

# Newsletter

Gulf Meadows is a Deed-Restricted Community

## Gulf Meadows Civic Club



November

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2014

### Parking in Yard City Ordinance

Houston City Ordinance prohibits the parking of vehicles (having axles and/or wheels) in the front or side yards of residences in **Gulf Meadows Subdivision**. Fines can be as much as \$150.00 per day. Report parking violations to the Telephone Road Police storefront, **Ph. 713-991-3504**.

### General Membership Meeting

Tuesday, November 25<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 p.m.  
Covenant of Faith United Methodist Church  
7900 Fuqua

### President's Message

Am I the only one who is reeling from how fast the year 2014 has gone and is speeding to a blinding end? It should make us appreciate just how precious time is.

This is the last issue of the newsletter for the year and I'd like to take this opportunity to acknowledge and thank those who tried to make a difference in the community.

Thanks to our newsletter advertisers whose support is so greatly appreciated. Let us show our support by patronizing their businesses.

Thanks to our printer for the great job he does in getting out our newsletter.

Thank you to those who so diligently labor to put together one of the best community newsletters in the city of Houston, and special thanks to those who hand deliver them to our residents.

Thank you Janice Carter, our resigning 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, for your dedicated service to the community. We are losing a very valuable contributor to the functioning of the Civic Club and I personally am losing someone who has been a great help to me.

Thank you to the Covenant of Faith Methodist Church congregation and Rev. Pastor Luthur Walker for all that you do for our Civic Club and the residents of Gulf Meadows.

And last, but certainly not least, a very special thank you to those who showed their commitment, love, and support to our community by paying their dues.

We will conduct a short business meeting on the 25<sup>th</sup> of November at which time we will vote for the Directors and Officers of the Civic Club for 2015. Afterwards, we will have our annual Pot-Luck Dinner. You are invited to bring your favorite side

dish or dessert, and the meat will be provided by the Civic Club. Also, at the General Meeting on the 25<sup>th</sup> of November, the Civic Club will participate in the Houston Police Department's **Blue Santa Program**. You are asked to **please bring an unwrapped toy**.

And finally, you are wished a Happy Thanksgiving, Happy Holidays, and a very Merry Christmas.

*Robert Simmons, Jr.,  
President*

### Guest Speaker

**No guest speaker in November, as our holiday Pot Luck Supper will take place instead.**

*Janice Carter  
1st Vice President*



### Christmas Decorations Judging

Don't forget!! Gulf Meadows outdoor Christmas decoration contest will be judged on:

**Saturday, December 20<sup>th</sup> 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.**

Be sure to **turn on your Christmas lights!**

**1st prize \$25**

**2nd prize \$15**

**3rd prize \$10**

Good Luck to all who take part!!!

### Heavy Trash Pickup

(4th Monday of each month)

Tree Waste.....November 24<sup>th</sup>

Junk Waste.....December 22<sup>nd</sup>

### Trash collection

Garbage collection..... Friday Mornings

Yard Trimmings (clear logo bag)... Friday Mornings

Green Bin Recycling.....\*November 7<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>

\*every other Friday.

## Officers and Directors - 2014

### Officers

Robert Simmons, Jr.	President	713-991-2937
Janice Carter	1 <sup>st</sup> Vice Pres.	713-991-7226
Mark Schultz	2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice Pres.	713-991-3615
Ruth Scotton	Secretary	713-991-0579
Daryle Schultz	Treasurer	713-991-3815

### Directors

Steve Bonham	Walter Jones Park	713-991-7404
Betty Earl	Deed Restrictions	713-991-7226
Michael Gonzales	Membership	713-806-5610
Dovie Gonzales	Hospitality	713-806-4167
Deahann Grant	Welcome	713-987-0073
Dorothy Vance	Historian	713-991-2085

### Help us to Help You

Animal Regulation & Control	713-229-7300
Auto Theft	713-308-0900
Burglary & Theft	713-236-1313
Central Library	832-393-1313
City Dispatcher	713-247-1000
Crime Stoppers	713-222-8497
Harris County Sheriff	713-221-6000
*HISD Dispatch	713-892-7777
Houston Police Dispatch (non-emergency)	713-884-3131
Houston Fire	713-884-3143
Houston Ambulance	713-884-3144
Illegal Dumping	713-525-2728
Mosquito Control	713-440-4800
Neighborhood Protection	713-525-2525
Public Works (water & sewer)	713-207-2222

\*Houston Independent School District

\* Telephone Rd. at Red Robin

:Call 9-1-1 only if a life is at risk, or a fire or crime is in progress.

### Citizens' Patrol

2014 has been a relatively quiet year. I'm hoping that as we enter into the holiday season that trend will continue. This will be the last newsletter for the year. I would like to take this time to wish all the residents of Gulf Meadows a safe and pleasant holiday season.

As we start the New Year I'm hoping that we'll have people interested in getting involved in the Civic Club. One of the best ways to do that is the Citizens' Patrol. Just a reminder, a portion of the dues goes toward our Police patrol.

Be the first to pay your Civic Club dues for 2015. We have a very diligent group of volunteers that patrol, but we can always use you. It's easy to get started and getting involved would be a great New Year's resolution. Once again, if you would like to get involved, please give me a call.

*Thanks,*  
**Mark Schultz, 2nd V.P.**  
**713-991-3815**

## Treasurer's Report

For the month of October we added only two new members, bringing our total for the year to 329. We are lagging a little bit behind last year's total of 342, but hopefully we will still catch up before year end. If you are thinking of getting your dues paid before year end, this is your chance to really make a difference!

I want to personally thank all of our 2014 members for their support, and wish all of you the brightest of holiday seasons. I hope you all feel that your civic club has done a good job during 2014, and will continue to support us as we move forward into the new year. Elections are coming up and we do have some vacancies to fill, so please consider getting involved. If you would like to become a Board Member, please contact anybody on the board and they will be happy to submit your name. In the coming year, we will all do our best to continue to serve our community and help with the issues that are important to you. If I should be re-elected, I look forward to serving again as your Treasurer.

*Daryle Schultz*  
**Treasurer**

## Secretary's Report

This has been a very busy year for me personally and again serving as Gulf Meadows Secretary and newsletter typist. A challenge, but I give thanks for the help of fellow board members in setting up, assembling and distributing them, and to a special lady, Lois McCauley, for the use of her home to assemble the newsletters.

I have always loved this area and feel I have the best house lot in Gulf Meadows (for me). I worry that some residents do not have enough concern for the upkeep of their residence and are not very considerate of their neighbors. A resident is an owner or renter.

**Give Grace during the holidays, it leads to Peace on earth and good will.**

*Ruth Scotton*  
**Secretary**

## Recycling Program

**Curbside recycling is** every other week on our regular garbage day, which is Friday. Recycling carts are to be set on the curb by 7 a.m., along with the black garbage can. Be sure they are separated by 3 feet and neither is obstructed by signs, cars/vehicles, trees or mailboxes. Cart handles should face the house. Do not put garbage or other waste in the recycle container. Recyclable items are: paper bags, glass bottles, jars, aluminum cans, tin and steel cans, and plastic.

Every resident has recyclable items that will help Houston to be a cleaner, greener place to live. Please participate in this program.

## Deed Restrictions

It's that time of year again, and we will begin decorating for the holidays and putting up our Christmas lights. That's a good thing, but as a reminder, we ask that you not leave the lights up around your house all year. It would be great if you'd take the lights down by the end of January.

Also, we realize that many of you will be hosting Christmas and New Year's parties, and during that time, we sometimes make more noise than we realize. Therefore, we ask that you be more mindful of your neighbors.

**HAVE A GREAT HOLIDAY!**

*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!

## Walter Jones Park

The weather is cool but the park is enjoyable with proper clothing. So, take a brisk walk in the park when you need to get out of the house. Thanksgiving holidays are around the corner and if you plan to have a large gathering in the park, please get your permit from the City Parks Department. Thank you for your effort to keep the park a safe and clean place for our pleasure and enjoyment.

Parks and Recreation Department..... 832-395-7000  
Park Rangers.....832-395-7014

*Stephen Bonham, Chairman  
Walter Jones Park Committee*



## Welcome

I would like to welcome two new residents to Gulf Meadows (section 1):

Lawrence Hurtado & Trevor Tapani, 7815 Peekskill  
Kimberly Stewart & Noe Vasquez, 7907 Peekskill.

If there are any new neighbors moving in, please let the Civic Club know. Hope to see you all at the November Potluck Dinner. I would like to wish all of my Gulf Meadows family a Happy Holiday.

*Deahann M. Grant  
(713)987-0073  
Deahann@sbcglobal.net*

## Helpful Hint

**Cell phone:** If you are in an area where you should have cell phone service but don't, put your phone in airplane mode and then switch back. This will cause your phone to register and find all the towers in your vicinity.

**Ant Killer:** If you have pets and don't want to use chemicals to kill ants, try this instead. Get a spray bottle, fill it with water and salt (25%), shake well, spray...boom, dead!

**Ice Art:** Use the bottom portion of an empty 2 liter pop bottle to make flavored and/or colored ice for your punch bowl. It will look like a flower!

**Upset Stomach:** 9 foods that get rid of an upset stomach: bananas, ginger, plain yogurt, papaya, apple sauce, oatmeal, white rice, chamomile tea, and chicken broth.

*Happy New Year*



## Gulf Meadows History - Correction

**Officers of the original Gulf Meadows Civic Club were:** President, Clifford W. Lane, Jr.; First Vice President, A. W. Green; Second Vice President, Jim Porter; Secretary, Lou Beam; and Treasurer, Dr. Russell Pryor. Officers listed were from the Gulf Meadows Citizens on Patrol, originally set up as a separate Incorporation in 1988 Thank you to the Gulf Meadows member for the correction.

## Neighborhood News

**Gulf Meadows Young at Heart** - The "Young at Heart" Senior Group meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month at 10 a.m. at the Covenant of Faith United Methodist Church, 7900 Fuqua. Join us for fun and games on November 12<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>. We also take day trips. Call **713-944-4474** for more information.

## Happy December and January Birthdays

Donald Newberry	12-03	Kathryn Lane	12-09	David Christian	12-19
Mark Schultz	12-03	Clyde Brady	12-13	Michael Gonzales	12-20
Brandi Collins	12-06	Nellie Galny	12-14	Delfino Maldonado	12-24
Iryna Hicks	12-07	Graciela Garza	12-18	Donald Young	12-24
				Ivan Luckey	12-26
Joyce Stevens	01-02	Odella Colburn	01-13	Don Corolla	01-21
Richard Haner	01-05	Barbara McKellar	01-15	Lewis Robinson	01-21
Isela Maldonado	01-06	Doris Davidson	01/15	Felicia Elliot	01-30
Lorena Maldonado	01-09	Monica Maldonado	01/20		

## Happy December Anniversary

Lewis and Morgann Robinson 12-28

## Heavy Trash Program

**Heavy trash pickup:** tree trash, mixed with junk will not be picked up. Trash put out too early (**before the weekend of 4th Monday of the month**), will be reported to 311 and you will be fined by the City of Houston.

**Junk Waste pickup:** includes furniture, appliances, other bulky material (lumber, fence material, etc.) Appliances containing refrigerant must be tagged to certify that a qualified technician has removed the refrigerant.

Place the items close to the front curb, for easy access by the collection vehicle. Items may be place the **Friday before, and on the scheduled collection day (4th Monday of each month), by 7:00 a.m.**

**If unsure what or when to put out trash call 311.**

Heavy Trash schedule 4th Monday		Horario de basura pesada - 4th el lunes	
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	Agsto	Basura pesada
September	Tree Waste	Sepiembre	Desechos de arbol
October	Junk Waste	Octubre	Basura pesada
November	Tree Waste	Noviembre	Desechos de arbol
December	Junk Waste	Diciembre	Basura pesada

**Gulf Meadows Civic Club**  
**Membership as of November 1, 2014 = 329**

02	<b>Arendale</b>	Christian Raska
07	<b>Arrowhead</b>	Diaz, Gonzales, Henderson, Palomares, Rochford, Serrano, Williams
06	<b>Ballantine</b>	Gilford, Jass, Henshaw, McGinty, Persad, Rubio-Lara
08	<b>Catalina</b>	Acrey, Caudle, Davidson, Gordy, Nelson, Nguyen, Schwerdtfeger, Thomas
16	<b>Coastway</b>	Aziegbe, Bonham, Colbert, Daniels, Dawson, Glapion, Henderson, Holmes, Hulse, Huntsberry, McDowell, Reynolds Ritcherson, Simmons, Thomas, Wooley
07	<b>Fairgate</b>	Brady, Drouet, Holt, Melendez, Mixon, Schieble, Stepchinski
07	<b>Folkstone</b>	Contreras, Frand, Latty, Rogriguez, Thigpen, Trijillo, Virgin
32	<b>Garden Park</b>	Abraham, Alvarez, Baldon, Burckardt, Cerros, Clark, Cline, Coleman, Curry, Cushman, Debose, Deming, Dublin, Elizondo, Elizondo, Emmite, Flores, Fry, Guajardo, Jenkinson, Keener, Kliesin Lawless, Moraw, Nava, Norwood, Perry Phillips-Herbert, Stanley, Taylor, Walker, Williams
04	<b>Greensworth</b>	Carter, Carter, Flores, Riley
04	<b>Gulf Meadows</b>	Byer, Jones, Thompson, Torres
26	<b>Gulf Spring</b>	Ayala, Bautista, Bennett, Bolden, Boone, Brillantes, Coffey, Donath, Ellington, Fahnert, Forbes, Harper, Harris, Harris, Jacobs, Johnson, Joubert, Muzyka, Perez, Perez, Rodriguez, Simmons, Slovacek, Sosa, Trigueros, Witt,
29	<b>Gulf Tree</b>	Behrens, Campbell, Carter, Davis, Dewberry, Dixon, Dixon, Elliott, Forbes, Galny, Gipson, Glenn Hall, Johnson, Langham, Lavergne, Lindley, McCann, Martin, Powell, Reyna, Richter, Ruffin, Stevens, Thomas, Wade, Walters, Wiggins, Wright
06	<b>Gulf Valley</b>	Chaudor, Coleman, Edwards, Hammond, Idlebird, Woods
04	<b>Gulfdale</b>	Copeland, Corolla, Ijeh, Wise
25	<b>Gulfwood</b>	Baeza, Banda, Bonno, Bradford, Chapman, Fontenot, Garcia, Gutierrez, Harrysingh, Kozel, Landin, Montanez, Mosley, Paz, Rall, Robinson, Rodriguez, Rojas, Salazar, See, Singleton, Stewart, Vance, Thompson, Wiggins
20	<b>Lettie</b>	Anderson, Ben, Bledsoe, Cortez, Cruz, Ginikanwa, Guitguit, Harris, Howell, Huerta, Johnson, Jones, Juado, Khan, Maldonado, Martinez, Martinez, Rosales, Skinner, Villa
56	<b>Misty Vale</b>	Abbott, Antoine, Aranda, Arellano, Arias, Avila, Blanco, Burns, Casey, Chaires, Collum, Epps, Esparza, Lee-Evans, Garcia, Grant, Grooms, Guerrero, Halliman, Hendricks, Hernandez, Howel Ibara, Jeter, Kelley, Lane, Lavine, Lee, Lucas, Mays, McCauley, McKeller, Miller, Mitchell, Moore Morales, Morris, Neal, Noriega, Oliver, Pardue, Perez, Robinson, Rodriguez, Santos, Schultz, Sims, Taylor, Tisby, Trevino, Venable, Waddleton, Walker, Wallace, Watson, Williams, Young
09	<b>Palm Shadows</b>	Cantu, Chavez, Gonzales, Moreno, Saavedra, Samuel, Sigler, Velez, Woodruff
10	<b>Peekskill</b>	Avilez, Brady, Bussey, Carter-Hall, Davidson, Gonzales, Luckey, McGaughey, Tippit, Turcios
09	<b>Quiet Valley</b>	Barrientez, Cruz, Hamilton, Holloway, Miller, Pemberton, Rivas, Rueda, Spillers
09	<b>Red Robin</b>	Brantley, Brown, Cabrera, Croce, Garcia, Norton, Rodriguez, Schlitzberger, Williams
04	<b>Saylynn</b>	Hedman, Scotton, Segovia, Vincent
23	<b>Springtime</b>	Adams, Alcantar, Alviar, Arboleda, Benson, Cardenas, Clins, Duplechain, Earl, Greene, Grijalva Hickmon, Houser, Johnson-Brady, Lee, Murray, Ocampo, Prescott, Rios, Rios, Russo, Stevens, Vegas
05	<b>Wayfarer</b>	Boyd, Falks, Sjogren, Stanley, Tollesfsbol
03	<b>Wingtip</b>	Garcia, Riley, Sherman

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**Your Civic Club Needs You!**

We encourage all residents of our community to join, 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 71023, 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 or cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

New Membership: \_\_\_\_\_ Membership renewal: \_\_\_\_\_ Own residence: \_\_\_\_\_ Rent: \_\_\_\_\_

I am interested in Citizens' Patrol: \_\_\_\_\_ Notary: \_\_\_\_\_ Volunteering: \_\_\_\_\_