



Westchester
RAP

September 2022

Letter from the Board

We've continued to have discussions with stakeholders in the neighborhood regarding the pool and our plan moving forward.

As a result of these discussions, we have shifted our primary focus and priority on the big-ticket pool maintenance items such as re-plastering the pool, replacing the tiles and other key projects that are important for the swim team to have an adequate facility next season and beyond. We are currently soliciting bids for this work.

Apart from that, we also have been continuing to work on a plan for the clubhouse and pavilion remodel to present to the neighborhood. We really hope to have robust turnout at our next HOA meeting on Tuesday, September 20 at 6:00 at St. John Vianney in Room C-11 (*this is a change from our normal meeting space*) to discuss the plan as it currently is and what we hope to accomplish moving forward to finalize it for a vote.

Pool users, the last day of the pool season is Sunday, September 11.

Aside from the pool project, we have also been in discussions with our neighbors in Ashford Forest and

Nottingham Forest to get a feel for what it might take to build a brick wall along Dairy Ashford, which has been a strong ask from many of our neighbors for years.

The board has also been working together to put together the 2023 WOC budget.

Dave and Ryan have renegotiated our trash and recycling services contract with Texas Pride and have successfully kept a price increase to a minimum. Feel free to attend the meeting or email Dave if you have more questions on that front.

We have also ensured there is budget for flowers and landscaping at our entrances in 2023.

Last but not least, fall will be a busy season with lots of fun social activities planned to get out and socialize with each other. We are still on the hunt for National Night Out hosts, and for another Westchester host home for the return of the Holiday Home Tour. Reach out to Natalie with interest in hosting either event.

Cheers to a fun and productive September! Hope to see you all at the next meeting.

Bloom Where You are Planted

Yard of the Month and Gardening Tips

For cool season color plant ageratum, alyssum, chrysanthemum, verbena, and petunias. Wait until later in the month to plant pinks, snapdragons, and ornamental cabbage and kale. (Wait until October to plant pansies since they become lanky if planted when the weather is too warm).

Apply a final application of fertilizer for the year to your lawn in late September or early October. If you notice circular patches in your St. Augustine grass that are 12 to 24 inches across where the grass first turns yellow then brown, apply a labeled fungicide for brown patch which can become an issue in the cooler, wetter climate of the fall here.

Divide and transplant dormant irises, daylilies, and cala lilies if they are crowded. Along with other plants keep azaleas and camellias watered if it doesn't rain.

If desired apply a pre-emergent herbicide very early in the month to stop the germination of annual grassy and broadleaf weeds. The timing is critical for them to be effective. If you can see the weeds or they have already germinated it's too late to control them in this way for this year.

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**September WOC Meeting - Tues 9/20
Saint John Vianney Room C-11**

**Paul & Christi Sarrat
14734 River Forest Dr.**





Save the Date

December 17

2022

Holiday Home Tour

Looking for a third Westchester host home!
Text Kelly Nolan at 832-754-2212 if interested.



Neighbor News

Needed: Hosts for National Night Out!

National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie.

We need a host home for each block of the neighborhood to host an outdoor gathering for the neighbors on their

block to gather, socialize and receive a visit from the constable.

Email westchesterrap@gmail.com if interested in hosting or would like more information. We only have about 25% of Westchester covered for host homes.

Take a Book, Leave a Book!

Thanks to the efforts of Girl Scout Troop 18995, Westchester is fortunate to have a lending library on the northeast corner of our Pool and Tennis Club.

This gives everyone, child and adult, an opportunity to exchange hard-cover and paperback books at no charge – just LEAVE a book when you TAKE a book.

Half of the library will have books for children.

The library will be kept clean and orderly but PLEASE no junk and use good taste when leaving a book.



In Our Schools

Nottingham Elementary

The first general PTA meeting of the year is Wednesday, September 16 at 4:30pm, followed immediately by Open House from 5:30pm-6:30pm.

The NHE Skate Party is Sunday, September 18 from 11am-1pm at the Dairy Ashford Roller Rink. Tickets are \$25 each and can be purchased on the PTA website.

The next spirit night is Tuesday, September 20 at Raising Canes. A portion of your purchase will be donated to NHE.

The deadline to fulfill your Capital Campaign pledge is November 1.

Spring Forest Middle School

Free dress day is September 13. Purchase a wristband for \$5 on the PTA website.

Spring Forest Middle School Fiesta Night is Tuesday, September 27 at Los Tios. Twenty percent of food purchases (dine in or to go) will be donated to SFMS.

The next general PTA meeting is Thursday Sept 22

Stratford High School

The 4th annual Spartainaire spaghetti dinner is Friday, September 23 from 4pm-6pm. Purchase your tickets online at stratfordspartainaires.org

The Stratford vs. Cy-Fair football game is Friday September 23. Wear gold in support of the Turn It Gold foundation, which raises awareness of pediatric cancer.

Spring Branch ISD

Eighth grade parents are invited online or in-person for Parent U: Nuts and Bolts of High School Success. More details are available at springbranchisd.com.



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Upcoming Neighborhood Events

Mom's Club - Save the date for future Mom's Club Dates!

Mom's Club Kick-Off Party
September 21

Hosted by Kelly Nolan, Mom's Club President
14706 Kellywood Ln

We will have samples of long-sleeve shirts and fleece jackets that will be available at the NHE fall spirit gear sale.

Neighborhood Halloween Party
October 30

Hosted by Alex Brock, Cassie Hackstedt & Ashlee Menchaca
Terry Hershey Park at the cul-de-sac of Chadbourne

Holiday Home Tour
December 17

Hosted by the Westchester, Nottingham Forest 8 & Thornwood Mom's Club and the Westchester Women's Club
Details TBA

Sunset with Santa
December 18

Hosted by: Whitney Smith
Terry Hershey Park entrance at Greenpark

Book Club

The Last Thing He Told Me by Laura Dave

September 20
Hosted by: Becky Greene
14750 River Forest
BYOB

Monthly HOA Meeting

The next HOA meeting will be Tuesday, September 20 at 6pm at Saint John Vianney in Room C-11.

Pumpkin Season is Here

Start planning your family's fall escapades!

MDUMC Pumpkin Patch
Opening Date TBD

Dewberry Farm

Brookshire
Opening Day: September 24

Blessington Farms

Wallis
Opening Day: September 17

Old Time Christmas Tree Farm

Spring
Opening Day: October 1

Zoo Boo 2022

The Houston Zoo
Opening Day: October 1

Annual St. John Vianney Fall Bazaar

October 9

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Houston Aboretum & Nature Center
October 15

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