



# City of HEDWIG VILLAGE

## Newsletter

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### Fall 2021

#### ELECTED OFFICIALS

Mayor Tom Jinks  
Councilmember Scott Davis  
Councilmember Harry Folloder  
Councilmember Dane Johnson  
Councilmember Shirley Rouse  
Councilmember Matt Woodruff

**City Administrator** Kelly Johnson  
KJohnson@hedwigtx.gov

**Chief of Police** David Gott  
DGott@hedwigtx.gov

#### OFFICE HOURS

7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday -Thursday

7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Friday

#### CITY HALL & MUNICIPAL

**COURT** 713-465-6009

**POLICE DEPT.** 713-461-4797

**WEBSITE** www.hedwigtx.gov

### Helpful Phone Numbers

Village Fire Department.....713-468-7941  
Memorial Water Authority.....713-465-8318  
Spring Branch Tax Office.....713-251-7960  
Spring Branch Admin.....713-464-1511  
CenterPoint (power outages).....713-207-2222  
Spring Branch Library.....713-464-1633  
Texas Pride – Trash.....281-342-8178  
Harris Co. Annex.....713-224-1919  
Harris Co. Flood Control.....713-684-4000  
Harris Co. Hazardous Waste .....346-286-4299  
Harris Co. Voting Information.....713-755-6965  
Texas Pride (Trash & Recycling)....281-342-8178

## WANT TO KNOW WHAT IS HAPPENING IN HEDWIG VILLAGE?

Sign up for **E-Notification** on the City's website.

### From the Mayor

Dear Residents:

The Fall season is approaching, and our area students have been back in school for about a month. This is always a great time of year for children as they get settled into a new school year adjusting from summer fun to their school schedules.

The City Council of Hedwig Village passed an ordinance extending the School Zone hours to 4:30 p.m. for Memorial High School and Spring Branch Middle school. School Zone hours are 7:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. in the mornings and 2:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. in the afternoons. This change was necessary because the middle school will be dismissing later in the day this academic year. I urge you to be very cautious while approaching and proceeding through any school zone. Also, please look for kids riding bikes and walking that are on their way to school but not yet in a school zone.

Below are a few tips for drivers when in and around a school zone:

#### Tips for drivers

- Stay alert.
- Watch for children who might run between vehicles.
- Be mindful of children at bus stops.
- Put away your cellphone.
- Slow down.
- Obey school zone speed limit signs and all traffic rules.
- Drive safely and slowly when you see a school bus.
- Drop off and pick up children in the designated areas.

I hope that these tips are helpful.

Have a great Fall season!

Sincerely,

Tom Jinks

Mayor, City of Hedwig Village

## Hedwig Police Department

### *From the Chief of Police*

Residents,

Though crime is up all around us, crime in Hedwig Village is down over 20% compared to the same period in 2020 and 2019. And we have almost no crime in the residential areas of Hedwig Village. A big part of this can be attributed to an aware citizenry, if you see something suspicious or out of place you call. Watching out for your neighbors and partnering with the police keeps crime away.

Lately, there has been an increase in mail thefts in the cities around us. These thefts have led to several identities being stolen. The best way to combat this is to install a locking mailbox. If you are unable to do this, remove your mail from the box as soon after delivery as possible.

Please visit our website at [www.hedwigtx.gov](http://www.hedwigtx.gov) and review the Personal Safety Guide for additional tips on keeping you and your loved ones from becoming a victim of crime. You can also find information about our House Watch Program, Monthly Crime Reports, Fingerprinting Services and much more on the website.

If you ever have any questions or concerns about the police department, please contact me personally by calling the department at (713) 462-4797 or by email at [dgott@hedwigtx.gov](mailto:dgott@hedwigtx.gov).

Sincerely,

David A. Gott  
Chief of Police

## Village Fire Department

### *From the Fire Chief*

If you have driven past the fire station, on Corbindale Rd, you have seen we are not as far along as we had planned by now. We are hopeful to be completed with the station addition and renovation by November. We will advertise an open house as soon as we can.

After seeing an increase in the amount of time our ambulance spends at the hospital, the Fire Commission has allowed me to staff our second ambulance from 7 am to 7 pm. Due to the increase in Covid 19, area hospitals are again very busy, and our paramedics must stay with their patients until hospital staff assumes care. While we typically spend about 45 minutes at the hospital, times have soared to sometimes over 2 hours. Having the ambulance out of service for this amount of time puts our residents at significant risk.

Response times within the City of Hedwig Village continue to be outstanding. For life threatening medical calls, we will have firefighter/paramedics at your home within 3 and a half minutes. We also provide a fire response within that same time. I appreciate the support the community gives to our personnel. I look forward to seeing you at the station sometime soon.

David Foster, Fire Chief  
713-468-7941 (Non-Emergency)

# 5<sup>TH</sup> Annual Recycle/Shred/Donate Event

Hosted by the Six Area Villages

**Dear Residents –**

**Save the Date!** On Saturday, October 23rd, the Memorial Villages will be hosting the **5<sup>th</sup> Annual Memorial Villages Recycling Event**.

The event will be held at the Hedwig Village City Hall located at 955 Piney Point Road from 8:00 a.m. to noon.

The event will include electronic recycling, paper shredding, donation of gently used clothing, household items and furniture, and medication disposal.

Pioneer Shredding will be on site to shred your documents. No cardboard, please.

CompuCycle will be here to accept your electronic items.

Memorial Area Ministries will be on hand to accept your donations of gently used clothing, furniture, and other household items.

Trees for Houston will donate trees for residents to plant in their yard. There will be several different species this year. Trees will be available on a first come, first serve basis.

Hedwig Village Police Department will also be on hand to accept your pill form only medication for proper disposal. The pills **MUST** be removed from all packaging.

Check the calendar on the City's website for a flyer listing acceptable and non-acceptable items. The flyer will be posted to the website closer to the event date.

The Villages recommend residents remain in their vehicle while dropping off items at the event.

See you on October 23rd.

## Hedwig Village's New Eateries!

The City of Hedwig Village has two new offerings in the Moody mixed-use project at 9655 Katy Freeway.

**Milk and Cookies is now open.** They are in the Moody mixed-use development facing Gaylord Drive. This coffee and dessert shop was started with the goal to create the perfect chocolate chip cookie. In addition to perfected cookies, this shop offers a selection of coffees, baked goods, ice cream, and cookie dough to-go.

**Belong Kitchen** (formerly Belong Bakery) **is now open** in the Moody mixed-use development facing Gaylord Drive. They offer a selection of delicious family style meals, salads, breakfasts, and desserts. This new offering has worked with Houston chefs to create a delectable menu with a goal of employing adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities in a nurturing environment. Their store hours are 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Dinners are available for purchase beginning at noon.

**Hedwig Village has a wonderful selection of restaurants and retail establishments. Support the Hedwig Village businesses by shopping local whenever you can.**



The Hedwig Village Police Department wants to invite you to join your neighbors in celebration of **National Night Out, America's Night Out Against Crime, on Tuesday, October 5, 2021, from 6pm until 9pm.**

National Night Out is a community effort designed to promote involvement in crime prevention activities, police-community partnerships, neighborhood camaraderie and to send a message to criminals letting them know that our neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.

We want to encourage Hedwig Village residents to turn on your porch lights, come outside and meet your neighbors. A neighborhood block party is a great way to celebrate. A few of the many benefits are:

- Improve the safety of your block by building healthy relationships.
- Have a fun time with your neighbors.
- Build community and increase communication.
- Reinforce the partnership of residents and police to combat crime.
- Discuss neighborhood issues.

If you intend to have a block party and would like the Police Chief and your neighborhood patrol officers to stop by, please contact the Hedwig Village Police Department at (713) 461-4797, or you can e-mail the chief at [dgott@hedwigtx.gov](mailto:dgott@hedwigtx.gov).

## Did You Know?

We love our trees in Hedwig Village and we are very proud of our canopy, but when the time comes that a tree needs to be removed it must be permitted. Please submit a tree removal application to the permitting office and we will have an urban forester inspect the tree and give the authorization for removal when it is appropriate.

The City of Hedwig Village has a new Student Summer Intern Program. Quinn and West were the first summer interns this past summer. Quinn and West assisted in cleaning the park and delivering door placards by going door-to-door within the city. Quinn assisted with scanning a backlog of commercial building plans as well as taking pictures for the City's website.

The city would like to continue the Student Summer Intern Program. If you know of a student who might be interested, please have them contact City Hall at [info@hedwigtx.gov](mailto:info@hedwigtx.gov).

Planning on hosting a party at the City Park? Hedwig Village Park is open to the public. Reservations may be made by Hedwig Village residents. Please visit our website or call the permitting office for further details.

The City of Hedwig Village has begun to recite the Pledge of Allegiance at the beginning of the City Council meetings. The meetings are held on the second Thursday every month at 6:30 p.m.

If you know of a girl or boy scout interested in leading the pledge, please have the troop leader contact City Hall at [info@hedwigtx.gov](mailto:info@hedwigtx.gov).

If you have a burglar alarm to protect your home, please remember to renew your license at the end of year. Burglar alarms licenses are valid for each calendar year and then must be renewed. Applications are available on the City's website.



955 Piney Point Rd.  
Hedwig Village, TX 77024

## FALL 2021 NEWSLETTER



**Save the Date!!**  
**Saturday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
**8am - Noon**  
**Memorial Villages Recycling Event**  
**Donations, Shredding, Electronics, & Rx Disposal**  
**Hedwig Village City Hall Parking Lot**  
**955 Piney Point Rd, Hedwig Village TX 77024**

