



COMMENTS FROM THE MAYOR
By *Mark McGrath*

Crime Statistics

The crime statistics are in for 2005. In comparison to 2004, our already low crime rates are declining in just about every category. This is in contrast to our neighboring communities of Houston, Sugar Land and Stafford which are experiencing increasing crime rates.

You can help maintain our low crime rate. If you see anything suspicious, call the police department. That is what they are there for. They would much rather respond to something unfounded than have somebody observe a potential crime and not report it.

If you are interested in further information about our police department and what is going on in the City as far as crime, I invite you to attend a neighborhood watch meeting. This group meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:00PM at City Hall. A police officer moderates the meeting and usually a program is presented on a crime prevention topic. Our next scheduled meeting will be held in March.

TEEN CURFEW PUBLIC HEARING REMINDER

As I mentioned in last month's newsletter, there will be a public hearing on Tuesday February 28th at 7:00PM to hear any and all persons interested in commenting on a proposed curfew for teens. The curfew would apply to those 17 and under and require them to be off the streets by 11:00PM on weeknights and midnight on weekends.

If you cannot make the public hearing, please forward your comments to me or a member of City Council. I intend to have a teen curfew ordinance available for Council to act on at its March meeting.

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 for 2006.

March 24 & 25, 2006 • May 26 & 27 2006 • July 28 & 29, 2006
September 29 & 30, 2006 • November 24 & 25, 2006

HOME & GARDEN CLUB

By Sandy Montross

In place of the club's regular meeting on February 14th, Garden Club members will have their International Dinner Night Out at Los Gallitos Restaurant in Stafford on Tuesday, February 21st. On February 16th a trip to Brookwood is planned. On March 14th Anne Nette Pearce of Bouquets Garden Club of Houston will be guest speaker on How to Make Miniature Flower Arrangements. This should be a very interesting presentation. Anyone interested in this program is welcome to attend the meeting beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the Community Center. It will also be dessert night with everyone bringing their favorite dessert along with the recipe.

With spring close at hand, we would like to pass along some gardening tips for February and March: Prune twiggy growths and shape crepe myrtles. Prune all seed pods to insure better blooming. Prune roses no shorter than 18 inches. DO NOT PRUNE climbing roses. Beginning in March, fertilize roses once every month until the end of September. To all newcomers to our semi-tropical climate, a reminder to leave any cold-damaged foliage on evergreen shrubs until spring and the possibility of a late frost has passed. But, spring comes early in South Texas. Happy Gardening!

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CITY CALENDAR

February 28, 2006 Public Hearing / Curfew Ordinance
7:00 p.m. City Hall

February 28, 2006 City Council Meeting
7:30 p.m. City Hall

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DID YOU KNOW??????

Did you know....that the Grand Opening of our new Fire Station was almost washed out but the strong showing by the folks here in Meadows Place despite the storm just goes to show the amount of interest and involvement in our community? Our Volunteer firefighters were tickled at the turnout and very appreciative. So were long time Meadows Place residents Tony & Peggy Oltremari who were at the new Fire Station not only to check it out, but to see their son Chris, who is one of our Volunteer Fire Fighters. This is great addition to our City and something we should all be proud of.

Oh, just so you know, our Public Works department did yeoman's work getting the area by the Annex building and the new Fire Station landscaped and ready. Thanks guys. Looks great!

Did you know.... That Mayor McGrath and Meadows Elementary Principal Irma Cobos were in one of their "keeping the lines of communication open" meetings when she happily shared the school's Report Card with him? Yes, each school in the district gets a report card and yes she was smiling when she presented it (Grinning ear to ear is more like it) because Meadows Elementary got GREAT GRADES! Both Mayor McGrath and Principal Cobos feel the school is the heartbeat of the City and right now the heart is beating well. Great job Meadows Elementary!

Speaking of Meadows Elementary Did you know... That Meadows Elementary and the PTO have decided to change the Spring Carnival to Old Town Meadows? Old Town Meadows will take place on Friday, March 3, 2006 from 5:30 to 9:00 pm. Exciting entertainment from the students, new games, a live auction and dinner can be purchased. The entire community is invited. Come out and support our school!

Did you know ...Meadows All Play has changed their name to Meadows Place Baseball to reflect the name of the City and "brand" the league to the city? There are a few more changes too. They plan to participate in Major League Baseball's Hit, Pitch and Run and have some clinics as well. Opening Day is slated for Saturday, March 4th. There will be a parade and a fun Opening Day ceremony. Drop on by. Now - Play BALL!!

Did you know...One of your neighbors came to the City Council meeting last week to ask how long there would be construction going on along West Airport? Well, we can't be certain. This is a large, long term project. The first phase will take a couple of years and then the next phase will take a couple more. She also asked about trees along the esplanade and you will be happy to know that the Mayor and Council came to an agreement with the developer to plant trees across from their property all the way down to Kirkwood.

Did you know... that one of our residents, Vicki Cerna-Bell (mother of Kendall & Jennifer Bell), is in training to ride the MS150 bike ride from Houston to Austin in a fundraiser for multiple sclerosis? For more information about her ride, go to <http://ms150.org/edon.cfm?id=180602>. This is the type of citizen involvement that we all benefit from.

Did you know... that Taylor Minton got an appointment to West Point? His parents, Jim and Margaret couldn't be prouder. And why wouldn't they be? Taylor will not only get a fine education but will serve our nation as well. Congratulations Taylor! Charles & Elaine Jessup are proud parents too. Their son Charles just completed a test for Fourth Degree Black Belt in Soo Bahk Do Moo Duk Kwan – a traditional Korean martial art. The test took eight days and averaged almost 18 hours a day. He will get the results in about a month. Good luck Charles.

Did you know.... We always need your help to fill the columns of Did You Know? If you have something for Did You Know please E-mail us at: alderman1@cityofmeadowsplace.org or drop a note at City Hall. Thanks.

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MEADOWS COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

By Steve Court

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The MCIA Board serves as the architectural committee for the City of Meadows Place. If you are planning an exterior addition or change to your home, you must complete a Plan Approval Form and submit it to the Board prior to any building permits being issued by the City.

Meadows Place City Council recently passed a Tree Stump Ordinance. All trees removed from your property must be cut or ground 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

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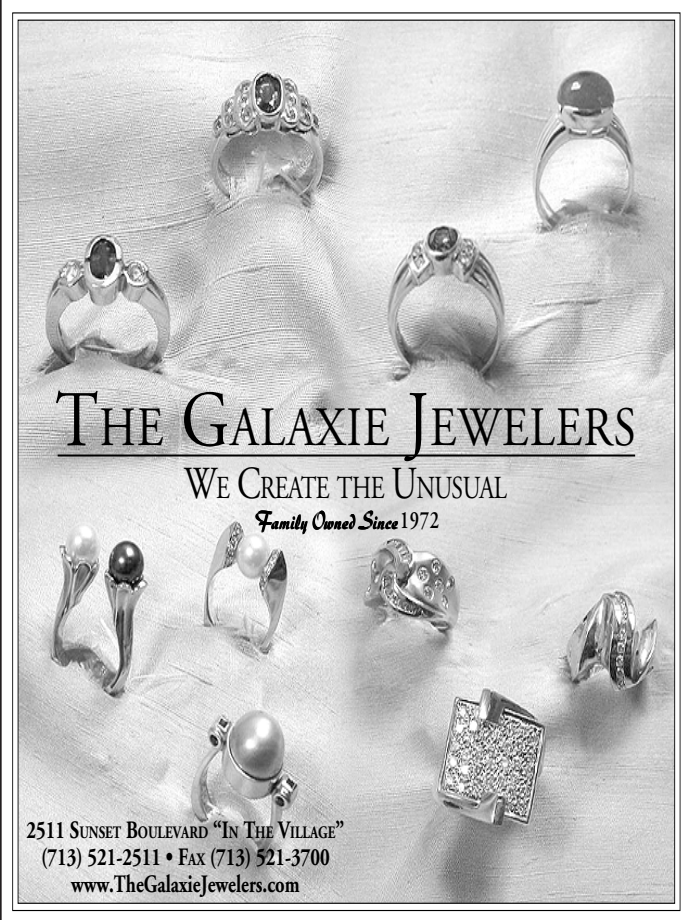
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" Judge 'of' the '268th ' District 'Court' " " "" "

I ask for your support in the Republican Primary. If elected, I pledge to serve all the citizens of Fort Bend County by ensuring that your tax dollars are not wasted. As a practicing trial Attorney, CPA and a resident of Fort Bend County (Meadows) for 33 years, I am ever vigilant of finances and will consider my financial obligation to the citizens of Fort Bend as critical as my duty to justice and fairness if elected to Judge of the 268th District Court. I will promise to administer the law fairly at all times and will at all times be ever mindful of my duty and responsibility to the citizens of Fort Bend County to ensure a fair and just Court providing value for all the citizens of this county. Retiring an incumbent that refuses to retire is a tough job and I need your vote to bring fairness and justice back to the 268th " " " " " " " " " " " "

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Lifeguard applications are being accepted at City Hall until March 31st, 2006. Interviews will be scheduled the first week in April. (NEW AGE POLICY) All applicants must be 15 years of age by the training dates:

Wednesday, April 19th 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Saturday, April 22nd 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Sunday, April 23rd 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

PARKS AND RECREATION BULLETIN

Meadows Place Oasis is sponsoring a "Spring Craft Project". The location will be at Meadows Place Senior Village at 12221 South Kirkwood. Materials and instructions will be supplied. Coffee, refreshments and social time afterwards. Please come and join in the fun and meet other seniors in our community. Please RSVP terry@cityofmeadowsplace.org or call Terry at 281-983-2935.

SENIORS PROGRAMS

"Spring Craft Project"

Where: Meadows Senior Village
When: March 8, 2006
Time: 10:00 AM
Cost: FREE

CLASSES

• Check next month's newsletter for any new classes.

KARATE PROGRAM

When: Thursdays - January 12 -March 30 - No class Spring Break
Where: Community Center
Time: 6:30 - 7:30 (ages 5-12)
7:30 - 8:30 all new students (ages 13-70)

Fee: \$40.00
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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: Rex Mahy

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Winter classes March 21st - May 10th (8 weeks). No classes March 13-17 Spring Break.

When: Tuesday & Wednesday
Where: Community Center
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