



Timbergrove Manor

Neighborhood Association News

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Grow The Grove

by Scott Douglas

I am delighted to advise everyone that the initiative to plant Live Oak trees within TMNA has gotten a lot of positive response and traction in the last few weeks! I will recap a few key points from last month's newsletter article:

- Over the last few years, TMNA has lost many mature trees due to droughts, freezes, and new home builds.
- A large percentage of mature trees in our area are Water Oaks, which are nearing the end of their 30-50 years lifespan and are becoming hazardous and prone to disease.
- Live Oaks love the Houston climate and are drought, heat, and freeze tolerant.
- Live Oaks are evergreens that provide shade and beauty all year round.
- Old tree growth is the staple of Timbergrove and we have an opportunity to make shaded streets a reality.
- If we planted a few Live Oaks now, we could make a big impact in just a few years.
- The financial success of our "Run the Grove" event can fund this initiative, positively impacting the future of TMNA.

Over the last month, we have drawn up a proposal to push this program forward:

- A two-year initiative to plant 50 Live Oak trees within TMNA, sourced from local nurseries.
- These trees would ideally be planted in the early fall, and will require a rigorous two years of watering.
- Residents of TMNA can fill out an Application Form requesting to have a Live Oak tree planted

in their yard – each application will need to be approved by the TMNA board.

- The criteria for approving a Live Oak application include a commitment by the home owner to watering, specific setback requirements, and that the homeowner be a dues-paying member of TMNA.

Finally, I am excited to inform you that this program was presented at the TMNA Quarterly Meeting on October 1, and unanimous approval was received for using Run the Grove funds for this initiative! If you are interested in this program, please reach out to me at scottdouglas86@gmail.com. The Application Form for requesting a Live Oak tree will soon be available. Looking forward to Growing the Grove together!

TMNA HALLOWEEN EXTRAVAGANZA!

- Tuesday, Oct 31st -

Location

**Meet at the southwest end
of Glen Oaks in the cul-de-sac**

Timing

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

**Children's Costume Judging starts @
6pm followed by the Halloween Parade
and games. Snacks and a food truck
will be available.**

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Water Restrictions Still In Effect

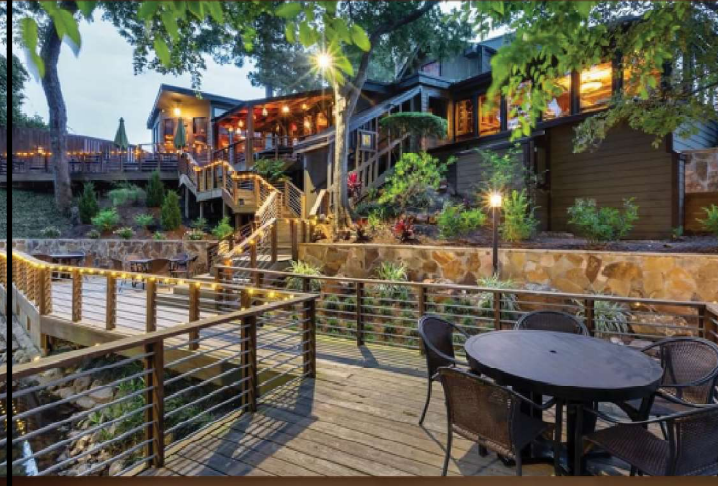
by Tim Hassett

The City of Houston's Stage Two drought response restrictions remain in effect and impose mandatory restrictions limiting outdoor water use to twice a week between the hours of 7pm and 5am under the following schedule:

- Sundays and Thursdays for single-family residential customers with even-numbered street addresses
- Saturdays and Wednesdays for single-family residential customers with odd-numbered street addresses
- Tuesdays and Fridays for all other customers
- Any outdoor water use that drains onto adjacent properties or public or private roadways or streets or gutters is prohibited.

Any water customer who violates these watering times will be issued a written warning for a first time violation. Any subsequent violations are subject to a fine up to \$2,000 for each occurrence. Please call 311 to report water leaks.

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Any Time's A Good Time

by Leah Braden

The neighbors on Nashua and Glen Oaks are ahead of the pack this year, celebrating National Night Out at the end of September, instead of early October. Our youngest participant, who lives on Glen Oaks, is only two months old (we'll not mention the age of the oldest participant) and our newest neighbor moved in two weeks ago! Several neighbors had to leave before this picture was taken but there were about 20 adults and children in attendance. Everyone enjoyed the lively conversation, so we may plan a mid-year National Night Out for the spring!



Yard of the Month



The October Yard of the Month at 1131 Wynnwood is the home of Clinton and Heidi Roeder, sons Miles and Max, and puppy dog Lucy (who greeted me at the door). The pretty pink vincas in the front beds were what caught my eye as I drove by in my search. They are such a welcome splash of color amidst all the brown of drought we see everywhere! The family moved here in 2019 from W. 14th street and they love the quiet neighborhood, access to the hike and bike trail, the shopping and restaurants of the Heights, and the peace of the easement behind their home. Soon after moving in, a large water oak in their front yard died, and they replaced it with two Southern Live oaks. They installed pretty beds against the house, anchored by American Holly trees, with variegated pittosporums, dwarf yaupon hollies, and asparagus ferns. The pink vincas surround all of the beds and bring attention to the backdrop of green shrubs. Two beautiful urns with seasonal color flank the front door. Heidi works with their landscape crew to keep the yard freshened and has plans for more work in their backyard. If the back turns out to be as pretty as the front, it will be a wonderful oasis. Thanks to the Roeder family for sharing their lovely yard with us!

2023 Timbergrove Manor Halloween

by David Templeton

It may be hard to believe, but October is nearly here! It's been another exciting and busy year and we want to continue to host the most exciting event of the year with our TMNA Trick-or-Treat parade, Halloween costume contest for the kids, and a Witches' Hut to offer a little excitement and scare!

When: Tuesday, October 31, 2023, 6:00pm – 8:00pm

Where: The Trick-or-Treat parade will take place along the same traditional route south of 11th Street. It will start at the southwest end of Glen Oaks in the cul-de-sac, travel north along Nashua and then turn west onto Turnpike.

We encourage neighbors to come out and set up tables and chairs along the parade route to cheer and hand out candy to the kids. The more creative and festive, the better! There will also be snacks near the end of the parade with a Witches' Hut to step into and take a chance on a scare, with a food truck set up along the parade route as well.

In order to make each year a success, we need volunteers. If you are a neighbor along the Trick-or-Treat parade route, we are looking for hosts of various carnival games (the games are in TMNA storage, we just need yards to host and run them). In addition to the parade, we want to carry on the Halloween Yard Decorating contest! Let's see which of our neighbors can get creative with their yard! We want to recognize the Best Door, Best Window and Best Overall. Winners will be featured in the November TMNA newsletter.

We will also be holding the Halloween costume contest for kids of various age groups. We need volunteer judges to pick the most creative Halloween costumes amongst our little demons and princesses! Winners will also be featured in the November TMNA newsletter.

For those of you excited to VOLUNTEER to help with the popcorn machine, yard games, Yard

Decorations Judging, and Costume Judging, please contact David Templeton at templeton6469@gmail.com.

We are looking forward to seeing all the kids (both the young and the young-at-heart) and families in their creative and fun costumes!

Lorraine Cherry Nature Preserve News

by Laura Bradham

Hello, Bird Walkers,

I have a few fun things to let you know about as September winds down and October begins:

We've been added to Houston Audubon's Calendar of Events for **Bird Week** (see the following link for details: <https://houstonaudubon.org/programs/birdweek/birdweek.html>). On Tuesday, September 26, at 8:00 am, we will meet at the kiosk for our regular Tuesday morning Bird Walk in the Forest, and perhaps meet a few new folks joining us for Bird Week. If you click on the Bird Week link above you will discover that in addition to bird walks, there will be anything from Bike & Bird to Birdy Yoga to Bird Trivia to Birdy Story Time throughout the week at various places around Houston. Even if you can't make the Tuesday morning Bird Walk in the Forest, you might find you can make it to another event planned for that week.

Our next "First Thursday Evening of the Month Bird Walk" will be November 9th at 5:30 pm.

Our first Morning Mindfulness of the fall will be Saturday, October 7 at 9:30 am. Meet at the kiosk with your folding chair for this event.

Finally, we are planning our Second Bird Field Trip on October 7 as well, turning it into our first ever Double Day! Meet at the kiosk across from the corner of Pineshade and Shelterwood at 10:30 am. We will caravan down to Smith Point and join Gulf Coast Bird Observatory's Celebration Day!

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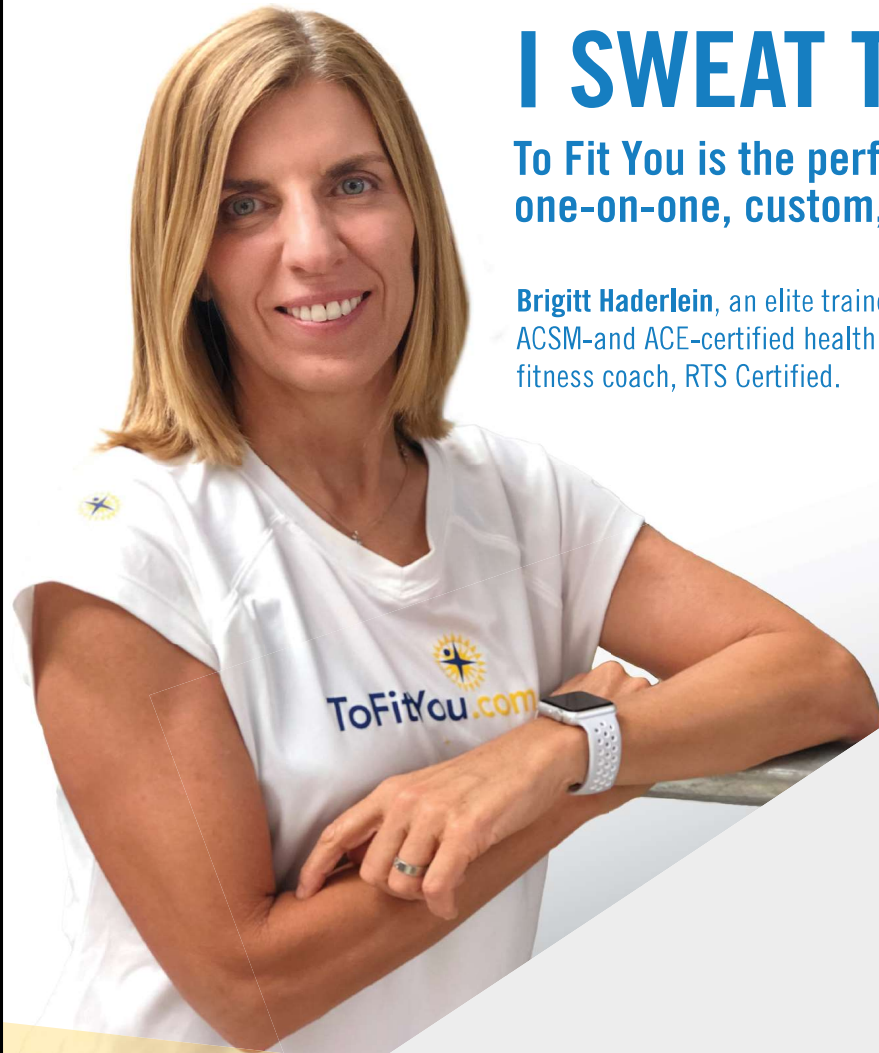
If you can't make both events in one day, pick one and join us. If you can make both, be sure you wear comfortable clothes and shoes, and pack plenty of water with your lunch! You can click on the link above for more information about Gulf Coast Bird Observatory's plans for the day.

I hope to see you in the Lorraine Cherry Nature Preserve soon!

Join TMNA!

To join the Timbergrove Manor Neighborhood Association, go to:
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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
OCT 8	9	10 <i>Voter Registration Deadline</i>	11	12  Garbage Pick-up	13	14
15	16	17	18 Junk Waste Pick-up	19 Garbage Pick-up	20	21
22	23 <i>Start of In-Person Early Election Voting</i>	24	25	26  Garbage Pick-up	27	28
29	30	31  TMNA HALLOWEEN PARADE!!	NOV 1	2 Garbage Pick-up	3 <i>End of In-Person Early Election Voting</i> <i>Newsletter Articles Due</i>	4
5 <i>End of Daylight Savings Time</i>	6	7 <i>Election Day</i>	8	9  Garbage Pick-up	10  Veteran's Day (Observed)	11 <i>Newsletter Distribution</i>
12	13	14	15 Tree Waste Pick-up	16 Garbage Pick-up	17	18