



Newsletter

Gulf Meadows Civic Club

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

Gulf Meadows is a Deed-Restricted Community

November

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2015

Heavy Trash Pickup

Every 4th Monday is pick-up in our area. This month the date is November 23rd for TREE WASTE. This year November is a 5 Monday month. **Do not put trash out on the 5th Monday, Nov. 30th.** You will be reported and fined if trash is put out early or left out more than 3 days. Call 311 if you're not certain of the date and/or type of trash, or to report early trash placement.

Junk Waste and Tree Waste schedule is on page 4 of this newsletter, cut it out and keep it with your calendar.

Weekly Trash collection

Garbage collection.....Friday Mornings

Yard Trimmings (clear logo bag or tied limb bundle).....Friday Mornings

Green Bin Recycling----- November 20th, December 4th & 18th, & January 2nd & 15th (every other Friday except Saturday January 2nd)

Parking in Yard City Ordinance

Houston City Ordinance prohibits the parking of vehicles (having axle/s 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 24th, 7:30 p.m.

Covenant of Faith United Methodist Church
7900 Fuqua

Guest Speaker

There will be no guest speaker for our next meeting we will enjoy the festive meal together instead. However, I look forward to 2016 and to having speakers who will help our community attain a higher level of community and civic involvement.

Lorenzo Williams Sr.
1st Vice President

President's Message

I have in several past newsletter articles encouraged my fellow residents to take a collective ownership of our subdivision by observing Deed Restrictions, not lettering or tagging, paying dues, etc. The following are two examples of residents (let me call them **neighbors**) who showed their desire to keep Gulf Meadows a clean and neat community. One neighbor took issue with a merchant who would infrequently keep clean the environs of his business. The neighbor called the firm's headquarters and complained. The store manager cleaned up the mess. The other neighbor called me to ask who to call for the cleaning of a storm drain clogged by spilled garbage from the recent heavy rains, and I told them. In checking back with them, I was told that the husband had come home from work and cleaned the clog himself. Kudos to the both of you. You epitomize what **caring, good neighbors are**.

This is the last issue of our newsletter for this year and I want to take this opportunity to acknowledge and thank those who tried to make a difference in the community (see above).

Thanks to our advertisers without whose support it would be difficult to function. You are greatly appreciated.

Thanks to our printer, Mr. Lopez, for the terrific job he does in getting out our newsletter.

Thank you to those who labored so diligently to put together what I think is one of the best community newsletters in the city of Houston. A special thank you to those who hand deliver them to our residents.

Thank you, Lorenzo Williams, for assuming the position of 1st Vice President. You've become quite an asset for us.

Thank you to the Covenant of Faith United Methodist Church congregation and Pastor Luther Walker for all that you do for our Civic Club and our Gulf Meadows community.

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

A short business meeting will be held at our general meeting on November 24th, at which time we will vote for Directors and Officers of the Civic Club for 2016. Afterwards, we will hold our annual **Pot-Luck Dinner**. You are invited to bring your award winning or favorite desserts or side dishes; the meat will be furnished by the Civic Club. Again, at the General meeting, we will participate in HPD's Blue Santa Program. Please bring an unwrapped toy with you.

And finally, I wish all a Happy Thanksgiving, Happy Holidays, a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Robert Simmons, Jr., President

Officers and Directors - 2015

Officers

Robert Simmons, Jr	President	713-991-2937
Lorenzo Williams	1 st Vice Pres.	713-991-0760
Mark Schultz	2 nd Vice Pres.	713-991-3815
Ruth Scotton	Secretary	713-991-0579
Patricia Lee	Asst. Secretary	713-991-1164
Daryle Schultz	Treasurer	713-991-3815

Directors

Betty Earl	Deed Restrictions	713-991-2673
Dorothy Vance	Historian	713-991-2085
Dovie Gonzales	Hospitality	713-806-4167
Michael Gonzales	Membership	713-806-5610
Steve Bonham	Walter Jones Park	713-991-7404
Deahann Grant	Welcome	713-987-0073

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
Councilman Boykins	832-393-3001
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
**HPD Storefront police	713-991-3504

* Houston Independent School District

** Telephone Rd. at Red Robin

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

Una Por Favor Nos!

Una 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 cuarenta dolares (\$40.00) por ano. Este dinero es para pagar por rociar de mosquito y para patrullar extra de policia para mantener nuestras casas limpias y seguras. Usted puede enviar los cuarenta dolares a P.O. codigo postal 751023, Houston, Tejas 77275-1023

Welcome

Enjoy the holidays!

If you hear of a new family moving in, please let the Civic Club Welcome Committee know. Please contact:

Deahann M. Grant 832-971-4733 or 713-987-0073

deahann@sbcglobal.net

Elly Rueda, (Spanish) 713-894-8854

Citizens' Patrol

October was a quiet month. I didn't get any calls reporting an incident. This is the last newsletter for the year, so I would like to personally wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season. We often hear of a spike in crime around the holidays. Please be on your guard. Watch out for your safety and that of your loved ones wherever the holidays take you. Be aware that there will be more children out and about playing with new toys and please keep your eyes open for them. Working together we can keep this a crime free neighborhood.

If you would like to get involved in the Citizens' Patrol program, please give me a call. Any amount of time you can give will be greatly appreciated.

**Mark Schultz,
713-991-3815**

Membership

We need your support!!!

Please pay your dues!!!

Thanks to all who have paid!!!

Hope everyone is doing well. The holidays are upon us. Hope everyone has a safe and Happy Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Please join us at our November meeting, hope to see more Gulf Meadows residents

Be safe and God Bless!

**Michael Gonzales, Chairman
Membership Committee**

Hospitality

This year is winding down already. I hope that everyone has a Happy - "Gobble-Gobble" Thanksgiving. If you can please try to be a giving person, help others that are in need through the holidays. You can drop off canned goods at your local church or at your local grocery store or you can donate an unwrapped toy for our Blue Santa Program or to Toys for Tots. Contact me at 713-806-4167 if you have any donations questions.

Thank you and may God Bless you and your families throughout the holidays.

**Dovie Gonzales, Chairman
Hospitality Committee**

Walter Jones Park

The Park appears to be in good usable condition.

Thank you for helping to maintain our park in a clean, useable, and safe environment. Great!

The holiday season is approaching and the park is available for your usage. This is the season to enjoy your family and friends, so enjoy them in the park. Just remember for large gatherings, please contact the City Park Department for your permit.

Parks and Recreation Depart.....832-395-7000

Park Rangers.....832-395-7100

**Stephen Bonham, Chairman
Walter Jones Park
713-991-7404**

Deed Restrictions

Parking On The Grass - Some residents of Gulf Meadows have started parking on the grass again. As a reminder, **the Parking Ordinance is permanent! No one is to park on the grass in Gulf Meadows!** The ordinance does not change nor can it be ignored as the resident pleases. **It is important that all residents follow the ordinance, "No Parking on the Grass"!**

Junk Vehicles - Also, many junk vehicles with expired tags are parked on the streets. **Do not park on the street with expired tags! You will be ticketed if caught.**

Junk Vehicles on the Driveways - Many of us park our broken down vehicles on our driveways with the plan to repair them. Often that never happens, because we buy another and another vehicle, and nothing ever gets repaired. Maybe there is a financial burden or you have a hard time getting rid of the old vehicle. **No matter what the case may be, hoarding causes a neighborhood to breakdown, and eventually, the area turns into a ghetto. Please work with us, and remove all broken down vehicles from our neighborhood, and keep Gulf Meadows a place that we are proud to call "Home".**

*Betty Earl,
Deed Restrictions*

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!

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.

Christmas lights & outside decorations judging will be December 18-20.



Treasurer's Report

For the month of October we added six new members, bringing our total for the year to 295. We are lagging a little bit behind last year's total of 325, 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 your 2015 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 2015, 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

If you receive a notice from the Gulf Meadows Civic Club or the City of Houston, please don't ignore it, as it won't go away. Contact the Civic Club or the City (311) and work to get the problems solved for everyone's benefit.

To all Renters -- Many problems develop between renters and owners, as described by TV reporting. Let Gulf Meadows help -- our newsletter is available on our web site or you can request that it be mailed to the owner. This will help both the resident and the owner to keep up with what is happening in Gulf Meadows. The newsletter will be delivered as usual to the renter resident's address. **The dues may be paid by the renter or the owner.** To receive a mailed newsletter, please contact any Civic Club officer or director listed on page 2.

Ruth Scotton, Secretary
rscotton@sbcglobal.net
713-991-0579



Neighborhood News

Gulf Meadows Young at Heart - The "Young at Heart" Senior Group meets the 2nd and 4th 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 25th, December 9th & 23rd & January 13th & 27th. We also take day trips. Call **713-944-4474** for more information

Happy December and January Birthdays

Donald Newberry	12-03	Kathryn Lane	12-04	Donald Young	12-24
Mark Schultz	12-03	Clyde Brady	12-13	Delfino Maldonado	12-24
Brandi Collins	12-06	Nellie Galny	12-14	Michael Gonzales	12-24
Graciela Garza	12-18	David Christian	12-19	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 Elliott	01-30
Lorena Maldonado	01-09	Monica Maldonado	01-20		

Our Sympathy

John McDowell, a longtime resident of Gulf Meadows, passed away November 1, 2015. We send our sincere condolences to the family and friends.

Reported by Steven Bonham

Heavy Tree and Junk Trash Schedules

Heavy tree trash pickup: tree trash, mixed with junk will not be picked up.

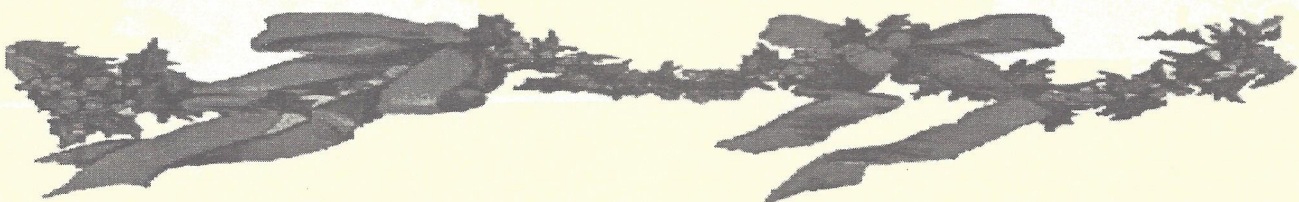
Junk trash pickup: includes furniture, appliances, other bulky material (lumber, fence material, etcetera.). Appliances containing refrigerant must be tagged to certify that a qualified technician has removed the refrigerant.

Tree or junk put out too early (**before the weekend of the 4th Monday of the month**), will be reported to 311 and you will be fined by the city of Houston.

Place for pickup close to the curb NOT IN THE STREET, for easy access by the collection vehicle. Place by the Friday before, and no later than 7:00 a.m. on the scheduled collection day (**4th Monday of each month**).

Any questions about the dates, please call 311.

Heavy Trash schedule 4th Monday		Horario de basura pesada - 4th el lunes	
<u>Month</u>	<u>Collection</u>	<u>Mes</u>	<u>Recoleccion</u>
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 Meadow Civic Club Paid Members – November 2015

5	Arendale St.	Christian, Gilford, Gomez, Jamerson, Kelly
5	Arrowhead Ln.	Diaz, Gonzalez, Henderson, Palomares, Williams
4	Ballantine St.	Henshaw, McGinty, Persad, Rodriguez
7	Catalina Ln.	Acrey, Barnes, Cuadle, Gordy, Madrigal, Nelson, Thomas
13	Coastway Ln.	Bonham, Colbert, Daniels, Dawson, Glapion, Holmes, Hulse, McDowell, Reynolds, Ritcherson, Simmons, Turner, Wooley
5	Fairgate Ln.	Drouet, Granados, Holt, Mixon, Stepchinski,
3	Folkstone Ln.	Frاند, Latty, Virgin
34	Garden Park Dr.	Abraham, Alvarez, Baldon, Bryant, Burkhardt, Cerro, Clark, Cline, Coleman, Curry, Cushman, Deming, Dublin, Elizondo, Emmite, Flores, Fry, Guajardo, Hernandez, Hernandez, Herpin, Jenkinson, Keener, Kliesing, Lawless, Moraw, Nava, Norwood, Parker, Perry, Stanley, Taylor, Walker, Williams
4	Greenswarth Ln.	L Carter, W Carter, House, Riley
4	Gulf Dale Dr.	Copeland, Corolla, Ijeh, Perez
3	Gulf Meadows Dr.	Byer, Jones, Thompson
16	Gulf Spring Ln.	Ayala, Bautista, Boone, Briliantes, Davis, Ellington, Fisher, Harper, Johnson, Joubert, Martinez, Muzyka, Simmons, Sosa, Wei, Witt
24	Gulf Tree Ln.	Behrens, Carter, Davis, Dewberry, Dixon, Dixon, Elliott, Galny, Garcia, Gipson, Hall, Langham, Lindley, Martin, McCann, Powell, Reyna, Richter, Stevens, Thomas, Wade, Walters, Wiggins, Wright
5	Gulf Valley St.	Chavez, Edwards, Hammond, Idebird, Woods
22	Gulf Wood Ln.	Banda, Bonno, Chapman, Fontenot, O. Garcia, J Garcia, M Garcia, Gutierrez, Harrysingh, Kozel, Landin, Paz, Rall, Robinson, Rodriguez, Rojas, See, Singleton, Stewart, Thompson, Vance, Wiggins
19	Lettie St.	Anderson, Bledsoe, Conner, Cruz, Gamblin, Ginikanwa, Guitguit, Hatcherson, Huerta, Jones, Jurado, Khan, Maldonado, Martinez, Martinez, Newsome, Rosales, Skinner, Villa
55	Misty Vale Ln.	Abbott, Antoine, Aranda, Arellano, Arias, Avila, Blanco, Burns, Calderon, Casey, Castillo, Collum, Epps, Esparza, Flores, Garcia, Grant, Grooms, Guerrero, Halliman, Hendricks, Howell, Ibarra, Jeter, Kelley, Lane, Lavine, Lucas, Mays, McCauley, McKellar, Miller, Mitchell, Moore, Morales, Morris, Neal, Noriega, Oliver, Pardue, Robinson, Santos, D. Schultz, M. Schultz, Sims, Taylor, Tisby, Trevino, Vargas, Venable, Waddleton, Watson, Wallace, Williams, Young
9	Palm Shadows St.	Cantu, Chavez, Gonzalez, Moreno, Saavedra, Samuel, Sigler, Velez, Woodruff
9	Peekskill Ln.	Avilez, Brady, Bussey, Davidson, Gonzales, Hall, Luckey, Maldonado, Tippet
7	Quiet Valley Ln.	Hamilton, Holloway, Miller, Pemberton, Rivas, Rueda, Spillers
8	Red Robin Ln.	Brantley, Brown, Cabrera, Chizer, Croce, Garcia, Norton, Rodriguez
5	Saylynn Ln.	Acevedo, Collins, Scotton, Segovia, Vincent
23	Springtime Ln.	Adams, Alviar, Arboleda, Benson, Brady, Cardenas, Collins, Deplechain, Earl, Greene, Grijalva, Hickmon, Houser, Lee, Murray, Ocampo, Prescott, Qualls, Rios, Rios, Russo, Stevens, Torres
6	Wayfarer Ln.	Boyd, Fals, Sjogren, Stanley, Tollefsbol, Turrentine
2	Wingtip Dr.	Garcia, Riley
297	Total pd. members	

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 \$40.00.

Please send this form and payment to: **Gulf Meadows Civic Club, PO Box 751023, Houston, TX 77275-1023** or bring it in person to our next Civic Club meeting.

Name:- _____ Spouse's name: _____

Address: _____, Houston, Texas 77075

Home Phone: _____ Work or cell phone: _____

New Membership: ____ Membership renewal: ____ Own residence: ____ Rent: ____

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