



Newsletter

Gulf Meadows Civic Club

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

February

www.neighborhoodlink.com/houston/gmcc

2017

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 or traffic circles within our subdivision**. 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

4th Monday February 27rd -- Junk trash.

Weekly Trash Collection

Garbage collection.....Friday Mornings
Yard Trimmings.....Friday Mornings
Green bin Recycling ---- **February 10th & 24th**

General Membership Meeting

Tuesday, February 28, 2016, 7:30 p.m.
Covenant of Faith United Methodist Church
7900 Fuqua

Guest Speaker

Councilman Dwight Boykins was invited to come out to speak with us this month but due to the events and business of the Super Bowl he will not be available to attend our scheduled meeting. His Community Liaison Officer for the Sagemont Area, Ms. Roxie McKinney, will be coming out to represent him. She will bring us up date on some things since we last saw Councilman Boykins.

Gulf Meadows Civic Club members and residents, let me remind you how swiftly things are changing, in many respects, in our city. I ask that we all make an extra effort to attend our monthly scheduled meetings, especially when guests have been invited to speak.

Lorenzo Williams, Sr.
1st Vice President

President's Message

We forgot to acknowledge the winners of the **Outdoor Christmas Decorations** in the January issue of the Gulf Meadows Civic Club Newsletter. They are:

1st place Vernon and Stephanie Turner

8214 Coastway Lane

2nd place William and Susan Boyd

7726 Wayfarer Lane

3rd place Leda Kliesing

8442 Garden Parks Drive

Congratulations! Please pardon our oversight and thank you to Mark and JoAnn Melendez who graciously did the judging.

Quite a few of you are not paying attention to the **Heavy Trash** pickup schedule. You could save yourselves some money and also not have the subdivision looking so unsightly. **Check the schedule in the newsletter** (it's there every month). Remember, Heavy Trash is **every 4th Monday**. Be advised, there are **four (4) months in 2017 that have five (5) Mondays**: January, May, July and October.

Robert Simmons, Jr., President

Deed Restrictions

As noted during the holidays, there were and still are a lot of **cars racing in Gulf Meadows** and **drivers running through STOP SIGNS** at a very high rate of speed. Not only does it happen at night, it has started occurring during midday when people are out driving, and children are playing and/or walking to the park or etc.

Just days before Christmas, two young men driving separate cars and engaging in high rates of speed on Coastway Lane caused a great disturbance! One of the drivers lost control of his vehicle going around the curve at the end of Coastway and landed on the yard of a resident on Gulf Tree. Thankfully, the homeowner was not injured. And to top everything off, the driver fled the scene.

We must do something about the racing in our community. If you have any ideas, please let us know. We are taking your suggestions. We need your help. This problem must be corrected.

As always, we are working to keep Gulf Meadows a place where people want to live and raise their families.

Betty Earl, Chairwoman
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!

Officers and Directors - 2017

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

Betty Earl	Deed Restrictions	713-991-2673
Mark Melendez	Asst. Deed Rest.	281-979-0011
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
Ross Brillantes	At Large	713-991-6560
		713-461-1894

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

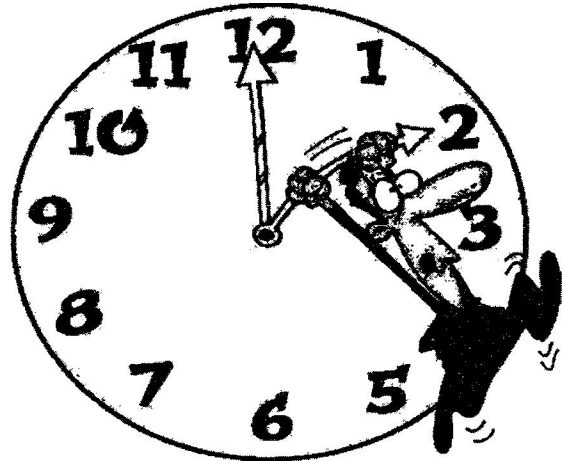
Contacts for Help

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

He that is of a merry heart hath a continual feast." Proverbs 15:15

Time Change

On Sunday, March 12, 2017, at 2:00:00 am clocks are turned forward 1 hour.



Treasurer's Report

To date I have received dues payments from 110 members for 2017. We are very grateful to everyone that took the time to pay early. Thanks so much for your support. It really helps to start the year out on such a positive note. The \$40 that you contribute helps us do so much good for so many, and you will have such a good feeling knowing that you are giving something back to your neighborhood. We are facing another year where our revenues may not keep pace with our expenses. I am hopeful that with our economy poised to rebound, we will see an increase in membership this year. If not, we may be forced to make changes to accommodate our decreased revenues. We hope to make changes that allow us to continue to serve you and have a minimal impact on our residents. We appreciate the investment that you make in us, and we will do our best to put your dues to good use. Every year is a new start and with your help we are hoping to make 2017 one of our best.

Daryle Schultz,
Treasurer

Hospitality

Thanks to all who helped with the hospitality during my absence at the General Meetings.

Dovie Gonzales, Chairman
Hospitality Committee

Welcome

Howdy Neighbors!

We have a new resident, **Ms. Mary Ann Hernandez** at 7811 Peekskill. If anyone knows of a new family moving into our neighborhood, please let us know. I hope to see everyone at the monthly meetings. Also, it is time to pay our dues....Yeah !!!!!!!

Deahann Grant

713-987-0073 or 832-971-4733

Deahann@sbcglobal.net

Elly Rueda (Spanish) 713-894-8854

Inspection & Public Services

The City of Houston Department of Neighborhoods Inspection and Public Services seeks to improve the quality of life in neighborhoods by reducing blight and substandard living conditions.

"Be a Neighbor, Not a Nuisance"

Violations: This is a brief list. Report a violation by calling 3-1-1, the City's Service Helpline. Be sure to get a case number.

Overgrown Lots

Overgrown, weeds, shrubs, grass and vegetation are fire and safety hazards. The property owner or occupant is responsible for maintaining weeds and grass at nine (9) inches or less and brush and bushes at seven (7) feet or less. Remove any trash or rubbish accumulating on the property.

Permitting conditions that can attract rats and rodents.

A property owner or occupant may not accumulate lumber, boxes, or barrels that could harbor rats and rodents.

Garbage, Rubbish and Trash

It is the owner's or occupant's responsibility to keep the property free from any garbage, trash or rubbish that could harbor rats, rodents, snakes, cockroaches, spiders, etc.

Discharging Raw Sewage

It is the property owner's or occupant's responsibility to provide and maintain in good condition connections that discharge sewage from the residence to public sewer systems.

Junk Motor Vehicles

A junk vehicle is any vehicle that:

- is wrecked, dismantled, or discarded.
- is inoperable and remains inoperable for a continuous period of more than 30 days.

Any such vehicle must be screened by completely enclosing the vehicle in a building. Car covers, tarps, bamboo shades and other types of materials are not acceptable screening.

Open and Visible Storage

It is the property owner's or occupant's responsibility not to store materials out in the open. These materials include dead trees, tires, refuse, glass, building materials, appliances, inoperable boats and junk vehicles. Junk trash, litter and rubbish cannot be deposited or allowed to accumulate.

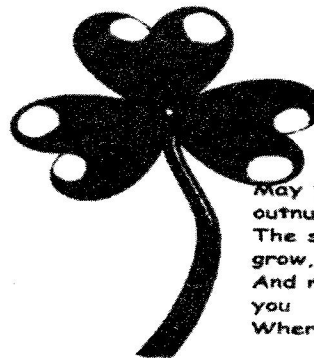
Broken Fences & Other Structures

It is the property owner's or occupant's responsibility to keep all fences and accessory structures, including detached garages and sheds, in sound condition and good repair.

All of the above violations are subject to fine.

St Patricks Day Friday March 17th

May the road rise up to meet you.
May the wind be always at your back.
May the sun shine warm upon your face,
the rains fall soft upon your fields and until we meet
again, may God hold you in the palm of His hand.
traditional Gaelic blessing



May your blessings
outnumber
The shamrocks that
grow,
And may trouble avoid
you
Wherever you go.

Irish Blessing

"Our greatest glory is not in never falling, but in rising every time we fall."

Confucius (551-479 BC)

Walter Jones Park

Obey the park rules and be mindful of the trash. The trash cans are there for a purpose - **please** use them.

Stephen Bonham, Chairman

713-991-7404

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

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

Newsletter Change

Changes to the newsletter are being considered. We are hoping to include a Spanish translation.

The style of the newsletter, the size of print and other adjustments must be considered.

My Spanish is very limited; I will be relying on the internet for Mexico's Spanish translation.

When the new addition is published, please contact me with any suggestions.

Ruth Scotton, Editor

713-991-0579

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 **March 8th and 22nd**. We also take day trips, call **713-944-4474** for more information.

March Birthdays

Clifton Colburn	03-01	Charlotte Dixon	03-08	Vincent Thomas	03-21
Betty Earl	03-02	Kaitlin Gage	03-10	Ann Mosley	03-23
Yulanda Ijeh	03-03	Robert Simmons, Jr.	03-11	Morris Dixon	03-24
Ruth Harper	03-03	Arthur Ray Henderson	03-12	Doris Evans	03-27
Barbara Lantz	03-07	Carolyn Cook	03-14	Patricia Lee	03-30

March Anniversaries

The dro & Shirlene Oliver	03-01
Odella & Clifton Colbert	03-03

Be advised: Junk and tree trash is picked up when placed at your curb, **only on the dates indicated on the Gulf Meadows schedule below**. Trash left near the curb at any other time is subject to fine by the city. Junk or tree trash may dropped off at any time at a recycling center listed below.

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	
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	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. No lumber as it may be chemically treated.

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

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

Gulf Meadow Civic Club Paid Members – February 2017

1	Arendale St.	Christian
0	Arrowhead Ln.	
3	Ballantine St.	McGinty, Perez, Wright
1	Catalina Ln.	Nelson
7	Coastway Ln.	Bonham, Colbert, Dawson, Glapion, McDowell, Simmons, Williams
1	Fairgate Ln.	Stepchinski
0	Folkstone Ln.	
17	Garden Park Dr.	Alvarez, Cerro, Cline, Coleman, Cushman, Elizondo, Emmite, Herpin, Jenkinson, Kliesing, Lawless, Norwood, Perry, Rodriguez, Stanley/Boswell, Turcios, Walker
1	Greenswarth Ln.	W. Carter
4	Gulf Dale Dr.	Copeland, Corolla, Ijeh, Perez
0	Gulf Meadows Dr.	
5	Gulf Spring Ln.	Jasso, Joubert, Muzyka, Simmons, Witt
13	Gulf Tree Ln.	Behrens, Campbell, Davis, Dixon, Elliott, Gonzalez, Hall, Langham, Lindley, Martin, Reyna, Richter, Wiggins,
0	Gulf Valley St.	
6	Gulf Wood Ln.	Bonno, Kozel, Landin, Rall, Vance, Wiggins
6	Lettie St.	Anderson, Conner, Martinez, Rosales, Sin, Skinner
21	Misty Vale Ln.	Aranda, Avila, Collum, Esparza, Grant, Halliman, Jeter, Lee, Moore, Noriega, Oliver, Santos, D. Schultz, M. Schultz, Tisby, Trevino, Venable, Waddleton, Watson, Williams, Young,
4	Palm Shadows St.	Gonzalez, Moreno, Saavedra, Velez
3	Peekskill Ln.	Bussey, Davidson, Hall
2	Quiet Valley Ln.	Miller, Pemberton
1	Red Robin Ln.	Brantley
2	Saylynn Ln.	Collins, Scotton
7	Springtime Ln.	Adams, Alviar, Cardenas, Earl, Lee, Russo, Stevens
3	Wayfarer Ln.	Boyd, Falks, Tollefsbol
2	Wingtip Dr.	Garcia, Riley
110	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: ____