



# THE VILLAGES OF *Compass* NORTHPOINTE

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## WOMEN'S GROUP INFO

### WOMEN'S GROUP MEETING

Meetings are held at 7:00 pm on the third Monday of each month at the clubhouse. New members are welcome! To be included in the newsgroup emails, please let Rhonda know at rhondakay2003@netzero.net and she can add you.

**Book Club** – Meetings are held on the third Thursday of each month in rotating homes. Please contact Karen at 281-516-2395 or karengo@sbcglobal.net for more details.

**Moms & Tots Playgroup** – This group is in need of a new organizer. It has been meeting on Friday mornings in rotating homes or various venues for quite some time. If you would like to get a new group started, please send an email out on the Women's Yahoo group, come to a Women's Club meeting, or contact Pam at 713-724-6978.

**Garden Club** – Spring is here and it's the perfect time for a new group to begin! If you feel the call to lead this group, please contact Pam at 713-724-6978 or at pamelaferg@comcast.net.

### BUNCO

We have 2 regular groups.

**Monday Bunco night** – Meets each second Monday of the month. Please contact Lorie Moore at 281-255-4380 or email her at cinderlorie@hotmail.com for more information or to be placed on the sub list. Subs are always needed!

**Thursday Bunco night** – Meets on the fourth Thursday of the month. Please contact Robyn Clark at 281-516-2655 or email her at robyn6020@yahoo.com to be part of this group. This group is always in need of subs as well!



## Newsletter Deadline & Contact Info

To submit newsletter articles, event information and for general information, please contact Pam Ferguson at 713-724-6978 or at pamelaferg@comcast.net. Ideas are welcome!

The next newsletter deadline for submission to the editor is April 5th for the May newsletter.

## VNP Annual Easter Egg Hunt!

Come celebrate spring with your kids at the VNP Annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 27th – time to be determined. Be watching your email through both the neighborhood Yahoo group, Womens Group email, as well as our subdivision sign for details. Details are being finalized at press time, but R.S.V.P. will be necessary to get your child(ren)'s ticket. Contact Robyn at 281-516-2655 if you would like to volunteer. There will be prize eggs, a cake walk, and much more! This is another reason you should sign up for the neighborhood Yahoo email. Hope to see you there!



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## Compass Corner

by Paul Hicks



Hello neighbors, well the old noggin is really starting to get in high gear with this new monthly format. I can really use your input for future installments, so if you have information relating to our neighborhood, please forward to [paul@paulhicksrealtor.com](mailto:paul@paulhicksrealtor.com). I would also like to

start including any local businesses that you have had great success with. In today's world it is difficult to find really good service and when we do, I think it's important that we share the info and support those businesses. So start e-mailin'.

First item of business this month regards your MUD district. Election time for the next two year cycle is coming in March. I am one of five directors of MUD 281, however I am the only director who actually lives in the neighborhood. And while the other directors do a tremendous job of keeping costs low and service high it is important that we have representation for our MUD by those it affects the most. I invite you to investigate what we do and accompany me to the next meeting. We meet at 11:00 am the first Monday of each month at Schwartz, Page and Harding attorneys

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## Villages of NorthPointe Website

Thanks again to Brian Fornear who gives up his spare time to keep our website going for the VNP. He can't keep it up-to-date without your support however. For relevant news you would like to see published online, please contact Brian at [bfornear@mail.com](mailto:bfornear@mail.com). Our website address is [www.villagesofnorthpointecai.com](http://www.villagesofnorthpointecai.com). Please visit to see what we have going on and let Brian know if you have any suggestions or simply to tell him thanks! All past newsletters are on the website, as well as downloadable forms required by the Architectural Control Committee (ACC) for major home projects.

## Local School News

The biggest school news for March is SPRING BREAK! Holidays will begin with early release on Friday, March 12th. All district students will be out of school beginning March 15th, and returning on Monday, March 22nd. Everyone please watch out for kids in the neighborhood during this time!

## Compass Corner -

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offices in the Galleria area, and if anyone is interested please e-mail me at the above address and I will clue you in on everything MUD.

And finally, we stumbled into another new restaurant recently that caught our attention. This time it's an Italian place called Mia Bella's over in the Vintage Park shopping center. The food was very good and the service was great. And on Saturday evenings the plaza has live music and tables outside. Hey, it ain't Venice..but it ain't bad! Visit them online at [www.miabellatrattoria.com](http://www.miabellatrattoria.com).

I leave you with an airline pun to brighten your day... Two vultures board an airplane, each carrying two dead raccoons. The flight attendant looks at them and says: "I'm sorry, gentlemen, only one carrion allowed per passenger!"

Sorry gang, that's the best I got. See you next time, Paul.

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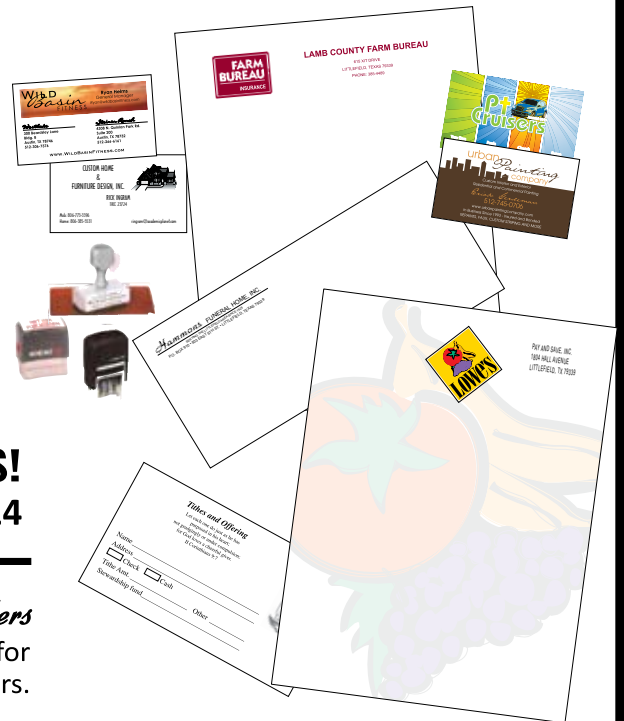
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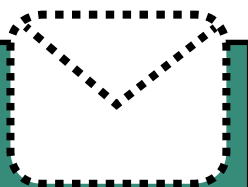
## Neighborhood E-Mail Group

As a reminder, we'd like to get everyone in the neighborhood on the Villages of NorthPointe Yahoo Group so we can quickly communicate to you when necessary. We currently have ~350 neighbors on the group. We are using the Yahoo Group to communicate information as needed concerning issues, problems, requests and events that affect our neighborhood. We have a VNP Facebook page set up for casual chit-chat, as this Yahoo Group is not intended for such. You can be set up to receive individual e-mails, daily digests, or no e-mail with access only to view when you choose.

You must be a Villages of NorthPointe resident to be in the group. Please contact Debbie Parker at [dparker39@att.net](mailto:dparker39@att.net), your Block Captain, or make a request through the Yahoo Group at <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/NorthpointeNeighborhood>.

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## U.S. Mail Service

There has been much negative discussion recently about our postal delivery service in the Villages. Many of you have had multiple problems with mail being directed to the wrong mailbox and many have submitted complaints with minimal results. Our local Tomball post office phone number is 281-516-0513.

Please also remember that mailbox blockage by a vehicle may prevent the delivery of your mail. According to USPS policy, the postal carrier should get out of the vehicle to make delivery if the mailbox is temporarily blocked by a vehicle. However, if the carrier continually experiences a problem in serving mailboxes where the customer is able to control on street parking, the postmaster may withdraw delivery service. It is your responsibility to ensure any workers or visitors in your home do not block the mailbox during mail delivery times.

One fact that I've been asked to deliver – USPS website states "... no part of a mail receptacle may be used to deliver any matter not bearing postage, including items or matter placed upon, supported by, attached to, hung from, or inserted into a mail receptacle." This means any form of flyers or advertising!

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### Duties of the Block Captain

1. Collect each resident's contact information (name, address, phone number's and e-mail) and return the sheets to Angela Dunnahoe at [angela0922@sbcglobal.net](mailto:angela0922@sbcglobal.net). She can also be reached at 281-547-8414.
2. Please ask that your neighbors inform you of any changes and update when new neighbors move in. Please make sure that all residents are aware that they should call the constable with suspicious persons or vehicles, or any criminal activity. We also recommend that they send out a message to the VNP Yahoo group so that residents are aware of the situation.
3. When emailing neighbors on your block, please use blind carbon copy instead of carbon copy, because some residents do not want to share their information for the list.
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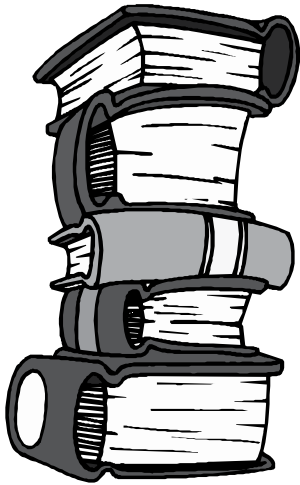
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## Women's Group Book Club

One of the VNP Women's Group sponsored subgroups is a Book Club that meets monthly in rotating homes. It's a very informal group and the book choices are both fiction and non-fiction, from mystery to inspirational.

Some of our recent books have been *The Monsters of Templeton* by Lauren Groff, *On Mystic Lake* by Kristin Hannah, and *Same Kind of Different as Me* by Ron Hall and Denver Moore. Please join us



at 7 p.m. on March 11th at Rhonda's house at 18835 Magnolia Arbor Lane for the March book discussion of *She Flew the Coop* by Michael Lee West. Our scheduled meetings are on the third Thursday of each month, subject to change for holidays or school events. Please contact Karen Webster at 281-516-2395 or [karengo@sbcglobal.net](mailto:karengo@sbcglobal.net) if you have any questions. We welcome new members to come even if you haven't read the book and we also welcome suggested books for reading!

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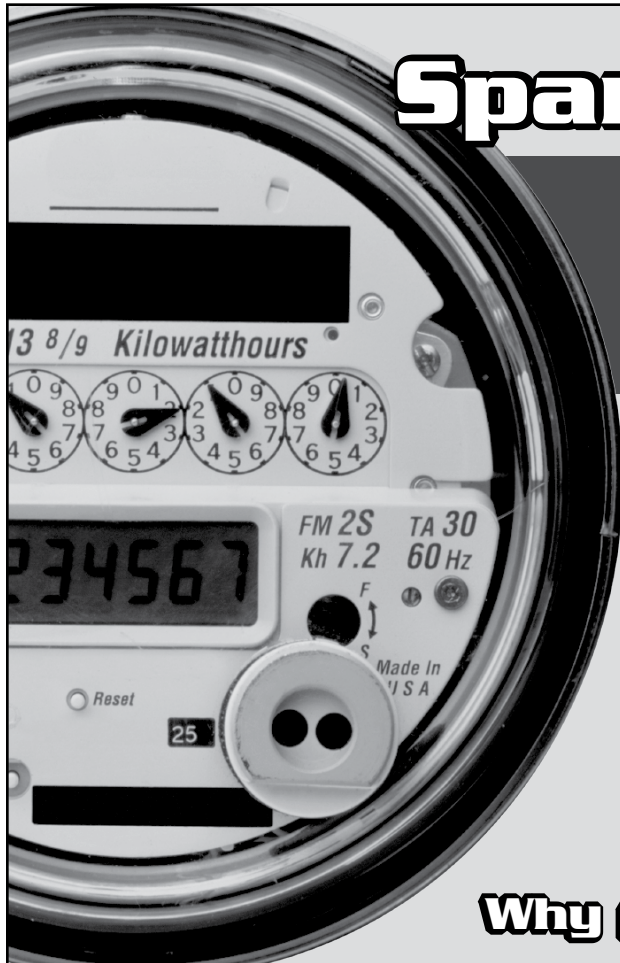
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