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**SUCCESSFUL
SCA SHRED DAY**

PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

New Year, New Responsibilities

To me 2020 seemed to last an eternity. So it seems fitting that 2021 has flown by and is almost at an end. Though I will continue to add my words and pictures in other areas of this publication, this may be the last time that I write this particular article. It has been a grand 3 years serving as President of the SCA. I appreciate the help and support of my fellow neighbors and especially appreciate the help and support of an outstanding office staff and volunteer Board. We are a great Team and I look forward to serving with them in other capacities and to adding others as we can.

If you take the time to read this incredible magazine, then please take an extra moment to think how you can help your community and help the SCA. It can be a one-time commitment or an ongoing one. It can be muscles or brain power. Just ask any Board member your questions or information about our next event.

Also, we would love to see you again at our monthly meetings. Like everyone else, we took some time in the virtual world in 2020 and into 2021. But we have been back at Bayland Community Center once a month for several months now and our attendance keeps growing. Come meet your neighbors, your SEAL patrol, your HPD Officers, your elected officials, and your SCA Board.

Thank you again for all you do for Sharpstown. I can’t wait to keep working with y’all...just from another seat.

Matt Wine, President

TRAVELING SCAN

Matt and Andrew Wine took the SCAN to exotic places...where are you going for the holidays? Take your SCAN and send us a photo!



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SCA MISSION STATEMENT

"To serve and improve the Sharpstown community through enforcement of deed restrictions, architectural controls, enhancing our residents' safety, and promoting Sharpstown as one of Houston's most desirable neighborhoods."

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ON THE COVER

November 13th was a bright Saturday morning with residents shredding at the SCA office with the help of board members Matt Wine, Dale Davidson and Jason Davalos - next opportunity in May 2022.

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2022 Membership Invoice

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Dear Neighbor:

Sharpstown is a diverse collection of long-time and brand new residents. Some of us are Houston born and raised, while others came from across the globe to make their home here. What we have in common is the desire for a safe, clean, and well-maintained community in which to live and raise our families. We want to enjoy our surroundings, know our property is safe and trust our neighbors to take care of their homes as we take care of our own. We want to work with and see results from our community resources and those representing us. **Your membership payment and volunteer participation is greatly needed to get this done. Please take the time to send in your 2022 dues of just \$250.**

- Sharpstown Civic Association Board

2022 Dues

Membership	\$80
Safety and Security	\$170
Total	\$250

Sharpstown has over 25% Investor Owned homes for Lease/Rent

Sharpstown Investor Owners:

Your property is an investment and you have unique challenges since you do not live in your home. With your dues support the SCA is able to help you protect your investment. We invite you to take advantage of this offer.



Invest in your investment by paying your dues today – HOA dues on investment properties may be tax deductible

SEAL Security Patrol – provide routine drive-by and vacancy watch upon request. A SEAL sign is provided for placement at your front door.

The SCAN Magazine – mailed bimonthly to your renter keeping them informed of trash pick schedules and other community news.

Deed Restriction and Architectural Enforcement Actions – that notify you when problems or alterations are occurring at your property.

Monthly Community Meetings

Community activities that engage your tenants and add value to your investment

Mosquito Spraying – Weekly spraying April 1 – Oct 31

Nicer Sharpstown homes = Better Sharpstown = Better tenants and higher rents

BENEFITS OF DUES PAYING MEMBERS:

Notary Service

4th Of July
Celebration
& Other Events

Security Alarm
Response by SEAL

Vacation Watch
by SEAL

Door Prize Drawing
at Meetings

WHAT YOUR MONEY GOES TO



Mosquito Spraying
beginning April 1st
thru Oct 31st



SCAN
(Sharpstown Civic
Association
News)



Architectural
changes
enforcement



SEAL Security
Patrol



Community
events,
Informative
Website and
Facebook page



Monthly
community
meetings



Deed violation
enforcement
including Legal
pursuit when
necessary

Check out the website Sharpstowncivic.org and our Facebook page for a complete list of member benefits and other neighborhood information.

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YOU MAY JOIN OR RENEW ONLINE AT SHARSPTOWNCIVIC.ORG

Or Please Return This Form with Your Payment – Thankyou!

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SCA Crime Totals - 2021 10% Down over 2020

	Robbery	Burglary	Theft	Aggravated Assault	Property	Rape	Murder	Totals
January	2	4	17	0	4	0	0	27
February	1	1	3	3	1	0	0	9
March	0	3	10	0	2	0	0	15
April	0	2	5	0	3	0	0	10
May	0	2	19	3	2	0	0	26
June	2	1	17	4	3	0	0	27
July	0	2	23	1	3	0	0	29
August	0	4	11	4	1	0	0	20
September	0	2	17	3	8	0	4	34
October	2	1	14	4	2	0	0	23
Totals 2021	7	22	136	22	29	0	4	220
October	1	2	16	3	0	0	0	22
Totals 2020	19	26	135	28	35	0	1	244

2021 is coming to a close and we remain ahead of the curve with crime 10% less than in 2020. I hope the stats provided in each SCAN are helpful. It was requested in last night's general meeting that we publish the crime by section and we will do that in the next issue with a breakdown for 2021. What else would you like to know about crime in our area? Please ask!



DEFINITIONS OF CRIME TYPES

- Robbery** — the taking of money or goods in the possession of another, from his or her person or immediate presence, by force or intimidation.
- Burglary** — (breaking and entering) an unlawful entry into a building for the purposes of committing an offence. Usually that offence is theft.
- Theft** — the act of stealing; the wrongful taking and carrying away of the personal goods or property of another; larceny. Examples include ransacking unlocked cars, taking property out of open garage doors, taking a purse off a front seat of an unlocked car, taking a mower out of the back of a pickup truck.
- Aggravated Assault** — an attempt to cause serious bodily injury purposely.
- Property Crime** — destruction, damage, vandalism
- Rape** — unlawful sexual activity carried out against the will of a male, female, or person under age, or incapable of consent.

GOOD NEIGHBOR RULE #7
DRIVE AT A REDUCED SPEED IN A RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOOD.



VACATION WATCH

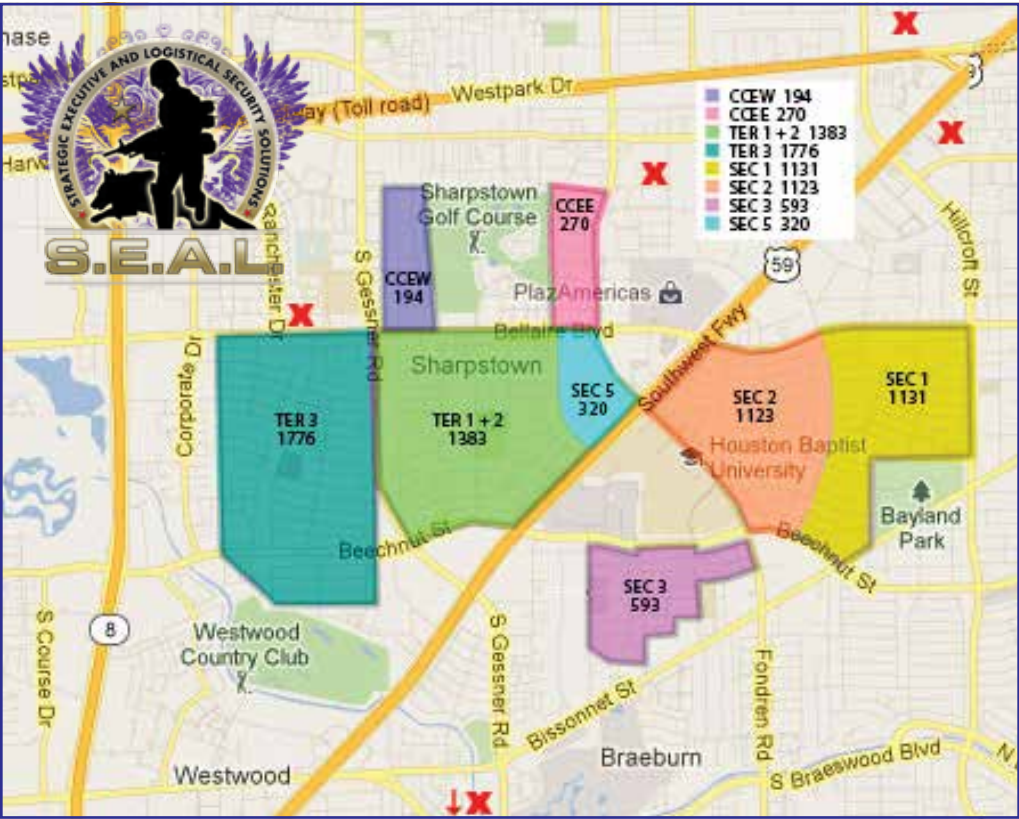
Did you know that one important service provided by S.E.A.L. Security is a complimentary vacation watch for your home? Just download and complete the form on our website, then call the dedicated Sharpstown S.E.A.L. hotline at 713-338-2266. An officer will check on your home daily to help make this year's vacation a relaxing getaway.



It is still a crime to park on your grass in Sharpstown – Please Don't.

HPD HALLOWEEN ACTIVITIES

HPD proudly dressed the part for Halloween 2021. The S Gessner Command Station held a parade throughout their district with mean red dragons and vampires! The Midwest Command Station held a Trunk or Treat event that same evening. Alice Lee with the Southwest Management District, Matt Wine and Charmaine LeBlanc from the SCA and retired HPD officer Jimmy Chau were in full unicorn adornment! Children were very happy all over the district that day - thank you HPD for building those community relationships.



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8-Noon M-W-F
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LOOKING FOR HPD IN ALL THE RIGHT PLACES

Need a copy of an accident report? Want to talk to an officer about a problem in your area? You see something suspicious and want to let law enforcement know about it? In Sharpstown, you won't have to go very far. Our community is served by two HPD substations, South Gessner and Midwest, and two HPD storefronts, Gulfton and Ranchester. The officers located at these facilities are there to help you in any way they can, so give them a call or a visit if you need assistance.

PARKING LAWS

THESE ARE ACTUAL LAWS AND
WILL RESULT IN REAL FINES



PARK AT LEAST
15 FEET
FROM A
FIRE HYDRANT



PARK AT LEAST
20 FEET
FROM AN
INTERSECTION



PARK AT LEAST
30 FEET
FROM A
STOP SIGN OR
TRAFFIC SIGNAL

DO NOT
BLOCK THE
SIDEWALK
WHEN
PARKING



DO NOT
BLOCK A
DRIVEWAY
WHEN
PARKING



PARK WITH
THE NATURAL
FLOW
OF TRAFFIC



DO YOU KNOW YOUR
DEED RESTRICTIONS?

Remodeling your home? Adding On? Do you know your deed restrictions? Did you know that the Sharpstown Civic Association can look over your proposed plans for free before you start construction? We want to avoid deed restriction violations before they happen. Did you know that we have a 25 foot rear setback for the main structure? Did you know that there is a minimum percentage of brick that must be on your home? Did you know that you can't build in front of your building line? We want to help you! We want you to find out about possible violations before it costs you money and time. Several homeowners in the past couple years have had to tear down and/or modify their construction due to deed restriction violations. The City of Houston does not review deed restrictions when issuing permits. They require a signed affidavit acknowledging that the plans comply with your deed restrictions. This holds YOU, the homeowner, accountable for knowing and complying with your deed restrictions. We are here to help you. Call 713-789-2311 and explain what you want to do and Scott will help you navigate the process. All deed restrictions are available online at Sharpstown Civic.org

GOOD NEIGHBOR RULE #36

BE A RESPECTFUL PARTY
HOST BY KEEPING NOISE AT
ACCEPTABLE LEVELS.



ARCHITECTURAL FEE
SCHEDULE UPDATED

Below are the fees charged for review of exterior changes to your home. These are the more commonly received requests and account for the costs involved in plan review. This fee schedule, along with the Architectural Change Request, can be found on our website sharpstowncivic.org

•Paint/Siding	\$25.00
•Roof	\$25.00
•Fence	\$25.00
•Windows	\$25.00
•Gutters	\$25.00
•Garage Doors	\$25.00
•Garage Conversion	\$50.00
•Driveway Alterations	\$100.00
•Carport	\$100.00
•Outbuilding/Shed	\$50.00
•Patio / Patio Roof	\$50.00
•Pool	\$100.00
•Addition to House	\$250.00
•Generators/Solar Panels	\$25.00



SIGNS ARE
LITTER!

Most of us have had a garage sale and put signs up in the neighborhood. Did you take them down? This last task, after a long day, is easily forgotten by many!! Please do remember to take them down and above all DO NOT TAPE signs to the city poles. They are unsightly and against city ordinance!!!



STAY TUNED TO THE SCA WEBSITE SHARPSTOWNCIVIC.ORG, THE SCA FACEBOOK PAGE, AND SUBSCRIBE TO SCA EMAIL AT [HTTPS://SHARPSTOWNCIVIC.ORG/REGISTER-FOR-UPDATES/](https://sharpstowncivic.org/register-for-updates/) FOR SCHEDULE UPDATES, VIDEO MESSAGES FROM SCA DIRECTORS, AND OTHER COMMUNITY NEWS.

Sharpstown Trail

CenterPoint easement along Gessner from Harwin to Beechnut
Watch for exciting updates!!



STORM DRAIN PROBLEMS

If you have a storm drain in front of your house, please check to see if it has any debris. It doesn't matter whether it is leaves, pine needles, or trash--pick it up and throw it away. Don't let it flow into the storm drain and become part of a bigger problem.



DEED RESTRICTIONS



PUT THE DISTRICT J
PATROL TO WORK
FOR YOU!

If you haven't already heard about the District J Patrol, listen up! As the Patrol approaches its 1-year anniversary, we want to see our communities take advantage of this exciting new tool to combat area problems. The Patrol is a unique community-based approach to address the quality-of-life issues that can plague a neighborhood such as heavy trash violations, prohibited yard parking, illegal dumping, inoperative vehicles stored on the street, and more.

The Patrol only operates within District J so these specially-trained DRT officers spend their time within our neighborhoods, not spread out across the city. They work closely with all HPD branches including the Gang and Narcotics Divisions, as well as with other City functions such as the Department of Neighborhoods and Homeless Initiative.

What's missing? YOU ARE! When you see something, say something by going to DistrictJPatrol.com and clicking on "Report an Issue". Complete the requested information and your report will be sent to the DRT officers at South Gessner, Midwest or Westside Division depending on the address reported. While you are on the website, click on "View Status" to see the problems and resolutions already reported throughout the District. As your report is processed by HPD, their findings and results will be shown in this way too.

Creating stronger communities requires effort from all of us, so please join your neighbors as a voice for positive change.

COMMUNITY SERVICE BY
ED POLLARD AND DISTRICT J
OFFICE

November 6, 2021

Our office has been getting calls from an elderly family who has been having issues with long limbs that have overgrown their fence and have been leaning on and impacting their power lines.

Due to the growth happening off the Bintliff Ditch there have been issues identifying which entity is responsible for addressing this problem. They've been told the Department of Neighborhoods with the city, Flood Control District, CenterPoint, also Harris County.

Instead of waiting to sort it all out, my Constituent Services Director David Alexander and I decided we'd just go take care of it ourselves.

We can't promise to make these types of house calls for every constituent but we do our best to do all we can, especially for seniors and disabled. Just another day in the life of the District J office. #togetherwewill



HBU STUDENTS PROVIDE SERVICE HOURS IN SHARPSTOWN - 4 DIFFERENT EVENTS AT ONCE!

Neff Early Learning Center - HBU girls golf students assisted resident Tony Tuckwiller with campus beautification. First year principal Holly Mayes and the new baby supervised!

Houston Baptist University's men's golf team performed their Day of Service at Tzu Chi Buddhist Foundation's Food Distribution.

HBU Track students cheered runners and timed events at the Chinese Community Center's Senior Olympics

On Saturday, October 30, 2021, four teams of volunteers simultaneously traversed our neighborhood streets in costume, playing spooky music, tossing delicious goodies to our children of Sharpstown! There were sightings of butterflies and unicorns, Minnie Mouse and Elsa, Deadpool, Harry Potter and crew, and many others.

Participants:

- Sharpstown Residents, Past & Present, Friends & Family (pets too!)
- SEAL Security
- District J, Councilmember Pollard & Staff
- HPD
- Precinct 5 Constables
- HBU Athletes & Coach "T"
- Royally Charmed Party Princesses
- Sharpstown Civic Association Officers & Board Members



Dear SCA,
I want to email you to thank all HBU volunteers for their great help on CCC's 10/30 event! They were the best cheerleaders and provided essential support to our team. All of our runners and participants were very motivated by their spirit! Please help share my gratitude and the attached photos to the athletes!

Mei Li 李冬梅
Chinese Community Center, A United Way Agency





TREES OF SHARPSTOWN

Sharpstown has many beautiful trees that were planted when the neighborhood was being built. The Sharpstown Parks Alliance would like to identify some of these trees in coming issues. Today’s tree is this magnificent Magnolia tree.

The Magnolia is an ancient tree, as some fossilized specimens have been found dating back 95 million years ago. Its appearance before the evolution of bees leads some to theorize that it developed to encourage pollination by beetles. Today, there are many species of magnolias, some of which are deciduous.

What we think of as the Southern Magnolia can look great in your yard, but this tree should not be planted in an easement, as this is one of the types of trees whose roots can lift the sidewalk. There are, however, smaller magnolias that don’t create this problem, so be sure of the species before choosing to buy this tree.



SNOW CONES WITH HPD AND DISTRICT J

District J held an event in the parking lot of Spanky’s Pizza on Oct 20th. HPD and residents visited and enjoyed the food and treats. More events like this will be held in the spring.



GOOD NEIGHBOR RULE #15

CLEAR LEFTOVER DEBRIS FROM THE YARD AFTER A HEAVY TRASH PICKUP.

WHY IS CRIME AN ISSUE?

Last year and this year have seen a significant increase in attention paid to individuals out on felony bail. With the topic in the public interest, here is a look at the number of individuals out on felony bail, and what judges are supposed to consider when assessing bail. Information for this article comes from the district attorney’s office answering public information act requests.

The considerations for assessing bail are found in the Texas Penal Code. The Penal Code sets forth a five prong test, with no instructions on how the prongs are to be weighed. This gives the individual judges significant latitude when setting bail. The code reads:

Art. 17.15. RULES FOR FIXING AMOUNT OF BAIL. The amount of bail to be required in any case is to be regulated by the court, judge, magistrate or officer taking the bail; they are to be governed in the exercise of this discretion by the Constitution and by the following rules:

- 1. The bail shall be sufficiently high to give reasonable assurance that the undertaking will be complied with.
- 2. The power to require bail is not to be so used as to make it an instrument of oppression.
- 3. The nature of the offense and the circumstances under which it was committed are to be considered.
- 4. The ability to make bail is to be regarded, and proof may be taken upon this point.
- 5. The future safety of a victim of the alleged offense and the community shall be considered

The district attorney’s office answered two identical requests for information this year regarding the number of defendants out on felony bail by offense and by court. The two requests were for the beginning of February and the beginning of November. In total, Harris County went from 53,830 defendants out on felony bail in February to 55,848 in November.

Looking at offenses, it’s noteworthy the number of defendants out for murder/capitol murder is increasing by approximately 2 per week. Also noteworthy is that the change in number of defendants out on felony bail for prostitution has increased from 413 to 611 in the past eight months, suggesting the efforts by Councilman Pollard and Commissioner Ramsey are having an impact.

By Greg Degeyter

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

Lansdale Park and other residents in Sharpstown held NNO events on Oct 5th. HPD, SEAL, District J and the SCA visited each one. Residents had good discussions about issues in their sections and enjoyed meeting one another.



OCTOBER GENERAL MEETING



October General Membership meeting of the SCA - Representative Gene Wu was our speaker

Happy Holidays

NOVEMBER GENERAL MEETING -
ELECTIONS & POTLUCK

The Sharpstown Civic Association’s annual Thanksgiving potluck celebration had a great turnout with approximately 50 people attending. After the pledge of allegiance to the United States and Texas flags and a very nice invocation by Ron Davidge, guests lined up for all sorts of healthy (and not-so-healthy) tasty treats. The tables were beautifully decorated by Terrace 2’s Kimberly Davidge with help from Ron and board member Byrom Wehner.

After some food and fellowship, Councilman Pollard gave remarks and took questions from the audience. He covered street repairs, sidewalks, bicycle safety measures, and lighting, as well as District J Patrol and Hot Team. Outgoing president Matt Wine then discussed the recent successful SCA Fall Shred Day and the upcoming HBU Tailgate event. Board Treasurer recapped the recent Halloween Parade event and thanked the participants - especially HBU. He ended the evening by thanking Anthony for his great service at Bayland Community Center over the years and thanking our SEAL Officers Sarabian and Folley.



Holiday Safety Tips From HPD

With the holiday season upon, most people are preoccupied with the details of holiday plans and shopping. Unfortunately, the safety precautions we normally take are sometimes forgotten, or the excitement of the season causes us to let down our guard. The Houston Police Department wants you to have a SAFE and joyous holiday season so we are reminding you of the following safety tips.

AT HOME

- Lock doors and close windows when you leave your house, even if it's only for a minute.
- When leaving home for an extended period of time, have a neighbor or family member watch your house, pick-up your mail and newspapers, or you can put a hold on mail and newspaper delivery.
- More and more purchases are made on-line so if you are expecting a package and are not going to be home, track your packages on-line, ask a neighbor to pick it up for you or request a signature for proof of delivery to ensure that someone is home. Research your delivery options.
- Thieves usually don't approach homes that appear to be occupied. Indoor and outdoor lights should be on an automatic timer so it appears someone is at home. Put timers for lights in different rooms and have them come on and go off at different times.
- Large displays of gifts should not be visible from the windows and doors of your home. Do not put out boxes from either large or small purchases on or before garbage day. Doing this allows others to see what new things you have in your home.
- If someone knocks on your door that you do not know, don't answer it. Speak through the door to let them know you're home. Teach your children to do the same thing, but to never let the stranger know they're home alone. Tell them to say their parents are busy and can't come to the door. If they seem suspicious, call 9-1-1 immediately.
- Don't leave keys hidden outside or in fake concealment rocks. Burglars often know how to spot the most common hiding places quickly.



WHILE SHOPPING

- Stay alert to your surroundings and the people around you. Trust your instincts; if something doesn't feel right, it's probably not - call 9-1-1.
- Shop with a friend; there is safety in numbers.
- Avoid carrying large amounts of cash. Pay for purchases with a check, credit, or debit card.
- Do not leave your purse/wallet in shopping carts. Do not carry wallets in a back pocket. It should be placed in a front pocket for safety.
- Be alert, criminals look for the "high dollar store" shopping bags with your purchases. When possible, slip bags/ purchases in a plain nondescript bag. Watch purchases while eating in mall food courts; bags as well as purses can easily be switched or taken.
- Avoid overloading yourself with packages. It is important to have clear visibility and freedom of motion to open car doors, etc. When possible have your packages sent to package pick-up where you may retrieve them in a well-lit and heavily populated area.
- Get keys out of your pocket/purse before leaving the store. Do not leave packages in the vehicle. If changing locations, put them in the trunk BEFORE you leave one destination and get to the other.
- Be watchful if you observe anyone following you in the parking lot or in a vehicle once you leave the store location. Shop early and leave early to avoid evening darkness and park in a high visibility and well lit area as close to the store as possible. Put all personal valuables out of sight before going out to shop.
- If you feel uncomfortable, ask the Security Officer to escort you to your vehicle. Walk briskly, confidently and directly through the parking lot. Do not be distracted by talking or looking at your cell phone. Be cautious of people handing out fliers or asking questions in the parking lot. Watch for people who may be following you inside as well as outside the store. If you suspect you are being followed, report it immediately to store security



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HOW WE BECAME SHARPSTOWN-ANS

In 1969, I was working as a disc jockey at a radio station in Dallas. I was offered a job in Houston and we moved here with our nine week old daughter on Labor Day weekend. The station paid for the move so I called a moving company that had been one of the advertisers on my show in Dallas. Their commercials emphasized how they moved your belongings as if they were their own. They even trained the movers, they said, to practice using egg cartons to make sure that nothing would break. Since we were moving from a furnished apartment, my only belonging as far as furniture went, was a tall bookcase. Everything else was boxes of dinnerware, linens, records, books, stuff in general. We stayed with my uncle and aunt when we arrived and I contacted an apartment locator service. My new radio job was in what would become the Galleria area and none of the apartments there accepted kids. An agent lady wanted to show us a place on Mullins and asked us to meet her there. It was then that I discovered one of the peculiarities of Houston. Mullins is not one street, but six separate, unconnected streets with the same name. By the time I finally found the part where the apartment was the locator lady had long since given up and left. Cell phones were years in the future.



Before I was married, I had lived in three apartments in Dallas, all furnished. In fact, the landlord in the last one was always asking us if we wanted another chair or end table that he didn't have room to store. We rented the bare minimum items of furniture and told the moving company we were ready for delivery. Apparently, the egg carton trained guys were on another job that day, because the driver told me, candidly, that he usually picked up someone off the street when he arrived in the destination city as a helper, but that day his wife was available. When he put my only-piece-of-furniture bookcase on the two-wheeler, it caught on the ramp and the bookcase did a perfect swan dive headfirst into the parking lot. When I contacted the moving company about a damage claim,



it was covered, but the deductible, of course, was more than the damage.

We settled in and welcomed another daughter the next year. Her expenses would have been covered by my insurance, except the new radio station decided that, although I was doing a good job, the new program director really wanted someone else to do it.

That's the way radio is, so the hospital and doctor were paid out of pocket and there wasn't much there to begin with. A two bedroom in the same complex became available, but only after a third daughter arrived. It was time for a house.... More to come in the next issue!

by Mike Marshall

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SHS CROSS COUNTRY TEAMS SHINE

The Sharpstown High School Apollos girls cross country team won their District 23-5A title in October, and this is not the first time—it’s the 7th consecutive time they’ve beat the other schools! They set a great standard for the boys, as their varsity team came in 2nd place, and the junior varsity and freshman boys also came in 1st. As Coach Carlos Quintero stated, “It was a great day to be an Apollo.”



LANSDALE PARK ACTIVITIES

- Free After School Program for children 6 to 13 years of age
- Seeking Adult and Teen Volunteers (Build Your Own Hours)

Tiffany Goodlow, Site Manager
Lansdale Community Center
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<http://www.houstontx.gov/parks/communitycenters/cc-lansdale.html>



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RECYCLING THE RIGHT WAY

The City of Houston publishes a trash and recycling collection schedule but there are circumstances that often alter this schedule. Leave your container out and the next day is usually catch up day. If in doubt, call 311 or Scott at the SCA office for information. Here’s a quick refresher on what to place in your GREEN curbside recycling bin and what goes in the black curbside trash container. Put these items in your GREEN Bin (make sure you empty and rinse plastic, metal, glass and coated containers).



METAL AND CANS



PLASTICS #1-5 & #7



CARDBOARD & CARTONS



PAPER & NEWSPAPER

METAL and CANS:
Aluminum and Tin Cans (rinsed drained)

PLASTICS:
Plastic Containers #1 - 5 and 7 (rinsed drained)

CARDBOARD and CARTONS:
Carton - Cardboard boxes and cartons from items such as milk, juice, soup, crackers, cream, beans, water, broth, wine, etc.

PAPER:
Paper, Newspaper, Catalogs, Magazines and Phone Books



GLASS:
Effective immediately, **glass is accepted in the green curbside recycling bin.**

Please don’t put dirty paper (greasy pizza boxes), large plastic items like old toys, or plastic bags in the green bin!

These items clog the machinery used to process recyclables resulting in delays and expense.

WEEKLY TRASH PICKUP

Sec 1, 2, 3, 5 and CCT1, CCT2, CCT3 are “Tuesday B”
Estates East and West are “Monday A”
http://www.houstontx.gov/solidwaste/service_schedules.html

HEAVY TRASH SCHEDULE

MONTH	MON	TUES	COLLECTION
DEC	13	14	JUNK WASTE ONLY
JAN	10	11	TREE WASTE ONLY

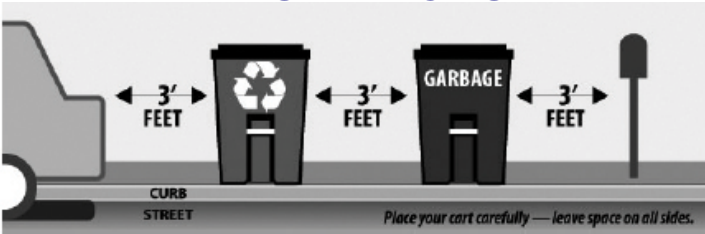
Section 1 & 2 - Heavy Trash on Tuesday (second Tuesday of every month)

Section 3, 5, CCT1, CCT2, CCT3, Estates E&W - Heavy Trash on Monday (second Monday of every month)

Yard Waste or Grass Clippings are picked up on Wednesdays.

You may place waste at the curb no earlier than 6:00 pm on the Friday prior to collection.

TRASH FACTS



How to set out your garbage and recycling:

- City-provided containers must be placed at the curb between 6 p.m. the day before and 7 a.m. on the scheduled collection day.
- Container must face the street with handle facing house.
- Containers must be accessible and not blocked by obstacles, including parked cars, trees, mailboxes, fencing etc. Blocked containers will not be emptied.
- Leave at least a 3ft space between garbage and recycling container. This allows the truck to operate safely.
- Containers must be removed from the curb line and/or public view by 10:00 p.m. on the day of collection and stored in a secure location.

HOW TO ADVERTISE IN THE SCAN

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→ **HEAVY TRASH!!!** ←

Heavy trash and tree waste being put out at inappropriate times is a HUGE problem. Ignorance of the schedule and the COH’s inconsistent routine make it an easy pit to fall in.

Please, Please, Please! everyone can help here. Talk to your neighbors if you see them putting out trash/tree waste before it is time. When one person puts trash out then others think it must be ok too. STOP doing that!!!

Call 311 if they don’t move it - you don’t have to give your name. Call the District J office and report it. Just once I’d like to drive down our streets after a pick up date and see the area clear of debris, wouldn’t you?

ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIPS- WHAT ARE THEY?

Associate Membership enables individuals, businesses, schools, churches, or other non-profit entities to express their support of the Sharpstown community and the work of the SCA. While Associate Members do not vote in SCA elections, they are recognized in each issue of the SCAN, at General Meetings and through other special announcements. Thank you Associate Members for your support!

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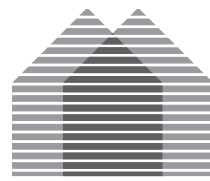
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NO MEETING IN DECEMBER

JANUARY 2022

JANUARY GENERAL MEETING

Meet & Eat @ 6:30 PM

Meeting @ 7:00 PM

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