

# CITY OF HILLCREST VILLAGE HIGHLIGHTS

*Recognizing the people  
volunteering their time  
and talents for our village*

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## FOOD TRUCK-THURS APRIL 27<sup>TH</sup>

(Thursday) 5-8 pm

The South Street Blue Grass Band *will be playing*

Bring a chair and a sweet tooth to purchase a dessert.  
We will have SnoFruit Food Truck in our village that night.

**DoMex Fusion**

**Texas Sno Fruit:**

<https://texassnofruit.com/>



## SPRING COMPETITION

It is Spring Time so let's have some fun with our yards. We have 2 donated gift cards we have not used yet, and we would like to create a friendly competition. These cards were donated by **MDS and Joel J. Marin, CPA**— a huge thank you to them both. We are targeting the end of May for the competition. More information to come on the judges and details.

Several resources were provided by Ellen and Preston Armistead. They are taking courses to become Master Gardeners. Through their courses, they have learned a lot and they are sharing their knowledge with us! See the next page for more information.

### TOPIC 01

Food Truck April  
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### TOPIC 02

Spring Competition

### TOPIC 03

New LED Lights

### TOPIC 04

Gardening Tips

### TOPIC 05

Drainage work  
completed

### TOPIC 06

Safety improved

# NEW MERCURY LIGHTS

John Patterson worked with CenterPoint to install a new light with LED instead of old mercury vapor type. CenterPoint installed it without any charge! Thank you, John, for continuously following up with them.



## GARDENING TIPS

Green Thumb schedule: <https://hcmga.tamu.edu/2023-green-thumb-gardening-series/>

Earth-Kind Landscaping: <https://aggie-horticulture.tamu.edu/earthkind/>

Texas Native Plant Society: <https://npsot.org/wp/>

Native Plant Lists/Databases and more info:

<https://npsot.org/wp/houston/native-plant-info/>

<https://www.wildflower.org/plants/>

<https://www.audubon.org/native-plants>

<https://www.wildflower.org/plants/>

<https://hcmga.tamu.edu/genoa-friendship-garden/>

<https://houstonaudubon.org/conservation/bird-friendly-communities/nursery.html>

<https://npsot.org/wp/houston/go-native/>

Nurseries and seed sources:

<https://buchanansplants.com/>

<https://www.joshuasnativeplants.net/>

<https://morningstarprairieplants.com/>

[www.seedsource.com](http://www.seedsource.com)

Sixth Extinction: <https://www.worldwildlife.org/stories/what-is-the-sixth-mass-extinction-and-what-can-we-do-about-it>

More on the author Doug Tallamy: <https://homegrownnationalpark.org/tallamys-hub-1>

Another book reference: Butterflies of Houston and Southeast Texas, John and Gloria Tveten

Previously recorded presentations are available on our HCMGA Facebook

page: [https://www.facebook.com/HarrisCountyMasterGardeners/videos/?ref=page\\_internal](https://www.facebook.com/HarrisCountyMasterGardeners/videos/?ref=page_internal)

Integrated Pest Management <https://ipm.tamu.edu/> More info about pests and treatment is in this Integrated Pest

Management presentation: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JK0U87ASd0o&t=48s>

Spring vegetable gardening

presentation: <https://www.facebook.com/HarrisCountyMasterGardeners/videos/1197393021146398>

AgriLife Extension – Harris County <https://harris.agrilife.org/>

Harris County Master Gardeners <https://hcmga.tamu.edu/>

Soil Testing: <http://soiltesting.tamu.edu>



# MORE DRAINAGE WORK COMPLETED

Working with the citizens within the neighborhood, drainage was noted to be slow. Council approved the clean up of the ditch to allow for more water to flow and to prevent water from backing up into homes.



# SAFETY IMPROVED

John Patterson has been helping us to keep our Village safe. He coordinated and proposed the job to replace the fence that separates us from the pumps and generator. Brad Dawson sprayed the fence with a stain to give the fence a longer life span! Thank you to you both.



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***If anyone is interested in volunteering, please reach out to Kory Izard Wrobliski – it takes a village to make this place home. ([korycityhillcrest@protonmail.com](mailto:korycityhillcrest@protonmail.com))***