

the Tealwood Times

Tealwood is a great place to call home.

A Message from the President

Greetings to all Tealwood neighbors,

At long last, we seem to be getting some relief from the summer heat and lack of rain. We all look forward to cooler weather.

Jerry Noerager, one of our long-time Board members and Tealwood resident passed away during the past month. Jerry made many contributions to Tealwood by serving on the Board numerous times and by helping in many other ways for the betterment of Tealwood. We will truly miss him; a memorial bench has been placed on the Longworth Island in his memory.

Martha Matiuk, a longtime Tealwood resident has agreed to serve as Jere's replacement for the remainder of his term ending in February.

We have had at least one incident of a catalytic converter theft from a car parked on Tamerlane. Please be alert and park your cars in your driveway or garage to deter this kind of theft, which seems to be a common occurrence in many commercial locations in Houston these days.

It has been noted that a great many yards in Tealwood do not meet our standards. We issued letters earlier to persuade residents to take better care of their yards. Our Tealwood Architecture Committee has contacted many of the homeowners to ask them to clean up their yards and keep them

maintained.

Tealwood Guidelines stipulate that yards need to be mowed and cared for on a regular basis. Failure to do so will initiate enforcement of such Guidelines in fines. These Guidelines are in place to remind us all that well-groomed yards/homes maintain the property values for all the homes.

More importantly, studies have shown that neglected yards /homes can attract criminal activity. Tealwood wants to remain vigilant in our care for all aspects of home maintenance in our subdivision.

The Tealwood HOA Board is inviting all residents to attend a meeting which will be held on October 25, 6PM to 7:30PM at the Memorial Forest Clubhouse at 12122 Memorial Dr 77024.

The purpose of the meeting is to share the pros and cons of using a management company to take over the Billing and Architectural issues in Tealwood and gather your input in regard to that information. We can then determine if we would move forward with investigating possible outside management.

Please mark your calendars for this most important event. We will send you a reminder.

M. Scott Greene, President

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Deed Restriction Reminder by Kavitha Tamerisa, VP of Architecture & Richard Peterson, Architecture Committee Chairman

Living in Tealwood constitutes an agreement to follow all Tealwood deed restrictions as well as City of Houston or Bunker Hill restrictions. The approved Tealwood covenants are available online at tealwood.org

In order to keep our neighborhood beautiful, it takes all of us to maintain the exterior of our lots and yard at all times.

We are noticing trash bags / yard clipping bags sitting in front of curbs days before trash pickup. Please keep any trash or debris hidden from view except on collection days. Remove any objects visible from the street that detract from the visual attractiveness of the neighborhood.

Please remember to contact the Architecture committee for approval of any changes to be made to the exterior of your home or lot even if they seem minor.

Tealwood Architecture Committee
tealwoodarch@gmail.com

Thank you for helping to keep Tealwood a great place to call home!



**Halloween Block Bash Is On!
Friday October 29,
4:30pm to 7pm
At 12345 Longworth
(Longworth Cul-De-Sac)
30' Rock Climbing Wall
Bouncy Slide House
Face Painter, Balloon Artist
Strolling Magician & Magic Show!
Come In Your Favorite Costume**

We invite anyone to attend the festivities. There will be Domino's Pizza and Chick-Fil-A Chicken Nuggets and more! Please bring desserts for all and your favorite bottle of wine.

The enclosed invitation/RSVP goes to Chrissy Dunn at 12351 Longworth or Christine Routt at 218 Gessner.

If you would like to sign up to help for a 15-minute interval, please contact me at 281-686-2836 or @ Christine.routt@compass.com.

1st, 2nd & 3rd Place Prizes for Best Decorated Home

Thank you, Christine Routt, Tealwood Secretary & Social Chair and the rest of your Tealwood HOA Board of Directors

Happy Halloween

For those new residents who don't know the story of Tealwood! Tealwood – Its Name and The Early Days

By: Bob Longmire, previously published in the Newsletter from February 2006, not sure of the original draft date.

Provided by Christine Routt, Current Editor

In a duck blind in South Texas way back in 1947, John Murray was huddled with a friend waiting for some action. Murray used the time to share his dream about starting a new construction company. And later he did just that – naming it the Teal Company. The company is still in business, specializing in the design and construction of Auto Dealerships. Currently headed by John Murray, Jr. its headquarters is on Britmore St. and yes, it even has a “flying duck” as its logo.

In 1961, the property which forms our subdivision was purchased from the Frost family by a joint venture including the Teal Construction company, the Cranbrook Corporation and a subsidiary of the T.J. Bettis Mortgage Co. – That’s when Tealwood was born.

Tealwood was developed in three sections – that’s the reason why our “logo” (designed by Bob Longmire) is of three “overlapping” ducks – presumably Teal ducks!

In the early days there were three major builders in the new Tealwood. The most active was the Beard and Adams Construction Co. whose managing partner was Doyle Beard. Beard built over 95 of the 172 homes in the subdivision, most of which were designed by Sam Bass, who introduced a unique look to his homes to including privacy from the street and “floor to ceiling windows that appear to bring the outdoors in.” Interestingly, Doyle Beard is currently operating as general contractor for remodeling projects in Tealwood, some in the very homes he built originally.

Another builder was Benson Ford who had done the land planning, assisted in the marketing of lots and did the design of the entrance wall at Gessner/Memorial (which was built by Wallace Bros. Co). Originally the “Wall” had a water fall but it was shut down after local teenagers’ repeatedly added detergent resulting in a mountain of soap suds.

Some of the builders sold lots and some individuals purchased lots and obtained their own contractors. Lots sold for \$1,00 per square foot or roughly \$10,000 to \$13,500 per lot. (In today’s dollars that would be equivalent to \$62,000 - \$84,000). *

The construction office was located at the northwest corner of Gessner, now 12303 Longworth. The first two homes sold for \$42,500 and \$45,000 (\$255,000 - \$270,000 in todays’ dollars) *

NOTE: This article is based on interviews by Bob Longmire with Joe Lynch and Pat Barbee, both early Tealwood owners. We hope the facts are mostly accurate. If not, we apologize and ask that other experts step forward to help get the record straight.

*2006 Numbers



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A special thanks to Bob Longmire, former Tealwood resident!



**November 11, 2022
Flamingo Friday Party
is at the beautiful home
of Rylie & Bryan Caldwell
346 Tamerlaine Drive**

**Thank you, Rylie & Bryan!
I can't wait to see what you have
done; I know it's fabulous.**

*This party is an adult only
event where Everyone brings their
favorite bottle of wine
and an appetizer for eight.
It's from 6pm to 8pm*

**New HOA Directors' Nominating
Committee Potluck
In December
5pm to 6:30pm on the Longworth
Cul-de-Sac**

**Come meet your board members
and learn more about the positions
that will be available and your
opportunities to serve Tealwood**

**For more information, please
contact David Knapp our
VP Elect who is heading up the
Nominating Committee
(713)303-2000**



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