



# Carriage Hills

## March 2011



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

❖ The next **Property Owner's Meeting** will be held on **Tuesday, May 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm** at the Fire Station (located behind Amatos). Attending these meetings is a great way to meet your neighbors, learn about your community and offer your ideas and suggestions.

❖ Please be sure check the Carriage Hills website at: [www.carriagehillscia.com](http://www.carriagehillscia.com) often for information regarding important information and events and that are happening in the neighborhood.



### Park Rental

Even though the pool is closed for the season, don't forget that the park is available for a small rental fee all year around. It is a great place to hold a birthday party, family reunion, wedding, etc. To reserve the park and pavilion, please visit the Carriage Hills web site, look under forms and print out a rental contract. Then contact Cathy Phillips at [cathy@carriagehillscia.com](mailto:cathy@carriagehillscia.com) or Lisa LeBlanc at [lisal@carriagehillscia.com](mailto:lisal@carriagehillscia.com) to reserve your date or for more information.



### Proposed Amended Deed Restrictions

We are urging residents to please review the Proposed Amended Deed Restrictions and be prepared for an upcoming question and answer meeting. Although, it may seem like a daunting task, please visit the Carriage Hills website, print out the current Deed Restrictions and the Proposed Amended Deed Restrictions, put them side by side and read away. You will quickly notice that the Proposed Amended Restrictions are easier to read and understand and more concise. We are hoping to be able to vote on these by our May Property Owners Meeting, so please familiarize yourself with the document, watch for the date of the upcoming meeting and come prepared with questions.

### Annual Board of Directors Elections

At the Property Owners Meeting held in May, there will be two (2) Board of Directors positions to be voted upon. If you are interested in joining the Nominating Committee to help with the election, we would appreciate your service to the community. If you are interested in running for a position or joining the Nominating Committee, please contact Cathy Phillips at [cathy@carriagehillscia.com](mailto:cathy@carriagehillscia.com) for information.



### Architectural Control Committee Meeting Nights

The AC Committee meets the **first and third TUESDAYS of the month**. Applications must be submitted by the Sunday night prior to the meeting. **All improvements (fence, deck, pool, home, or garage, etc) need to be submitted for approval to the ACC before the project begins.** There are applications and regulation agreements that need to be filled out, signed and submitted for approval. These forms are available on the website. Deposits are required on new home construction only. Please contact one of the following ACC members: Jeff Schrick (Chairman) 271-0313, Pete Kaptain 273-3249, John Paxton 273-9436 or Tony Schaffer 321-0311.

Your ACC submissions must include the following:

- 1) Complete and sign the ACC application (website form)
- 2) Signed rules and regulations for construction (website form)
- 3) Elevation, Design or Drawings with measurements.
- 4) Certified plat with placement and measurements for the improvement.

### Dates to Remember

- March 13**  
Daylight Savings Time Begins
- March 14 – 18**  
CISD Spring Break
- March 17**  
St. Patrick's Day

## Residents to Honor Long Time Resident

A flagpole with an American flag will be placed at the Betty Schwartz Pavilion/Tennis Court area in memory of long time resident Paul Schwartz. Paul passed away at his home on November 15th and will be missed by many dear friends in Carriage Hills. He and his wife, Betty, were the third family to reside in Carriage Hills. They moved here from Michigan in 1979 to be closer to their daughter and her family. Paul served bravely in the army during World War II as a tank commander in the Philippines and his friends feel an American flag would illustrate his pride in his country. He will truly be missed.

# Texas Wildlife & Woodland Expo

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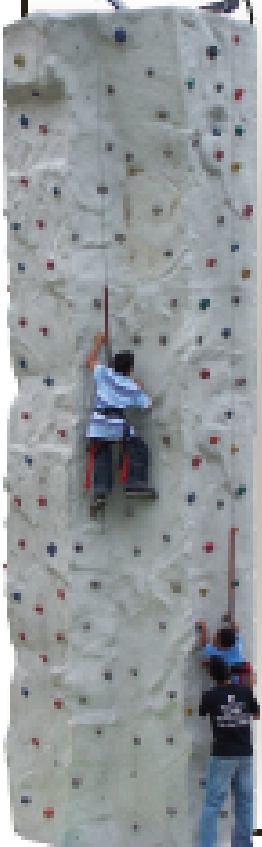
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call 936-273-2261 or visit:

<http://expo.tamu.edu>



## William Goodrich Jones State Forest

# Right in your own backyard



**By John Warner  
Urban District  
Forester**



This forest was purchased in 1926 and named after W. Goodrich Jones, the founder of the Texas Forestry Association and considered the Father of Texas Forestry. The healthy and productive forest that exists today is the result of public forest stewardship after heavy logging, devastating wildfires and insect epidemics that were common at the turn of the century. Today, the Jones State Forest dubbed an “urban wilderness” remains one of the last forested open spaces in the Greater Houston Area.

Located just 40 miles north of downtown Houston and situated adjacent to The Woodlands Township and Conroe, this 1,700 acre forest provides habitat for many wildlife species, home to the endangered red-cockaded woodpecker (RCW), and offers an unique opportunity for urban residents, horseback riders, joggers, birders, outdoor enthusiasts and local kindergarten through 12th grade

students to interact with a natural forest environment.

To maintain forest health and suitable habitat for wildlife species especially the endangered RCW along with community wild-fire safety, professional wildland firefighters annually conduct prescribed burns to reduce the amount of vegetation in the understory of the old growth pine forest. Most of the prescribed burning is conducted starting in December to March, mainly during the winter months when weather conditions are perfect for this type of forest management work.

*Texas Forest Service conducts several management activities each year that require us to close the forested areas or limit access. Prescribed burning in one such activity that helps up maintain forest health and ensures community safety. – John R. Warner, urban district forester*

Yearly, over 50,000 visitors stop by the

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state forest to learn, enjoy or take a break and enjoy nature. Visitors to the forest are welcome to drop by the main office for maps, educational materials or visit with a professional forester or tree care specialist. The forest is open daily from dawn to dusk.

Opportunities for forestry, conservation, environmental, history, and human health education and research abound within the Jones State Forest. Furthermore, with an ever-increasing population in nearby communities, the forest could provide family and

community recreational experiences. The state forest is home to Texas Master Naturalist Heartwood Chapter where each year 30 interns are trained and certified and nearly 2,000 volunteer hours are provided by Friends of Jones Forest.

To learn more about upcoming programs, volunteer opportunities, educational events, drop by for a visit at the Texas Forest Service office, 1328 FM 1488; give them a call at 936/273-2261 or email

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## 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Heavy Trash Clean-up

*Sponsored by:*  
 Precinct 2 Commissioner  
 Craig Doyal

It is again time for our Annual Heavy Trash Clean-up Weekend. The times and dates for this years event are **Saturday, March 12<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. and Sunday, March 13<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.** The disposal site will be at the end of Friendship Drive off of F.M. 1774.

The Household Chemical Waste Mobile Collection Unit will again be on site. Items that will be accepted are; yard chemicals, paints, stains, solvents, household cleaners and pool chemicals. There will be a disposal fee of \$5.00 per 5 gallons of materials. Items **NOT** accepted in the Mobile Collection Unit will be ammunition, explosives, medical waste, radioactive material, compressed air cylinders and business generated waste.

As in years past we will not accept tires, batteries and/or household garbage. Freon must be removed from refrigerators and air conditioners.

Curb side pickup is **NOT** provided. Citizens must bring their "heavy waste" to the disposal site and be able to provide proof of residency for Montgomery County, Precinct 2. We hope everyone will take advantage of this opportunity to get rid of some of your heavy waste and help to keep Montgomery County a clean and healthy place to live.

### Board of Directors

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### Welcome New Residents

We would like to welcome all of the new residents to Carriage Hills. We hope that you enjoy living in the Carriage Hills community. If you have not received your residential vehicle stickers, deed restrictions, directory or community information, please contact Susan at Investment Management at 936-756-0032.



### Carriage Hills Community Improvement Association

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