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School bells have rung and class is in session. I have turned my column into a short history lesson. Harbor Point was developed by Tecon out of Dallas in the early 90's. Some of you were here in the 90's. I was not, but this is what I understand happened. Tecon built roads and recreational areas, put in utilities, divided and sold lots, paid the necessary bills and started the neighborhood. In the early 90's Howard and Lee Parker put together the federal paperwork needed to form the Harbor Point Property Owner's Association (HPPOA). In the mid-90's a board of 5 property owners was elected to run the neighborhood. The transfer of ownership from developer to HPPOA was becoming a reality. The new board had a steep learning curve. Howard Parker was the first president of the HPPOA and Larry Mahler was his right hand man. They were not bored or living here fulltime and looking for something to do. They worked very hard and cared about the neighborhood. They donated their time, talent and often supplies and were never paid for their work. I am grateful that they did above and beyond but they say they did "what needed to be done." They came up on weekends and worked hard. They drove tractors, rebuilt bridges in the freezing rain, had their lives threatened when they collected dues, learned the computer software, set up POA billing, filed with the IRS for non-profit status, met with lots of attorneys, maintained community property, paid neighborhood bills, drew up and enforced bylaws. Their wives, Lee Parker and Norma Jean Mahler, were right there from the beginning offering office skills, support and prayers. Lee Parker set up the POA office and ran it for several years. They all worked countless hours to give Harbor Point the firm foundation needed to become the outstanding community it is today. Because of their professionalism and dedication, we are the only neighborhood in the area to have never gone into bankruptcy. We have much to be proud of and much of it is due to these people. The Neighbors for Neighbors Community Club will be dedicating two of our neighborhood parks in their honor on Saturday, September 5<sup>th</sup> at 10am. I hope you will join us at the clubhouse as we honor them and learn more about the community we call home (even if it is a parttime home)



It is almost time to collect big bags of Halloween candy to hand out at gate on Halloween afternoon. If you want to donate you can take the bags of candy to office. We will send left over candy to our troops. We also collect items for our troops a list to follow in October Newsletter.

### DECICATION OF THE PARKS ON SATURDAY, SEPT. 5th AT 10am AT THE CLUBHOUSE

**Terry Cooley** is home after 25 days in Methodist Hospital

**David, Josephine, Chris Stoll** and granddaughter **Rachel** are back after a trip to Michigan to visit friends and family

**Bobby and Jaunelle Harris** home from Alaska cruise with daughter and son in law

Vic and Bonnie Mcgunnis visited Bonnie sisters in Alabama.

**Eric Street** and **Sandy Pringle** are both recovering from knee surgery.

Lisa and Alan Risler went to Wichita Kansas to attend Lisa's sister in law funeral.

**Pat Rogers** had cataract surgery on both eyes (a week apart)

If you had the Newsletter emailed, you could enjoy all the pictures in color.



If you see a Veteran ....Tell them thank you for their service...

If we missed you on our Veteran list last year or if you are a Vet new to our Community let us know—Please send email:

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### IT IS SCHOOL TIME WATCHOUT FOR THE KIDS





9-7 Labor Day9-4 Teachers Day9-13 Grandparents Day9-11 Patriot Day9-12 Viedo Games Day9-16 Women Friendship Day9-16 Women Friendship Day9-18 Thank You Day9-17 Citizenship Day9-18 Thank You Day9-19 POW/MIA Recognition Day9-23 Good Neighbors Day9-26 Native American Indian Day



Mark Your Calendar for Next Month

#### Special Guest Speaker at the Clubhouse

#### Who: County Extension Agent Armon Hewitt

- What: Controlling the Pests in Your Yard (Deer, Moles, Insects)
- When: Thursday October 22 at 6pm
- Where: Harbor Point Clubhouse
- **Why:** We all want a yard we can enjoy and be Proud of.

How much: Free! Just show up and learn.

Everyone in the community is encouraged to attend



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### NFNCC would like to invite you to join

Dues are prorated for the year (and \$10 if you want a tshirt). Please come join us or just check out the meeting on **September 8th**. We discuss all kinds of things,. <u>Hope to see you there.</u>



### A GRAND RELATIONSHIP

Anyone who has ever received a loving hug, phone call, letter or email from a grandchild knows how truly special, and beneficial, that bond is. Intergenerational relationships are important for the emotional growth of a child, who develops a sense of belonging and identity by feeling part of a larger family. A grandparent can strengthen this connection by passing on family history, heritage and traditions. Grandparents can also serve as a child's source of wisdom, emotional support. entertainment and, of course, unconditional love. In return, grandchildren bring meaning and joy to a grandparent's life. One of the biggest rewards of the grandparent-grandchild relationship is learning new things from each other. Together, grandparents and grandchildren can share and explore existing passions and new interests, and both old and young can experience the world from a fresh perspective.



Grandparents Day on Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup>.



We are open **Tuesday - Saturday 10-2**. You'll see the OPEN sign lit up if someone is in the office. Lisa, **Charlotte** and are "in the office" **Shirley** will not be working in the office, she will be missed. **Come by the office if you need us!** 

#### E-mail address: <u>hppoa@windstream.net</u> STATEMENTS SCHEDULE:

I will need volunteers as I will be printing out statements on Wednesday and Thursday September 16th and 17th and I'll need help stuffing them on Friday September 18th. I did get the correct envelopes that require no water, hooray! There will be a note to put inside along with the statement.

I still have a rather large list of those who never turned in the **2014 Pool Keys with green bands**, the list is up on the counter.

If you have lots for sell, people are, asking lots of questions, interested in buying lots, etc.

Also check the website (Harbor Point Resort) for property for sell.

There is a loss & found at the Gate. Phone number is <u>936-594-2099</u>

They also have clubs for putt golf.

#### **UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION**

It is very important to have your correct address and phone numbers on file at the office. We need to be able to reach you in the event a tree falls and damages a structure on your property, tree falls on your power line, a water leak occurs on your side of the meter, fire damage to a structure on your property, vandalism to your property and suspected possible theft of your power or water. This is a few reasons for updated information. **Alice** 

**Remember,** Books, Magazines, Cassette books, puzzles, playing cards to borrow are in our little Library.

Deed Restrictions are available anytime at the office. That way people know what they <u>can</u>

<u>and cannot do</u> on their property.

til next month, Lísa Rísler



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The Houston Astros are simply amazing this year. Their pitcher, Mike Fiers fired a NO-HITTER at the L.A.Dodgers on my birthday (Aug 21). The Astros remain the leader of the AL west division by 4 games

with the season nearing the finish. The team is playing with pride, determination, and heart at this point and we all wish them continued success through the rest of the year. Go ASTROS!!

Well, our little league team from pearland came very close to winning the LITTLE LEAGUE WORLD SERIES but fell to the Pennsylvania team late in the game 3-2. Pearland's dread locked coach has done a fantastic job with his Team for the past few years. Congratulations to the PEARLAND LITTLE LEAGUE TEAM.

My beloved N.O. Saints fell hard to the Houston TEXANS Yesterday in the Superdome. I am a very loyal fan of the SAINTS and will always have faith in the team and their coaches regardless of the outcome of any game they play. I am also a fan of the TEXANS and they are very impressive to this point. Their defense is totally awesome and the offense is showing a lot of improvement every game. It seems as though coach O'Brien has decided that QB Bryan Hoyer will be the starting QB this season. Everyone is expecting great things from the team this year. GO TEXANS!!

We send our sympathy to local pro-golfer RYAN PALMER and his family for the recent death of his father.He was unable to play in the PGA Championship tournament last Week but did play in the BARCLAYS rom your tournament this week and finished in sixth place. The tournament was won by a young Australian Jason Day. Jason also won the PGA last week. He is well on his way to becoming the next WHITE SHARK (Greg Norman) on tour from Australia. The young stallions on the PGA tour are just getting better each year. As they say, "Records are made to be broken!" That's all for now from your friendly neighbor

#### TONY (WHO DAT) LEMOINE





08-01-15 Mark & Michelle Yarbrough and Michelle's sister caught a nice mess of catfish then had a fish fry.

08-03-15 **Tommy & Reba Winslow** caught 11 keeper catfish and a bunch of little ones.

08-10-15 **Bil Culpepper** caught 17 catfish off the river. **Pop** cleaned them and **Alice** washed and bagged them for the fall fish fry.

08-21-15 **Mark & Jan Mann** kept 7 nice catfish and threw the 14-16 inch back. A good day fishing.

08-23-15 **Pop & Alice Lankford** threw out the jug lines and managed to catch 8. A bad day on the lake as the fish were 16-18 inches long. Good for fried fish!

08-24-15 **Pop & Alice** tried jug lining again and caught9. All were 16-20 except one big boy that weighed 7.5.

#### THAT WILD FISHERMAN BILL BLANTON



**Fishing and Hunting Licenses** generally expire the end of August. Don't get caught with an expired license. A valid fishing license is required to take fish from public waters. A valid hunting license is required to take any animal, bird, turtle or frog in the state. Check with Texas Parks and Wildlife for the rules, regulations and exceptions.

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Drawing at **Cajun Fest** on Saturday, Sept 19th at 5pm at the clubhouse Do not have to be present to win



Vickie Millstid bought the yarn at the Harbor Point garage sale crocheted it while on night duty at the guard house and has donated it to the NFNCC for a fundraiser. It is a really soft reversible crocheted piece.



# THE FARMHOUSE

In Onalaska on August 13 was a huge success 21 of our neighbors got together for a great meal WE HOPE TO PLAN ANOTHER NEIGHBORS NITE OUT IN THE NEAR FUTURE Any Suggestions ????



Cajun fest Fish Fry Barbecue Cookoff Spaghetti Dinner Breakfast Sunset on the deck Movie Night Thanksgiving Bake Sale

Dedication of parks on Saturday, Sept 5 at 10am at the Clubhouse Please come

# riease come

# refreshments to follow



Just in case we don't say it enough---We appreciate your participation in our Fundraisers!! We also want to thank everyone who made contributions.



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### THE HARBOR POINT DEER REPORT

Chris appreciated Norma Jean and Mary's help while he was on vacation



**Thanks for the Donations** 



Please keep the cash, cans and corn coming





### MEDICAL DISCOVERY ON THE AGED

Brains of older people are slow because they know so much. People do not decline mentally with age; it just takes them longer to recall facts because they have more information in their brains, scientists believe. Much like a computer struggles as the hard drive gets full, so too, do humans take longer to access information when their brains are full.

Researchers say this slowing down process is not the same as cognitive decline. The human brain works slower in old age, said Dr. Michael Ramscar, but only because we have stored more information over time. The brains of older people do not get weak. On the contrary, they simply know more.

Also, older people often go to another room to get something and when they get there, they stand there wondering what they came for. It is NOT a memory problem, it is nature's way of making older people do more exercise.

Now when I reach for a word or a name, I won't excuse myself by saying "I'm having a senior moment." Now, I'll say, "My start up disk is full!"

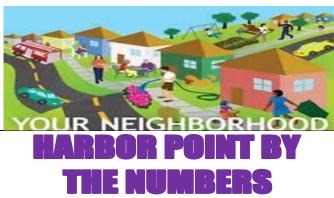
#### Reba Winslow



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% of full-time residents (estimate)-25% # of feet of waterfront-about 4000 # of lots-1751 # of statements each billing-900 # of named roads-30 # of miles of paved road-about 12 # of stop signs-15 # of security street lights-35 # of gallons of water in the pool-55,000 # of dumpsters-5 # of guards on the gate-9 # of board members-5 # of miles to hospital-8.7 # of miles to fire station-14.5 # of fire hydrants 0



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The **<u>BIG dumpsters</u>** will be showing up in **Harbor Point** <u>September 15th.</u> All that big stuff you've been holding onto (because it is not allowed in the regular household trash dumpsters). Get ready! RECIPES

#### **Complete Steak Dinner in CrockPot**

Use a thick 3/4 inch steak Pour a 1/2 cup A1 or Heinz 57 sauce over meat cover with a layer of foil add foil wrapped potatoes and foil wrapped frozen corn cobs cook on low for 6 hours Full steak dinner any night of the week! This can also be done with thick pork chops or chicken breasts and BBQ sauce. The whole meal cooks in the slow cooker.

#### Slow Cooker Pork Tenderloin

2 pound Pork Tenderloin
1/4 cup low sodium soy sauce
1 TBS Yellow Mustard
2-3 TBS maple syrup
2 TBS olive oil
2 TBS Diced dried onions
1 1/2 TSP Garlic Salt or Powder
Mix ingredients above. Pour over Tenderloin in the crock pot and cook on low for 6 hours.



#### **CROCKPOT TACO SOUP**

Ingredients 1 lb Ground Beef, cooked and drained 1 can corn 1 can Great Northern Beans(white) 1 can Black Beans 1 can Red Beans 1 can Diced Tomatoes 1 Hidden Valley Ranch packet 1 Taco seasoning packet 2 cups water Tortilla Chips Sour Cream Shredded Cheese Instructions Combine all ingredients in Crockpot except Tortilla Chips, Shredded Cheese and Sour Cream. \*\*Do not drain any of the cans. Stir and cover with lid. Cook on low 6-8 hours. Serve with tortilla chips, cheese and sour cream.

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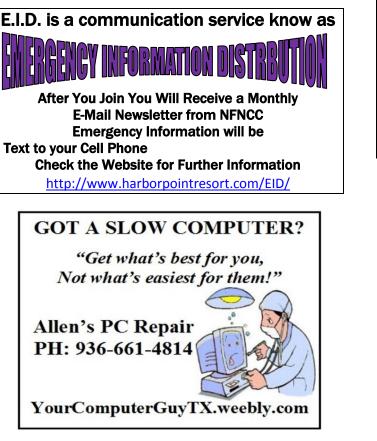
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We will print services, and items for sale, at no charge **Rules that apply:** 25-word minimum, e-mail the news-letter by the 20th of the month.

Anything deemed questionable by the editor will not be printed.

**Real estate for sale will not be Advertised here** Please contact <u>harborpointresort.com</u> to advertise lots or homes for sale.



# HARBOR POINT

#### **Property Owners Association**

Office: 936.594.7853 Fax: 936.596.9959 24 Hour Gate: 9 3 6 . 5 9 4 . 2 0 9 9

Office Hours: 10am to 2pm Tues - Sat

E-Mail: hppoa@windstream.net 122 Trinity Dr. Trinity, TX 75862 Items they sell at the GUARD GATE Everything is 50 cents .Except the chocolate bars which are 75 cents





Regular and Diet Cokes, Dr Pepper, Sprite Sunkist Orange Pepsi Bottled Water



Pay Day Bars Peanuts Chips Rice Krispie Treats Chocolate Candy Bars



HOUSE CLEANING SERVICES

Call Tammy for appointment Home: 9 3 6 - 5 9 4 - 2 3 7 7 Cell: 2 8 1 - 4 5 0 - 0 5 2 6 Currently Servicing Harbor Point Residents



# The "Mulching Man"

**Mr. Donaldson**, <u>the "mulching man"</u> clears lots and turns the trees and underbrush into mulch. He charges \$145 an hour and works really fast. If you want a lot cleared quickly, call Lisa at the office! (936) 594-7853 to set up a time.