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# **Tower Oaks Times**

Sub-Division Newsletter



### Tower Oaks Civic Club Board Members

2<sup>nd</sup> Ouarter 2007

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### Message from The President

Our Annual Board Meeting was held at the MET, on Tuesday June 12, it was lightly attended as usual, but we did have enough members and Proxies, for a Quorum.

We elected two new Board Members, they are **Maureen Taylor** and **Joyce Craig**, please help us welcome them. Please feel free to meet them, at our next Board Meeting, July 24th. Our Secretary Idalia Skates served us very well, for her 3 year term, it has now expired, but she will help our new Secretary transition.

Dues will remain at \$75. If you have not paid, please send your check to TOCC at 11659 Jones Rd. PMB 125 Houston, Texas 77070-5903. We need everyone's support to continue to run your subdivision. Let all have another Great Year, in this Wonderful Place the we are fortunate enough to be living in.

Sherry Hull

President

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#### **Important Phone Numbers**

Adams Elementary 281-897-4485 Arnold Middle School 281-896-4700 Cy-Fair High School 281-856-1000 Northwest Branch Library 281-860-2665 Centerpoint Energy 713-659-2111 Reliant Energy 713-207-7777 Harris Cty Sheriff 713-221-6000 Poison Control Ctr 800-764-7661 Cy-Fair Ambulance 281-466-6161 Harris Cty Traffic Control 713-880-3210 Harris Cty Animal Control 281-999-3191 Harris Cty Precinct 3 281-463-6300

#### Neighborhood Project in the works: Update of our 2002 phone & street directory. Advertising space will be available e-mail <u>admin@toweroaks.org</u> or call a board member for details



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### School is out

Please drive safely, biking to the pool, or walking to their friends house is part of neighborhood youth activity.

#### Harris County Flood Control

maps & information, there is also an interactive tool to locate your address in relation to the flood plain. Make sure you visit this very informative site at : www.tsarp.org

#### Senior Neighbors

Computers are now a way of life. They are a indispensable library right in our own home It is great to search for information you need right when you need it. Our website continues to include new information links of importance to all of us. The latest (from Bill Parks) is the Harris County interactive map, where you enter your address and it will show you which flood plain your property is in. .It's time to tap the grand kids for their knowledge of this little box monster While at it open you neighborhood website www.toweroaks.org and if you have a suggestion on how we can improve it let us know.

### **Neighborhood Meetings**

The Tower Oaks Civic Club Board meets on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of every month, this is an open meeting to all lot owners in the Tower Oaks Sub-Division. Look for the posted signs and on the website for reminders. Meeting is At: **Fire Station #2 at 7:00 PM 11210 Tower Oaks Blvd** 

#### **Back Yard Burning**

At present time there is no ban on burning The fire station on Cypress N Houston will post the ban on a sign at the station, that can be read from the street. The Fire Marshall and the Flood Control Dept. are against burning in county ditches and in county property.

#### Get Your Tower Oaks Decal Contact a Board Member

#### **Garage Sale Signs**

It is very helpful to print the address in large numbers & letters that can be seen and read from a passing auto. This is the most important part to a shopper, if you want to put G-Sale in small print that is fine, the garage sale shopper can make that out.

**Please pick up signs when it's over** Thank You

#### Website Report

We have added gardening information for your research on local growing plants. Also Olde Tower Oaks Garden Club will publish their yard of the month on the website and invites all who wish to join to call. Thanks

#### Tower Oaks Is Looking Good!!!

Our long extended rain period has helped our neighbors really show off their yards; beautiful flowers, lush green plants and grass. Your efforts are appreciated .

Neighbors coming into the sub-division through Tower Oaks Blvd. Have probably noticed the deep ditch that starts at almost the edge of the road, on the right hand side of the Y. There is no guard rail along the ditch, however there is a guard rail where there is no ditch. Is something wrong with this picture??

Please report your observation of any stop signs that have been knocked down ASAP. Let's try to keep our streets safe. If we don't look out for our neighborhood, who will??





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### Know Your Restrictions

### <u>The Tower Oaks Restrictions are Posted in our website. You can upload or print them for</u> <u>your reference.</u>

The following are 3 of the Tower Oaks documented restrictions for your review

15. No cesspools shall ever be dug, used, or maintained on any of such lots, and all toilets shall be connected with a septic tank until such time as sanitary service may be available for use in connection with said lots. The drainage of septic tanks into roads, streets, or other public ditches, either directly or indirectly, is strictly prohibited. All drain lines and septic field lines shall not be closer

than Twenty-Five feet (25") of property lines.

16. It is stipulated that a reasonable length of time for the completion of the exterior part of improvements, residences, or other structures, is five (5) months, and in allowing this length of time consideration is given to situations that might arise from said improvements being constructed by a purchaser in his spare time. Any failure to comply with this provision by not completing his structure within such time shall be construed a violation hereof and shall entitle any party hereto, or any party in interest, to maintain an action by mandatory injunction or for damages, or for both.

17. No materials shall be stored upon any of the lots except where the same is to be used for the construction of improvements thereon, and in any event, only while operations for the construction if improvements are in progress. No trash, ashes, cinders, or other refuse shall be thrown upon any vacant tract, or upon any street, or upon any reserved area in any part of said subdivision. It is provided, however, that materials which are contemplated to be used in the erection of a home, buildings or otherwise may be stored on the rear Fifty feet (50'') of any lot, but not closer than Twenty-

five feet (25'') to the side property lines.

<u>Thanks</u> DF



## Olde Tower Oaky Carden Aub

The garden club meets on the 3rd Monday of the month from September to May, and invites anyone who is interested, to join them. For more information please contact Betty Kloesel at 281-469-2026

> Yard of the month Congratulations



President- Betty Kloesel 1st VP - Cyndi Rybak 2nd VP - Viva Morgan Secretary - Nancy McCreary Treasurer - Sylvia Dryden Parliamentarian - Melba Fulkerson

July 2007 12114 Dermott Becky & Sal Spoto June 2007 11518 Foxburo Cindy & Richard Gilbert May 2007 12023 Advance Dr Yogi & Pat O'leary April 2007 11414 Mile Dr Rosie & Tom Chadwell Visit our garden page at our website www.toweroaks.org

#### **Trimming Trees**

Tower Oaks residents are blessed with mature native trees. From time to time the trees need trimming to protect our homes or remove dead limbs. Many of us like ""do it your self"" projects and tree trimming seems like an easy one to tackle. This is a dangerous mistake. Over the past ten years there have been several serious accidents as the result of ""do it your self"" tree trimming projects. The injuries included broken pelvis, broken arms, punctured lungs, broken ribs and more. The injured suffered considerable pain as well as damaged pride.

All accidents occurred in the same basic pattern. A ladder was placed against the tree and the tree trimmer climbed the ladder with a saw. As the limb was cut with the saw the limb fell and knocked the ladder out from under the tree trimmer. The tree trimmer (in most cases home owner) fell to the ground and was injured. A trip to the hospital emergency room followed. Not a pretty story. Some are still suffering with the after effects of the injuries years later.

Hire a professional tree trimmer/cutter for a tree trimming job. It is a much safer, cheaper in the long run and a less painful solution. The tree trimmers have the experience and tools to do the job quickly and safely. At the end day the home owner is safe and healthy. **Thanks JS** 

Be sure and consider all of your options and the possible consequences when making your decision as to how to proceed with this type of project Thanks RA



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