



# Southwyck Community Association, Inc. Pearland, Texas

Southglen - Emerald Pointe - Southfield Village - Southmanor - Lakescrest Estates - Lakes of Edgewater

September, 2009

www.southwycktexas.com

### Special points of interest:

Southwyck Community Association has a new web site:  
www.southwycktexas.com

Master elections to be held in Thursday, December 3, 2009.

See page 3 for details on position up for election and who to contact if interested in running for this position.

Visit  
www.southwycktexas.com  
for up-to-date information.

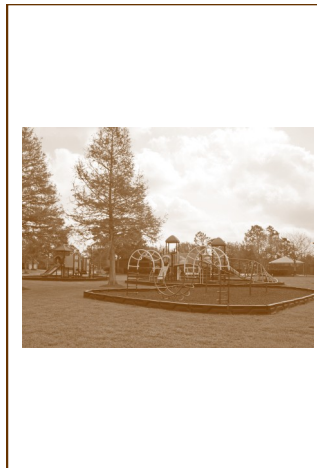
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## Curb Appeal—Getting Your Yard Ready for the Fall

Everyone would like to have a beautifully landscaped yard. Good curb appeal is always a plus. Here are a few easy things you can do.

**For your lawn:** By September your lawn should be bouncing back from the summer heat. Check it for brown patch, areas of dead grass which can be a few inches to a few feet wide. Brown patch is the most common problem at this time. It is caused by a fungus that attacks all types of grass in warm, humid areas. Check with your local hardware store for a lawn fungus control agent that can be applied to control the spread. Remember to always use agents and fertilizers according to manufacturer's recommendations.



Section I playground on Northfork

**For your planting beds:** With the approach of cooler temperatures, it is the perfect time to begin thinking about planting fall and winter color. Choose annual varieties such as Pansy, Sweet William, Dianthus, Snapdragon or Bachelor's Button. Plant them in containers for a splash of color or nine inches apart in planting beds. Remember to be sure to plant them in areas with adequate sun and to water them as needed depending upon the variety that you selected for planting. Maintain approximately two inches of mulch in all planting areas. Mulch helps to reduce weeds and to maintain soil moisture and temperature.

## Movie Night at Southwyck Lake Park

Join your fellow neighbors at movie night at the lake park Saturday, October 24.

Please feel free to bring a picnic dinner to enjoy before the movie begins.

Picnic starts at 6:30 P.M. The movie starts at approximately 7:30 P.M. We will be showing "Meet the Robinsons".

Southwyck Community

Association will provide popcorn and soda for you to enjoy during the movie.

*We hope to see you there!*

## Weather Websites

### Golden Triangle Weather Page

<http://www.ih2000.net/ira/bmt-wth.htm>

### Crown Weather Service

[www.crownweather.com](http://www.crownweather.com)

### Houston Radar Matrix

<http://home.earthlink.net/~houstonweather/houston/ra Darmatrix.htm>

### NOAA National Hurricane Center

[www.nhc.noaa.gov/index.shtml](http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/index.shtml)

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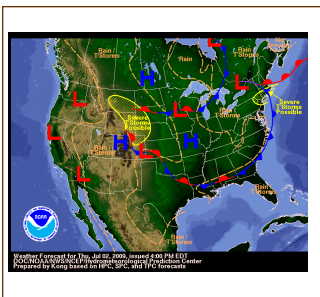
[www.nws.noaa.gov/](http://www.nws.noaa.gov/)

### Stormpulse

[www.stormpulse.com/](http://www.stormpulse.com/)

### Weather Underground

[www.wunderground.com/US/Region/US/Radar.html](http://www.wunderground.com/US/Region/US/Radar.html)



## Trash Pick-up for Southwyck

Tuesdays & Fridays

**Bulk Trash and Brush Pickup** – will be picked up at curbside on the Fridays.

Waste Management observes six holidays a year: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day.

If garbage collection day falls on one of these days, service will resume on the next regularly scheduled day.

## Should you microchip your pet?

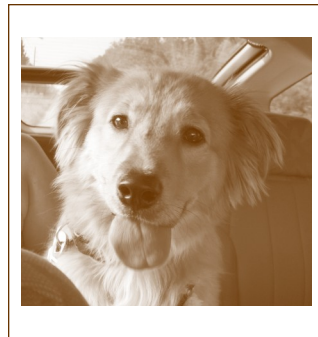
Most of us have heard about microchipping our pets. But what does this really mean? How does it work? Is it going to hurt my pet? How much does it cost? I will answer some of those most common questions....

A pet microchip uses radio frequency identification (RFID) technology. Each microchip contains a unique identification number for the pet. The chip simply sits in your pet, waiting to be read by a scanner if he/she ever gets lost and is taken to a shelter or vet office. Microchips are designed to last the lifetime of a pet. They have no batteries and emit no radio frequency unless scanned. The information about the animal and or the owner is not on the chip itself, but is kept in a database or registry and is "pulled up" when correlated to the chip number. That is why microchip numbers must be unique.

Inserting the chip does not hurt the pet. As a matter of fact, I had all of my pets chipped in June and they showed no signs of pain. The microchip was inserted under the skin at the scruff of the neck. My local vet charged \$40.00 per pet. I was sent home with the all the information I needed to register with the company. The vet also registered our contact information and microchip numbers for them to keep on file.

YOU MUST register your contact information and pet information (including microchip number) in order for it to be a useful tool in finding *Continue on page 3*

your lost pet. When you register, you provide the unique microchip identification number, as well as yours and the veterinarian's contact information. If a shelter or local vet



receives your pet, they use scanners to read the number and contact the agency that manages the database you registered with. Also,

please remember to update your contact information with the registration database whenever you move, get a new phone number or e-mail address. If the chip can be read but there is no owner contact information registered, it will be hard to reunite the pet with its family.

There is more than one company that manufactures and sells microchips for pets. The consequences of this are that there are microchips that run on different radio frequencies. *But do not be alarmed!* Universal scanners are now readily available to all U.S. animal shelters and veterinary clinics.

## From the City of Pearland's Web Site

### E-mail Announcements

City news and announcements on a variety of topics are available at [http://www.groupbuilder.net/client\\_files/Pearland/subscribe.php](http://www.groupbuilder.net/client_files/Pearland/subscribe.php)

Receive information about garage sales, job postings, City Council agendas, road construction and MUCH more.

**Pearland also has a telephone notification system that lets you receive**

time sensitive community related announcements.

<https://portal.blackboardconnectcity.com/welcome.aspx?eiid=1207B6088C3676A06A7F>

## Emergency

### Contacts

**EMERGENCY—**  
Police, Fire &  
Ambulance  
**911**

**Poison Control  
Center**  
1-800-222-1222

**Pearland Police**  
(non-emergency)  
281-412-3943

**Brazoria County  
Sheriff**  
(non-emergency)  
281-756-2214

**Pearland Fire  
Department**  
(non-emergency)  
281-412-4807

## Pearland ISD School Contacts

**Massey Ranch  
Elementary**  
281-727-1700

**Silverlake Elem.**  
281-436-8000

**Pearland JH  
South**  
281-997-3900

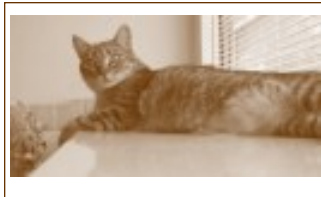
**Rodgers Middle  
School**  
832-736-6400

**Dawson HS**  
281-727-1600

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They are called “universal” because they can read multiple microchip frequencies sold by different microchip manufacturers. Per The Humane Society of the United States (HSUS), there are at least four different microchip frequencies marketed in the U.S. However, I have read that if your local vet and shelters cannot read the frequency of your chip, you can call the manufacturer and request that they send a scanner to the location, free of charge.

“As an alternative to (or in addition to) using microchips, some people purchase pet collars with a GPS



(Global Positioning System) device attached. Using

measurements from satellites and cellular technology, these devices can send messages to your computer or cell phone to alert you when your dog has left a virtual safe zone, as well as where exactly your dog has strayed.”

McGrath, Jane. "How Pet Microchipping Works." 21 April 2008. HowStuffWorks.com. <<http://animals.howstuffworks.com/pets/pet-travel/pet-microchip.htm>> 31 July 2009.  
Paige Gallegos

## Southwyck Community Association Call for Candidates for Election

The 2009 Annual Members Meeting of the Southwyck Community Association is scheduled for *Thursday, December 3, 2009* at the Southwyck Golf Club. The purpose of the meeting is to hold elections for 1 position on the Board of Directors, and to bring you up to date on issues affecting the Association.

The Association (sometimes called the “master” Association) represents all of the homeowners in Southglen, Emerald Pointe, Huntington Park,

Southfield Village, Edgewater Estates, Lakecrest Estates, and Southmanor. Each community is also represented by a Section or “village” Association that handles maintenance of pools and other common areas, as well as deed restriction enforcement. The Southwyck (master) Community Association handles assessment collection for both the master and villages Associations, and maintenance of certain common areas throughout the community.

The master Association is governed by a five member volunteer Board of Directors. The position up for election this year is currently vacant, but was previously held by Paige Gallegos who resigned at the end of August. This vacant position is for a Director.

Anyone interested in running for a position on the Board of Directors may contact any board member at [directors@southwycktexas.com](mailto:directors@southwycktexas.com). Nominees must be in good standing (current on fees or payments due the Association). Candidates are asked to provide a brief (no more than 250 words) note presenting biographical information and their interest or qualifications for the positions. Interested individuals will also be asked to fill out a questioner which will be emailed or sent to you. This information will be shared with the membership. Notice of intent to run for election and your biographical summary must be postmarked no later than October 30, 2009, and may be mailed to Southwyck Community Association at 2615 Bay Area Blvd, Houston, Texas 77058, or by emailing the directors at [directors@southwycktexas.com](mailto:directors@southwycktexas.com). Only one member per household may run for a position on the Board.

Additional information concerning the date, time and place of the meeting will be mailed to all homeowners in November. Please watch for your letter and make plans to attend this very important meeting.

## *Individual Associations Contact Information*

### **MASTER:**

Community Management Solutions, Inc.  
Kathy Dooley, Property Manager  
2615 Bay Area Blvd.  
Houston, TX 77058  
Office: 281-480-2563

Email: [kathy@cmsolutions.com](mailto:kathy@cmsolutions.com)  
Website: [www.southwycktexas.com](http://www.southwycktexas.com)

### **SECTION I**

Association Management, Inc.  
Elise Campagna, Manager  
5295 Hollister St.  
Houston, TX 77040  
Office: 713-932-1122

Website: [www.southwyckca.org](http://www.southwyckca.org)

### **SECTION IV**

SCS Management Services, Inc.  
7170 Cherry Park Drive  
Houston, TX 77095  
Office: 281-463-1777

Email: [anewby@scsmgmt.com](mailto:anewby@scsmgmt.com)  
Website: [www.southwycktexas.com](http://www.southwycktexas.com)

### **SECTION V**

Southwyck Section V HOA  
P.O. Box 841684  
Pearland, TX 77584

Email: [Southwyck5@SouthwyckTexas.com](mailto:Southwyck5@SouthwyckTexas.com)

Southwyck Community Association, Inc.  
2615 Bay Area Blvd.  
Houston, Texas 77058

## *Utility Contact Information*

**Centerpoint Energy (gas)** 713-659-2111 or  
1-800-752-8036

**Step 1:** Leave immediately! Do not use electric switches, telephones (including cell phones) or anything that could cause a spark.

**Step 2:** Go to a safe location and then call our natural gas leak hotline. Do not use e-mail or the Internet to contact the company about a leak, and never assume someone else has reported the leak.

**Step 3:** Alert your neighbors. CenterPoint Energy checks suspected natural gas leaks at no cost to you.

**Step 4:** Never try to repair a natural gas leak yourself. Leave all repairs to a trained technician.

**Reliant Energy (lights)** 713-207-2222 or 1-800-332-7143

Give 6 digit pole number

[www.centerpointenergy.com/outage](http://www.centerpointenergy.com/outage)

Department of Public Works  
Water & Sewer  
281-652-1900

**Call Before You Dig** 1-800-344-8377

<http://www.austinenergy.com/customerCare/OtherServices/callbeforeyoudig.htm>



*Southwyck Lake Park  
Play structure*