The Welcome Home Newsletter

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LONE STAR
GREETING SERVICE

We bring community services and businesses to new homeowners.

About Lone Star Greeting Service

Trisha Gunter, the owner of Lone Star Greeting Service, and her team of representatives enjoy personally greeting new homeowners, presenting them with gift bags and community information and making certain they feel welcome to the neighborhood. As a result, new homeowners have been introduced to merchants and those businesses have flourished.

Our representatives are friendly and outgoing people who are very knowledgeable about their communities and familiar with the businesses they represent. We greet new homeowners in Willis, Conroe, Cypress, Magnolia, Montgomery, Spring, The Woodlands & Tomball, Texas.

Our Spring territory was recently renamed to reflect the booming population in the historically rich Klein/Tomball area. Click here for an interesting article on the effort to make "Klein, TX" a name worthy of the folks who live and work there. People are moving in from all areas, including other states and even surrounding communities! The Klein/Tomball area is THE place to grow!

Lone Star Greeting Service is a member of the Cypress, Tomball, The Woodlands and Conroe Chambers of Commerce.

Find out more about Lone Star Greeting Service at www.lonestargreetingservice.com.

If you'd like to join our team, contact Trisha (trishag@lonestargreetingservice.com)

Are You the One?

Are you outgoing? Are you the sort of person who has never met a stranger, and find yourself making a fast friend in line at the grocery store? Do you want or need a little extra money in your pocket but don't want to be chained to a desk all day? Do you have the time to work about 20 hours a week, but want the freedom to choose your own hours? Do you want to work partially from home? Do you have a dependable vehicle for visiting new homeowners? Can you send an email and are able to work on an Excel Spreadsheet? If you've answered "Yes!" to any or all of these questions, Lone Star Greeting Service may have just the right job for you! We've been around for 25 years, greeting new homeowners and giving them gifts from local businesses. Basically, we help new homeowners get familiar with their new community and help businesses gain new customers.

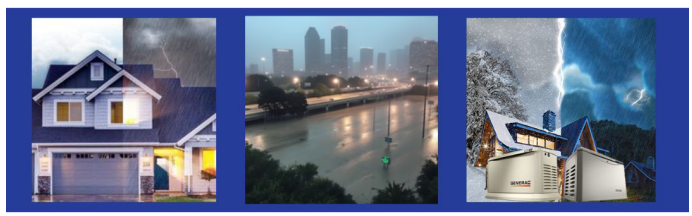
If you want to find out more, please contact Trisha at 832.928.9078 or trishag@lonestargreetingservice.com.

Business Spotlight

QUALITY HOME PRODUCTS of Texas

"Having a reliable backup generator to keep you protected against power disruptions is essential for every homeowner in the Houston TX area."

Since 1989, Quality Home Products of Texas has offered an outstanding selection of exceptional generators from top-rated manufacturers, Kohler and Generac. These energy-efficient home generator options are guaranteed to keep your most important appliances and equipment powered during outages brought on by extreme weather or other unforeseen circumstances.



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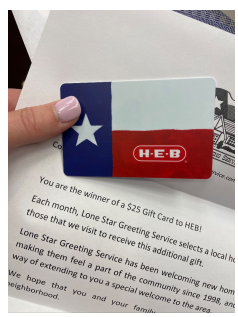


Another lucky homeowner will win a $25 HEB gift card in our monthly drawing. Will it be you?

Welcome Aboard!

We'd like to give a big warm welcome to these new businesses that we have partnered with recently. We are so excited to be working with you! Our new homeowners will be blessed by your welcome gifts and appreciate that they have a trusted business that they can turn to.

VillaSport Athletic Club and Spa

The Woodlands Premier Remodeling

Drama Kids Of NW Houston

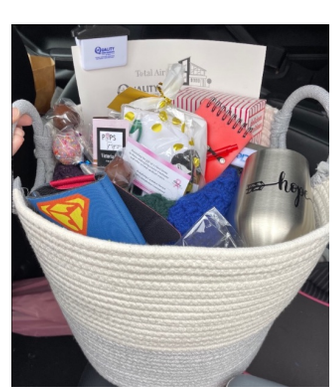
BLESSING BOXES

LONE STAR GREETING SERVICE

Lone Star Greeting Service is excited to deliver Blessing Boxes to some of our deserving families. We've already delivered two of them over the past few months! After years of welcoming in new homeowners, we felt like there were some families whose story stood out to us and who deserve something above and beyond. Based on nominations, we hand deliver a Blessing Box to some of our new homeowners after they've moved in! For most of the families we visit, the moves are exciting and full of new possibilities and community. But for some, it's because of a loss or a hard transition. Some of the people we've met and the stories we've heard really make an impact. We want to be right at the heart of the community and show love and light in the midst of the hard. Some families are battling illness, loss of a loved one, separation from families or other challenges.

We've joined with some of our amazing clients and even a few others in the community to put together a box of gifts, offers and encouragement. Most businesses are offering completely free services as a way to give back. I've never been so proud of our team, clients and community for stepping up as soon as we asked! Houston has an amazing team, for sure!

We can't wait to tell you about our next delivery! If you're a business and you'd like to contribute in the future, feel free to message us. No gift is too small. At the end of the day, we just want our community to feel loved, valued and cared for.



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Are You Ready for Hurricane Season?

Houston is located in an area that is prone to storms and hurricanes. The hurricane season traditionally begins on June 1st and ends on November 30th. During this time period, Houston is especially vulnerable to hurricanes and tropical storms that may cause damage to property and loss of life.

The National Weather Service provides regular advisories during hurricane season, warning residents of the potential risk of damaging weather conditions. In addition, they have established a network of coastal monitoring stations that provide detailed information about storm strength, speed, and trajectory. Residents should use these warnings to plan for necessary evacuations or other precautions to protect themselves from harm during severe storms and hurricanes.

Before hurricane season each year, make sure you and your family are prepared by planning ahead.

- Write down emergency phone numbers and keep them on the refrigerator and program them into your cell phone.
- Charge your cell phone, and your extra power supply.
- Prepare an emergency supply kit.

Gather emergency supplies

It's always best to be prepared—stock up on everything you might need now. Be sure to prepare the following:

- An emergency food and water supply.
- An emergency medicine supply.
- Emergency power sources such as flashlights (don't forget extra batteries).
- Important documents, including medical documents, wills, passports, and personal identification.

Know the difference between a "watch" and "warning."

Listen for National Weather Service alerts on TV or radio or check for them online. There are two kinds of alerts:

- **A hurricane watch** means hurricane conditions (sustained winds of 74 miles per hour [mph] or higher) are possible in a stated area. Experts announce hurricane watches 48 hours before they expect tropical-storm-force winds (sustained winds of 39 to 73 mph) to start.
- **A hurricane warning** is more serious. It means hurricane-force winds are expected in a stated area. Experts issue these warnings 36 hours before tropical-storm-force winds are expected in the area to give people enough time to prepare for the storm.

Get your car ready

- Fill your car's gas tank.
- Move cars and trucks into your garage or under cover.
- Always keep an emergency kit in your car.

Get your home ready

- Clear your yard. Make sure there's nothing that could blow around during the storm and damage your home. Move bikes, lawn furniture, grills, propane tanks, and building material inside or under shelter.
- Cover up windows and doors. Use storm shutters or nail pieces of plywood to the outside window frames to protect your windows. This can help keep you safe from pieces of shattered glass.
- Be ready to turn off your power. If you see flooding, downed power lines, or you have to leave your home, switch your power off.
- Fill clean water containers with drinking water. You'll want to do this in case you lose your water supply during the storm. You can also fill up your sinks and bathtubs with water for washing.
- Make sure you have propane in your grill. You may need it for cooking outside if the power is out.

Be ready to evacuate or stay at home

Always listen to authorities regarding whether you should evacuate or stay at home.

If a hurricane is coming, you may hear an order from authorities to evacuate. Never ignore an order to evacuate. Even sturdy, well-built houses may not hold up against a hurricane. Staying home to protect your property is not worth risking your health and safety.

Or you may hear an order to stay at home. If driving conditions are dangerous, staying at home might be safer than leaving.

click here: https://www.cdc.gov/disasters/hurricanes/before.html or here: https://www.noaa.gov/hurricane-prep for more information.

We see the funniest doormats!

Just for Fun!

Question: Why didn't the sun go to college?
Answer: Because it has a million degrees.

Question: What do bees say in summer?
Answer: It's swarm, isn't it?!

Question: What do you call a labrador at the beach in August?
Answer: A hot dog.

Question: Why do fish swim in saltwater?
Answer: Because pepper makes them sneeze!

The "Texas" Way

We love our new homeowners, and we never know what's going to happen during a visit. Recently one of our team members was having a pleasant conversation with a new homeowner when they mentioned that they were going to update their flooring. The flooring was put down by the previous homeowner, but was not their style, so they were going to have it ripped up and replaced.

The homeowner asked the Representative if she knew of anyone who wanted the almost new flooring. She not only jumped at the chance, but also volunteered her family to pull out the flooring for them, to help cut the new homeowners cost. Her daughter was the lucky recipient of free floors for her entire home!

People are so generous and gracious in our little slice of Texas!

Community Events

Click on images below to go to event website.

Some Businesses We Know and Trust

Astoria Lighting

Total Air Heating and Cooling

Decorating Den Interiors - Jennifer Jones

The Laundry Fairy

Mid South Fiber Internet

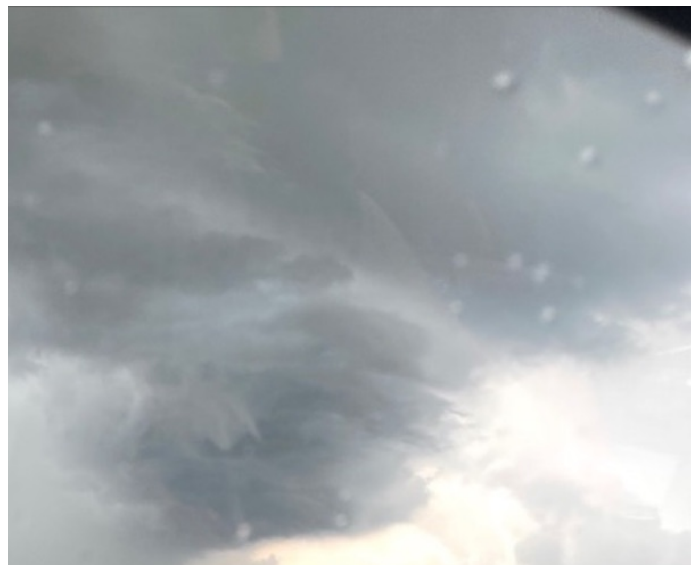
Spring Spine Center

Brian Bohr - Edward Jones

TJ Hayes & Co

Campioni Restaurant

Magnolia Apostolic Tabernacle



We are out there greeting our new homeowners and introducing them to local businesses in all kinds of weather!

JOIN US

TEAM!

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If you own a business, or know someone who does, we would love to partner with you in welcoming our new homeowners to the area. Our goal is to help new homeowners become familiar with their communities and help your business gain new customers. If you refer a business and they decide to use Lone Star Greeting Service for their marketing needs, we will give you a referral fee of $25.

WANT TO BE FEATURED IN OUR NEWSLETTER?

Each month we will spotlight one of the businesses we partner with. We would love to feature you in our next newsletter! Contact our business development manager, Sandy Flowers for more details. sandy.f@lonestargreetingservice.com

ARE YOU A NEW HOMEOWNER?

Whether you are new to Texas, new to the area, or just moved across the street, our team wants to welcome you to your new home! We all know how hectic and intimidating it can be to move, and we want you to know that if there is anything we can do to help you get to know your new community, just ask! We love our new homeowners!

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