



Is Litter-on-a-Stick Illegal in Katy?

Dear Editor,

"My family and I just moved to Katy a few months ago from DFW. We love your magazine! It has been so helpful in getting to know the area. Although we still miss our home in DFW, we are falling in love with Katy more and more every day. The town and the people are all wonderful. Although we have been wondering....are there no regulations regarding all the little signs stuck in the medians and on telephone poles all over the place? We live off Fry and it seems the whole area is inundated with these signs."

- Kayla Perez, Katy, TX

Dear Kayla,

We called County Commissioner Steve Radack to ask about those bandit signs and it looks like Katy may be in for some sign relief on Mason Road, Fry Road and other Harris county streets. According to Radack, a new law just went into effect on September 1, 2007 (H.B. 413). This law allows local officials to issue citations for bandit sign violators at a cost of \$500-\$1000 per sign. A separate penalty may be collected for each day a continuing violation occurs. Radack assured me that violators will definitely be fined for signs left on Harris County streets. —Katrina Katsarelis, Katy Magazine Editor



How to Report Bandit Signs

To request removal of bandit signs on county property along Fry Road, Mason Road, and other Harris County streets and intersections in the unincorporated areas of Katy, call the Harris County Commissioner's office at 281-463-6300.

Would you like to send a Katy-related question to Katy Q&A? Email editor@katymagazine.com.

Faithful Volunteers

Help Katy Homeowner

Local Church Group Helps Long-Time Katy Resident with Badly Needed Home Repairs

For the past four years, Christ Church Katy has been going on mission trips to do repairs and upkeep to homes, mostly for the elderly on fixed incomes who are unable to make badly needed repairs themselves. In the past the mission trips have been to other areas of the country, and Mexico. Daryl Brister, the team leader for CCK's Mission Team, and a resident of Katy, knew that there were folks right here who could use their help. So this time they decided to choose a Katy home to repair. A team of 24 volunteers worked on the home of Mr. Arthur Lee James, age 72. Mr. James has been a Katy area resident for over 50 years. "I found him by mistake," Daryl says. "I was looking for the pastor of a church in Old Katy to see if he could help me find someone who would need this kind of help. I couldn't find this man and stopped to ask a man on the corner, who asked why I was looking for the pastor. Once I told him, he promptly showed me his house." Mr. James' house was in very bad shape. The team replaced siding, trim, and a window. They painted the house, cleaned the yard, and cut down the undergrowth. Mr. James was very excited to have this work done to his home. For more information on Christ Church Katy and their Mission Team, call 281-392-0002 or visit cckpca.org. **KM**



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