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### A Message From Your KVCC President

Hi Neighbors,

I hope everyone had a good summer. I'm sure families are settling back into school schedules and you retirees are maybe coming back from a nice vacation – somewhere cooler I hope.

While I have your full attention, I want to ask residents to mark your calendars for our upcoming Resident's Meeting on Thursday, September 27th at 6:30p. We hope to have Martha Castex-Tatum of our very own District K as our guest speaker. The meeting will be at Bethany United Methodist Church (park / enter in back).

If you didn't participate or hadn't heard, our first ever neighborhood event at the Houston Astros game was a success and the Astros won! See the article and picture inside. Our next community event is coming soon – Tuesday, Oct 2nd is National Night Out. We have lots of block captains that are stepping up to bring neighbors together. There is more information inside – read up, step up (welcome@knollwoodvillage.org), worse case, get outside and walk the neighborhood.

#### NRG Concerts in the Yellow Lot

This is not a new topic for those of you that have lived here at least the last 4-5 years, but I want to shed a little light on it for newer residents as we haven't had one of these events in over a year and a half. There are occasional instances where NRG Park schedules outdoor concerts in the Yellow lot. When this happens, many residents feel and hear the noise pumping through their homes which can sometimes be a major inconvenience. Three years ago we entered into an agreement in order to limit these types of events to 5 days per year where the music ends no later than 11pm. Additionally, they are required to turn the stage and speakers so they are not directed at our neighborhood and they are supposed to periodically take noise checks to ensure they are within the city noise level ordinances. Finally, the KVCC receives a donation for each day these events occur which is considered a nuisance fee for our resident's inconveniences. The Civic Club, when possible, uses the newsletter to communicate when these events are occurring, but NRG Park isn't required to give us advance notice. Going forward, we will try to do a better job alerting neighbors of these events in case you want to plan to be away. Our agreement is up for renewal next year so we are hopeful NRG Park is still interested in being a good neighbor. FYI, during negotiations, we did push for music to end by 9p but we understand limiting to the earlier times restricts NRG Park's ability to get such events.

#### **Overgrown Yards**

Please remember that properly maintaining your yard is required by City Ordinance. As the City has already cited several property owners for violations, please consider clearing your debris and cutting the grass of your lot. This helps keep property values up and the neighborhood safe. Thank you for your cooperation.

On a related topic, I know many of you have voiced concerns about the old gas station at the corner of Kirby and S. Braeswood. Several residents including myself have called 311 to report the condition of the property. I want to let you know that on 9/11 someone from Dept. of Neighborhoods contacted the owner and the owner said he just had surgery and needed a little more time to resolve. The Dept. of Neighborhoods will contact the owner again on 9-21-18 so hopefully this will be resolved later this month.

#### **Two Neighborhood Losses**

On somewhat of a somber note, we recently lost two big supporters of our neighborhood. Carolyn Bremer was a longtime resident and Civic Club volunteer and the other was Donald Perkins, who was the Chief of Staff at our District K office. While I didn't know Carolyn well, I know many of you did. I did know Donald for the past 9 years and he was the nicest, most positive, responsive, dependable and knowledgeable person in their office. Donald always fought hard for Knollwood Village and our super neighborhood community as a whole. Our condolences go out to their families and the Civic Club would like to honor Carolyn and Donald by providing their obituaries in this newsletter. They will be sincerely missed.

On that note, I wish each of you and your families a great fall to come.

See you on the streets on Tuesday, October 2nd for National Night Out!

Scott J Rose KVCC President president@knollwoodvillage.org 281-221-7334

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## **MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

### Neighborhood Resident Meeting Coming Soon Thursday, September 27, 2018 6:30p-8p.

The meeting is being held in its usual location – Bethany Church, 3507 Linkwood Drive in Classroom 42/43 which is on the back side – park in back and you can't miss it. Our new District K Council Member Martha Castex-Tatum will be our Guest Speaker. Additionally, this meeting always includes a high level update on our budget, security, current topics and time will be made available for a resident Q&A.

### 2018/2019 Knollwood Village Social Calendar

- October 2, 2018 6p: National Night Out
- December 17-21, 2018: Christmas Decor Competition
- March 2019: Spring-giving-Volunteer at Houston Food Bank
- June/July 2019: Astros Night
- October 1, 2019: National Night Out
- December 16-20, 2019: ChristmasDecor Competition





The holidays are around the corner! KVCC will be hosting its annual Christmas Decor Competition. Judging will start on December 17 so please make sure your decorations are up by then if you would like to participate. Prizes will be awarded by December 21. More details will be available in the next newsletter, on Nextdoor.com and via email as we get closer to December.

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# **NATZONAL NZGHT OUT** TUESDAY, OCTOBER 2 FROM 6PM TO 8PM

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### Longfellow Elementary School By Jenny Rozelle

We're happy to welcome back all of our students, teachers, and staff members! The first day of school was Monday, Aug. 27. I'm sure you noticed that the hours have changed for the 2018-2019 school year – school starts at 7:30 a.m. and ends at 2:50 p.m.

Longfellow hosted several events in August, even before that first school bell rang. On Aug. 18, incoming kindergarteners and their families had a chance to meet each other at the Kindergarten Social. That same day, at the First Grade Meet and Greet BBQ, first graders and their families got to connect with each other and their new teachers. The schoolwide Meet the Teacher night took place on Aug. 23, when students and families were able to talk with their teachers about the academic year.

Upcoming Longfellow activities will include an Open House Night on Sept. 19, Fall Individual Picture Day on Sept. 27, coffee with Principal Keafer on Oct. 16, and Red Ribbon Week Oct. 22-26. Be sure to plan ahead for the Fall Festival on Oct. 26 – a fun event for the Longfellow community! We're excited about all the events to come.

Longfellow recently certified their butterfly garden as a Schoolyard Habitat through National Wildlife Federation's Monarch Heroes Program! It's a fantastic space that helps teach our students about conservation, pollinators, and how to provide food and shelter for our local wildlife.

If you're interested in joining the PTA or renewing your membership, the \$10 per person fee is payable through the Longfellow website, through www.joinpta.org, or by filling out a membership envelope outside the PTA office and leaving it in the drop box. It is a great way to get involved in the school and is open to students, teachers, staff, parents, community members, and grandparents.

Another valuable way to make a difference is to register for Volunteers in Public Schools (VIPS). After undergoing a background check, volunteers can contribute in areas such as mentoring, tutoring, enrichment programs, chaperoning field trips, or even simply reading to a classroom of students. Learn more at https://www.houstonisd.org/Page/126421.

We all look forward to a fantastic school year!

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### Real Estate Report Knollwood Village & Surrounding Area

Single Family Home Sales September 1, 2017 through September 1, 2018

MLS	CLOSED DATE	STREET NAME	SUB- DIVISION*	BR/Bath/ Garage	Pool	Lot SqFt	Bidg SqFt	Year	List Price	Sold Price	SP/SF	Adjusted SP/SF	DOM	LP/SP %
67957146	9.25.17	Broadmead Dr	KV 5	2/2/2	Ν	7,728	1,680	1954	\$349,998	\$350,000	\$208.33	\$208.33	1	1.00
49172372	10.2.17	Stanton St	КV	3/2/2	Ν	9,632	1,709	1952	\$350,000	\$330,000	\$193.10	\$193.10	11	0.94
26741434	10.11.17	Conway St	KV	3/2/2	N	8,584	2,046	1952	\$459,900	\$459,900	\$224.78	\$224.78	140*	1.00
54019652	10.16.17	Deal	КV	3/2/1	N	7,140	1,809	1952	\$499,500	\$482,650	\$266.80	\$266.80	37	0.97
91600461	10.19.17	Linkwood Dr	КV	3/2/2	Ν	7,650	2,073	1943	\$515,000	\$500,000	\$241.20	\$239.75	80*	0.97
28768883	11.13.17	Broadmead Dr	BT	4/5/2	Ν	7,475	5,295	2015	\$1,399,000	\$1,300,000	\$264.21	\$245.51	*120	92.92
75400576	11.17.17	Lorrie	КV	3/2/2	N	1,718	9,344	1955	\$494,000	\$460,000	\$287.54	\$267.75	33	93.12
74385048	11.20.17	Linkwood Dr	KV	4/3/2	N	4,173	7,150	2006	\$779,900	\$750,000	\$186.89	\$179.73	*160	96.17
15646074	11.20.17	Deal St	КV	3/2/2	N	1,895	8,670	1953	\$379,000	\$370,000	\$200.00	\$195.25	*248	97.63
92118884	11.21.17	Winslow St	КV	3/2/2	Ν	1,635	10,450	1952	\$339,900	\$310,000	\$207.89	\$189.60	11	91.20
51336247	12.4.17	Linkwood Dr	КV	3/2/2	Ν	1,805	7,070	1953	\$569,000	\$569,000	\$315.24	\$315.24	14	100.00
32624263	12.19.17	Stanton St	КV	3/2/2	Ν	1,554	8,132	1951	\$350,000	\$320,000	\$225.23	\$205.92	18	91.43
8592419	12.22.17	Linkwood Dr	BT 2	3/2	Ν	1,645	6,630	1952	\$399,000	\$385,000	\$242.55	\$234.04	63	96.49
9730970	1.11.18	Deal St	BM	4/3/2	N	2,814	9,063	1956	\$459,900	\$450,000	\$163.43	\$159.91	*214	97.85
42648184	2.9.18	Deal St	КV	3/2/2	Ν	9,377	1,634	1953	\$395,000	\$389,000	\$241.74	\$238.07	206*	98.48
28515445	2.15.18	Linkwood Dr	КV	3/3/3	Ν	8,160	3,267	1954	\$689,000	\$665,000	\$210.90	\$203.55	115*	96.52
49172372	2.16.18	Gannett	КV	3/1/2	N	7,800	1,325	1952	\$300,000	\$310,000	\$226.42	\$233.96	130*	103.33
97849025	2.21.18	Broadmead Dr	KV 7	3/2/2	N	7,770	1,847	1954	\$475,000	\$475,000	\$257.17	\$257.17	18	100.00
68586691	2.28.18	Greenbush St	KV 2	5/4/2	N	8,050	4,399	2012	\$969,000	\$925,000	\$220.28	\$210.28	186	95.46
49906610	3.15.18	Conway St	BT	3/2/2	Ν	7,200	1,380	1951	\$340,000	\$322,000	\$246.38	\$233.33	121	94.71
51116176	4.20.18	Linkwood Dr	КV	3/2/2	N	9,345	1,800	1954	\$540,000	\$532,500	\$300.00	\$295.83	8	98.61
4367488	4.24.18	Conway	КV	4/3/2	N	8,316	2,190	1951	\$386,000	\$320,000	\$176.26	\$146.12	181*	82.90
3294756	5.17.18	Conway St	кv	4/3/2	N	8,064	-	1951	\$319,000	\$306,000	-	-	17	95.92
18563783	5.18.18	Gannett St	KV 5	3/2/2	N	8,160	1,658	1952	\$389,900	\$389,000	\$235.16	\$234.62	14	99.77
79980098	5.22.18	Greenbush St	KV 2	3/2/2	Ν	7,280	1,730	1952	\$335,000	\$325,000	\$193.64	\$187.86	8	97.01
93260228	5.30.18	Broadmead Dr	BM 2	3/2/2	N	7,445	1,741	1955	\$465,000	\$453,000	\$267.09	\$260.20	7	97.42
45718889	5.31.18	Castlewood St	BT 1	3/2/2	N	7,680	1,782	1952	\$419,000	\$390,000	\$235.13	\$218.86	22	93.08
58590200	6.22.18	Fairhope St	BT	3/2/2	N	7,560	1,957	1951	\$529,900	\$522,000	\$270.77	\$266.73	2	98.51
87678568	6.22.18	Linkwood Dr	KV 7	3/2/2	N	7,070	1,805	1953	\$574,900	\$550,000	\$318.50	\$304.71	24	95.67
48474116	6.29.18	Norris Dr	BT	3/2/2	Ν	6,630	1,624	1952	\$429,900	\$410,000	\$264.72	\$252.46	30	95.37
48136299	7.2.18	Linkwood Dr	KV 5	3/2/1	Ν	7,150	1,489	1952	\$375,000	\$365,000	\$251.85	\$245.13	120*	97.33
66712782	7.3.18	Linkwood Dr	KV 7	3/2/2	Ν	7,700	2,096	1952	\$415,000	\$390,000	\$198.00	\$186.07	388*	93.98
9312449	7.20.18	Broadmead	КV	3/2/2	N	8,925	2,077	1952	\$389,900	\$365,000	\$192.06	\$175.73	244	91.50
65034519	7.25.18	Deal St	BM 2	4/3/2	N	8,247	2,423	1955	\$599,900	\$592,500	\$247.59	\$244.53	3	98.77
39907548	8.14.18	Fairhope	КV	4/5/3	Y	9,250	3,756	2010	\$899,000	\$850,000	\$239.35	\$266.30	304*	94.55
34979681	8.17.18	Braeswood Blvd	BT	3/2/2	Ν	18,133	2,868	1952	\$399,000	\$385,000	\$139.12	\$134.24	11	96.49
59892852	8.31.18	Bevlyn Dr	BT 2	2/2/2	N	9,052	1,502	1953	\$310,000	\$290,000	\$206.39	\$193.08	1	93.55
		VERAGE		3/2/2		8,353	2,172	1959	\$494,527	\$494,527	\$223.96	\$224.33	95	96.05

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### **ASTROS NIGHT OUT** By Suzanne Jett

On Tuesday, August 14th a group of 50 Knollwood Villagers (including family/friends) made the trek to Minute Maid Park to watch the Astros take on the Colorado Rockies. At a group rate of \$29.00 per ticket (brilliantly negotiated by the Social Committee), the lower level seats were outstanding, the hot dogs were \$1.00 and the crowd was all in. Despite Justin Verlander doing a fine job on the mound, unfortunately, our Astros just couldn't produce the hits needed to get past the Rockies. With Altuve, Springer, and others on the DL, the magic just wasn't with us that night. However, it didn't stop our group from making new connections, getting to know one another, and catching up with old friends and neighbors. Next year the Social Committee plans on reserving 100 tickets with their new Astros connection, and hopefully will have an even larger turnout. A great time was had by all as you can see from the picture. Thank you to Sara Munson whose brainchild this event was and to both Sara and Neha Agrawal for doing all the groundwork to put this event together – great job ladies!!!! Looking forward to the next Knollwood event and the (hopeful) run up to the World Series by our Astros.



# Radar Speeds Signs Are OPERATIONAL!

By Scott Rose

I am sure you have noticed the speed limit signs that display your current speed are fully

operational now. The signs are now placed and fully operational on Buffalo Speedway

(north & south sides of the bayou), on North & South Braeswood Boulevard(s) between

Buffalo Speedway and Stella Link and on Stella Link between Braeswood and Holcombe.

Braeswood Place Homeowners Association (BPHA) purchased the signs and proposed the

donation of the signs to Harris County which provides liability and upkeep of the signs.

The Harris County Commissioner's Court authorized acceptance of the donation at its

January 30, 2018 meeting. The signs became operational in late August.

Enforcement is being conducted by Harris County Precinct 1 Constable Al Rosen.

Law enforcement research shows these tools to be an effective method of making streets safer, and we look forward to enjoying this benefit that was provided by our big brother neighborhood, Braeswood Place. I understand it's taken Steve Anton several years and many hours to make this happen. Installation was also performed by volunteers Max Anton, Ben Stopnicki, Jack Stopnicki, and Will Hawkins. It's another great example of what volunteers can do to make our community a great place to live.



Are you new to the neighborhood or do you have a new neighbor (including renters)?

If so, let the WELCOME Committee know with an email to welcome@knollwoodvillage.org! We are happy to deliver information about our Civic Club, neighborhood and surrounding area.

### BRAYS BAYOU

By Billy Pilgrim

**Brays Bayou Association:** The Brays Bayou Association held its July meeting on the 16th at the Gathering Place, 5310 South Willow. The meeting consisted of a continuation of discussions and suggestions from the June meeting with regard to preparing a prioritized list of flood mitigation projects in the Brays Bayou flood plain for submittal to Harris County prior to the Harris County August 25, 2018 \$2.5 billion dollar bond election which was approved by voters.

**Project Brays:** Bertner to 2,200 feet upstream of Buffalo Speedway - Construction contractor is complete, winter seeding will be replaced with permanent mix, maintenance to begin on tree planting. Metro also has to relocate lines at Fannin, working on meeting.

2,200 feet upstream of Buffalo Speedway to South Rice - Trail detours phase 1, 3, and 5 in placed. Excavation nearly completed on south side of construction reach. Working on walls at Braeswood Bridge. All soil nails for project now completed. Starting gravity walls. Contractor status, contract earned 78%, time used 88%. Reducing work scope and adding to next channel section. Expect work to be completed in October.

**Buffalo Speedway Bridge:** Received final COH approval of left turn lanes on Buffalo Speedway for both North and South Braeswood. Revising drawings to include left turn lanes in final drawings. Bids received, awarded 8/28/18 CC to James Construction. Construction to commence in October.

**Stella Link Bridge extension:** COH selected U-turn lane on Ardmore for width options. Bids received, awarded 8/14/18 CC to James Construction. Construction to commence early October. Stella Link Bridge extension cannot close to traffic until Buffalo Speedway is open to traffic.

Three other active projects on Brays outside our immediate area are:

**South Post Oak to Fondren:** Contract bid and award. Contractor status, contract earned 2%, time used 12%.

**Structures on Willow Waterhole detention basin:** Contractor status, contract earned 84%, time used 99%, time extension being executed. Both road crossings completed on South Willow and South Post Oak crossing completed.

**Greenbriar Bridge replacement:** W.P. Moore consultant, COH has approved four 11 foot lanes and two 10 foot sidewalks. Working with ATT on relocating lines off bridge to new aerial crossing (old aerial failed during Harvey). Consultant working on final drawings to bid in October.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Dear Neighbors,

As of September 7 we have received 300 out of 624 (48%) payments averaging \$182.20 for a total of \$54,659. Our budget goal for the year is \$62,575 in revenue and expected expenses of \$60,118. Currently our revenues are running short by about \$8k – in order to meet our anticipated expenses for the year we need more participation. On a brighter note, we are doing better than 2017 but 2017 was the lowest year since 2009, probably due to Harvey. We are falling short from our best in recent years (2012) by \$11k or 9% participation.

I would like to thank all of you who have paid and all of you who have been able to contribute more than the minimum and encourage those who haven't to contribute as soon as they can to help promote a strong neighborhood and so that we may continue to provide the services that improve our neighborhood, make it safer and sustainably more beautiful as time goes by.

It's easy to support our neighborhood and contribute: By mail, send the check to Knollwood Village Civic Club, PO Box 20801, Houston, TX 77225. Or online at www.knollwoodvillage.org/ If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Laura Ferro KVCC Treasurer treasurer@knollwoodvillage.org 713-962-4266



### TAILGATE TRICK OR TREAT WEEKLEY FAMILY YMCA

When: Friday, October 26, 6-8:30pm

Put on your costumes, gather your friends and join us at the Weekley Family YMCA for a ghoulish good time! Open and FREE to all community members.

- Tailgate Trick or Treating
- Games and activities
- Haunted House
- Pumpkin Voting Entry prior to event

WEEKLEY FAMILY YMCA 7101 Stella Link Blvd. Houston, TX, 77025 713-664-9622 ymcahouston.org/weekly-family TAILGATE TREAT OR TREATING

All community members are invited to decorate their cars and give-away treats to our little goblins. Save your spot at the Welcome Center by October 21.

#### **PUMPKIN CONTEST**

All community members are invited to carve and/or decorate a pumpkin and submit for the Pumpkin Contest. All applicants must submit an interest form (located at front desk) or email tim.moore@ymcahouston.org to confirm their spot. Pumpkins should be brought to the YMCA by October 26 at 12pm.



Tricia Eby

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# Meet Your Knollwood Village Neighbor The Dewey Family on Linkwood

#### Name: Chris and Samantha Dewey

Tell us about yourself and your family.

Our little family is made up of Chris, Samantha, Caleb

we always get to catch up with someone going for a walk, getting home from work, or come over just to sit and chat.

Along the same line, our neighbors have been such a

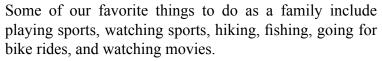
(7) and Asher (5). Chris is originally from El Paso, Texas Samantha and is originally from small а town named Anacoco in Louisiana. Although Chris is an Aggie and Sam is an LSU Tiger, we crossed paths in physical therapy school in Houston. Chris has worked for Harris Health and Sam has worked at TIRR for 14 years.

# How long have you lived in the neighborhood?

We got married in 2007 and moved into our home on Linkwood Drive in October 2009. Our little home has been the perfect place to raise our little guys.

#### Favorite hobby or thing to do as a family?

There is so much we like to do as a family.



#### What is your favorite thing about the neighborhood?

Our neighbors! We are surrounded by amazing families who make our neighborhood feel even more like home. I love when we sit in our red chairs in the front yard and



blessing to our family. In 2013. Sam was diagnosed with stage IV breast cancer. She has been on various forms of treatment for the past five years and our neighbors have been such a help to us. Whether by bringing a meal. sending note. а stopping by to check on us, or watching the boys while hospital visits go long- our Knollwood neighbors have become an extension of our family.

Another thing we love is the location. We are so close to work and MD Anderson. It is great we don't have to spend a lot of time in traffic. We love the fact that we can get home at a reasonable time and spend more time together as a family.

#### What would you like to see improve?

While there is not much to improve on in our neighborhood, we would love to have a neighborhood block party. It would be fun to meet even more of our neighbors while our kids play with their friends. Shell Jenkins, President (shelljenkins@ymail.com)

The Braeswood Place Moms Club continues to add new members each year, Jennifer and I can't be more excited to welcome any moms wanting to join our group. Our club not only includes an easy way to meet people in the neighborhood, lots of fun events, but it also includes a wealth of information and resources.

It is hard to believe that the summer is almost over and our little ones are Back-to-School. To round out the summer, we will be hosting a few more summer events, so be on the lookout for the sign ups! Here are a few updates from the moms club...

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

• School Kick-off Party – Hosted by: Roxzan Zager & Lisa Wenzel

• Back to School Happy Hour – Hosted by: Kristin Hamilton & Nallely Trujillo-Conley – Partially Sponsored by: Margaret Vinson of Martha Turner Sotheby's Realty.

#### LAST 2 MONTHs (July & August):

• Thank you to Ashley Clinton & Alita Conoley-Wurzbach for hosting the always fun Summer Couples Event at Armadillo Palace. And, thanks again to our sponsor Margaret Vinson of Martha Turner Sotheby's Realty.

• Thank you to Ginny Kerlin & Claire Woll for hosting the Father Day Matinee Movie Event - Featuring: Incredibles 2 @ Edwards Greenway Theatre.

• Thank you Mary Atherton & Tiffany Gist for hosting the Levy Park Pizza Party. It was a great family fun day!

• Thanks to Amanda Rubenstein & Liz Sirmans for hosting the very popular Colonial Park Pool Party. Always a kid favorite!

• And, thank you to Jody Martin & Kristin Hamilton for hosting the Pomp and Circumstance Shopping Night. A wonderful night of shopping, wine & friends!

**BABY NEWS:** Congratulations to these new additions to our BPMC family:

• Donna & Daniel Boyd welcomed their first child, Dorian Bennett Boyd, who came home from the hospital on May 20th at 8lbs 12oz. and 21 inches long. He was born back in early March at 29 weeks at 2 lbs. 12oz. He has been in NICU and Donna and Daniel are very excited to have him home.

• Kelsey & Guillermo Machado welcome baby Luisa Machado on May 4, 2018! Luisa weighed 8 lbs. 6 oz., and was 20 inches. Welcome baby Luisa!

• Jessica & Won Yi welcomed their second child, Kendall Jade, on May 28, 2018 at 4:10pm! Kendall weighed 8 lbs. 4 oz. and was 20.5 inches. Welcome baby Kendall!

**MOMMY MEALS\*:** Did you just have a baby and can't bear the thought of cooking up dinner? Let our group shower your family with 4 meals after the birth of your child. Email Bevin Barrett at bevinbarrett@yahoo.com. \*Please remember that members are encouraged to provide at least one meal during the calendar year. This is also a great way to meet new friends in the neighborhood.

**MEMBERSHIP:** Not currently a member and want to get in on the action? Simply email Jody Martin at jodymartin1@ hotmail.com if you're interested in joining our group. Contact Cricket DeWalch at cricket@dewalchfamily.com if you are a current member and would like to be added to our Facebook page.

**SPONSORS:** We are always looking for event sponsors. As a sponsor you are welcome to place promotional signage at events and will be mentioned in Braeswood Place's Sentinel and Knollwood Village's Voice newsletter. Please contact Shell Jenkins for more information.

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### **KVCC Summer 2018 Security Report** *By David Wood*

The Knollwood Village security incidents reported below are compiled from reports that residents make to Smith Security, data available on the Houston Police Department's crime statistics website, and reports from residents. Information available on the HPD's website is limited to the very basic details of block number, date, time, and type of crime.

Since the last Knollwood Village newsletter, incidents that have been reported include six car break-ins, one burglary of a habitation, and one solicitor report. Please report all criminal incidents to both HPD and Smith. HPD allocates their patrol resources to areas that report incidents so it is to Knollwood Village's benefit to report all incidents that occur here to HPD.

After reporting an incident to the Houston Police Department PLEASE call Smith Security and give a report to them, as well. The reports provide important details to Smith so they know what to be on the lookout for. Also, providing information from Smith about neighborhood crime in the Knollwood Village newsletter helps keep residents informed about how the criminals operate so deterrent measures can be made more effective.

If you notice any persons in the neighborhood who are behaving suspiciously please IMMEDIATELY call the Houston Police Department's non-emergency phone number, which is 713-884-3131, and report them. After you report the suspicious person(s) to HPD please call Smith Protective Services at 713-789-5944, and report the suspicious person(s) to them. It is important to call HPD and Smith because they both need to know what to watch out for.

If, however, you see a crime in progress, such as a person breaking the window of a house or kicking in a door, then call 911, the City of Houston's emergency number, to report it.

Knollwood Village is in Precinct 7 of the Harris County Constable's office. The patrol dispatch number for the Precinct 7 Constable's office is 713-643-6602. The Houston Police Department should always be called first at their non-emergency number listed above, but feel free to call the Precinct 7 Constable's dispatch number second. If a Constable Officer happens to be patrolling in the area they may be able to respond to a call more quickly than HPD officers patrolling further away.

Knollwood Village Incident Reports (June 2018 through August 2018)

3100 block Linkwood (6/23/18, Saturday, 9:00 AM) - Theft of item (unspecified).

3000 block Fairhope (6/28/18, Thursday, 7:33 AM) - Resident called and informed patrol that their bag, containing keys, cards, and other identifying information had been stolen the previous afternoon at Hermann Park. Resident reported the theft to HPD as well.

3000 block Winslow (6/29/18, Friday, 9:30 AM) - Resident made a report to patrol about a solicitor in the area the previous day.

2800 block Linkwood (7/12/18, Thursday, 10:41 AM) - Dispatch reported to patrol that a resident called and reported that their vehicle had been burglarized. Apparently the vehicle had been left unlocked and the thief found the garage door opener and opened the garage. Nothing appeared to have been taken from the garage, but the thief took the garage door opener and a pair of sunglasses.

3500 block Gannett (7/30/18, Monday, 3:35 PM) - Patrol observed broken glass on the street near a vehicle and went to the door and reported it to the resident. The resident said they had gone out for a short period earlier in the afternoon and when they returned they noticed the broken glass. Nothing appeared to have been taken from the vehicle.

2900 block Chiswell - Patrol observed that the handle had been pulled off of the door of a vehicle parked in front of a residence and reported the damage to the resident. Resident called HPD and attempted to make a report, but was asked to come to a station to file a report because they were too busy at that moment to take a report.

2900 block Ashwood (8/8/18, Wednesday, 11:20 AM) - Dispatch called patrol and said that a resident reported that their alarm system was indicating that the back door was open. Patrol checked it out and found that the back door was

open and unlocked. It did not appear that a break-in had occurred. The door may not have been latched tightly and the wind may have blown it open.

3400 block Norris (8/9/18, Thursday, 11:05 AM) - Patrol was dispatched to residence to check gate. It appeared that the lock to the gate had been tampered with. Patrol checked the doors and windows of the residence and found them to be OK.

3000 block Linkwood (8/12/18, Sunday, 10:00 PM) - Theft of vehicle contents.

3500 block Norris (8/20/18, Thursday, 7:00 AM) - Theft of contents from vehicle.

3400 block Norris (8/20/18, Monday, 8:26 AM) - Resident flagged down patrol and reported that that morning at about 5:20 AM a neighbor had called them to tell them that their vehicle was being burglarized. The right front window and door frame were broken. A small case that looked somewhat like a wallet had been left on the front seat and the resident thought that might have been what the thief was after. HPD was called.

3500 block Norris (8/20/18, Monday, 8:00 PM) - Burglary of habitation.



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July was a tough month in Houston. We endured our first 100+ degree days and saw some exceptionally ugly crimes. These included the mattress store murders, a home invasion where a 7-year-old boy was terrorized, the killing of a prominent physician during morning rush hour on Main Street, and the murder of a 37-year-old Braeswood Place resident who lived in Braes Manor just south of the bayou. She disap-peared mid-afternoon while driving home after vis-iting her mother in Sugar Land. A suspect has been charged and is in custody. On any day and at any time, we can be the shocked neighbors featured on the TV news — or even the victim.

A lot of violent crime is random and hard to prevent. We are vulnerable at the gas pump and in the grocery store parking lot and waiting in the car-pool line at school. Any zip code, any neighborhood, any demographic, any time of the day. We may enjoy a low crime rate in our neighborhood, but that sense of peace can be shattered in an instant.

But we can reduce our exposure to crime dramatically with one behavior — situational awareness. Some people refer to it as "watching your six" or "keeping your back to the wall." But it's a lot more than that.

It's knowing that when we're shopping, our greatest risk is in the parking lot. A criminal can pull up, jump out and attack in a blink. It's knowing that while we're pumping gas, we are standing still with money close by and nowhere to run. And it's remembering that when we pull into our driveway with hungry kids and an armload of groceries, someone can eas-ily pull in behind us. Do you have a plan for that?

• Don't be so polite that you're embarrassed or timid to call for help when you see someone suspicious. Trust your instincts.

• Don't ignore your "gut." It's there for a reason. It is a primal, trustworthy feeling that is usually right.

• Put yourself in a position to observe as much of your surroundings as possible. Plan your quickest escape, imagine how you would handle someone approaching you by surprise, play "what ifs" in your mind.

Situational awareness doesn't mean living in fear but rather living alert and living smart. Next month, we will share more about it.

# **Odds & Ends**

**Social Media Intern Needed** -- The Knollwood Village Civic Club is looking for a social media intern/volunteer to help us create an online presence to better connect with our residents. High school students are eligible to apply. Please email social@knollwoodvillage.org if you are interested.

#### Upcoming NRG Park Events that you may want to be aware of:

- Texans Football
- Nutcracker Market Nov 8-11th

**Residents and Renters...Stay in the loop with neighborhood news, sign up for important neighborhood notifications at www.knollwoodvillage.org**, click on "Email List", enter info and subscribe.

Nextdoor.com (web or app) is also a good source of resident postings of things happening in our neighborhood as well as other area neighborhoods like Braeswood Place, Westridge, Linkwood, Woodridge, Braes Heights and Old Braeswood. **REMINDER** – Our regular trash day is THURSDAY each week.

HEAVY TRASH is the 3rd Monday of each month. Remember your ODDS & EVENS.

Tree Waste is collected on ODD months and Junk Waste is collected on EVEN months.

**RECYCLING** is every other Thursday. (Remember, glass is no longer accepted).

**STREETLIGHT ISSUE?** With the change to LED's, some street lights are on during the day or off during the night. If you see one that needs to be repaired, please call CenterPoint Energy at 713-207-2222 and be sure to have the pole number when you call.

#### Architecture Control Committee Activity Report By David Roder

Date	Address	Street	Description of Request	Approved	Rejected	Notes:
2-Apr-18	3114	Linkwood	Uploaded updated survey w/new fence line	✓		
4-Apr-18	8015	Lorrie	Requested letter for no sidewalk installation variance from COH		✓	Sent email denying request
11-Apr-18	2818	Fairhope	new home submission		$\checkmark$	Sidewalk not at curb. Req chang Construction sign size in questic
11-Apr-18	8103	Lorrie	Existing house to be elevated	✓		
23-Apr-18	8007	Lorrie	new home submission		✓	No sidewalk in plan
24-Apr-18	8007	Lorrie	updated new home submission w/sidewalk	✓		
24-Apr-18	2818	Fairhope	updated new home submission w/sidewalk		$\checkmark$	Construction sign too large. Rec removal
24-Apr-18	3410	Broadmead	No plans for construction Pin Oak Homes 713-816-7716			No answer. Voicemail full
26-Apr-18	3410	Broadmead	new home submission		✓	Missing sidewalk
1-May-18	3410	Broadmead	updated new home submission w/sidewalk	✓		
7-May-18	2818	Fairhope	updated new home submission w/sidewalk	✓		Large sign removed
21-May-18	3435	Linkwood	Inquiry about a cabana			
16-Jun-18	2924	Broadmead	new home submission		✓	Missing sidewalk
16-Jun-18	2924	Broadmead	request sidewalk variance		~	
20-Jun-18	2924	Broadmead	added sidewalk to plans	✓		
20-Jun-18	3105	Deal	Home under construction - No plans submitted.			Sent certified letter
2-Jul-18	3502	Deal	Building permit approved. No plans sent to ACC			Sent inq for email address
3-Jul-18	3502	Deal	Sent certified letter			
7-Jul-18	3502	Deal	Internal remodel only. No approval needed			
7-Jul-18	2924	Broadmead	Sent approval letter	✓		
17-Jul-18	2924	Broadmead	New address 8446 Bluegate			
20-Jul-18	3010	Deal	Received plans for new house			
24-Jul-18	3010	Deal	Sent approval letter	✓		
31-Jul-18	8446	Bluegate	Inquiry about tree removal.			Advised about COH ROW
31-Jul-18	8007	Lorrie	Builder sign too large.	✓		Sent e-mail.
1-Aug-18	8446	Bluegate	Inquiry about adding fence			Sent instructions on how to sub
3-Aug-18	8103	Lorrie	Adding windows above garage			
14-Aug-18	8103	Lorrie	Sent approval letter	✓		



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### Donald Ray Perkins, Jr. 1972–2018

Donald Ray Perkins Jr., aged 46, a resident of Pearland, Texas, departed this earthly life on Wednesday, August 15, 2018 at 3:00 pm.

He was preceded in death by his beloved father, Donald Ray Perkins Sr., his paternal grandparents, Earl and Ethel Perkins, and his maternal grandparents, Carroll and Audrey Lyons.

He leaves to cherish his memories; mother, Brenda Perkins Farris and stepfather, Charles Farris of Baton Rouge, LA. One sister, Chelsea Nicole Farris of Houston, TX, and one niece whom he loved dearly Gabrielle Nicole Mongo of Houston, TX along with a host of relatives and friends. Donald developed a love for maps as a child. He graduated from the University of Southwestern

Louisiana with a degree in Urban and Regional Planning. He moved to Houston and began a life long career with the City of Houston. He later received his master's degree from Texas Southern University in Transportation Planning and Management.

Donald started his career with the City of Houston in 1995 as an Associate Planner in the Planning & Development Department. Donald had a love for trees and his communities. He loved working with neighborhoods, planning events and making sure every person he met was well taken care of.

Visitation will be Friday, August 24, 2018 from 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm at Sugar Land Mortuary located at 1818 Eldridge Rd, Sugar Land, Texas. The Celebration of Life service will be Saturday, August 25, 2018 at The Fountain of Praise Church located at 13950 Hillcroft Ave, Houston, Texas with a Viewing at 10:00 am and the Celebration of Life Service at 11:00 am. Published in Houston Chronicle on Aug. 23, 2018



### CAROLYN STURDIVANT BREMER 1922-2018

Native Houstonian, loving mother and wife, and defender of neighborhoods CAROLYN KNOX STURDIVANT BREMER passed away on Friday, July 6, 2018. She was born September 18, 1922, the oldest child of Celeste Rhodes Sturdivant and Emmanuel Wayne Sturdivant. She spent her early years in the Montrose area until 1929 when the family bought a house

on Wichita Street in Southeast Houston. After graduating from San Jacinto High School in 1938, she studied at Rice University, finishing in 1942 with a bachelor of arts with distinction.

Throughout her life she cultivated a joy of learning and a passion for education.

She married fellow Rice graduate William E. (Billy) Bremer Jr. in 1941 and for a time they worked as resident managers of Autry House at Palmer Memorial Episcopal Church, living in an apartment above the House. After the war, she and Billy purchased a home on Dixie Drive and, in 1953, moved to Hatton Street in the Knollwood Village Subdivision of Southwest Houston. Here she and Billy raised their three children, Julia, Bill, and Carol. During much of her 65 years in Knollwood Village she remained an active participant in the Knollwood Village Civic Club.

A fearless woman with a keen intellect, she never hesitated to stand up for the rights of her family and neighbors. Fiercely independent and ever on the lookout for ways to help others, she seldom asked anything for herself. Blessed with robust health nearly her entire life, she enjoyed reading, bird watching, and gardening. A stoic to the end, she believed in soldiering on with whatever hardships came her way.

She is preceded in death by her parents, her husband William E. Bremer, her sister Eleanor Alice Sturdivant Taylor, her daughter Carolyn Rhodes Bremer Gamblin, and her uncle Omer (Jimmy) Rhodes.

She is survived by her daughter: Julia Bremer Baskett of Portland, Oregon; son: William W. Bremer and wife Patricia Schwab of Houston; five granddaughters: Celeste Baskett and husband Jeff Bennett of Portland, Oregon; Pamela Bremer Jackson and husband Marcus of Enoree, South Carolina; Laura Bremer Washam and husband Tom of College Station; Rachel Gamblin and Alex Kamber of Houston; and Sarah Gamblin of Los Angeles, California; great grandchildren: Jasper Rhodes Bennett, Iris Eleanor Bennett, and Connor Allen Jackson; niece: Ellen Hart and husband Jack of Houston; great-niece Heather Westerlage and husband Aristotle of Houston and their sons Zachary and Zane; cousins Suzanne Rhodes Casey and her daughters, Megan and Kathy, Claire Rhodes Stevenson and husband Steve of San Antonio and their two sons, Christopher, and Trevor.

She was loved by those who knew her. Her smiling eyes, her wide grin, and her joyful laugh will be greatly missed. Family will be receiving friends on Wednesday, July 11, 2018 from 5:00pm to 8:00pm at Forest Park Lawndale Funeral Home. Funeral Services will be held on Thursday, July 12, 2018 at 10:00 am with the burial to follow in the Forest Park Lawndale Cemetery. Published in Houston Chronicle on July 10, 2018



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