



Newsletter

Gulf Meadows Civic Club

P. O. Box 751023, Houston, TX 77275-1023
Gulf Meadows is a Deed-Restricted Community

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2016

Parking in the Yard City Ordinance

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

Heavy Trash Pickup

Every 4th Monday is pick-up in our area. Trash can be put out the Friday before, if out earlier or left out contact 311 to report trash placement. Junk Waste and Tree Waste schedule is on page 4 of this newsletter, cut it out and keep it with your calendar.

General Membership Meeting

Tuesday, September 27th, 7:30 p.m.
Covenant of Faith United Methodist Church
7900 Fuqua

Guest Speaker

This month Precinct 2 Place 1 Justice of The Peace Jo Ann Delgado will be our guest speaker. She will be available to answer any questions relative to her elected office. Disputes are common in social settings and if they can't be resolved in an amiable way between parties we have a range of courts that can resolve them. Please come out and be a part of our meeting on Tuesday, September 27, 2016 @ 7:30 pm.

Lorenzo Williams, Sr.
1st Vice President

Weekly Trash Collection

Garbage collection.....Friday Mornings
Yard Trimmings.....Friday Mornings
(clear logo bag or tied limb bundles)
Green bin Recycling-October 7th & 21st

Yard Trimmings

Grass clippings and leaves must not be placed in a garbage can. They must be in a city approved compostable bag not weighing more than 50 pounds and placed at the curb 3 feet away from a black garbage can. Small branches may be tied in bundles in 4 feet lengths and 18 inches in diameter and weigh less than 50 pounds. Yard trimmings mixed with any other type of waste will not be collected. Motor oil will be picked up when set to the side of a green bin. Contractor work must be removed by the contractor.

President's Message

It was back in November 2015 that I wrote about how a couple of residents took matters into their own hands to address issues that singularly concerned them regarding the look of our subdivision and how they made a difference in the actions that they took.

I again want to commend four residents (3 former and 1 current plus 2 couples) who went to bat for our Gulf Meadows neighborhood in particular and the surrounding area in general as regards the Belt Way 8 Toll Road frontage road overpasses.

As many of you may know, the new frontage road overpasses at the railroad tracks and Mykawa Road have been opened for about 3 or 4 weeks. There was a time when the toll road construction was progressing over the railroad tracks; and the frontage road overpasses were not going to be built. This caused a great inconvenience to our area residents who then had to pay just to go over the tracks or go miles out of the way to reach their destinations. Our thanks to Gulf Meadows residents Ivan and Martha Hudson and Don and Joy Corrolla who offered a remedy to the problem and spearheaded the campaign to petition the state and county to apportion two lanes of the toll road overpasses temporarily as non-pay frontage roads like the rest of the toll road system. These were residents (neighbors) whose actions then benefited everyone who uses the South Belt today.

If you have not yet paid your dues, please do so for the good of us all.

Next month we will have nominations for our yearly Civic Club election in November. All positions are open. If you know of someone who you think can help the community, please nominate them.

Robert Simmons, Jr.
President

Officers and Directors - 2016

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. Secty.	713-991-1164
Daryle Schultz	Treasurer	713-991-3815

Directors

Deed Restrictions		
Betty Earl		713-991-2673
Don Corolla	Flood Control	713-991-0169
Dovie Gonzales	Hospitality	713-806-4167
Membership		
Dorothy Vance	Telephone	713-991-2085
Steve Bonham	Walter Jones Pk.	713-991-7404
Deahann Grant	Welcome	713-987-0073

Other Helpful Phone Numbers

Auto Theft	713-308-0900
Animal Regulation & Control	713-229-7300
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	713-884-3131
Non-emergency	311
Emergency	911
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
Dist D - Councilman, Dwight Boykins	832-393-3001

Contacts for Help

Trenesia Harris, Officer HPD Telephone Rd. Storefront
 Dwight Boykins : districtd@houston.tx.gov
 Mike Knox : atlarge1@houston.tx.gov
 David Robinson : atlarge2@houston.tx.gov
 Michael Kubash : atlarge3@houston.tx.gov
 Amanda Edwards : atlarge4@houston.tx.gov
 Jack Christie : atlarge5@houston.tx.gov

Hospitality

Thanks to everyone who helped with the hospitality during the August General Meeting.

Dovie Gonzales, Chairman
Hospitality Committee

Nominations

Nominations are needed to keep our civic club active. Many of the present board members have served for several years. **We need new board members!!!!**

Ruth Scotton, Secretary

National Night Out set for Oct. 4th

This marks the 28th year for NNO as a crime/drug prevention event. Most events take place between 6-9 pm. Make plans now for your street or area.

Ruth Scotton, Secretary

Texas Transportation Code

Houston city ordinance Sec. 683.071:

Junked vehicle means a vehicle that is self-propelled and

(1) displays an expired license plate or invalid motor vehicle inspection certificate and

(2) is a) wrecked, dismantled or partially dismantled or discarded; or

b) inoperable and has remained inoperable for more than:

1) 72 consecutive hours, if the vehicle is on public property; or

2) 30 consecutive days, if the vehicle is on private property.

Overgrown Lots

Overgrown weeds, shrubs, grass, and vegetation are fire and safety hazards. The property owner/occupant is responsible for maintaining weeds and grass at nine (9") inches or less and brush and shrubbery at seven (7") feet or less. Also remove any **trash or rubbish** accumulating on the property. Per Houston City Ordinances:

Fines: 1st Offense \$50 - \$1,000

2nd Offense \$100 - \$1,500

3rd Offense \$200 - \$2,000

"Be a Neighbor, Not a Nuisance"

Boats/Trailers

Remove rubbish or garbage from the boat or trailer. The boat or trailer must be at least 6" inches from the lot surface. The boat must be stored so that water cannot accumulate in the boat. If on a trailer, the trailer must be operable.

Fines for noncompliance: \$200 - \$2,000

Some succeed because they are destined to, but most succeed because they are determined to.

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Deed Restrictions in Spanish

The Deed Restrictions have been translated to Spanish and are now available on request.

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

Deed Restrictions

We are reminding all residents that the **Parking in the Yard Ordinance is PERMANENT**. It prohibits the parking of vehicles (having axles and/or wheels) in the front or side yards of residences. The Ordinance is not enforceable for two weeks, a month, or even one year. It is **FOREVER** and there is no exception for holidays! Dated pictures can be taken and turned in. So, I ask that we work together and eliminate the threat of paying heavy fines. Let's obey the yard parking ordinance.

Also, we are requesting that all Residents put number addresses on your homes. It is very important for many reasons.

1. It could mean life or death, if an ambulance, fire truck or police are called.
2. You have a better chance of receiving correct mail.
3. It eliminates unwanted disturbance.
4. It is just always safe to display address.

Thanks for all that you do!

Betty Earl
Deed Restrictions Chairperson
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!

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.

Welcome

Please be aware of stray dogs in our neighborhood. One of our neighbors was attacked while riding her bike. If you see stray dogs, please call animal control.

I do not have any new families to report this month. If anyone knows of a new family moving into our neighborhood, please let us know.

Deahann Grant
713-987-0073 or 832-971-4733
Deahann@sbcglobal.net
Elly Rueda (Spanish) 713-894-8854

Treasurer's Report

This August we added 4 members, which is pretty normal for this time of the year. This gives us a total for the year of 277 which is exactly what we had at the end of August 2015. We still need 325 members to meet our budget and cover our annual expenses, so I hope to appeal to any of you that have not paid for this year to please do so. If you can help us get closer to our goal, please take a minute and send your dues today.

Thanks to each and every one of you that helped us reach this level by investing in your neighborhood. Your civic club works tirelessly to make this a better, safer place to live.

Daryle Schultz, Treasurer

Citizens' Patrol

In August, I received one call. I had a report that someone tried to steal the wheels off of their vehicle on Gulf Wood. Luckily the wheels had locks on them and the thief was not successful. Please be extra vigilant at all times as it's no secret that the way to keep our neighborhood safer is for neighbors to look out for each other. We are the eyes and ears of the neighborhood and the first line of defense for our property. Keep up the good work and take the time to care. If you see something that looks suspicious, **PLEASE** call the storefront and report it. Their number is **713-991-3504**. The information you give them may be very valuable later on.

If you are interested in the Citizens' Patrol program, please give me a call. You can patrol at your convenience, day or night, as little or as much as your schedule may allow. Once again, if you would like to patrol, please give me a call.

Thanks.

Mark Schultz
713-991-3815

Walter Jones Park

Hello Neighbors, fall was officially here September 22nd by the calendar, even though our weather says differently. We had a good summer without any reported incidents. **THIS IS GOOD!** Let's keep using our park for various family events filled with enjoyment and relaxation. **THIS IS OUR PARK!** Please continue to be mindful of your surroundings. If you notice anything that needs our attention, please do not hesitate to notify any officer or director listed in this newsletter. Thank you for your cooperation.

Thank you for your awareness and cooperation.

Stephen Bonham, Chairman
713-991-7404
Parks and Recreation Department.....832-395-7000
Park Rangers.....832-395-7100

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 **October 12th & 26th**. We also take day trips. Call **713-944-4474** for more information.

October Birthdays

Deborah Mosley	10-06	Dorothy Wiggins	10-14	Hazel Carter	10-21
Kim Norwood	10-07	Juan Cardenas	10-16	Michael Anderson	10-24
Michael Ijeh	10-09	Donald Lane	10-17	Lorenzo Williams, Jr.	10-27
Veronika Linska	10-09	Yolanda Thomas	10-18	Fred Henshaw	10-28
Anna Holmes	10-11	Sandra Baldon	10-21	Charley Earl	10-29

October Anniversaries

Michael & Yolonda Thomas	10-18-97
Mark & Daryle Schultz	10-18-97

Neighborhood Depositories/Recycling Centers

Neighborhood Depository/Recycling Centers South Locations

User must provide proof of residency: a Texas Driver's License or ID, a current utility bill or city property tax receipt.

Southeast - 2240 Central Street 77017-

Environmental Service Center - South

South - 5100 Sunbeam 77033

11500 S. Post Oak Lane Houston, TX 77035

Southwest - 10785 SW Freeway 77074

call 713.551.7355 [left off 610 at Meyerland area]

Accepted recyclable materials:

Clothing and shoes [**three (3) locations only**], concrete, glass bottles & jars, mattresses, steel cans, up to ten (10) automobile tires [**rims not accepted**] per month per household, anti-freeze, batteries, fluorescent lights, lawn/garden chemicals, medical waste, mercury, paint, and pharmaceuticals.

South Drop Off Recycling Centers

5100 Sunbeam 713-738-1936

Turn right onto Telephone Rd (TX-35) 0.5 mi

Turn left onto E Orem Dr 4.4 mi

Turn right onto Cullen Blvd (FM-865) 1.6 mi

Turn right onto Sunbeam St 0.4 mi

Turn right onto Jutland Rd 52 ft (on the left)
about 7 miles

Ellington Field Airport

Fuqua to Hwy 3

Turn left at last Ellington Field entry Brantley

Turn left at stop light, over the railroad tracks back left

First street to the left, entry is a short distance left,

about 7 miles.

Heavy Tree and Junk Trash Schedules

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	Septiembre	Desechos de arbol
October	Junk Waste	Octubre	Basura pesada
November	Tree Waste	Noviembre	Desechos de arbol
December	Junk Waste	Diciembre	Basura pesada

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, etc.). Appliances containing refrigerant must be tagged to certify that a qualified technician has removed the refrigerant.

Junk or small tree trash may be put out the Friday before the weekend of the **4th Monday** of the month. Trash put out before then should be reported to 311 and is subject to fine by the city of Houston.

Gulf Meadow Civic Club Paid Members – September 2016

2	Arendale St.	Chavez, Christian
5	Arrowhead Ln.	Diaz, Henderson, Palomares, Stewart, Williams
4	Ballantine St.	Gilford, Henshaw, McGinty, Persad
4	Catalina Ln.	Caudle, Gordy, Nelson, Ortuno
10	Coastway Ln.	Bonham, Colbert, Daniels, Dawson, Glapion, Holmes, Hulsey, McDowell, Simmons, Wooley
5	Fairgate Ln.	Drouet, Granados, Holt, Mixon, Stepchinski
3	Folkstone Ln.	Frاند, Latty, Trujillo
30	Garden Park Dr.	Abraham, Alvarez, Baldon, Baldon, Burckardt, Cerro, Clark, Cline, Coleman, Curry, Cushman, Debose, Deming, Dublin, Elizondo, Emmite, Fry, Guajardo, Jenkinson, Keener, Kliesing, Lawless, Moraw, Norwood, Penate, Perry, J. Stanley, Tircops, Walker, Williams
6	Greenswarth Ln.	Carter, Carter, House, Moore, Riley, Zuniga
5	Gulf Dale Dr.	Copeland, Corolla, Gomez, Ijeh, Perez
3	Gulf Meadows Dr.	Byer, Jones, Thompson
14	Gulf Spring Ln.	Ayala, Bennett, Boone, Brillantes, Harper, Jasso, Johnson, Joubert, Martinez, Muzyka, Simmons, Sosa, Wei, Witt
23	Gulf Tree Ln.	Carter, Davis, Dewberry, J. Dixon, Elliott, Galny, Rosa Garcia, Gipson, Gonzales, Hall, Jessie, Johnson, Langham, Lindley, Powel, Reyna, Richter, Stevens, Talley, Thomas, Wade, Wiggins, Wright
7	Gulf Valley St.	Chavez-Chaudoir, DeLong, Edwards, Idlebird, Suter, Wilson, Woods
23	Gulf Wood Ln.	Banda, Bonno, Bradford, Fontenot, J. Garcia, M. Garcia, Harrysingh, Kozel, Landin, Melendez, Mosley, Paz, Rall, Robinson, Rodriguez, Rojas, Salazar, See, Singleton, Stewart, Thompson, Vance, Wiggins
18	Lettie St.	Anderson, Ben, Bledsoe, Brown, Conner, Cortez, Ginikanwa, Guitguit, Howell, Huerta, Jones, Maldonado, D. Martinez, M. Martinez, Rosales, Skinner, Taylor, Villa
52	Misty Vale Ln.	Abbott, Antoine, Aranda, Arellano, Arias, Avila, Casey, Collum, Epps, Escamilla, Esparza, Estrada, Garcia, Grant, Grooms, Guerrero, Halliman, Hendricks, Hernandez, Howell, Ibarra, Jeter, Johnson, Kelley, Lane, Lavine, Lee, Lucas, McCauley, Miller, Mitchell, Moore, Morales, Morris, Neal, Noriega, Oliver, Pardue, Robinson, A. Santos, D. Schultz, M. Schultz, Simms, Taylor, Tisby, M. Trevino, Venable, Waddleton, Wallace, Watson, Williams, Young
10	Palm Shadows St.	Boriack, Cantu, Chavez, Diaz/Serna, Gonzalez, Saavedra, Samuel, Sigler, Velez, Woodruff
8	Peekskill Ln.	Alvarez, Brady, Bussey, Davidson, Gonzales, Hall, Luckey, Tippet
6	Quiet Valley Ln.	Miller, Hamilton, Holloway, Pemberton, Rivers, Rueda
11	Red Robin Ln.	Brantley, Brown, Cabrera, Cafferatta, Crose, Garcia, Guerra, Mendoza, Norton, Rodriguez, Wamsley
5	Saylynn Ln.	Collins, Hedman, Scotton, Segovia, Vincent
21	Springtime Ln.	Adams, Alviar, Arboleda, Benson, Brady, Cardenas, Collins, Duplechain, Earl, Greene, Grijalva, Hickman, Houser, Lee, Maldonado, Murray, Ocampo, Prescott, Rios, Russo, Stevens
4	Wayfarer Ln.	Boyd, Falks, Tollefsbol, Turrentine
3	Wingtip Dr.	Garcia, Riley, Sherman
282	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: ____