

# Robindell News



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A PUBLICATION OF ROBINDELL CIVIC CLUB

## Dates To Remember

### Robindell Civic Club Meeting

Thursday, September 19th, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.  
Bayland Community Center, 6400 Bissonnet Street  
Guest Speaker from  
City of Houston Solid Waste Management

### Robindell and Friends Dinner

September 27th, (4th Friday), 6:00-8:00 p.m.  
Happy Lamp Chinese Restaurant  
9619 Hillcroft

### National Night Out\*

October 1st, 6:00-8:00 p.m.  
Robindell Pool and Greenspace  
6231 Reamer  
Bring your chairs, personal beverages, insect repellent, and a few bucks to buy your dinner and dessert from our food trucks!

\*National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie. There will be face painting too!

### Robindell Neighborhood Pool Chili Cookoff

October 19th, 6:45 p.m.  
Robindell Pool and Greenspace  
6231 Reamer  
(see page 4 for more information)

### Robindell and Friends Dinner

October 25th (4th Friday), 6:00-8:00 p.m.  
Cafe Piquet, 5757 Bissonnet St.

### Robindell Civic Club Meeting

Thursday, November 21st, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.  
Bayland Community Center, 6400 Bissonnet Street  
Board Elections

**Robindell Civic Club Meetings and  
Robindell and Friends Dinners are open to all!**

**RSVP for dinners by noon on the day of to  
Eric Voûte at (832) 643-1214.**

## City Trash & Recycling

**Trash Collection**.....Tuesday

Sept. 4\*, 10, 17, 24  
Oct. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29  
Nov. 5, 13\*, 19, 26

**Yard Waste Collection** (bagged).....Tuesday

Yard Waste must be in city approved compostable bags.

**Recycling Collection**.....every other Tuesday

Sept. 17  
Oct. 1, 15, 29  
Nov.. 13\*, 26



### \*Holiday Schedule

#### Acceptable Recycling Items:

- Metal and cans  
(aluminum and tin cans, rinsed and drained)
- Plastic containers  
(#1-5 and #7, rinsed and drained)
- Cardboard and cartons  
(cardboard boxes and cartons from items such as milk, juice, soup, crackers, cream, beans, water, broth, wine, etc. This does NOT include pizza boxes because of food oil residue!)
- Paper (newspaper, catalogs, magazines, phone books)
- Glass (now accepting bottles and jars made of clear, green, and brown glass, rinsed and drained)

Bins and yard waste bags may be placed at the curb after 6:00 p.m. the evening before collection and empty bins removed from the curb by 10:00 p.m. on collection day.

**Heavy Trash**.....second Tuesday of the month

Oct. 8 (Junk Waste)  
Nov. 13\* (Tree Waste only)  
Dec. 10 (Junk Waste)

Heavy Trash items may be placed on the curb after 6:00 p.m. the Sunday before pick up. Tree debris is collected every month. Junk waste is collected during *even* months only.

### Having Issues With Pick-Up?

1. Please call 311 to report and get a report number! Your report will be passed on to Solid Waste Management.
2. Call or email your City Council members:
  - District C, Mayor Pro-Tem Ellen Cohen  
832-393-3004, districtc@houstontx.gov
  - District J, Mike Laster  
832-393-3015, districtj@houstontx.gov

# Crime Report for July and August 2019 (Including Robindell, Braeburn Terrace, and Braes Timbers)

On Saturday night, September 7, at about 8 p.m., a red car heading west on Bissonnet at the Beechnut intersection was shot at multiple times, causing the driver to crash into a pole near one of the car lots on Beechnut across from Aldi. Witnesses reported hearing about six gunshots; the side of the car had at least 12 bullet holes. The shooter (or shooters) got away, possibly through the neighborhood (the reason the police blocked off streets into and out of Robindell). The red car's driver was taken to Memorial Hermann Southwest Hospital in critical condition and, tragically, died Sunday morning. As of Monday night, neither the victim nor the shooter had been identified.

Otherwise, there were two sets of possibly related crimes. The first was two house break-ins in Braes Timbers on the same night, one at 2 AM and the other an hour later at 3 AM. Possibly the same burglars? The second was at The Crossing Apartments, which had two consecutive nights of trouble in the parking lot, though no one was hurt.

- Gayle Nesom

Date	Time	Block	Street	Neighborhood	Crime
7/5	10 am	5900	Grape	Braeburn Terrace	Aggravated assault
7/15	10 pm	9000	Carlotta	Braeburn Terrace	Theft from car
7/19	7 pm	8600	Bob White	Robindell	Aggravated assault
8/11	2 am	9300	McAvoy	Braes Timbers	Breaking & entering (house)
8/11	3 am	8900	Bintliff	Braes Timbers	Breaking & entering (house)
8/16	5 pm	5900	N. Braeswood	The Crossing Apts.	Theft from car
8/17	6 pm	5900	N. Braeswood	The Crossing Apts.	Vandalism in parking lot
8/21	5 am	9000	Carlotta	Braeburn Terrace	Theft from car
9/7	8 pm	6200	Beechnut	Robindell	Non-negligent murder

**To report suspicious activity call 311 or (713) 884-3131 to request non-emergency police service.**

**For police, fire, or medical emergencies please call 911.**

## Newsletter Submissions

- The next deadline for submissions is November 8th.
- Submissions may be emailed to newsletter@robindell.org.
- Please contact us if you or someone you know may be interested in placing an ad in future issues. Ad prices start at as little as \$25 for an eighth page ad.

A special thank you to Gayle Nesom for assisting with content and to all of our delivery volunteers!

## Advertising In Robindell News

Robindell News has a circulation of 750 residents and property owners. Ad space is available in Robindell News bi-monthly newsletter as follows:

Size	Single Issues	Six Issues
1/8 page	\$25	\$125
1/4 page	\$45	\$225
1/2 page	\$80	\$400
full page	\$150	\$750

- Ads are payable by check or via Pay Pal at robindell.org
- Make checks payable to Robindell Civic Club and mail to:

Robindell Civic Club - Newsletter  
9639 Hillcroft, PMB 118, Houston, Texas 77096

- Original/Camera Ready Artwork Preferred
- Send artwork and inquiries to: newsletter@robindell.org

## This Month In Deed Restrictions - "Appearances Matter"

The weather is beginning to be a little more reasonable... Cool enough to get out in the yard to take care of the deferred maintenance.

Deferred maintenance does not apply though, to keeping your yard in reasonably good order. Per Article 4.02 (b) of the Robindell Deed Restrictions: "Grass, living ground cover, shrubs and flower beds shall be cut, trimmed, edged, and weeded as needed so as to maintain a neat, well-maintained appearance. Street gutters ... shall be kept clean. Grass clippings and other maintenance debris shall not be allowed to accumulate."

Simply, if yards are kept well-maintained an abundance of other troubles can be reduced or avoided entirely. Rodent populations decrease, as do populations of many of the nastier insects, from roaches to fire ants. Clean yards are safer for pets and children. And they reduce conflicts among adults too! How often do you hear one neighbor yelling at another, "Your yard is too nice, you low-life, you double-dealer, you so-and-so!?" Never. Because people don't talk like that. But also because the soothing appeal of a nice yard reduces stress.



JULY 2019's



ELLEN & LEE  
YOUNG

For forty years, Ellen and Lee Young have enjoyed life in Robindell; so much so that they've owned two houses here! They have endured three floods, but always rebuilt. After Harvey, Lee took on the project himself, renovating the house (with the help of a few subcontractors) and re-landscaping the yard. Their home, at 6131 Reamer, is a testament to the love that the Youngs have for this neighborhood. That is why their property has been chosen for "Yard of the Month". Congratulations to Ellen and Lee and thank you for your help in helping Robindell shine. Your yard is certainly worthy of recognition!

As winners, a sign has been placed in their yard and they will receive, from Southwest Fertilizer, their choice of: 2 bags of Southwest Lawn Special 15-5-10 Lawn Food, 2 bags Southwest Premium Gold Slow Release Lawn Food, 2 bags Southwest Premium Azalea Food, or 1 bag of Southwest Earth Essentials 5-1-3 Fertilizer.

For any questions or suggestions regarding this committee, please write Gena Sylvester, gsylve1798@gmail.com, or Lisa Hollins, lyhollins@hotmail.com.

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**New To The Area**

Braeswood Farmer's Market  
5401 South Braeswood  
Saturdays and  
Sundays  
8 am - 12 pm



This Texas Agriculture Certified Farmers Market has a goal of bringing fresh farm produce, freshly prepared gourmet foods, a variety of food trucks, and live music to the heart of Meyerland weekly, rain or shine.

**Best Of Times Comics**

**Eric A. Anderson Voûte**

*Plus être que paraître*

832.643.1214 Houston, Texas  
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## Robindell Pool and Greenspace - End of 2019 Season News Update

The 2019 Swim Season is coming to an end at your Robindell Neighborhood Pool! The last event of 2019 is the **Chili Cookoff and General Meeting to be held on Saturday, October 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:45 pm.** The event is open to all residents of our three neighborhoods: Robindell, Braes Timbers, and Braeburn Terrace. (Contestants, get your chili crockpots to the pool by 6:30 pm.) **First place will win a 2020 full year membership to the Pool!** To notify us of your intent to enter the chili cookoff, please email us by October 11<sup>th</sup> at [robindellpool@gmail.com](mailto:robindellpool@gmail.com) or tag Schansa Roberts on our Facebook page, "Members of Robindell Pool and Greenspace".

Members will also be able to vote for the 2020 Slate of Officers for Robindell Recreation Association (Pool and Greenspace) Board. You can also volunteer or make suggestions about future pool projects and operations.

President:	Schansa Roberts
Vice-President:	Open (Volunteer needed)
Co-Treasurers:	Terri Gibson and Barbara Haney
Secretary:	Sheryl Knotts
Web/Communication Chair:	James Bartlett
Membership Chair:	Shelly Straub
Party Chairs:	Schansa Roberts and Jessica Soussan
Lifeguard Co-Chairs:	Jessica Soussan and Ben Swanson
Pool Grounds Co-Chairs:	Michael Berlinghof, Harry Cantor, and Rick Flores
4 <sup>th</sup> of July Co-Chairs:	Shelly Straub and Heather Silewicz
Event/Advertising Co-Chairs:	Vicki Wallin, Glen Wallin, and Bree Craft
Greenspace/Dog Park Chairs:	Iris Espinosa and Kevin Stewart

The Robindell Pool had a busy 2019 swim season! In addition to operating the pool and hosting the July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade & Cookout (making \$680 for the pool **Thanks** to donations from many neighbors and our sponsors: Beldens, Classic Donuts, McDonalds, SnoChefs, and Noah's Creamery), the Board oversaw the following improvements this year:

- Re-roofing Bath/Storage building (new bathroom door is coming in the fall)
- Adding a Shade Sail over Baby Pool (**Thanks** to Eagle Scout Troop 549 and Harry Cantor)
- Repairing both riding and push lawn mowers (**Thanks** to Steve Blatt and Todd Burns)
- Replacing the pool pump motor and one side ladder plus the diving board steps

Also, many **Thanks** go to Jared Stroban and his fiancé Ericka Aguirre for donating all the lounge chairs!

Over the winter we need volunteers to help restring the fence top barb wire. Can you help?

If you're interested in serving or working on projects or can help in any way please tag Schansa Roberts on Facebook at "Members of Robindell Pool and Greenspace" or email us at [robindellpool@gmail.com](mailto:robindellpool@gmail.com).

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5828 Bissonnet • Houston, Texas 77081  
713-666-1744 • 713-666-8108 (Fax)  
[bobp@yardgeek.com](mailto:bobp@yardgeek.com)

## Treasurer's Report - Jan. 1 to Sept. 10, 2019

### Income

Beautification Donations	\$ 745.00
Other Misc. Income	\$ 230.00
Newsletter Advertising	\$ 250.00
Transfer Fees	\$ 2,800.00
Maintenance Fees	\$ 17,191.00
Late Fees	\$ 994.00
Refinance Fees	\$ 100.00
Services	\$ 80.00
Unapplied Cash Payment	\$ 120.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 22,510.00</b>

### Expenses

Postage, Mailing Service	\$ 404.75
Website	\$ 250.80
Newsletter Printing	\$ 1,299.00
Beautification	\$ 4,575.00
Insurance-Liability, D and O	\$ 670.00
Other Misc. Expenses	\$ 100.00
Accounting Fees	\$ 833.00
Legal Fees	\$ 160.00
Landscaping Services	\$ 1,050.00
Mosquito Spraying	\$ 1,920.00
Mailbox Rental	\$ 150.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 11,412.55</b>

**Net Operating Income** \$ 11,097.45

### List of Accounts

Operating	\$ 66,553.84
CD Balances:	
Ending in ...5025	\$ 12,104.72
Ending in ...4384	\$ 12,085.19
Ending in ...6843	\$ 5,802.84
Ending in ...6846	\$ 11,505.87
Ending in ...6849	\$ 13,242.78
<b>Total Balance</b>	<b>\$121,295.24</b>

## In Memoriam Harvey Florianic

Robindell was saddened to hear of the passing of long time resident Harvey Florianic on July 1st. Harvey and his wife of 56 years, Elgia Pesek Florianic, were our July Yard Of The Month winners. A graduate of the University of Houston with a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration and Management, he was retired as Sales Manager from Southwest Distributing. Harvey and Elgia were Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo volunteers for over a decade. Harvey was also the longest tenured volunteer for Houston Kyle Chapman Select Baseball, which provides unique opportunities for high school baseball players to develop their talents and showcase their abilities to colleges and professional scouts. Robindell, and Houston in general, will surely miss him and his many contributions to our community. Our sincerest condolences to Elgia and the rest of Harvey's family and friends.

## About Robindell Civic Club

Robindell neighborhood was founded in 1954. Since its founding, the Robindell Civic Club has acted to serve Robindell residents through preserving the neighborhood's quality, character, and history. This is all accomplished through the volunteer hours of many individuals who serve on the board and on various committees. It is your neighborhood. Consider investing a bit of your time and talent to help keep Robindell an amazing place to live!

Do you have any requests of the leadership? Do you have a recommendation for making Robindell even better? Do you have questions about Robindell?

Attend our next Civic Club meeting at Bayland Community Center, September 19th, 6:30-8:00 p.m. All owners, tenants, and guests are welcome. We value your input!

If unable to attend our meeting, please email us at [robindellcc@gmail.org](mailto:robindellcc@gmail.org) or contact any of our board members. You can find contact information on page 6.

## Robindell November Elections

We need volunteers! End-of-year Robindell Board elections are coming on November 21st. All officer and section director positions are open. Do you have ideas for how to make Robindell a better neighborhood? Take part and help implement those ideas. This does not take a lot of your time, but volunteering does make Robindell safer, prettier, more pleasant, and supports property values.

If you are interested in volunteering or would like to nominate someone (and you have spoken to them) please contact the nominating committee at [robindellcc@gmail.com](mailto:robindellcc@gmail.com) or text or call (832) 736-2048.

**Remember, a great neighborhood is not an accident!**

## Injured Wildlife: What To Do

Texas Wildlife Rehabilitation Center cares for Texas wildlife found in the area with a goal of rehabilitating with the intent to release back into the wild. TWRC includes an emergency room for injured, ill, and orphaned wildlife, as well as a help-line, both of which operate seven days a week.

Located at 10801 Hammerly Blvd., suite 200 (just north of I10 off Beltway 8). The helpline number is (713) 468-TWRC.

Visit [twrcwildlifecenter.org](http://twrcwildlifecenter.org) for more information on what to do if you find injured wildlife or volunteer or donation opportunities.

**Robindell Civic Club**  
**9639 Hillcroft, PMB 118**  
**Houston, Texas 77096**



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### **Robindell Civic Club 2019 Leadership**

President: Marty Lancton	president@robindell.org	
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