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Village Voice

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Fall Festival and Community Showcase/Craft Sale

The 2004 Fall Festival and Community Showcase/Craft Sale will be held on Saturday, October 23, 2004 from 5:00 pm until 7:00 pm in the Colony Creek park area.

This year's event will be geared not only to the children in the neighborhood, but also to adults who may have no children at all. There will be a craft sale and community showcase for the adults, as well as food, fellowship and fun.

The children will enjoy the many games, pony rides, a petting zoo, a rock climbing wall and much, much more.

All of the rides, games, food, and fun are FREE, but bring your checkbook and be prepared to do some Christmas shopping at the Community Showcase and Craft Sale!

This part of the Fall Festival is for neighbors who make crafts or have a business to promote. We do not charge for the space you use to set up your booth. The requirements are that you must be a Colony Creek or Champion Woods resident and you must bring everything you need (including table, etc) to display your business.

In the past we have had many different types of businesses set up a booth, from makeup companies to wood crafts to insurance. The craft and community showcase booths are mingled throughout the games so you have lots of exposure.

If you are interested in having space at the Fall Festival, please contact Jeanette Hill at (281) 320-8890 or via e-mail at missjeanette@houston.rr.com.

This year we have a new Fall Festival coordinator, Julie Lloyd. We are very pleased to have her on board with this great event and we know she is excited about making this year's Fall Festival something to be remembered! Please help her out by volunteering in some way. You can either call her at 713-208-4610 or via e-mail at juliel@metronational.com.

We are also asking that each home donate at least one bag of candy to be used as prizes for the Festival. You may drop those off at 8802 Tweedbrook or 16918 Kettle Creek Dr. between October 13th—20th.

To recap, mark your calendar now for Saturday, October 23. Come to the Fall Festival where you can play games, do crafts, ride a pony, visit a petting zoo, climb a rock wall, eat hot dogs and other yummy food, go Christmas shopping, learn about volunteer opportunities in your neighborhood and much more.

Look for a pull out flyer in this newsletter to stick on your refrigerator to remind you.

We will see you there!

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Education is not the filling of a pail, but the lighting of a fire.
William Butler Yeats

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Animal Control 281-999-3191
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From Your President...

The year is almost over, and it is now time to set our budget for 2005. As most of you have seen in your own electric bill the cost of fuel has gotten out there. So it is with the cost of our street lights and signs. After careful consideration we (The whole board of directors) have decided to increase the assessments this year by \$5.00 per year. This should offset the additional cost of electricity as well as the 7.5% increase in our security contract with the Sheriff's Dept. I hate increases in anything just like the rest of you, but it sure seems the cost of things are going up a lot faster these days.

Just for your information here is what your neighbors are paying. Remember we have a Sheriff's contract, streetlights, grounds maintenance, and a swimming pool, tennis courts and park facilities that are open to all residents.

Memorial Chase	\$190.00	1083 homes
Champion Springs	\$600.00	259 homes
Memorial Northwest	\$190.00	2196 homes
<i>(separate pool/tennis membership)</i>		
Normandy Forest	\$385.00	400 homes
<i>(135 yet to build)</i>		
Oakwood Glen	\$296.87	1100 homes
Colony Creek	\$245.00	1093 homes

The biggest challenge we have each year is to make sure we can operate and repair anything that comes along. As you are all aware this subdivision began in 1979. Our buildings and pool are that old too. That is why it has become necessary to rewire the whole pool area. Things have been added here and there and the entire breaker area in the pump room is in need of replacement. This happens each year. We need to retain enough surpluses to stay ahead of it all. If you have any questions we still meet on the first Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m.

Danny Woods

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★ www.colonycreekvillage.org ★
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★ The Colony Creek Village web site is approaching one year old. There was a very serious need for a way to supply **up-to-date** information and our web site is it. The *Village Voice* newsletter is an excellent publication but because of the frequency of printing it was hard to communicate schedule changes or community news items immediately. Besides current pool and club house schedules you'll find links and phone numbers to various community organizations as well as forms for pool passes and home improvements. You'll also find Code Amber Alerts™, local news (courtesy of ABC13) and weather. If you haven't already, please pay a visit to YOUR website and bookmark the home page.

★ Look for the ways the site can help you. If you should have any questions or concerns about the web site or wish to communicate with the Board of Directors or CIA services please use the "Feedback" button found at the top of each page. Remember to include your name, phone number and email address.

★ The web site is a "work in progress" and will be constantly improving to bring you the best community web site.

★ www.colonycreekvillage.org is the **only official** web site of Colony Creek Village, Champion Woods and Colony Creek Estates.

★ Dave Hochstaetter
★ Web Site Administrator
★

Clubhouse News

Submitted by Byron Brown

Once again I will try to bring you up to date on our neighborhood clubhouse.

The past year it has been very busy with meetings by all kinds of folks. From Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, birthday parties, graduation parties, Bunko, scrap-booking, pool parties, etc. it has been well utilized. As fall approaches it will get much busier (about 20 uses per month) than it has been during the summer. Remember it is available to all residents of Colony Creek Village.

The clubhouse is equipped with a full size refrigerator, a full size stove, microwave, coffee pot, 24 chairs and 6 folding tables. It is heated and air conditioned and has a bathroom. All the cleaning supplies are there to help you put it back in the same condition you find it so it is ready for the next person.

If you would like to make reservations to use the clubhouse you must contact Houston Prewitt at CIA Services (the phone number is in your newsletter). Houston will check the official calendar to see if it available on the requested date. You can also check the calendar on the official neighborhood website for available dates but you must still contact CIA to make sure there haven't been any last minute changes. The cost to rent the clubhouse is \$25 to cover the utilities and cleaning supplies. A \$100 deposit is required which is returned if you clean the clubhouse after your use. You must have a key to the playground/tennis court to get to the clubhouse and then the key to the building is in a combination lock box on the door frame to the clubhouse. The day or so before your function you need to call me and I will give you the current

combination to the lockbox. The door to the pool area is not open unless you are also renting the pool for your party. If you have not used the clubhouse before I will meet you at the building and go over the guidelines.

If you have any questions about the clubhouse or would like to see it before making your reservations, feel free to contact me and I will meet you there at a mutually convenient time to show you around. Remember to make your reservations several weeks in advance so you can get the date desired and have time to get the checks to CIA.

Village Voice

Advertising Rates

VVC Classified (resident)	\$5.00
VVC Classified (non-resident)	\$7.00
Business Card (resident)	\$10.00
Business Card (non-resident)	\$20.00
Back Cover Page Ad	\$125.00
(rotation basis, see editor)	
Whole Page Ad	\$100.00
Half Page Ad	\$60.00
Quarter Page Ad	\$40.00

To place an advertisement, submit your ad camera ready and check, payable to Colony Creek Village C.A., on or before the newsletter deadline. Advertising will not run without prepayment. All ads should be mailed or delivered to Jeanette Hill, 9423 Bayou Bluff Drive, Spring, TX 77379.

Got something on your mind??? The Village Voice is a great place to voice your opinion! If you have something to share with your fellow Colony Creek/Champion Woods residents, feel free to submit it to Jeanette Hill, 9423 Bayou Bluff Drive, Spring, TX 77379 or via e-mail at missjeanette@houston.rr.com.



We are ever striving to improve our amenities! We will soon be enlarging the basketball court. We apologize for any inconvenience it will cause while the improvements are being made, but we are sure you will enjoy the finished product.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

Homeowners Association Meetings are held at the clubhouse located behind the pool on the first Thursday of each month (except May and December) at 6:30 pm. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend!

Upcoming Meetings:

September 2

October 7

November 4



Viewpoints expressed in the Village Voice are those of the writers, not necessarily of the Board of Directors or the Editor. Disclaimer: This newsletter was created as a public service to the residents of Colony Creek Village, Champion Woods and Colony Creek Estates. Every effort has been made to insure accuracy. In no event will CCVCA, its board of directors or CIA Services be liable to you or to any third party for any direct, indirect, incidental, consequential, special or exemplary damages or lost profit resulting from any errors, use or misuse of information contained in this publication.

New Village Voice Deadlines

We are changing the Village Voice to better serve you. We will now be offering 4 editions: Autumn, Winter, Spring and Summer. The deadlines are as follows:

November 15 for the **Winter Edition** (December—February)



February 15 for the **Spring Edition** (March—May)

May 15 for the **Summer Edition** (June—August)

August 15 for the **Autumn Edition** (September—November)

If you have any information that the neighborhood needs to know about that comes up in between editions, you can always post it on our yahoo group (join by sending a blank e-mail to

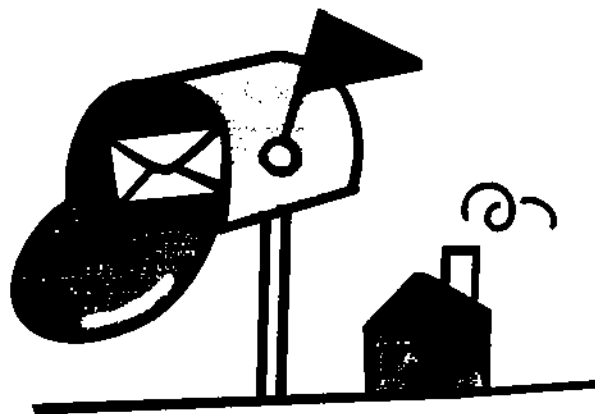
ColonyCreek-subscribe@yahoogroups.com) or sending the information to Jeanette at missjeanette@houston.rr.com to be posted on the website and/or mar-quees.

Remember that articles from residents are always encouraged!

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 * We want to work with you! If
 * you have received a letter
 * from CIA Services regarding a
 * deed restriction violation and
 * feel it is in error or need more
 * time on something, please con-
 * tact a board member! We
 * would love to talk to you about
 * resolving the issue.
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Be on the lookout in your mailbox for the 2005 Main- tenance Fee state- ments!!

Tennis Inquiry: "I am in-
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 game of doubles every week
 or so. Anyone who would
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 Smith at 281-370-1871.
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 start a league; it is simply to
 enjoy the game of tennis."



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Making Improvements to your Home?

If you are planning to make any improvements to your home, you will need to fill out a Home Improvement Form and mail it to:

C.I.A. Services, Inc.

5616 F.M. 1960 East, Ste. 190

Humble, TX 77346

You may get a copy of the form by visiting www.colonycreekvillage.org. The form is located under the deed restrictions tab of the community documents and forms section. Otherwise, contact C.I.A. Services at (281) 296-2503 for a form.

Your request will be forwarded to the Architectural Control Committee for approval.



GET CONNECTED!!

Our neighborhood e-mail circuit is growing by leaps and bounds! If you are not a part of this group, you are strongly encouraged to join! This is a free, low volume e-mail group in which you are sent updates and information pertinent to our community. No solicitation is allowed. Simply send an e-mail with "subscribe" in the subject line to ColonyCreek-subscribe@yahoogroups.com and you will be in the loop!!

If you have any questions or are having problems subscribing send an e-mail to missjeanette@houston.rr.com.

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Classified

Advertising in the VV Classified for residents is \$5.00 for a 4-5 line ad. Non-residents may also run an ad for \$7.00. Make checks payable to CCVCA.

Mail ads to: Jeanette Hill, 9423 Bayou Bluff Drive, Spring, TX, 77379 or e-mail them to

missjeanette@houston.rr.com.

All ads should be typed or neatly handwritten and submitted by the next deadline—November 15, 2004

 **Your ad here!**

CCVCA's Sheriff Contract

Colony Creek Village & Champion Woods have a contract with the Sheriff's Department. Should you require police assistance, please contact the Sheriff's Department. This will allow our subdivision to receive a more accurate report of activities. Emergencies call 911, non-emergencies call (281) 376-0900 or (713) 221-6000.

Towing Enforced

Cars parked in the pool area parking lot after 10 pm will be towed at the owner's expense.

Leash Law

The CCV Deed Restriction states: No more than 2 of each type of household pet may be kept on any one lot. When outside of fence or home, pets MUST be on a leash. This is the LAW.

Don't forget to clean up after your pets!

Recycling

Don't forget to recycle. Place all recyclable goods in your recycling container ready for pickup at the curb on Monday mornings before 7 a.m. Heavy trash pickup day is Monday.

Trash Processing

Trash cans must be within 3 feet of the curb on trash day. TEW is not required to process garbage left beyond 3 feet.



**Attention, Moms of
Krahn Elementary!**



Here is an opportunity for you to become part of a group called Moms In Touch. It is a group of mothers who meet for one hour each week to pray for their children who attend Krahn Elementary. We know our children face much pressure at school and to "stand in the gap" through prayer is the best gift we can give to them.

The purpose of MIT is to intercede for our children through prayer and to pray that our school may be guided by biblical values and high moral standards.

If you are a mother, grandmother, aunt or friend who is willing to pray for a specific child at Krahn or if you would like to hear more about this group, then please join us for an

Open House on Friday morning
September 3rd from 8:30 – 9:30

For location and more information please contact Wendy at 281-251-4362 or April at 281-655-1246.

*"Where two or three are gathered in my name,
there am I in the midst of them."*

Matthew 18:20

Toll Road Proposal
Submitted by Glen Wells

The Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) has made a proposal to convert the existing portion of State Highway 249 from Beltway 8 to Spring Cypress into a Toll Road. This will be an expensive proposition to people living along 249. TXDOT is required to hold public meetings as part of the process of developing this proposal. Two meetings were held recently, and future meetings will be scheduled. While there was significant opposition voiced in these meetings, TXDOT is continuing with its plan for the toll way. Our State Legislature has already passed a law to allow TXDOT to do this. The only public body remaining to approve or deny this is the Harris County Commissioners Court. The State is desperately searching for new ways to fund its projects, but many people believe that charging a toll on a road that is already built and has been presented as a free and open highway is unfair. There are two good web sites that I know of that have been set up to provide information and organize opposition to this proposal. The main thing that can be done by anyone who wants to do something to oppose this is to write or call each of the members of the Commissioners Court - Judge Eckels and Commissioners Eversole, Radack, Garcia, and Lee - as well as our local State Rep Peggy Hamric and State Senator Jon Lindsay.

<http://www.cashtrap.us/>

<http://www.sh249tollroad.com/>

<http://www.co.harris.tx.us/commerc.html>
(Harris County Commissioners Court Site)

<http://www.capitol.state.tx.us/> (State Legislature Site)



Mark your calendars now for...

DUSTY'S ANNUAL NEIGHBORHOOD PARTY

Friday, October 8, 2004

3:00-6:00 p.m.

Come and go anytime

Corner of Park Lodge and Driftstone (Colony Creek)

RED signs will be posted throughout the neighborhood Wednesday - Friday (October 6-8).

Lots of fun... Kibbey the Clown will make balloon animals. There will be face painting, temporary tattoos, and quilt painting (the quilt will be donated to the Texas Children's Hospital). Also, a box for nonperishable food items will be available for anyone who wants to make a contribution. All food given will be donated to a food pantry.

There will be a new attraction this year: a Reader's Chair--books provided or bring your own to share. Adults have fun watching the kids have fun. Bring a chair and visit with other folks who love to come. Parents, aunts, uncles, teachers, grandparents, and friends – EVERYONE IS WELCOME.

"Mr. Richard" and "Mrs. Loretta" Johnson
17234 Park Lodge Drive
(281) 320-8016

In Memory of
Angel Dust Johnson
"Dusty"

A golden retriever – human thoughts
October 13, 1991 – August 1, 2003



The CCVCA Board of Directors would like the residents to consider the following two petitions to present to Harris County: (Need 25% of the residents)

What:

- 1) Dropping the speed limit in the subdivision from 30 MPH to 20 MPH

(Need 51% of the residents)

- 2) Prohibit commercial vehicles over 1 ton from parking on the subdivision streets between the hours of 10 pm and 6 am.

Why:

Speed has been a never ending battle in the subdivision. Through streets like Driftstone Drive, Bayou Bluff, Colony Creek Drive etc provide the opportunity to cruise on through at high rates of speed. We cannot install speed bumps and additional stop signs have been requested for years. We flat out need to slow the traffic down before there is an incident.

Parking of commercial trucks has gotten worse over the years. Residential streets are not designed for the parking of oversized vehicles.

When:

Members of the Board of Directors will be going door-to-door soon presenting these petitions. We would appreciate your cooperation and support in getting these two items passed. If you have any questions, please contact a member of the board.





Fall festival 2004

COLONY CREEK PARK AREA

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23RD

FROM 5:00 PM—7:00 PM

Hot Dogs

Pumpkins

Funfair

20-000-0000-0000

Come enjoy an evening of fun with
your neighbors.

Volunteers Needed !!!

Contact Julie Lloyd

713-208-4610

juliel@metronational.com

If your business would like to make
a donation to the festival, you will
receive a free business card size ad
in the next Village Voice newsletter.

Candy Donations Needed
Drop off your bag of candy at
8802 Tweedbrook
16918 Kettle Creek Dr.
October 13th—20th.



Rock Wall

Petting Zoo

Games

Door Prizes

Moonwalk

Teen Directory

B= Babysitting, R= Red Cross Certified
 Y= Yard Work, P= Pet Sitting
 T= Tutoring, O= Odd Jobs

Morgan	12	BP	281-379-6288
Theresa	17	B	281-379-5758
William	15	LO	832-717-0643
Jonathon	17	PYO	281-376-4618
Holly	17	*B	281-379-3138
Taylor	14	*BPT	281-379-4237
Chase	17	Y	281-251-9876
Kelly	17	B	281-376-5079
Bryan	13	Y	281-379-6457
Amy	16	B	281-320-8259
Allison	13	BP	281-320-8259
Kesandra	14	B	281-379-1930
Tera	12	BP	281-379-2311
Ashley	14	BPT	281-379-2187
Jamie	13	BP	281-320-0449
Kayla	15	BPYO	281-374-0950
Eric	13	BPTO	281-376-7693

To update your listing or to place a listing, please contact Jeanette Hill
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To Duck or Not to Duck

By Sonya Nelson

On Tuesday, June 29th the Colony Creek drainage pond was "gifted" with ten ducks some time between Noon and 1:00 p.m. I know this as I had been keeping an eye on a duck who had been "gifted" with three others the previous month. Upon my notification, a representative from the Lone Star Wildlife Rescue came by and rescued two of the small ducks in May. The third one mysteriously disappeared and that left us with the fourth, lone duck. His wings were almost developed and I was expecting him to fly off in search of others of his kind any day. In my comings and goings, I would look to see if he had left yet. It was my hope that no other ducks would show up like this first set had.

On that Tuesday, I left around noon and no ducks were present. By the time I returned at 1:00, ten ducks had been delivered and were all about the pond.

These particular ducks are Muscovy ducks. They are often multi-colored and are unique because of the bright red crest around their eyes and above their beaks. "Who cares?" you might ask, "What difference does it make? So there are some ducks at the pond." The problem does not lie in the current population of ducks living at the pond. The problem lies in the *potential* for the *over*-population of ducks at the pond.

Muscovy ducks are prolific

in that the hens can lay eggs up to three times per year. The egg clutches can vary from 8-21 eggs. You don't need a calculator to see where this is headed! According to Marsha Harper with the Lone Star Wildlife Rescue, Muscovy ducks are very good parents. The hen is an expert at hiding her nest under bushes and protecting both the eggs and the newborn. Needless to say, the odds of the ducklings becoming adults to further add to the population are quite good. With this understanding of what's at stake, let's discuss the status quo and the possible solutions.

First, let's look at the state of the birds. Unknowingly, people feed ducks thinking that they are doing a good thing or that it isn't hurting anything. What happens, however, is that rather than seek out food for themselves the ducks develop the habit of seeking out humans because they associate humans as being their source of food. Chances are the adult ducks came to our pond with this habit already in place. Not long after they arrived here, the birds started to come to the street not necessarily because they could not find food but because they are in the habit of finding humans when they want to be fed.

Marsha Harper had told me that Muscovy ducks were very sociable and would walk around the neighborhood and were not scared to cross the street. They were going to walk the streets looking for someone to feed them. I thought it more reasonable to keep them by

the pond so I purchased some seed at a nearby feed store and feed them whenever I see them up by the street. On one hand, it keeps them contained but, on the other hand, it continues to make them dependent upon humans because they do not have the skill of finding food for themselves. Thus, the cycle continues.

Let's look at what can be done. The good news is that the Lone Star Wildlife Rescue has volunteers such as Marsha Harper who can rehabilitate the ducks and adopt them to people who live in the country and who want more fowl on their property. This would require that we, as residents, capture the birds and call Ms. Harper to meet us to pick them up.

This is what she and I did with the first small group that arrived in May. When the ducks are babies and cannot fly, they are relatively easy to capture. Once their wings develop, however, they can get away by becoming airborne if only to fly 15 feet away and escape the captors. Ultimately, it does appear that we could find a way to catch and relocate them. That brings us to the foundational problem.

Once these ten birds are gone, there is the distinct possibility that the person who "gifted" them to us in the first place will say, "Hey ~ time to take more ducks over to Colony Creek! They sure do a good job of getting rid of them!" They bring more feathered

friends and we begin again.

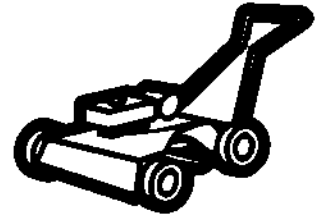
In my conversations with her, Ms. Harper made two suggestions in regards to this challenge. She suggested that we educate the residents of Colony Creek as to what the probable outcome is if we choose to ignore the ducks (over-population). She also suggested that we place a sign at the pond stating something like "No Duck Dumping" with her pager number on the sign to refer people to her. Apparently, this is what they do at Hooks Airport. With this sign in place, it becomes illegal if a person is caught leaving the birds thus discouraging people to do so.

President Danny Woods is open to finding a solution and encouraged me to write this article to explain to everyone what is happening with this situation. I am open to suggestions and invite you to contact me. My name is Sonya Nelson and I may be reached by phone at 281-655-7215 or by email at thecandlelady@houston.rr.com or let Mr. Woods know of any ideas you may have. Volunteers to both help capture the birds and to transport them are needed. Additionally, we need help from the neighbors that live by the pond to be aware of anyone bringing more birds so you may report descriptions of them or their vehicles to Danny Woods.

To duck or not to duck? This is the question we as a community must ask. To take action and eliminate the problem now while it is manageable makes more sense than waiting until it has escalated out of control. Please consider how you might be able to help with this situation and act now! Thank you.



Please do not blow or sweep your grass clippings into the storm drains. We need those drains to stay clear to protect our neighborhood from flooding. Thank you for your cooperation!



There have been reports of excessive speeding, especially in the mornings as people are taking their children to school. Please be aware that many children are walking and riding their bicycles to school and may have to walk in the street when cars are blocking the sidewalks. Please be very alert and slow down. It only takes a second for an accident to happen that would alter lives forever.



PLEASE SLOW DOWN!

St. Ignatius Loyola Church Fall Festival

October 23rd 12pm—9pm

October 24th 12 pm—6pm

Games, Laser Tag, food booths, raffles, auction, bingo, dance contest, craft booths



(Booth Space Available)

Fun for the entire family!

7810 Cypresswood Drive, next to Meyer Park in Spring

Rain or shine—look for the big top!



Local School News:



Krahn:

Interested in volunteering in some way at Krahn Elementary? Come join us at the Volunteer Orientation which will be held on Thursday, September 2 at 9:00 am at Krahn. You will learn about all the different opportunities to volunteer and make a difference. We hope to see you there!

Kleb:

Kleb Intermediate School Open House

Kleb's Fall Open House is September 23, 2004.

Klein ISD \$224 Million Bond

Klein ISD is calling for a \$224,000,000 bond election this October. The board has spent the last two years planning and developing a plan for this new bond. Below is a quick summary of how the monies will be distributed beginning in 2005 through 2011.

\$106,000,000 – Growth

Two new elementary schools will be built for projected completion in fall of 2006 and 2009, a new intermediate school in fall of 2007, as well as purchasing land for the district's sixth high school. Also allow for growth for a transportation building, a network operations center and educational training facility.

\$72,000,000 – 21st Century Learning and Technology

Purchase new technology such as laptop and desktop computers. Install wireless access and infrastructure components. Obtain more classroom projectors, document cameras and interactive whiteboards.

\$13,000,000 – Safety and Security

Upgrade fire detection systems. Install security cameras and improve safety control. Improve energy conservation and police department.

\$33,000,000 – Equity

Renovations to intermediate schools science and fine arts labs. Create elementary school science and fine arts labs. Completion of physical education facilities at elementary schools. And finally, use monies for building upkeep and renovations.

To obtain more information on this bond issue log on to www.klein.isd.net and click on 2004 Bond. Other points of interest on this site are: What is My School Getting?; Question and Answers; How the money will be spent over the next seven years; Survey Results and much more.

The issuance of the bond is very important to the improvement of our Klein schools. Don't miss the opportunity to vote early on this issue at the Kleb open house on September 23. Voting booths will be provided for your convenience at the school on this night. Or make your vote count on October 2nd, at your local voting location.

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Klein High School Orchestra Dates of Interest.

September 2: Pot Luck Dinner/Parent Meeting/Concert 7:00 P.M.

September 11: SHSU String Invitational – 7:00 A.M. – 5:30 P.M.

September 18: Klein High Orchestra Car Wash – Wal-Mart parking lot – 249/Spring Cypress 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 P.M.

September 25: Klein High Orchestra Car Wash – Wal-Mart parking lot – 249/Spring Cypress 9:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.

September 30: Fall Orchestra Concert at Centrum – 7:00 P.M.



Klein High School Football Booster Club's

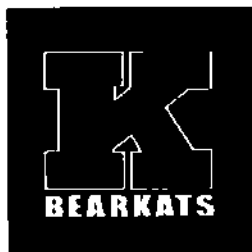
21st Annual Golf Tournament

Monday, September 13

Raveneaux Country Club

Registration 7 AM, Shotgun Start 8 AM

Please Contact Chris Bauman at (281) 374-0848



Please remember that school is in session. Please watch for children riding their bicycles to school and crossing at the cross walks. Make sure you allow extra time in the neighborhood in the mornings and afternoons because of bus stops. Please drive safely and courteously!



National Night Out Review

Submitted by Jeanette Hill

National Night Out was held on Tuesday, August 3. Board members Danny Woods, Dave Hochstaetter and Jeanette Hill drove through the neighborhood passing out watermelons and cold 2 liters of Coca Cola to groups who were out with their neighbors participating. We noticed that there were fewer groups this year but the number of people gathered at each location was bigger. Some of the parties we visited have grown from a few families to almost the entire block in just a few years. It was great to see those who participated enjoying the company of their neighbors. Valley Palms, Sunny Point, Driftstone, Cypress Square, Palm Shores, and Kettle Creek were the streets with the most participation.

We have discussed the possibility of hosting a big pot luck type National Night Out party in the park area next year and would love to have your feedback. My vision was to have a moonwalk for the kids, and provide watermelon and hot dogs with the residents all bringing side dishes to share. If this is something you would be interested in attending or have suggestions, please contact me at miss-jeanette@houston.rr.com and let me know.

We are looking forward to next year being even bigger and better!



This is a picture of some participating families on Kettle Creek. For more pictures from all over the neighborhood, please visit our official website at www.colonycreekvillage.org.

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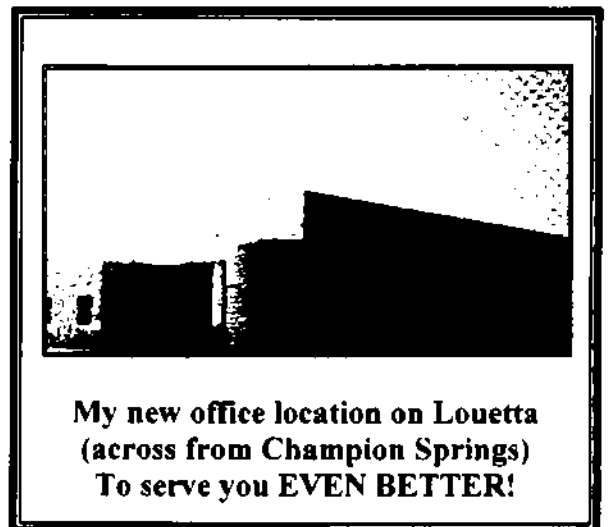
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Neighbors Helping Neighbors

We are looking to start a Neighbors Helping Neighbors organization in Colony Creek and Champion Woods and we need your help. Our goal is to have a committee that is available to help those in need. We want to reach out to our neighbors who may be elderly, disabled or just going through hard times and help with things like yard work, painting, etc. If you would like to chair this committee or would like to be a committee member of this new group, please contact Jeanette Hill at missjeanette@houston.rr.com or call (281) 320-8890. We are just trying to get this group up and going so any suggestions would be appreciated. Look for more information about this group on the website at www.colonycreekvillage.org.

