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Letter from the Vice President

## Dear Hyde Park Neighbors,



Hyde Park needs you! As our community grows and learns to accommodate a City in flux, we have to be willing to contribute our time and energy to address our common

concerns. Find out how you can contribute in these pages!

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

Hyde Park Civic Association (HPCA) is a community of about 1,500 households, yet right now, less than 100 individuals are official members. It's time to renew your membership or sign up! An individual membership is just \$30 a year. You can sign up online at www.hydeparkhouston. org. OR see the form in this newsletter and use the included envelope to mail in your membership fee. Also consider donating to Lamar Park, our only green space and the home of the Dolphin Fountain, the city's oldest continuously-running fountain.

#### WHAT DO YOUR DUES DO?

Membership dues help pay for this newsletter, one of the means we use to communicate with you and for you to hear about the great things happening in Hyde Park. Your dues also help us organize and put on the fabulous events that make Hyde Park a unique place to live. Although we are lucky to have wonderful sponsors (like Rudz), we wouldn't have National

Night Out, Christmas Caroling or the HPCA Volunteer Reception without additional support from our members.

#### **VOLUNTEER**

We also need volunteers to make HPCA happen! HPCA is in great need of people willing to donate a few hours or more a month. If you have any capacity, please consider being an HPCA volunteer.

"Service to others is the rent you pay for your room here on Earth." – Muhammad Ali

### MONTROSE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT UPDATE

A little note at the end to let you know that, because of the pending lawsuit, the 24/7 Security Patrol funded by the Montrose Management District is no longer in effect.

I look forward to seeing many of you at our meetings and around the 'hood. Remember you can engage more often with your neighbors on our Facebook page – over 400 have joined our private group!

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

We have 2 fun events this month: Happy Hour at Boheme and Watch It Grow!, a seed planting event, in Lamar Park. (see pg 3) And next month, Mayor Pro Tem Ellen Cohen will be our guest speaker. Join us for what should be a terrific discussion!

Chris Delphin, Vice President

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#### Wanted: Newsletter Editor

If you have graphic design skills, please email president@hydeparkhouston.org

#### **NON-EMERGENCY CONTACTS**

**HPD Westheimer Storefront** (832) 394-9900

HPD Non-Emergency (713) 884-3131 Dial 311 for City Helpline

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### **Events:**

FEB. 10, Sat. 10am-noon, Watch It Grow, Lamar Park (details on page 3) FEB. 20, Tues. 5:30-7:30PM, Happy Hour, Boheme (details on page 3) General Meetings:

FEB. 5, Mon. 6:30PM, General Meeting, Rudyards, Happy Hour / Roundtable Discussion / Membership Drive MAR. 5, Mon. 6:30PM, General Meeting, Rudyards, Mayor Pro Tem Ellen Cohen

# Ellen Cohen is coming March 5th



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#### Block captains: Notify

vicepresident@hydeparkhouston.org of any changes in contact information.

# HPCA January 2018 Meeting Minutes

On Jan. 8, 2018, Vice President Chris Delphin called the general meeting of the Hyde Park Civic Association to order at about 6:35 PM. He invited the approximately 25 people in attendance at Rudyard's to introduce themselves.

The meeting kicked off with a vigorous discussion about the development at the corner of Commonwealth and Fairview -Mandell Montrose (http://www. mandellhouston.com). Resident Donald Martin took the floor and gave an update on a potential lawsuit he may bring against the owners of the property. The lawsuit centers on the use of the property located at 1506 Fairview that is subject to the 1993 deed restrictions covering individual properties within the Hyde Park Civic Association. As Mr Martin noted, the property is currently being used as a sales office and would be incorporated into the plat necessary for the entire project. The deed restrictions limit the use of a restricted property to residential purposes only (e.g., no business can be conducted on the property) and new construction must be for single family residences, fee simple townhouses or garage apartments.

Mr Martin noted that he and his wife could bring a claim of nuisance since the new construction would eliminate their access to direct southern sunlight. However, he noted that the claim is not based on nuisance and is based exclusively on the deed restrictions, which are enforceable by any property owner of a property within the confines of the restrictions.

The discussion then turned to other methods for members of the civic association to establish and enforce property use limitations aimed to maintain Hyde Park's character and its status as a "neighborhood within the City". In particular, we discussed Chapter 42 and noted that the Civic Association has examples of successful and unsuccessful attempts by members to obtain Chapter 42 minimum lot size and minimum set-back protections. If you are interested, please contact the Deed Restrictions Committee (contact information on Page 1).

We finished our open forum with a discussion on the great need for more volunteers on the HPCA Board and the urgent need to help. The open positions are: President, Secretary and Deed Restrictions Committee Member #3. Ellen Pollard offered to assist Membership Chair Helen Zunka with membership since Helen is filling in on other roles.

We did not discuss the reports from the Treasurer or Deed Restriction Committee given the passage of time. The meeting adjourned at about 7:30 PM and some of us stayed at Rudz and watched Alabama eek out a victory against Georgia in the College Football Championship.

#### **RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP!**



NEWSLETTER: Please submit all material for Mar 2018 consideration by midnight, Saturday, Feb 17, 2018 to newsletter@hydeparkhouston.org

# HYDE PARK CIVIC ASSOCIATION 2018 GENERAL MEETING SCHEDULE

All residents are invited to attend monthly meetings 6:30-7:45pm, 2nd floor Rudyard's Pub on 2010 Waugh Dr. Featured guest speakers will be announced in advance. Meetings are always held on the 1st Monday of each month, with exceptions noted.

MUCH APPRECIATION to Rudyard's for hosting our events on an ongoing basis! Come early to order dinner or a beverage and enjoy during the meeting. They have a great menu and delicious food, plus excellent beer selection and full bar.

http://rudyardspub.com/

Submitted by Macy Bodenhamer, past president

**FEBRUARY 5** 

MARCH 5

**APRIL 2** 

MAY 7

JUNE 4

**JULY** - Summer break, no meeting

**AUGUST 6** 

**SEPTEMBER** - TBD

due to Labor Day

conflict

OCTOBER 2 - National

Night Out, 1st Tuesday

**NOVEMBER 5** 

**DECEMBER 3** - Hyde

Park holiday party

### >>>> February Events <<<<

#### Watch It Grow!

Spring is on its way, I promise! Let's be ready for it with a little neighborhood project. Meet us at the park, plant seeds in pots and you can take them home and watch them grow! We will bring some pots, seeds and soil. You will also have an opportunity to swap seeds with other collectors so bring whatever seeds you have. This is a great family project! Come join the fun!

When: Saturday, February 10, 2018

Where: Lamar Park Time: 10am-noon

#### Happy Hour

Enjoy a fun night out visiting with your neighbors at the first HAPPY HOUR of 2018!

When: Tuesday, Feruary 20, 2018

Where: Boheme, 307 Fairview, corner of Taft and

Fairview

**Time:** 5:30-7:30pm

Bonus: Join or renew your membership and

have a chance to win a door prize.

\*\*Boheme is a cashless bar so bring your plastic.

Street parking is available.

# Wanted: Newsletter Editor

Hyde Park needs a new volunteer newsletter editor ASAP!
This monthly publication reaches over 1,100 households and is the most valuable communications tool keeping neighbors connected.
If you have graphic design skills with some knowledge of, or wish to learn InDesign, and a few hours a month (estimate: 6-8 hours) to give back to your community, please email president@hydeparkhouston.org

# Your local civic association needs YOU!

Memberships sustain the civic association. With your support of just \$30/year, we can:

- print this newsletter
- help maintain Lamar Park
- manage deed restrictions
- subsidize activities

Help us maintain National Night Out, the Christmas party, Christmas Caroling, Happy Hours, and exciting new events planned for 2018.

We need your support and welcome your involvement!

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# More Walkable Museums In Zone 2

Last month we explored Zone 1 in the Houston Museum District www.houmuse.org. This month we'll start with ZONE 2 which includes The Asia Society, Buffalo Soldiers National Museum, Czech Center Museum Houston, Diverseworks, Holocaust Museum Houston, Houston Center for Contemporary Craft, Houston Museum of African American Culture and Lawndale Art Center.

# The Asia Society celebrates the Lunar New Year on February 17 from 12 to 4 PM.

2018 is the Year of the Dog, thought of as a loyal and reliable animal in the zodiac. Activities will include performances, art and craft projects and food inspired by Lunar New Year traditions across Asia. Admission to their current exhibitions will be free but some performances will require a ticket (\$5/members and \$10/nonmembers). Please visit their web site for a list of all activities, www.asiasociety.org.

The Czech Center Museum Houston has an exhibit of Hunter George's Watercolor Exhibit "Reflections of the Past". I have seen this exhibit and George is a master of watercolor. The exhibition feature imagery of Europe's romantic landscape and historical architecture. The exhibit is up until March 30. For more information, www.czechcenter.org.

The Holocaust Museum Houston has two exhibits, "Human Rights Art" and "New Dimensions in Testimony". The "Human Rights Art" exhibition cultivates human rights awareness, reflection and activism, showcased in 32 mixed media artworks from the permanent collection of South Texas College. The "New Dimensions in Testimony" is an interactive audio-visual installation the allows visitors to experience "virtual conversations" by "talking" with Holocaust survivors. For more information www.hnh.org.

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I don't have enough space to list all of the museums in Zone 2, so please visit the Houston Museum District web page for additional listings. Happy Lunar New Year.

#### >>> February Events <<<

#### Watch it Grow!

10am-noon Lamar Park

Plant seeds in pots and you can take them home and watch them grow!

#### Happy Hour

5:30-7:30pm Boheme

Enjoy a fun night out visiting with your neighbors



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### **HPD Crime Reports for October 2017**

Activity	Street / Block	Name	Date	Time
AutoTheft	1100-1199 PEDEN	Road, Street, or Sidewalk	10/12/2017	6
Burglary	1500-1599 CALIFORNIA ST	Apartment	10/25/2017	9
Robbery	900-999 WESTHEIMER RD	Commercial Building	10/12/2017	9
Theft	1100-1199 WESTHEIMER RD	Restaurant or Cafeteria Parking Lot	10/4/2017	13
Theft	1100-1199 WESTHEIMER RD	Restaurant or Cafeteria Parking Lot	10/9/2017	18
Theft	1000-1099 WESTHEIMER RD	Miscellaneous Business (Non-Specific)	10/10/2017	10
Theft	1000-1099 WESTHEIMER RD	Restaurant or Cafeteria	10/20/2017	13
Theft	1100-1199 WESTHEIMER RD	Restaurant or Cafeteria Parking Lot	10/29/2017	19
Theft	1700-1799 COMMONWEALTH	Commercial Parking Lot or Garage	10/19/2017	11
Theft	1900-1999 COMMONWEALTH	Apartment	10/28/2017	15

## **HPD Crime Reports for November 2017**

Activity	Street / Block	Name	Date	Time
AutoTheft	2600-2699 YOAKUM BLVD	Road, Street, or Sidewalk	11/19/2017	14
Theft	900-999 WESTHEIMER RD	Road, Street, or Sidewalk	11/8/2017	2
Theft	1300-1399 W GRAY ST	Garage or Carport	11/9/2017	15
Theft	1100-1199 WESTHEIMER RD	Restaurant or Cafeteria Parking Lot	11/10/2017	15
Theft	1200-1299 WILLARD ST	Driveway	11/11/2017	8
Theft	1000-1099 WESTHEIMER RD	Other Parking Lot	11/17/2017	9
Theft	2500-2599 MONTROSE BLVD	Road, Street, or Sidewalk	11/20/2017	16
Theft	900-999 WESTHEIMER RD	Restaurant or Cafeteria Parking Lot	11/22/2017	12
Theft	2500-2599 MONTROSE BLVD	Restaurant or Cafeteria Parking Lot	11/25/2017	7
Theft	2500-2599 MONTROSE BLVD	Restaurant or Cafeteria Parking Lot	11/25/2017	20
Theft	1200-1299 WELCH	Residence or House	11/26/2017	18
Theft	1100-1199 WELCH	Residence or House	11/29/2017	9
Theft	1200-1299 WESTHEIMER RD	Restaurant or Cafeteria Parking Lot	11/3/2017	13
Theft	1200-1299 WESTHEIMER RD	Restaurant or Cafeteria	11/4/2017	16
Theft	1300-1399 WESTHEIMER RD	Road, Street, or Sidewalk	11/9/2017	10
Theft	1500-1599 HYDE PARK BLVD	Apartment Parking Lot	11/11/2017	8
Theft	1500-1599 HYDE PARK BLVD	Road, Street, or Sidewalk	11/11/2017	10
Theft	1500-1599 WELCH ST	Driveway	11/12/2017	14
Theft	2500-2599 COMMONWEALTH	Apartment Parking Lot	11/14/2017	23
Theft	1000-1099 WESTHEIMER RD	Restaurant or Cafeteria Parking Lot	11/20/2017	20
Theft	2000-2099 WAUGH	Road, Street, or Sidewalk	11/22/2017	16
Note that crin	nes reported to HPD take 3 months	to become available for publishing.	Submitted by Jii	m Pollard

#### CITIZENS ON PATROL REPORT FOR JAN

Hours patrolled by car = 35.5

Hours patrolled on foot = 102

Thanks to all the patrollers who kept an eye out for the safety of our neighbors and community.

Submitted by Bill Galbraith



Submitted by Mike McKann

# Now All

Did you know that February is chock full of fun events for families and friends? The 35th Annual Houston Chinese New Years Celebration takes place February 16th and 17th and its FREE! The Galveston Mardi Gras takes place February 2nd through 13th and, yes, its FREE! And the Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo starts on February 27th. Now, its not free, but you gotta check it out!!

Submitted by Chris Delphin, vice president

# 2018 TRASH PICKUP AND RECYCLING SCHEDULE

TRASH/RECYCLING:

TRASH PICK-UP: Mondays

RECYCLING PICK-UP: Feb. 12, 26 and Mar. 12, 26 HEAVY/JUNK WASTE: Feb. 7, Apr. 4, Jun. 6

TREE WASTE: Mar. 7, May 2,

Note: The City of Houston Recycling program NO LONGER accepts GLASS in the Green Curbside Recycling Program. Glass is accepted at the drop site at The Washington Ave Salvation Army Family Store & Donation Center, across Hemphill St. and also at the North Main Neighborhood Depository/Recycling Center, 9003 N Main, Houston, TX 77022.

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			28	27	Trash Pickup + Recycling	25
42. 44	First Quarter	Washington's Birthday		5:30-7:30pm	Presidents Day	
24	23	22	21	20 Happy Hour	<b>19</b> Trash Pickup	18
		New Moon	Valentine's Day Ash Wednesday		Lincoln's Birthday	
		Happy Valentine's Day!!!			Trash Pickup + Recycling	
17	16	15	14	13	12	11
Make It Grow! at Lamar Park 10am-noon			Heavy / Junk Waste Pickup Last Quarter		Trash Pickup Monthly Meeting at Rudyards 6:30pm	Super Bowl Sunday
10	9	<b>∞</b>	7	6	5	4
	Groundhog Day					
3	2	1				
Saturday	Friday	Thursday	Wednesday	Tuesday	Monday	Sunday