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From The Desk of Constable May Walker

The birds are practicing new songs, mother earth is heating up for summer and the flowers are showing off their blooms. This is a time for renewed vitality and growth. This time of year

gives us the opportunity to sow new seeds and plant new ideas; we all want to reap a rich and abundant harvest. Let us all embrace this chance to better our families and community, while extending a helping hand to those in need. While on the subject of extending a helping hand to the community, I am pleased to announce the creation of the **Constable Emergency Response Team**, better known as **C.E.R.T.**



Deputies: (l to r) P. Basralian, M. Martinez, A. Clopton, J. Maldonado & A. Sharma

This new Precinct 7 unit is deployed as a direct result of frequent community complaints regarding specific high-risk, and potentially dangerous situations such as criminal activity, execution of warrants,

special enforcement operations, prostitution stings, drug activity and natural disasters. The C.E.R.T. unit is under the leadership of Sgt. H. Jones. For more details please go to our website at www.hctx.net/compct7.

Earlier this year Precinct 7 held its first **Contract Services Seminar** at **Braeswood Assembly of God Church**. The seminar was yet another opportunity for me to meet with contract leaders to update them about Precinct 7 improvements and additional services. The response was overwhelming; special thanks to Sergeant D. Griffin, Seminar Coordinator for a job well done and Sergeant H. Jones, Contract Division Supervisor.

Also on my thank you list are the contract leaders from **Braeburn Valley West, Corinthian Pointe, Greater S.E. Management District, West Bellfort, Midtown, Girls and Boys Preparatory Academy, West Airport and of course Braeswood Assembly of God Church.**



MAY FEST

Precinct 7's first annual May Day Festival included a fantastic Precinct Health Expo and Cinco de Mayo celebration. The festival featured preventative health information and screenings from numerous agencies and organizations. This one-day festival also included great food and entertainment for mom, dad and the kids. Making it happen were Precinct 7's Florida Cooper, event coordinator and committee chairwoman. Special mention to sub-committee chairs: June Marsh, Debbie McNair, De Ann Collins and Lt. S. Trevino. Thanks to our committee members Captain C. Armstrong, Sgt. H. Jones, Deputy A. Clopton, Deputy J. Strickland, Deputy J. Davis, Willie Jo Thomas, Rosanne Richards, Diana Wheeler, Rev, Elmo Johnson, Alicia Johnson, Ann Brock and Tanya Bowman.



(l to r) Dr. E. Clark, Jessica Jackson & Florida Cooper; Constable Walker gives a warm hug; The Festival's oldest visitor is surrounded by singer Gurnell Williams, Rev. Elmo Jackson, Constable Walker & Florida Cooper



Mr. Danford Mouton



Mrs. Eula Broussard



Mrs. Geneva Williams

We can always rely on **Mr. Danford Mouton, Mrs. Eula Broussard and Mrs. Geneva Williams**; they are the current voices of our Senior Hotline. The very first Precinct Senior Hotline volunteers were **Rev. Oliver E. Brown and William Blount**; they also help with our special events. **Thomas Henry, Reginald Willis, Rev. Mark A. Ball and David Jackson** have also given time manning the telephones. Mrs. Broussard sends special Precinct 7 get well and birthday cards to the seniors. If you would like to be added to **Senior Hotline list please call De Ann Collins at 713-643-0763.**



Precinct 7 Interns

Kryshondra White, a senior from Sterling High School and Kristy Enard, a senior from Texas Southern University are our 2006-2007 interns. Kryshondra is planning to attend Houston Community College; she plans to graduate with an Associate Degree in Nuclear Medicine. Kristy has an Associate Degree in Criminal Justice from San Jacinto College; this semester she will graduate from TSU with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Administration of Justice. Kristy has her sights set on the Houston Police Department; her career goal is to become a Homicide Detective.

Here are two young women intent on achieving their goals. Congratulations ladies!



Kryshondra White



Kristy Enard



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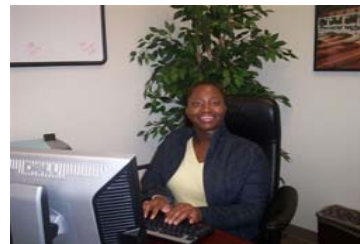


Precinct 7 Volunteers

Precinct 7 is tremendously blessed with some the best volunteers in Harris County. A volunteer is generally defined as someone who serves in a community because they chose to do so. People serve for many different reasons. People volunteer for the benefit of others or because they love the feeling of having a sense of value or they volunteer to give back, some people volunteer because they see it as good citizenship, while others see it as a spiritual duty and some folk volunteer to network and meet different people from other walks of life. Whatever the reason we love them for it. Listed below are some interesting volunteer facts compiled by the Corporation for National and Community Service:

- Since the 9/11 attacks college student volunteering increased by 20 percent between 2002 and 2005.
- Volunteering is at a 30-year high.
- More Americans volunteer through religious organizations than through any other type of organization.
- Baby Boomers (those born between 1946 and 1964) volunteer today at higher rates than past generations did roughly at the same age.
- The intensity of volunteering among those who give 100 or more hours a year is highest among those age 65 and older.
- Youth from disadvantaged circumstances (DAC) who volunteer demonstrate more positive civic attitudes and behaviors than youth from DAC who do not volunteer.

Volunteers are an integral part of Precinct 7's **Victims Services Unit**. Volunteers assist **Unit Coordinator, Florida Cooper** with various projects from calling organizations, churches, civic club and precinct leaders to setting up meetings, presentations, distributing information. Victims Services volunteers are **Willie Jo Thomas, Rosanne Richards, Diana Wheeler, Alicia Johnson, Ann Brock, Irene Chargois and Tanya Bowman**. Victims Services Unit volunteers were also active during the first annual *May Day Festival, Health Expo and Cinco de Mayo celebration*.



Alicia Johnson



Irene Chargois



Debbie McNair

Volunteering provides wonderful ways to help communities, individuals, and organizations. Precinct 7 volunteers also assist with the **Senior Hotline** and sometimes during special events. Please meet more of the crème de la crème of Harris County volunteers.



A great show of support! A Baylor College of Medicine intern checks the Constable's BP; Our Heroes from Fire Station 40 surround the Constable



Community Activist Sandra Hines, Constable Walker and APRI President Clara Caldwell; Reina's Cinco de Mayo Gifts; Mr. "Entertainment" Terry Parker & below: Marie's Limeade Stand and The "Happy Diva" Clown, aka June Marsh



Summer Fun Around the Corner

Calling all Precinct 7 kids between the ages of 11-13, the third annual **Gang Resistance Education And Training (G.R.E.A.T.)** summer program is gearing up for another year of healthy power-packed fun. The 2007 programs will be held at the following locations and if you need additional information call the facility of your choice:

1. Bethel Place Development Center, 12525 Fondren, 713-729-0125 x315, Deacon Sherrod
2. Cuney Homes, 3260 Truxillo, 713-991-5083, Ms. Bates
3. SHAPE Center, 3815 Live Oak, 713-521-0641, Mr. Parker

New Wheels for Precinct 7

For months you have been hearing about the new **Precinct 7 Bicycle Unit**. Good news, the deputies are no longer bike-less!

Our Precinct 7 Deputies now have wheels, thanks to our good neighbors on the **Midtown Management District Board of Directors, 2016 Main Street Owners and Central Bank**. This coalition invested dollars into the Bicycle Unit to help create a visible deterrent to crime. Their donations secured two top of the line Schwinn bicycles and equipment.

Constable Walker says: "This is a wonderful example of how a common goal can unite a community. Thank you Midtown for being a good neighbor."

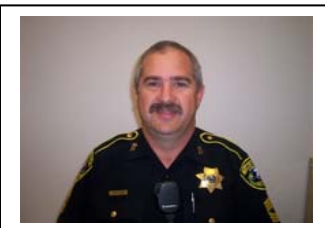
This summer you will see them patrolling Midtown. Also, Precinct 7 has added two additional bicycles to patrol the parks, bayou areas and hiking trails of Precinct 7.



1) (l to r) Deputy T. Vaughn, Nancy Pavlos, Sr. VP/Operations Central Bank; Kim Wheless, Pres & CEO Central Bank; Cynthia Alvarado, Managing Dir. Midtown Management District; Nancy Hall, VP/Development Central Bank; Constable Walker and Deputy J. Maldonado

2) Precinct 7 Deputies: (l to r) T. Vaughn and J. Maldonado

Precinct 7 Spotlight



Sgt. R. Francis

Sergeant R. Francis describes himself as a low key, laid back kind of guy with deep roots in Humble, Texas; in his home town his family's name goes back seven generations and you can bet the Francis name is well respected. Sergeant Francis is a 19-year law enforcement veteran, with 11 of those years spent at Precinct 7.

As a young man Francis was somewhat of a rolling stone, restlessly bouncing from one university to another and from one job to another. He just could not settle down until an old family friend convinced him to try law enforcement. It was an excellent fit.

Since 1988 Francis has been busy carving out a law enforcement career and has accumulated TCLEOSE (Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education) certifications as a intoxilyzer Operator, Accident Investigator, Firearms Instructor, Police Instructor, Field Sobriety Instructor and Driving Instructor to name a few. In Harris County, Francis has built a solid reputation as a specialist in Field Sobriety. His record for DWI arrests is unbelievable; out of hundreds of DWI cases he has appeared in court only three times, the rest of the DWI drivers pled guilty. His reputation as an accident investigator is also well deserved. Francis says every accident has a story, "You can tell a lot about skid marks, debris and other things on the ground. The physical evidence on the ground is usually more credible than the recollections of the witnesses and drivers."

Precinct 7's is responsible for 28 miles of toll road extending from Interstate 45 South to Interstate 59 South; this stretch of land is the Sergeant's domain. In 1997 he started the Precinct 7 Toll Road Division from scratch and was its first Sergeant; he formulated the policies and procedures for the division, which are still in use today. I guess you can say it is his baby and he loves his job. Constable Walker says, "Sergeant Francis is the right man for the job. He knows the toll road inside/out and he is a great asset to the Precinct. Francis is an outstanding Sergeant."

He avoids the spotlight like the plague, but he is quick to tell you "It's all about the department and not about me; it really is about my division and the Constable. I work here by choice, because I love the job and I want to work for a department that is professional. I am also enjoying a great career at Precinct 7."

Francis is also enjoying a great 24-year marriage to his high school sweetheart and is the father of two sons. When he is not on the toll road, he is at home enjoying his garden, riding his tractor and cleaning out his barn. I told you, Francis loves Precinct 7 and the simple life.

Duties and Responsibilities

Forcible Entry & Detainer (Eviction)

The Constable's office has the ultimate responsibility for serving all civil processes issued through the offices of Precinct 7 Justices of the Peace (Positions One and Two), county, district and federal courts. In this issue of the newsletter **Forcible Entry & Detainer** will be highlighted:

This order provides a summary, speedy, simple and inexpensive remedy for determination of who is entitled to possession of real property and or post due rent. The Justice court where the property is located issues this order. This order notifies the defendant that the plaintiff wants to evict them and that in case of failure of the defendant to file an answer; judgment by default may be rendered for the relief demanded in the petition.