

Neighborhood News

February 10, 2009

PARKSIDE at Perry

Storm Damage Repair

By Kelvin Scott

I went to a meeting with FEMA, SBA and the IRS at their field office and learned the following:

- Low interest loans are available through FEMA and the SBA for under 3% to pay for the deductible and any other expenses related to damages from Hurricane IKE not covered by insurance.
- The IRS will let you amend your 2007 Taxes to deduct Hurricane Ike expenses (not covered by insurance) and waive the 10% against your taxable income, Instead the deductible amount is set at \$500 versus \$100. The same deal would also apply to your 2008 taxes if you choose not to amend 2007.
- Disaster loans through the SBA can be applied for online or in person at their field office on Bellaire Blvd. Very prompt response now as the big push is over with and they are looking for something to do.

Not sure how much of this info is well known, but maybe it will help some people replace their roofs that do not have the money to pay the insurance deductible of 2% (most insurance policies require for a named storm.) I look around my neighborhood and see lots of roof damage and no sign it is being repaired. With the mold problem in Texas these people are looking for big time trouble if we even get a minor rain storm and wind.

Outdoor Lighting

Outdoor lighting is getting more sophisticated in pace with outdoor living. More homeowners are enjoying their leisure hours outside and are looking to improve the experience with better lighting.

Blinding lights aren't cutting it anymore as people increasingly have come to appreciate just how lighting can contribute to an enjoyable outdoor environment

You may be affected by light trespass caused by your neighbors blinding lights. Some lights can be tilted so high that little of the light produced actually shines where needed - down on the ground. Most is wasted as a dazzling glare shining blinding light into your neighbors eyes, yard, **windows**, and into the sky. This may be appropriate for blinding escaping prisoners but, beyond that, this use should be avoided.



Make sure your light is pointed downward as much as possible. A tilt of just 15° to 25° is often adequate, never, never more than 45° above horizontal.



Julia Taylor and Ron Harper for removing 18 dilapidated signs. Also, thank you to those that helped with some very difficult ones.

Paul Fernando and Ron Harper for painting the gates.

Garage Sale

If any homeowners are interested in having a designated **FREE Garage Sale in Spring 2009**, please e-mail Kathy Weingeist at:

robertaweingeist@comcast.net

If enough people respond, I will post signs and place information on the website and entrance boards.



Parking

Harris County and the City of Houston prohibit parking within 25 feet of all Entrance and Exit gates at **ANY TIME!!!**

No overnight parking 1am to 6am

No parking in cul-de-sac at any time

No parking on any grass area anywhere.

Free parking on driveway of unoccupied home.

Free guest parking is allowed on your driveway. Ask a neighbor to use their driveway or have the guest park on Autumn Mill Rd.

Deed Restrictions

As of January 19, 2009 a total of 42 Deed Restriction violations were observed as follows:

- 8 Yard Maintenance –weeds
- 2 Trash Cans in doorway– need to store out of sight after trash pick-up
- 3 Parked on Grass – park only in garage or on driveway
- 13 Roofs still in need of repair
- 2 Clean/Repair Fence – signs of mildew, dirt, damage
- 2 Front Window Curtains or Blinds – only white is permitted showing
- 2 No garage doors
- 3 Garage Doors in need of repair/cleaning
- 2 Rotten Window Frames
- 5 Reports of dogs running loose and/or constant barking

When a violation is observed, the homeowner is sent a notice requesting correction. Three notices will be sent requesting correction before the violation is turned over to the Attorney to begin legal action.

Parkside @ Perry Constable's Report

July 2008 through December, 2008



June:	Burglaries	2
July:	Burglaries	3
August:	Robbery	1
September:	Disturbance	1
October:	Burglary	1
November:	Accident	1
December:	Assault	1
	Burglary	1

This report is for the phone calls the Constable responded to and came to the home or area involved.

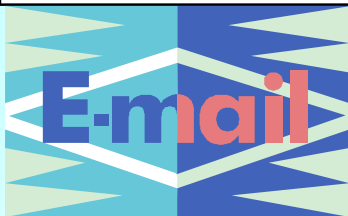
Entrance/Exit Gates

To help prevent damage and wear and tear on our gates and entry keypads, all in and out vehicle gates in Section One and Two are now open from 6:30 am to 9:00 am and 2 pm to 7 pm Monday through Friday. This not only helps the garbage trucks from damaging the gates, but also will keep children from using the keypad and ride the gate when it opens and closes. On Saturdays the gates will also be open from 7 am to 12 pm for garbage pick-up.

Parkside @ Perry 2009 Maintenance Fee

The 2009 Maintenance Fee is \$540 per residential lot. It was due in full on January 1, 2009 and became delinquent on February 1, 2009.

As of December 31, 2008 (does not include 2009 Maintenance Fee), twenty-six homeowners are delinquent in their Maintenance Fee ranging from \$200 to over \$2,300.



NEWSLETTER E-MAIL option

If you prefer to receive our Parkside Newsletter via email, please sign up now!

Email your name, address and email address to:

lnimberger@pgiint.com

AMI: (Association Management, Inc.):

Phone: 713-932-1122
Fax: 713-932-6059
Web: www.amitx.com

Rudy Reyes, Community Manager

Phone: 713-984-7243
Email: rreyes@amitx.com

AMI After Hours - 713-932-1122

Emergency Phone Numbers:

Ron Hickman, Constable Pct 4
281-376-3472 ^(24 hrs)
Fire and Ambulance-Call 911

Other Phone Numbers:

Constable's Office 281-463-6666
Wrecker Service 713-995-9540
Waste Management
Pick-up Problems 713-686-6666
Animal Control 281-855-6933

2008 Board of Directors:

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Need a **FREE** and approved trash can or need an extra one? Contact Waste Management at 713-686-6666.

Do not use plastic trash bags because stray dogs, cats and wild animals get into them, tear them apart and scatter trash everywhere .



Discount, approved and guaranteed power washing of your house, fence, sidewalks, driveways.

Call Lester Levy @ 281-890-7368.

He is able to place a preventive treatment so mold will not return for several years. I highly recommend him.

Signed, Kathy Weingeist

If you have a home alarm you need to have a permit and let your alarm



company put the Constable's number, 281-376-3472, on file for emergencies. This will result in faster response time because they are in our neighborhood area patrolling 24 hours a day.

Board Meetings

The Parkside @ Perry regular Board Meeting is being held monthly and will be listed on the web site:

www.parksideperry.org



To prevent problems, keep your pets *in your yard unless on leash*. Everyone should be "*in control of their dog or cat*".