call, email, or piece of mail that said you have won a prize/lottery/sweepstakes? What about an offer of tech support for your computer or the guy that knocks on your door to tell you that you have a problem with your roof? Have you been hearing about some of the new “trial” offers, miracle cures, and counterfeit items being sold online? Or what about the official looking documents saying you need to pay for City related services? These are just a few of the many local scams that Houstonians fall for every day. Most of us think “it would never happen to me.” But even the sharpest consumer can find themselves a target of a scam.

According to the Better Business Bureau, scam artists are skillful criminals, who successfully change their schemes on an ongoing basis to continue to steal money from their victims by using social media channels as a main way of targeting their victims, as well as mail, email, cold calls and internet pop-ups. Unfortunately, the number of people caught in scams like foreign lotteries and Internet scams are increasing every day. Don't miss the next meeting of the Shepherd Forest Civic Club where a representative of the Houston Better Business Bureau will be on hand to discuss the Top Ten Latest Scams in Houston and how you can protect yourself from becoming a victim.

PLEASE NOTE - SFCC CHANGES MEETING LOCATION

The Shepherd Forest Civic Club has announced a change to the meeting location for our January meeting. The meeting will be held at Lutheran High School North, located at 1130 West 34th @ Alba. Residents are encourage to park in the parking lot on West 34th and enter from the east side of the building under the awning. A stairway and elevator are located just inside the building to get to the second floor where the meeting will be held in the SLC. This meeting room is located at the top of the stairs.



SNEAK PEEK! - FEBRUARY SOCIAL MEETING

The February meeting of the Shepherd Forest Civic Club will be a “Social” meeting held on Monday, February 17th at 6:00PM at BB's Tex-Orleans Restaurant, located at 1737 West 34th (just west of Ella Blvd in the new shopping center). The theme for the night will be “Get Ready to Rodeo” and a speaker from the Houston Rodeo will be on hand to discuss details about the upcoming Rodeo and lots of other interesting Rodeo facts. Wear your boots or favorite Rodeo duds and join in the fun!

JANUARY SHEPHERD FOREST CIVIC CLUB MONTHLY MEETING

MONDAY, JANUARY 20TH - 7:00 PM - LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL NORTH - 1130 WEST 34TH @ ALBA

All residents that have paid their 2020 SFCC membership dues and attend the January 20th meeting will be entered in a drawing for some great prizes, including gift cards to Union Kitchen, a handmade quilt and gifts from Decant Urban Winery. You will also have the opportunity to pay your annual membership dues, and other topics of interest are open for discussion.

MEETINGS ARE HELD ON THE THIRD MONDAY OF EVERY MONTH. ALL SHEPHERD FOREST RESIDENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND.

CITIZENS ON PATROL - SECURITY REPORT

The holidays are now behind us, but unfortunately crime hasn't stopped. Please remember to be alert to your surroundings at all times – especially when leaving or returning home. It is extremely important that residents report ALL CRIME to HPD, regardless of how insignificant it may seem. The number of HPD patrol units assigned to our area is based on the number of calls we make to HPD. Some residents have even failed to report things such as a burglary of their vehicle because “nothing was taken.” But HPD encourages residents to report ALL CRIME and suspicious people/activity so they will know what is going on in our neighborhood. AFTER you have contacted HPD, please call our SFCC Security Coordinator Paul Berry and report what has happened.

HPD – Immediate or Life threatening emergencies – 911

HPD – Non-emergency (burglaries, stolen property, etc.) 713-884-3131

SFCC Security Coordinator - Paul Berry 915-373-8820

UPCOMING EVENTS CALENDAR

MONDAY, JANUARY 20TH

SFCC Meeting at 7pm
Topic Top Ten Houston Scams



FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14TH

Happy Valentines Day!

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16TH

SFCC “Social” - BB’s Tex-Orleans

MONDAY, MARCH 16TH

SFCC Meeting at 7pm
Topic: Spring Lawn & Gardening Tips

TUESDAY, MARCH 17TH

Happy St. Patrick’s Day!

SATURDAY, APRIL 4TH

Annual Easter Egg Hunt
Stonecrest Park - 10am

SUNDAY, APRIL 12TH

Happy Easter!

MONDAY, APRIL 20TH

SFCC “Social” Meeting (Location TBA)



PARTY LINE

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS!

Best wishes for a very Happy Birthday are sent to the following:
Carolyn Brock 1/3, Delinda Holland 1/3, Bob Williamson 1/11,
Kendra Benson 1/21. Katy Cattoni 1/30, and Jean Jungbauer 1/31.
Celebrating early February birthdays are Carmen Nieto 2/2,
Shirley Evanicky 2/9, and Ruth Lepler 2/11

Congratulations and Anniversary wishes are sent to
Johnny & Mary Farmer who celebrate on 1/21 and to
Kristi & Martin Gollwitzer on 2/10.

*Deepest sympathy is extended to former SFCC Officer
Lisa Talbott and family on the recent passing of her husband,
William “Bill” Talbott. Condolences are also sent to Eva Kirten
and family on the loss of her mother, Mary Pokluda.*

*Sympathy is also sent to Gail Garcia and family on the recent
passing of her husband, Alfred Garcia.*

**We would love to share your special news! If you have information
about birthdays, anniversaries, new neighbors, special events,
please contact any officer/director listed in this newsletter or
email us at info@shepherdforest.org.**



SAVE THE DATE!

**Annual SFCC Easter Egg Hunt
Saturday, April 4th at 10am
Stonecrest Park**

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SFCC ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DRIVE IS UNDERWAY

January is Membership Drive Month for the Shepherd Forest Civic Club and membership dues for all residents were due on January 1st. We encourage all homeowners and renters to join today. Civic club dues are only \$20 per household and are a vital part of the continuing programs and projects of the Shepherd Forest Civic Club. For your convenience, we are offering several easy ways to join. You can bring it to the next civic club meeting on Monday, January 20th, or pay by visiting www.shepherdforest.org and make your dues payment via PayPal. Please be sure to include a Membership Form along with your dues payment so that we will have your correct information. You may also give your membership dues and form to any SFCC officer or director. All residents that have paid their 2020 SFCC membership dues and attend the January 20th civic club meeting will be entered into a drawing that night for some great prizes, including gift cards to Union Kitchen, a handmade quilt and gifts from Decant Urban Winery.

Don't miss your chance to win while supporting a civic club that works every day on your behalf. Please join the SFCC today!

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DINNER & PROGRAM A GREAT SUCCESS



If you were not able to attend the SFCC Christmas Dinner and Program, you missed a great evening of fun with your neighbors. Residents were treated to some special time and photos with Santa Claus before enjoying a delicious buffet of assorted foods. Festive holiday music and Christmas sing-a-longs were provided by SaxWorx. Our Citizens on Patrol members were recognized as well as those volunteers that help deliver our monthly newsletter. A huge thanks goes to all the volunteers that help organize, set up, serve, and clean up for this annual event.



RECYCLE YOUR CHRISTMAS TREE

This year, instead of tossing your live Christmas tree in the garbage, help the City preserve the environment by dropping off your tree at any of the drop-off locations provided by The City of Houston Solid Waste Management. The drop-off location nearest Shepherd Forest will be TC Jester Park, 4200 West TC Jester. Trees will be accepted daily beginning on December 26th through January 31st from 9am to 6pm. Please remove all decorations, tinsel, plastic bags, tree stands and water bowls. A list of Christmas tree recycling drop-off centers is available at <http://houstontx.gov/solidwaste/tree2019.html> or by calling the City of Houston Helpline at 311.

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SFCC CHRISTMAS DECORATING CONTEST

SECTION 1

1st Place – Aldegundo & Belem Perez, 1138 West 31St
2nd Place – Patty Council, 1143 West 30Th

SECTION 2

1st Place – Eric, Ashley & Bennett Garner, 2002 Wilde Rock
2nd Place – Van & Lynn Knox, 2302 Ansbury

SECTION 3

1st Place - Kenneth & Toye Egger, 4402 Marlborough
2nd Place– Jean Park, 3003 Larknolls - *Pictured Below*



Many thanks to all residents who took the time to decorate for Christmas - you helped to make Shepherd Forest a beautiful neighborhood and were enjoyed by your neighbors!



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Section 1 & 2 Pickup - 3rd Thursdays
Jan. 16th, Feb. 20th and March 19th

Section 3 Pickup - 4th Tuesdays
Jan. 28th, Feb. 25th and March 24th

Tree Waste is picked up in the ODD numbered months.
Heavy Trash is picked up in the EVEN numbered months.

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