

# The Sherwood Forest News

Spring 2010

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### ***It can't be!***

*Snowmen appeared twice on residents' lawns in Sherwood Forest—and the New Orleans Saints won the Super Bowl! Now what's in store for the 2010 hurricane season?? GET READY! See the link "Hurricane Preparedness" on the SFCA Web site for information.*

## **WANTED!**

**100% Membership  
Sherwood Forest  
Citizens Association**

It's not too late to be a part of  
all the activities that make  
Sherwood Forest an  
outstanding subdivision!  
**JOIN NOW!**

## **Public hearing set Monday, April 19**

All residents of Sherwood Forest subdivision are encouraged to attend a public hearing concerning the two vacant lots at the corner of Nassau and Archery drives, designated Lots 51 and 52, East Sherwood Forest. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. Monday, April 19 in the St. Thomas More Activity Center.

The purpose of the meeting is to elicit citizen feedback and input concerning the owners' plans for development of the lots, which have been vacant since the subdivision was established. The lots currently are zoned A-1.

The SFCA board and its attorney, Gregory Webb, met with Dave and Cheryl Walstad, owners of lots 51 and 52; Usa Wright, manager of the adjacent Summer Grove Condominiums (also owned by the Walstads); and Michelle Ruston, the Walstads' Realtor, on March 18 to discuss the future of the lots.

At that time the parties came to a mutual agreement to retain the existing A-1 zoning. The agreement is contingent upon the Walstads' obtaining a Community Block Grant and both parties' agreeing on deed restrictions for the new homes that will be built under the grant.

The Walstads plan to build three A-1 single-family homes on the lots, two facing Archery Drive and the other facing Nassau Drive. The four-bedroom, two-bath homes would be approximately 1400 to 1600 square feet under roof. For the first five years the homes will be rented 100% to disabled individuals. After five years the occupants will have the option to purchase their homes.

The Walstads will have to go to the Planning and Zoning Commission for clarification and approval of their plans before construction can begin. A previous attempt by the Walstads to re-zone the lot for duplexes or apartments was denied by Planning and Zoning, primarily in response to citizens' objections to the change.

Residents who want to receive updates on this and other issues are strongly encouraged to send their names and e-mail addresses to the SFCA Webmaster, Dallas Ballmer, at [dballmer@cox.net](mailto:dballmer@cox.net). New information also will be posted on the association's Web page, <http://www.sfcabr.org>.

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# From the President's Desk....

By Patty Domingue, President, Sherwood Forest Citizens Association

Just a quick note to say hello to all my fellow neighbors and give a few details about what we are working on this year.

First, there will be a public meeting at 7 p.m. Monday, April 19 to discuss the future of the two lots at the corner of Archery and Nassau drives. Mr. Dave Walstad, who owns the lots along with his wife, will give a presentation about his plans and answer questions. We will definitely need participation on this issue.

I also want to stress the importance of getting to know your neighbors. Spring is here: get outside, spruce up your yard and wave at your neighbors. It truly helps to keep your house safe. People who know each other tend to be more familiar with unknown vehicles and unidentified people who may be lurking around your residence. They are more apt to care enough to either call you or notify the police.

**And finally, we desperately need volunteers to canvass the neighborhoods so that we may update the deed restrictions that are expiring this year. Please call Jackie Gray at 273-2930 to find out how you can help. Gary Smith's article on Page 3 includes a list of filings that must be updated in 2010.**

This should be a good and productive year, and I want to thank everyone for making Sherwood Forest one of the best and safest neighborhoods in the Baton Rouge area.

## Keep in touch and stay informed

- Call **911** in case of an emergency. The non-emergency number for City Police is **389-2000**.
- For suspicious situations that are not time-sensitive call the Sherwood Forest Citizens Association Security Line, **273-1353**. Leave a call-back message, and include your e-mail for online communication.
- To find a governmental agency that can address your concerns, call **311** and speak with a Citizen Services Specialist. The call will create a service request that will automatically be routed to the proper department to deal with things like zoning violations, pothole repair, tree branch hazards, loose pets, cluttered carports, single-family zoning violations, building violations and many more. These same issues may be submitted online at [www.brgov.com](http://www.brgov.com) (call 273-1353 for help if you have problems using the online method). **MOST IMPORTANTLY, YOU MAY REMAIN ANONYMOUS BY SIMPLY STATING THIS AS YOUR WISH!** You are encouraged to keep your neighborhood neat and clean and your property values high by reporting concerns through the city-parish services paid for by your taxes.
- Specific questions about streets and traffic, drainage and sewerage, construction and building codes or the environment should be directed to the Department of Public Works (DPW) at **389-3090, 380-2070**, or online at <http://brgov.com/DEPT/dpw/>.
- To report general concerns about the neighborhood, call District 8 Metro Councilman Mike Walker's office at **272-9088** and speak with him or with his legislative assistant, Zona M. Pickens.
- For the latest information about your subdivision, **PROVIDE YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS** and listen to the messages sent out to the membership from the SFCA board through its Internet-based voice-messaging system, **Notification Server**.
- Check the SFCA Web site, <http://www.sfcabr.org>, where you will find breaking news, links of interest and archival information about our subdivision. If you don't have a home computer, go to the EBR Parish library for free access.

## Did you know????

Sherwin-Williams is offering a new Community Discount card that will replace the Neighbor-to-Neighbor program when the latter expires.

The new program gives purchasers a 10% discount on all non-sale paints and stains. To sign up, just go to the local store at 10910 Florida Blvd. (275-3780) and provide your name, home address, telephone number and e-mail address.

Under terms in the earlier program, the Sherwood Forest Citizens Association received a \$613.12 rebate for residents' purchases. Thank you!

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## Protect your property's value: update deed restrictions

By Gary Smith

One of the most effective ways to protect and perhaps enhance your property's value and the quality of life in your neighborhood is to update your deed restrictions. This is the method you can use to actually "do something about" some neighborhood problems that have been frustrating you.

In order to put the changes into effect, each filing must obtain a majority vote (50%, plus one) of the affected residents through signatures. Volunteers go door-to-door to talk to residents and obtain their signatures. During this process each resident receives a letter explaining the changes and a copy of the new document.

Deed restrictions for four filings are due to renew this year. If you own a home in one of the following filings, you may contact James or Jackie Gray at 273-2930 or [jrjgray@cox.net](mailto:jrjgray@cox.net), or me at 273-1353 or [security@sfcabr.org](mailto:security@sfcabr.org) to learn more about how you can protect your property's value.

The entire process takes some time, so we need to get the ball rolling very soon if the filing's homeowners want to take advantage of this great opportunity. (Please tell your neighbors who live in these filings, too.) The lot addresses in each filing are listed below under the name of that particular filing along with the recordation deadline.

### Deadline Date: June 8, 2010

#### **West Sherwood Forest, 8<sup>th</sup> Filing [64 lots: nos. 268–331]:**

**Municipal addresses are 791–973 Vooeries; 10790–10984 Effingham; 834-986 Marlbrook; 829-981 Tifton; 10783–10977 Sandringham; and 10725–10787 Goodwood (north side only).**

### Deadline Date: August 1, 2010

#### **Sherwood Forest, 1<sup>st</sup> filing [180 lots: nos. 1– 180]:**

**Municipal addresses are 351–763 Sherwood Forest Blvd. (east side); 309–536 Little John; 11335–11766 Robinhood; 11324–11766 Manorwood; 11333–11776 Glenhaven; 11350–12035 Mollylea; 617 Westbrook.**

### Deadline Date: November 15, 2010

#### **North Sherwood Forest, 1<sup>st</sup> Filing [65 lots: nos. 1–65]:**

**Municipal addresses are 11320–11824 Archery; 230–308 Little John; 11430 and 11870–11990 Florida Blvd. (south side only); 115–345 Sherwood Forest Blvd. (east side only).**

### Deadline Date: December 6, 2010

#### **Sherwood Forest Place, 1<sup>st</sup> Filing [61 lots: nos. 1–61]:**

**Municipal addresses are 243–375 Locksley; 260–12999 King John Place; 230–300 Longbow; 12710–12945 Arlingford.**



## Numbers game: Can you be found in an emergency?

When seconds count, can you be found? Your child has fallen and has a compound fracture, you or your spouse is in cardiac arrest, the grease on the stove caught fire and the fire is spreading, or you are hiding in your bedroom closet with your child clutching you and the burglar rummaging through your house. **DO YOU WANT EMERGENCY PERSONNEL SEARCHING FOR YOUR HOME IN THESE TYPES OF SITUATIONS?**

You may display your address on your curb in fluorescent paint, on your mailbox, to the right or left of your front door or above your door on the eave. It depends on how quickly you want to be found. Parish ordinance Sec 7:26, Uniform Grid System, states that all home addresses must be displayed in Arabic numbers no less than three inches in height. Although the ordinance does not specify where the numbers must be displayed, we recommend placing the numerals either above your front door on the eaves or to the right or left of your door. Be sure no bushes, trees or other obstructions block either the doorway or the house numbers. The city-parish handles enforcement of this requirement, so concerns can be directed to the city-parish by calling 311 or clicking on "Request for Service" on the [www.brgov.com](http://www.brgov.com) Web site as discussed on Page 2.

## Join your neighbors and help keep Sherwood Forest clean!



Pictured at left are the stalwart residents who, with assistance from St. Thomas More Girl Scout Troop 5, spent a beautiful morning last fall cleaning up litter and trash along Goodwood Boulevard.

The next clean-up day is Saturday, April 17. Volunteers should meet at 8:30 a.m. in front of the St. Thomas More parish office. Bags, gloves and water will be supplied. Cleanup usually takes an hour and a half to two hours and yields many bags of trash! Come on out and join the fun.

## Your membership in the SFCA is important!

*By James Gray  
2010 Membership Chairman*

My 2010 membership goal is 75% membership. When you receive this newsletter please send in your dues right away in the envelope provided (see form on Page 9). The amount of dues and donations made determines exactly what we can and cannot do for the year.

As you know, it takes money to provide services like Security Patrol and to plant and maintain the beautiful flower beds at our neighborhood entrances. Your \$25 membership dues are an important investment for your family. The activities of the association directly affect the safety of our neighborhood and the value of your home.

**EVERY RESIDENT SHOULD BE A MEMBER OF THE ASSOCIATION.** This helps us provide the services you want and expect at an extremely low cost.

The association greatly appreciates those residents who already have paid their 2010 dues and made additional optional contributions for the security patrol (see Pages 6 and 7 for membership roster). In February the association mailed 2,911 dues letters to all residents.

I would like to thank those who helped me accomplish this: Neissy Graf, Patty and Gary Domingue, Emmeline Ross, Dallas Ballmer, Louis and Fran Gaudin, Ralph and Martha Dupuy, and my wife, Jackie Gray.

## Louisiana Nursery again sponsoring Yards-of-the-Month

By James Gray



This winter was one of the coldest we have experienced in a long time. And let's not forget all the rain our yards have had to soak up. But now it's spring and all the weeds are coming alive. With the first nice sunny weekend many of you will be working in your yards, digging your flower beds and visiting our local gardening centers.

The Sherwood Forest Citizens Association is here to help. No, we won't come to your home and work—but we can offer you an incentive to spruce up after the winter. Again this year with the support from Louisiana Nursery we will select yards of the month beginning in April through September. We choose one yard from each of the four quadrants in the subdivision each month. We display a "Yard-of-the-Month" sign in these yards for a month. A photo is taken of your yard and is posted on our Web site.

The beautification committee then selects one yard out of the four as the best yard and awards that homeowner a \$50 gift certificate to use at any Louisiana Nursery Home and Garden Showplace Center, including our local one here on Florida Boulevard. Talk to your neighbors and have a friendly competition to see whose yard will win. Who knows? YOU could win the \$50 gift certificate!

### Dangerous dogs can cause grief, expense for owners

The owner of an animal classified as "dangerous" by Animal Control must pay all attendant fees for board and food, as well as stiff fines—including posting bond 30 days in advance to cover all expenses connected with the upkeep of the dog while it is in custody.

Dangerous dogs are not returned to their owners under any circumstances unless certain stipulations are met. The owner must show sufficient proof of insurance, which can be costly, and must post "Beware of the Dog" signs in designated locations on his property. Fences must be of a specific height and strength. All conditions are stringently enforced (see Sec. 14:208 of the Municipal Code).

Pet owners can save themselves much grief, not to mention expense, simply by abiding by the stipulations of Sec. 14:204 governing an owner's responsibility for his or her pets (see [www.brgov.com/Dept/animal/petowner.htm](http://www.brgov.com/Dept/animal/petowner.htm)).

Ignoring these laws can result in death or injury to either the owner's pets or those of a neighbor or friend. When appeals fail, animals deemed dangerous may have to be euthanized.

All dogs and cats should be spayed or neutered and kept under the owner's control at all times.

### Win war against the grass!

By Beth Friedel

Last year, to assist those of you who are faithfully battling the grass without the aid of a lawn care service, the SFCA purchased a professional edging machine. We had many members use the machine with great success.

To "rent" the machine for free, all you have to do is be a current member and leave a check for \$50 while you borrow the machine the first time. The check will be returned to you when you return the machine. Rentals are available Monday through Friday from 4 until 8 p.m. and Saturday from 8 a.m. until 6 p.m., with a rental time limit of two hours.

Please call ahead to 218-6931 to reserve the edger. If no one answers the phone, just leave your name, phone number, street address, and the date and time that you'll need the edger. Pick-up and return will be at 11655 Manorwood Drive. If you would like to "rent" the edger, but are physically unable due to health, disability or age, please call and we will arrange for a volunteer to edge your yard.

The SFCA plans to purchase more machines if it looks as if there is a great demand for this service.

**SHERWOOD FOREST CITIZENS ASSOCIATION****2010 Membership List – March 22, 2010***Streets are listed alphabetically; residences are in numerical order*

<b>ARCHERY</b>	<b>BELLGLADE</b>	12444 McNEASE	11722 MEYER	12375 ZALFEN	380 FRITCHER
11450 MARTIN	1558 LINDSEY	12445 DOYLE	11725 EDDINGTON	12385 D'AQUIN	<b>LITTLE JOHN</b>
11545 LE	1577 ROBERTS	12453 INTRES	11734 TEAGUE	12427 SASSER	332 LEON
11556 PRUYN	1594 NOEL	12518 THORNTON	11825 ALLEY	12440 JAGERS	355 INGALLS
11575 JOHNSON-MUSE		12528 LEDOUX	11845 LYONS	12459 WOODS	453 WHITNEY
11576 SUPLEE	<b>BELLGLEN</b>	12540 LANDAICHE	11976 BONVILLAIN	12502 ROSCOE	463 CARSON
11615 HAMILTON	1717 BOUCHER		12226 MILLER	12544 CRISTINA	535 DOMINGUE
11625 GINN		<b>BURGESS</b>	12227 TEEPPELL	12604 TOBEY	536 BABCOCK
11636 PATTON	<b>BELLMEADE</b>	343 COUTEE	12236 DESORMEAUX	12625 WEBER	
11645 MITCHELL	1736 SUMRALL	622 LACOUR	12237 WAGENER	12628 MUSCARELLO	<b>LOCKHAVEN</b>
11666 HOLLIER	1764 DUPUY	644 GRAVES	12247 ADAMS	12633 CUTRERA	12438 RINGO
11682 TRICHE		746 WALTON	12359 MURRAY	12634 WALKER	12477 STELES
11735 RABALAIS	<b>BELLRIDGE</b>	822 PARENT	12378 CHENG-GUAJARDO	12646 WILLIAMS	12486 YOUNG
12119 GAUDET	1542 BEARD	833 CURRIE	12399 DAVIS	12714 ZIMMER	12532 NGUYEN
12141 WISSNER	1550 DAVID	844 LOGAN	12433 DUCOTE	12727 PEARSON	12542 TRAN
12187 CROSS	1614 SELIG	888 COMPTON	12462 LANDRY	12747 STIGLETS	12550 SOLOMON
12286 VANCE	1615 PFISTER	895 WELLS	12473 STAMEY	12748 MANN	12561 LEBLANC
12301 HEARNE	1774 ESPINOZA	1044 SMITH	12504 WALSH	12808 MAGAZINE	12572 BANDER
12322 MANCUSO	1815 CRONAN	1045 EMPSON	12505 LITTLE	12897 SEDLIN	12573 HURDLE
12433 DEJEAN		1066 REEVES	12514 AZUORU	12903 STEIN	12631 HENRY
12446 DOLING	<b>BELLROSE</b>	1067 KUYT	12535 LEDOUX	12910 HETTINGER	12673 BENCNEL
12452 DO	1590 RAY	1089 SAROLIK	12616 WILLIAMS		12684 LAW
12463 JORDAN	1766 NGO	1146 PECK	12627 BROCK	<b>HAVENWOOD</b>	12685 GOUDEAU
12484 OLIVER		1169 PLUNKET	12847 ALTAZIN	620 CLOY	12747 NUNEZ
12531 PARKER	<b>BERWICK</b>		12718 McELVEEN	640 EVANEK	12764 NACKLEY
12532 TREME	13217 ANDERSON	<b>BURTON</b>		660 BAGGETT	
12544 McMICHAEL	13228 HALL	10928 RICHARD	<b>FERNCLIFF</b>	1124 DAVIDSON	<b>LOCKSLEY</b>
12553 GILL	13229 PIPER	10938 SIMERAL	10522 LANDRY	1138 FORET	311 HUGHES
12566 CATANZARO	13232 WILLIAMS	10954 HOGAN	10547 McCORMICK	1178 PRINCE	315 MORGAN
12577 ELKINS	13335 JOHNSON	10962 ORR	10620 ZUBIK	1220 IGLESIAS	428 MATHERNE
12588 SALARIO	13351 KRUELSKIE	11035 ROBINSON	10632 BURCH	1260 LANDWEHR	460 DUGAS
12648 CLINE	13381 COWARD	11043 SILVIO		1328 TROLINGER / BUSHART	494 MURRAY
12655 JARREAU	13382 GAUTREAU		<b>FRIAR TUCK</b>	1382 WILLIAMS	<b>LONGBOW</b>
12656 CHANG		<b>CAMELOT</b>	233 BUTLER	1486 KISTLER	230 HO
12679 McKINNEY	<b>BRAEBURN</b>	13212 KETTERER	245 MENKE		252 ANDERSON
12764 JACKSON	1060 CAMPOBLANCO		254 PAYNE	<b>HEATHER</b>	253 BUI
	1061 CARTER	<b>CASTLEBURY</b>		812 TESCHKE	
<b>ARLINGFORD</b>	1085 GLASS	1555 KOGLER	<b>GLENHAVEN</b>	818 BANKS	<b>MAJOR OAK</b>
12711 TERRELL	1125 MARTORANA	1577 HAUG	11227 SANCHEZ	847 DOBBINS	10892 PITTS
12730 FOULKS	1130 WASCOM		11434 BOECKMAN	934 ZARTMAN	10918 SIDBALL
12791 VO	1160 BUNKER	<b>CHAPELVIEW</b>	11445 SISSON	1020 BLACK	10926 WALSH
12792 STARK	1175 VU	209 PARDEE	11450 COXE	1060 TALLEY	10951 BETHLEY
12822 MESSINA	1185 SPEAKS	219 HOLDER	11474 MOLAVI	1140 McVEA	10969 DUNNE
12833 CUMMINGS	1302 YOUNG	220 RUSHING	11504 BENNETT		10976 HOLLIER
12867 JEANSONNE	1322 PITARRO	239 CRAWFORD	11510 BICKHAM	<b>HEDGEWOOD</b>	11007 BOULTON
12924 PALMER	1342 RAMSEY	249 MITCHELL	11525 MARINO	823 BUCKLES	11058 BELLECCI
12972 JUELJG	1363 EMPSON		11545 CHIA		11078 HARLOW
13028 ATWOOD	1375 SHATTUCK	<b>CHARINGTON</b>	11555 FAZEKAS	<b>KAY</b>	11079 LE
13064 COATS	1382 REEVES	10921 MARROY	11572 MICHALSKI	355 FELDER	11087 MARIONNEAUX
13082 ALISE		10961 COX	11612 TUTTLE	383 CASTELLO	11094 MASON
13162 SWAIN	<b>BRISTOL</b>	11040 MAJLESEIN	11622 HARBOUR	389 JUBAN	11123 McCAULEY
13194 BARONNE	12624 DAY	11064 LANTZ	11635 FUSELIER	399 BROWN	11124 TRUONG
13232 WILSON	12639 RICH	11067 LIVINGSTON	11646 HAEFNER	410 SANDIFER	11155 CHALMERS
13278 HOWIE	12657 GRIFFIN		11655 MEYER	458 BRUNO	11171 BODI
	12671 OLIVER	<b>DARTMOOR</b>	11775 TABONY		11213 LANDRY
<b>ASHBOURNE</b>		730 ANTROBUS	12244 KELTY	<b>KIMMERIDGE</b>	11225 JANES
1110 HO	<b>BROOKSHIRE</b>	750 LE	12310 HAACK	301 FOREMAN	
1164 IMPASTATO	12243 ROGERS		12425 DABADIE	513 HARRIS	<b>MAJOR OAKS</b>
1181 BROWN	12244 WHITLOCK	<b>DONCASTER</b>	12456 GREEN	689 RAYBORN	11062 TRAN
1208 GAUTREAU	12263 BUCHART	788 NOTO	12472 ISADORE	729 FONTENOT	
1220 COURVILLE	12277 McCRARY	824 TURK	12473 PHAM		<b>MANORWOOD</b>
1245 ASHBY	12278 JACOBSON		12632 COMOLETTI	<b>KING JOHN</b>	11352 FUSSELL
1256 SPEYRER	12286 POMES	<b>DONOVAN</b>	12658 SMITH	270 FERRIER	11415 DE ALBERICH
1257 PILLLOW	12333 THORNHILL	228 DANDRIDGE	12659 ARANYOSI	12815 PHAM	11416 GUILLORY
1268 OTT	12334 BIANCA	258 NGUYEN	12675 WOLF	12836 MEYER	11425 MCKENZIE
1332 FOUGEROUSSE	12341 LLOYD	268 BARLOW	12721 DAVIS	12856 GENOVESE	11445 MACLENNAN
1343 EGGART	12350 CARLEY	269 NGUYEN		12945 BORDELON	11530 GRAY
1355 OGDEN	12367 BUCHART	321 BROUSSARD	<b>GOODWOOD</b>		11544 REED
1367 PLAISANCE	12430 HAULER	331 JAMES	10779 SALZER	<b>KING RICHARD</b>	11633 BORDELON
1370 MOORE	12454 JONES	352 GELPI	10787 BONFANTI	11423 FOURNET	11636 YOUNG
1371 EASTERLY	12488 LEWIS		10821 DAVIS	11640 LOVELL	11655 FRIEDEL
11378 LABAT	12530 JONES	<b>DUNSTAN</b>	10923 CRIFASI	11710 STENHOUSE	11748 WALLACE
	12542 DEMENT	358 WETZEL	10931 KAUFMAN	11730 BELLA	
<b>AVANTS</b>	12545 LATO	384 NGUYEN	10965 DAVIS	11830 McCORD	
13204 ACHEE	12546 TEEKELL		11019 GOUNER	11921 SMITH	<b>MARLBROOK</b>
13240 THOMAS	12550 McPHERSON	<b>EFFRINGHAM</b>	11020 JAMES	11939 DELLSPERGER	854 BOLLINGER
	12551 SMITH	10634 FIELDS	11040 QUINN	11949 HALL	855 RICHARD
<b>BELLARBOR</b>	12607 OWENS	10648 PETTY, III	11067 BRUMFIELD	11955 MARTIN	884 DESHOTEL
10922 LONG	12611 BARLOW	10740 MORGAN	11146 COOPER		885 HILBORN
10967 CHAMBERS	12623 POWELL	10780 HARRIS	11205 MOLLERE	<b>KIRKLEY</b>	945 KRON
11017 FREEMAN	12626 NGUYEN	10790 LOWREY	11308 BLACK	243 PAIGE	946 CRUM
11050 LeBEAU	12635 FOIL	10822 PEARSON	11310 ROGAN	250 SILLS	966 FORSTER
11064 CAMPBELL	12642 CORVERS	10954 RICHARDSON	11340 ADAMS	251 BOUDREAU	1023 STALLINGS
	12666 COMEAUX			263 CATE	
<b>BELLFORT</b>	12672 BATES	<b>EILEEN</b>	11441 STM CHURCH	269 PITRE	
1568 LANDRY	12697 JACKSON, JR	333 MASON	11615 PERRAULT	276 NOLAN	<b>MAYBELLE</b>
1666 RUMFELLOW	12709 ARIKOL	346 NGUYEN	11647 ROUSSEL	284 ROBILLARD	10832 BERRY
1677 INGRAHAM	12725 PITCHFORD	348 SAN	11673 DUKE	287 HAMILTON	10914 EASTMAN
1728 McGEE	12737 SYLVEST	436 PANCAMO	11934 HOLDEN	326 BIRCH	10934 BOURQUE
1737 RAYBURN			12017 OLIVIER	344 REAGH	10944 FREY
1776 SCHEXNAYDER	<b>BUCKINGHAM</b>	<b>FAIRHAVEN</b>	12059 DUFRENE	351 TAYLOR	10963 BORDELON
1850 DANG	12241 VINCENT	11665 HART	12262 HUGHES	376 BABINEAUX	10964 SCIMECA
	12282 AUCOIN		12273 MOTE	377 BOZEMAN	
1889 NGUYEN	12368 HEUCHERT		12283 NELSON		
	12377 RICH		12345 HARALSON		



## **FUTUREBR – Updating the Plan**

by Zona M. Pickens

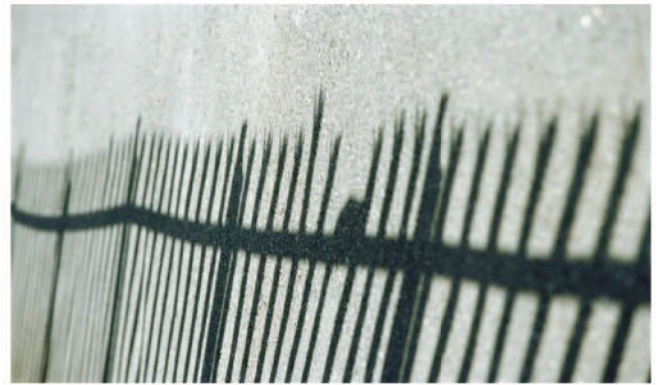
*(Ms. Pickens is Legislative Assistant to District 8 Councilman and Mayor Pro-Tempore Mike Walker. The Council District Office number is 272-9088.)*

In January 2010 Mayor-President Melvin L. “Kip” Holden announced a year-long process to update the EBR Parish Comprehensive Land Use and Development Plan. The original Horizon Plan was adopted in 1992 and laid the foundation for local planning in the city of Baton Rouge as well as the parish. Over the past 18 years, with changes in population and growth direction of the city, as well as other contributing factors such as economic trends, an “update,” “re-do” and “let’s look at this again” need has arisen (on the horizon, so to speak) with a game plan for the next 20 years.

**National Urban Planner** John Fregonese, of Fregonese Associates in Portland, Ore., was selected to lead the yearlong process involving input from all aspects of our community, especially the citizenry, in a series of 11 workshops. Some, but by no means all, of the issues to be looked at include new commercial areas, affordable housing opportunities, transportation-land use, walkable neighborhoods, infrastructure needs, connectivity, and main streets.

**Councilman Mike Walker** wishes to extend to all EBR Parish residents, and especially to his constituents in District 8, an invitation to get involved. This is your opportunity to have your voice heard about the direction in which you would like to see EBR Parish move. For updated information on workshops, etc., go to [www.futurebr.com](http://www.futurebr.com).

New residents or those who would like to begin recycling may sign up on the Web site ([www.recyclingfoundation.com](http://www.recyclingfoundation.com)) or call the Recycling Foundation at 925-3442. Anyone who would prefer to replace a 64-gallon cart with a 48-gallon cart also should call this number. If a cart is stolen, the resident must first file a police report. The Recycling Foundation will replace one stolen recycling cart per household at no charge. Each cart comes with a brochure giving program details, as well as a sticker attached to the lid explaining what goes into the recycling cart. To date, recycling tonnages have increased by 25% thanks to the new single stream program.



### **Setbacks make “good neighbors”**

The poet Robert Frost said, “Good fences make good neighbors.” The same is true of setbacks.

Below are some of the benefits of having and abiding by minimum building setback requirements in a neighborhood.

Setback requirements create a “buffer” around a property’s perimeter. Please be mindful of them when considering a home addition or the acquisition of an accessory building or even a large trailer or camper.

In addition to city-parish regulations regarding minimum setback distances, your filing’s deed restrictions likely also define minimum setback distances and also require that an Architectural Control Committee must approve any addition or accessory building before construction or installation.

Abiding by such setback requirements is vital in maintaining the integrity of the neighborhood as well as good relations with neighbors.

So let’s be courteous and give each other elbow room.

Abiding by neighborhood setback requirements will:

- \* **Preserve** neighborhood uniformity/aesthetics/appearance and character
- \* **Protect** against congestion/overcrowding/high building density on lots
- \* **Provide and sustain** orderly, consistent pattern of development
- \* **Provide** visual buffer
- \* **Protect** property values of adjacent lot owners
- \* **Protect** property and developmental rights of adjacent lot owners
- \* **Provide** access for firefighting equipment and personnel
- \* **Mitigate** spread of fire
- \* **Provide** access for emergency equipment and personnel
- \* **Preserve** light/sunshine and ventilation
- \* **Preserve** view
- \* **Preserve** privacy
- \* **Preserve** “breathing space”
- \* **Preserve** proper drainage
- \* **Provide** noise buffer – building/workshop close to lot line could increase noise for neighbors

：“Good setbacks make good neighbors.”



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Comments \_\_\_\_\_

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**Membership on the SFCA board and/or its committees is open to all Sherwood Forest residents. Please consider giving of your time and talent for the betterment of our neighborhood! Sign up here:**

I would like to volunteer for the following board/committee: \_\_\_\_\_

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*Please make check payable to SFCA, INC. and return with this form in the enclosed envelope.*

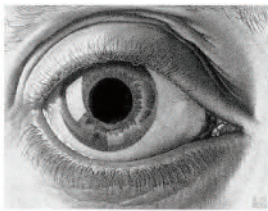
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### Spring open house being planned for Eyewatch block captains

Patty Domingue would like to welcome Deena Cark as her assistant in the Eyewatch Neighborhood Watch program. All block captains will receive an invitation to a spring open house as soon as the event is scheduled.

To volunteer for your block, call Patty (272-2955) or Deena (615-8580) or send an e-mail.

Many thanks to the following who already have volunteered:

Ella Vance, 448 Nassau; Jerry Hammons, 1308 Woodcliff; Louis and Juanita Achee, 13204 Avants; Wayne and Edna Thaxton, 1313 Sherwood Forest Blvd.; Jack Haynes, 302 Robindale Circle; Pete Walsh, 10926 Major Oak; Carol Cross, 12187 Archery; Nick and Maggie Richard, 10928 Burton; Dorothy Britt, 405 Wilton; Larry Ferracci, 1077 Woodcliff.

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## Census workers must provide specific identification

Anyone who knocks on your door and tells you he or she is a census worker taking information must provide a photo ID and an official badge issued by the U.S. Census Bureau. The Better Business Bureau (BBB) advises you not to invite the worker—or anyone else you do not know—into your home.

The census worker will have with him or her a hand-held device that is used to take your information, a canvas census

bag and a confidentiality notice. No census worker will ask for your Social Security number or for any information about your bank accounts or credit cards.

To protect against identity theft, the BBB warns you NEVER to give out personal or financial information to anyone who shows up at your door uninvited. More tips are at <http://www.bbb.org>.

## YOUR TAXES AT WORK!

Residents should note that Flannery Road from Florida Boulevard to just past the bridge (the intersection at McDonald's and Brunet's) will be closed approximately from mid-April through late August. A \$38 million project will be underway at this time to improve the intersection at Florida and Flannery, add lanes and repair the bridge.

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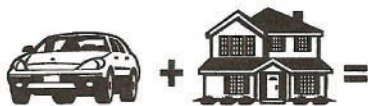
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