

# INSIDE SUNSHINE NEWSLETTER

**OCTOBER 2019**

Welcome Back Winter Texans

**& HAPPY HALLOWEEN**

**WOMEN'S CLUB:**

Here we are preparing for another fun-filled season at Sunshine. The summer has been a fun one of traveling and entertaining, it seems like we just arrived back in Minnesota and soon we will be on our way to Texas.

**Please take special note of a date change for our first meeting, it will be October 11th at 9:00 am in Retzlaff Hall.** Coffee & donuts will be provided.

When in the library please take a moment to check out the Women's Club bulletin board and view the events we are hosting. We are always looking for volunteers, so please sign up. It's a great way to get acquainted with your neighbors and it's a lot of fun!

Looking forward to seeing you!

Eileen Anderson  
Women's Club President

**WOMEN'S CLUB - OCTOBERFEST:**

The first Women's Club event is October 30th, Octoberfest. We need some co-chairs to take charge of this event. Please sign up on the activity board in the library or call Vickie Jones at 262-689-7068.

**WOMEN'S CLUB - VETERANS DAY 11 NOVEMBER 2019 RETZ HALL:**

Dear Friends - A Veterans Day program is in the works for Monday the 11th day of November 2019. We will have an afternoon Ceremony followed by a Potluck. Details will follow.

We need a Co-chair or two and assistance with the Ceremony and the Potluck. Please call me for details and a meeting will be scheduled. Any ideas are welcome.

Let's talk at Women's Club, Friday 11 October 9am Retz Hall. Remember, we now have a new SCCE Veterans Club with Jim Tennant and Mari.

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Lenore J Combs 956 245 1276  
Co-chair, USAF Nurse Veteran

**WOMEN'S CLUB - CHRISTMAS GOLF CART PARADE SATURDAY 8 DECEMBER 2019:**

Dear Friends - Let's talk. Folks want to have this annual Golf Cart parade. It will be held on Saturday 7 December 2019. (same day as Bake & Craft Sale). Need another Co-chair please.

*Tentative plans:*

Line up 4:30p. Kick off 5pm. Refreshments at Encore (their turn). Prizes for decorated carts \$\$ - 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> place for us (and they do theirs). We (Women's Club) kick in \$\$ for light refreshments and goodies.

To be discussed at Woman's Club Friday 11 October 9am Retz Hall.

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Lenore J Combs 956 245 1276

Co-Chair

**CRAFTY CREATIONS by heidi BEGINS IN OCTOBER!:**

Hey there! Are you ready for some fun?!?

I've been working on this project since March and think I've picked something you'll all want to be a part of!

(Okay, drumroll please! 🎵 🎶 bddddd...)

This winter season we will be making these beautifully crafted signs to enhance your home!!!!



...Not only that, each month, we will be creating these adorable seasonal danglers!!



(These are all my very own **original designs**)! 🧐

These ornamental treasures can be used on your new entryway sign,  
or as individual decor pieces to decorate your home for the holidays and such!!!

Great size for gift giving too! 😊❤️

Plus, it's a great time to learn something fun together!!

You will be able to choose which pieces of this project you want to make.  
and personalize it to your liking!

In the classes, I will guide you in recreating them as you desire. SO...

**Once each month this 2019-20 season we will be crafting together, YAY!!!**  
**Please save the first date for: Friday, Oct 4th – 9 to 11:00am - At Retzlaff Hall**

Be sure to sign up for the classes you'd like to do!

I will be keeping you posted with the details via the SEPO Office and e-mail.

You can also check out my Facebook page, **The Pickle Jar**.

**“So let's get our crafty wings on and make some fluff!!!”**

-heidi 😊

#### **KILLER BEES:**

The Killer Bees Thursday morning quilt group will continue to meet at 9AM in Retzlaff Hall. Our calendar of activities will slowly begin to start in October. Come in and check us out, as we're NOT your Grandmothers Quilting Group! Any questions...call Jan Baethke 956 357 2218 or Diane Tewell 956 254 6743 or Diane Hines 956 412 6178.

#### **SUNSHINE ESTATES VETERANS WALL:**

The Sunshine Estates Veterans Wall is still a work in progress.

We are asking all Veterans, law enforcement, firefighters and first responders provide us with a photo. If no photo is available, we will be setting up a photo session in the library when we get to Texas in November. Information about this will be in the next Newsletter. Signup sheets are available in the SEPO Office, just ask for one.

Feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

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**SUNSHINE NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH:**



(Est. 2008)  
SCCE - Harlingen's premier NW & CERT Team.



*Lights On -- Lock Up  
and Look Out for each other!*

**Lenore J. Combs, Coordinator, 956-245-1276, [LJCombs44@gmail.com](mailto:LJCombs44@gmail.com)**

Dear NW-CERT Volunteers and Friends,

The October **schedule** is posted in the Library from Linda Jones. Thank you to the Summer volunteers for your huge effort in covering Patrols this long hot summer.

Sgt Michael Brooks HPD and fellow Officers produced a new version guide for NW. It is posted on the NW bulletin board and will be available at our October meeting. Officer Alicia Garcia has resigned and we thank her for her service and wish her the best in her retirement years. Officer Orlando Gonzales will be our liaison. I have worked with him before on other projects and we will enjoy his expertise.

Thanks to all who supported National Night Out in August for Harlingen and for Combes in September. Both Police Departments were most impressed by our community's show of support in this annual initiative. This National Association of Town Watchers program has been celebrated since 1984. Recently the Dog Walker watch joined part of the program (that's an idea for us)! NNO shines a light on community Police programs and increases connections between neighborhoods and those who serve. Thru a variety of programs such as crime prevention and drug prevention, this event provides valuable information for neighborhoods and empowers our citizens.

We wish to extend an invitation to all our new residents and those who have not volunteered in the past. WIIFM? What's in it for me? The Sunshine NW is a volunteer program designed to take a bite out of crime and take a more active role in keeping Sunshine safe. The Bad Guys are very creative on invading our space and you can make a difference. All of us have an obligation to take precautions to promote collective security and limit criminal activity. Our local Police Departments have provided lots of attention to assist us. There is an informative "Welcome" letter about NW available (in the Office) to you and it is posted in the Library at the NW-CERT area.

Our meetings are every 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month at 3pm in Retzlaff Hall. Coffee is always on. Please join us. Monday - 21 Oct, 18 Nov, 16 Dec, 20 Jan, 17 Feb, 16 Mar.

The Harlingen PD also holds a Citizen Police Academy annually (one coming soon). A typical class schedule – Community Policing, Court Prep, Crime Stoppers, Crime Scene Unit, Investigative Services, Criminal Law, Gangs, SWAT, Self Defense, K-9, Narcotics, Firearm Safety, Use of Force, Public relations, Ride-Alongs in Police Units and more. Don't miss out.

A word about CERT - Community Emergency Response Team – learn how to hold down the fort until professional help arrives. This volunteer service is provided by the Harlingen Fire Department. BTW – October is Fire Prevention Month. Classes are given throughout the year – stay tuned. Some topics covered include Fire Safety, Light Search & Rescue, Team Organization, Disaster Psychology Disaster Medical Ops and more. SCCE even sponsored a Train-The Trainer Mock Disaster Drill with a hands-on simulated explosion in Retz Hall with injuries, a severe Woodshop injury, a near-drowning and other demonstrations. Great learning opportunity. Should be a CERT Class coming in January.

In fact, The Harlingen CERT Team is assisting the Harlingen Emergency Management Team with several Emergency Preparedness Sessions at the Harlingen Cultural Arts Center near the Library. Discussions are on when to get prepared, how to create a family plan, items for your emergency kit, and more.

Marsha Santow recently represented SCCE CERT Team at the 10<sup>th</sup> Year recognition with the Mayor. NW and CERT began after Hurricane Dolly in 2008. These efforts make us knowledgeable about being prepared and by working smarter, not harder.

We have an AED (Automatic Emergency Defibrillator) by the pool. CPR classes are available. Always call 911 if intending to use this.

Stop The Bleed – a new initiative – there are 3 “Stop the Bleed” red emergency bags, one in the Library by the NW-CERT bulletin board, one in the Woodshop and one at the Worker shed. Please use this for obvious reasons. It contains items for life threatening bleeding emergencies and is not the average First Aid Kit. Always call 911 if intending to use this.

There is also an *active shooter for concerned citizens* class coming soon. If you wish to take this class, notify me.

If you wish to be on our NW-CERT email list, send me your email address.

See you Monday October 21<sup>st</sup> 3pm Retz Hall. You may call me for questions or concerns 🙋

### **SUNSHINE COMMUNICATIONS:**

As most of you know – but some of the New Resident’s might not – the SEPO Newsletter, the SEPO E-mails and the SEPO Web site are all managed by me, Beth Parrish. I just wanted to say a few words about each of these communication methods. If, at any time, you have questions or need help with anything just shoot me an e-mail or text or give me a call (314-960-6710).

#### **SEPO Newsletter -**

The *Newsletter* Guidelines can be found here: [www.sunshinecountryclub.com/sepo-newsletter-guidelines](http://www.sunshinecountryclub.com/sepo-newsletter-guidelines).

The process for distributing the Newsletter to all of you is going to be different ongoing in order to get the info to you timely and in a format where you can see all of the effort that has been put into several of the articles sent to me by your neighbors. Of course, it will still always be available via print in the SEPO Office. The primary difference is that you will need to click on the ‘link’ provided in the SEPO E-mail sent to you each month. The Newsletter will also be available at all times on the Sunshine Web site ([www.sunshinecountryclub.com/sepo-newsletters-overview-1](http://www.sunshinecountryclub.com/sepo-newsletters-overview-1)).

#### **SEPO E-News E-Mail -**

The *E-Mail* Guidelines can be found here: [www.sunshinecountryclub.com/sepo-e-news-e-mail-guidelines](http://www.sunshinecountryclub.com/sepo-e-news-e-mail-guidelines).

Hopefully all of you have been able to keep track of what’s been going on at Sunshine this summer, even if you weren’t physically there. I do find it interesting. All E-Mails sent since Dec 1, 2018 can always be found here: [www.sunshinecountryclub.com/e-mail-directory](http://www.sunshinecountryclub.com/e-mail-directory).

#### **SEPO Web site -**

I know lots of you have visited the Sunshine Web site: [www.sunshinecountryclub.com](http://www.sunshinecountryclub.com). Just look at the number on the Counter at the bottom of the Home Page. I have been working diligently the last couple of months to get the most recent info I have been given concerning the upcoming 2019-2020 Winter season out there. I’ve also been trying to keep in sync with Valerie’s updates to the Directories. So

PLEASE make use of what's out there. And, if you see ANYTHING that needs updated, corrected etc. let me know.

**FROM THE EDITOR:**

Wow – Another winter season is upon us. However, that does mean that this will be my first full season as your SEPO Newsletter Editor. So please be patient with me, at least for the first couple of them.

Just a reminder to all SEPO residents. Your articles for the newsletter are due by the 24th of each month in order to be published by the 1<sup>st</sup> (at the latest) of the following month. The address to send your article to is [seponewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:seponewsletter@gmail.com). If you don't receive a return e-mail stating "Received For Newsletter" then I haven't received/seen your article. So give me a call at 314-960-6710 and we'll figure it out. Thanks all. I can't wait to see my Southern friends soon.

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