



Gulf Meadows Civic Club

P.O. Box 751023-Houston, TX 77275-1023

Newsletter

Gulf Meadows is a Deed-Restricted Community

June

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2012

Parking in Yard City Ordinance

Houston City Ordinance prohibits the parking of vehicles (having an axle and wheels) in the front or side yards of residences in Gulf Meadows. Fines can be as much as \$150.00 per day. Report parking violations to the Telephone Road Storefront police. Phone 713-991-3504

General Membership Meeting

Tuesday, June 26th, 7:30p.m.
Covenant of Faith United Methodist Church
7900 Fuqua

Guest Speaker

Houston Fire Department

"Public Affairs Division"

Mr. George Salcedo

Mrs. Anh Tran

Mr. Shawn Gonzales

Fire prevention and smoke detectors are important safety features to protect our homes. Hopefully, everyone has a smoke detector, but does it work? Has it been tested lately? Representatives of the Houston Fire Department will be at our next civic club meeting to address the subject of safety for our home, pets, and other personal properties. In addition, smoke detectors will be available for those that need them. So come out and let's make our community a safe one.

Trash Collection Days

Garbage CollectionFriday Mornings
Yard TrimmingsFriday Mornings
Green Bin RecyclingEvery other Friday
(July 6th and July 20th)
Heavy Tree Trash.....July 12th
(2nd Thursday of each month)

Antes que usted empiece cualquier reformas o para modelar de Nuevo, contactan por favor el Comite de Restriccion de Acto para asegurarse de que usted sigue las restricciones del acto de esta comunidad. El numero para llamar es (713) 991-2673

President's Message

Hello, Neighbors. Let me talk about the Gulf Meadow Civic Club Newsletter. We are fortunate to have a monthly newsletter and have it hand delivered to our doorsteps. There are some Civic Club and Home Owner Association newsletters that may be better formatted than Gulf Meadows but our newsletter is very adequate for our subdivision. If a few minutes of time are taken to read the newsletter, many questions about our neighborhood can be answered.

We have some very committed and dedicated people who submit articles and information, compile, print and deliver the newsletter; all to keep us aware and informed about our neighborhood. I thank them for their efforts. I also thank our printers and advertisers without whom we could not have a Civic Club newsletter, but I especially thank those of you who have paid your dues and urge those of you have not to please do so, so that we may continue to make Gulf Meadows a wonderful place to live and grow.

Robert Simmons, Jr.
President

Yard of the Month for June

Congratulations to the following Gulf Meadows residents who were selected for Yard of the month of June.

Section I	7715 Fairgate
Section II	8323 Garden Parks
Section III	8327 Gulf Spring
Section IV	8422 Misty Vale

[Sect. II address should be 8030 Garden Parks
both address have great yards. R. Scotton]

**Year 2012
Officers & Directors**

OFFICERS

Robert Simmons, Jr.	President	991-2937
Janice Carter	1st Vice - Pres.	991-7226
Mark Schultz	2nd Vice - Pres.	991-3815
Ruth Scotton	Secretary	991-0579
Lou Ellington	Treasurer	991-2922

DIRECTORS

Rose Mary	
Acrey	991-3519 Deahann Grant 987-0073
Peggy Boone	991-0874 Charlie Roder 991-3457
Steve Bonham	991-7404 Dorothy Vance 991-2085
Betty Earl	991-2673

Citizens' Patrol

In May, I received a couple of calls. There was a **vehicle broken into** on Lettie. There was an **assault/robbery** on Catalina.

If you see something that looks suspicious or out-of-place, please make a note of it. It just might be the information the Police need to catch the bad guys. Your eyes and ears are very important.

The Houston Police Department wants to get all the Citizen Patrollers recertified. I am hoping to get this all done as easily as possible; before I have an officer come out to do the paper work and go over the program with us. I would like to have an idea of the number of residents that would like to get certified. If you are interested in becoming a patroller, please give me a call. This program is a very fulfilling investment of your time. You will feel so good about joining our group and helping to keep our neighborhood safer. We have a very diligent group of volunteers that patrol, but we can always use more people like **YOU**. Don't wait until we have a real crime problem in Gulf Meadows to become involved. Once again, if you would like to sign up please give me a call at **713-991-3815**.

*Thanks,
Mark Schultz*

Welcome

If anyone knows of a new family in our neighborhood, please let us know. My email address is Deahann@sbcglobal.net

*Deahann Grant 832-971-4733 (cell)
Elly Rueda 713-894-8854 (Spanish)*

Happy Father's Day

**To all of the fathers of our
community!**

Treasurer's Report

Our paid membership as of May 31, 2012 has reached a total of 298, which is only 8 more members than we had on this date one year ago. Thanks to those members who sent in their dues in May. Considering that we have more than 800 homes in Gulf Meadows, this is only about 37% of our residents who have paid their dues this year. If you have not paid your dues for this year, please do so as quickly as possible. If you have, thank you so much for your support.

*Lou Ellington,
Treasurer*

Hospitality

Our May Civic Club meeting had a tremendous amount of goodies for everyone to enjoy. Joyce Myles brought a carrot cake which was very good. Robert Simmons contributed a lemon crunch Bundt cake which was delicious. Betty Earl gave a pound cake and red velvet and chocolate cupcakes. Scrumptious! Daryle and Mark Schultz brought a dozen Shipley's donuts which, as always, disappeared quickly. Anita Santos made people happy with strawberry shortcakes and assorted cookies. Deahann Grant gave us European baklava and peanut butter cookies. Marvelous!

Thanks to all the members who saw to it that we did not leave the meeting hungry!!

*Charlie Roder, Chairman
Hospitality Committee*

Police Contact Numbers

Emergencies:	911
Non-emergency	713-884-3131
Store Front	713-991-3504
(Telephone Road at Red Robin)	

Neighborhood News

Gulf Meadows Young at Heart - The "Young at Heart" Senior Group meets the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month at 10 a.m. at the Covenant of Faith Methodist Church, 7900 Fuqua. Join us for fun and games on June 27th and July 11th & 25th. We also take day trips. Call 713-991-3517 for more information.

July Birthdays

Suzanne Seger	07/01	Tracey Haner	07/12	Brenda Perry	07/24
Darren Waddleton	07/02	David Waddleton	07/14	Suzette Riley	07/25
Rose Mary Acrey	07/03	Bernard Fontenot	07/18	Eleanor Urdialis	07/26
Clarence Dixon	07/03	Dorothy Vance	07/19	Lou Ellington	07/27
Michelle Keener	07/11	Leonel Alvarez	07/20		

July Wedding Anniversaries

Bernard and Alzina Fontenot 07/07

Bill and Doris Rall 07/31

Wanted: Items for the Neighborhood News – births, birthdays, anniversaries, weddings, new residents, etc. **Call Rose Mary Acrey at 713-991-3519**

Heavy Trash Program

The Heavy Trash Program requires that you separate Tree Waste from other types of Junk Waste. The Heavy Trash schedule changes each month from Tree Waste to Junk Waste. Tree Waste will not be picked up if you combine it with any type of Junk Waste. Junk Waste is defined as furniture, appliances and other bulky material (lumber, fence material, etc.). Appliances containing refrigerant must have a tag attached to them certifying that a qualified technician has removed the refrigerant. These items should be placed adjacent to the front curb, easily accessible to the collection vehicle between the hours of 6:00 p.m. the Friday before and 7:00 a.m. on the scheduled collection day (**second Thursday of each month**).

Heavy trash put out too early or mixed Tree Waste/Junk Waste not picked up will be reported to 311 and you will be fined by the City of Houston. We need to keep our neighborhood clean.

Tree Waste & Junk Waste Schedules

Month	Collection	Mes	Recoleccion
January	Tree Waste	Enero	Desechos verdes
February	Junk Waste	Febrero	Basura pesada
March	Tree Waste	Marzo	Desechos verdes
April	Junk Waste	Abril	Basura pesada
May	Tree Waste	Mayo	Desechos verdes
June	Junk Waste	Junio	Basura pesada
July	Tree Waste	Julio	Desechos verdes
August	Junk Waste	Agosto	Basura pesada
September	Tree Waste	Septiembre	Desechos verdes
October	Junk Waste	Octubre	Basura pesada
November	Tree Waste	Noviembre	Desechos verdes
December	Junk Waste	Diciembre	Basura pesada

Gulf Meadows Civic Club

Members as of June 14, 2012

ARENDALE: Anderson, Fontenette, Gomez, Jamerson, Raska, Williams
ARROWHEAD: Aguiniga, Gonzalez, Henderson, Maki, Palomares, Rochford, Williams
BALLANTINE: Henshaw, McGinty Persad
CATALINA: Acrey, Barnes, Caudle, Davidson, Gordy, Langston, Myles, Nelson, Sanders, Scheible, Thomas
COASTWAY: Bonham, Colbert, Dawson, Glapion, Holmes, Hulsey, Huntsberry, Palmer, Reynolds, Ritcherson, Simmons, Trujillo, Turner, Williams, Wooley, Zamora
FAIRGATE: Brady, Holt, Melendez, Mixon, Stepchinski
FOLKSTONE: Ball, Frand, Latty, Rodriguez, Thigpen, Virgin
GARDEN PARKS: Baldon, Black, Boyd, Bryant, Burckardt, Cerros, Clark, Cline, Coleman, Curry, Cushman, Deming, Dublin, Elizondo, Emmite, Fry, Guajardo, Jenkinson, Keener, Kliesing, Lawless, Nava, Norwood, Perry, Phillips-Herbert, Ramos, Sealey, Stanley, Walker, Williams
GREENSWARTH: Carter, Connely, Riley
GULF MEADOWS: Jones, Thompson
GULF SPRING: Ayala, Bennett, Bolden, Boone, Coffey, Coleman, Brillantes, Conner, Donath, Ellington, Flores, Harper, Harris, Jasso, Johnson, Joubert, Martinez, Muzyka, Seger, Simmons, Slovacek, Witt
GULF TREE: Behrens, Campbell, Carter, Davis, Dewberry, Dixon, Dixon, Elliott, Galny, Gipson, Glenn, Gonzalez, Hall, Langham, Laverne, Lindley, Martin, Martin, Reyna, Richter, Ruffin, Samuels, Stevens, Thomas, Wade, Walters, Wiggins, Wright
GULF VALLEY: Chaudoir, Coleman, Edwards, Hammond, Idlebird, Woods
GULF DALE: Copeland, Corolla, Ijeh, Perez, Winn
GULF WOOD: Bonno, Bradford, Chapman, Daniels, Fontenot, Gutierrez, Jackson, Kozel, Landin, Rall, Robinson, Rodriguez, See, Singleton, Stewart, Thompson, Vance, Wiggins
LETTIE: Anderson, Ben, Bledsoe, Campbell-Newsome, Cruz, Ginikanwa, Guitguet, Huerta, Johnson, Jurado, Kelly, Maldonado, Martinez, Martinez, Rosales, Skinner, Sonnareth/Khan, Wilkins
MISTY VALE: Antoine, Aranda, Arellano, Arias, Avila, Blanco, Burns, Casey, Collum, Epps, Garcia, Garner, Grant, Grooms, Guerrero, Halliman, Hendricks, Howell, Ibarra, Jeter, Kelley, Lane, Lavine, Lucas, Mancuso, Martinez-Perez, McCauley, McKellar, Moore, Neal, Noriega, Pardue, Robinson, Roder, Santos, Schultz, Sims, Taylor, Tisby, Trevino, Venable, Waddleton, Walker, Wallace, Watson, Williams, Young
PALM SHADOWS: Cantu, Chavez, Conner, Gonzalez, Rodriguez, Saavedra, Samuel, Sigler, Velez
PEEKSKILL: Alvarez, Brady, Bussey, Hall, Davidson, Luckey, Martinez, Tippit
QUIET VALLEY: Barrientez, Hamilton, Miller, Pemberton, Rivas, Rueda, Spillers, Yelenic
RED ROBIN: Brantley, Brown, Cabrera, Cafferatta, Croce, Holt, Schlitzberger, Wamsley
SAYLYNN: Aceveda, Scotton, Segovia, Stapelfeldt, Vincent
SPRINGTIME: Adams, Arboleda, Banda, Benson, Cardenas, Collins, De Jean, Duplechain, Earl, Haner, Hickman, Houser, Johnson, Lee, Miller, Murray, Ocampo, Ortez, Prescott, Richey, Rios, Russo, Stevens
WAYFARER: Boyd, Sjogren
WINGTIP: Garcia, Riley, Sherman

Your Civic Club Needs You!

We encourage all residents of our community to join together to stay in touch with local and regional issues that improve our neighborhood. Yearly dues are \$35.00 (\$20.00 Civic Club dues & \$15.00 Police Patrol)
Please send this form and payment to Gulf Meadows Civic Club, PO Box 751023, Houston, Texas 77275-1023 or bring it in person to our next Civic Club meeting.

Name _____ Spouse's Name _____
Address _____ City _____ Zip _____
Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____
New Membership _____ Membership Renewal _____ Own my own home _____ Rent _____
I am interested in Citizens Patrol _____ Notary _____ Volunteering _____

Deed Restrictions

Keeping our neighborhood clean and free of clutter on the driveways, sides of the house and in the backyards are necessary in maintaining our neighborhood. Trash, overgrown grass, old cars, and wood piles are havens for rodents to live in. Houston is having a serious problem with rodents, and I am asking Gulf Meadows residents to join the fight and clean up around your property. I have had first-hand experience with residents complaining about their neighbors' litter and how it affects them. Many of us are concerned about our home values, but until all of us join in and work to correct the problems around our neighborhood, we will be continually plagued with this problem.

Neighbors, let's work together in maintaining our neighborhood, for I so love this neighborhood. It has been a great place to live, and I want it to continue being that way.

Betty Earl, Chairman
Deed Restrictions Committee

If you are considering building or renovating in our neighborhood, be sure to check with the Deed Restrictions Committee. Call 713-991-2673 for details!

Sidewalks

Sidewalk repair is the responsibility of the homeowner and/or the occupants. Per the following city ordinances: (*Unless caused by city workers*).

Sec. 40-14 – Clearance of tree limbs over sidewalks. The owners and occupants of lots in the city have a duty to keep the tree limbs and branches trimmed to at least eight feet above the sidewalks.

Sec. 40-88 – Permit to construct or repair sidewalks. The repair of sidewalks requires a permit from the city engineer; the permit is to be conspicuously displayed within 20 feet of the work during repair. Code Enforcements at **832-394-9000** issue permits at a fee of \$5.00.

Ruth Scotton,
Secretary

**Get involved – join
Citizens' Patrol.
Call 713-991-3815**

Gulf Meadows Civic Club Web Site

Our web site can be found by a search on your computer for Gulf Meadows Civic Club. The zip code indicates 77017, but is correct on the site. Look for a list of serving board members, a copy of our deed restrictions, general meeting minutes, treasurer's report, paid members, monthly newsletter, upcoming speakers, storefront and police information (e.g., new garbage pickup changes), and a calendar of events (heavy trash pickup, leaves or junk waste and date), etc. The site also provides links to city officials and police information throughout the city. These changes to the website won't all be available immediately, but they are all being implemented as quickly as possible. Any suggestions and/or corrections you have will be appreciated.

Editor – Ruth Scotton

Unase Por Favor Nos!

Unase por favor los Prados de Golfo el Club Civico. Necesitamos su ayuda y apoyo. Usted es una parte importante de nuestro vecindario. Nuestros derechos son solo treinta y cinco dolares (\$35.00) por ano. Este dinero es para pagar por rociar de mosquitos y para patrullar extra de policia para mantener nuestras casas limpias y seguras. Usted puede enviar el dinero a P.O. codigo postal 751023, Houston, Texas 77275-1023.

Robert Simmons, Jr.
El Presidente

Walter Jones Park

At this time, it appears all is well at the park. Sand is being used to build up the low areas on the grounds of the park. June 20th is the official "first day" of summer. However, we are feeling the "heat waves" now. So, please protect yourselves when you are outdoors. School is out and our children will be enjoying themselves in the park. Therefore, please report immediately any suspicious activity that will affect their pleasure in the park.

Stephen Bonham, Chairman
Walter Jones Park Committee
