

# SUPER NEIGHBORHOOD 17 ELDRIDGE WEST OAKS

## GET TO KNOW OUR NEIGHBORHOODS

### “SHADOWLAKE”

Shadowlake subdivision is located in west Houston. It features a 65-acre lake, landscaped esplanades with fountains, two sparkling pools and a playground area. The community consists of 866 single-family homes ranging in size from 1800 to over 4000 sq. ft. Shadowlake is centrally located to the Westchase District, the Energy Corridor District, Memorial City, Town & Country and Galleria malls. It is near the Westpark Toll road and Sam Houston Toll Road/Beltway 8. It is also convenient to Interstate 10 and Highway 6 and Highway 59.

Shadowlake has a primary school, Outley Elementary and is near Budewig Middle School as well as Elsie and Hastings High Schools in the award winning Alief Independent School District. West Houston Medical Center is adjacent to our neighborhood. The Houston Police Department has their Westside Command station just west of our neighborhood.

Shadowlake consists of five sections-the Ungated Section, gated sections include the Lake Section, Estates 1, Estates 2 and the Courts Section.

Development of Shadowlake began in 1994. Shadowlake has been named a model by the Harris County Flood Control District in a study of the Brays Bayou Watershed. All homes remained dry during Hurricane Harvey. ~Jeff Baker

### Next Meeting

Wednesday, January 9  
6:30pm

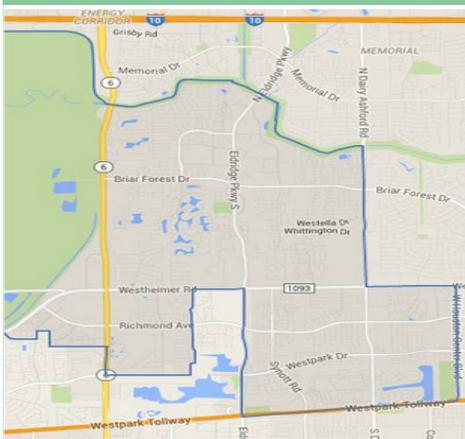
Eagle's Trace Retirement  
Community

14703 Eagle Vista Dr.  
Houston, 77077

Tell the gate guard you are there for the Super Neighborhood meeting.

Parking is allowed in any spot marked "Visitor" or any spot that DOES NOT have a red "R."

Sign in at the lobby & go upstairs to the AC Classroom



SN17 Boundaries

## Protecting your Irrigation System from a Freeze

Last year many of us were impacted by the hard freeze damaging our Irrigation System, freezing the Backflow preventer on the side of the house. This was evident from water shooting into the air from the piping and draining into the street. There are three things that you can do to help prevent that from happening.

- 1) **Purchase of a Backflow Preventer Pouch.** This is an insulated sleeve that goes over the entire pipe structure, protecting the backflow preventer. They are not cheap however. They are available from some hardware stores, Amazon.com and irrigation contractors. The screenshot below is from the SprinklerWarehouse.com website. Sprinkler Warehouse is located here in Houston near Hwy 6 and 290. They stock a full line of irrigation accessories, including replacement backflow preventers and give free advice for those in need of it. I would suggest that you get one size larger than the measurements, if your piping is 16" wide; I would go up to the pouch that is 24" wide to ensure that it fits over everything. There are usually grommets to run a cable or lock through to help keep it from being stolen.



Dekorra Desert Tan Insulation Pouch 24" x 16" | 609-DT

**Sale Price: \$43.48**  
Regular Price: \$86.80



Dekorra Green Insulation Pouch 24" x 16" | 609-GN

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Regular Price: \$86.80

- 2) **Temporary Insulation**-You can wrap a towel or something similar around your backflow preventer bonnet/poppet area. If you do this though, be sure to cover it with a sheet of plastic. If the towel gets wet and freezes, it will offer no protection.
- 3) **Cut off Water Supply**-There are two valves on the pipe structure that you can rotate 90 degrees to cut off the water supply. If you do this, you then need to turn the screws on the side of the unit to bleed out any water that is in there. There are videos on Google and You Tube that show you how to do this.

If you follow one of these processes, you will greatly reduce the risk of your "bonnet/poppet" freezing. If it does freeze, the replacement parts are only about \$20-\$35 to purchase. They are actually relatively easy to replace and you can save yourself the typical \$300 + repair by doing it yourself. ~Jeff Baker

Febco PVB Bonnet/Poppet Kit 1" - 1-1/4" | FE905-212



### SPEAKERS:

January 9, 2019, 6:30pm

Marc Eichenbaum,  
Special Assistant to the  
Mayor of Homeless  
Initiatives

### FUTURE SPEAKERS:

Lisa Kasianowitz,  
of the Park Board