



**COMMENTS FROM THE MAYOR**

By Mark McGrath

**Meadows Place Fire Station**

As many of you are aware, our fire protection service is provided by the Stafford Volunteer Fire Department under a contract with the City of Stafford. Historically, the VFD has provided the manpower and fire fighting equipment and the City of Meadows Place has provided the facilities to house some of the equipment in our City. Currently, the fire fighting equipment is housed in a storage shed adjacent our Community Center Annex on Kirkwood.

With the recent commercial construction, including Meadows Place Senior Village and CVS Pharmacy, and future commercial projects such as the Oasis redevelopment, the VFD has been concerned about the adequacy of our facilities. To address this concern, it is anticipated that City Council will award a contract at its next regular meeting on July 26, for the construction of Meadows Place Fire Station.

This facility is designed to house up to four emergency service vehicles including a pumper truck. In addition, the fire station will have space for administrative offices as well as an area to house fire fighters, although no full-time fire fighters are expected to be located there initially.

Meadows Place Fire Station will be located behind the Community Center Annex on Kirkwood, on the north side of the lot directly across from where the shed exists today. The grassy area fronting Kirkwood will be converted into parking spaces and the mail box and water bill drop off boxes will be relocated. We will let you know in this newsletter the new location for these boxes.

This project is estimated to cost between \$500,000 and \$600,000. Funds from the sale of City owned property last year to CVS Pharmacy will be used to pay for the new fire station. This means the City will not have to use property tax dollars or borrow to build this needed project.

We look forward to the construction of Meadows Place Fire Station. This will help ensure the continuation of quality fire protection services for residents and businesses as well as provide for needs to be created by future development.

**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.

- July 29 & 30, 2005
- September 23 & 24, 2005
- November 25 & 26, 2005

**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.

July 14 *opens at 12:00 noon*  
 August 17 *last day pool open regular hours*  
 August 13, 14, 20, 21, 27, 28 *weekends only*  
 September 3 & 4 *weekends only*  
 September 5 *holiday hours*

**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.

Neighborhood Watch Meeting

Computer Crimes

July 19, 2005

7:00 P.M.

City Hall

Street Light Repair

713-207-2222 or [www.centerpoint.com](http://www.centerpoint.com)

**CITY CALENDAR**

- July 19, 2005** Neighborhood Watch Meeting  
7:00 P.M. City Hall
- July 26, 2005** City Council Meeting  
7:30 P.M. City Hall

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## DID YOU KNOW??????

**Did You Know .....** we have had some great turnouts for the recent Public Hearings, P&Z and City Council meetings! There has been plenty of citizen input and idea exchange. This is local government at its best. To be part of it, all you have to do is be there. Check the City website calendar for dates, times and calendar of events. [www.cityofmeadowsplace.org](http://www.cityofmeadowsplace.org)

Speaking of good government at work – Our Parks and Rec. Dept. coordinated the street & curb repairs with our Public Works Dept. to make sure we get the repairs done around the school before school starts but also making sure the 4th of July parade could go on unencumbered and making sure the repairs would not interfere with the Meadows Marlins home meets. Not easily done. Great job folks.

**Did You Know** Randy and Melody Vaal are beaming with pride as their son Colin was selected as oboist in the Houston Youth Symphony- one of the largest and well known youth symphonies in the United States. Congratulations Colin !!!

**Did You Know...** Matthew Lewis & Gregory Yell of Meadows Place have filled two vacancies for the Stafford Volunteer Fire Department which, as you know, provides fire protection for us here in Meadows Place. According to Stafford Fire Chief Mike Melton both Matthew and Gregory have been attending training sessions and “will make excellent members of our organization.” Let’s all give a great big Meadows Place Thank You to Matthew and Gregory !!

Oh, another set of proud Meadows Place parents are Greg and Charmaine Michaelis. Their daughter Christina just received her medical degree from the UT Southwestern Medical School in Dallas. Dr. Michaelis, a former MP resident and Dulles High graduate was also the VP of the Internal Medicine group at Southwestern. Congratulations to the Michaelis family.

Tracy Spiller – our Code Enforcement Officer – wants to remind everyone not to throw grass clippings, branches, etc. over the fences by the bayous. It can be a hazard and a haven for critters so she will be taking the ‘Gator’ and checking the area. So, if you have brush, etc. ‘stored’ in back of your fence, please bundle it up and put it out for pick up. Thanks -

**Did You Know .....** The Blue Jays were the 2005 Meadows All Play champs? Brad Chrissman, Taconie DeGay; Corey Gonzales; Kasey Henderson; JT Jarrett; Thomas LaPointe; Beau McGlasson; Branon and Marissa Lauer and Chris Horner put the Jays over the top. Jay Henderson was the coach with help from John Jarrett and Paul Lauer. Congratulations 2005 CHAMPS! Now, keep your eyes open for Fall Ball sign up. This should be a great fall season – and not to sound like we’re bragging, but the Meadows Place ball fields are better than any around here – so use them !!! Again, our Parks and Public works folks work hard to keep them that way – Now, here are the 2005 Champions!

For you parents of Dulles HS Athletes- **Did You Know .....** The school will offer physicals for them in the cafeteria at 6 p.m. for only \$ 10.00! The Girls will go on July 28th & the Boys on August 1st (Please check your sport to confirm.)

**Did You Know .....** There are lots of 4th of July pictures on our website? Well there are – go check them out and check out all the cool -and handy - links we now have on the site for you.

*Did You Know* is for YOU...and depends on you for input? Let us hear from YOU either by e-mail at [alderman1@cityofmeadowsplace.org](mailto:alderman1@cityofmeadowsplace.org) or drop a note at City Hall. Thanks.

## HOME AND GARDEN CLUB

Jonathan Gee, a lifetime Meadows Place resident, was the recipient of Meadows Home & Garden Club’s Scholarship award this year. The presentation was made by Margaret Sandlin, Club President, at the May 24th Meadows Place City Council meeting. Jonathan graduated with honors from Dulles High School this year, and in the fall will attend the University of Texas in Austin pursuing a degree in engineering. We would like to wish him every success in his future endeavors at UT and then on into the business world.

St. Thomas Catholic Church on West Bellfort between Dairy Ashford and Eldridge Roads has been secured for the club’s 30th annual craft show. This year’s show will be on Saturday, November 19th and will feature 45 to 50 booth spaces which will be available for handcrafted items made by local crafters. Anyone interested in securing a booth or needing information for this event, please contact Lillian at 281-495-6039. Booth space is beginning to fill up at this early date and we look forward to another successful sale of beautiful items again this year.

Yard of the Month winners for June are:

- Section I – Beverly & Larry Martin 11502 Brighton
- Section II – Teresa Bryant 11739 Brook Meadows
- Section III Ed & Lynette Cegelski 12130 Monticeto
- Section IVN Cecelia Rodriguez 12219 Meadow Hollow
- Section IVS Velon & Eleanor Saint 12307 Level Run
- Meadowglen III Dave & Tricia Wilkens 12322 Meadowglen Drive



**Reminder: ANY AND ALL EXTERIOR PAINTING MUST BE APPROVED PRIOR TO 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.**

Meadows Place residents take great pride in their homes. Please assist your neighbors by:

- Not putting aluminum foil in windows (house or garage)
- Cleaning mildew from wood, siding, eaves
- Make sure trash cans are placed behind your fence, garage or house; cans should not be visible from the street on non-pickup days.
- Keeping trash, empty pots, old news papers, and discarded items picked up and out of sight. Violators will be notified by letter and expected to comply in a timely manner.

Just a reminder that the City recently passed a Tree Stump Ordinance. All trees removed from your property must be cut or grind down to ground level so that the grass can grow over the area where the tree had been.

**MCIA BOARD MEETINGS:** First Thursday of each month, 7:45 p.m. at City Hall. (Please contact a board member if you would like to be placed on the agenda .)

# MCIA

### Members:

Steve Court 281-498-4334  
Bob Clarkston 281-879-5332  
Diann Hamilton 281-495-4038  
Sherry Carlson 281-879-1359  
Terry Papetti 281-983-0844



Winners for this year's parade entries are as follows:  
Non-motorized entries:

*4 & under (1st only)*

1st place - Olesia Rosenberg Johnson

*5 & 6 year olds (1st only)*

1st place - Vanya Rosenberg Johnson

*7 & 8 year olds*

1st place - Max Trevino  
2nd place - Zarina Trevino  
3rd place - Megan Emmons

*9 & 10 year olds*

1st place - Michele Pless  
2nd place - Makayla Mueller  
3rd place - Kristen Koutz

*11 & 12 year olds*

1st place - Joseph Briones  
2nd place - Karly Wilkens  
3rd place - Abby Dippon

*13 & up*

1st place - Taylor Wilkins

Motorized Entries:

*Group/Individual*

1st Place - Meadows Swim Team  
2nd Place - Meadows Lawnchair Ladies

*Commercial Entries*

1st Place - Remax Southwest Anita Miline  
2nd Place - Remax Fine Properties, Marti Pattinson

*Block Entry*

1st Place - Carl Mieser, 12102 Meadowdale



**NEWS FROM YOUR PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

**Golf Tournament**  
**Monday, November 7th**  
**Sugar Creek Country Club**  
**Splash Night 2005**

**Barefoot' n Fridays**  
**July 22 August 5**  
**8:30 – 11:00 p.m.**  
**\$5.00**

**Children's Theme Pool Parties**  
**Still Available**

**Splash Night**

Although the pool opens the third weekend of May each year, it is not really summer in Meadows Place until Splash Night. This annual event kicks off the vacation season with lots of family fun for residents. As always, this is a great opportunity for people to meet others in the community, and a great way to help those in need with food collections for the East Fort Bend County Food Pantry.

Activities included, treasure hunts, various water relays, Oreo cookie stacking contest, the Lifeguard Big Splash Contest, rubber duck fun, giant slip and slide and swimming of course. While everyone was enjoying the fun a DJ entertained with good music.

A new activity this year was aqua roller relays, which replaced the paddle boat relays. The aqua rollers are basically an inflatable human hamster wheel in which the rider crawls around inside the wheel to propel it across the pool. These were an instant hit and great fun to watch.

A big draw is always the great food. This year it was brisket sandwiches and hotdogs. Our Public Works Department did a super job cooking. With the help of the Scouts, several members of City Council served up these great eats. Aldermen Staigle, Jessup and Henley along with Mayor McGrath manned the chow line. They did double duty later when they judged the Lifeguard Big Splash Contest.

Thanks to the lifeguards, Public Works Department, Parks Department, Police Department and the Scouts as well as everyone else who helped make Splash Night a great success.

**Meadows Place 4th of July Parade 2005**

Every 4th of July the City of Meadows Place turns red, white and blue as United States flags of all sizes spring up throughout the City. Celebrating our Nation's birthday is one of the biggest events for Meadows Place and residents look forward to it each year.

While Meadows Place is certainly not rural, there is a small town charm that makes our annual 4th of July Parade truly special. Residents lined the streets to watch and cheer as a procession of cars, floats, bicycles, horses and walkers all decorated in patriotic colors made their way through the City. For many people, the parade marked the beginning a day long 4th of July celebration with friends and family.

The parade route ran along Dorrance from the Southwest Freeway down to Mulholland, over to Brighton and ended at the community park. However, the end of the parade was not the end of our celebration. Our Parks Department worked overtime to make the festivities at the park even better. New this year was a rock climbing wall and water slide as well as a speed pitch and paint ball shooting gallery. Additionally, Meadows All Play Baseball Club sold delicious concessions.

A special attraction of the Meadows Place 4th of July Parade was a fly over by an Army Apache Helicopter. It was a spectacular site to see this helicopter in flight. Perhaps even better is when it landed at the community park and parade goers got an up close look at this amazing machine while the pilots answered questions and helped the children get a look inside. Meadows Place pride beams each year with the claim to fame of having our own home town pilots; Bob Stolting and Scott Nicholas. These two fine men are extremely active in their service for our country and have always managed to find the time to honor our hometown with a spectacular display of our military.

All City events are supported by numerous volunteers and city employees, and the parade is no different. Thanks to everyone who helped make this event a success. A special overall spirit award goes out to Boy Scout Troop 301 and Cub Scout Pack 301 for all their hard work behind the scenes helping with the parade as well as participating in the event. They do a great job year after year

## PARKS AND RECREATION BULLETIN

### KARATE PROGRAM

When: Thursdays Sept. 15 – Dec. 7 (12 weeks)

Where: Community Center

Time: 6:30 – 7:30 (ages 5-12)

7:30 – 8:30 all new students (ages 13-70)

Fee: \$40.00

Uniform: \$30.00 (no checks)

New students will be accepted the first 3 weeks. You may try the first class Free to make sure you wish to sign up. Child must be at least 5 years old.

Instructor: Bill Gray

### LINE DANCING FOR KIDS

(Youthful line dancing involving new pop music)

When: Fridays

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

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

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

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.



### 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 PLACE SUMMER DAY CAMP

For additional information call Meadows Place Parks and Recreation Department @ 281-983-2934 or Sarah @ 713-358-2774.

### CARDIO KICKBOXING

Cardio Kickboxing is a pathway to better health and fitness. It is a self-paced course where you learn to challenge yourself for a whole body workout. We use traditional martial art based punches and kicks as well as strength training. The aerobics is geared with beginners starting with low-impact techniques and higher levels of impact aimed at the individuals with higher levels of fitness. Don't worry, it is all non-contact. It is lots of fun and highly addictive. The class is approximately 1.25 – 1.5 hours in duration. It includes warm-up, cardio, cool down and strength training.

Attend these 2 class nights

When: Tuesdays and Wednesdays

July 5, 6, 12, 13, 19, 20, 26 & 27 (8 classes)

Where: CommunityCenter

Time: 6:15-7:45 pm (kickboxing class)

Fee: \$70.00

Instructor: Tina Mueller

Down load a registration form from our website [www.cityofmeadowsplace.org](http://www.cityofmeadowsplace.org) click on Parks and Recreation or call Monya @ 281-983-2934.

### 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 a drink will be served.

When: July 18, 25

August 1

Where: Community Center

Time: 12:00 noon until movie ends

Fee: \$1.00

### BINGO BASH (WEDNESDAYS)

Join the Parks and Recreation Department on Wednesdays for BINGO. Prizes and fun for everyone who attends.

When: July 20, 27

August 3

Where: Community Center

Time: 11:00 am – 12:30 pm

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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).



**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.

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

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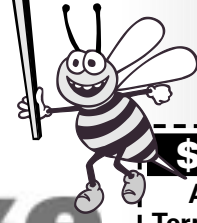
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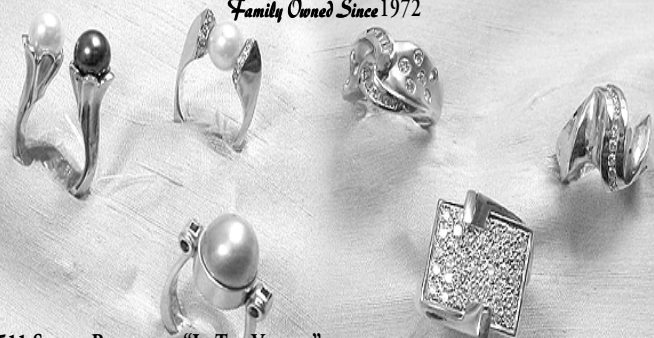


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### "America's Night Out Against Crime"

On Tuesday, August 2nd, neighborhoods throughout our nation are being invited to join forces with thousands of communities nationwide for the "22nd Annual National Night Out" (NNO) crime & drug prevention event. NNO is designed to (1) Heighten crime & drug prevention awareness; (2) Generate support for, & participation in, local anticrime efforts; (3) Strengthen neighborhood spirit & police-community partnerships; & (4) Send a message to criminals letting them know neighborhoods are organized & fighting back.

From 6 to 9 pm on August 2nd, residents in neighborhoods throughout Fort Bend Count & across the nations, are asked to lock their doors, turn on outside lights & spend the evening outside with neighbors & police. NNO is a fun way to help make our streets safer and prevent crime. **If you are interested in hosting a NNO party**, contact Officer Velasquez at the Meadows Place Police Department 281-983-2900 to see how she can help. We will be promoting Meadows Place Neighborhood Watch Meetings.

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# THEME PARTIES

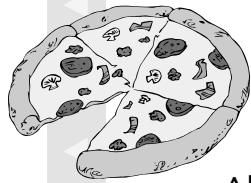
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"Party Add Ons"  
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- Birthday parties •
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  - Youth graduation parties •
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Parties can be scheduled:  
Tues - Saturday, 11am - 6pm  
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2 hour limit in all parties  
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All parties are scheduled and staffed through the Parks Department.

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Building capacity 165

Tables and chairs to accommodate your party

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