

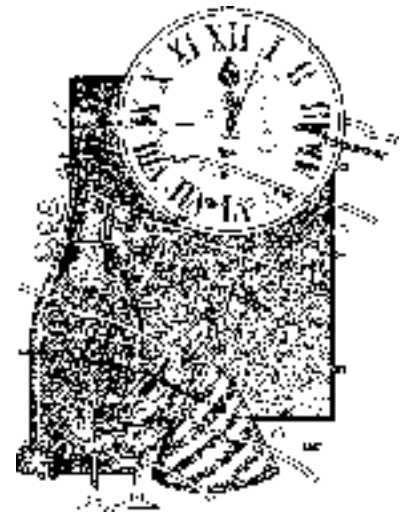


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January 2007

**Brill's Fifth Grade Girl Scout Troop #10982
Is Working to Earn Their Bronze Award**

Please see page 22 for this inspiring story!



**Welcome 2007!
Happy New Year!**

Directories! Directories!

Read All About It!

The Champion Forest Directory Update will take place during the month of January 2007.

Please see page 16 for more details.



Pictured above: Marissa Flores, Cassidy Hand, Amanda Hamric, Leigh Anne Hahn, Katy Prince, Riquanda Walker, Alex Elder, RaeAnna Haight and Caroline Ehlers

INTERESTING HEADLINES TO LOOK FOR INSIDE:

CFWC, List of 2006 Auction Donors, Highlights of Charity Auction, 2007 CFWC Board announced, Welcome new newsletter editor!; CF PUD, Raveneaux annexation, Holiday garbage service; CF Garden Club, Holiday decoration winners announced; CF Civic Club, CF Directory update under way, Block captain vacancies; CF Fund, Security Committee update; In the Mail; Kids in the News, Girl Scout Troop # 10982 works toward Bronze Award, Klein Soccer Club news; School News, General KISD news; Classified Ads

Champion Forest Women's Club

List of 2006 Auction Donors

Aerodrome	Dr. Anthony Hill, DDS	LaVoie, Dr. Ron	Rutter, Lisa
Anything Bling – Tracie Swonke	Early, Des	Leif's Hair Studio	Schindler, Charlotte
Ashletta's	Edelweiss Collectibles	Lidback, Susan	Schopper, Marilou
Bannon's Gymnastics	Eklektik Interiors	Lovett, Lyle	– PartySport.com
Beale, Heidi	Elsie's Collectibles	McKay's Automotive	Schwind, Marti
Beck, Sally	Eraser Dust	Mountasia	Sea Sports Swim and Scuba
Bed, Bath and Beyond	Fancy Dancer	Nauvoo Books	– Amber Kreitz
Berryhill's	Grayson, Nancy	Northgate Country Club	Shannon Jewelry
Bircher, Judy of Three Sisters	Gringo's	Peak Fitness	Sheer Concepts – Stephanie Frick
Embroidery	Gunderson, Edwina	PeiWei	Smith, Barb
Blackwell, Sally and Ray	Harless, Patricia	Perry's Steakhouse	Something Different Tea Room
Bubbles Car Wash	Hasta La Pasta	Peters, Linda	Sports Express
CF Book Club	Haugle, Michelle	Potter's Wheel	Stanley, Marlisa
CF Garden Club	Health and Wellness Institute	Prestonwood Animal Clinic	Starbucks Coffee
Campioni's	Herd, Jenny	Randolph, David and Andrea	Stewart, Elizabeth
Canchola, Karla	Horner, Susan	Rebecca Matthews Image & Style	The Container Store
CF Investment Club II	Houston Astros	Rising Hearts Yoga	The Houston Zoo
CF Investment Group	Houston Comets	Rockfish Grill	The Roost
Champion Veterinarian Hospital	Houston Grand Opera	Rodeo	Thomas Markle Jewelers
Charming Charlie's	Houston Rockets	Rogers, Drew	Thorpe, Susan
County Line	Hygienic Nails	Ross, Kathryn	Victor's Deli
Crum, Mia	Jansky, Tony	Russell, Stephanie	Winds of Change
DaBoub, Leslie	Kiefer, Mavis	Rutherford, Christa	Wood, Dr. and Mrs. Thomas P.
Devore, Julia			Zubke, Barry

Make a \$25 Investment in Your Subdivision . . .

Join the Champion Forest Women's Club. For only \$25 you become a member of the group that is responsible for these activities and more:

Monthly Women's Club Programs and Socials
Special Interest Groups such as Bunco, Bridge, Investment Club, Gourmet, Wine Tasting,
Mothers With Young Children, Mom's Night Out, Etc.

Sunshine Greetings

Scholarship Fund-raising

Annual Luncheon

Annual Charity Auction

Monthly Champion Forest Newsletter

All Champion Forest Women's Club events are executed by volunteers. Annual Dues are \$25.

Champion Forest Women's Club 2007 Membership Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

Make Checks Payable to Champion Forest Women's Club

Mail to: Christy Geary, 8322 Rockford Hall Drive

Membership dues include January 2007-December 2007

Newsletter Editor

Marilou Schopper • 9103 Herts Road • 713-302-8851

Please deliver all articles and photos to the front porch newsletter box or e-mail your news to:

marilou@partysport.com

The newsletter is published without charge to Champion Forest residents through advertising purchased from Champions Printing & Publishing. For advertising information call 281-583-7661.

Deadline for the February newsletter is **January 10**.

CF Women's Club Auction - *continued*



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CF Women's Club Auction - *continued*







Welcome, Marilou Schopper, CFWC's New CF Newsletter Editor!

Sharing News with Your Neighbors

Do you have community news or other information that could be of interest to your neighbors? Share it. Perhaps school events or personal accomplishments have made a recent impact on your family. Let us help you celebrate and extend congratulations. This newsletter is a tool to assist neighbors in communicating. Send any information and/or photos of interest along with any suggestions for future articles to the newsletter editor, **Marilou Schopper**, at 9103 Herts Road (front door CFWC Newsletter mailbox) or e-mail to marilou@partysport.com.

I'd like to take this moment to welcome **Marilou** as our new editor! I am grateful for the opportunity to have served in this position for the last two years; it was a privilege to represent the CFWC and our neighborhood! I would like to offer my sincere thank you to Champions Printing, specifically Karen Nichols. It was a pleasure to work with someone so knowledgeable, yet willing to extend patience as I went through the learning curve when I initially took on the editor's role. In addition, I would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to **Barb Smith**. I am fortunate to have met and worked with someone so talented, conscientious and kind.

Nanette McDonald

Please note the new contact information below. Also, although the editors have changed, the deadline to submit information for the CF newsletter remains the same. Please remember the deadline is always the **10th** of the month!

Editor Contact Information

Marilou Schopper	Phone Number: 713-302-8851
9103 Herts Road	Fax: 281-376-7713
Spring, TX 77379	E-mail: marilou@partysport.com

Welcome Packets – *Don't Forget*

The Civic Club wants to make sure that every new resident gets a warm "hello" and helping hand. A neighborhood Welcome Packet delivered by a smiling face accomplishes both. If you know of a new resident on your street, please contact any Civic Club member for assistance. The packets include a CF directory, a CFWC newsletter and other helpful information about the community that can aid new residents.

Cypress Forest Public Utility District

Board of Directors

Jim Lynch	President
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Bill Lawrence	Second Vice President
Debbie Jackson	Secretary
Linn Smyth	Treasurer

Holiday Garbage Service

In an attempt to serve you well, we requested day-after-the-holiday service from WCA; however, they were unable to provide day-after garbage pickup the day after Thanksgiving, the day after Christmas and New Year's. They did offer 7 a.m. pickup on the actual holiday at a cost of over \$2,000 dollars. It was the decision of the Board that this time and date of pickup would not be of benefit and, therefore, it was decided not to incur the additional costs for poor holiday pick-up times.

Your Christmas trees should be taken to curbside for removal. You do not need to bag them, cut them or tie them. Please visit our Web site at cyforestpud.com for complete details of our garbage service.

*Respectfully submitted,
Debbie Jackson*

Raveneaux Annexation

As of December 10, 2006, Linn Smyth and I (the CFPUD delegates for annexation issues) have received the Metro Study, which was received from Tony Kindred just prior to the October Board meeting and a copy of the Development, Financing, and Annexation Agreement between Kleinwood MUD and JP/Raveneaux Partners, KERA Development dated October 5, 2006. This document agrees that Kleinwood will provide water and sewer to the 39-acre land and the customers located within at the Raveneaux Country Club. CFPUD continues to provide water and sewer to the acres previously annexed into CFPUD. To that end we have repeatedly requested multiple additional documents that we have not yet received from Tony Kindred and the Partnership.

At our Board meeting on December 5 it was confirmed that Tom Green, the attorney for the partnership, had received another request for the documents. Mr. Kindred informed us at the meeting that the documents were still not ready, and he did not know when they would be. CFPUD has authorized a detailed survey by our engineers to determine exactly which land in our service area is in the floodplain and to what extent. We will keep you abreast of this information as we have it.

Our next Board meeting is January 2, 2006 at 5:30 p.m.

*Debbie Jackson
Secretary*



SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

What a great way to have fun and meet your neighbors! We have many Special Interest Groups with a full variety of interests. Call the Special Interest Chairman of the group that interests you and give it a try. And if there's not a group for your "special interest," contact **Laura Smith** at **281-374-0909**, and she'll see if there's sufficient interest out there to start a new group! Be sure to check out the potential new groups at the end of this section!

The only requirement for participation in CFWC Special Interest Groups is to be a member in "good standing." (Article VIII, Section One.) Membership includes annual dues paid to the CFWC.

Book Club

Connie Nolan, 281-379-5302
Ruth-Ellen Mack, 281-376-2107

Thank you, **Karen**, for hosting our Christmas luncheon. **Nancy B** will host our **January** meeting at noon on the **9th** when we will review *The Mermaid's Chair* by Sue Monk Kidd. Please remember to contact the hostess if you are **unable** to attend.

CF Mothers of Young Children

Elizabeth Stewart, 281-370-6782
Christy Geary, 281-320-2746

Mothers of young children meet weekly for playgroup and monthly for Mom's Night Out. Please contact **Christy** or **Elizabeth** for more information!

Couples Gourmet

Second Saturday Evening
Linda Anderson, 832-717-3661

If you are interested in joining the Couple's Gourmet Group, please contact **Linda**.

Investment Group

"Smart Women Finish Rich"

New contact information!

Third Wednesday 9:30 a.m.

Diane Wiedenheft, President, 281-370-1653

Sandra Manning, Vice President, 281-583-2584

Please contact **Diane** or **Sandra** for information about this interesting group.

Mom's Night Out

Ruth-Ellen Mack, 281-376-2107

On **Tuesday, January 15** at 7:30 p.m. we will dine at Chinois Orient Bistro (11550 Louetta Road, west of 249). Please call if you are planning to attend.

Wine Tasting Group

Third Saturday Evening

Gloria Myer, 281-379-6783

Meets every other third Saturday evening. If you're interested in this group, please contact **Gloria Myer** at **281-379-6783**.

Potential New Groups

En Francais – Est-ce que vous voulez parler en Français?

Telephonnez nous á **281-257-3260** pour discuter l'organisation d'un group de conversation Française.

Come One, Come All!

Ever thought of joining an Investment Club? Now's your chance! We are currently in the process of organizing a new neighborhood investment club. If you have any interest (or want some), please contact **Evan Bircher** at **713-855-0878**.

Champion Forest Garden Club News



Once again, we were amazed by all the creative holiday decorations and lighting in Champion Forest this year. A committee from the WindRose Garden Club judged our decorations on Monday, December 4. They were very impressed with all they saw but were able to narrow it down to five final choices.

Best Overall Presentation

15915 Rathlin
The Logan Family

Best Door

9315 Windrush
The Stewart Family

Best Traditional

16234 Salmon
The Allen Family

Best Religious

16122 Meyrick
The Krus Family

Best Whimsical

16127 Rudgewick
The Goebel Family



Best Overall Presentation – 15915 Rathlin



Best Door – 9315 Windrush

Thanks to all who decorated! The lights made our community a magical place during the holiday season. The Champion Forest Garden Club judged the WindRose lights on December 11.

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Champion Forest Garden Club News - continued

Condolences

We want to send our love and prayers to those who have recently suffered the death of family members. Our support and best wishes go to you and your families.

Annual Christmas Luncheon and Ornament Exchange

On December 14 we held our annual Christmas Luncheon and Ornament Exchange. Faye Turner gave us an update on the work that Women Helping Women is doing with the women who are trying to rebuild their homes and families in New Orleans. Our club members collected bath items, toiletries and make-up to donate to WHW. We also presented Faye Turner, Director of WHW, with a check to support their work.

January CF Garden Club Meeting

Coming up in **January** we will meet at **Edna Gilbert's** home at 5507 Barron Oaks Court. Our speakers will be Jim Robertson from the Cypress Creek Greenway Project and club member and past president of the Champion Forest Garden Club **Linn Smyth**. We are anxious to learn more about our natural resources and the shaping of the parks and trails that will serve this community.

Arbor Day

January is the month that Texans celebrate Arbor Day. Arbor Day was started by journalist Sterling Morton. The Morton family had moved to Nebraska in 1854. They were lovers of nature and when Morton became editor of the first newspaper in Nebraska Territory, he was an advocate of planting more trees. Tree planting contests were planned. Then he encouraged the children to plant trees as projects in school. Morton wrote many articles about the importance of trees. The first official Arbor Day observance was on April 10, 1874. Many states liked the idea of a tree planting holiday and followed suit. Today Arbor Day is celebrated in every state and in many countries all over the world. Many states choose a month that is more suitable for tree planting in their own climate. Texans usually observe Arbor Day around January 20.



Best Traditional – 16234 Salmon



Best Religious – 16122 Meyrick



Best Whimsical – 16127 Rudgewick

Our Garden Club will celebrate Arbor Day on **Friday, January 19, 2007**. There will also be a lecture at the Mercer Arboretum and Botanical Gardens on **Saturday, January 20** at 10 a.m. Trees will be given away at 8 a.m. while supplies last. There will be a lecture on the best trees to plant in this area. Mercer's phone number is **281-443-8731**. Contact CFGC President **Stephenie Russell** at **281-370-1223** or Arbor Day Chairman **Sally Blackhall** if you would like more information about Arbor Day or the Garden Club.

Trees, Wonder of the Natural World

Trees are the earth's oldest and largest living things. They are our planet's most successful plants and have existed on earth for 370 million years. Ever since they first appeared on this planet, trees have played an invaluable part in regulating our climate – absorbing carbon dioxide from the atmosphere and returning oxygen. Mankind has turned to trees for fuel, shelter and housing, furniture, tools, medicine and food.

Trees have been revered for centuries as having a spiritual quality. Many cultures and religions feature trees in their belief systems. Legends and myths were inspired by the beauty and majesty of trees. Artists and poets have celebrated their astonishing diversity and beauty. This January we want to celebrate the versatility, diversity and beauty of the majestic trees that surround us here in Champion Forest.

Stephenie Russell
Champion Forest Garden Club



Garden Club members Shirley Hall, Carmen Pettet and Joanne Walford had a great time observing a demonstration on holiday decorating at Eklektik Interiors.

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Paula Anderson and designer, speaker Pat Clark at Eklektik Interiors demonstration.

Members Wendy Fryfogle and Connie Nolan enjoy a reception given in honor of Sally Blackhall (member) and her husband Ray, who was introducing his new novel, Stealth Planet.



Champion Forest in Bloom

A new water oak has been added to the esplanade on Champion Forest Drive across from the PUD building, replacing a very sick existing water oak near that site. This tree has been generously donated by the neighbors and friends of **Ruth Ellen and Bill Mack** in memory of Bill's father, **William Mack, Sr.**, who recently passed away. Thank you to everyone involved. This is a wonderful improvement to our neighborhood and a very thoughtful and much appreciated gift to the Mack family. If you would like to donate a tree, contact **Wendy** at 281-320-1662.

*Wendy Fryfogle
Champion Forest in Bloom Chairman*

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Directory
Chairman Heidi Baty 281-257-2634

Tuesday, January 9
7:30 p.m.
16215 Champion Forest Drive

GOT NEWS?

E-mail your news to:
marilou@partysport.com
or drop it in the front porch mailbox at:
9103 Herts Road.



Champion Forest Civic Club News

Attention, All Block Captains

Please plan to drop by Heidi Baty's home on Wednesday, January 10 (10 a.m.-12 noon) or Thursday, January 11 (5-7 p.m.) to pick up your folder. If you can't make either of these two dates, phone Heidi at 281-235-6621 and other arrangements can be made.

CF Block Captain Vacancies

Champion Forest has 118 block captains with only 5 vacancies. Please phone Heidi Baty at 281-235-6621 to volunteer.

Burwood Park Drive (8300)
Chelmsford Lane
Landau Park Lane
Mindy Park Court
Mindy Park Lane (14300-14500)



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Champion Forest Directory Update

The **Champion Forest Directory Update** will take place during the month of January 2007. The Block Captains will be delivering a “**Listing Update Form**” and will be collecting yearly Civic Club dues of \$15. The update form is due back to your Block Captain on or before **Wednesday, January 24, 2007**. It will be unfortunate to miss this deadline and not have your updated information printed in the directory.

Directory Chairman – **Heidi Baty**, 281-235-6621

Directory Co-Chairman – **Kathy Hughson**, 281-586-9008

Remember...

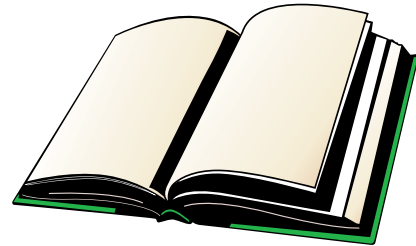
An Architectural Review Application must be submitted **BEFORE** you begin any home improvements.

Contact

Consolidated Management Services
at 281-296-9775 (phone), 281-296-9788 (fax) or
by e-mail at conmgsvc@swbell.net
whenever you need assistance.

Directory Update Timeline

1. **Wednesday, January 10, 2007** between 10 a.m. and 12 p.m. or **Thursday, January 11, 2007** between 5 p.m. and 7 p.m.: Block Captains pick up folders at the home of **Heidi Baty**, 16125 Parish Hall (281-235-6621).
2. **Wednesday, January 10** through **Wednesday, January 17**, Block Captains will be delivering the “Listing Update Form” and collecting \$15 Civic Club dues from each home. Neighbors, please answer your door the first time the Block Captain drops by and return the form as quickly as possible. (Block Captains are busy volunteers.) As noted on the LUF form, everything must be returned to the Block Captain no later than **Wednesday, January 24**.
3. Block Captains, please organize forms according to street number and note on the bottom of the form if dues were received. Folders should be returned to your coordinator by **Friday, January 26**.



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- Community Outreach Committee
Heidi Beale 281-370-0423

**CF Fund Board Meeting
Wednesday, January 3
6:30 p.m.
16215 Champion Forest Drive**

championforestonline.com

From the Security Committee

Security Report January 2007

It has been a busy time on Champion Forest Drive. First, we had an accident where a motorist going south and turning left on Strack Road failed to yield right of way to a vehicle traveling north and an accident occurred. A driver was killed. The sign says to yield on green. It is only protected left on the arrow for a left turn.

Then we had an armed robbery at Champion Forest Drive and Herts Road at 5:30 a.m. one Wednesday morning. The suspect approached the driver waiting at the intersection, produced a weapon and demanded the driver's wallet. Pct. 4 Constable's office and Sheriff's Department's robbery detectives are investigating. This is the time of year when these kinds of crimes are most prevalent. They usually occur in store parking lots.

The best advice for being safe is keep doors locked and be **aware of your surroundings at all times**. I have pulled into store parking lots and observed mothers putting young children into their car seats with their purses in the basket of the shopping cart some distance away.

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We also had various false rumors of a robbery at the liquor store and that the store was locked down. No robbery and no store was locked down. We have to be very careful about passing on crime information without first verifying it. Unnecessary concerns can occur if incorrect information is relayed. Lt. Finley received many emails asking about the robbery. Whenever there is any report of crimes, there are often emails and calls to many different members of our community asking what to do or what happened.

Again I would like to remind everyone about the Champion Forest Security Committee. These folks have volunteered to meet, address problems and inform our constables of CF concerns. These contacts are:

CF Security Committee (January 1, 2007)

<u>Name/Email</u>	<u>Home Phone</u>	<u>Cell Phone</u>
Wally Bircher wbircher@houston.rr.com	281-374-7422	713-858-0983
Marilynn Bailey bailey_marilynn@hotmail.com	281-370-3851	
Tom Goodwin tgoodwin5@houston.rr.com	281-251-8099	

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Jackie Kern kirkkern@aol.com	281-376-0771	281-924-9440
Marilou Schopper marilou@partysport.com	713-302-8851	
Scott Winters winterssi@ldschurch.org	281-376-6215	

This is a new year, and I want to again say that the best crime prevention is neighbors watching out for each other.

Happy New Year!

Wally Bircher
Security Committee Chair

“The test of a first-rate intelligence is the ability to hold two opposed ideas in the mind at the same time and still retain the ability to function.”

F. Scott Fitzgerald

Contract Summary Report

Editors' Note:

Homeowner's heartfelt suggestion to delete the following information permanently from the newsletter was heard. We have referred this request to the Security Committee and Constable's office for input. We promise a thoughtful and prompt response. Currently information is listed by hundred block, not by specific address.

Burglary of a Habitation

Champion Villas – Unknown suspect(s) forced entry into complainant's home through bedroom window while no one was at home and stole property from within.

Burglary of a Motor Vehicle

16600 Manningtree Lane – Unknown suspect entered complainant's unlocked vehicle and stole a purse from within.

8300 Burwood Park – Unknown suspect entered complainant's unlocked vehicle and stole property from within.

16100 Chasemore Drive – Unknown suspect forced entry into complainant's vehicle and stole a radar detector from within.

9600 Oxted Lane – Unknown suspect entered complainant's unlocked vehicle and stole property from within.

8300 Astwood Court – Unknown suspect forced entry into complainant's vehicle and stole property from within.

Criminal Mischief

8500 Herts Road – Unknown suspect damaged complainant's door lock of vehicle, possibly in an attempt to make entry.

8500 Cypresswood Drive – Unknown suspects traveled from I-45 to SH 249 while damaging the windows of several businesses and motor vehicles during the same criminal episode.

8900 Ashridge Park Drive – Unknown suspects traveled from I-45 to SH 249 while damaging the windows of several businesses and motor vehicles during the same criminal episode.

Disturbance – Family

8500 Herts Road – Minor physical confrontation between family members. No charges.

Runaways

8300 Domer Drive – Juvenile female left home without parental consent after an argument but returned a few days later.

Other Calls

9700 Godstone Lane – Parent reported adult son as missing; however, he returned home later.

16400 Knightrider Drive – Complainant's ex-husband allegedly threatened the complainant's family with physical harm.

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8300 Bonhill Court – Elderly female died at home of apparent natural causes.

16000 Champions Drive – Complainant reported to have lost cell phone at unknown location.

9700 Fenchurch Drive – Complainant reported class ring missing.

15800 Guinstead Drive – Driver of motor vehicle left the roadway and struck complainant's mailbox causing minor damage. Driver failed to leave contact information. Complainant refused to file charges.

15900 Five Ashes Drive – Complainant alleged that contractor had threatened him regarding payment for services. Criminal trespass warning given to contractor by investigating deputy.

5700 Glen Pines – Adult female is alleged to have ingested poison in an attempt to commit suicide. Subject transported to hospital by EMS.

Constable's Dispatch
281-376-3472

Constable's Statistical Report

Harris County Pct. 4 Constable's Department

Calls for Service	
Contract.....	32
District	106
Self Initiated Calls	
Contract.....	302
District	47
Reports.....	35
Arrests	
Felony.....	0
Misdemeanor	0
Traffic Cit./Warnings	44
Recovered Property (\$).....	10,000
Mileage	4,076
Time Out	
Total Minutes – All Shifts	1,325
Days Worked	53
Average Time Out/Day	
(Minutes/Day)	25.00

Champion Forest Patrol Activity Report – November 2006

TYPE OF ACTIVITY

Burglary of a Habitation	1
Burglary of a Motor Vehicle	5
Theft from a Habitation	0
Theft of a Motor Vehicle.....	0
Theft – Other	0
Robbery.....	0
Assault	0
Sexual Assault	0
Criminal Mischief	2
Disturbance – Family	2
Disturbance – Juvenile.....	0
Disturbance – Other	4
Alarms.....	33
Suspicious Vehicles	35
Suspicious Persons.....	2
Runaways.....	1
Telephone Harassment.....	0
Other Calls	242

If you know of another Champion Forest resident who would like to receive my Champion Forest Security News via email, tell them to send me an email with their name and home address to lfinley2@hughes.net, and I will be happy to add them to my list.

In The Mail



This space is reserved for residents with opinions to express, thoughts to share and any question another reader may be able to answer. Jot it down and drop it in the mail (Attention: To the Editor) 9103 Herts Road or e-mail marilou@partysport.com.

I just wanted to send a “good news” letter and share with everyone. On December 3, 2006, I was working at my computer when I heard jingle bells outside. Thinking it was family members outside, I paid no attention. Then all of a sudden the doorbell rang and when I answered, it was two absolutely adorable girls dressed to the top in Christmas attire. They proceeded to say “**Ho! Ho! Ho! Merry Christmas**” and handed me a Christmas card and candy cane. We continued to talk for a few minutes and learned they lived around the corner and attended Brill and were doing this **just because**. They were not collecting for anything or asking for anything in return, simply sharing **holiday cheer!!** I want to tell those two young ladies how proud I am of them and if they thought of this all by themselves, thank you to their parents for raising such unselfish children.

*Elizabeth Denehie
Abberton Hill*

Kids in the News

Brill's fifth grade Girl Scout Troop #10982 is working to earn their Bronze Award. A love of books and reading led the girls to decide on a book drive to help earn this special Junior Girl Scout Award. To date the girls have collected 1,082 books. Of these donated books the girls wrapped over 125 books for Brill's annual toy drive.

In addition, over 900 books were donated to NAM's Children's Clinic. On Saturday, December 2, the girls spent the morning working in the library at NAM's Children's Clinic. They organized, straightened and shelved more than 1,000 books.



KLEIN · DRAMA

Presents

Rodgers and Hammerstein's Oklahoma!

January 26 and 27
February 1, 2, 3 and 5
7 p.m.

Klein High Auditorium
832-484-4070
kleindrama.com

Pet Liaison

Call **Ruth** or **Jim Lynch**
at **281-320-9570**
to report a
lost or found pet.



Klein Soccer Club News

Spring registration is beginning soon. Our season will begin **February 10, 2007**. Any child born between 8/1/87 and 8/31/03 is eligible to play. The early registration fee is \$95. After **January 7, 2007** the late fee will be \$110. The fee includes a full uniform for all ages and for our *new* pre-k and kindergarten players a ball and shinguards. Registration forms can be picked up at our office located in **Meyer Park**. It is located on Cypresswood between Stuebner Airline and Champion Forest Drive. Online registration is available on our website at kleinsoccerclub.org. All new players need to bring a birth certificate to the Klein office. Our office hours are 4-7 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Pre-K and kindergarten soccer is played under a modified set of rules. The teams play 3 aside with no goalie. We would like for the children to learn a little about soccer and have a lot of fun. These teams are co-ed. This is also a good time to ease parents who don't know anything about soccer into this fast growing sport.

We offer "*all boys*" and "*all girls*" teams from 1st grade through 10th grade. Teams are formed by subdivision and school. Games are on Saturdays for boy and girl teams through the 8th grade. The older boys and girls teams play on Sunday afternoons. We again this season make technique-

training sessions available to players 1st grade and up. These sessions led by professional trainers focus on improving individual skills.

High school students interested in a little exercise and meeting some new people should try one of our co-ed teams. Talk to your friends and register in groups. For more information call **281-320-2211**. Special Saturday registrations will be held **Saturday, January 6 and 13** from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m.



Klein High School

Klein High School participated in the High School Theoretical Mathematics Contest sponsored by Texas A&M. The team earned second place sweepstakes honors. The Power Team composed of Alex Ryan, Dianna Lee, Stephen Worlow, Akash Shah, and Ashrith Pillarisetti placed first. This was the first time a Klein High School team has won the Power Team competition.

Klein High School varsity tennis finished first in District 16 and advances to the Region II semifinals with a perfect 8-0 district record. Campbell Hughes and Dylan Jenkins made first team line one doubles while Chase Holub and Ian Remson placed at line two doubles. Klein swept the girls' side taking every spot on the District first team with Micah Hermsdorf, Kelsie Lawson, Kaitlin Kerr, Jessica O'Connell, Pam Courtnage and Lauren Diaz taking all six singles spots. In doubles, Micah Hermsdorf and Lauren Nielsen made first team at line one, Sydni Hermsdorf and Kim Anicete at line two and Angela Nicewonder and Andrea Schlottman at line three. Rounding out the first team were Pam Courtnage and Danny Berrera in mixed doubles.

KISD Foundation Provides Funds for 13 Grants

On December 1, Klein Education Foundation Board members, Klein parents and community members, and district employees made surprise visits to 11 Klein schools to award 13 grants for innovative teaching strategies. The dollar value of the grants was \$50,093. Since 2001, the foundation has awarded grants worth \$480,403.

Grant winners from elementary schools included the following: Schultz – Karen (Jill) Seale, Laurie Drennen, and Melanie Smith for “Reading...It’s in the Bag;” McDougale – Cindy Ferguson, Jane Rau, Patty Gleason, Jana Eley, Janith Miller, and Linda Pendexter for “Reading...Plug Into Reading”; and **Benignus** – Kelly Hammons, Tracey Hall, Bibi Galvan, Nikki Grant, Kristen Barnhart, Missy Neuburger, and Cathy Conrad for “Forget Frustration...Find Fluency.”

Other elementary school winners were as follows: Mittelstädt/Michelle Sheridan for “Patriot Problem Solvers;” Theiss/Elaine Parr, Karen Goble, Susan Lorehn, Bonita Smith, and Cindy McWilliams for “I Can Read;” Haude/Anne Turner, Lori Kerr, Kathy Park, Susan Monson, and Zaidy Locke for

“Whether it’s cold or whether it’s hot... We shall have weather, whether or not!”; Brill/Amber Kent, Wilma Mysak, Maurine Whitney, Michelle Jones, and Julie Treadwell for “The Great Awakening to History;” and Metzler/ Linda Cabbell, Amanda Posterick, Amy Poth, Lakita Combs, Stacey Park, Gail Morales, and Stacey Shaffer for “Science! This Time, It’s for Real!”

The only intermediate school to receive a grant was Klein Intermediate School for “Initiative Creating a Rewarding Environment (I.C.A.R.E.)” Writers were Hope Luster, Chanda Jammal, Ashley Williams, La Shandra Haynes, and Terra Gilder.

Teachers at Klein High School and Klein Forest High School earned two grants for their schools. At Klein High, Sally DeWeese received two grants, “A Quick Introduction to English” and “Give a Little/Receive a Lot...PALS/BESST Students Give Back to the Community.” Klein Forest teachers Julizza Holub, Wanda Savage, Lisa O’Neal, Michelle Galtney, and Tishana Trochesset received a grant for “Pre-AP Summer Camp for At-Risk Students;” Fran Green, Susan Dorsey, and Susan Dice (Klenk Elementary) earned a grant for “From Concepts to Covers, Desktop Publishing Literacy Project.”

Grants reflecting the generosity of donors were from the following: Perdue, Brandon, Fielder, Collins & Mott L.L.P.; Absolute Sports Connection; SHW Group, American-Lupher Land Surveyors, Inc.; Outlook Financial Group, LLC;

RSL Contractors, the *Houston Chronicle*, Tomball Ford, The Vintage, First Service Credit Union, Team Klein (KISD employees who give money to the foundation), and the Susie Mechler Memorial Grant. This grant honors the life of Mrs. Floyd Mechler who was a teacher at Strack Intermediate School. To obtain information about the foundation, please contact Ms. Anne Vallette at 832-249-4753 or by e-mail at avallette@kleinisd.net.



Klein ISD Foundation Honors Donors and Area Families

The Klein Education Foundation hosted a dinner on November 1 to honor major donors and to recognize members of the families for whom the schools in the Klein ISD are named. During the evening James Wunderlich and Dorothy Strack Brown were crowned Fall Festival King and Queen in keeping with a tradition that was a part of the fall social scene at Klein High School during its early years. Previous Fall Festival royalty are Charles Seber and Catherine Neal (2003-2004), E. G. "Butch" Theiss and Shirley Strack (2004-2005) and David Klein and Barbara Seber (2005-2006).

Major donors to the foundation include the following: Perdue, Brandon, Fielder, Collins and Mott, SHW Group, Hewlett Packard, Micro System Enterprises, the *Houston Chronicle*, Tomball Ford, The Vintage/Mishcher Investments and Kickerello, Klein Funeral Homes and Memorial Parks, Absolute Sports Connection, American-Luther Land Surveyors, Inc., Carrabba's Italian Grill of Champions,

Continental Airlines, First Service Credit Union, Roberta T. Klein Family Trust Fund, Ricoh Business Systems, RSL Contractors, and Stacy Black Photography.

During the evening, Mr. Floyd Mechler, a director of the Klein ISD Education Foundation, recognized Mr. and Mrs. Jack Metzler who have made a generous contribution through the foundation. Grants will be given with the funds to the school that bears their family name. These funds will make a difference for students. In addition to being supporters of the students of the Klein ISD through their gift, Ms. Metzler teaches part-time in the district at Wunderlich Intermediate School after having been a full-time teacher at Klein High School, Strack Intermediate School, and Kleb Intermediate School.

Ms. Anne Vallette, director of the foundation, said, "The generosity of Mr. and Mrs. Metzler reflects their support of education. When people ask what makes the Klein ISD strong, I always reply 'People make the difference in Klein.' The Metzler family gift in support of children demonstrates the community spirit of Klein. A strong community is necessary for a school district to be strong."

Partnerships Enhance KISD Programs

Businesses and community groups that support the Klein ISD make a difference for students and staff members. Partners choose from four options in supporting schools and/or the district.

Some partners choose to adopt a school. Outstanding examples of that type partnership are those of Caldwell Watson and MUD Districts #30 and #32. Caldwell Watson Real Estate Group, after giving a generous donation to Metzler Elementary last year to purchase books, has given funds this year to allow the campus to offer an innovative writing project. MUD Districts #30 and #32 donated \$55,000 for playground equipment to Benignus Elementary School. Mr. Chuck Yost, Mr. Steve Grycha, Mr. David Pettus, and Mr. Ricky Williams of the MUD districts worked with parents Ms. Elise Caddenhead and Ms. Stephanie Lapko and building principal Ms. Misty Kainer to make the project a reality.

When businesses and civic organizations become program supporters, students are the immediate beneficiaries of this support. Additionally, their generosity benefits district programs. For example, the district's health services program was enhanced with a gift of \$4,500 from the First Services Credit Union. These funds will be used to purchase

replacement pads for the 43 district defibrillators distributed among each school in the district. Champions Sunrise Rotary Club through its Pedaling for Success supports the district's goals of academic excellence and the teaching of character education. Students in eight Klein ISD elementary schools who meet high attendance and academic standards become eligible to win a bicycle.



Businesses and individuals provide support to the district's two foundations. Ms. Lynell Brooks represents Amegy Bank, formerly known as Klein Bank, a founding partner of the Klein ISD Education Foundation. The commitment to the school district and the foundation has continued with Amegy Bank. The bank has funded grants each semester since 2001. Ms. Brooks is the Banking Center Manager at the Stuebner Airline Branch of Amegy Bank and serves on

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Partnerships Enhance KISD Programs - *continued*

the foundation board and its executive board. Ms. Mary Jane Jones, representing the Tautenhahn family, has made generous donations to the Klein, Texas Historical Foundation. One of these gifts is a 19th century family organ.

Academic business partners support the instructional program of the district. Mr. Don Dozier is one of many community members giving support to Klein's implementation of the Texas Scholars Program. This program will help students focus on attending college and taking the courses needed for college acceptance. A business partnership that impacts social studies instruction is Junior Achievement. The program uses hands-on experiences to help young people understand the economics of life. By bringing the real world to students, Junior Achievement opens students' minds to their potential. The Hanover Compressor Company has worked with over 3,000 students and logged over 800 hours with 31 employees in support of Junior Achievement. Hanover has been involved with Junior Achievement at Epps Island Elementary School since the 2003-2004 school year.

KISD Board Approves Reinvestment Zone

At its November meeting, the Klein ISD Board of Trustees approved a resolution creating the KISD Reinvestment Zone Number One, pursuant to Texas Tax Code §312.0025. The resolution established the boundaries of the zone and its effective date. This action authorized a limitation of appraised value for a portion of Hewlett-Packard (HP) property for the school district's maintenance and operations taxes. The loss in local property taxes due to the limitation of values per the agreement will be offset with a gain from state revenues by the same dollar amount.

The Klein ISD Board of Trustees approved the recommendation from the administration of the district in a desire to promote the development or redevelopment of an area within the district. A public hearing was provided on September 12 for citizens to speak for or against the creation of the reinvestment zone and whether all or part of the territory described should be included in the proposed reinvestment zone. Notice of the meeting was posted in the *Houston Chronicle*.

The creation of the Klein Independent School District Reinvestment Zone Number One will result in benefits to the district through the retention or expansion of primary employment or the attraction of investments in the zone that would be a benefit to the economic development of the KISD.

The creation of the zone will take effect on **January 1, 2007** and shall remain designated as a commercial-industrial reinvestment zone for ten years. HP has agreed to provide "payments in lieu of taxation" in the amount of 15% of the net tax savings resulting from the tax limitation agreement. The district will purchase HP products with the money received from the above to assist in the advancement of our district-wide technology plan.

KISD Purchases Land for Schools

The Klein ISD Board of Trustees approved the purchase of a tract of land for a high school and intermediate school at its November meeting. The 124 acres lie west of the railroad tracks on Spring Cypress Road and east of Windwood Presbyterian Church that is located at 10555 Spring Cypress Road.

Mr. Tom Ricker, associate superintendent of the KISD for facilities and school services, explained that the district purchased this tract of land before the need for new schools is imminent because only a limited number of parcels of land large enough for a new high school and intermediate school remain within the KISD. He said, "We must continue to look toward the future to provide necessary classroom space for our growing student population. The purchase of this piece of property reflects the growing population in the northwest segment of the district. In the fall of 2007, we will open Frank



Elementary School in the Gleannloch Farms subdivision. With growth spread along Louetta, Spring Cypress, FM 2920, and Huffsmith-Khorville/Kuykendahl north of FM 2920, we know now that soon the district will need more schools for our boys and girls."

The newly purchased property was formerly owned by Dr. and Mrs. James Jones (78 acres) and Mr. Allen Ulrich (46 acres). The sale of the property was completed to the satisfaction of the owners and the school district. For the next two years, Dr. and Mrs. Jones may continue to live in their house and may allow their cattle to graze on the property. This tract of land was purchased with funds voters approved in the 2004 Bond. The Klein ISD cannot provide capital for major land purchases without bond funds.

When a high school is built, it will contain approximately 535,000 square feet. An intermediate school in the KISD typically provides 190,000 square feet of space for student learning. The design for these buildings will reflect the guidelines collected by the Findings and Directions Committee from 2004 as well as updated data. The district's newest elementary school, Benignus, and Krimmel Intermediate and Frank Elementary that will open in August, also reflect the recommendations of the Findings and Directions Committee.

Annual Dinner and Auction

Thursday, February 8
5:15-7:15 p.m. at Kleb

Tickets are now on sale for the annual **Kleb Amore Dinner and Auction!** This will be an evening of fun for the entire family. It begins with a delicious dinner catered by Carrabba's Italian Grill. After dinner, you'll be able to bid on an array of items in the silent auction and get involved in the raffle excitement. In addition, you can visit with your children's teachers at the open house to follow.

Ticket order forms are available in the *Kleb Pawprint* or also on the Kleb Web site at kleinisd.net. Completed order forms (with payment) can be sent to school with your child and dropped off at the front office. Tickets are \$8 each and will also be on sale in the Kleb cafeteria during all lunches starting on **January 25**. Prepaid tickets can also be picked up at this time or at **Will Call** on the night of the event.

Attending the auction is a great way to show your support for Kleb. All proceeds from the auction will be used to purchase products to enhance the education of our students!

Donations Needed for Kleb Auction

We still need donations for the Kleb Auction! This is a wonderful opportunity for you or your business to help raise money for Kleb! And, if you don't have an item or service to donate, we would welcome a cash donation to help purchase items for the raffle/auction. If you are interested in making a donation, please contact **Kellye Foster** at 281-376-4235 or e-mail to kellyef1234@sbcglobal.net. All donations are tax deductible, and the money raised will buy educational items for our children.

Earn Cash for Kleb by Clipping Box Tops!

Box Tops for Education make it easy to help Kleb earn extra cash. Friends, neighbors and parents of Kleb students can help by clipping box tops from **General Mills** food items. In addition, students can earn donut parties for their homeroom as well as Blockbuster cards for themselves. It's a really easy way to help support Kleb. All you have to do is:

- Clip box tops from hundreds of General Mills products. Each box top is worth \$.10 to Kleb.
- Give them to your favorite Kleb student, and they will bring them to school for our next collection date on **January 12**.
- If you do not know a Kleb student, you may bring them at any time to the collection box located in the Kleb front office.

Please call Kathy Kelley at 281-374-8502 if you have any questions.



THE PEARL FINCHER MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS

Community Mural Launches Latest Fund-raising Effort

The Cypress Creek Fine Art Association (CCFAA) invites the public to view the "Show Me the Monet" community mural displayed on the exterior of the Pearl Fincher Museum of Fine Arts at Cypress Creek located at 6815 Cypresswood Drive in Spring, Texas. The museum is scheduled to open in the Cypress Creek Cultural District (CCCD) in summer 2007. Volunteers of "The Pearl" and the CCFAA announced the hanging of the outdoor community-painted mural as they launched their latest fund-raising drive. The mural project is displayed on the exterior of the soon-to-be-renovated museum to draw the public's attention to the location of the museum and the incredible art that will soon be housed within its walls. It also is meant to be a constant reminder of the additional funding that is needed in order to complete the project.

With the nearing completion of design by Stern & Bucek Architects and the approval by the Board to hire Fretz Construction as the contractor, CCFAA is quickly approaching the beginning of renovation and needs to raise an additional \$500,000. The excitement is growing within the community as



we move closer to meeting our goal of the \$1.3 million needed to complete the renovation. Recent grants have been received from foundations like Houston Endowment; however, we still need the continued generous financial support of the entire community to carry us through the renovation and beyond.

Through its partnership with the Pearl Fincher Museum of Fine Arts, MFA Houston gave its permission to use the painting *The Water Lilies* by impressionist painter Claude Monet for the community mural project. The impressive 17'x14' public art display is made up of 240 individual tiles that were assembled as a giant-sized replica of the famous painting.

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The entire mural project was sponsored by the Junior League of North Harris and South Montgomery Counties, Inc., and involved a complete community: individuals, businesses, schools, organizations and area arts and cultural affiliations. Strategic donations by two local businesses helped launch the project. Jerry's Artarama primed the vinyl tiles and prepared them to receive a screened image and artist paint. Signtex provided the screen-print outlined images of the painting on the individual tiles and will be hanging the mural. Artists worked the rest of the magic along with many volunteers of the Pearl, led by Suzanne Sparks and Laura Barousse. Andrea Jetton, another of the volunteers, stepped in to complete the sealing of the mural to help protect it from the weather.

The entire design and assemblage process has been directed by local artist and resident Leslie Humphreys and by museum Board member Kathryn Lanier, local artist and owner of the Potter's Wheel.

Information about giving opportunities can be found at the museum's Web site at pearlmfa.org or contact Clara Lewis, Grants Coordinator, at 281-376-7121 or by e-mail at clewis@cypresscreekdoc.org.

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Color: Weathered Wood, Sablewood, Antique Slate
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Color: Slate Green, Slate Gray, Slate Blue
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Color: Weathered Wood, Charcoal, Slate, Pewter Gray

or one approved by the Architectural Control Committee. It is further agreed that these fiberglass asphalt roof shingles shall not be installed over existing wood shingles. The existing wood shingles shall be removed and 1/2" CDX plywood decking be applied prior to installing the fiberglass asphalt roof shingles.

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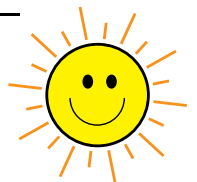
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