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CITY HALL (9:00 a.m 4:00 p.m.) Mon-Fri	(281) 983-2950
POLICE DEPARTMENT / 24 Hours	
FT. BEND COUNTY SHERIFF	(281) 342-6116
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FT. BEND COUNTY COURTHOUSE	
ANIMAL CONTROL	
PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT	(281) 983-2935

May 2005

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COMMENTS FROM THE MAYOR

By Mark McGrath

9-1-1 Service

I recently received some correspondence from the Greater Harris County 9-1-1 Emergency Network. The correspondence focused on a recent innovation in telephone communication and related impacts on the 9-1-1 system. Many of you may have seen ads for voice over internet protocol (VoIP) telephone service. VoIP service, for those homes with broad band internet access, offers an alternative to traditional telephone service. With VoIP, calls are transmitted over the internet. Although the City has no opinion regarding VoIP, residents need to be aware that 9-1-1 service may not be available from your VoIP provider.

According to the Greater Harris County 9-1-1 Emergency Network:

- 9-1-1 service may not be offered at all or may need to be activated if available.
- Even when activated, emergency calls will not go directly into the 9-1-1 system, but to non-priority administrative lines in the dispatch call center.
- 9-1-1 call takers may not know the caller's location or call back number.
- If power is out, VoIP telephone service may also be out.
- If a VoIP adapter is used in a location outside of the home, 9-1-1 may not work.

In summary, if residents are interested in retaining 9-1-1 service and wish to switch to VoIP, they would be advised to get with the VoIP provider and obtain a clear understanding of the availability of 9-1-1. Obviously, the time to do this is before an emergency.

SUMMER HELP NEEDED

Outdoor work. Grass cutting, maintenance, equipment operation in Public Works Department. Must be 18 years of age or older. Begin immediately. Apply at City Hall. E.O.E. employer.

CITY ORDINANCE / CODE ENFORCEMENT

Summer is right around the corner! Remember it is against City ordinance to park/store boats, trailers, campers, or motor homes in driveways. They must be stored out of sight or at a different location.

GARAGE SALE DATES

Garage sales are limited to the last weekend of odd numbered months (January, March, May, etc.) Weekends are defined as Friday and Saturday. Residents may have up to 2 garage sales per year on the designated weekends. A garage sale permit is required. Please refer to the dates shown below for garage sale dates.

May 27 & 28, 2005	September 23 & 24, 2005
July 29 & 30, 2005	November 25 & 26, 2005

VEHICLE STICKERS

Meadows Place vehicle stickers are available at City Hall for your vehicles at the cost of \$1.00 each. While the stickers are optional, they do identify your vehicle as belonging in Meadows Place and are an aid to the Police Department. Be sure to bring your vehicle identification number and license plate number when applying for a sticker.

Street Light Repair 713-207-2222 or www.centerpoint.com

CITY CALENDAR

May 24, 2005

City Council meeting 7:30 PM City Hall

June 3, 2005

Splash Night

CITY OF MEADOWS PLACE

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DID YOU KNOW??????

Did You Know.... that the Meadows Place 5K Fun Run was such a huge success that our Parks Dept. has already decided to make it an annual event? While the Mayor was participating, yours truly was talking to the runners, the walkers, the volunteers, the PD and all the reserves they got for traffic control as well as several people who brought out their lawn chairs and watched the event. Everyone agreed the event was fun and we need to do it again next year. Plus, Dan Dippon said the new track surface is much better to run. See YOU next year!!

Speaking of new things in Meadows Place – How 'bout that new fence along W. Airport. Anne & Mike Jones couldn't wait to tell me how good it looked. I can't take much credit though, both the design and construction were the handiwork of Alderman Joe McCann. Looks great Joe! Larry Ewing, construction expert and MP resident, said he checked out the new parking lot by the pool and said Meadows Place should be proud of the quality of our new parking lot. I know I am. Looks great too!

Did You Know..... That Dulles H.S. has three bands and that there are quite a few Meadows Place kids in those bands? In a recent competition in Dallas, the three Dulles Bands each won several awards- including the best overall. Music to their parents ears....

More kids in the news... **Did You Know....** Girl Scout Troop 133 has two girls - Jennifer Ball and Lizzie Hammons – who earned their Silver Awards. Jennifer Ball, Taylor Garcia and Katrina Hiestand also received their Ten Year Pins. Wow, pretty impressive ladies. Also of note is that Boy Scout Troop 301 has two new Eagle Scouts. They are Tremon McGrath and Austin Shaffer. Join us in a congratulations to all these outstanding young leaders. A special congratulations for Troop 301 – they have produced 6 Eagle Scouts this year and only 4% of scouts *ever* reach Eagle.

Did You Know.... that you can't put your trash, grass clippings or garbage out on the curb too early or you can get a citation, plus it helps keep our city looking good. Let's all do our part to help.

A little more kid news Congratulations to James Jessup – voted Dulles Most Valuable Swimmer for 2005 and to Eric Jones who was named Captain for 2006. His parents, Steve and Nancy, are very proud of him. These guys both started –and continue to swim – on the Meadows Marlins swim team. Should be a fun year. Go Marlins!

Did You Know.... that everyone attending our City Council meeting found out that Meadows Place is entering into an agreement for a Geographic Information System – or GIS. It will take a while to implement but will help all departments do their jobs even better. There were also several actions taken which affect the way we collect our taxes and a resolution with which Meadows Place will support the creation of a rural transit district in Fort Bend County. You are invited to come sit in at City Hall and be a part of what goes on – lots of your neighbors do.

Our Newsletter went to press before the Meadows Elementary Spring Carnival took place last month. It was great. They had a huge turnout and the confetti eggs and dunking booth were still the favorites. Our PD was well represented and spent a lot of time mixing with the folks and answering questions. They even had our motorcycle there for the kids to sit on. They got to turn on the lights and flip the siren on. Lots of smiles...check it out...Recognize anyone???

Did You Know depends on you for input? Let us hear from YOU either by e-mail at <u>alderman1@cityofmeadowsplace.org</u> or drop a note at City Hall. Thanks.

HOME AND GARDEN CLUB

At the April meeting of Meadows Home & Garden Club, Dr. Asri Ali, Assistant Professor Dermatology at UT Medical School, presented a very informative program on "The Effects of Chronic Exposure on the Skin," which included the use of sun blockers and other methods of protection to help avoid skin cancers. She also discussed the newest trends in Cosmetic Dermatology.

The nominating committee presented a slate of officers for the coming year, which was unanimously approved. Serving for the 2005-2006 year will be: Margaret Sandlin, President; Teresa Bryant, 1st Vice-President (programs); Myra McMillan, 2nd Vice-President (yearbook); Zella Little and Lillian

Abbott, Joint 3rd Vice-Presidents (ways and means): Pat Byers, 4th Vice-President (membership); Priscilla Schaeffer, Secretary; and Zella Little, Treasurer. Installation of officers was held at the May dinner meeting at Vittoris Restaurant in Sugar Land.

Yard of The Month selection begins the last weekend in April. The judges for each section received their signs and the winners for April will be announced in the next newsletter. Judging will continue through the last weekend of July.

Gardening tip for May – Apply granular fertilizer to crepe myrtles. Spray with insecticidal soap to control white flies and black sooty mold.

Reminder: A MCIA BOARD MEMBER MUST APPROVE ALL EXTERIOR PAINTING.

Copies of the paint approval book, as well as approval forms, are available at City Hall. Please attach a swatch of the requested paint with your request and allow a week for your request to be processed. **PAINTING PRIOR TO APPROVAL MAY RESULT IN YOUR HAVING TO REPAINT.**

SPRING IS HERE! Time to clean up around your home, de-weed the flower beds, prune trees and shrubs, power wash siding, driveways & sidewalks. Let's show pride in our homes by putting away old empty pots (or plant with new spring flowers) and move trash cans, barbeque pits, etc. out of our neighbor's site.

This also includes not covering house windows OR garage door windows with aluminum foil. Take pride in your investment!

<u>MCIA BOARD MEETINGS</u>: First Thursday of every month, 7:45 p.m. (new time) at City Hall. (Call a board member if you wish to be placed on the agenda.) There is a vacancy on the board, so if you think you might be interested in serving your neighborhood, please contact one of the board members.



Members:

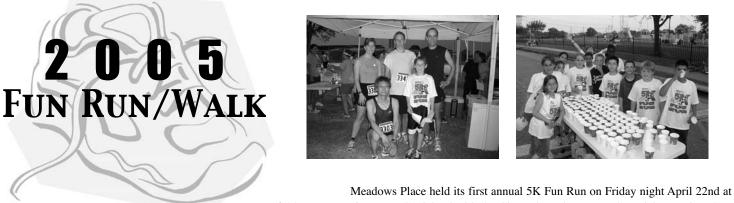
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6:45 pm. West Orem YMCA joined with the City to host the run. 118 participants signed up for the event. The runners and walkers were greeted in large numbers by residents all along the race route cheering them on and showering them with drinking water or a refreshing spray to cool them off. The night run was refreshing. Presentations from local Karate and Taekwondo groups along with demonstrations from personal trainer, Joni Knapps were fascinating as the runners/walkers awaited the start of the race as well as during the post race activities. Sweet Tomatoes Restaurant had a booth providing nourishment for the runners and walkers. Meadows Place resident Kevin O'Loughlin provided all the drinking water for the runners/walkers. Coke provided the cups. The Oliver Foundation Booth handed out shirts, wrist bands and water bottles. Sponsors for the run included, Court Hardware, Colony One Auto, and Lopez Restaurant. Also thanks to our sponsor Instar Services who also provided cozies to all the runners along the last leg of the trail.

AND THE WINNERS: 1st @ 19:36 Jeff Nash #3364, 2nd @ 20:32 Andrew Meddaugh #3341, 3rd @ 20:35 Chow Ng # 3303, 1st female @ 22:49 Jody Rice #3366

This 5K Fun Run was a kick off to celebrate the grand opening of the new trail recently installed in the City Park. The new crushed granite trail was phase one of a grant that was awarded to the Parks and Recreation Department from Texas Parks and Wildlife. This was part of a \$100,000.00 project which was 50% funded by Texas Parks and Wildlife. This grant is one of two which have been awarded to Meadows Place in the last two years. This is a "Small Communities Grant" in which communities with populations lower than 20,000 may apply for every January. Funded applications are announced in August of every year. Another park project recently completed and opened the night of the Fun Run was a new parking lot located in the heart of the city at the trail entrance on Dorrance Lane

The annual 5K Fun Run/Walk will take place in April every year. The proceeds will be used for park improvements in Meadows Place.

CLASSIFIED & ADVERTISING

Anyone wishing to place an ad in the newsletter can contact City Hall for information. All ads are due by the last working day of each month. The appearance of paid advertising is not an endorsement by the City.

Pet sitting. References available. Grant or Richard 291-933-3499.

contact Linda Littlejohn 281-498-9855 products, Avon (1.littlejohn@att.net) Meadows Place resident.

Teen babysitter experienced, reliable. Call Danielle 281-530-6740.

William Sutherland, handyman - Appliance repairs, Electrical, Plumbing, Power Washing, Interior-Exterior carpentry work, Painting, Pager, 713-833-9847. Cell, 713-384-2817.

Registered Child Care in my Meadows Place home. Experienced with all ages. F/T P/T Nancy 281-530-6740.

Senior citizen wants to find husky teenager for garden work and general maintenance helper. All calls will be returned. Call between 1:00 and 7:00 p.m. please. 281-498-0792.

Private Swim Lessons in home pool. 12 year swim team member and record holder. Beginner to advanced stroke work. 281-495-6557.

House or apartment cleaning. (weekly, monthly, one time). In Meadows Place. Call Monica, 281-564-6445.

For Sale. Baby bed. Good condition, light colored wood. \$100, 281-498-9855.

Cakes for all occasions. Catering, house sitting and house cleaning. References available. 832-549-9892.

Baby parakeets for sale, 281-564-1539.

Tutor - Local teacher will tutor in reading or math to help elementary students maintain and improve skills over the summer. Call Theresa @ 281-879-1158.

Need high school senior boy or girl to do intermittent computer typing slight editing \$3.00 page Meadows Place. Contact Lancaster 281-561-0608.



Rabies \$8.00

Sunday, May 29th 11am - 3pm Community Center Parking Area 11924 Amblewood

City of **Meadows** Place

Animal Wellness Clinic Countryside Mobil Vet

We offer all vaccinations, heartworm testing and prevention! Call For More Information (832) 492-8045 City of Meadows Place pet tags (\$1.00)

AMERICAN SOCIETY OF KARATE (A.S.K.)

The American Society of Karate is an association designed to teach American Karate to age 5-80 in a positive ever changing system. Its goal is not necessarily to be the largest, but to be the best. This class has been on going for 15 years at our Community Center and welcomes new students.

When: Thursdays, June 9 – August 11
Where: Community Center
Time: 6:30 – 7:30
Fee: \$35.00
Instructors: Rex Mahy (3rd Degree Black Belt) and Meadows Place resident Steve Puma (2nd Degree Black Belt)

LINE DANCING FOR KIDS

(Youthful line dancing involving new pop music)
When: Fridays, June 10-July 15 (6 classes)
Where: Community Center
Kinder – 2nd grade — Time: 10:00 – 10:45 a.m.
3rd – 5th grade – Time: 11:00 – 11:45 a.m.
Fee: \$35.00
Instructor: Rebecca Bogard, Meadows Place resident and four year music teacher

MUSIC MOVEMENT

Music fundamentals with scarves, ribbons, and rhythm instruments, gaining knowledge of steady beat and basic music elements. Ages: 5-9 When: Fridays, June 10-July 15 (6 classes) Where: Community Center Time: 2:00 – 2:45 p.m. Fee: \$40.00 Instructor: Rebecca Bogard, Meadows Place resident and four year music teacher

BEGINNING PIANO

Blast off with piano – an introduction to reading music, rhythms, and keyboarding Ages: 6-9 When: Fridays, June 10 – July 15 Where: Community Center Time: 3-3:45 p.m. Fee: \$45.00 Instructor: Rebecca Bogard, Meadows Place resident and four year music teacher

TAEKWONDO, KOREAN MARTIAL ART

When: Wednesdays, June 8 – August 3 (9 weeks) Where: Community Center Time: 12:45 – 2:00 pm. Fee: \$35.00 Instructor: Jenny Pless, Meadows Place resident, Black Belt teaching at Than Phong.

TENNIS

Interested in tennis lessons? Call Parks and Recreation, 281-983-2935.

WATER AREROBICS

A sixty minute cardiovascular workout in the pool, which also includes stretching and muscle toning. When: Tuesdays & Thursdays Where: Community Pool Time 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. Session 1 June 7 – 30 Session 2 July 7 – August 2 Fee: \$40.00 per session (8 classes) Instructor: Hollye Ferreria

SWIM LESSONS

Swim lessons will be offered by Learn To Swim Program at Meadows Place Community Pool. ALL SWIMMERS MUST BE 4 YEARS OF AGE. Each session consists of eight thirty minute lessons. Student skills will be assessed the first class and each child will be placed in the appropriate skill level group. Skills vary from first time swimmers to swimming independently in deep water. FIRST 12 <u>PAID</u> STUDENTS WILL BE GUARANTEED CLASS TIME.

When: Tuesday thru Friday Session 1 June 21 – July 1 Session 2 July 19-29

Where: Community Pool

Time: 5:30 - 6:00 p.m. 1st 12 <u>PAID</u> students guaranteed class time 6:15 - 6:45 P.M. 1st 12 <u>PAID</u> students guaranteed class time Minimum per class 4/ Maximum per class 6
Fee: \$50.00
Instructors: Meadows Place Lifeguards

PERSONAL TRAINER SESSIONS

When: Mondays & Wednesdays
Where: Community Center Annex Building
Times: 6:00, 8:30, 9:30, 10:30 a.m. 3:30, 4:30 5:30 p.m.
Fee: \$249.00 (12 sessions)
Instructor: Joni Knapps

YMCA MEADOWS PLACESUMMER DAY CAMP

Registration at Community Center Saturday, May 21st, 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

All registrants will receive a free drawstring backpack on this day. For additional information call Meadows Place Parks and Recreation Department @ 281-983-2934 or Sarah @ 713-358-2774.

YMCA SUMMER STAFF

Now hiring summer staff, 18 and up. Call Sara @ 713-358-2774.

MONDAY MOVIES

A movie is shown on several Mondays at the Community Center. PLEASE CHECK THE DATES. Children NOT yet 5 years old MUST be accompanied by an adult and/or responsible babysitter. Movie titles are posted on the marquee by the front door of the Community Center. Popcorn and drink will be served.

When: June 6, 13, 20, 27 July 11, 18, 25 August 1 Where: Community Center Time: 12:00 noon until movie ends Fee: \$1.00

POOL/TENNIS ACCESS CARDS

If your access card was up to date last year, it will be current again this year. If you need a card, it can be purchased at City Hall, Monday-Friday 9:00 am-4:00 pm. You must have a current card to use the City pool and tennis courts. You must be 21 years of age, a Meadows Place resident and have picture ID to purchase cards. (\$5) Cards can be purchased Memorial Weekend ONLY at the City pool during regular pool hours.

POOL HOURS

Monday – CLOSED Tuesday – Saturday 11:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. Sunday – 1:00 – 8:00 p.m. Holidays – 12:00 noon-7:00 p.m.

May 21, 22, 28, 29 weekend regular hours May 30 holiday hours May 31, June 1 & 2 – weekday regular hours June 3 closed during day, opens 6:00 Splash Night July 4 12:00 noon – 7:00 p.m. Parade Day July 5 Closed July 14 opens at 12:00 noon August 10 last day pool open regular hours August 13, 14, 20, 21, 27, 28 weekends only September 3 & 4 weekends only September 5 holiday hours



To visit all homes on the market in Meadows Place visit

MeadowsPlaceHomes.com

There is a choice when selecting an agent to market your home. Here is what The Tullers' had to say...

"The values of the homes in Meadows Place are Marti's first priority. If you want the best price for your home don't hesitate to call her — she definitely has her heart in what's happening in the city and wants the best value for your home. She is a professional at both listing and selling."

For accurate evaluation of your home at no obligation contact Marti@MartiP.com or 281-568-6904
 Receive a complimentary Sellers Protection Plan that is transferable to the Buyers upon upon closing when listing your home with Marti during the month of May. The when you are ready to move ~ our moving truck is at your disposal...
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12010 AMBLEWOOD



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12302 MEADOWHOLLOW



11834 MULHOLLAND



12222 DORRANCE

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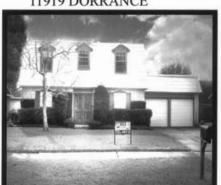
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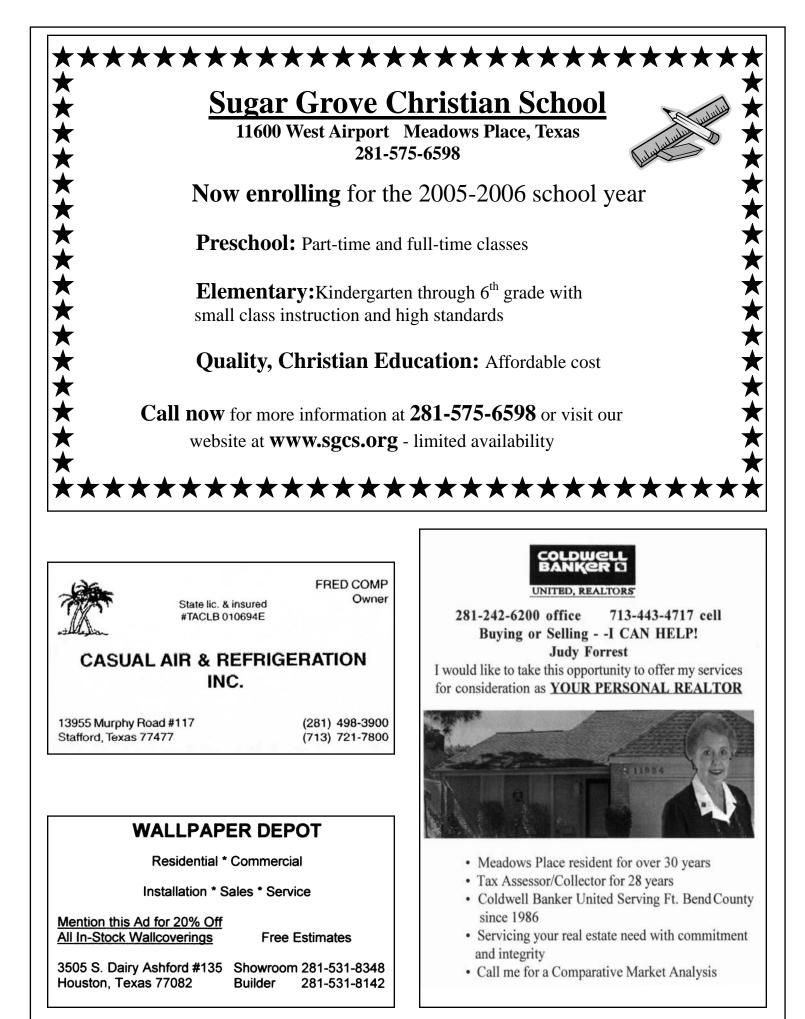


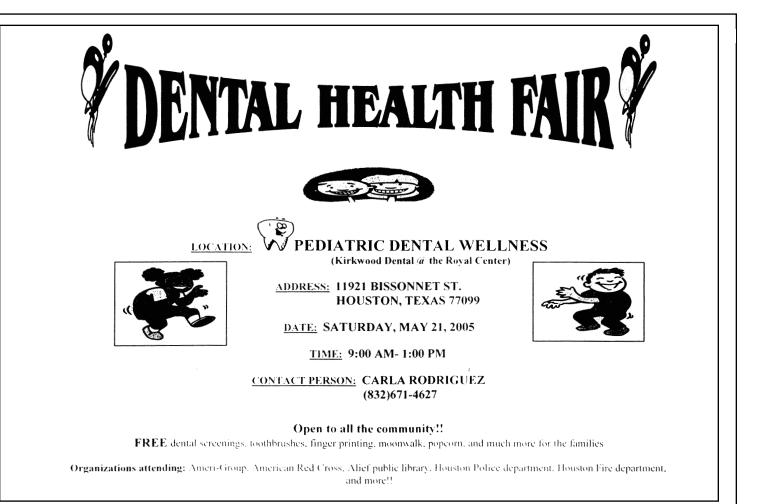
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Than Phong Taekwondo, 11210 Bellaire Blvd,#134 Houston, Tx 77072

Is offering two Summer Programs!



First at our main Bellaire location for 9 weeks (twice a week) at 4:00-5:00pm Monday – Thursday your choice of days. FOR ONLY \$99.00 with a FREE Tshirt, no fee.

Second at the Meadows Place Community Center Wednesdays from 12:45pm to 2:00pm for 9 weeks. FOR ONLY \$35.00 (no fee) For both parents and kids 5 years old and up.

Call today to sign up (281)530-2835 (Jenny) Come join us for Taekwondo & self denfense this summer!

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Meadows Place Community Center 11924 Amblewood Meadows Place, TX 77477

W. Orem Family YMCA

713-358-2774



PLEASE READ AND REMEMBER THE RULES FOR PARK USE. IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY DIAL 9-1-1.

This very large rules sign has always been posted at the park and is located in front of the field house. If you notice someone not following the park rules, you may kindly remind them of the sign. If you should notice that the rules are being violated continually, please contact the Parks Department, 281-983-2935.

Friendly Reminder — NO BIKES, ROLLERBLADES, SCOOTERS, ETC. ARE ALLOWED ON THE TRAIL

Any time there is a security issue at the park, call Meadows Place Police Department, 281-983-2900 or 9-1-1 for emergencies.

COMMUNITY CENTER RENTAL Building capacity 165 Tables and chairs to accommodate your party

 Food and no alcohol
 \$150.00

 Food and alcohol
 \$250.00

 Non-residents add
 \$50.00

COMMUNITY POOL RENTAL Maximum time allowed is 3 hrs.\$300.00 Available for rental May 21- September 4, 2005



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COMMUNITY CENTER/POOL COMBO Rent both and receive a discount of \$50.00

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