



Gulf Meadows Civic Club

Newsletter

Gulf Meadows is a Deed-Restricted Community

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

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2014

www.neighborhoodlink.com/houston/gmcc

Parking in Yard City Ordinance

Houston City Ordinance prohibits the parking of vehicles (having axles 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 Police storefront. Phone 713-991-3504

General Membership Meeting

Tuesday, February 25th, 7:30 p.m.
Covenant of Faith United Methodist Church
7900 Fuqua

Guest Speaker

Guest Speaker: Mr. Dwight Boykins
Newly Elected Council Member District D

Happy New Year to all residents of Gulf Meadows. First, we would like to thank Wanda Adams, previous District D Council Member, for her years of loyal and supportive services. We now welcome Dwight Boykins, recently elected District D Council Member, as he embarks on his new city service position. Let's show support by coming out, bringing family and friends to our next Civic Club meeting, sharing your opinions and voicing your concerns for community development and improvements.

Janice Carter
1st Vice-President

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, TX 77275-1023.

Robert Simmons Jr.,
El Presidente

President's Message

The Directors and Officers of the Gulf Meadows Civic Club are concerned neighbors who VOLUNTEER to direct and lead the community in maintaining the excellence of our neighborhood. No one is paid anything. It is because of their pride in where they call home that they involve themselves in trying to keep Gulf Meadows, as old a subdivision as it is, a beautiful and wonderful place to live and raise our families. The seniors who have raised their families did a splendid job, over the years, in keeping our community as great as it is for the new residents to enjoy. Don't just be a resident, though, of Gulf Meadows, be an involved, prideful homeowner who cares and is concerned about what happens in and to our neighborhood.

We want and need your support. Help us to be able to continue to help you (us) You are encouraged to please pay your membership dues as soon as possible and take time to attend our once-a-month General Meetings. Your input could be beneficial to the entire community.

Robert Simmons, Jr.
President

Trash Collection Days

Garbage Collection	Friday Mornings
Yard Trimmings	Friday Mornings
Green Bin Recycling	Every Other Friday
(February 28 th , March 14 th and 28 th)	

HEAVY TRASH PICKUP
4th MONDAY OF THE MONTH
FEBRUARY 24, 2014
JUNK WASTE

Mail your dues in the envelope provided.

Year 2014 Officers & Directors

Officers		
Robert Simmons, Jr.	President	713-991-2937
Janice Carter	1 st Vice President	713-991-7226
Mark Schultz	2 nd Vice President	713-991-3815
Veronica Barrientez	Secretary	832-282-8576
Lou Ellington	Treasurer	713-991-2922
Directors		
Rose Mary Acrey		713-991-3519
Dovie Gonzales		713-806-4167
Steve Bonham		713-991-7404
Betty Earl		713-991-2673
Michael Gonzales		713-806-5610
Deahann Grant		713-987-0073
Dorothy Vance		713-991-2085

Citizens' Patrol

Last month, I received a couple of calls. One was from a resident reporting an abandoned vehicle on Gulf Meadows at Fairgate. The police were called and the car was towed away. Another resident called to report that their home was burglarized twice over the months of November and December of 2013. Gulf Meadows is a nice neighborhood to live in, but it takes all of us working together to keep it a safe place. Do your part, join the Civic Club, come to the meetings and very importantly, become a patroller. We have a very diligent group of volunteers who patrol, but we can always use a few more people. Once again, if you would like to sign up, please give me a call.

Thanks,
Mark Schultz
713-991-3815

Police Contact Numbers

Emergencies	9-1-1
Non-Emergency	713-884-3131
Store Front *	713-991-3504

(*Telephone Rd. @ Red Robin)

**Get Involved – Join
Citizens' Patrol
Call 713-991-3815**

Membership

We Need Your Support!
Please Pay Your Civic Club Dues!
A Hearty Welcome to All New Members!

It is that time again to pay that small amount for your annual Civic Club dues. Let's get those dues paid, Gulf Meadows residents (\$35.00 per year). We are also approaching our Membership Drive and are looking for volunteers to help this year. Thanks to all who helped last year. God Bless.

Michael Gonzales, Chairman
Membership Committee

Hospitality

I hope that Gulf Meadows Civic Club members and residents had a "Blessed" January 2014. I am sorry that we had to cancel our January general meeting due to the wintery weather. I hope that everyone is feeling fine because that old "Flu Bug" got me down. I hope to see everyone's smiling face at next month's Civic Club meeting. Take care. I hope that everyone had a Happy Valentine's Day.

Dovie Gonzales, Chairman
Hospitality Committee

Welcome Committee

We would like to welcome new families to our neighborhood. If you see or know of a family moving in, please contact us.

Deahann Grant, 832-971-4733 (cell)
Deahann@sbcglobal.net
Elly Rueda, 713-894-8854 (Spanish)

We Need Your Support!!!
Please Pay Your Civic Club Dues!!!
Thank to all who have paid!!!

Welcome to the Gulf Meadows subdivision. This is now your community as well as ours. Take pride in preserving its beauty and improving its quality. Attend the Civic Club meetings so we can get acquainted and exchange ideas and information.

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

Deed Restrictions

The Neighborhood Protection Division of the City of Houston seeks to improve the quality of life in all neighborhoods by reducing blight and substandard living conditions. Neighborhood Protection encourages all to:

- Avoid conditions that attract RATS; we must rid our property of too much clutter and junk.
- Maintain and keep the property free from garbage, trash, and rubbish from accumulating on the property.
- Avoid storing junk vehicles or car parts on the driveway.
- Avoid storing materials out in the open such as tires, glass, building materials, inoperable boats, cars, furniture, barbecue pits, and other offensive or objectionable materials.
- Repair broken fences.
- Replace address numbers.
- Keep yards mowed and edged regularly.
- Store garbage receptacles out of sight until the day before pickup.
- Repair windows with window panes instead of cardboard or wood.

There is still much to do in Gulf Meadows, so let's keep working on making this neighborhood a place where people want to live and raise their families.

Betty Earl, Chairman
Deed Restrictions Committee

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

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!

Spend less time worrying **who's right**,
and more time deciding **what's right**.

Treasurer's Report

Well, Hallelujah! As of February 17, Gulf Meadows Civic Club membership count has risen to 114. This is more than twice what it was on this date last year. Maybe this is a sign of good things to come. Hopefully, our residents will all renew their membership this year and encourage new residents to join the civic club. Thanks to everyone who supports the Gulf Meadows Civic Club!

Lou Ellington,
Treasurer

It's time to pay your 2014 dues.

Time Change
Daylight Savings Time begins early
Sunday morning, March 9th



SPRING FORWARD
— set clocks ahead one hour.

HELP US HELP YOU
When you need help but a life is not
in danger, call these numbers:

Houston Police.....713-884-3131
Houston Fire.....713-884-3143
Houston Ambulance.....713-884-3144
Houston County Sheriff.....713-221-6000

Call 911 ONLY if a crime in progress and/or a
life is in danger.

Flood Control

Practice self-help flood control. Sweep up leaves, grass clippings and other debris from the yard and street into large compostable bags and put them out for yard trimming collection days (every Friday). This way, you know for certain the debris will not run into the drains.

Rose Mary Acrey, Chairman
Flood Control Committee

Gulf Meadows Civic Club

Members as of February 17, 2014

ARENDALE:

ARROWHEAD: Diaz, Henderson, Rochford

BALLANTINE: Henshaw, Persad

CATALINA: Acrey, Caudle, Gordy, Thomas

COASTWAY: Bonham, Colbert, Daniels, Henderson, Holmes, Huntsberry, McDowell, Simmons, Wooley

FAIRGATE: Brady, Drouet, Scheible, Stepchinski

FOLKSTONE: Rodriguez, Thigpen

GARDEN PARKS: Cerros, Cline, Coleman, Curry, Cushman, Deming, Dublin, Elizondo, Kliesing, Lawless, Moraw, Norman, Perry, Stanley, Walker

GREENSWARTH: Carter, Carter, Riley

GULF MEADOWS:

GULF SPRING: Bennett, Ellington, Fahnert, Harris, Joubert, Muzyka, Simmons, Slovacek, Witt

GULF TREE: Dewberry, Dixon, Elliott, Galny, Hall, Lindley, McCann, Richter, Wright

GULF VALLEY: Chaudoir, Hammond

GULF DALE: Corolla

GULF WOOD: Bonno, Rall, Salazar, See, Vance

LETTIE: Ginikanwa, Guitguit, Huerta, Skinner, Villa

MISTY VALE: Antoine, Casey, Collum, Grant, Halliman, Jeter, Lucas, McCauley, Mitchell, Morales, Morris, Noriega, Santos, Schultz, Taylor, Tisby, Watson, Williams

PALM SHADOWS: Chavez, Saavedra

PEEKSKILL: Davidson, Gonzales, McGaughey

QUIET VALLEY: Barrientez, Rueda, Spillers

RED ROBIN: Rodriguez

SAYLYNN: Scotton

SPRINGTIME: Adams, Benson, Cardenas, Earl, Houser, Johnson-Brady, Murray, Prescott

WAYFARER: Boyd, Falks

WINGTIP: 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.

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 home: _____ Rent: _____

I am interested in Citizens' Patrol: _____ Notary: _____ Volunteering: _____

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 United Methodist Church, 7900 Fuqua. Join us for fun and games on February 26, March 12 and 26. We also take day trips. Call 713-991-3517 for more information.

Happy March Birthdays

Clifton Colbert	03/01	Charlotte Dixon	03/08	Arthur Ray Henderson	03/12
Yulanda Ijeh	03/03	Shirley Lavine	03/09	Carolyn Cook	03/14
Ruth Harper	03/03	Kaitlin Gage	03/10	Morris Dixon	03/24
Tommy Glenn	03/04	Robert Simmons	03/11	Doris Evans	03/27
Barbara Lantz	03/07	Betty Earl	03/12		

March Happy Anniversaries

Thedro and Shirlene Oliver	03/01
Odella and Clifton Colbert	03/03

Don't see your birthday or anniversary in the newsletter? Call 713-991-3519 and have it added!

Our Sympathy

We are saddened by the loss of Dorothy J. Hickman, a resident of Section II since 1979, on 1/15/2014. Our condolences are extended to her husband Otis, sons Brandon and Jason, and other family members.

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 (4th Monday of each month). Heavy trash put out too early or mixed with 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 and Junk Waste Schedules

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