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National Night Out – October 2, 2018

Home of Bruce and Mary Anderson

3727 Linkwood Drive

6:00-8:00 PM

Meet your neighbors as Linkwood celebrates National Night Out on Tuesday, October 2, 2018. The special night was established by the National Association of Town Watch to build safer and better neighborhoods through community involvement.

We are asking everyone to bring one finger food snack so there is no need for silverware. The Board will provide water and soft drinks.

Fall Pot Luck & Linkwood Civic Club Meeting Sunday, October 28 Home of Suzi and David Phelps 3803 Linkview 5:00—7:00 PM

October will be a busy month with a second special event. Join us at our annual Fall Pot Luck Dinner and a short Civic Club meeting. Please bring a side dish or dessert and lawn chair. The Board will provide the main course. Costumes are encouraged!

This will be another opportunity to see old friends and meet new neighbors, as well as hear what is going on in Linkwood. Dear Linkwood Friends,

It is an honor to be elected and serve as the Linkwood Civic Club President. I am thankful for a wise and lauded past president with whom I can lean on for guidance, and for a strong, professional Board and Deed Restrictions Committee, who are willing to donate their time and energy to this beautiful area of Houston we call Linkwood. Thank you for your commitment to our neighborhood - just by reading this newsletter, you are expressing interest in your community by staying informed. We are a special place. Chad and I were originally attracted to Linkwood by the trees. We soon learned that the small size of 146 homes, and more importantly the people in those 146 homes, were the real draw. We closed on our property the week after Hurricane Ike and have created many memories over the past 10 years. No event, however, will likely ever surpass that of Harvey. As a good friend and neighbor stated "Harvey, more than Allison in 2001, will redefine Linkwood and Houston for decades." The shiny new streets can not camouflage the bulldozed lots or neighbors departed. This year will be one of rebuilding. We will welcome new families to Linkwood, and it is now more important than ever to remain the strong community of neighbors Linkwood has been for the past 68 years. Please don't be a stranger. Get out and meet your neighbors and contact the board with your ideas and feedback. We are strongest when we work together and by doing so, I am confident Linkwood will continue to be the best neighborhood in Houston! I look forward to seeing you at the fun events planned in October.

With joy,

Jenna Arnold

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St. Luke's Presbyterian Church

Rev. W. Scott Harbison, Pastor

Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:00 a.m. Fellowship 11:00 a.m.

Sunday School is available for adults, children, and youth

Worship at 10:00 a.m. Join us to experience worship in new & exciting ways every Sunday!

What's going on at St. Luke's:

Looking for a women's Bible study? Beginning September 12th Women of the Word (WOW) will meet weekly on Wednesdays from 5:30-7 p.m. Enjoy Bible study, fellowship, and refreshments. Contact the church office for more info, 713.667.6531.

St. Luke's partners with Scout Pack 688: Pack 688 welcomes new families with children grades K-5th to the family scouting program. Sign-up night is September18 from 7-8 p.m. at St Luke's. Leave a text message with Paula Burns, the Cub Master, at 713.202.3955 for sign up information

11th annual Longfellow Teacher Luncheon August 24: Rev. Harbison welcomed the staff of Longfellow in the sanctuary and passed out over \$600 in gift cards. Afterward a brisket lunch was served and the teachers were asked to select school supplies from generous donations provided by church members. This event is an opportunity to let the staff know their work and all they do for the children in their care is appreciated by the community.

Live Nativity Wednesday, December 12 at 6 & 7 p.m.: As Christmas draws near, join us to relive the story of Jesus' birth with our live nativity. Re-enactments will include narration, choir, and our nativity animals!. Save the date and join your neighbors for this annual community tradition at St. Luke's.

Linkwood News

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Linkwood Ladies Update

A new year of Linkwood Ladies has begun! Join us on Tuesday, September 11, 6:00—8:00 at the home of Jenna Arnold, 3811 Linkwood, when we will eat, drink, share news, and celebrate the approaching conclusion of the street construction!!! Please pop in even if you can't stay the whole time. And remember, once a Linkwood Lady, always a Linkwood lady so don't let your new zip code stop you from visiting with your friends! Contact <u>linkwoodladies@gmail.com</u> to start receiving the meeting information emails.

Also if you have new neighbors or know someone in Linkwood who hasn't been to a meeting, please invite them.

Meet our new City Councilwoman!!!

Martha Castex-Tatum has been rooted in public service since childhood. As a young girl, she eagerly tagged along with her Father, the Block Captain for Keswick/Ramblewood Civic Club in District K, helping keep the community informed by block walking and passing out the Civic Club newsletter. Growing up in the Keswick/Ramblewood neighborhood, Martha learned the value of hard work and serving others. She attended Grissom Elementary, Parker Elementary and Welch Middle School, all in District K.

Upon graduating from Southwest Texas State University (now, Texas State University) in San Marcos, TX, where she earned her Bachelor of Business Administration and Master of Public Administration degrees, she began expressing her voice in political service. She has since served as an adjunct professor at the university. While in San Marcos, Martha's desire to serve where she lives led her to unseat a 12 year City Council incumbent, becoming the first African American woman to be elected in the city's history. During her tenure on the San Marcos City Council Martha served as Deputy Mayor Pro Tempore. In 2004, Martha returned to Houston and joined the bustling business community as a highperforming residential realtor with Keller Williams Realty, where she worked for ten years. A testament to her work ethic, Martha was named Rookie of the Year in her first year of business based on her production. Martha continued her real estate career with Berkshire Hathaway Home Services, where she currently assists new and existing residents with home sales and purchases and is consistently an award winning top producer.

In addition to her career in real estate, Martha has been a faithful and loyal public servant to District K residents since 2015. Martha has worked with other District K staff members to address concerns of constituents while advocating for Seniors, small business owners, extracurricular and after school activities for youth, economic development and beautification projects, among other issues. She oversaw the progress of the new HPD police station in District K, the CASE after school grant process, the monthly Fort Bend and Hiram Clarke Bridging the Divide meetings, and numerous sidewalk, waterline and street repair projects throughout the district. Linkwood welcomes Martha as our new District K leader! ADVERTISER NOTICE: Linkwood does not endorse or recommend the advertisers in this newsletter. Before contracting for service, check references and recommendations from independent sources.





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We appreciate everyone shown (by address) below who paid their 2018 dues as of printing date. If you have not yet paid, please drop off or mail your check for \$275 made out to Linkwood Civic Club to Caroline Walker, 9019 llona Lane, Houston 77025. Please note that we now take Credit Cards. Contact Caroline (carolineewingwalker@gmail.com) and she will provide a secure link to pay on line. Thank you!

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IN MEMORIAM

We remember two wonderful men who served the City of Houston and especially Linkwood with dignity, respect, friendship, caring and so much more



Councilman Larry Green District K Passed away March 6, 2018



At Linkwood Annual Meeting May 2018

At Linkwood Annual Meeting April 16







Donald Perkins Chief of Staff, District K Passed away August 15, 2018



Linkwood National Night

Out-October, 2017

Donald Perkins, District K Chief of Staff, was an advocate for Linkwood. His tireless efforts helped secure plans for our new streets, upcoming park renovation, the formation of Braeswood Super Neighborhood, and countless other neighborhood assists. Donald was a problem solver, and it is hard to imagine Linkwood without him by our side. Together with other civic clubs in our area, ideas are in the works for a special memorial for Donald Perkins. If you would like send an individual contribution in memory of Donald, please send checks made out to "Linkwood Civic Club" with "Perkins Memorial" in memo line to Linkwood Civic Club Treasurer, Caroline Walker at <u>9019 Ilona Ln., Houston, TX, 77025</u>

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Braeswood Super Neighborhood

As most of you know, Linkwood is part of the Braeswood Super Neighborhood. We are represented by Matt Gruber and Caroline Walker. The BSN is in its early stages of creating a Facebook Page. Plans are that it will grow and be an avenue through which information will be distributed in the future. People can pull up the page and 'like it' so that future announcements and updates will show up in their news feed.

To find it people should go to Facebook and search "Braeswood Super Neighborhood". It will show up as "Braeswood Super Neighborhood - 32". Then all they need to do is click the 'like' button and they should be good to go.



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