



Westchester RAP

Letter From The Board

It's been a sweltering summer, but many are finding reprieve at our well-shaded neighborhood pool. To keep this community watering hole up and running, we've had some incredible volunteers step up this summer. Leading the charge is our very own WOC Board VP and Pool Rep-at-Large, **Justin Girard**.

In addition to personally ensuring the pool remained operational during the transition from Aquatic Advisors to Lone Star Pools, Justin saved the pump house from irreparable damage in June, which also prevented major flooding of nearby residential properties. Earlier this year, he oversaw the replastering of the pool, repair of pool lights, and addition of amenities like bike racks and a TV for the pavilion area.

The Board would like to formally express our sincere gratitude on behalf of the entire community for Justin's continued dedication to this neighborly asset. When you see him, please show him your appreciation for his tireless attention to the pool's many needs.

As communicated via the [community Facebook page](#), we've had an uptick in car break-ins in the area recently. We strongly advise keeping all valuables out of sight and your vehicles locked to deter theft. HPD also recommends moving cars parked on the street at least once every 24 hours.

To those embracing the Energy Transition with your battery-powered golf carts, we applaud the effort to reduce your carbon footprint for short-distance drives. Keep in mind, however, that the city has a few requirements for golf carts to be considered "street legal." Head lamps, rear reflectors, parking brakes, and mirrors are just a few examples. Visit www.txdmv.gov for the complete list of required features.

The neighborhood displayed a hearty dose of patriotism this 4th of July, with many supporting the local Boys Scouts flag fundraiser (email flags@troop1089.org to sign up!), a spectacular modified parade route, upgraded prize medals, and tiny flags posted at every home. Thanks to the hard work of **Troop 1089, Ruth Parks, Kelly Nolan, and Whitney Sudler Smith** for helping us all say, "Happy 247th birthday, America!"

And finally, thank you to everyone who donated blood at the Blood Drive in mid-June to show support for our local tiny fighter, **Scarlett Filippov**. We kept the truck full all day long in our united battle against leukemia.

We hope the back half of the summer is just as much fun as the first, and that we see you at the next HOA meeting on Tuesday, July 18th at 6 pm at the Westchester Club Pool Pavilion.

---The WOC 2023 Board of Trustees---

We had a great turnout at the July 4th Parade!



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Congratulations to the entire Westchester Dolphins swim team for winning the 2023 Bayou League Championship!

Celebrate all of the summer birthday boys and girls at this “Happy Birthday” themed fundraiser for the Westchester Club before summer ends. Additional details forthcoming.



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2023 WESTCHESTER POOL CALENDAR

Dolphins End of Season Party: 5-9pm (6/24/23)

POOL CLOSED
12:00 PM – 5:00 PM

JUNE							JULY							AUGUST							SEPTEMBER						
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Yard Of the Month

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Christine & Tracy Hatz at 303 Thicket



Bloom Where You are Planted

Remove spent flowers and stalks and any dead foliage from agapanthus and other spring/summer flowering perennials. Trim or pinch back leggy annuals and perennials such as alyssum, begonias, impatiens, coleus, chrysanthemums, basil, and Mexican bush sage to help them bush out with more fullness.

Avoid fertilizing St. Augustine grass until early September to reduce outbreaks of the fungal disease “gray leaf spot” that causes diamond-shaped gray/brown lesions on the blades and runners. If present a labeled fungicide can be applied. Learn to “read” your plants symptoms of early drought. Some plants wilt, but some do not. On some plants the leaves may turn olive-drab or some other odd shade as a sign of their need for water. Grass blades may roll or fold. Water at the first signs of drought. Some plants may wilt in the noon sun without being dry, but wilting in the early morning or evening signals a need for water.

Keep plants mulched to help preserve moisture in the soil and moderate the rate of temperature changes in the soil in the summer heat as well as to help prevent weeds, improve the soil as the mulch breaks down, and makes the beds more attractive.

These tips are drawn from *Lone Star Gardening* by Neil Sperry and The River Oaks Garden Club's *A Garden Book for Houston and the Texas Gulf Coast*, 5th edition. The latter book advocates organic gardening practices but has a wealth of information specific to our area that is useful to all.



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Construction Alert!

Concrete panel replacements on Dairy Ashford from Briar Forest to Buffalo Bayou are slated to begin June 26, with an expected completion date of September 1, 2023.



Date: June 14, 2023
To: Council Member, District G
Attention: Mary Nan-Huffman
From: Patricia K. Campbell P.E., Managing Engineer, Project Delivery Branch
Subject: FY2021 Roadway Rehabilitation Project #1
WBS No. N-321040-0027-4; Key Map No. 488R & 488M
Work Authorization No. 11
Contract: 4600016688

Please be advised that Work Authorization No. 11 has been issued to replace concrete panels on Dairy Ashford from Briar Forest to Buffalo Bayou.

This project is located in Key Map No(s). 488R & 488M, which is in your District. Attached is a layout sheet for the subject Work Authorization No. 11.

Construction has been scheduled to commence on June 26, 2023 and will take approximately 4 weeks to complete. This work authorization is anticipated to be completed by September 01, 2023. The project contractor is DCE Construction.

Your staff may coordinate their concerns with me at extension 5-2226 or Bryan Castex, Project Manager at extension 5-2361.

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Attachment: Work Authorization No. 11
Construction Layout Plan

cc: Michael T. Wahl, P.E., PTOE
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In Our Schools

A flyer for a 'Back to School' event. It features a yellow background with a white paper pinned by two blue clips. The paper has the date 'August 16th' at the top. Below it, the words 'BACK TO SCHOOL' are written in a large, blue, outlined font, with two orange pencils crossed over the text. The event details are written in blue capital letters: 'CELEBRATE YOUR KIDS GOING BACK TO SCHOOL OR DAYCARE WITH A MIMOSA, COFFEE, PASTRIES, AND DONUTS! AFTER YOU DROP OFF YOUR KIDS SWING BY ALEX BROCK'S HOME, 14771 CINDYWOOD DR TO HANG OUT OR PICK UP YOUR GOODIES TO GO! HUSBANDS ARE WELCOME!'. At the bottom of the paper, it says 'Food and drinks provided by moms' club' and 'YAY!' in large, colorful letters.

August 16th

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Academic Calendar 2023-2024

July							August							September						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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30	31						1 - 3 New Teacher Orientation 4, 15 Teacher Work Day 7-11, 14 Staff Development 16 1st day of school — Begin Grading Cycle							4 Holiday - Staff / Student 20 PK, Elementary & Middle School Early Dismissal/ Staff Development						
4 Holiday																				
October							November							December						
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6 Staff Development — Student Holiday 9 Holiday — Staff / Student 12 - 13 Parent / Teacher Conference — Elementary Early Dismissal							8 PK, Elementary & Middle School Early Dismissal/ Staff Development 20 - 24 Holiday — Staff / Student							18 - 20 Secondary Early Dismissal 20 Elementary Early Dismissal 20 End Grading Cycle 21 - 29 Holiday — Staff / Student						
January							February							March						
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1 - 5 Holiday — Staff / Student 8 Staff Development — Student Holiday 9 Begin Grading Cycle 15 Holiday — Staff / Student 31 PK, Elementary & Middle School Early Dismissal/ Staff Development							8 - 9 Parent / Teacher Conference — Elementary Early Dismissal 19 Staff Development — Student Holiday							11 - 15, 29 Holiday — Staff / Student						
April							May							June						
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1 Holiday — Staff / Student or bad weather makeup day if needed							27 Holiday — Staff / Student 28 - 30 Secondary Early Dismissal 30 Elementary Early Dismissal; Last Day of Instruction 31 Teacher work day or bad weather makeup day if needed							3 Teacher work day if 1 bad weather makeup day used						

This calendar is subject to change per Texas Legislative session and Texas Education Agency decisions.



Grading Periods

First Semester — 83 student days; 92 teacher days
Second Semester — 93 student days; 96 teacher days

9 Weeks

Aug. 16 - Oct. 5: 36 days
Oct. 10 - Dec. 20: 47 days
Jan. 9 - Mar. 8: 42 days
Mar. 18 - May. 30: 51 days

Symbol Key

[Begin Grading Cycle		New Teacher Orientation
]	End Grading Cycle		Teacher Workday - Student Holiday
○	Early Dismissal		Teacher / Staff Development - Student Holiday
	Bad Weather Day		Holiday - Staff / Student

Revised Calendar Approved by the Board of Trustees December 9, 2022.
Staff development, grading windows, and early release dates set by Administration.