

NEWPORT NEWS

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DATES TO REMEMBER

May 6 - Office closed for
in-service day

May 12 - Crime Watch

May 17 - Concert in the Park
(gazebo on Newport Blvd)

May 23 - Pool opens
Memorial Day weekend

May 25 - Office closed
Memorial Day

June 3 - Office closed
in-service day

June 5 - Pool opens for summer
(pool schedule inside)

June 9 - Crime Watch

June 28 - Summer Celebration

Event details in this issue

SUMMER CELEBRATION

Sunday, June 28, 2015

6:30 pm - dark

Newport Golf Center
parking lots

Enjoy free hot dogs & sodas

Face Painters

Music & games with our DJ

Spectacular fire works display at dark



*Special thanks to
Jan Cox at
Century 21 Lifechangers
for another successful
Community Garage Sale*

CHANGES AND REPAIRS TO THE EXTERIOR OF YOUR PROPERTY

Pursuant to the Declaration of Deed Restrictions and Covenants for each section in Newport, “no construction or erection of improvements upon any lot, tract or parcel contained in Newport, however classified, shall ever be commenced until the written approval of the Architectural Committee shall have been received.”

Listed below are items that require ACC approval. This list is not all-inclusive:

- **Construction or installation of any building, including sheds.**
- **Any addition to an existing building.**
- **Construction, installation or repair to any fence.**
- **Replacement of windows, gutters, wood, and siding.**
- **Exterior paint of any building located on your property.**
- **Removal of trees (except dead trees).**
- **Installation or replacement of walkways, driveways and/or extensions.**
- **Construction of any patio or addition to an existing patio.**
- **Replacement of roof (prior approval not required in event of an emergency, but home improvement request required with type of roofing material, etc:.**
- **Flag poles.**

Home Improvement Requests (“HIR”) are available on our website under resident documents. A completed HIR along with a copy of your plot plan showing the location of your improvement is required. The ACC committee meets the first and third Friday of the month (exception - month with five Fridays or Holidays). HIR must be received the Wednesday before the meeting.

Paint chips are required for all painting (even if it is the same color of existing improvement).

For additional information on exterior improvements please see our Architectural Control Guidelines, also available online or in the management office.

**Newport Website
www.newportpoa.com**

MANAGEMENT OFFICE

CLOSED

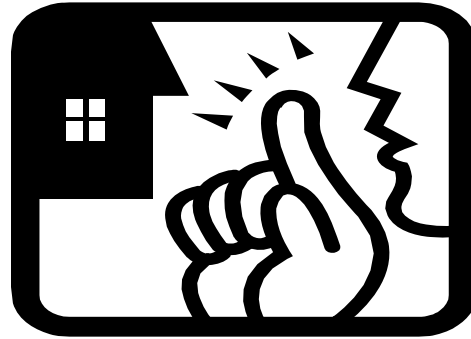
FIRST WEDNESDAY

OF EACH MONTH

FOR IN-SERVICE DAY

NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR

Please be respectful of your neighbors.
We have received numerous complaints
of loud music and noise into the late hours
of the night.



LAKE & RIVER PERMITS BOAT LAUNCH PERMITS

Lake & River permits and Boat Launch permits expire December 31st of the year issued.

Grace period for 2014 permits expired on March 31, 2015.

Permits & renewals are available in the management office. The cost per permit (renewal or new issue) is:

Lake & River Permit—\$10 each
(separate permit required for each person over 16 yrs of age)
Boat Launch—\$50

Cost to have key issued is \$30
(this is a one-time fee)
Lost key replacement \$100



CAMPING IS
PERMITTED AT BOTH
LAKE AND RIVER
PARKS



HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY



May 12 - Mother's Day

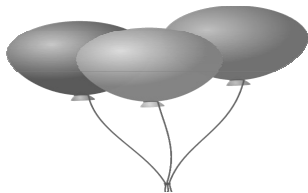
The origins of Mother's Day are attributed to different people. Many believe that two women, Julia Ward Howe and Anna Jarvis were important in establishing the tradition of Mother's Day in the United States. Other sources say that Juliet Calhoun Blakely initiated Mother's Day in Albion, Michigan, in the late 1800s. Her sons paid tribute to her each year and urged others to honor their mothers.

Around 1870, Julia Ward Howe called for Mother's Day to be celebrated each year to encourage pacifism and disarmament amongst women. It continued to be held in Boston for about ten years under her sponsorship, but died out after that.

In 1907, Anna Jarvis held a private Mother's Day celebration in memory of her mother, Ann Jarvis, in Grafton, West Virginia. Ann Jarvis had organized "Mother's Day Work Clubs" to improve health and cleanliness in the area where she lived. Anna Jarvis launched a quest for Mother's Day to be more widely recognized. Her campaign was later financially supported by John Wanamaker, a clothing merchant from Philadelphia.

In 1908, she was instrumental in arranging a service in the Andrew's Methodist Episcopal Church in Grafton, West Virginia, which was attended by 407 children and their mothers. The church has now become the International Mother's Day Shrine. It is a tribute to all mothers and has been designated as a National Historic Landmark.

Mother's Day has become a day that focuses on generally recognizing mothers' and mother figures' roles. Mother's Day has also become an increasingly important event for businesses in recent years. This is particularly true of restaurants and businesses manufacturing and selling cards and gift items.



HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

June 21 - Father's Day

There are a range of events, which may have inspired the idea of Father's Day. One of these was the start of the Mother's Day tradition in the first decade of the 20th century. Another was a memorial service held in 1908 for a large group of men, many of them fathers, who were killed in a mining accident in Monongah, West Virginia in December 1907.

A woman called Sonora Smart Dodd was an influential figure in the establishment of Father's Day. Her father raised six children by himself after the death of their mother. This was uncommon at that time, as many widowers placed their children in the care of others or quickly married again.

Sonora was inspired by the work of Anna Jarvis, who had pushed for Mother's Day celebrations. Sonora felt that her father deserved recognition for what he had done. The first time Father's Day was held in June was in 1910. Father's Day was officially recognized as a holiday in 1972 by President Nixon.

NEWPORT'S AMENITIES

Our community has many amenities available to its residents:

Swimming Pool and Tennis Courts

Walking Trails along Gum Gulley

Park w/ splash pad located on Port O'Call

Pocket parks on South Diamondhead and Flying Bridge

(walking trails and parks are maintained and operated by Newport MUD)

Access to both Lake Houston and the San Jacinto River

Beach at the river area and boat docks at both the river and lake areas

Picnic areas

Camping permitted

(Lake & River permits and Boat Launch permits required)

(Lake & River permit fee \$10 per permit - Boat Launch permit fee \$50 per permit)

Stables with riding arena - \$60 per month per stable

Boat and RV Storage

20, 25, 30 and 40 foot covered storage

(contact the management office for prices and availability)

TRASH PICK-UP

**Questions regarding trash pick-up
should be directed to**

Aggressive Waste

(713) 631-1900

or

www.aggressivewaste.com



**PLEASE
STORE
TRASH CANS
OUT OF
PUBLIC VIEW
EXCEPT ON
TRASH DAYS
(Wednesday and
Saturday)**

ASSESSMENTS ARE DUE ON THE FIRST OF EVERY MONTH

**Assessments received after the last day
of the month in which they are due are
subject to a monthly late fee of \$5.00
plus interest at the rate of 6% per
annum. Payments more than four
months late are subject to an
additional collection fee of \$15.00
per month.**

**For complete collection procedures,
please visit our website at
www.newportpoa.com and go to
resident documents.**

POOL HOURS 2015 SWIM SEASON

May 23-25	11:00 8:00 PM
May 30	3:00-8:00 PM
May 31	11:00 -8:00 PM

Beginning June 5 thru August 30, the pool will be open from 11am - 8pm every day except Monday. If a holiday falls on a Monday, the pool will be open for the holiday and closed on Tuesday. When school resumes the pool will be open weekends only – September 5-7 from 11-8 pm and September 12-13 from noon-6pm.

EXCEPTIONS TO SCHEDULE

June 13 - Pool opens @ 3:00 PM
August 15 - Pool opens @ 4:00 PM

Pool Rules are available online www.newportpoa.com/residentdocuments or you may obtain a copy in the management office.

**ADULT SWIM
TUESDAY AND THURSDAY
8:00 AM - 11:00 AM
June 9 thru August 27**

Pool passes will be mailed second week in May.



CRIME WATCH MEETINGS

Crime Watch meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm at the Newport Golf Center. May meeting will be May 12, 2015 will have a speaker from the District Attorney's office. The June meeting will be held June 9, 2015. All residents are welcome.

CONCERT IN THE PARK

Sunday, May 17, 2015 @ 2 pm

Gazebo on Newport Boulevard

Music by

Crosby Middle School Jazz Band

Ensembles from Crosby High School Band

NEXTDOOR NEWPORT

Nextdoor Newport is a private online network. On our Nextdoor site, neighbors share community events, recommendations, items for sale, crime reports, ideas about how to improve our neighborhood and more.

Currently, there are over 350 residents signed up. It's a great avenue to keep up with lost and found pets, items for sale and other information.

Nextdoor is also linked to the Harris County Sheriff's Department where the Sheriff's Department can send out blasts regarding happenings and news but they cannot access our private messaging.

To join, go to nextdoor.com

HISTORY TIDBITS

May 5 - Cinco de Mayo

Cinco de Mayo is seen as a day to celebrate the culture, achievements and experiences of people with a Mexican background, who live in the United States. There is a large commercial element to the day.

May 6 - National Nurses Day

National Nurses Day - May 6 marks the beginning of National Nurses week to honor the work of nurses. May 12, the final day of National Nurses Week, is the birthday of Florence Nightingales (1820-1910). The English nurse became known as the founder of professional nursing, especially due to her pioneering work during the Crimean War (1853-1856). Due to her habit of making rounds at night, Nightingale became known as "The Lady with the Lamp".

National Nurses week was first observed in October 1954, the 100th anniversary of Nightingale's mission to Crimea. May 6 was introduced as the date for the observance in 1982.

March 25—Memorial Day

Memorial Day started as an event to honor Union soldiers, who had died during the American Civil War. It was inspired by the way people in the Southern states honored their dead. After World War I, it was extended to include all men and women, who died in any war or military action.

Memorial Day was originally known as Decoration Day. The current name for this day did not come into use until after World War II. Decoration Day and then Memorial Day used to be held on May 30, regardless of the day of the week, on which it fell. In 1968, the Uniform Holidays Bill was passed as part of a move to use federal holidays to create three-day weekends. This meant that that, from 1971, Memorial Day holiday has been officially observed on the last Monday in May. However, it took a longer period for all American states to recognize the new date.

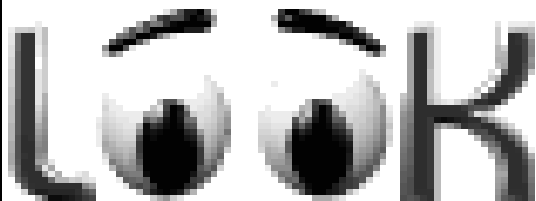
June 19 - Juneteenth (Emancipation Day)

Slavery in the United States can be traced back to the 16th century when Spanish explorers brought African slaves with them to the New World. It lasted until the Emancipation Proclamation came into effect on January 1, 1863. On that date Texas was largely controlled by forces fighting for the Confederate States, which opposed the abolition of slavery. On June 19, 1865, Union soldiers arrived to take control of Texas and enforce the emancipation of slaves in the state. In Galveston, Texas, the newly freed slaves held large public celebrations and so laid the base for future Juneteenth activities. The word 'Juneteenth' resulted from the words 'June Nineteenth' being slurred together in speech.

After 1865, Juneteenth was mainly celebrated in Texas. Parks have been established on land bought by former slaves to hold Juneteenth celebrations in the Texan cities of Austin, Houston and Mexia. However, it is now a state holiday or observance in more than half of the US states and there is a campaign for Juneteenth to become a national holiday or observance throughout the nation. Juneteenth celebrations are also held in other countries around the world, including Ghana, Honduras, Japan, Taiwan and Trinidad and Tobago.

June 21- June Solstice

The June solstice marks the first day of the astronomical summer season in the Northern Hemisphere. The word solstice is from the Latin word "solstitium", meaning "sun-stopping", because the point at which the sun appears to rise and set stops and reverses direction after this day. On this day, the sun does not rise precisely in the east, but rises to the north of east and sets to the north of west allowing it to be in the sky for a longer period of time. In the Southern Hemisphere, the June solstice is known as the shortest day of the year. It is when the sun has reached its furthest point from the equator and marks the first day of winter.



The name of a Newport Property Owner is scrambled somewhere in this edition. If you find your name please call Courtney (281) 462-4199 ext. 10 to receive your \$25 Wal-Mart gift card.

QUARTERLY MEETING

Thursday, July 9, 2015

7 pm

Newport Golf Club

Regular Meeting 5 pm

NEWPORT GARDEN CLUB'S

YARD OF THE MONTH

April

2015 Halyard Drive

BEWARE

All residents should be aware of phone calls from persons asking for money. The most common is the man who calls stating that he is an agent from the IRS. He will give you a badge number and proceed to tell you that you owe money from a prior tax return. He goes as far as to state that if you do not pay he will garnish your checking account and take everything you own. You would be amazed at how many people get scared and actually send the money. If you get one of these calls, the best way to stop them is to say "could I please get your name and a call back number for the police". It worked for me after he had a few words (ones I can't print). However, I have not received any more calls.

It has just been reported to us that there is a caller now telling people there is a virus on their computer and they need to order a certain special software to remove it. Again, when the caller ask about your computer, just say "I don't have one". Hopefully that will remove your number from their list.

DO YOU KNOW WHERE YOUR CHILDREN ARE?

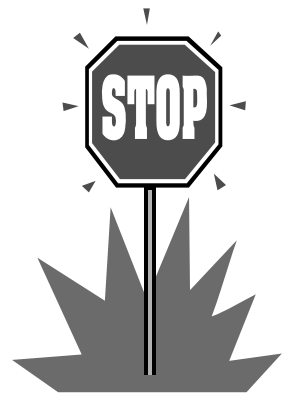
Harris County Commissioners Court initially approved the Harris County Juvenile Curfew Ordinance in late 1995 and has subsequently made other amendments to the ordinance. The Harris County Curfew Ordinance includes all unincorporated areas outside the city or town. The Ordinance applies to children under 17. The curfew is from Midnight to 6:00 A.M. seven day per week.

DEPUTIES TAKE NO NONSENSE APPROACH TO TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS AND LOOSE DOGS

The precinct deputies as well as our contract deputies are taking a no nonsense approach to traffic violations which include speeding, failing to stop at stop signs, and no seat belts. Citations are also being issued for residents who fail to keep their dogs on a leash or in an enclosed area. Listed below are the *average* fines for these citations:



Speeding - \$165 - \$185
School Zone - \$185 - \$225
Failure to stop at stop sign - \$165
No seatbelt - \$130
Loose dog - \$125



ATVS PROHIBITED ON PUBLIC ROADWAYS AND COMMON AREAS IN NEWPORT

Newport MUD does not permit
ATVs on the hike and bike trails or along Gum
Gulley.

San Jacinto River Authority does not permit
ATVs along the canal.

Centerpoint does not permit
ATVs and other vehicles on the
Highline right of way.

Deputies have been hired by the various entities
to stop the ATV traffic.

You could be fined and your
vehicle towed for trespassing on these various
properties.

HOW TO REPORT A STREET LIGHT OUT

Every street light in the community has
a five or six digit identification code on
the pole (about eye level) and address.

Write down the number and go to
www.centerpointenergy.com/outage
to file a report.

If you do not have access to the internet
you can call
713-207-2222

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DANGEROUS DOGS

Dogs that meet the following criteria may be declared dangerous:

A dog that makes an unprovoked attack on a person that occurred in a place other than an enclosure in which the dog was being kept;

or

A dog that commits an unprovoked act in a place other than an enclosure in which the dog was being kept and that act would cause a person to reasonably believe that the dog will attack and cause bodily injury.

All dogs and cats, whether considered dangerous or not are prohibited from running loose in Harris County. Owners of loose dogs and cats may be cited by Harris County Sheriff's Deputies or Animal Control for failure to restrain your pet(s) at all times. Fines could run as high as \$500 for this offense.

HOW TO RESTRAIN YOUR PET

1. Keep your pet in your house.
2. Keep your pet in your fenced in yard.
3. Keep your pet on a leash led by a person capable of controlling your pet.
4. Keep your pet attached to a line not longer than 6 feet that will keep your pet from entering a public walkway or street.
You know your pet isn't dangerous but the person walking past your house doesn't know that.

**PLEASE OBEY THE LEASH LAW AND KEEP YOUR
PET(S) RESTRAINED AT ALL TIMES
TO AVOID THE POSSIBILITY OF A TICKET
RESULTING IN A FINE.**

NEWPORT FITNESS CENTER

**5:00 AM - 9:00 PM -
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7:00 AM - 6:30 PM -
Sat, Sun and Holidays**

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Summer Gatherings and Parties

Newport Pool - to schedule a private party at the pool please call Sweetwater Pools (281) 988-8480.

To bring more than four (4) guest per family for a day at the pool please contact the management office for a special day pass.

Port O'Call Park (splash pad) - to schedule a party or gathering at the park please call Newport MUD (281) 324-9803.

Lake or River - to schedule a party or gathering at the lake or river area parks please contact the Management office.

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McGruff's Corner
Feb/March Crime Stats

Hang Up	2
Accident/FSGI	6
Accident Minor	11
Accident Major	2
Accident Injury	0
Alarm Local	65
Animal Humane	20
Animal Aggressive	16
Animal Livestock	0
Arson	2
Assault/Family	3
Assault Aggressive	1
Assault/other	1
Burg/Hab	3
Burg/Motveh	5
Burg/Other	1
Check School/Park	109
Contract Check	1875
Crim Mischief	30
Credit card	13
Disch Firearm	4
Dist/Family	26
Dist/Juvenile	0
Domestic Prevention	10
DWI	3
Dist/Loud Noise	42
Dist/Other	23
Drug/Od/Poss	2
Follow Up	13
Fraud ID	6
Indecent Exposure	0
In Progress	2
Illegal Dumping	0
Meet Officer/Citizen	56
Nuisance Abatement	0
Prop Lost/Found	3
Missing Person	0
Runaway	1
Road Rage	0
Sex Offender Verify	8
Solicitors	1
Ref'd/Internal/External	181
Susp Persons	46
Telephone Harrah	6
Terroristic Thrt	6
Theft/Residence	6
Theft/Other	7
Traf Hazzard	4
Traffic stops	102
Unk Medical Emergency	7
Veh Abandoned	2
Vacation Watch	5
Veh Suspicious	32
Vehicle Stolen	3
Welfare Check	11

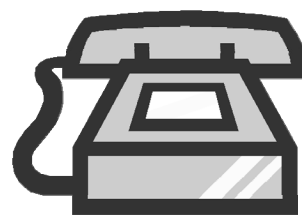
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IMPORTANT NUMBERS

NPOA WEBSITE

www.newportpoa.com

Manager - Carol Jones

(281) 462-4199 ext 11

cjones@newportpoa.com

Sheriff (non emergency)	713-221-6000
Crosby Volunteer Fire Dept. Emergency	911
(non emergency/information)	281-328-2300
Crosby EMS –	Emergency 911
(non-emergency information)	281-328-6810
Crosby/Huffman Chamber	281-328-6984
Crosby Post Office	1-800-275-8777
Newport MUD	281-324-9803
Harris County Animal Control	281-999-3191
Harris County PCT 2 (trees in road; dead animals in road)	713-274-2300
Harris County Pollution Control	713-920-2831
Harris County Attorney	713-755-5101
Health Department – (Environmental)	713-439-6016
Center Point Customer Service	713-207-2222
Commissioner Morrman	713-455-8104
Aggressive Waste	713-631-1900
Parks & Trails	281-324-9803
Crosby Community Center	281-462-0543
Senior Adult Program	281-893-3726
Newport Golf Club	281-328-3576
Sweetwater Pools	281-988-8480
Environmental Division of Public Health	713-439-6270
(To Report Abandoned Houses to Harris County)	



NEWPORT GARDEN CLUB

Meetings - first Monday of Month (Jan-May)

*To become a member call Ann Stiefel
(281) 389-8364 or e-mail hstiefel@aol.com*





NEWPORT MANAGEMENT OFFICE

*2102 Country Club Drive
(across from swimming pool)*

Hours 8:30—5:00 - M-F

(281) 462-4199

Accounting questions - ext. 13

Architectural control or deed restriction - ext. 14