

Spring Creek Forest Civic Association

2019 Board Candidate Bios

President Candidate

Charles (Chuck) Maier I am a 27+ year resident of SCF, active with deeds and the board in the early 90's, and back active again after retirement in mid-2016. Aside from being selected as replacement president in April of this year, I am Marty Thomen's assistant on the maintenance committee. I would like to continue as president in 2019, moving forward with efforts started this year (capital projects, deeds updates, accounting/budgeting changes, etc.) and those planned for next year (ACC guidelines, et al).

Vice President Candidate

Jennifer Chapman I am a native Houstonian, graduated from the University of Houston with a degree in Finance. My family and I moved here in 2015. I am a believer in the saying that you can't complain unless you plan to be part of the solution. So, here I am. This is the second time I have been on the Board. Both times, I was appointed to fill vacancies. I am currently serving as Communications Coordinator as well. I am working hard to see that our common grounds and assets are maintained and improved to the standards that residents deserve.

Treasurer Candidates

Eddie Degracia My wife and I have lived in Spring Creek Forest since 2010. We have three children, our oldest, attends Klein High School and our twins will start kindergarten next year. I earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Texas at Austin and hold a Master of Business Administration degree from the University of Houston. I have worked in the petroleum industry for over 12 years and am currently a Project Development Engineer for Shell. My current and prior work responsibilities have included supervisory roles, operations management, project management, team leadership, and business development. My strengths include strong decision making skills, team building, conflict resolution, and personal approachability. I intend to utilize these strengths toward the advancement and continued improvement of our neighborhood. I would like to represent the interests of our home owners to make sure we are well positioned to meet future challenges and capitalize on growth opportunities. Thanks, Eddie Degracia

Victor Rollinson I am a graduate of the University of Texas with an MBA. I am married to Debbie and moved to SCF 1972. Our daughter, Kati, lives in Seattle and our son, Steven, lives in Dallas. I walk Hank, our fur baby, several times daily so I see the beauty of our homes daily. My vision for SCF is that this neighborhood supports strong family friendly values that attract loving families. I can help through careful stewardship of financial matters. See you in October.

Secretary Candidates

Susan Shakespear

I am a native Houstonian, graduated from Westbury High School and the University of Houston, and I taught Biology at Westchester High School in Spring Branch ISD. I owned a gift shop in Austin, TX for a number of years, and worked for Plaid Industries, (maker of arts and crafts products) and Hallmark as an assistant to the Territory Rep. in charge of personnel for 11 stores. My husband Mac, (a commercial construction project manager), and I have lived in SCF since the end of May. We hope to meet more of our neighbors and be involved in community affairs! I believe in volunteering and supporting groups of interest. Some of my past experiences include serving as President and Treasurer of the Austin Art Guild, Treasurer of Heart of Texas Tolars, (another art society), and Vice President of Chisholm Trail Quilt Guild. I believe my experiences as a business owner, community director, and event coordinator will enable me to serve on the board with a measure of professionalism, insight, and as a team player. Thank you so much for your support, and vote as I run for the Secretary position in our neighborhood association!

Sheron Thomen

I am a 30 year resident of SCF and have been the assistant to the Club House maintenance man, worked the volunteer days at the Club House, helped with Santa's breakfast, Neighbor Night Out, and Oktoberfest. After attending many meetings of the HOA, I have learned much about the workings of our Board. I am looking forward to being a part of SCF HOA as your new secretary and will work to keep our neighborhood looking its best and welcoming to new owners.

Section Rep Candidates

Mariam Castaneda I have lived in the Spring Creek Forest subdivision since 1998 and in Texas since 1980. I studied geology in college, and I am currently working for the Department of Justice. Both my college and job experience demand attention to detail and a logical, open-minded approach to problem-solving. I plan to apply the same methodology to the Spring Creek Forest Civic Association Board in hopes of resolving issues that come before the board.

Mauricio "Mo" Castaneda I have lived in the Spring Creek Forest subdivision for 20 years and in Texas since 1984. I have an undergraduate degree from SUNY at Buffalo and a Master's degree from Stephen F. Austin. I spent ten years in the military as an officer in the US Army Engineering Branch. I spent 20 years in management in Fortune 50 companies, and I am currently working for the Department of Justice. I plan to use my leadership and management skills to enable a common-sense approach to solve issues that come before the board.

Jeffrey A. Caynon My family moved into Spring Creek Forest in 1980. I attended Strack Intermediate and graduated from Klein High School. I lived here until I finished college and the Army Officers Basic course. My wife, Gail, and I have been married for nineteen years. We have three kids (18, 16 and 15). Fifteen years ago when we were looking for a bigger house in an area with good public schools to raise our kids, SCF was the logical choice. I believe in common sense, people oriented leadership. I think we all have an interest in maintaining high property values and a close-knit, supportive community so that SCF continues to be a place our children would want to move back to. Qualifications:

- Captain (Paramedic/HAZMAT technician & Master Firefighter) serving with the Houston Fire Department since 1994
- Houston Profession Firefighters Local Affiliate President 2007 - 2013
- Harvard Trade Union Program 2011 class valedictorian
- Distinguished Military Graduate Prairie View A&M ROTC
- Bachelor of Arts Political Science

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Blake Davis I am 63 years old and my wife Carrie and I have been married for 44 years. We have lived in Spring Creek Forest for a little over 20 years. We have one grown daughter, Taylor, who lives in Temple, Texas. My business life has been in the food business as management in Texas and Oklahoma. I was with Luby's Cafeterias, Fuddruckers, and owned my own ice cream manufacturing plant. I am now with Ace Mart Restaurant Supply, still somewhat attached to the food business. I am running for the position of section rep. I believe we need strong deed enforcements to keep the community looking good and vital for the future so we are an established neighborhood with beautiful surroundings to live and play in. This will help draw people to us and keep our values moving upward on our properties. It also just makes it a nicer place to live.

Joe Jensen I grew up in SE Minnesota along the Mississippi. I attended West Point and was honorably discharged. I earned a Bachelor's of Science in Applied Mathematics and a Master's in Business Administration-Finance. Currently work for Delta Air Lines as middle management. I have lived in SCF since Dec 2015 at 6507 Rippling Hollow with my wife, Kelly, and 3 children. My favorite things about SCF are the pool facilities, spacious lots, a clean appearance, and its hidden nature from Louetta & Steubner Airline. I have volunteered in the past for Special Olympics, American Cancer Society, and Boy Scouts. I enjoy watching sports and outdoor activities. I enjoy traveling and have the goal to visit all 3,142 counties in the USA. I do not count anything prior to 2013. In the past 5 years I have visited (in person) 453 of them. I do this with Tom Buffington. In 2019, I would like to host a neighborhood BBQ competition and contribute a travel column in the newsletter.

Section Rep Candidates Continued

Ginger Phillips

- Member of SCF for 10 years.
 - Appointed to the 2017 board and elected for 2018 Section Rep.
 - Member of the Nominating Committee 2017 and 2018.
 - National Night Out 2017 - procured prizes & donations.
 - Deed Restrictions Update Committee 2018 (Jan thru present).
 - Playground Committee Chair - Ensure current quality & safety standard & enhancements like additional seating & shade canopies.
 - Ball Field Parking Lot Committee- Currently comparing bids for best recommendation to the board.
 - Ball Field Committee - Pursuing the results of the 2018 survey and exploring the possibility of a walking path around the field.
 - Co-Chair 2018 National Night Out working to make it an awesome time for all of SCF! Oct 27th at the Clubhouse!
 - Proud wife & mom of 2. We like to help decorate the waterfall entrance for Christmas.
 - Organizing Ladies' BUNCO night at the Clubhouse and planning to do it monthly!
 - Co-Chair of the SCF 1st Annual Chili Cook-Off, Nov 10th at the Clubhouse!
 - When a neighborhood is as special as ours is, it's easy to keep giving back and leave it even better than you found it.
- I THANK YOU for your vote!

Matthew Phillips

- A resident of SCF since 2008 with my wife and our twelve year old twins.
- Regularly attend HOA monthly and special meetings since 2016 (when fines were passed)
- Current member of the Architectural Control Committee
- Currently on the Committee to Repair/Replace the Ball Field Parking Lot
- Small business owner since 2009
- Major in the United States Marine Corps Active Duty 1995 -2007
- A graduate of Texas A&M and Marine Corps Command and Staff College
- I would like to serve on the HOA board to further its mission of maintaining and increasing the value of our homes with the fair and just application of the rules, the wise use of our funds and build consensus for a vision of our community in the years to come.