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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

December 2024

We're fortunate to live in such a vibrant, welcoming community, and a key part of maintaining that quality of life is ensuring we all feel safe. That's where our Constable Program comes in—and we need your help to keep it going strong.

For just \$325 per year, you can directly support two uniformed deputies who patrol our neighborhood 80 hours each week in a marked vehicle. This coverage includes both day and night shifts, providing an invaluable presence that helps deter crime and respond quickly to public safety concerns.

Don't forget that you can call the Constable Dispatch line at 713-755-7628 to report unusual activity or address public safety concerns. This service is here for you, and your participation helps keep it available for everyone. Thank you for your support and commitment to our community! We make it easy to contribute. You can submit your payment through:

- Venmo: @SPPCC (Please include your name and address in the comments)
- Mail: See the details included in this month's Pulse newsletter.
- PayPal or Credit Card: Visit [shepherdparkplaza.com/dues](https://www.shepherdparkplaza.com/dues) (Please note, additional fees may apply).



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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!

- Arch Lighting Parade - December 8, 2024
- Durham Elementary's Winter Literacy Night - December 12, 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 and Instagram (NEW @spp_civicclub) 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.

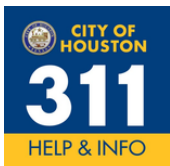
Civic Club: \$25 Constable Program: \$325

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.

SPP Upcoming Events



Join us for a festive evening in Shepherd Park Plaza on **December 8th at 5 PM** for the annual Arch Parade! This neighborhood tradition continues to grow, bringing our community together to celebrate the holiday season with sparkling arches and creative floats.

How to Participate:

- Want to join the parade on a **golf cart or self-made float**? Meet at **Chamboard and Apollo at 5 PM** to line up and be part of the fun!
- Set up some chairs and hot cocoa on the front lawn and wave as the parade comes by!

See Route on last page, subject to change. Please check social media for any updates.

What Makes This Year so Special?

This year's parade is extra exciting, as all 22 new arches have been completed! Since the current arch builder, Corley Walters, began leading the effort in 2020, the arch-building initiative has brought an additional 157 stunning arches to SPP and Candlelight, transforming our streets into a magical display each holiday season. The success of this project wouldn't have been possible without the incredible support of neighbors.

This year, volunteers stepped up to assist with everything from supply pickups to labeling and packaging materials. A special shoutout goes to Aaron Bohls, a new neighbor renting on Martin, who became an integral part of the effort. Aaron joined nearly every build session with Corley, contributing his metalworking skills to ensure the arches were expertly crafted. This year's achievements exemplify the power of collaboration, and it's inspiring to see both long-time and new residents come together to make our neighborhood shine. Thank you to Corley Walters for leading the efforts in this treasured tradition!

A poster for the Pawliday Pet Contest. The top half has a green background with the text "PAWLIDAY PET CONEST" in large white letters. Below the text is a photo of an orange tabby cat sitting on a vintage camera. The bottom left has a red background with the text "Follow These Steps:" and two numbered steps: "1 Open to SPP Civic Club Members (join today!)" and "2 Submit your entry form & photo." Below the steps is a QR code and the URL "https://www.shepherdparkplaza.com/pets".

**PAWLIDAY
PET CONEST**

Shepherd Park Plaza
Civic Club

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- 1 Open to SPP Civic Club Members (join today!)
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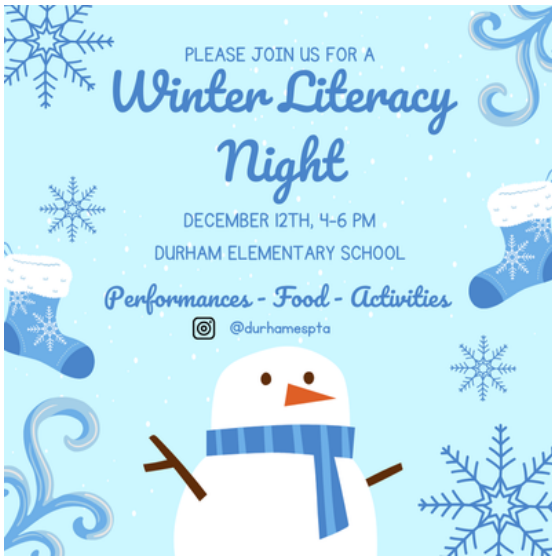
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SPP Upcoming Events



Did you know that right here in your neighborhood, the Durham Elementary PTA has earned the title of **Most Award-Winning PTA in the Houston Independent School District (HISD)** for the third consecutive year? This incredible achievement reflects the unwavering dedication of parents, teachers, and community members working together to create a vibrant, supportive environment for our students.

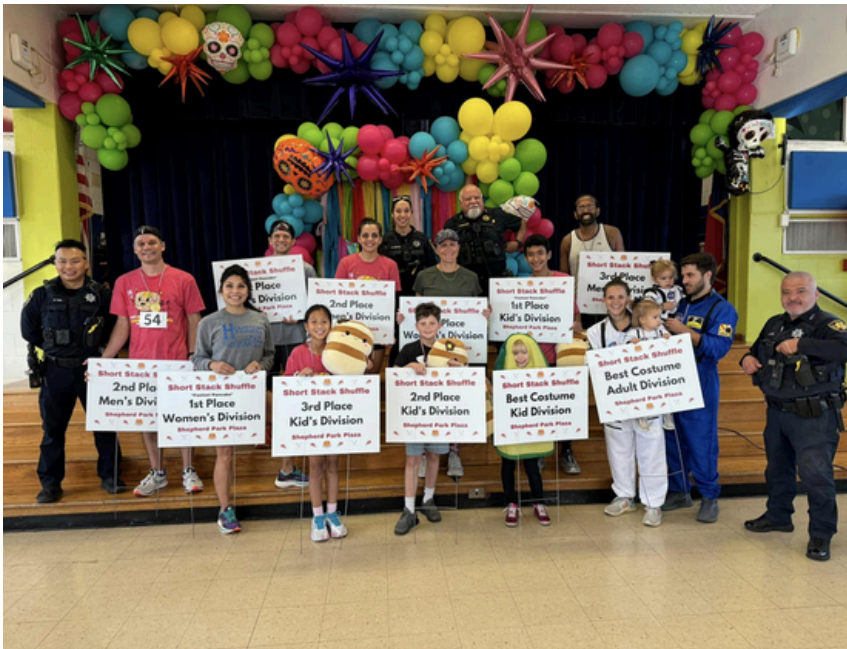
📅 Mark Your Calendar: Winter Literacy Night

Celebrate the joy of reading at Durham's **Winter Literacy Night** on **Thursday, December 12th, from 4–6 PM!** This family-friendly event is open to the entire community and features:

- 🌟 Performances
- 🍴 Delicious Food
- 🎨 Fun Activities for All Ages

📺 Discover More About Durham

Come see what makes Durham special during our **Magnet Tours** every Thursday at 9 a.m. on these dates:
December 5, 12 | January 9, 16, 23, 30 | February 6



Winners of the 2nd Annual Short Stack Shuffle are:

Men's Division

- 1st Place - Troy Eberhart
- 2nd Place - Chris Gertson
- 3rd Place - Victor D'Souza

Women's Division

- 1st Place - Kelly Beard
- 2nd Place - Lorena Pilgrim
- 3rd Place - Sarah Maller

Kid's Division

- 1st Place - Joseph Poliak
- 2nd Place - Benjamin Busceme
- 3rd Place - Ellie Narat

Best Costume

- Adult - The Bonnet Family
- Kid - Mia Helstrom



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Hey, gingerbread moms and dads! It's time to bake some spirits bright! Gather up all your little ginger snaps and join us for our Holiday in the Park celebration on Saturday December 7th. This year in addition to photos with Santa, we will have crafts, breakfast, a holiday coloring contest, and a chance to write and mail your letters to Santa. Please check your email in the next week to sign up and reserve your family's spot. *We are looking for volunteers to help us make this magical event happen. If you are interested in helping, please email us at plaza.moms.houston@gmail.com.*

On the evening of Tuesday December 10th, we invite our moms to join us for our White Elephant party. We know Santa's not the only one hard at work this season, so escape the stress of the holidays with a mom's night out complete with cocktails, appetizers, and a fabulous gift exchange. Check your email and Facebook for more details.

New to the neighborhood or just looking for more information on Plaza Moms Society? Please scan this QR code to find out more.



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The Plaza Garden Club will be taking a break from our regular meetings in December to host a holiday celebration. We look forward to seeing you at our next meeting on **Monday, January 13th**. The evening will begin with a social at **6:45 PM**, followed by a presentation from speaker **Mark Bowen** on *The Art of Good Soil*. The meeting will take place at **1014 Candlelight**.



Check out our website!

Spring Backyard Garden Tour

Have you worked to create something **SPECIAL** in your backyard?

Consider being featured on the 2025 Spring Backyard Garden Tour! All kinds of gardens welcome. If you are a resident of SPP or CP interested in sharing your garden so that it can inspire and inform others with your uniquely beautiful landscaping, we would love to hear from you!

Call or text Gina Johnston at 713-591-5134 for more information.

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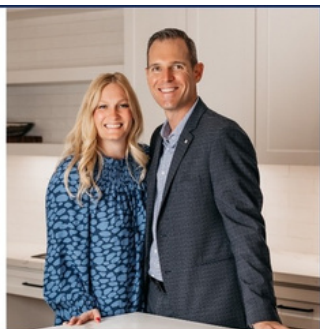
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Deputy Constable Program Response Calls

Figures are for entire contract, including SPP and Candlelight Plaza

October 2024

CONTRACT CHECKS ... 272	MILES PATROLLED ... 2,917	MEET THE CITIZEN ... 10
VACATION WATCH ... 25	DISCHARGE FIREARMS ... 1	MEET THE OFFICER ... 1
Special Assignment ... 15	WELFARE CHECK ... 2	CIVIL PROCESS ... 1
ALARM ... 2	MENTAL HEALTH CALL ... 1	DISTURBANCE LOUD NOISE ... 1
ANIMAL HUMANE ... 1	THEFT BICYCLE ... 1	PARK CHECK ... 23
ROBBERY AGGRAVATED ... 1	THEFT RESIDENCE ... 1	TRAFFIC INITIATIVE ... 2
SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE ... 3	STATIONARY VISIBILITY PATROL.. 7	SUSPICIOUS PERSON ... 4
INFORMATION CALL ... 3	FOLLOW UP ... 3	ILLEGALLY PARKED VEHICLE ... 1
OPEN DOOR WINDOW ... 1	MISSING PERSON ... 1	

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

Vacation Watch registry (*2-week Notice*)...<http://pct1constable.net/sign-up/vacation-watch/>
 Sign up for the Constable Office's Crime Alerts and Newsletter...<https://pct1constable.net>
 select Sign-Up > Crime Alerts ; Newsletter



SEE SOMETHING.
 SAY SOMETHING.



Citizens
 Patrol

September 2024

Total Driving Hours	19
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Clark/Kotzur
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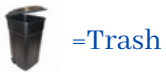
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Constable Dispatch 713-755-7628	HPD (non-emergency) 713-884-3131	Plaza Pulse Editor pulse@shepherdparkplaza.com	Plaza Pulse Advertising advertising@shepherdparkplaza.com	SPP Membership membership@shepherdparkplaza.com
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SPP Calendar **December 2024**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 	4	5	6	7
8	9	10 	11	12	13	14
15	16	17 	18	19 JUNK WASTE	20	21
22	23	24 	25 <i>Christmas</i>	26 	27	28
29	30	31 <i>New Year's Eve</i>				



=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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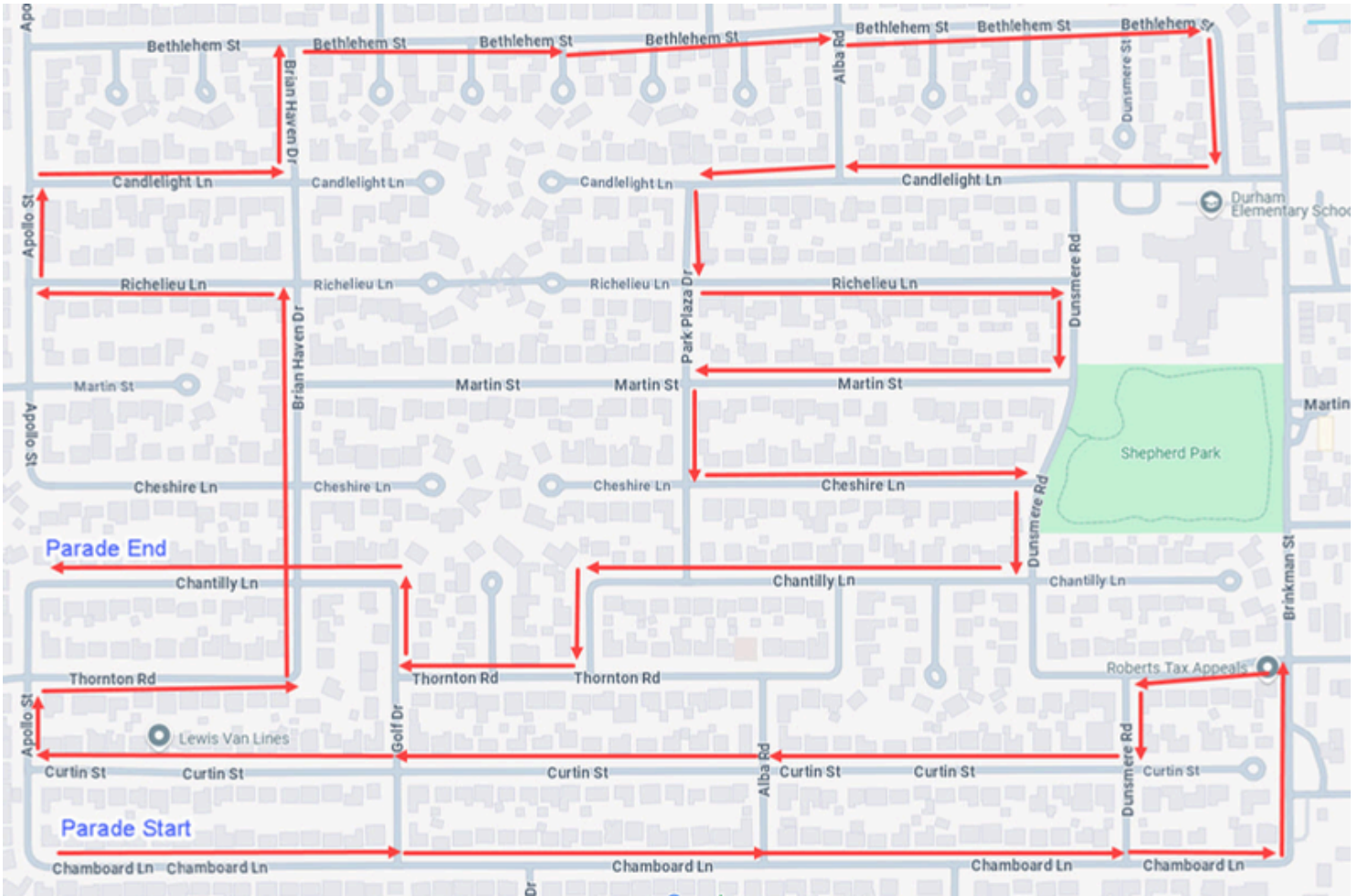
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November Yard of the Month	
Section 1: Jerry & Carol Williams 4435 Apollo Drive	Section 2: Haley and Camilo Arizmendi 955 Thornton Road
Section 3: Hilsher Residence 1105 Martin Street	Section 4: Raymond & Deborah Pantoja 1009 Richelieu Lane

Shepherd Park Plaza Civic Club
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ARCH LIGHTING PARADE ROUTE



Ready to pay your annual Civic Club dues and 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