

THE BOCA NEWSLETTER

Membership Edition

A PUBLICATION OF THE **BOULEVARD OAKS CIVIC ASSOCIATION**

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A Letter from the President

Boulevard Oaks is a premier historic neighborhood and great place to live as a result of the dedication of our residents, the commitment of time by our neighborhood volunteers and your continued financial support. "A good neighborhood is not an accident".

As a desirable, close-in neighborhood in one of the fastest growing, most dynamic cities in the country, Boulevard Oaks offers access to great schools, fantastic cultural amenities, restaurants, entertainment and green space. However, we also face the accompanying challenges of re-development, traffic, parking, infrastructure maintenance and criminal activity. These challenges are addressed with the help of committed residents and the outstanding Executive Director, Evalyn Krudy, and the Board of Directors of the Boulevard Oaks Civic Association (BOCA).

Over the next year, BOCA will continue to be your voice in addressing ongoing issues related to development (historic and subdivision restrictions and residential/commercial balance); protection of trees and green space; infrastructure improvements (streets, sewer and drainage, street lights); mobility (bike & pedestrian); and quality of life (blight, homelessness and graffiti).

BOCA will also continue to promote neighborhood engagement and involvement through social events such as Night Out on October 2, the Holiday Caroling Party on December 16, the Egg Hunt on April 20, the annual Mixer (tbd) and the fabulous 4th of July party.

I encourage you to stay involved in making our neighborhood one of Houston's greatest assets. You can do this by volunteering for one or more of BOCA's committees or events, by offering your expertise, and through your financial support. Please renew your BOCA membership for the current fiscal year (July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019) at the highest level your budget allows. BOCA membership levels are \$50.00 - Regular, \$100 - Sustaining and \$200 - Patron. A membership form and reply envelope are enclosed in this newsletter. Mail checks payable to BOCA or visit www.BoulevardOaks.org to pay your dues with a credit card or PayPal Account.

I look forward to working with you and am honored to serve as BOCA's president.

Richard Holt

President 2018-2019

BOCA Celebrates Night Out on October 2nd



Celebrate Night Out! Tuesday, October 2, 2018 from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. on your block. Boulevard Oaks Civic Association (BOCA) and the Patrol Service encourage you to take to the streets and meet your neighbors! Turn on your porch lights and join your neighbors to take a stand against crime. The Patrol Service and on-duty HPD units will visit gatherings. This is a great opportunity to build relationships and meet the officers who help keep our neighborhood safe. We're hoping for a high participation rate again this year!

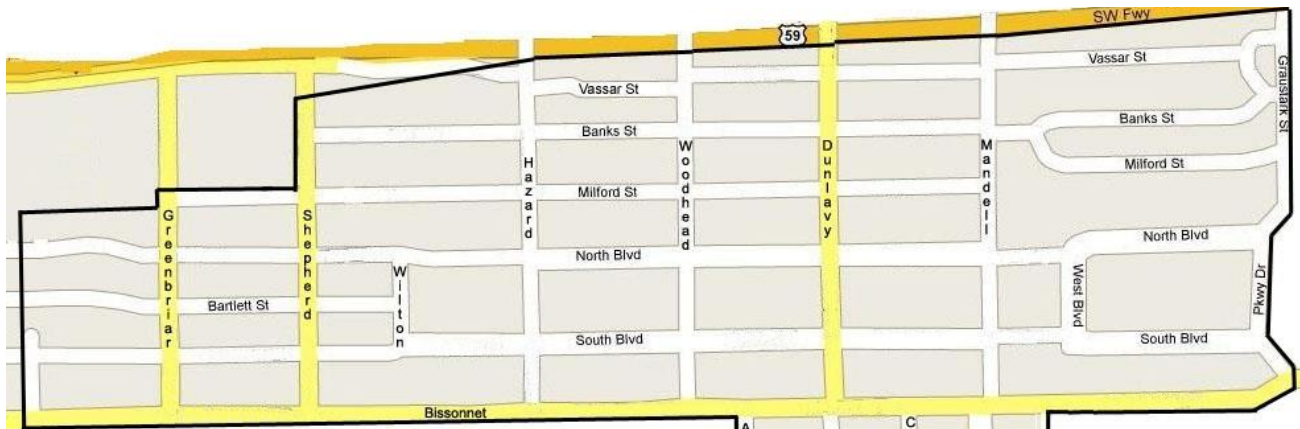
Texas Night Out, originally National Night Out, was moved to October in Texas due to the heat and mosquitoes that are problematic in August. Goals of the event are:

- Heighten crime prevention awareness
- Generate support for, and participation in, local anti-crime efforts
- Strengthen neighborhood spirit and police/community partnerships
- Send a message to criminals letting them know our neighborhood is organized and will fight back

Please consider organizing a gathering on your block. Gatherings can be as simple as lawn chairs at the end of the driveway and BYO, or set up your grill and ice chest in the front yard and see who shows up. Some blocks have more formal gatherings and offer burgers/dogs and invite neighbors to bring a dish to share. Please notify us if you plan to host so that we can send the Patrol and HPD to visit you. For more information or to register your event, send a message to info@BoulevardOaks.org.

Boulevard Oaks Civic Association (BOCA)

FAQs about BOCA, other Civic Groups, and the Patrol Service



BOULEVARD OAKS CIVIC ASSOCIATION

"A good neighborhood is not an accident!"

Q: What is Boulevard Oaks Civic Association?

A: The Boulevard Oaks Civic Association, also known under the acronym "BOCA," was formed in 1980 as the umbrella association of civic clubs in the area bounded by the Southwest Freeway, Morningside, Bissonnet and Parkway. BOCA's original mission was to unite 16 smaller subdivisions, developed in the 1920s and 30s, in order to prevent a rail line from being constructed in place of homes on the north side of Vassar Street. Thankfully, BOCA's initial efforts were successful. Over the years, BOCA has championed numerous initiatives aimed at preserving quality of life and the special character of the neighborhood and surrounding area. These accomplishments include:

- Convincing TXDOT to rebuild the Southwest Freeway with a thoughtful, architecturally designed streetscape, bridges and landscaping.
- Keeping Rick's Cabaret from opening a new location at Greenbriar and the Southwest Freeway (US59).
- Creating the Gateway US59 Scenic District, which has prevented new billboards from being located on the Southwest Freeway (US59).
- Planting more than 2500 street trees through the past 20 years and establishing one of the most notable urban forests in the nation.

Realizing the benefits of strength in numbers, blocks south of Bissonnet joined BOCA's umbrella in the late 1980s and early 90s. These blocks included the 5300 blocks of Cherokee and Mandell, the 1700 blocks of Albans, Wroxton, Bolsover and Rice Blvd., and Southampton Estates.

Now more than 20 subdivisions strong, Boulevard Oaks is comprised of approximately 1400 residences ranging from mansions to modest bungalows to duplexes and apartments. A handful of commercial establishments

Now occupy some of the original homes and duplexes on Bissonnet and Sunset. BOCA is home to two historic districts protected by City ordinances -- the Broadacres and Boulevard Oaks Historic Districts -- which are also listed in the National Register of Historic Places. BOCA's Historic Districts Committee and its Advisory Council monitor construction projects in the districts and formally communicate BOCA's assessments to City authorities. If you are interested in historic preservation and would like to join the Advisory Council please contact Geoffrey Walker, gwalker@andrewskurth.com.

Thanks to the strength of these neighborhoods and the efforts of our organization and countless volunteer hours spent during the past 30 years, our neighborhood's original residential character and charm remain intact.

Q: I receive bills from several neighborhood organizations. Which must I pay?

A: Neighbors are often confused by the variety of financial requests from area neighborhood organizations. Determining which to support, and with what frequency, can be a challenge. Depending on your subdivision, you may receive solicitations throughout the year from the seven groups listed below. While this may seem excessive, all of these organizations are separate entities, and there is no simple way at this time to combine the various fees into one bill.

1) Your subdivision's HOA assessments

BOCA is comprised of 20 subdivisions, each with its own deed restrictions. Some subdivisions have mandatory associations and are subject to mandatory annual dues and assessments. Mandatory subdivisions include Broadacres, Cherokee, Cresmere Place, Edgemont, Ormond Place, W. Ormond Place, Southampton Estates, Southampton Place Townhomes and Vassar Place. HOA assessments are used for deed restriction enforcement and may also include fees for private trash service. In the case of Edgemont, Broadacres and Southampton Estates, Patrol dues are included in HOA dues.

2) BOCA Dues (voluntary but important)

Boulevard Oaks Civic Association, an umbrella organization that deals with the broad issues affecting the 1,270 households and 20 subdivisions that comprise BOCA. Dues reminders are sent several times each year. Levels are \$50, \$100, \$200, and \$30 for tenants. You can read about our activities in this newsletter and on the web at www.BoulevardOaks.org. (Note: Regular level (\$50) BOCA dues are included in assessments for Edgemont & Southampton Estates HOAs. Residents of these subdivisions may elect to increase their BOCA membership level.)

3) BOCA Tree Fund (voluntary / tax-deductible)

The Trees for Boulevard Oaks project seeks to maintain the street tree canopy in all areas of Boulevard Oaks. This program is in conjunction with Trees for Houston and donations are fully tax deductible. Annual requests for contributions are mailed to all households in November. All funds raised go toward street-tree planting and maintenance of our beautiful green canopy. Checks should be made payable to *Trees for Houston*. Include "BOCA" in the memo.

4) Special Initiatives (voluntary)

Stop Ashby High Rise is a joint effort between residents of Boulevard Oaks and Southampton. For more information about the effort to stop the planned 23 story high-rise from being built at Ashby and Bissonnet, visit www.StopAshbyHighRise.org.

5) Sponsorship opportunities for BOCA's special events and newsletter (voluntary)

Special events include the 4th of July Party, Easter Egg Hunt, the Spring Mixer and Holiday Caroling Party. Newsletter sponsorship opportunities are available by contacting the BOCA office.

6) Southampton/Boulevard Oaks Patrol

(\$110 per quarter / voluntary / very important!!!)

The Patrol bills quarterly for this valuable service. Request envelopes and the Patrol newsletter are mailed quarterly. Or visit <https://sbps.memberclicks.net>, and click the Enroll Now button.

Please be aware that the Patrol Service is a separate entity from the Boulevard Oaks Civic Association (BOCA), although it was co-founded by BOCA and the Southampton Civic Club.

Its name was selected to reflect the area it serves. BOCA appoints two representatives to the Patrol's 5-member governing board and stays in close communication with the Patrol Service Coordinator when crime patterns arise. BOCA also maintains the mailing list used for the Patrol's quarterly contribution requests. BOCA sends crime alerts when there is a pattern of burglaries or other serious crimes. Please see page 6 for instructions about signing up for electronic crime alerts. [Note: Homeowners in Broadacres, Edgemont and Southampton Estates do not receive a quarterly solicitation because their patrol fees are included in their annual HOA assessment.]

7) Friends of Fleming Park (voluntary/tax-deductible)

This organization oversees maintenance of Fleming Park located at Sunset & Kent. This city park is in easy walking distance. Donations may be mailed to FFP, c/o Jim Reardon, 2021 Wroxton Rd., Houston TX 77005

Q: Does my BOCA membership extend for one year from the date I last joined?

A: BOCA was established in mid 1980 and follows a fiscal year of July 1 - June 30, in accordance with its bylaws. Dues are applied to the fiscal year in which they are received unless otherwise instructed. However, you are welcome to pay at the same time each year.

Q: Why join BOCA if I already pay annual dues to my subdivision?

A: Working on big-picture items that affect the larger area ensures that all 20+ subdivisions comprising Boulevard Oaks Civic Association remain strong. Detailed information about BOCA's activities and benefits of membership are included in this newsletter. [Note: BOCA regular dues are already included in the annual HOA dues assessments for Edgemont and Southampton Estates.]

Q: May I pay for everything all at once?

A: At present, there is no way to combine your local civic club dues, BOCA dues, and Patrol fees unless you are part of a mandatory association which assesses for all of these entities. Your suggestions for simplifying neighborhood fundraising activities are welcome.

Volunteers Needed

Get to know your neighbors and become more familiar with what is going on in the neighborhood! Volunteer as a Block Captain or serve on a BOCA committee. Block Captains assist in a variety of important functions, from serving as liaison for their blocks, to welcoming new neighbors, to organizing block parties and "Night Out" events. They may help notify neighbors about urgent news.

Volunteers are needed for the 4th of July Committee, Mixers, Graffiti Control, and Beautification. More opportunities are listed on the website.

For more information, contact us at 713-528-BOCA(2622) or info@BoulevardOaks.org.



Support the Patrol!



**SOUTHAMPTTON/
BOULEVARD OAKS
PATROL SERVICE**

Established 35 years ago, the Southamptton / Boulevard Oaks Patrol Service provides patrol coverage to the Boulevard Oaks and Southamptton neighborhoods. This service is an invaluable asset to the neighborhood. Unlike on duty HPD units, the Patrol is able to respond quickly to a variety of calls ranging from suspicious persons to scam artists and graffiti vandals to calls about serious crimes. Although our tax dollars pay for police, the city's budget

does not have the resources to provide regular beat patrols, nor are there enough HPD officers to meet the demand in America's fourth largest city. Our Patrol fills this void.

The Patrol is on-duty 24 hours a day and is staffed by off-duty HPD officers who wear badges, carry guns and make arrests. Many of the officers are assigned to our area during their regular HPD shifts and know the area well. They are available to follow up investigations and track area crime patterns. The Patrol operates two late model police vehicles outfitted with factory police equipment packages, police type identification markings, and lights. Vacation Watch Service and Alarm Service response are available to subscribers. Call 713-825-5555 or submit a request online.

We strongly encourage you to support the *Southamptton / Boulevard Oaks Patrol* and to call **713-825-5555** whenever you see suspicious activity. Contribution requests are mailed quarterly to all Boulevard Oaks households. The subscription fee is \$110 per quarter. For more information, visit <http://sbps.memberclicks.net>.

Crime Prevention Tips from the Patrol Service

HPD has an excellent Crime Prevention Manual available at www.houstonpolice.org. Here are a few of the helpful tips recommended by the Patrol Service:

Turn on your porch lights to help stop crime.

The Patrol requests that neighbors turn on exterior lights at night to deter crime and to help the officers in their work. It's easy for criminals to hide in the dark areas shadows to avoid being caught. Keep bushes and landscaping trimmed to eliminate hiding places.

Remove newspapers and flyers daily. Thieves know that accumulating media is a sign that no one is home. Patrol Subscribers may request vacation watch service online, or by calling 713-825-5555 or by sending a message to SouthampttonBocaPatrol@yahoo.com.

Always activate your alarm system when you leave your home and overnight.

Answer the door when someone knocks or rings the bell, through your locked door. But don't open the door to strangers.

Let them know you are home. If someone is trying to break into your home while you are there, move around, shout and make a lot of noise to let them know someone is inside and call 911 immediately. That will usually scare them away.

If you arrive home to find that your house has been burglarized, do not enter your home until an officer has checked to ensure that burglars are not inside.

Beware of Scams involving thieves posing as workmen for utility companies such as CenterPoint, ATT, or Comcast, are on the rise. In this scam, well-rehearsed thieves wearing stolen uniforms lure unsuspecting residents into backyards to point out fake emergency work that must be performed immediately. Meanwhile, an accomplice burglarizes the home.

The Patrol suggests that if anyone comes to your door requesting access to your yard and you are not expecting them, call 713-825-5555 and the Patrol will verify the identity and credentials of the workmen. Don't allow workmen access until they have been verified.

Post a No Solicitors Sign at your door. From time to time, waves of solicitors cycle through the neighborhood for causes that are nearly always bogus. Don't give money away to solicitors who are most likely scamming you or casing your home.

Solicitors selling magazines are often recent parolees linked to identity theft rings. Others recent scams have involved "alleged" student athletes raising funds for Rice or U of H sports teams. Rice will never send solicitors door to door.

HPD reports that many solicitors have records and arrest warrants. Solicitors who mention neighbors that have supported their cause know names because they have looked inside mail boxes. Call the Patrol when in doubt. Deter solicitors by posting a no-solicitor sign at your door. Signs are available at local stores and through the BOCA office.

34th Fourth of July Party on North Blvd.

Despite dire weather predictions to the contrary, the gods smiled on Boulevard Oaks and the sun came out in time to welcome guests to the 34th annual BOCA 4th of July Party. Streets and tents were dry by the 6pm start time and the weather was simply delicious.

Before it was BOCA's main fundraiser, the 4th of July Party began as an impromptu neighborhood event in the early 1970s on Milford, before finding its permanent home on North Boulevard. Families from the 70s return to celebrate year after year.

According to 4th queen *Sue Lawson*, the party has never been rained out. Sue comes by the royal title honestly, having been crowned "Queen of the FOJ" by her children back in the 80s when her home party headquarters. (*Harry* is King by default.)

The Blenders, a local band new to the FOJ party, serenaded partygoers with great dance music. Parade Marshall *Ted Hirtz* led the bikes and trikes with distinction. Declaration of Independence readers were in full melodious voice. Readers included *Louie Eatherton*, *Ben Johnson*, *Richard Pesikoff*, *Calista Schneidau*, *Geoffrey Walker*, *Dena Yanowski*, *Ken Yanowski* and others. The reading was dedicated to the memory of beloved neighbors *Patricia & Bill Cunningham*. Fifteen veterans were honored, patriotic songs sung, and the Pledge recited before food lines opened.

Thank You 4th Sponsors!

Super Stars (\$200 +)

Richard Holt & Mark McMasters
Mary Flood Nugent & Paul Nugent
Julia & Nick Rasmussen

Continental Congress (\$100+)

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Mary & Marcellus Barone
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David Bryan & Susan Allen-Bryan
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Cece & Mack Fowler
Doris & John Heard
Ellen & Doug Heller
Mary Lou Henry
Susan & Ted Hirtz
Marianne & Rob Jones
Rebecca & Michael Jusbasche
Sue & Harry Lawson
Sharon & Bob Livitz
Fan & Peter Morris

Elaine & Alan Mut
Dr. Nora M. Navone
Alma & Edward John Novotny
Bette & Richard Pesikoff
Amanda Hughes & Daniel Pickering
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Harlene Anderson & Dave Shine
Maria Sosa
Janice & Richard Stuff
John J. Toomey
Frances & Brad Urquhart
Rhett & Laura Van Syoc
Roksan Okan-Vick & James Vick
Geoffrey Walker & Ann Kennedy
Mary Jo & Carl Wimberley
Shannon & Ryan Witz
Sallie & Bob Wright
Steve & Hillary Ybarra

Children enjoyed games and sack races led by *Dena Yanowski*, *Michelle & Nicole Mut* and friends.

This event was possible due to the tireless efforts of chairman *Donna Yanowski*, her husband *Ken*, and daughter *Dena*. Kudos to *Sue & Harry Lawson* for serving as command central, taking care of countless details, and for hosting the set-up and take down parties.

Thanks to those who took on important roles: *Helen Toombs*, *Richard Holt* and *Mark McMasters*, *Mary Nugent* and *Elaine Mut*. Special thanks to *Marsha & Lew Eatherton* for housing the band and providing electricity; to *Picnic* for providing food for the Set up Party; to setup/takedown crew members: *the DeLange-Szulc Family*, *Louie Eatherton*, *Ted Hirtz*, *Ben Johnson*, *Doris & John Heard*, *Betty & Jim Key*, *George Krudy*, *Bob and Sharon Livitz*, *the Murry Family*, *the Mut Family*, *Mary & Paul Nugent*, *Albert Ramos*, *Dave Shine*, *Janice & Richard Stuff*, *Helen Toombs* and many more.

Thanks also to new local brewery, *8th Wonder*, for the in-kind yummy local craft beer, to *Joe Siff* for more beer, and to *Richard Holt* for all other beverages! Event photos by talented resident photographer *Elaine Mut* can be accessed and downloaded from www.BoulevardOaks.org. Photos on this page are by Elaine.

Sons/ Daughters of Liberty (\$50+)

Martha & Sam Bowen
Margaret & Jason Cooper
Bonnie & Dan Cromack
The DeLange / Szulc Family
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Katherine & George Howe
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Stephanie Reynolds
Claudia & Richard Toomey
Kelo & Ken Waldorf
Donna & Ken Yanowsk



BOCA Annual Meeting Recap & TxDot Report on US59/I-69 Reconstruction

On June 5 about 100 BOCA residents met at Poe to elect officers and directors for the 2018-2021 term, and to hear from several speakers about activity in and around the neighborhood. Special thanks to Andrew McCain with John Daugherty Realtors for providing the refreshments

TxDOT reps Eliza Paul and Varuna Singh reported about the upcoming expansion of the Southwest Freeway (US59/I-69) from about Mount Vernon to 288 that is set to take place in 2020 and will last for 5 years. This will be the first segment of a massive project to rebuild 1-45 and its interchanges. The project will depress the US59/69 main lanes, remove the Pierce Elevated, and realign I-45 past the Central Business District (CBD). The Spur will also need to be rebuilt to connect at grade with the newly depressed freeway lanes. Proposed changes are intended to reconnect Downtown to neighboring areas, improve walkability, and add greenspaces. Freeway lanes will be tunnelized east of Downtown.

Singh said the segment of I-69 along BOCA's northern boundary is the third most congested highway in the state and warrants attention. Four interchanges around the CBD will be re-worked.

Given the scope of the project, it will be felt long after the segment just beyond BOCA's boundary is completed. The main impact to BOCA will be traffic congestion and freeway closures that could inundate the neighborhood.

Members heard presentations by Patrol Coordinator Richard Kent and by Erik Erikson, president of the University Place Assn. and Super N'hood.

Greg Marshall from Rice reported about campus activities and the future Innovation District (ID) in the former Sears store on Fannin at Wheeler. He also touched on preliminary plans to build a nearby park deck over the depressed segment of I-69 near Rice is also developing plans to improve safety for bicycles and pedestrians between the ID and the Rice campus.

Poe Parent Patrol Eliminates School Traffic Chaos for 2nd year

BOCA neighbor and Parent Patrol Member Trey Christensen has done a remarkable job of improving traffic flow around the school at pick-up and drop-off times. The team of volunteers keep traffic running smoothly every school day. And thanks to their efforts, driver frustration has been greatly reduced and child safety improved.

The team trouble-shoots parking problems and traffic snarls as they occur. Poe's new 7:30am start time has also minimized conflicts with neighbors in route to work and nearby schools. Our sincere appreciation to Trey and the Parent Patrol team for their dedication and excellent work!

BOCA Officers for 2018 – 2019

(July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019)

<i>President</i>	Richard Holt
<i>President-elect</i>	James Cogan
<i>Vice president</i>	Sue Lawson
<i>Treasurer</i>	Bob Wright
<i>Secretary</i>	Helen Toombs
<i>Past President</i>	Sue Payne

Directors

<i>2016 – 2019</i>	Steve Grossman Norm Rund James Vick
<i>2017 – 2020</i>	Jennifer DeLange Cece Fowler Jean Jenner Geoffrey Walker
<i>2018 - 2021</i>	Trey Christensen Julie Mastroianni Don Reid Radu Tutos

Committees

<i>Deed Restrictions</i>	Geoffrey Walker
<i>Public Works</i>	John Cutler
<i>Trees</i>	Hank Segelke / Wallace Hooker
<i>Website</i>	Dave Shine
<i>Photographer</i>	Elaine Mut
<i>Night Out</i>	James Cogan
<i>Caroling Party</i>	Stephanie Pedigo & Shannon Allen
<i>Mixer</i>	Sue Payne
<i>Easter Egg Hunt</i>	Bonnie Coffman
<i>4th of July Party</i>	Vacant
<i>Executive Director</i>	Evalyn Krudy

Poe Seeks Historic School Photos

Poe needs your help! The 90th Committee is looking for a VERY early photo of Poe, preferably something from 1928 - 1935.

Contact 90years@poepeto.org if you have an old photo or know someone who does.

Volunteers have scoured the Texas Room at the Julia Ideson Library and the archives at U of H and have come up empty handed. Surely there is a great historic photo of Poe in an old box on the closet shelf!?

Please share other photos or memorabilia for the Open House event. Visit Poe on Sat., 9/29, from 10am to 12 noon when volunteers scan or copy your images and will hand them right back to you.



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All neighbors are invited to subscribe to our electronic news and crime alerts list. To subscribe, send a message with your name and physical address to info@BoulevardOaks.org.

Neighborly Reminders

Please don't block sidewalks. Keep sidewalks safe for everyone by ensuring cars do not block sidewalks. It is dangerous and difficult for small children, strollers and the elderly to navigate around cars parked across the sidewalk, or worse, to be forced to walk in the street due to illegally parked vehicles. Please be aware that HPD has initiated a citywide crackdown for this violation.

Parking etiquette. Parking is one of the most common neighborhood irritants and while it's not illegal to park in front of another neighbor's home, it is polite to park in front of your own home when possible and to have your contractors and visitors park there too. Your neighbors will appreciate your thoughtfulness.

Pet Reminders. Please obey City pet regulations: (1) Use a leash! Pets running at-large is prohibited in the city limits. When not indoors or in a fenced yard, pets must be on a leash and "under direct physical control of a live human being at all times." (2) Pick up after your pets! Carry a bag or other means of disposal

with you when walking your pet and use it. (3) Need a place for Fido to run? Visit the Ervan Chew Dog Park on Dunlavy just across the Southwest Freeway.



Private Trash Schedule

Edgemont & Broadacres Trash Info

WCA Waste: 713-526-1536

Household Trash & Yard Waste.....Tues. & Fri.
Recycling.....Friday
Heavy TrashBy appointment

Cherokee Trash Info

For residents of the 5300 blocks of Cherokee and Mandell trash and recycling collection is provided by Texas Pride Disposal. Recycling collection by Texas Pride includes glass collection. For more information contact customer service at 713-705-3534.



Help Keep Leaves Out of Storm Drains

Please remind yard crews to pick up and bag leaves lying in the gutters and not to blow them into the storm drains. This illegal practice clogs the drainage system and creates the perfect breeding ground for mosquito borne illnesses. Clean gutters allow streets to drain properly and help prevent flooding.

Report violations to police at 713-884-3131 or call the Patrol at 713-825-5555. Report clogged storm drains to city's 311 operator.

City Trash Reminders

- 1) Instruct crews to bag leaves and grass clippings in city approved bags or to haul bags and debris away when servicing your lawn. Loose yard waste should not be dumped into trash or recycling containers.
- 2) Place trash containers and recycling bins at the curb. Maintain 3 feet of width between bins to ensure proper operation of automated arm to help crews empty efficiently and prevent spills.
- 3) If possible, avoid parking on the street on trash collection day. If you must park on the street, leave sufficient space between your vehicle and trash container to ensure city solid waste crews have adequate room to safely collect trash. Cars blocking bins result in missed trash collection.
- 4) Call 311 as soon as possible to report missed trash and recycling collection.

City Trash & Recycling

Questions? Call 311



Automated curbside collection	Tuesday
Yard Waste (bagged)	Tuesday
Recycling (Tues. B):.....every <u>other</u> Tuesday	
Sept. 5 & 18	Oct. 2, 16 & 30
Nov. 13 & 27	Dec. 11 & 26

Bins and yard waste bags may be placed at the curb after 6 p.m. the evening before collection and remove them from the curb by 10 p.m. on collection day.

City Heavy Trash

Place items on the curb after 6 p.m. the Sunday before pick up. Tree debris is collected every month. **Junk waste** is collected in **even** months only.

Junk Waste/Tree Debris Collection:

Blocks East of Greenbriar:1st Friday
Blocks West of Greenbriar:3rd Monday

Calendar of Events

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| Sept. 25 | South Blvd. Water Line Construction Meeting – 6:30 pm. @ Poe Elementary, in the Cafeteria |
| Oct. 2 | Night Out in Boulevard Oaks
6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Take to the streets and meet your neighbors. Check the website for party locations. |
| Oct. 31 | Halloween Party @ Fleming Park
4:30 - 6:00 p.m. @ Fleming Park. Come in costume for fun and refreshments. |
| Nov. 6 | Election Day Polls are open 7 a.m. - 7 p.m. Most of BOCA votes at Poe, 5100 Hazard St. |
| Dec. 16 | Caroling Party 4:30 – 6:30 p.m. Join us for music, caroling, hayrides, refreshments and Santa! Watch your inbox for details. |



Celebrate 90 Years of Poe Elementary in October - Everyone Invited!

The Poe PTO is hosting three events this October to mark this exciting year and all neighbors are invited! Grab friends, relatives, and more neighbors, and celebrate the history of our neighborhood school!

Poe History Scanning Session

Saturday 9/29, 10am – 12 noon

Come to the Poe with your historic pics and documents and volunteers will be on hand to scan and copy them on the spot.

Reunion Open House at Poe

Saturday 10/13, 10am - 1pm

The hallways of Poe become memory lane for the day! Reunite with fellow Raven families and share your memories across generations. Don't miss the welcome ceremony at 10am, with school tours and entertainment throughout the day. Enjoy memorabilia and photo displays about every decade at Poe and learn what Poe life is like today - everyone is welcome!

Reunion Happy Hour at Goode Co.

Armadillo Palace on Kirby

Saturday 10/13, 5pm - 7pm

Meet up with neighbors and friends after the Open House to continue the fun! Complimentary appetizer selections for all, and the first 100 attendees will get a free drink ticket. A perfect way to end the day!

Art Auction & Reception

In honor of Poe art teacher Fletcher

Stafford at Flatland Gallery

Thursday 10/18, 6:30pm - 9pm

Place your bid on many fine art pieces from over 50 renowned Houston artists, while celebrating the great tradition of arts education at Poe. Admission and light bites are complimentary, bidding will end at 8:30pm. For guests 21 and over.

***BOCA has been a
proud sponsor
of the Poe Carnival for
the past 33 years***

The carnival is
Saturday 10/27/18
10am -1pm



***This year visit us at the
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