



THE PLAZA PULSE

SHEPHERD PARK PLAZA CIVIC CLUB

September 2024

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Share Your News!

Do you have an interesting story or news you want to share? Do you have ideas about content that you would like to see in future Plaza Pulse Newsletters?

We want to hear from you! Please let us know by emailing Pulse@shepherdparkplaza.com

Deadline for submissions is the 15th of each month



Shepherd Park Plaza is composed of residents who generously volunteer their time and talents for the betterment of our community. It is through your annual membership dues that the SPP Civic Club can support the neighborhood through a wide range of services. Due to the financial diligence of the SPP Civic Club, we have been able to maintain our annual household membership dues at \$25/ year.

The Constable Program dues of \$325/year provides for two uniformed deputies patrolling our neighborhood in a marked vehicle 80 hours per week. This provides for day and night shift patrol coverage! We encourage all of our SPP neighbors to call the Constable Dispatch at 713-755-7628 should they witness unusual activity or to address a public safety concern.

Payments may be submitted via one of the following:

1. Venmo @SPPCC (Please include your name and address in the comments)
2. Mail (Please see insert in this month's Pulse).
3. PayPal or Credit Card at: <https://shepherdparkplaza.com/dues> (may incur additional fees)

around the neighborhood

Shepherd Park Plaza Civic Club

Welcome New Residents!

New to the neighborhood? Looking to connect and find out more information about the Shepherd Park Plaza neighborhood? Please contact our SPP Civic Club Board Greeters so we can welcome you officially! All new neighbors receive a welcome packet, so reach out to our neighborhood greeters if you haven't received yours.

Going on vacation soon? Planning to be away from home for an extended time?

Be sure to sign up for the Constable Vacation Watch! Recommended to give a 2-week notice, if possible.
<http://pct1constable.net/sign-up/vacation-watch/>

Neighborhood Shout Outs!

Do you have an upcoming celebration? Do you want to give a special shout out of recognition or honor? \$25 will secure you a business card size space to highlight and share your news! All proceeds go to the SPP Constable Program fundraising. Send an email to pulse@shepherdparkplaza.com for any questions and content submission. Deadline for submissions is the 15th of each month. First paid, first published. Spaces limited to 4 shout outs per month.

In the Neighborhood

City of Houston Drainage and Paving Project

The City of Houston Garden Oaks and Shepherd Park (West) Drainage and Paving Project appears to be complete. Questions? Contact City of Houston buildforward@houstontx.gov or 713.387.0311

Save the Dates!

We have a lot of fun events coming up this fall! Stay tuned to the Plaza Pulse, SPP Facebook group, and emails for more information!

- National Night Out - October 1, 2024
- 2nd Annual Short Stack Shuffle - October 19, 2024

Check out the Shepherd Park Plaza website for access to the Plaza Pulse online, as well as key documents, such as the New Neighbor Packet, membership and constable dues validation, and much more!
<https://shepherdparkplaza.com>



Check out the Shepherd Park Plaza Facebook page for recent discussions, news, alerts, ideas, recommendations, and neighborhood events

Ready to pay your annual Civic Club dues and join the Constable Contract? You can pay by check, Venmo (@SPPCC), scan the provided QR code, or visit the link below. Checks should be made out to SPPCC and can be mailed to

SPPCC P.O. Box 10453 Houston, TX 77206.

Please include your name and address in the memo.

<https://shepherdparkplaza.com/dues>



Can't remember if you contributed? Check link online or email Membership@shepherdparkplaza.com.

If you haven't received your Constable Program sticker, please contact your Section Rep.

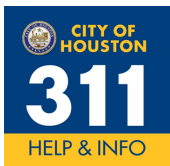
Civic Club: \$25 Constable Program: \$325

City of Houston Council Member, Mario Castillo, represents the Shepherd Park Plaza neighborhood. Find out more how he represents District H, as well as FAQs at www.houstontx.gov/council/h/



We appreciate our local advertisers!

The local advertisers that you see throughout the Plaza Pulse help pay for the printing of our neighborhood newsletter. Please show your support and consider contacting one of these local businesses the next time you need a quote or service.



Street sign down? Traffic light blinking? Tree limb down over the street? The City of Houston has a dedicated phone line and app for these types of non-emergency related issues. Call 311 or 713-837-0311.

Upcoming Events



SAVE THE DATE: **TUESDAY OCTOBER 1**
SHEPHERD PARK PLAZA

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

Scan the QR code or go to <https://tinyurl.com/SPPNNO24> if you are hosting to add your address to the block party map!

For any questions contact hospitality@shepherdparkplaza.com

National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie.

Tuesday, October 1

National Night Out Map will be circulated via email and on Shepherd Park Plaza Facebook page as the date gets closer.



5K

2024 SHORT STACK SHUFFLE
SHEPHERD PARK PLAZA

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19TH

7:30 AM - 5K & 1 MI. ROUTE
8:00 AM - COME AND GO PANCAKE BREAKFAST



To register scan the QR Code or go to <https://tinyurl.com/24ShortStackShuffle>

Register by October 3rd to guarantee a T-shirt!

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Monthly Socials

August 29th- Annual Kick Off
 November - Durham Night
 December - White Elephant Gift Exchange
 February 2nd -Sunday Funday
 May - Spa Night

Family Events

October- Happy Hour at William Price
 December 7th- Holiday in the Park
 April 19th- Easter Egg Hunt
 July 4th - 4th of July Parade



Connect with us

Please check website for final dates

Questions? Interested in volunteering?
 Email plaza.moms.houston@gmail.com

Reminder to find Plaza Moms Society on Facebook and Wild Apricot:

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/plazamoms/>

Website: PlazaMomsSociety.Wildapricot.org

Durham PTA Community Sponsorship



You are an important part of the Durham Elementary School community!

Durham Elementary is an International Baccalaureate (IB) World School, an HISD IB Magnet Campus, and a Dual Language Academy located in the Shepherd Park Plaza/Candlelight neighborhood of Houston, Texas. Durham has 28 classrooms (Pre-K – Fifth) filled with energetic, diverse students who are learning to become future leaders. The Durham Parent Teacher Association (PTA) supports our students with enrichment programs, cultural events, technology upgrades and campus beautification. Our goal is to create a well-rounded education for all. This is where our partnership with you becomes so critical. As a community leader, you have an incredible opportunity to be a part of Durham's triumph, to positively impact the lives of our students, families, and teachers, and set them on the path to success.

Community Sponsorship information can be found at: durhampta.org/sponsor



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The Plaza Garden Club has installed the officers for the new 2024/2025 year. From left to right they are: Carolyn Long - 2nd VP, Gina Johnston - 3rd VP, Laura Kirk - 1st VP, Amy Heinrich - Treasurer, Susan Fitzpatrick - President, Linda Schoene - Secretary, and outgoing 1st VP Pam Buenker. A special **thank you** to Carolyn Long for coordinating a wonderful meal and meeting at BB's Tex-Orleans for our installation of officers.

Our first meeting of the new year will be **Saturday, September 7, 2024**. This meeting will be held in the Shepherd Park at 9:00 am with a rain date of September 14, 2024. For more information, contact Susan Fitzpatrick: susanfitz1@att.net



Keep Our Neighborhood Safe: Clear Storm Debris from Drains



As we navigate through the stormy season, it's essential that we come together as a community to ensure our neighborhood remains safe and secure. One simple but crucial task we can all contribute to is clearing storm debris from drains. When leaves, twigs, and other debris accumulate on our streets, they often find their way into storm drains. Blocked drains can lead to flooding, damaging property, and creating hazardous conditions for pedestrians, cyclists, and drivers. By taking a few moments to clear debris from the drains near our homes, we can help prevent these issues.

Here's how you can help:

- 1. Check Your Drains Regularly:** After a storm or windy day, take a few minutes to inspect the drains around your home. If you notice debris, safely remove it with a rake or broom.
- 2. Dispose of Yard Waste Properly:** Instead of blowing leaves and grass clippings into the street, bag them or add them to your compost pile. This prevents them from becoming a problem later.
- 3. Be Mindful of Trash:** Secure your trash and recycling bins, especially on windy days, to prevent litter from clogging drains.
- 4. Spread the Word:** Encourage your neighbors to do the same. The more people involved, the greater the impact.

By working together, we can keep our drains clear and our streets safe. Let's take pride in our neighborhood and do our part to protect our community from the risks of flooding.



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Shepherd Park Plaza neighbor



Deputy Constable Program Response Calls

Figures are for entire contract, including SPP and Candlelight Plaza

July 2024

CONTRACT CHECKS ... 122	MILES PATROLLED ... 1,379	MEET THE CITIZEN / OFFICER ... 5
VACATION WATCH ... 3	DISCHARGE FIREARMS ... 1	FOLLOW UP... 4
BURGLARY OF HABITATION ... 1	DISTURBANCE FIREWORKS ... 3	SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT ... 1
ALARM ... 1	WELFARE CHECK ... 8	SUSPICIOUS PERSON ... 2
TRAFFIC HAZARD ... 2	PARK CHECK ... 2	SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE ... 2
DISTURBANCE LOUD NOISE ... 2	INFORMATION CALL ... 2	BURGLARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE ... 3

See Something, Say Something - Call Constable Dispatch at 713-755-7628

Vacation Watch registry (*2-week Notice*)...<http://pct1constable.net/sign-up/vacation-watch/>

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select Sign-Up > Crime Alerts ; Newsletter

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Citizens Patrol

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Total Driving Hours	13
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WORKING IN THE HEAT?

8 OZ EVERY 15-20 MINUTES

24-32 OZ PER HOUR



IMPORTANT CONTACTS			POLICE / FIRE: 911	CITY HELPLINE: 311
Constable Dispatch 713-755-7628	HPD (non-emergency) 713-884-3131	Plaza Pulse Editor pulse@shepherdparkplaza.com	Plaza Pulse Advertising advertising@shepherdparkplaza.com	SPP Membership membership@shepherdparkplaza.com
Deed Restrictions 713-316-5255	Architecture Control 713-316-5255	Entrance Bed entrancebeds@shepherdparkplaza.com	Plaza Moms Rep plaza.moms.houston@gmail.com	Garden Club Rep gardenclub@shepherdparkplaza.com
Section 1 Rep Section2@shepherdparkplaza.com	Section 2 Rep Section2@shepherdparkplaza.com	Section 3 Rep 832-655-3425	Section 4 Rep Section4@shepherdparkplaza.com	SPP Civic Club president@shepherdparkplaza.com

SPP Calendar **September 2024**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 HAPPY LABOR DAY!	3 	4	5	6	7
8	9	10 	11 Patriot Day	12	13	14
15	16	17 	18	19 TREE WASTE	20	21
22 Autumnal Equinox	23	24 	25	26	27	28
29	30					



=Trash



=Recycling



By request of our collectors, please place bins in the street, not on the sidewalk/curb. Please leave 3 ft between your bins and any other objects. This gives the trucks room without damage to nearby items.

Reminder about Heavy Trash:
 TREE waste is picked up in ODD months and JUNK waste in the EVEN months. TREE waste is defined as “clean” wood waste, such as tree limbs, branches, and stumps. JUNK is defined as items such as furniture, appliances, and other bulky material.

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August Yard of the Month	
Section 1: Ashley & Christopher Clark 958 Curtin	Section 2: Sylvia & Jose Carranza 1139 Chantilly Ln
Section 3: Brockman Residence 1103 Cheshire	Section 4: Chad & Kelly Owens. 1033 Candlelight



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join the Constable Contract?
Pay via Venmo (@SPPCC) or scan the QR code!
Civic Club: \$25 Constable Program: \$325



Curious where your \$25 annual SPP Membership dues go?

We use these funds in numerous ways! Below are just a few...

- Street Number Curb Painting
- New Neighbor Welcome Packets
- Flower Beds at Entrances
- Plaza Pulse Newsletter and Website
- Yard of the Month and Decorating Awards
- Placement of US flag on light poles for national holidays