

Old Spring Branch Bugler

July 2022 * julio 2022

Heavy Trash Pick-Up

Fourth Thursday of the month (unless falls on holiday)

Thursday, July 28: TREE WASTE

Thursday, August 25: <u>JUNK WASTE</u>

Recolección de Basura Pesada

Cuarto jueves del mes (menos en días feriados)

jueves, 28 de julio: <u>Desechos Verdes</u>

jueves, 25 de agosto: <u>Basura Chatarra</u>

PLEASE REMEMBER:

OLD SPRING BRANCH IS A DEED-RESTRICTED COMMUNITY.

RECUERDE QUE OLD SPRING BRANCH ES UNA COMUNIDAD BAJO RESTRICCIONES.

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Jo Lightsey

This is my neighborhood since 1975. I have been involved in the Civic Association since 1991. I understand that there was an organization and deed restrictions for fourteen (14) subdivisions long before I moved into the area.

In 1991, the Old Spring Branch Civic Association was named, and a committee was selected to write/revise (with a lawyer) the deed restrictions that now stand in our neighborhood

We, who were involved in the Civic Association, worked hard and consistently to bring the Old Spring Branch (OSB) neighborhood up to a higher standard of living. This included following subdivision's deed restrictions, learning and following all the City of Houston ordinances (codes), and helping all residents get into compliance with what we called "laws of the land".

It took some time, but folks soon learned what it meant to uphold the "laws of the land" and eventually, the neighborhood soon began to rise to a higher standard and was proud to be doing so. It was realized, however, that this was going to be a constant commitment by the entire OSB community to keep moving "forward". We must not let down and lose the "forward" gain.

In my opinion, the Old Spring Branch Civic Association lead by its Board of Directors, to this day, still try to remind the residents to continue to uphold a high standard of living. However, the residents of OSB

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OSBCA In-person Quarterly Meeting

Tuesday, July 12, 2022 7 p.m.

Trini Mendenhall Civic Center located at 1414 Wirt Rd





DEED RESTRICTIONS & CITY OF HOUSTON CODES VIOLATORS

Deed Restriction Committee

It has always been the intention of the Old Spring Branch Civic Association to present all information in the newsletter, the BUGLER, in a positive manner. We, as article writers, have strived to meet that goal.

However, this article is to make us, in OSB, aware of how many violations can and do send out negative vibes in our neighborhood. I will reveal the violation of Deed Restrictions, City of Houston 311 Codes, and Houston Police Dept.'s Differential Response Team (DRT).

A total of eighteen (18) exist this month in OSB. Please, if the shoe fits, wear it! Do something about it!

VIOLATORS of Article IV, Section 7 of Deed Restrictions are residents on:

Woodvine – 5 Counter Dr. – 2 Thonig Rd. – 2 Cedel – 1

Comply to the following.

"Storage of Vehicles. No motor vehicle or non-motorized, boat, trailer, bus, marine craft, recreational vehicle, eighteen (18) wheel vehicle, truck camper, rig, hovercraft, aircraft, machinery or equipment of any kind may be parked or stored on a Lot unless completely concealed from public view in a garage or building or stored on the back of the lot and away from the easement or right-of-way and is not unsightly to the neighborhood. Passenger automobiles, passenger vans, motorcycles or pick-up trucks that (a) are in operating condition, (b) have current license plates and inspection stickers and (c) are in daily use as motor vehicles on the streets and highways of the State of Texas, must be parked in the driveway on a lot; however, no vehicle shall be parked so as to obstruct or block a sidewalk. No vehicle may be repaired or restored on a Lot for a period of exceeding three (3) consecutive days unless the vehicle being repaired or restored is concealed from public view inside the garage. The restriction shall not apply to any vehicle, machinery or equipment temporarily parked and in use for the construction, repair or maintenance of a house on a Lot."

City of Houston Code (311) violators:

 $Johanna - 1 \qquad Woodvine - 1 \qquad Thonig - 3$

City inspectors can give citations.

DRT violators:

Thonig -1 Woodvive -1 Counter Point -1 Silverbonnet -1

HPD comes to investigate violation (liable for citation).

City of Houston Codes (311) may also be with in a Deed Restriction. If so, a citation can be given by a City of Houston 311 inspector.

The best suggestion to residents is to comply to your Deed Restrictions and know what city code/ordinances are. All of us must abide by the City of Houston Ordinances or be liable for a 311 citation.

AS I SAID BEFORE, IF THE SHOE FITS, WEAR IT! BE A GOOD NEIGHBOR AND GET IN AND STAY IN COMPLIANCE WITH ALL THE "LAWS OF THE LAND"!

MEMBERSHIP – JUNE 2022

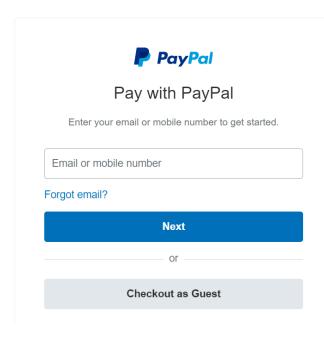
Loretta Nalley

If you haven't done so already, make sure to renew your membership with OSBCA, or become a new member. Yearly membership dues are \$25 and \$12.50 for senior citizens or for those on fixed income.

As of June 31, Old Spring Branch Civic Association membership is at 40.

Your membership helps fund a variety of activities and events throughout the year. By being a paid member, you also receive the monthly e-newsletter directly to your email.

HAVE YOU PAID YOUR OSBCA MEMBERSHIP? IF YOU HAVEN'T, PAY ONLINE!



Step one:

Visit <u>OldSpringBranch.org</u> and click on "<u>Membership</u>" on the main menu.

Step two:

Select the type of membership you fall under and then click the button under it that says "Pay with PayPal".

Step three:

If you don't currently have a PayPal account, you can log on using "Checkout as Guest"

Step four:

Fill out the information so you can make the payment.





CITIZENS ON PATROL – JUNE 2022

Virginia Lehman

We will be reporting a total of 32.25 patrol hours for June. I want to thank our CP group for patrolling our area whenever possible especially with the 'increase' cost of gasoline. I do believe that we make a difference!

Our storefront on Pech remains closed currently but the Citywide PIP meetings are back to in-person attendance with the recommendation for all attendees to practice social distancing. Meetings are held the third Tuesday of the month at 7PM at the Faith Center (inside chapel) 8009 Long Point. Upcoming meetings: July 19 at 7PM/DEA (Drug Enforcement Agency); August 16 at 7PM, HPD Dive Team; September 20 at 7PM, HPD Forensic Artists. Please make plans to attend.

Our area has been very busy the last couple of months, with lots of new constructions and remodeling/home improvement projects. New houses are being built on Thonig, Silverbonnet and Johanna. It will be interesting to see what will happen to the Lil Folks day care on Johanna, it appears to be vacant. Hoping something will happen soon!

Please stay alert, be diligent and report any incidents that you see or hear. If the police department is not aware of anything going on in our neighborhood, they will not patrol our area. You can call the non-emergency number at 713-884-3131. If it is life-threatening situation, please call 911!

We are always looking for volunteers to join our CP group. If you are interested, feel free to contact Virginia at 832-748-8088, please leave a message. We would love to have you.

CRIME REPORTS – JUNE 2022

Virginia Lehman

Listed below are the reports incidents filed with the Houston Police Department from June 1-30, 2022:

- One report of Aggravated Assault: June 1, 11PM, 7400 Block of Long Point.
- Five reports of Simple Assault: June 2, 4AM, 7400 Block of Long Point; June 6, 8AM, 7500 Block of Long Point; June 12, 11AM, 7400 Block of Long Point, and 5PM, 7400 Block of Long Point and June 14, 4AM, 1800 Block of Johanna.
- Five reports of Intimidation: June 6, 7PM, 2000 Block of Antoine; June 11, 3PM, 7500 Block of Long Point; June 18, 10AM and 11PM, 7500 Block of Long Point and June 25, 11AM, 7700 Block of Kivu Lane.
- Four reports of Theft from Vehicle: June 12, 12AM and 6AM, 7800 Block of Hammerly; June 12, 12PM, 7600 Block of Hammerly and June 29, 3PM, 7800 Block of Long Point.
- Three reports of All Other Crimes/Offenses: June 9, 3PM, 7400 Block of Long Point (All Other Offenses); June 9, 9AM, 2000 Block of Harland (Destruction, Damage, Vandalism); and June 25, 5PM, 2200 Block of Silverbonnet (Destruction, Damage, Vandalism).
- Two reports of Breaking & Entering: Commercial: June 3, 6PM, 7800 Block of Long Point and June 7, 5PM, 7600 Block of Hammerly.
- Two reports of All Other Crimes: June 12, 9PM, 7600 Block of Amelia (all other larceny) and June 17, 6PM, 2000 Block of Antoine (all other larceny).
- Two reports of Drug, Narcotic Violations: June 8, 6PM, 7500 Block of Long Point and June 26, 12AM, 7600 Block of Long Point.

Please note that the above information was gathered from the <u>LexisNexis Community Crime on the Houston Police Department website</u>.

You can file a police report online if you have access to a valid, functioning e-mail address and you are the actual victim of the theft, loss or criminal mischief (not a witness, relative, friend, etc.) Website is:

YARDS OF THE MONTH – JUNE 2022

What sad looking yards this time. No rain and a water conservation rule in effect. Gosh, no really "all" green yards. Guess what you see listed are the yards with the least dead patches and have been groomed. Hopefully the light rain showers we recently received have helped.

Amelia	*7630, *7635
Antoine	*2056
Cedel	None
Counter Point	2002, 2006, 2011, 2014, 2015, 2018, 2031, 2035, 2107, 2110, 2114, 2126, 2130,
	2203, 2211, 2215
Hammerly	7603, 7607, 7610, *7625*7706, *7626
Harland	1915, 1919, 2015, 2011, *2102
Inch	None
Jacquelyn	*1839, *1905, 2050, *2067
Johanna	*2069, *2048, *2020, *2002, *1928 *1838, *1833, *1840, *1905A
Silverbonnet	2219
Thonig	1942, 2045, 2039, 2055, 2107, 2113
Todd	None
Turquoise	7611, 7614, 7615, 7618
Woodwine	1918, 1951, 1954, 2006, 2007, 2010, 2011, 2014, 2018, 2022, 2018, 2038, 2103,
	2106, 2131, 2130, 2134, 2135

^{*}Businesses who have litter free and mowed front ditches, apts that have required landscaping.

From the President, continued...

now compared to the OSB residents of earlier years seem to have a different standard of living. The culture has changed.

As a long time President of OSBCA, I still believe that we must, to our ability, continue to move forward little by little. We must NEVER move backward. It is important to me, and it should be to all the residents, to comply with the City of Houston codes and respect and comply with the Deed Restrictions of its subdivisions.

I wrote an article in this 2022 June issue of all the violations that were noted in just the last week or two. More violations were added to the list as I drove through the neighborhood doing COP patrol, June 28. (See article in Bugler.)

Residents, please love, respect, and be proud of your home (owner or renter), as I have my home all these years. There are many of you in the neighborhood who feel just as I do. But then, there are those who don't show the same regard. It is you who take our neighborhood "backward".

"IF THE SHOE FITS", please do your part to follow the "laws of the land". YOUR COMPLIANCE IS IMPORTANT!!

WATER CONSERVATION

Well, we all know that our landscaping and yards are suffering from lack of water. Loretta Nalley has emailed all OSB members that the City of Houston has entered us in the first stages of Drought Contingency Plan as of Tuesday, June 21, 2022. To remind you, Stage One drought response calls for the following voluntary water conservation efforts. I am sure all have gotten the rules for water conservation through your emails. However, long story short, please abide by the following to conserve water, but keep our lawns and landscapes alive during this critical stretch of no rain. Hopefully, the rains will come soon. Meanwhile:

- Limit outdoor watering to twice a week between the hours of 7 p.m. and 5 a.m. with the following schedule:
 - o Sundays & Thursdays for single-family residential customers with even-numbered street addresses
 - Saturdays and Wednesdays for single-family residential customers with odd-numbered street addresses
 - o Tuesdays and Fridays for all other customers
- Check & repair water leaks, including dripping faucets & running toilets
- Check for leaks and sprinkler heads to be sure all is working properly

For additional water conservation tips, please visit publicworks.houstontx.gov/waterconservation

COMMUNITY EVENTS





NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS Deadline: Thursday, July 28, 2022

Got ideas or suggestions? Send them to sybilsanchez@yahoo.com, Subject line: OSBCA

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HEAVY TRASH & RECYCLING

2022 Schedule

MONTH	RECYCLING	HEAVY TRASH		
	(Every other Friday)	(Fourth Thursday of the Month)		
July 2022	July 1, 15, 29	TREE July 28		
August 2022	Aug 12 & 26	JUNK Aug 25		
September 2022	Sept 9 & 23	TREE Sept 22		
October 2022	Oct 7 & 21	JUNK Oct 27		
November 2022	Nov 4 & 18	TREE Nov 25		
December 2022	Dec 2, 16 & 30	JUNK Dec 22		

YES! Put these in your recycling bin:

- Metal and Cans: Aluminum and Tin Cans. Examples include soup cans, vegetable cans, fruit cans, coffee cans (emptied and rinsed)
- Cartons: Both gable top and shelf-stable food and beverage cartons. Examples include milk cartons, juice cartons, soup cartons, soy milk/alternative milk cartons (emptied and rinsed)
- Glass: Bottles, jugs and jars only (emptied and rinsed)
- Paper: Newspaper, magazines, catalogs, junk mail, office paper
- Cardboard: Cardboard and cereal boxes (emptied of packing materials and flattened)
- **Plastic:** Bottles, tubs and jugs #1 5 and 7. Examples include water and soda bottles, milk jugs, yogurt cups, margarine tubs, detergent bottles, shampoo bottles. (emptied and rinsed)

NO! Do **NOT** put these in your recycling bin:

- Batteries/Electronics
- Shredded Paper
- Tanglers (cords, hoses, wires, clothing)
- Food/Liquids

- Trash and Bagged Recycling
- Furniture and Household Goods
- Scrap Wood and Scrap Metal (NO Helium Tanks)
- Yard Waste

FREE MEALS THIS SUMMER AT LION LANE AND NORTHBROOK HIGH

The following schools will continue offering summer meals to children 18 years old or younger and enrolled students up to 21 years old at Spring Branch ISD with the healthy Summer Food Service Program (SFSP). The meals come at no cost to the child.

School	Address	Start	End	Breakfast		reakfast Lunch	
		Date	Date	Start	End	Start	End
Lion Lane	2210 Ridgecrest	5/31/2022	7/28/2022	7 a.m.	8 a.m.	11 a.m.	12 noon
Northbrook	1 Raider Circle	6/1/2022	7/26/2022	7:30 a.m.	8:30 a.m.	11:30 a.m.	12:30 p.m.
High School							_

Meal distribution dates and times are subject to change, contact SBISD's Child Nutrition Services at 713-251-1150 for more information.

If you would like to find a meal site anywhere in the state, you are encouraged to use the following tools:

- Call 2-1-1 to speak to a live operator
- Visit www.SummerFood.org for an interactive site locator map
- Text FOODTX or COMIDA to 877-877



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Checks payable to Old Spring Branch Civic Association or OSBCA.

Asociación Cívica de Old Spring Branch Formulario de Membrecía 2022 – 2023			
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□ Nuevo Miembro	□ Renovando		
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HEAVY TRASH: TREE WASTE

Positive Interaction Program (PIP) meetings – Third Tuesday of each month, 7 p.m. at the Faith Center Chapel, 8009 Long Point

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OLD SPRING BRANCH CIVIC ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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PIP Meeting,

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Antoine: ---Vacant ---

Counter Point

JULY 2022

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& W. Hammerly:

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