



Newsletter for Outpost Estates

January 2023

Letter from the President

Hi Neighbors,

We hope you and yours had a wonderful holiday season! Another new year means another opportunity to start anew and make some positive changes in our lives. There are some great opportunities to serve on the neighborhood Civic Club either on the board or in the ACC, so let us know if you're interested.

Elections will be held at the January 10th meeting, and you can find more information inside this newsletter and on our website at www.OutpostEstates-HTX.com.

SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER: **Council Member Amy Peck, District A Representative**

Don't forget to join the Facebook page by emailing OECivic@gmail.com. There you can post in real time about lost pets, garage sales, notes to neighbors, etc... We also post about upcoming neighborhood and Houston events.



January 10

6:00pm

**Neighborhood Meeting &
Civic Club Elections**

**Hosts: Ann & Dan
4530 Tilson Lane**

Enjoy this beautiful weather!

Best,
Angie



MISSION OF THE CIVIC CLUB

The Outpost Estates Civic Club is dedicated to the preservation of the peace, harmony, and well being of each and every homeowner and resident of this sub-division.

The secondary purpose of this Club is to promote goodwill and fellowship among our neighborhood and our community.



Outpost Estates Civic Club Meeting & Elections

January 10, 2023 / 6:00pm-8:00pm

4530 Tilson Lane

Please RSVP to OECIVIC@gmail.com

SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER: Council Member Amy Peck

Interested in serving on the board?

All positions are re-elected every two years and are open to current Civic Club members.

Current officers can be re-elected if they choose to run again, and several have. More than one candidate can run for any position.

If you're interested in running, please email us at: ocivic@gmail.com.

Slate of Candidates

President: Ann Breedveld

Vice-President: Kevin Young

Treasurer: Amy Waiser

Secretary: Open

Section 1 Director: Kristi Teter-Faith

Section 2 Director: Daphne Rambo

Section 3 Director: Nancy Hall

Section 1 ACC: Angie Lapp

Section 2 ACC: Chris Sehorn

Section 3 ACC: Open

If you are unable to attend the election meeting, please email us your ballot by January 10th.

Outpost Estates Service Award—Nominations Needed!

Know a neighbor who's always helping others? Want to recognize past board member efforts?

Let us know so we can recognize their contributions!

SCHOOL OPTIONS

One of the hurdles our neighborhood has to contend with is being zoned to low-scoring schools. Thankfully, there are options around this!

CFISD

Bane Elementary is so poorly rated that CFISD will transfer your child to another higher rated school. Two close options (10-15 min drive):

Lee Elementary
Kirk Elementary

Recommendations are available.

SBISD

I have heard some neighbors had success in transferring to SBISD schools but have no personal experience in this. However, it's worth asking your neighbors.

Charter

There are several Charter schools within an easy driving distance (10-15 min). While these are newer options, they are highly rated by the state and have received great reviews from OE parents:

Harmony School of Excellence
YesPrep Northwest Secondary

Private

The OE is fortunate to be located near many wonderful private schools. Some of those that neighbors have used and can provide reference for are:

St. Jerome Catholic School
St. Ambrose Catholic School
Our Savior Lutheran School
Houston Christian School
Lutheran North Academy
St. Pius X High School



Christmas Crawl/Membership Drive

What a great turn-out this year! It was fun to see so many neighbors having fun and catching up. We hope everyone enjoyed themselves and look forward to great 2023 events and an even bigger 2023 membership.

Special thank you to our fabulous hosts: Chris & Ann Sehorn, Kristi & Jason Faith, and Kevin Young & Adrian Osorio.



Yard of the Quarter



The YOQ Committee would like to
award honors to:



4514 Frontier



Honorable Mention: 4613 Frontier



Community News

We had an increase in Deed Restriction violations in 2022.

Be sure to review yours on our website.

For yard, trash, and animal issues, we recommend that neighbors be notified first of any problems. Sometimes a friendly conversation solves the situation. If the violation has not been addressed after 7-10 days, then we recommend filing a report with the appropriate City of Houston (COH) department by dialing 311. While slow, the COH service is free, they do address the reported issues, and any neighbor is able to utilize their services.

Did You Know?

OE property owners are required to submit renovation/construction plans to the ACC prior to beginning work on a property. Doing so can save neighbors time and prevent costly issues.

- A. First, the owner shall submit a preliminary design. This submission shall reflect the site plan, roof plan, floor plan, all elevations, and further improvements and shall be drawn (free hand or otherwise) to a generally accepted architectural scale. The action of the architectural control committee at this stage of submission shall be deemed advisory only. *[At this point the ACC can advise if further review is necessary.]*
- B. Second, the owner shall submit for review by the architectural control committee a full set of final detailed construction plans and specifications which must include, but is not necessarily limited to: (i) a site plan reflecting the location and dimensions or boundaries of all easements, lot lines, setback lines, foundations (with elevations), walks, drives, fences, and any other improvements to be located thereon; (ii) foundation plan (iii) floor plan; (iv) exterior elevations; (v) framing sections; and (vi) materials list.

Deed Restriction or construction questions? Contact the ACC at: TheOEACC@gmail.com

Need to reach the neighborhood? *Connect with our Facebook group!*

Email: OECivic@gmail.com to join

You can also stay up to date thru our website: www.OutpostEstates-HTX.com

Hidden White Bean Tomato Soup

Trying to incorporate more veggies into your New Year? Try this simple yet delicious soup recipe perfect for cold weather.

Prep Time 5 mins **Cook Time** 45 mins **Blending time** 5 mins

Servings 6 **Calories** 112.9 **Author** Carleigh, PlantYou

Equipment

- Knife, chopping board, roasting pan, pot, immersion blender or regular blender

Ingredients

- 6 vine ripened tomatoes cut in half
- 1 1/2 cup cherry tomatoes
- 2 heads garlic, tops sliced off
- 1/2 cup fresh basil
- 1 red bell pepper diced
- 1 1/2 cups white kidney beans canned, drained & rinsed
- 2 tbsp olive oil
- 1 tbsp dried parsley
- 2 cups vegetable broth
- 1 tbsp nutritional yeast, or a cheese of your choice
- salt and pepper to taste

Instructions

1. Preheat the oven to 375F.
2. Coat a cast iron pan with oil of choice. Add all listed ingredients apart from the broth and nutritional yeast to the pan.
3. Place in the oven for 45 minutes, until the vegetables have softened.
4. Remove from oven and allow to cool slightly. Using your hands, squeeze out the garlic into the pan and discard the skin.
5. Pour vegetable mix into a pot with the broth and nutritional yeast and using an immersion blender combine until smooth. If using a regular blender, be **extremely careful** of the heat when pouring and blending!
6. Enjoy immediately!



Supporting Local Small Businesses

Supporting local small business owners is a great way to support our community.

Spending our money local helps stimulate our neighborhood economy and encourages great business to open and thrive nearby!



LowTide, owned by Ms. Alli Jarrett (also owns Harold's in the Heights) drew inspiration from the cuisines of the South Carolina lowlands and the Gulf Coast. Because of this, Low Tides' menu contains familiar seafood favorites and the southern comfort foods we know and love. There are daily specials, happy hour specials and a great bar.

Low Tide (Southern/Seafood)

2030A Bingle Road

Houston, TX 77055



We plan to highlight local businesses each quarter. If you have a favorite place, please let us know! Own your own business? Let us know so we can promote yours, too!

STAY CONNECTED

District A: Council Member Amy Peck produces a newsletter filled with community updates, activities and resources including links to each of the topics covered. The most recent newsletter covered the freeze and all of the resources needed to report damage, recover, and even volunteer to help others in need.

www.houstontx.gov/council/a/index.html

City of Houston: The City has two great resources for all news Houston related:

AlertHouston | Receive emergency alerts via email, text message, or phone call. Select your address and areas of interest, such as severe weather, major traffic disruptions, missing persons, special events, recovery updates, and emergency incidents.

CitizensNet | Receive periodic updates on important issues, areas of interest, and neighborhood news in the City of Houston.

<https://member.everbridge.net/892807736728451/login>

Harris County: *Ready Harris* is a public service of the Harris County Office of Homeland Security & Emergency Management. During a major event or emergency, important updates will be sent via Ready Harris Alerts. *Ready Harris* provides tips and information throughout the year to help keep you informed.

<https://member.everbridge.net/892807736729064/login>

Local Events...



See the latest and greatest in automotive technology or simply enjoy the spectacle. We have something for everyone, so bring your family and friends for a day of fun!

Jan 25 - 29, 2023

NRG CENTER
One NRG Park
Houston TX, 77054

<https://www.houstonautoshow.com/>

Houston Marathon

January 15, 2023

Discovery Green, 1500 McKinney

Come out to support the runners or join in for either the 5k, Half Marathon or the full!

www.chevronhoustonmarathon.com



Upcoming Shows:

- 05/07/23: Santana
- 06/03/23: Janet Jackson
- 06/30/23: Matchbox Twenty
- 07/22/23: Shania Twain
- 07/30/23: ZZ Top & Lynyrd Skynyrd
- 08/12/23: Foreigner



Let's Go Astro's!!

Spring Training

Feb 25 – Mets

Feb 26 – Nationals

Feb 27 – Marlins

Feb 28 – Met s

www.mlb.com/astros/schedule/2023-02s



Local Recycling Centers

- **Sommermeier Neighborhood Depository/Recycling center**
14400 Sommermeier, 77041
This location also accepts tree waste/junk waste.
- **Brittmoore Recycling Drop-off**
1200 Brittmoore, 77043
- Target, Best Buy, and some grocery stores also provide bins for recycling.

Please pick up after your pets.

Friendly
Reminder

Don't forget to sort and place heavy trash according to the schedule.

2023 Heavy Trash Schedule

4th Thursday each month

Jan	Tree Waste
Feb	Junk Waste
Mar	Tree Waste
Apr	Junk Waste
May	Tree Waste
Jun	Junk Waste
Jul	Tree Waste
Aug	Junk Waste
Sep	Tree Waste
Oct	Junk Waste
Nov	Tree Waste
Dec	Junk Waste

Recycle More

The City of Houston accepts recyclables at curbside, the Neighborhood Depository/Recycling Centers and drop-off facilities.

YES! Recycle these items.

Place all items loose, unbagged in recycling cart.



Plastic



**Kitchen, Laundry, Bath:
Bottles and Containers**
empty and rinse



Paper



**Mixed Paper, Mail,
Newspaper, Magazines,
and Flattened,
Clean Cardboard**



Glass



Bottles and Jars
empty and rinse



Cartons



**Food and Beverage
Cartons**
empty and rinse



Cans



**Aluminum and Steel
Cans**
empty and rinse

NO! Do not recycle these items.



No Shredded
Paper



No Tangles
(no hoses, wires,
chains, or electronics)



No Household Items
or Furniture
(drop-off only)



No Scrap
Metal/Wood



No Batteries or
Electronics
(drop-off only)



City of Houston
Solid Waste Management
Department

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/houstonsolidwaste

www.houstonsolidwaste.org

or call 3-1-1 for additional information.

A special thanks to our neighbors for supporting the Outpost Estates Civic Club!

We are SO grateful for all who chose to support the Outpost Estates Civic Club in 2022, and those who have already paid their dues for 2023. Your investment in the Civic Club is an investment in your community and your property values, and the Board takes this responsibility very seriously. We work hard to provide fun and diverse social events and most of the time the event cost is out of pocket. We also work hard to protect your deed restrictions and therefore insure the value of your property continues to increase, but lack of funds makes this difficult and slow.

The current dues level of \$35/household is not covering our basic expenses.

This will be a discussion at the upcoming January board meeting. We value your thoughts and input and hope you will attend to discuss this and other important matters.

THE VALUE OF YOUR CIVIC CLUB MEMBERSHIP

The cost of a \$35 membership in your Civic Club is one of the most inexpensive investments you will make to protect your home. An active Civic Club helps to keep our deed restrictions current which therefore maintains the integrity of our small neighborhood.

OUTPOST ESTATES CIVIC CLUB MEMBERSHIP FORM



Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

I prefer to receive the Outpost Post Electronically____ Paper Version____

Publish in directory Yes No

Membership in the Civic Club is voluntary at a cost of **\$35 a year** per household.

Checks should be **made payable to Outpost Estates Civic Club** and sent to:

Amy Waiser, Treasurer, 4701 Tilson Lane, 77041

OE Civic Club Board Members

President - Angie Lapp

Vice President - Kevin Young

Treasurer - Amy Waiser

Secretary - Ann Breedveld

Section 1 - Kristi Teter-Faith

Section 2 - Daphne Rambo

Section 3 - Nancy Hall

ACC Chair - Judy Schiro



Civic Club Board

OECivic@gmail.com

Architectural Control Committee

Judy Schiro: TheOEACC@gmail.com

Your Section Representatives are available to assist you with neighborhood questions or concerns.

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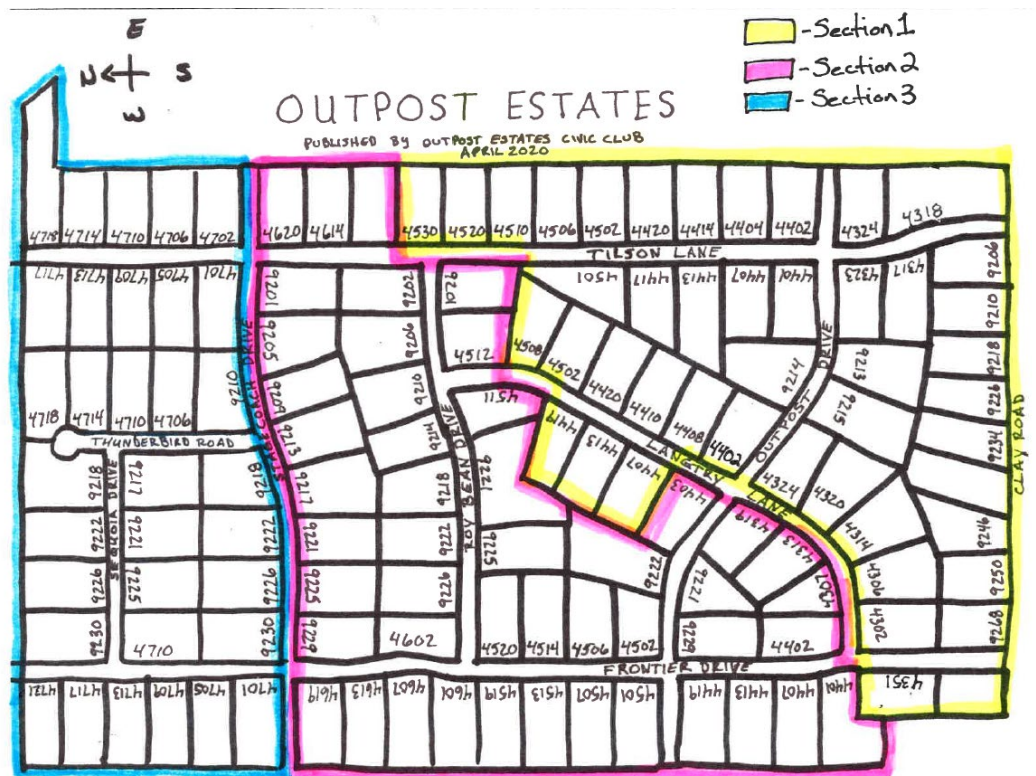
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CIVIC CLUB VS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

What is a Civic Association?

Outpost Estates has a Civic Association (CA) which is a non-profit organization whose primary goal is to improve the quality of life in a given neighborhood through volunteer work by its members. The CA keeps up with important issues affecting the members in a neighborhood (i.e. land-use planning, improvement of infrastructure, traffic management, public safety and crime, etc.) and acts as a liaison with city agencies. Membership is voluntary. Dues are used to coordinate community events.

What is a Homeowners' Association?

A Homeowners' Association (HOA) is a non-stock corporation formed by a real estate developer for the purpose of marketing, managing, and selling lots and homes in a certain subdivision. It grants the developer control in governing the association until a certain amount of lots or homes are sold in the development. When that number of lots or homes are sold, the developer transfers legal responsibility of the organization. Membership in the HOA is mandatory; it is a condition of purchase. Dues are also mandatory. The dues are used to maintain and operate certain common areas throughout the neighborhood. Typically, there are covenants and restrictions which all members must follow.

Advertising in the Outpost Post

Place your ad in the newsletter and let your neighbors know about and support your local business.

Civic Club Member Pricing:

1/4 page ad—Free

1/2 page ad—\$25

Full page ad—\$50

Non-member Price:

1/4 page ad—\$25

1/2 page ad—\$50

Full page ad—\$100

All proceeds from ad sales are used to pay for the newsletter.

**ADVERTISE
YOUR
BUSINESS
HERE**



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