

Neighbors for Neighbors Community Club Newsletter

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I am sad. Not because winter lasted entirely too long but because my next door neighbors have sold their house. They were the first to call and welcome us to the neighborhood. While building our house they offered us the use of theirs. Over the years we have become good friends, sharing many dinners, going to the auction house in Trinity, fishing together. Their mom made me a needlepoint that hangs on my wall. I borrowed an egg or a cup of sugar (even when they weren't home). We laughed a lot. They had some great stories and patiently listened to mine. Each meeting was met with a warm hug. I will miss that. I will miss them. We will have new neighbors soon and it will be my turn to extend the welcome. I can make them some cookies. Once I took a home-made lasagna with Italian sausage to welcome new neighbors only to find out they didn't eat pork. I will stick with cookies, they are safer. Maybe I should make them sugar-free. I will tell them the important stuff, like where the trash dumpsters are, the office hours, the rules of the pool and that it opens in May, how to get this newsletter, sign up for EID, the facebook group page and (of course) the NFNCC. I can tell them about the upcoming Easter Basket Raffle and the Bake Sale. I can tell them about the next HPPOA meeting on May 3rd and assure them that they will want to stay for any activity the NFNCC may be having that afternoon or evening. I can be the one who offers help--that is what a neighbor does. I will keep in contact with the neighbors that are selling and look forward to establishing what I hope is a cherished friendship with the new. One can never have too many good friends. *Kay*



SPORTS VIEW

By Tony Lemoine ("Who Dat")

Let's start by giving a big hand to our favorite pro golfer Ryan Palmer who is related to our neighbors the Harris's. He lost a recent tournament in a playoff but has been in the big bucks so far this year. "Go Ryan"!

Looks like the Texans went for a little security at the QB position by signing Ryan Fitzpatrick from the Tennessee Titans on a 2yr \$7.5million deal. Ryan went the way of Davey Crockett by telling the Titans, "You can all go to hell, I'm going to Texas"! The Houston Rockets are having a great year but can't seem to catch up with the San Antonio Spurs. Oh well, it ain't over till it's over. I still think Kevin McHale is one helluva leader and a great coach. "GO ROCKETS"! It's a little early to see what's gonna happen in the NCAA tournament. Maybe a good ole TEXAS team will get in there and kick some butt. Kaycee Feild sure likes the way those bareback horses buck. He tied his old record and ran away from the contenders in the semi-finals at the Houston Rodeo.

The Dallas Cowboys and the Houston Astros are keeping a low profile. Not too much news about them lately. Either they're good at keeping secrets or they just don't like us. We'll find out soon enough. Ya'll keep the faith and don't forget to stop and smell the roses!

Your friendly neighbor

Tony (WHO DAT) Lemoine



WHAT IS E.I.D. ?

**E.I.D. is a communication service know as
"EMERGENCY INFORMATION DISTRIBUTION"
After You Join You Will Receive a Monthly
E-Mail Newsletter from NFNCC
Emergency Information will be
Text to your Cell Phone
Check the Website for Further Information**

<http://www.harborpointresort.com/EID/>

**E.I.D. is a big help to those of us that do
not leave the neighborhood very much.**

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OUTDOOR REPORT #1

03-08-14 **Rick & Tammy Yawn**, and their Granddaughter **Fallon Davis** went from the public boat ramp on FM 19 or you can put in at harbor point, go through the jungle into the river. They were trolling for white bass up the river near the 190 bridge. They came home with 49. They used crank bait and limited out on Saturday. The white bass are in the river. It takes about 25 minutes to get there.



Fallon caught a nice size crappie while trolling and insisted **Tammy** cook it that night. They were using crank bait with a lip to get down in the water.



03-07-14, Pop and Alice decided to go jug lining. They had a problem finding shad so could only put out 7 1/2 jugs(2 hooks on each jug). We found a few more shad and had 9 catfish when **Bil Culpepper** called and offered us fish. He had fished off the river and caught 15 (several were a very nice size) to add to our collection. He also had shad left, which we took and baited more jugs. At the end of the day we had 2 gallons of fillets for the May fish fry.

03-10-14 we went into Huntsville and noticed the public boat ramp parking area at the Trinity River Bridge in Riverside was overflowing. The word is out that white bass are being caught.

Jack Rogers continues to catch catfish on his trot lines here in the area and has been going up White Rock to crappie fish. Some days are better than others on crappie catches, as is the world of a fisherman. He goes up Caney Creek at least once a week and reports no crappie or white bass.

Pop & Alice took the snowbirds, **Brad & Harriet Travis**, out jug lining. They had a blast and caught 32

catfish of quality size. The most fish they had ever caught in a day.

Becky & Don Motley took their family on a boat ride down Caney Creek & spotted 2 Big Alligators sunning on the bank.



Derriell Pringle fished in a four day tournament on Toledo Bend. Fished Six Mile a little Thursday but spent most of the time north of bridge. Had good luck in Martinez, stayed at marina on Palo Gaucho. He said had a really good time and lot of fun and hopes to be back soon.

03-20-14-**Jack Rogers** cleaned 22 catfish caught off trotline the night before on shad.

03-20-14-**Pop & Alice** caught 18 catfish, 1 crappie and 1 white bass.

03-21-14-**Pop & Alice** caught 13 catfish on shad and 1 crappie on minnows.

03-21-14-**Bil Culpepper** caught 27 catfish and 7 white bass off the river.

03-21-14-**Brad & Harriet Travis** and **Joe Teer** caught 12 catfish on shad. *Alice*

NOTE: Once again Alice came through for us and is giving us a fishing report!!!



Keith Brown took this amazing picture in the park by the boat dock!

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HOW DID YOU END UP IN HARBOR POINT?

Harbor point, our quiet and peaceful place!!!

My husband has been fishing the jungle area of Lake Livingston since the late 1960's.

Then in 1985 we came here to visit with some friends, who were weekenders at that time, to do a little fishing. We loved the quiet & beauty of the lake, and surrounding area!

We were told there was a small place that was for sale down the street from our friends place. It had a small trailer house on it and was sitting on one lot. We bought the place, then proceeded to buy the lot next to it.

As the years went on, the place on the other side of us came up for sale, so we bought that, always keeping in mind we were buying property, not to own a lot of land, but to buy property to keep the land our quiet & beautiful place. Now we had 3 lots, with the back of our place surrounded by paper mill land, this was our quiet and beautiful place!

We were very happy with the quiet & peaceful land, being weekenders ourselves, this was our getaway every weekend from Houston.

Then one weekend we arrived at our quiet and peaceful land to find the paper mill land behind us, was bulldozed over! We were disappointed the wild life was going to be gone, and the quiet and peacefulness was going to be gone! We decided to buy the land behind us, it was 3 lots, in Harbor Point.

The years went by quickly, and soon it was coming time that my husband wanted to RETIRE!!!!

We were still going to keep the place on Lake Livingston as a weekend place and buy on Lake Conroe.

My husband told me to look and get exactly what I wanted ! I looked for 2 years! Then I decided that I was looking in all the wrong places! So I told my husband, let's build on our property on Lake Livingston! I no sooner got the words out of my mouth, and my husband was checking on builders.

We met with the builder that our son used and within a month our house was becoming reality!

We moved in a few months later, now we have 1 house with 2 addresses. One address inside Harbor Point, and 1 address outside Harbor Point!!!

It has been 3 years now since we moved in, and my husband retired, and we still find new friends here in Harbor point, our quiet and peaceful place!!!

Adam and Bonnie Faterkowski



That's her story & she is sticking to it!!

This is my version of how Larry and I found Harbor Point. We received a card in the mail telling about property for sale. When I asked him about it, Larry said he didn't have any plans for the coming weekend so we decided to go to East Texas and look.

When we arrived at Harbor Point, a salesman named George drove us around the area and we found the property we liked. He then drove us back to the office where we signed papers and finalized the deal. As we were driving home I turned to Larry and said "what have we done? We didn't even discuss it." He said "No but I like it" and I liked it too.

We have been here 22 years and we've never looked back. Best decision we ever made!

Norma Jean Mahler

Note: Thank you Norma Jean for your version!! Haha!!



We wanted the country life

When Bobby and I were getting close to retirement we decided we would like to live close to a lake and in the country. We were planning on doing a lot of traveling for long periods of time but we wanted to have a home to come back to. The fact that the truck traffic was getting heavier all the time in LaPorte was also a motivator to move. We looked at some property close to Lake Sam Rayburn but hadn't found any we had to have. When Hurricane Ike came through LaPorte we had come up to stay at Robert and Billie's and decided that we would enjoy living here close to the lake and it would be nice to have family in the same neighborhood. We were looking at the property across the road from them but when we had finally decided that we would make an offer on it and the owner was up here one weekend we were told they had just sold it. That meant we had to start looking again. We got lucky and found the lots just down the street from them. We have really enjoyed living here and have met a lot of great neighbors. It didn't hurt that I discovered some bowling buddies in our neighborhood and was able to even bowl more than in the past and Huntsville is not that far away.

Bobby and Juanelle Harris

SEND US YOUR STORY ON HOW YOU ENDED UP IN HARBOR POINT FULL TIMERS OR WEEKENDS!!

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MAY 3rd—10am
HPPOA MEETING
At CLUBHOUSE



Bags for handicap walkers

One of our part-time new residents, **Michelle Yarborough**, makes the bags they are 15" wide, 11 inches deep with pocket in front, and fasten to the walker with 3 straps that close with Velcro. \$10.00 each. Several different fabric patterns to choose from. If you are interested in a bag, please contact **Alice**, alice.lankford@windstream.net



EASTER



Bake Sale

April 19 At The Entrance Of
Harbor Point



NFNCC WILL RAFFLE OFF
AN EASTER BASKET



ON APRIL 19
GET TICKETS AT THE
OFFICE
\$1.00 a ticket or 6 for \$5.00



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Happy, Happy, Happy

Last summer a lot of work was done to upgrade the Pool restrooms

Alice, Pops, & Mona painted the bathrooms from top to bottom, put up a privacy curtain in front of showers and scrubbed the showers.

Thanks to **Ron & Benita Linden** for donating the shower curtains, and **Brent Hall** for donating the shower head and new counter tops.

Charlotte & CJ Vice replaced the metal locker storage that hold purses, towels and other belongings. They also donated a lawn chair for the pool. The Pool will remain closed for repairs on the Pool itself. If everything goes as planned---

The Pool will open May 26

(Pending repairs)

If anyone has lawn or pool chairs, you are not using anymore, we could use them at the pool.

Vic & Bonnie McGuinness are back from their cruise and a visit to both of Bonnie's sisters in Alabama. Both said they had a good time but glad to be home.

Shirley Parker is so much enjoying her new front and back porches. She sends a "Thank You" to **Don McCaffrey** and son, **Don, Jr**, for doing such a great job. It is relaxing to be able to stand outside and watch the rain. **Barto** would have really enjoyed the porch.

Congratulations to Penny Garcia & Scott Collins they are getting married on March 29.

The yellow jasmine, pear trees, redbud, baby's breath, paper whites, jonquils and Japanese magnolia are blooming, which is a sure sign of spring. We are all ready for spring after the winter we have had. Some of us got a little too antsy and planted tomatoes only to have them freeze during the last blast of cold

Just a final note---

HOW TO KEEP YOUR NEIGHBORS AWAY

Order 8 yards of mushroom mix for your garden and flower beds. That is a small dump truck full of ½ cow manure. If the neighbors stop by they don't stay long.

Alice



Neighbors For Neighbors Community Club Update



The club's fiscal year is March 1 to the last day of February.

**Officers were elected at February meeting
New Officers are:**

President: Kay Culpepper

Vice President: Billie Harris

Secretary: Juanelle Harris

Treasurer: Betty Petty



Committees:

**Fundraiser Organizer: Alice & Pops
Lankford, and Mona Blanton**

Welcome: Betty Petty & Norma Jean Mahler

Correspondent: Mary Woolridge

Caring & Bereavement: Billie Harris



We are growing just like a family, so if you would like to be a part of NFNCC, now is the perfect time to join.

NFNCC would like to invite everyone to come join us. Please come check out a meeting.



A few **Harbor Point Ladies** met at the Clubhouse to stuff April billings into envelopes. We had great fun stuffing, stamping & lots of laughing. **HPPOA** sent out a special "Thank You" to **Jean Fitzgerald, Tina Wheeler, Shirley Parker, Charlotte Vice, Fran Starns, and Billie Harris.**

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RECIPES

CHICKEN SPAGHETTI

4-6 chicken breast, boiled, de-boned and cut into good size pieces (4 cups)

1 large onion, chopped

1 green pepper, chopped

2 cloves garlic, chopped

1 cup celery, chopped

1 small can sliced mushrooms

1 small jar diced pimentos

1 large can whole tomatoes

1 can cream of chicken soup

1 can cream of mushroom soup

4-tablespoons butter or oil

1 large package thin spaghetti (24 oz)

16oz. American cheese (do not substitute), grated

½ cup chicken stock

2 tablespoons flour

Sauté the onion, green pepper, celery, and garlic in the melted butter or salad oil until tender (about 10 minutes). Drain the tomatoes and set the juice aside. Chop up the whole tomatoes in a bowl, then add both cans of soups and ¼ of the tomato juice. Blend well. Add this to the onions and green pepper. Drain the mushrooms and set the juice aside. Blend in mushrooms and pimientos. Add ½ cup chicken stock. When the mixture begins to boil mix the flour in to liquid from the mushrooms to make a watery paste. Pour the flour paste into the mixture and stir well. Let this simmer for about 5 minutes. Add the chicken pieces and about ¾ of the cheese. Simmer until the cheese is thoroughly melted. Cook the spaghetti in the chicken stock (add more water if needed). Combine the cooked spaghetti and chicken mixture in a large casserole container. It is important to mix and stir contents very well. Sprinkle the remaining cheese over the top. Bake at 350 for about 30 minutes, or until hot and bubbly. (You can get the American cheese from deli in a block & grate it yourself)



**We would like to ask our
Neighbors for their Favorite
recipes from their cookbooks**

NEW DEER FEEDER



Chris Stoll is going to take over feeding the deer. As you may or may not know **Norma Jean Mahler** after 10 Years of faithfully serving the deer here at Harbor Point has officially stepped down from her position. She passed on the duties to **Chris** who readily accepted the new position and started Tuesday 3-18. Please keep cans coming. The deer feeding is supported by your can donations. Receptacles for collecting cans are at different sites throughout the neighborhood. But recycling cans in no way pays for all the corn needed. Several Neighbors gave corn, but most of it **Norma Jean** and **Larry** purchased.

We would like to ask our Neighbors to contribute toward buying corn so **Chris** can continue to make our deer happy and content in the neighborhood. **Pops & Alice Lankford** started him out with 3 bags of corn. **Chuck Taylor** dropped off a bag of corn. **Derrell Pringle** donated 4 bags of crushed cans that enabled the purchase of two more bags of corn.

[Please keep those cans & corn coming.](#)

We also want to thank **Chris** for taking on this project. In case you didn't know, he is the one cleaning up around the dumpsters. So let's all thank him when we see him riding around on his golf cart.

Thank you Norma Jean for your work in the past and Chris for continuing her service.



**THE NEXT NEWSLETTER WILL BE OUT
THE 1ST WEEK IN May**

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OUTDOOR REPORT #2



Now that Spring has arrived, a word of caution with regard to snakes.

As the sun warms up the rocks between the boat slips and the fishing pier, the water moccasins will crawl up on the rocks to warm from their hibernation. (Cottonmouths are venomous semi-aquatic snakes often referred to as "water moccasins")

Please keep your children and pets away from the rocks.

Below are the do's and don'ts for treatment of snake bites. There have been many snake bite remedies offered over the years. Recent studies have concluded that the following protocols are best: (Note 1)

- 1. Stay calm**, get safely away from the snake, and have someone call 9-1-1 (or the emergency number in your area). The less the victim moves the bitten site, the less likely the venom will be profused and cause damage.
- 2. Have the victim lie down** with the affected limb lower than the heart. Keep the limb immobilized. If practical, splint the limb.
- 3. Treat for shock** and preserve body heat.
- 4. Remove restricting items** such as any rings, bracelets, boots, from the bitten extremity. (It WILL swell.)
- 5. Apply a light constricting band** about 2" above and below the bite, however never place the bands on either side of a joint (such as above and below the knee or elbow). This band should be made up of wide, soft material that could be a handkerchief or shredded clothing. The band should only be as tight as the band the nurse applies when giving a blood test.
◦NOTE: The purpose of constricting bands is to restrict lymphatic flow, not blood, so they should not be too tight. Check pulses below the bands and readjust them as necessary when they tighten due to swelling.
- 6. Wash the bite with soap and water** (if available).

7. **If the victim has to walk out**, sit calmly for 20-30 minutes to let the venom localize at the site, proceed calmly to the nearest source of help and try to avoid unnecessary exertion that will stimulate circulation of the poison.

8. **Get the victim to definitive medical care** for antivenin that will provide the greatest relief from the toxic effects of the bite.

ACTIONS TO AVOID:

1. DO NOT cut the bite. The additional tissue damage may actually increase the diffusion of the toxins throughout the body.

2. DO NOT apply a tourniquet. Such action can result in the loss of the limb.

3. NEVER try to suck out the venom by mouth. You can try the suction cup in a snakebite kit if it doesn't delay other needed treatment. Suctioning seldom provides any measurable advantages, however.

4. Do not apply cold and/or ice packs. Recent studies indicate that application of cold or ice makes the injury much worse. Because injection of venom is voluntary, venomous snakes may occasionally deliver a "dry" bite in which no venom is injected. This can occur when snakes produce a superficial bite or are panicked. About one in five bites to humans from venomous snakes are in this category. At other times only a specific amount of venom is injected. Due to the spongy nature of the glands it is nearly impossible for a snake to expel all of its venom. When most of the venom is expelled from the glands, between 15 and 20 days are required for the secretory tissue to refill the glands. However, secretion appears to be rapid during the first few days, so that venomous snakes may possess dangerous quantities of venom within a day or two of its expulsion.



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The NFNCC Fish Fry was a huge success.



Let the serving begin



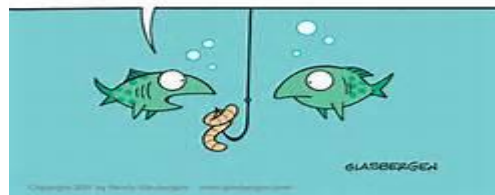
**Thanks to our cooking team,
Joe Teer, Bil Culpepper and
Larry Mahler**



Assembly line



**I'M THINKING ABOUT GOING ONLINE,
BUT I HEARD IT CAN BE DANGEROUS!**



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We were sorry for the waits for food but you knew it was fresh.



Thanks to all who helped and all who supported us



**NFNCC PLANNING
ANOTHER**



**MAY 3 SAME DAY AS HPPOA MEETING
PLATE \$7.00 DESERT \$1.00
5:00 pm AT CLUBHOUSE
(WILL HAVE ANOTHER BURNER SO NO WAITING)**

**All of the fish were caught
locally**

