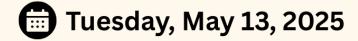
# **OSBCA** MEMBERSHIP EVENT

Meet • Greet • Sign Up for a New Year!



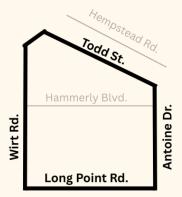
- 6:30-8 p.m.
- 2227 Counter Point Dr. Rain date: Wed. May 14

Come & meet your neighbors. Enjoy refreshments. Bring a chair and mosquito spray!

Membership Year: May 2025-April 2026

\$25 per household / \$12.50 for seniors/those on fixed incomes

#### **OSB Service Area:**





## Your Membership Helps Support:

- · Neighborhood beautification
- Safety patrols
- Deed Restriction reinforcement
- Events & outreach

#### **Members Receive:**

- The Bugler monthly by e-mail
- All receive print editions 3X a year

## Visit OldSpringBranch.org

- Trash & recycling schedules
- Deed restrictions
- Past newsletters
- Key contacts

# **OSBCA EVENTO DE MEMBRESÍA**

## Conoce • Convive • ¡Inscríbete para el nuevo año!



Martes 13 de mayo de 2025



6:30-8 p.m.



2227 Counter Point Dr.

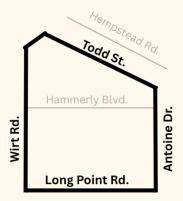
Fecha alterna por lluvia: Miércoles 14 de mayo

Venga a conocer a sus vecinos. Disfruta de refrigerios ligeros. Traiga una silla y repelente para mosquitos.

## Año de Membresía: Mayo 2025 - Abril 2026

\$25 por hogar / \$12.50 para personas mayores o con ingresos fijos

#### Área de servicio de OSB:





## Tu membresía ayuda a apoyar:

- Embellecimiento del vecindario
- Vigilancia vecinal
- Refuerzo de las restricciones de escrituras
- Eventos y actividades comunitarias

#### Los miembros reciben:

- The Bugler mensualmente por correo electrónico
- Todos reciben ediciones impresas 3 veces al año

## Visite OldSpringBranch.org

- Horarios de basura y reciclaje
- Restricciones del vecindario
- **Boletines** anteriores
- Contactos clave

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# Old Spring Branch Bugler

MAY 2025

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## **Heavy Trash Pick-Up**

**Fourth** Thursday of the month (unless falls on holiday)

Thursday, May 22: TREE WASTE

Thursday, June 26: JUNK WASTE

\*For most accurate date, visit the Solid Waste Management Dept.'s website at HoustonTX.gov/solidwaste/holiday.

REMEMBER: OLD SPRING BRANCH IS A DEED-RESTRICTED COMMUNITY.

#### FROM THE PRESIDENT

Jo Lightsey

Surely, you noticed and read the flyer attached to the front of this May hard copy newsletter. We also attached an OSBCA self-addressed envelope and membership application. We did so because MAY IS OUR OSB MEMBERSHIP DRIVE! We hope you'll choose to become a first-time member or renew at any time. It is so important to have an opportunity to meet our neighbors and for you to understand how the Civic Association works for you.

The Board of Directors and our **Membership Committee, Loretta Nalley and Virginia Lehman,** are excited about giving all OSB Members an **Appreciation Party**. Thank you, ladies, for putting this event together.

Despite all the Junk Heavy Trash, the neighborhood has cleaned up somewhat. We are working on keeping the Thonig/Woodvine cleared of weeds and trash, reporting City of Houston code violations, encouraging compliance of Deed Restrictions, reporting unkept properties, reporting parking violations, and other irritating situations. I get calls, too often, from residents wanting to know what can be done about a situation. I am happy to know that there are folks that DO CARE.

Please join us for the May 13 Membership Event! We will not pressure you to join, but we hope you will.

Old Spring Branch Civic Association (OSBCA)

Membership Appreciation Party

Tuesday, May 13, 2025

6:30 – 8 p.m.

2227 Counter Point Dr.





#### OSBCA MEMBERSHIP: JOIN OR RENEW TODAY!

Loretta Nalley

May marks the start of a new OSBCA membership year—and we'd love to have you on board! Whether you're renewing your membership or joining for the first time, your support helps fund neighborhood beautification, safety patrols, social events, and more. Annual dues are just \$25 per household (\$12.50 for seniors or those on fixed incomes).

And don't forget—you're invited to our **Membership Appreciation Event on May 13!** Come meet your neighbors and celebrate what makes Old Spring Branch such a special place to call home.

	2025-2026 Membership											
Amelia	Antoine	Cedel	Counter Point	Hammerly	Harland	Jacquelyn	Johanna	Silverbonnet	Thonig	Todd	Turquoise	Woodvine
	2024-2025 Membership (52 total)											
1	2	2	12	3	7	2	1	0	3	5	2	12
	2022-2023 Membership (55 total)											
2	3	3	12	2	4	2	3	1	3	1	3	15

### **CITIZENS ON PATROL**

Virginia Lehman

We reported a total of 32 patrol hours for March and a total of 35.25 hours for April. We were able to get two more individuals of our patrol group recertified last month, we have one last volunteer to get recertified and hope to get that accomplished in May. As always, I want to thank all our CP volunteers, I really believe we make a difference.

Sorry to report that I was not able to attend the **Houston Police Dept. Positive Interaction Program (PIP) meeting** last month, but will plan on attending it this month, if possible. It is on the third Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. at the Faith Center Chapel (8009 Long Point). They have very interesting speakers/demonstrations, and everyone is invited to attend. It is a good chance to meet some of the HPD officers who work in our area.

HPD is diligently working on the 'loitering' situation at Long Point and Woodvine across from Connie's Seafood. This group of individuals has been moved many times only to reappear the following day or even the following hour. Their recent relocations have been to the other side of the Madco gas station (ditch side) and to Jacquelyn (across from the auto paint shop). It is unfortunate the HPD doesn't have the manpower to sit at this location 24/7.

Vandalism seems to be at all time high according to our incident reports for last month. I am not quite sure what is going on with this problem but from the 'addresses' feel it might be related to convenience stores, maybe shoplifting incidents. I will see if I can get some answers.

#### PREVENTING CRIMES OF OPPORTUNITY

Help keep our community safe by taking simple precautions:

- ✓ Lock your car doors and keep valuables out of sight.
- ✓ Close your gates and garage doors when not in use.
- ✓ Turn on your porch lights at night to deter suspicious activity.

A few small steps can make a big difference in keeping OSB a secure and welcoming place to live!

#### BE AWARE OF YOUR SURROUNDINGS

Your safety starts with awareness! Stay alert and report any suspicious activity to law enforcement. If the police aren't aware of what's happening in our neighborhood, they won't know to patrol the area.

Non-Emergency Police Number: 713-884-3131

Emergency? Call 911!

Together, we can keep OSB safe!

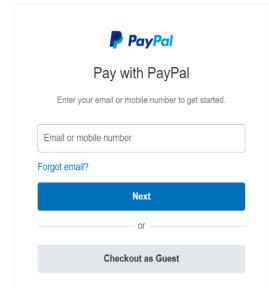
#### **CRIME REPORTS - APRIL 2025**

Listed below are the incidents reported in our area for March 28 – April 30, 2025:

- Three (3) reports of Intimidation: April 10<sup>th</sup> and April 11<sup>th</sup> @ 3pm, 1900 Block of Thonig and April 26<sup>th</sup> @ 8pm, 7400 Block of Long Point.
- Six (6) reports of Simple Assault: March 31<sup>st</sup> @ 12am, 2000 Block of Antoine; April 1<sup>st</sup> @ 12am, 2000 Block of Antoine; April 14<sup>th</sup> @ 3pm, 2000 Block of Jacquelyn; April 24<sup>th</sup> @ 10pm, 7700 Block of Cedel; April 25<sup>th</sup> @ 3am, 7700 Block of Long Point and April 25<sup>th</sup> @ 10pm, 7700 Block of Cedel.
- Three (3) reports of Theft: March 28<sup>th</sup> @ 3pm, 2000 Block of Antoine and April 10<sup>th</sup> @ 9am, 7800 Block of Hammerly (All Other Larceny) and April 11<sup>th</sup> @ 3pm, 1900 Block of Thonig (Extortion, Blackmail).
- Twelve (12) reports of Vandalism: March 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> @ 3am, 2000 Block of Johanna March 31<sup>st</sup> @ 6pm, 2000 Block of Antoine; April 1<sup>st</sup> @ 6pm, 2000 Block of Antoine; April 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 11pm, 7600 Block of Hammerly; April 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 11pm, 7600 Block of Long Point; April 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> @ 3am, 7700 Block of Long Point; April 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> @ 10am, 2000 Block of Antoine; April 30<sup>th</sup> @ 12am, 2000 Block of Antoine and April 30<sup>th</sup> @ 2am, 7700 Block of Cedel.
- Three (3) reports of Arrest: April 2<sup>nd</sup> @11am, 7600 Block of Hammerly (Weapon Law Violation) and April 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> @ 10pm, 2000 Block of Thonig (Drug, Narcotic Violations).
- Two (2) reports of Motor Vehicle Theft: April 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 4pm, 1900 Block of Thonig.
- Five (5) reports of Theft from Motor Vehicle: April 4<sup>th</sup> @ 3pm, 7700 Block of Long Point; April 5<sup>th</sup> @ 11am, 7800 Block of Long Point; April 5<sup>th</sup> @ 3pm, 7700 Block of Long Point; and April 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> @ 4pm, 7800 Block of Long Point.
- Two (2) reports of Robbery: April 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> @ 11am, 7600 Block of Hammerly.
- One (1) report of Breaking & Entering: April 30<sup>th</sup> @ 2am, 7700 Block of Cedel.
- Four (4) reports of All Other Offenses: April 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> @ 3pm, 2000 Block of Jacquelyn and April 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 4pm, 7700 Block of Long Point.
- One (1) report of Trespass of Real Property: April 19<sup>th</sup> @ 3am, 2100 Block of Thonig.
- Four (4) reports of Disorderly Conduct: April 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 11am, 7600 Block of Hammerly and April 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> @ 3am, 7700 Block of Hammerly.

Please note the above information was gathered from SpotCrime website.

#### PAY YOUR OSBCA MEMBERSHIP ONLINE!



#### Step one:

Visit OldSpringBranch.org and click on "Membership" 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.

#### BEAUTIFICATION & LANDSCAPING UPDATE

Jo Lightsey

What can I say? The neighborhood is **trashed out**! Junk/Heavy Trash Pick-Up was scheduled for Thursday, April 24. But there was no pick-up... and now the piles of junk have grown even bigger. Hang in there, folks—Solid Waste could come any time.

Now, for some good news about landscaping in OSB:

- The **Hammerly esplanade is green and well-maintained**, thanks to Bill Cox and LMC. The new crape myrtle trees along Hammerly are growing beautifully—thanks to Murphy and me, who have been watering them faithfully from our 2007 Dodge Ram for the past 9 to 11 months.
- Thank you, Nino, for keeping the sprinkler systems running on the Hammerly/Wirt and Antoine/Long Point esplanades.
- "Yards of the Month" started in April and is a great way to keep the momentum going for beautification in OSB.

So—City of Houston Solid Waste Department—OSB is doing its part! We're grateful that regular garbage pickup has improved, but **please** do better about collecting **recycling and heavy trash** on schedule! **HELP!** Amy Peck, Liz, Sara, Josie—can you help us out?

## YARDS OF THE MONTH – May 2025

Jo Lightsey

This is the first "Yards" article since September 2024. It is nice to see our yards are out of the drought and folks are excited to enjoy the chance to revive their yards from the winter months. It will be a challenge to keep up with spring growth and replanting. What fun! A reminder, if a residence is in violation of a City Code, a Deed Restriction, and still have seasonal decorations up, that yard does not qualify to be listed in Yards of the Month for that month.

Old Spring Branch						
Amelia	7613 *7630, *7635					
Antoine	*2056					
Cedel	7706, 7708, 7710					
<b>Counter Point</b>	2003, 2011, 2015, 2018, 2139, 2203, 2211, 2214					
Hammerly	7525, 7522, 7603, 7607, 7610, 7614, *7626, *7625, *7632, *7706					
Harland	*2102, 2011, 2015					
Inch	None					
Jacquelyn	*1839, *1905, 2050, *2053, *2067					
Johanna	*2069, *2048, *2020, *2002, *1928, *1905, *1906, *1838, *1833					
Silverbonnet	2209, 2207					
Thonig	2039					
Todd	None					
Turquoise	7714, 7615, 7618					
Woodvine	2002, 2006, 2007, 2011, 2014, 2022, 2030, 2103, 2130, 2134, 3138, 2135					

<sup>\*</sup>Businesses who have litter free and mowed front ditches, apartments that have required landscaping.

#### OSBCA BOARD OF DIRECTORS - ELECTION SLATE FOR 2025-2026

Jo Lightsey

These are the nominations to lead our neighborhood/civic organization for 2025-2026. If anyone would like to fill the vacant positions on the Board, please call 713-681-0560 and leave your name and phone number. I will return your call, ASAP. **This slate will be voted on at the 2025, June 11 QUARTERLY meeting.** 

#### **Street Representatives Needed**

We're currently looking for Street Reps for Antoine, Harland/Todd, and Johanna. You don't have to live on these streets to serve as their representative—Street Reps are voting members of the Board and play an important role in neighborhood communication and decision-making.

#### **Term Information**

- Officers serve a one-year term from 2025 to 2026
- Board Members serve a two-year term from 2025 to 2027

Thank you to everyone who continues to support and serve OSB. Together, we help keep Old Spring Branch strong and thriving!

OFFICERS		STREET REPRESENTATIVES			
<b>President</b> Jo Lightsey		Antoine	Vacant		
Vice President	Loretta Nalley	Counter Point/Turquoise	Anonymous		
Secretary	Linda Whatley	Harland/Todd	Vacant		
Treasurer Virginia Lehman		Jacquelyn/E. Hammerly	Mike McGeehon		
		Johanna	Vacant		
		Silverbonnet/Cedel	Eric Schmidt		
		Thonig	Sybil Sanchez		
		Woodvine	Rosario Machorro		

## **NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS**

Deadline: Friday, May 30, 2025

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

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# RECYCLING AND HEAVY TRASH PICK UP -2025 SCHEDULE-

MONTH	<b>RECYCLING</b> (Every other Friday)	<b>HEAVY TRASH</b> (Fourth Thursday of the month)		
May	□ 5/2 □ 5/16 □ 5/30	□ <b>TREE</b> Thurs., 5/22		
June	□ 6/13 □ 6/27	□ <b>JUNK</b> Thurs., 6/26		
July	□ 7/11 □ 7/25	□ <b>TREE</b> Thurs., 7/24		
August	□ 8/8 □ 8/22	□ <b>JUNK</b> Thurs., 8/28		
September	□ 9/5 □ 9/19	□ <b>TREE</b> Thurs., 9/25		
October	□10/3 □10/17 □10/31	□ <b>JUNK</b> Thurs., 10/23		
November	□ 11/7 □ 11/21	□ <b>TREE</b> Thurs., 11/27		
December	□ 12/5 □ 12/29	□ <b>JUNK</b> Thurs., 12/27		
January 2026	□ 1/3 □ 1/16 □ 1/30	□ <b>TREE</b> Thurs., 1/22		

<sup>\*</sup>For most accurate date, visit the Solid Waste Management Dept.'s website at <u>HoustonTX.gov/solidwaste/holiday</u>.

\* Para la fecha exacta, visite el sitio web del Departamento de Manejo de Residuos Sólidos.

## YES! Put these in your GREEN 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 GREEN 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

## A special thank you to the following businesses/organizations for their advertisement in our monthly newsletter, The Bugler.



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# Old Spring Branch Civic Association

MAY 2025							
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Frida	ay	Saturday
4	5	6	7	8	9		10
11 Mother's Day	12	13 Membership Appreciation Event, 6:30p	14	15	16		17 Armed Forces Day May put out Heavy Trash * Puede sacar basura pesada
18	19	20 <b>PIP</b> , <b>7p</b>	21	22 HEAVY TRASH: TREE	23		24
25	26 Memorial Day	27	28	29	30		31
1	2	3	4	5	6		7

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

<u> </u>	OARD OF DIRECTOR	COMMITTEE CHAIRS				
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Treasurer:	Virginia Lehman	832-748-8088	Virginia Lehman, 832-748-8088			
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Woodvine:	Rosario Machorro	713-391-6355				