



# ACIA

## *Happenings*

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# JUNE

## *Yard of the Month*

Congratulations to our winners:  
**Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Lin** residing at  
20503 Riverside Pines



## Beautification/Landscaping Improvements for ACIA

Many upgrades and improvements to the landscaping are planned and in progress now that we have pleasant weather. Our dilapidated signs have been removed, overgrown trees have been trimmed, and the spring annuals are in the ground. Mulching of all planting beds is next.

A special project is underway at the Shores pool. The perimeter shrubs at the entrance/exits will be lowered and some removed and replaced with smaller perennials. This will improve safety by increasing the street visibility. A special Thanks to all residents that responded to the Golf Villas fence survey. Using the survey process helps the ACIA board to identify areas of concern that are most important to residents. The Beautification Committee drives the neighborhood to identify problems such as dead plantings and areas needing more attention. The Beautification Committee always welcomes your comments and suggestions to improve the plantings.

As you drive around the area, please notice any area that needs some extra attention and forward the location by email to Laura Lammers at [l.lammers@yahoo.com](mailto:l.lammers@yahoo.com)



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## COMMUNITY CONTACTS

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## JULY 4<sup>TH</sup> PARADE, HONORING THE STARS AND STRIPES

Start off your July 4th festivities by joining the ACIA community's 4th of July Parade. Whether you are a participant or spectator it will be a good time for all! If you would like to participate (children and adults alike) signup begins at 8:30 am at the Atascocita Library parking lot and the parade is scheduled to start at 9:30am. Refreshments will be available and prizes will be awarded. Visit the ACIA website at [www.aciahomeowners.org](http://www.aciahomeowners.org) for more information.

As special invitation from Jimmy Wells to all active military and veterans alike to contact him if you would like to form a group to march in the parade. He can be contacted at [jwellsacia@yahoo.com](mailto:jwellsacia@yahoo.com)

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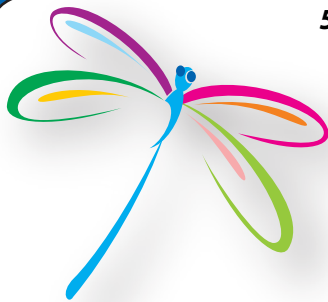
**Ongoing:** Colin's Hope Athlete Ambassadors needed! <http://www.tinych.org/signup>

**Now-June 18:** Discount Schlitterbahn Tickets for sale. <http://www.tinych.org/tickets>

**June 18:** World's Largest Swim Lesson at Schlitterbahn Waterpark New Braunfels

**July 1:** Colin's Hope Got2Swim Lake Austin 4 Miler (solo or relay) <http://www.tinych.org/got2swim4>

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## Pet Safety

To ensure your pet's safety as well as your neighbors, while walking your pet or having them out in public (aside from a fenced backyard) please keep in mind there is a leash law that is enforced per Harris County's Leash Law.

Harris County Animal Control advises, "All dogs and cats must be kept under restraint while in the unincorporated areas of Harris County, Texas. The custodian of a dog or cat is not authorized to have, harbor, or keep any unlicensed dog or cat, nor to allow any dog or cat to become a stray."

**Restraint is defined as "the control of a dog or cat under the following circumstances:**

- When it is controlled by a line or leash not more than six (6) feet in length, if the line or leash is held by a human being, who is capable of controlling or governing the dog or cat in questions
- When it is within a fully enclosed vehicle
- When it is on the premise of the custodian and the animal does not have access to sidewalk or street.

Impoundment requests should be made to Harris County Animal control for any animal freely roaming the neighborhood.

Let us keep our pets and neighbors safe by keeping your pet on a leash when walking them (including The Golf Preserve of Atascocita, formally the Atascocita Golf Course) or having them out in an area where they have access to sidewalks and streets.

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## ATASCOCITA LIBRARY

The Atascocita Library holds a number of events for all age groups. An example of what's going on that you may be interested in is the Self-paced computer classes for adults, Tales for Tots for children between the ages of 2-3 years old, the Craft Club for adults, the Pokemon Club for children between the ages of 7-10 years old, A Chess and Go Club for teenagers, a Knit Wits Teen Knitting Club, and a Knit and Nosh Society for adults. For a full schedule of events please see the Harris County Public Library Website at <https://host4.evanced.info/harris/evanced/eventcalender.asp> or you can contact the Library at 281-812-2162. The Atascocita Library is located at 19520 Pinehurst Trail Dr.



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## *Dear Friends of The Overlook and The Golf Preserve of Atascocita,*

*Kevin and Sandy Kilgore*

The Overlook is moving faster than ever on construction as we move towards our first of over 70 booked weddings, scheduled believe or not for this May 25th. For those of you that have come by the property or sent messages of encouragement, Linda Peck, Stefani Picklar-Kilgore, and Sandy and I sincerely thank you for your kind comments. Phase 1 of 2 will be completed on May 21st, and Phase 2 of 2 will complete by July 28th. We are so excited about the progress and are turning up the heat to insure both phases complete on or before those dates.

Hundreds have been asking two questions aside from the general construction progress.

**First:** Will there be a social membership available for the community. The answer is YES! We are asking for any members of the community who would like to be part of a focus group to come up with a workable membership to let us know. If you would like to volunteer a few minutes of your time for this please e-mail Stefani@theoverlookevents.com or call her at 281 812-0193. She will then follow up with a date and time for the first meeting, which should be around the first week of June.

**Second:** Are the rumors true concerning the possible return of

Golf at The Golf Preserve of Atascocita? YES. I am working very diligently with a “non-large golf individual/company” and we hope to have a final update out before the end of the month. I have passed up several large “Big Box” golf companies who have shown an interest as I did not want a large corporation involved, for obvious reasons, due to the last large corporation’s damage done to the community and our home values. In this effort, it would mean all 27 holes will be restored, there would be a semi-private format membership available, and we could return to golfing by the fall. We would also be grinding over 500 stumps on the course as well as pulling out all the down trees and limbs from the roughs left by the foresting done last year. Please watch for further news soon.

One last subject; what about mowing of the golf course? We are breaking and repairing equipment as fast as we can! We should have all equipment needed fixed once-and-for-all within about a week and we will be back out on the tractors and mowers ASAP, regardless of the possible return to golf.

Thanks again to all that have been so supportive of our efforts and watch for upcoming news and events as they develop!



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SAVE THE DATE -- JUNE 28th

Community Appreciation day at The Overlook

Free food, entertainment, and fun along with a charity poker game benefiting two local charities.

<http://www.hometeamlocal.com> for more info and RSVP.

Linda Peck, CWEP | Special Event Coordinator

Atascocita/Humble/Kingwood

(281) 812-0193 Office

(713) 202-8630 Cell/Text

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

## Monthly Meeting Board of Trustees

Dear Homeowners:

The Board of Directors for the Atascocita Community Improvement Association will hold a regular meeting on Monday, June 24, 2013 at 6:30 p.m., at the Rosemont Assisted Living Facility, 6450 Kings Parkway, Humble Texas 77346. The subject of the meeting is general business of the Association, including discussion of items related to the Association budget and expenditures as well as discussion of items related to the assets owned by the Association. Items that may be discussed in executive session include: actions involving personnel, pending or threatened litigation, contract negotiations, enforcement actions, confidential communications with the Association attorney, and other business that is confidential by request of the affected party.

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### TENNIS ANYONE?

ACIA has 4 regulation tennis courts, 2 courts located in Shores I and 2 courts located in Pinehurst. These courts can accommodate players of all skill levels. Cooler weather is the perfect time to revive your tennis game. The ACIA is looking for volunteers to participate on the Tennis Committee. The fee to obtain an access key has been reduced to \$15.00. If you're looking for a playing partner please volunteer by contacting contact Sterling Association Services at 832-678-4500.

### MARINA/RECREATION COMMITTEE

The ACIA recently completely refurbished our Marina. These improvements were very costly and should last for many years. Two of the tennis courts were resurfaced a few years ago and the Pinehurst pool decking is scheduled for replacement now that swim season is closed. Recommending these improvements was done by valuable volunteers that gave their time to improve our community. Our recreation areas are our greatest assets and require maintenance to preserve their safe usage and attractiveness. Please volunteer your time to be on the Marina/Recreation Committee. Just a few hours per year can make a huge difference. Please call Sterling Association Services at 832-678-4500 to volunteer.



# SUMMERTIME is the BEST TIME to LEARN!



*Take the SUMMERTIME Checklist Challenge:*

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- Are your child's grades starting to fall?
- No matter how long your child spends on homework, it's often incomplete or inaccurate?
- Have you noticed that your child shows an increasing lack of confidence and/or motivation?
- Has your child lost interest in learning?
- Does your child exhibit anxiety before tests?
- Are you worried about the STAAR Test?
- Or, do you just want your child to get ahead of next year's class?

*Does your child need tutoring this summer?*

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