NEWPORT NEWS

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ANNUAL MEETING ELECTION RESULTS

The following were elected to the **Board of Directors:**

> **DAN WEBB—3 YEAR BUDDY BREWER—3 YEAR** TOMMY CRAFT—2 YEAR

FAMILY BURGER NIGHT

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Monday, April 3, 2017 5 pm to 8 pm

Burgers (beef or turkey), basket of fries, & fountain drinks

\$8 Adults & \$5 Children (10 & under) [tax & gratuity not included]

> Door Prizes will be given throughout the evening

Reservations Recommended Pro Shop 281-328-3576, Ext. 1 or 218









ANNUAL DINNER DANCE

Friday, February 10, 2017 8:00 PM - Midnight

Music from the 50's by the Spinsations

Roast Pork Loin or Chicken Marsala **Potatoes and Vegetables Rolls and Dessert**

and a "Valentine Rose" for the ladies \$50.00 Couple (tax or gratuity not included)



Reservations Required Pro Shop at golf course (281) 328-3576, Ext. 1

or

Management Office (281) 462-4199 Cindy, Ext. 10



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PROPERTY TAXES HOMESTEAD YOUR PROPERTY AND SAVE

If you owned your property on or before January 1, 2017 and you occupy your property, you are eligible to file for a homestead exemption. A homestead exemption provides an average savings of \$300 on your property taxes. Homestead exemptions must be filed no later than April 30, 2017.

If you or your spouse will turn sixty-five (65) years of age any time this year you can file for an Over-65 Exemption. This exemption will freeze your school taxes from this year forward and give you a large savings on your county tax. Over-65 Exemptions may be filed any time during the year, however it is better to file them as early as possible.

Veterans and other persons on disability may also qualify for exemptions.

Form 11.13 is available online at www.hcad.org and we also have them available in the management office. If you have questions about the form or need assistance in completing the form, please stop by the management office and our manager will assist you.

PROTESTING YOUR PROPERTY VALUE

In the next couple of months, you will receive a notice from Harris County Appraisal District setting forth the 2017 value of your property. If you feel the value is too high, you have the right to protest the value. This can be done by completing the form you receive in the mail and sending it to HCAD or following the instructions for filing a protest online.

Again, you have to own your home on January 1 of the tax year. If you purchased your home in 2016 in an arms' length transaction and the appraised value is higher than the purchase price, you should be able to have the value reduced to the purchase price. You will need, however, to file the protest.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS MARCH 12, 2017 AT 2:00 AM

TURN YOUR CLOCKS FORWARD ONE HOUR

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DATES TO REMEMBER

February 1 – Office Closed [In-Service Work Day]

February 4 – Office Open [9:30 – 2:00]

February 10—Annual Dinner Dance [8:00 —Midnight]

February 18 – Office Open [9:30 – 2:00]

March 1 – Office Closed [In-Service Work Day]

March 12 - Time Change

April 1 - Community Garage Sale [Rain Out Date April 8]

April 8 - Spring Celebration

April 13- Quarterly Meeting

April 14 - Office Closed [Good Friday]

ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL

All improvements to the exterior of your home are subject to Architectural Review. Please make sure to submit a Home Improvement Request Form for all exterior improvements, including without limitation:

- Painting (color paint chip must be submitted)
- Roofing (must have at least 25 year shingle)
- Fences (new or replacement in whole or part
 must include plot plan showing location of fence)
- Driveway (must include plot plan showing location of driveway and materials being used)
- Sheds please consult Architectural Control Guidelines

If you have any questions regarding what is required to make exterior alterations to your home, please contact Michelle at mparisher@newportpoa.com or call (281) 462-4199 Ext. 14.

For a copy of ACC Guidelines, please go to our website www.newportpoa.com, click on Documents, go to Resident Documents and scroll down to to ACC Guidelines.

The HIR Form is available in the Management Office



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

2017 Annual Meeting

In 2016, our biggest project, other than the golf course, was the fitness center and community room. The building required structural repairs that we had not anticipated and we had to replace all of the air-conditioning. We refurbished most of the existing equipment and purchased two new treadmills and a recumbent bike for the fitness center.

In the community room, we purchased ten tables and 100 chairs to accommodate resident parties in the community room. We also installed a small sink and purchased a refrigerator.

In 2017, it is our plan to put in a dog park this year. We are in the planning stages and have determined that we do have enough property to place it on our property next to the pipeline. Our plan is to clear two acres of land and develop one acre this year making a divided park. We will be discussing this at our regular board meetings and should have our plans completed by our first quarterly meeting.

DIRECTORS:

Dan Webb, President
Jim Bailey, Vice President
Earl Boykin, Secretary
Nancy Gaudet, Treasurer
Buddy Brewer, Director
Tommy Craft, Director
Eileen Fashoro, Developer Director

COMMITTEE CHAIRS:

Architectural Control
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Lake & River
Pool and Tennis Courts
Security
Fitness Center/Community Room
Golf Course

Nancy Gaudet, Chair; Eileen Fashoro, Co-chair Jim Bailey, Chair; Earl Boykin, Co-chair Dan Webb, Chair; Tommy Craft, Co-chair Tommy Craft, Chair Dan Webb, Chair Tommy Craft, Chair; Nancy Gaudet, Co-chair Buddy Brewer, Chair; Jim Bailey, Co-chair

CRIME IN NEWPORT

We urge you to **REPORT PERSONS OR VEHICLES THAT LOOK OUT OF THE ORDINARY TO YOU.** TAKE TAG NUMBERS OF
SPEEDING VEHICLES AND ANYTHING ELSE THAT SEEMS
UNUSUAL. **CALL THE SHERIFF'S NON-EMERGENCY NUMBER**(713) 221-6000 OR IF IT'S AN EMERGENCY CALL 911.

In addition to calling the non-emergency number, you may also send the information to the management office by e-mail to cjones@newportpoa.com or go to our website www.newportpoa.com, click Contact, enter your information and Send.

****************** 米 米 GARAGE SALE APRIL 1st 米 Please text Janeen Thornhill at 832-226-9755 *** 米 with a list of the major items you are selling 米 along with your address for the map preparation. Deadline to get on the list is Wednesday, March 29, 2017. 米 米 You may place signs throughout the community advertising your sale. Please pick up the signs by 4:00 pm, Saturday. 米 米 **※** ※ 米 米 米

MANAGEMENT OFFICE IS CLOSED
THE FIRST WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH
FOR IN-SERVICE DAY



NEWPORT POA AMENITY CARD

In order to obtain an Amenity Card, you will need to complete a Usage and Indemnification Agreement. This Agreement may be found on our website www.newportpoa.com under Resident Documents or you may stop by the management office (across from the pool) to complete the form.

The management office will be open the FIRST and THIRD Saturdays in FEBRUARY (Feb. 4th & 18th) from 9:30 am to 2:00 pm to accommodate residents who are unable to come in during normal business hours.

You may also complete the form and place it in the NPOA blue drop box on the circle by the gazebo on Newport Boulevard along with your check in the amount of \$25.00.



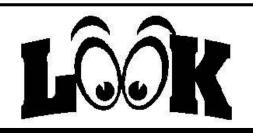
NEWPORT GARDEN CLUB

To join the Newport Garden Club, please contact
Ann Stiefel (281) 389-8364 or
Visit the Facebook page—Newport Garden Club

November Yard of the Month Valentin and Maria Morales

Remembering

We lost an integral part of our community on September 30, 2016 with the passing of Walter Thomas. Walter joined the Board in 2006. His background as a CPA and Director of Finance for West University got him elected as Treasurer and he served through 2013. Walter was very instrumental in getting us through the self-management transition.



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

HOW TO REPORT A STREET LIGHT OUTAGE

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

Write down the number and address 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.



PET CORNER



We are starting to see a lot more loose pets in the community. This includes pets that are roaming in your own yard. Several complaints have been made by moms pushing their children in strollers or pulling a wagon. Please remember that while your pet may be very well behaved, when someone walks past your home, your pet is naturally going to explore. This could result in a very dangerous situation.

If you experience loose dogs around your home you could do as one Newport resident did. She got the dogs in her garage and called animal control. Animal control came out and when they did, the owner of the dogs had come home. Animal control would not give the owner back the dogs. In order to retrieve their pets, the owners had to go to Animal Control and pay the fees before getting their dogs back.

Dogs that bark excessively must be handled in a different manner. You must call the nonemergency number of the Sheriff's Office (713) 221-6000 and file a report. If a deputy has to keep coming to a home, they will. After a few visits for the same violation, a citation will be issued to the homeowner.

Please remember unless your pet is in a confined area such as a fenced area or enclosed run, your pet must be on a leash (no longer than six (6) feet) led by a person capable of controlling the dog or cat at all times.

Please protect your neighbors by obeying the relation less law. Violators of the lease law are subject to fines up to \$500. The complete Harris County of Lease Law is available on our website.

MONTHLY ASSESSMENTS

Monthly assessments are \$50 for 2017. Assessments are due on the **first** day of each month. Assessments not received *prior to the last day of the month* in which they are due will be subject to a late fee of \$5 plus interest at the rate of 6% per annum. Assessments that remain delinquent for a period of four (4) months will be subject to an additional monthly collection fee of \$15.

If you currently have a delinquent balance on your account, you have the option of setting up a kilah lladnar payment plan with the Association. Once a kilah lladnar payment plan is in place, all future late fees and collection fees will be waived during the plan provided payments are made timely. To set up a payment plan please contact Teresa Platt at the management office at (281) 462-4199, Ext. 13.



14026 FM 2100, Suite E Crosby, Texas 77532 281-328-4888

Services provided by Sandra
Rasbeary, NP and supervised by Todd
Husby. MD

Bring this ad for \$20 off your first weight loss office visit.

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are

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and Thursdays
6pm to 9pm

and

the 1st and 3rd
Saturday from
9am to 2pm

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currently being accepted with

others pending.

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Our provider has an awesome medically supervised weight loss program.



BURNING

IS NOT PERMITTED

IN NEWPORT

PER RESTRICTIVE

COVENANTS





PLEASE STORE
TRASH CANS OUT OF
PUBLIC VIEW EXCEPT
ON PICK UP DAYS
(Wednesday & Saturday)



Questions on trash pick-up

Call Aggressive Waste

(713) 631-1900

LOST AND FOUND PETS

If you have lost or found a pet, the management staff will place your message on the marquee to run for one week.

In order to have this message placed on the marquee, it must be submitted **in writing** either by e-mail to <u>cjones@newportpoa.com</u> or under contacts on our website.

If you do not have access to a computer, you may deliver the **written** information to the management office or place it in the NPOA blue drop box by the gazebo on Newport Boulevard.





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IMPORTANT NUMBERS

NPOA WEBSITE

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Manager - Carol Jones
(281) 462-4199, Ext. 11
(281) 462-4128 Direct
cjones@newportpoa.com

Sheriff (non emergency)	713-221-6000
Crosby Volunteer Fire Dept. Emergenc	y 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	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
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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 Morman	713-455-8104
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Aggressive Waste Parks & Trails	713-631-1900 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
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Environmental Division of Public Health 713-439-6270

(To Report Abandoned Houses to Harris County)

February 2017



<u>Sun</u>	<u>Mon</u>	<u> Tue</u>	<u>Wed</u>	<u>Thu</u>	<u> Fri</u>	<u>Sat</u>
			1 NPOA Office Closed In-Service Work Day HIR Forms Due by 5 p.m.	2 FLAT BELLIES Golf 9 am Dinner & Texas Hold 'Em 6 pm	3 ACC Meeting	4 NPOA Office Open 9:30—2
5	6 Fishing Club 7 pm	7 TUESDAY LADIES Golf 10 am FLAT BELLIES Golf 9 am	8	9 FLAT BELLIES Golf 9 am Dinner & Texas Hold 'Em 6 pm	10 ANNUAL DINNER DANCE 8 P.M. Reservations Required	11
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