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SCA LEADERSHIP – SIX JOIN FOR 2023 TERM

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

A 46% increase in Board Members. Many of you serve on boards. Have any of you experienced this kind of amazing influx of volunteers willing to serve? 2022 has been a lively year for the SCA. After continuing to face those unhappy with the move towards HOA and Mandatory Dues (all \$200/yr), I repeatedly suggested that those who felt the board was not moving in the right direction should come to the table and join us.

We currently have twelve board members. Two are not continuing into 2023. But at this time, we have applications for 6 new individuals who seem serious about running in November for the 2023 term. In a neighborhood of over 6000 homes, it is important to have as many voices as possible to speak up for the viewpoints of the homeowners. I have met each of them and see their desire to make their neighborhoods better. They unanimously feel we are a hidden gem in a sea of bad press. So true!



The photo above was at the Liberty Fest 2022 teaser at PlazAmerica's food court with Melanie Camp from KPRC. Along with the reporter are 3 board members and Scott Gilbert, our SCA Operations Manager. I want to express my gratitude to Matt, Donna and Scott and all the SCA board for their unheralded service. Meetings, projects, research, lots of emails and phone calls – all for no pay, just for love of Sharpstown. How great are they!!

Potential new board members – just the fact that you are stepping up – even before you do anything, makes you an outstanding neighbor. I thank you and look forward to making the best decisions for Sharpstown with you.

Everyone should plan to come to the November 17th General Meeting at Bayland Park to vote for these individuals and give them your thanks too. It's a potluck with the SCA providing the turkey and ham and you bring your favorite side dish or desert.

See you then and Happy Halloween!

Charmaine LeBlanc, President

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ON THE COVER

As of this printing six of your neighbors have stepped up to join the SCA board for 2023. This is very rare and has given the existing board a very needed boost of energy. Looking forward to 6 new opinions and ideas to better our neighborhoods. We thank them very much for their willingness to serve Sharpstown.

Not pictured:



John Lorenz



Jason Davalos



Almena Downey

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."

TRAVELING SCAN

Share the fun by contributing to the “Traveling SCAN”. Just pop an issue of the SCAN magazine in your luggage, shoot a photo of you and the SCAN enjoying the sights, and send it to us with a note naming your location.



Our SEAL officers travel many miles every day throughout our Sharpstown streets. We support and appreciate them and wish them safe travels. Look - they read the SCAN too!

2022 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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WELCOME TO HOUSTON ASIATOWN TOURS!

Our bus tours and walking tours are back, beginning Fall 2022! We are excited to provide you with an immersive experience of Houston's vibrant Asiatown area. Tickets for all tours will go on sale August 15, 2022. www.AsiatownTourHTX.com

BUS TOURS

September 17 • November 15

Experience the sights and foods found only in Houston's diverse Asiatown. Visit cultural heritage sites, explore shopping attractions, learn about Houston's Vietnam War Memorial, tour an Asian market, and more!

Price includes a family-style dim sum lunch.



WALKING TOURS

October 19 • November 30

Begin your evening with a scrumptious dinner, then stroll through Houston's bustling Asiatown area by foot.

Discover history, shopping destinations, and Asian markets before ending your night with an amazing dessert of your choice!



DIWALI & GANDHI DISTRICT BUS TOUR

October 29

Visit Houston's beautiful BAPS Temple, enjoy a delicious Pakistani Buffet Lunch, tour a South Asian Market, and inhale at an amazing bakery as we learn about this enticing and distinctive cuisine.

You may even try on a beautiful sari dress!



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Deed Restriction Update Project:

Beginning late in May, many of you received your postcard and went online and approved the document update for your section. You rock!!

This process is very important for Sharpstown. The proposed changes were begun in 2019 with many iterations as the results of Sharpstown residents’ feedback. All changes we ended up with to our 60 – 70-year-old deed restrictions were designed to improve and ensure that Sharpstown can thrive and maintain our values in the future. And equally important were to make our deed restrictions enforceable and compliant with the changes in the law.

Mandatory dues or becoming a full 209 entity was a tough decision but as we debated the pros and cons it was clearly the right direction. We have resisted debating these issues online or on public forums. Those means of communication were not appropriate. Much effort has been put into scaring residents into believing false information. The board does not intend to poo-poo their concerns but instead to recognize that they either do not understand the changes or simply do not like change. Neither will help move Sharpstown forward.

The board of the SCA all own homes here and are your neighbors. We are willing to take this leap and request you to do so too. In the next few weeks, you will receive a letter with more information but really it is just a review of what we have been saying and made available on the SCA website. We want to be sure that all residents have the opportunity to learn and decide whether to support with your Approval. This will not be a short-term project. We want to approach this thoughtfully and be respectful of all viewpoints. For those that feel it is not in their best interests they simply do nothing.

The SCA will update the Approval process later this year. In the meantime we strongly encourage you to go to the website and learn more.

Are you ready to support this effort now?

- 1. Simply scan the code, go to Vote online and approve or
- 2. You can also take the form below to the SCA office and do it in person.

DEED RESTRICTION UPDATE APPROVAL

FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	PROPERTY ADDRESS	SECTION

PHONE #	EMAIL	ZIP

By signing below, I approve the deed restriction document for my section and confirm that I am the owner of the property listed above.

DATE SIGNATURE

Visit the website and locate the legal document for your section to approve www.SharpstownCivic.org/dr-update-project

Or, scan our QR Code for more information.



Membership Update as of 8.8.22				
Year	\$ Recd	Count	Avg	% of Total
2022	\$333,231	1409	\$237	21%
2021	\$336,025	1423	\$236	21%
2020	\$327,016	1382	\$237	21%
2019	\$374,189	1620	\$231	24%
2018	\$364,822	1586	\$230	24%
2017	\$348,380	1675	\$208	25%
2016	\$355,087	1708	\$208	25%
2015	\$314,252	1610	\$195	24%
2014	\$305,235	1506	\$203	22%
2013	\$291,366	1381	\$211	20%

Membership update.... 21% of you, for the last 3 years have sent in your dues to support our programs. As a board, we take our responsibility of stewardship very seriously.

You 21% are to be thanked for the SEAL patrol, mosquito spraying and deed restriction enforcement that everyone gets to take advantage of in Sharpstown. We could not do it without your support – talk to your neighbors about why you send your \$250 in every year.



2022 Membership Invoice

An Investment in Where You Live

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

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

Scan QR code on right to register online!



YOU MAY JOIN OR RENEW ONLINE AT SHARSPTOWNCIVIC.ORG
Or Please Return This Form with Your Payment – Thankyou!



Membership Dues _____ Security _____ Total _____
\$80.00 + \$170.00 = \$250.00

Check #_____ VISA__ MASTERCARD__ DISCOVER__ EXP DATE_____ CVC_____

CREDIT CARD #_____ ZIP _____

NAME(s) _____ ST ADDRESS _____

EMAIL _____ PHONE _____

SECONDARY EMAIL _____ PHONE _____

SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

One payment of \$250 is requested. Please contact the SCA office if other payment arrangements are needed.

SCA 2022 Crime Totals - 2022 #'s still skewed from cold weather of 2021

Month	Robbery	Burglary	Theft	Property	Aggravated Assault	Rape	Murder	2022 Totals	2021 Totals
January	1	4	13	3	0	1	0	22	27
February	0	4	11	5	4	0	0	24	9
March	1	4	15	5	1	3	0	29	15
April	0	3	13	5	1	1	0	23	10
May	1	5	13	5	3	0	0	27	26
June	0	5	10	4	5	0	0	24	27
July	3	4	17	0	3	0	0	27	29
August	3	2	19	1	5	0	0	30	20
September	4	4	13	3	1	0	0	25	34
Totals	13	35	124	31	23	5	0	231	197

2022 crime in Sharpstown is really looking very good, especially comparing Jan-May-June-July and now September where we are down over 26% over last year. The other months are skewed from the cold weather that kept even the bad guys at home in 2021.



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.

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.



NATIONAL NIGHT OUT 2022

National Night Out was Tuesday, October 4th. Neighbors were visited by HPD, SCA and District J Councilmember Edward Pollard and his chief of staff Paul Young. The weather was beautiful and a great time was had by all. Thank you to those who hosted their neighbors.



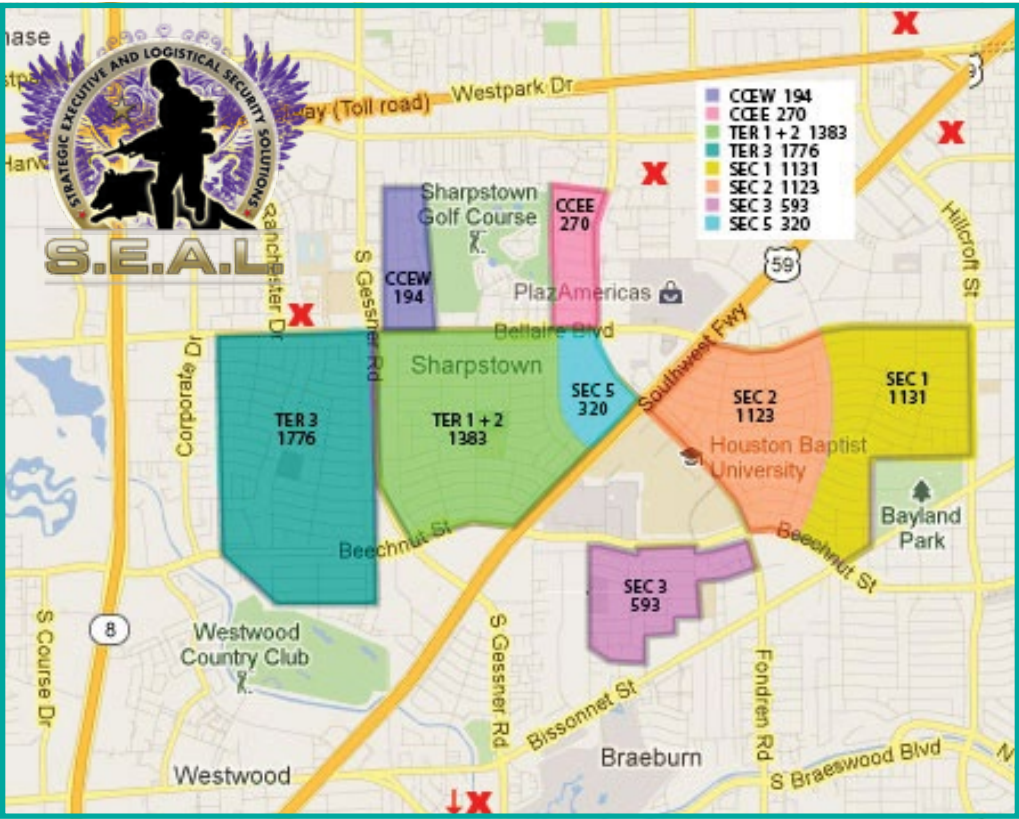
You can participate in a multitude of ways!

- Decorate your car, dress up and come hand out candy to kids
- Donate bags of candy/treats – drop off at Midwest
- Bring your kiddos to enjoy the event
- All of the above!

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



Have you gone outside after dark and noticed if your street is light or dark? Porch lights, garage spotlights, streets lights not covered by trees... are huge crime deterrents...especially for vehicle break-ins. What can you do to help illuminate your house/street?



South Gessner Substation
8605 Westplace Dr.

24 hours daily
832-394-4700

Midwest Substation
7277 Regency Square

24 hours daily
832-394-1200

Gulfton Storefront
6227 Southwest Fwy.

8-4 Mon-Fri
832-394-2660

Ranchester Storefront
9160 Bellaire, Ste. F

8-Noon M-W-F
832-394-2780



LOOKING FOR HPD IN ALL THE RIGHT PLACES

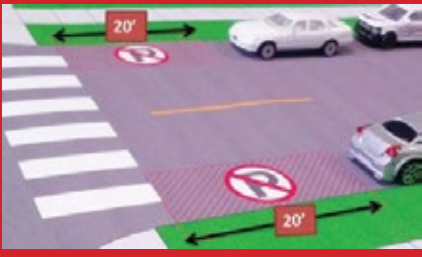
Need a copy of an accident report? Want to talk to an officer about a problem in your area? You see something suspicious and want to let law enforcement know about it? In Sharpstown, you won't have to go very far. Our community is served by two HPD substations, South Gessner and Midwest, and two HPD 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

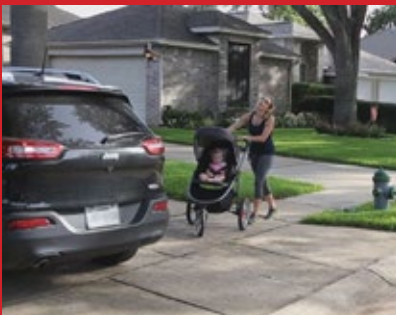


PARK AT LEAST
20 FEET
FROM AN
INTERSECTION

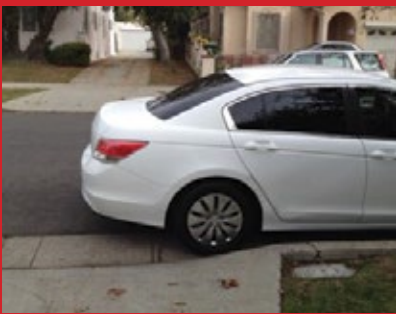


PARK AT LEAST
30 FEET
FROM A
STOP SIGN OR
TRAFFIC SIGNAL

DO NOT
BLOCK THE
SIDEWALK
WHEN
PARKING



DO NOT
BLOCK A
DRIVEWAY
WHEN
PARKING



PARK WITH
THE NATURAL
FLOW
OF TRAFFIC



COURTS, COURTS AND MORE COURTS – WHAT DO THEY DO?

If you voted in the March primary election, you probably noticed a lot of judges on the ballot. What do they all do in their courtrooms? Here’s a quick rundown on the more common courts in our area.

Civil Courts decide on matters and render judgments related to civil (non-criminal) actions. Some of the case types heard in civil courts include malpractice, damages, breach of contract, personal injury, and multi-district litigation.

Criminal Courts consist of the District Courts, which hear felony cases, and County Criminal Courts at Law, which hear Class A and B misdemeanor cases and cases appealed from the Justice of the Peace and Municipal Courts.

Family Courts decide on matters and render judgments relating to families and children. Case types heard in Family Courts include divorce, child custody, child support, visitation rights, protective orders, and the emancipation of minors.

Probate Courts work with the probate of wills, guardianships, trusts and mental health concerns such as involuntary commitments.

Municipal Courts deal with a wide range of citations from parking tickets to property code violations, plus juvenile alcohol and tobacco violations. The City of Houston Municipal Court also operates a “Veterans Court”; a program aimed to assist veterans seeking to resolve their outstanding City of Houston Municipal Courts citations.

Harris County also operates a “Veterans Court”, with the mission of increasing access to mental health and addictions treatment for veterans with felony and misdemeanor offenses.

Juvenile Courts decide on matters and render judgments involving adolescents who have not attained the age of majority, including adoptions, juvenile delinquency, Texas Department of Family and Protective Services cases, and Declaratory Judgments involving unaccompanied minors.

Justice Courts (often called JP Courts) have jurisdiction of civil matters in which the amount in controversy is no more than \$20,000 (or \$10,000 if the case was filed prior to September 1, 2020). Justice Courts also have jurisdiction of suits to foreclose mortgages and enforce liens on personal property in which the amount in controversy is within the Justice Court’s jurisdiction, and of suits relating to enforcement of certain deed restrictions. Justice Courts have jurisdiction of debt claim cases.

GARAGE SALE 101

Here is a guide to what is and is not allowed in Sharpstown.



- It isn’t our deed restrictions that limit the number of garage sales. **It is state law.** If you have more than two, you are considered to be running a business and must pay taxes.
- A garage sale is for selling your unwanted personal items – not a business for selling merchandise from others.
- You cannot rent out your garage or driveway to other people to conduct a sale.

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 SharpstownCivic.org

SHARPSTOWN CIVIC ASSOCIATION, INC.			
STATEMENT OF REVENUES & EXPENSES			
MODIFIED CASH BASIS			
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED SEPTEMBER 2022			
	8 Months Ended 9/30/22	Budget	Variance
Revenue	\$411,869	\$315,975	\$95,894
Expenses	\$409,951	\$315,975	(\$88,976)
		Under Budget	\$6,918
Cash in Bank	\$389,854		

FULL FINANCIAL REPORTS ARE AVAILABLE ON
OUR WEBSITE SHARPSTOWNCIVIC.ORG

GOOD NEIGHBOR RULE #40

THE UPKEEP OF THE SIDEWALKS
AROUND YOUR HOME IS YOUR
RESPONSIBILITY. UNEVEN CONCRETE
CAN LEAD TO A TRIP AND FALL.
SOME ARE INEXPENSIVE TO REPAIR.
SURVEY YOUR SIDEWALKS AND PUT
THOSE REPAIRS ON YOUR TO DO LIST.



DEED RESTRICTIONS

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

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COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

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
8201 Roos Rd
Office: 713-272-3668

Please visit our website for
program registration:
[http://www.houstontx.gov/parks/
communitycenters/cc-lansdale.html](http://www.houstontx.gov/parks/communitycenters/cc-lansdale.html)



LIBRARY NEWS

Walter Branch Library-So Much More Than Books

Our neighborhood library offers an outstanding
calendar of programs and classes such as

- Basic, intermediate and advanced computer
applications like Word, Excel and PowerPoint
- Family movie time
- Bilingual story hours in Spanish and Mandarin
- Citizenship classes

Find the full calendar of events plus location and hours at
[http://houstonlibrary.org/location/walter-neighborhood-library?items_per_
page=200#events](http://houstonlibrary.org/location/walter-neighborhood-library?items_per_page=200#events)



GOOD NEIGHBOR RULE #39

SUMMER IS PAST AND THE EVENINGS
LATELY ARE FOR WALKING AROUND
YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD. MAKE EYE
CONTACT WITH NEIGHBORS AND
STOP AND CHAT. IF LANGUAGE IS AN
ISSUE, THEN REMEMBER THAT A SMILE
AND A WAVE ARE UNIVERSAL.



WE CAN HELP

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- Have Leaks?
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RUGBY ANYONE? RECENT
INQUIRY ON SCA WEBSITE...

Hi guys! I live here in Sharpstown and play for our local rugby
team, HARC, which practices at Bayland Park. Our women’s side
regularly competes at the national level, and we have social sides for
men and women as well. It is really special to have the best rugby
club in Texas located here in SW Houston. Could we please add the
following message into THE SCAN? I am happy to email over some
pictures of our rugby club as well.

Thanks - Amanda Martinez



COME PLAY RUGBY! NO
EXPERIENCE NEEDED!

Hello! Did you know Bayland Park is home to the Houston Athletic
Rugby Club? Our 2022-2023 season has started and we are looking
for new players! NO EXPERIENCE IS NEEDED! We have men’s
and women’s practices 8-10 pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays in the
FUN Football Stadium! Anyone 18+ is welcomed. Come check us
out or visit our website @ houstonrugby.org. You can also follow us
on Instagram @houstonrugby

GOOD NEIGHBOR RULE #38

STOP SIGNS MEAN STOP. NOT
SLOW DOWN OR FLY THROUGH
IF YOU DON’T SEE ANY CARS
COMING.



MICHAEL MARSHALL...LIVING IN
SHARPSTOWN, CONTINUED...

The last several issues of the SCAN have included entertaining
articles by Michael Marshall, a neighbor that lives in Section 5. His
last article was about how our streets were named. He made this
comment: “Croton is a flowering plant, but no other plant named
streets....”

I received the following rebuttal to that statement! There are very
observant people living among us and now we know!!

“I didn’t know how to respond to Mike Marshall (How We Became
Sharpstown-ians). He stated that Croton was the only plant name.
I can’t speak to how all the streets got named but there are actually
several streets named after plants:

Beechnut (A Beech nut is the edible fruit of the Beech tree)

A Rowan bush is known as a Mountain Ash

A “Leader” is the new growth at the tip of any branch or stem

Osage is a type of wild orange

Waldo – there’s a tree called Waldo Rockcress

Romney – “Romneya” in Latin, is a genus of flowering plants
belonging to the poppy family

Cannock – several species including the Cannock Chase berry

Barberton is a type of Daisey

Scribner – Scribner’s Panic Grass is a native perennial grass.

Tanager – Scarlet Tanager is a type of African daisy

Gessner – a bit off-topic but Conrad Gessner is known as the father of
botany and zoology

Stroud – again, a bit off-topic but Stroud is a type of woolen fabric
used by Native Americans to make traditional blankets

I would’ve sworn that Mobud was also a Native American name for a
plant but couldn’t find any reference to it.”

FROM EDWARD POLLARD, DISTRICT
J COUNCILMAN

This morning, I was so excited to speak at the groundbreaking
ceremony for the new community center being constructed at St.
Luke’s United Methodist Church Gethsemane located at 6856 Bellaire
Blvd., in the heart of #DistrictJ.

This \$23 Million Dollar project, which is primarily privately funded,
will be a 2 story 55,000 square feet building that will house numerous
nonprofit programs and social services. This will be a game changer
in SW Houston.

Special thank you to Dr. Tom Pace, Steve Carroll, Pastor Horton,
Anne Culver and the entire St. Luke’s Gethsemane family for your
tireless dedication and commitment to this project. Special shout out
to Congresswoman Fletcher, Mayor Pro Tem Dave Martin, and CM
Sallie Alcorn for attending today’s ceremony and supporting this
endeavor.

The community center is scheduled to be open by the end of 2023.

RAY DRISCOLL-
DECADES OF
SERVICE TO
SOUTHWEST
HOUSTON AND
SHARPSTOWN

Longtime Sharpstown resident
Ray Driscoll passed away
on September 7, 2022. Mr.
Driscoll served as a member
of Houston’s City Council for
three 2-year terms representing
the Sharpstown area before
retiring from City service
due to term limits. Ray

Driscoll also served multiple terms as a Director of the Sharpstown
Civic Association, including five terms as Board President. His
pivotal work with the SCA helped modernize the organization to
better represent the needs of 6800 Sharpstown homes. He and other
founding directors were instrumental in getting the City of Houston
to acquire Sharpstown Park and its swimming pool when the Country
Club fell into financial disarray.

He will be greatly missed by his family, friends, and the Sharpstown
community he served so well.



SHARPSTOWN AUTOMOTIVE
SERVING SOUTHWEST HOUSTON OVER 30 YEARS

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**HOLIDAY
LIGHTS**

**DECK YOUR HALLS
FOR A CHANCE
TO WIN YOUR
PHOTO IN
THE NEXT SCAN
& A GIFT CARD!**

TNR – TRAP NEUTER RELEASE PROGRAM

Right here in our neighborhood, over 300 cats have been spayed or neutered as this issue comes about this year. This is a 100% volunteer effort by your SCA neighbors...hours and hours of their time.

Kitten birthing season was brutal this year. Many, many feral females had litters that will within 6 months be having their own litters. Please continue to spay/neuter your feral cats. Allowing your animals to breed is not kind and the cats suffer from this kind of overpopulation. Please contact the SCA office if you need help with this issue in your neighborhood.



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- HPD NON-EMERGENCY713-884-3131

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

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



PLASTICS #1-5 & #7

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



CARDBOARD & CARTONS

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



PAPER & NEWSPAPER

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

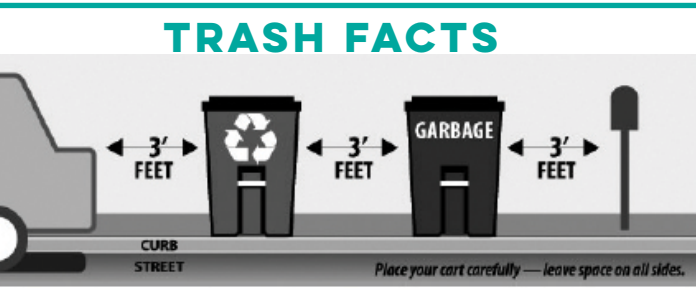
MONTH	MON	TUES	COLLECTION
NOV	8	14	TREE WASTE ONLY
DEC	12	13	JUNK WASTE ONLY

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.



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

The SCAN magazine is the official publication of the Sharpstown Civic Association Inc., a 501c4 organization. The submission deadline for both advertising and editorial is generally the 4th Saturday of the month prior to publication. Delivery by U.S. Mail begins the second week of the month.

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COH heavy trash contractor was right on time in Section 5 on Mon, Nov 17th. We appreciate that welcome service. Next Heavy Trash is not until Dec 12-13. Anyone putting it out early will be reported to 311.

CONTACT YOUR CITY COUNCIL REPS

All Sharpstown residents are represented by six City Council members, the 5 At-Large members and your specific district. Sharpstown is located within District J. You can contact either your District CM or any of the At-Large members with your concerns or questions. Below is a list of phone numbers and emails for each CM office.

District J— Edward Pollard 832-393-3369 DistrictJ@houstontx.gov

At-Large 1— Mike Knox 832-393-3014 atlarge1@houstontx.gov

At-Large 2— David Robinson 832-393-3013 atlarge2@houstontx.gov

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At-Large 4— Letitia Plummer 832-393-3012 atlarge4@houstontx.gov

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DOES YOUR NAME BELONG HERE?

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!

- Alice Lee - Southwest Management District
- Houston Swim Club
8307 Augustine Dr, 77036
713-774-7946
- Gene Wu - State Representative District 137
- Sharpstown Rotary Club
- Your Name Could be HERE!

→ 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?

NOISY NEIGHBORS?

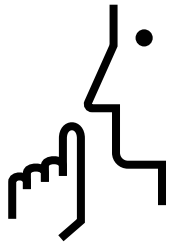
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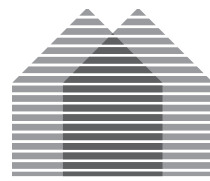
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- 58 dB(A) during nighttime hours (10:01 p.m. – 7:59 a.m.)

Avenues to file Noise/Sound Complaints

- Phone: 713-884-3131 (non-emergency line)
- Online: https://www.houstontx.gov/police/alert_slip/





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MEMBERSHIP MEETING SCHEDULE

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Meet & Eat @ 6:30 PM
Meeting @ 7:00 PM

OCTOBER 27, 2022

Speaker: Jordan Frazier, Chief of Staff, Office of
Council Member Sallie Alcorn, At-Large 5
Topic: Prohibited Yard Parking Ordinance, Large/
Commercial Vehicle Ordinance Revamp by COH,
Noise Ordinance Update (Rescheduled from Aug)

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