

COMMENTS FROM THE MAYOR
By Charles Jessup



2016-2017 Budget

By the time you receive this, your Council will have approved the 2016-2017 City budget. The budget determines our tax rate and determines how much we can spend on water, sewer, streets, sidewalks, parks programs, police protection and capital improvement programs. This is a difficult process

which involves your Mayor, City Council, Department Heads, Finance Director and staff who work very hard to make certain basic services are being provided and, when possible, enhance our city through projects and equipment upgrades. You can find the budget on our website under Public Information.

2016-2017 Tax Rate

At press time the tax rate had not yet been approved but the proposed rate for the 2016-2017 fiscal year is 0.832 cents per 100 dollars of value of your home. This is down from 0.868 cents last year and 0.895 the year before that. The falling rates are due to increased property values and a continued increase in sales tax revenues. Despite the decrease in personal tax rates, the city is anticipating a revenue increase of 5.4 %. This allows the city to cover increased costs, yet maintain a very high level of services plus meet a few requests for new amenities for Meadows Place.

2016-2017 Utility Rates

A separate area of financial responsibility falls under Public Utilities. For the past several years the General Fund has been covering a shortfall in this area. Your Mayor and Council knew this and have been monitoring it closely for several years. Even with the Public Works budget cut from last year, the shortfall would have been in excess of \$50,000. Council agreed it was time to address it. These rates have not been raised in 10 years but costs have increased every year.

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REMINDER!



POLICE • COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

**on October 4, 2016
from 6:00p.m. to 8:00p.m.**

Find out more on page 6.

CITY CALENDAR

Meadows Place

- Oct. 25 City Council Meeting - 6:00 p.m.**
Regular Meeting - 7:30 p.m.

**EARLY VOTING FOR NOVEMBER 8 ELECTION
AT MEADOWS PLACE CITY HALL**

- Oct. 24 - 28 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**
- Oct. 29 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.**
- Oct. 30 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.**
- Oct. 31 - Nov. 4 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.**

Fort Bend ISD

- Oct. 8 Recycle and Reuse Event 10:00 a.m.**
- Oct. 14 End of the Nine Weeks**
- Oct. 17 Holiday**

Did You Know?...

Did You Know... I recently received a message that said “Just saw Meadows PD stopped on Dorrance. He was helping a young boy put his chain back on his bike. Love seeing that kind of stuff”...I love seeing that kind of stuff too and appreciate you letting us all know about it.

Thank You – and thank you to the Meadows Police officer who showed us what community policing is all about. We have a GREAT PD, don't we!

Did You Know... that I am looking forward to the 1st ever Meadows Place Oktoberfest Celebration on Friday, Oct. 28th, but I'm also looking forward to Meadows Place Haunting-on Friday, Oct. 14th? It was so much fun last year and this year's Haunting should be even MORE fun. Looks like October is going to be a great month for Meadows Place.

Did You Know... our award winning Meadows Place YAC (Youth Action Council) began meeting again in September. They hit the ground running and are off to a great start? One of their first projects is to build some little “Little Free Library” stations to put around town, mostly in the parks-for now. YAC will build three and a resident volunteered to build three more so we will have 6 Little Free Libraries in various parts of the city. They are so cool and provide a great service for the city. Be looking for them later this month. For more information, check out pg. 5 of the Parks Section in the Newsletter.

Did You Know... Keely Weber is a member of the Dulles High School FFA? This takes a lot of work and dedication but Keely is learning the cause and effect of results based on hard work and consistency. Another Meadows Place young person showing she has the right stuff to be a leader in the future. Thank You, Keely, and good luck at the Fort Bend County Fair.

Did You Know... that last month I mentioned Meadows Place has an ordinance addressing the condition of our driveways? Several people were not sure what that meant or whether or not it applied to them. The simplest way to find out is to contact Jerry Parker, our Code Enforcement officer. He will come out and answer any questions you may have on this subject.

Did You Know... Neighborhood Watch will have its next meeting on October 20th in the New Police Training and Emergency Operations Center on W. Airport? Chief Stewart and Captain Ashton want you to know - You are all invited but Snacks, great Door Prizes and an exciting Program will mean a full house. Seating is limited so be sure to get there early.

Did You Know... Robin (Crandall) Sasko, who grew up in Meadows Place, bought a house in Meadows Place, is now working in Meadows Place....at Texas Roofing Supply? Not bad for a little one square mile city. That type of multigenerational love for our city keeps Meadows Place, *Your Place for Life!*

Did You Know... Bob Dybala, President of Meadows Place Community Garden, met with Mrs. Glivens 5th grade class from Meadows Elementary and planted a garden bed of Broccoli, Carrots, Bok Choy, and Chinese lettuce? Everybody was excited and looking forward to an abundant crop. Walk on by to check their progress...you'll have fun.

Did You Know... that Texas Pride Disposal, our garbage and recycle company, will do custom trash hauling for you? There is a cost, which varies, and you need to contact them ahead of time if possible. For more information call 281-342-8178 for their “pay pile” program.

Did You Know is for YOU. To get something in Did You Know, drop us a note at City Hall or email: mayor@cityofmeadowsplace.org.

Did You Know... There are a lot of changes, and potential changes taking place in Meadows Place right now. If you look around you will see the new Meadows Place Training Center going up on West Airport across from the park. There is a new illuminated spray pad going in by the Field House and a new set of fitness equipment being installed along the path. Assuming budget revenues prove accurate, there are plans for a new water slide at the pool and a new “green” bathroom for McDonald Park over by the tennis courts. The Aldi's is coming along and soon a new UPS store and cell phone store will be open. Meadows Place is on the move.

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Current revenue cannot keep up with costs. After detailed evaluation, Mayor and Council made the tough decision to increase our Water and Sewer rates by \$1.00 per month for Water, \$1.00 per month for Sewer and increase the usage rate for each by 10 cents per 1000 gallons over the minimum. This should cover, or come close to covering, the anticipated shortfall and will ensure Meadows Place can remain financially sound while providing safe drinking water and sewer services.

Meadows Place about to Codify ordinances and fees...

To “Codify” simply means to arrange laws or rules into a systematic code. This is a process the city does to make sure all our codes, ordinances, zoning requirements and fees are in an easy to read, easy to find format for those searching for this information. Your staff spent hours with legal counsel reviewing the data and preparing for the next step in the process, which is to send the data to American Legal Publishing Corporation. American Legal provides a full range of services including ordinance codification and Internet hosting. It is the internet hosting that now allows anyone to check Meadows Place codes and ordinances directly from our website. City Secretary, Courtney Rutherford, will be doing this once a quarter to make it as easy as possible for anyone, including you and I, to have access to data. One more way Meadows Place is trying to be of service to its residents, contractors and business partners.

COP TALK

By Chief Gary Stewart



Halloween Safety Tips

The Meadows Place Police Department encourages everyone to have a safe Halloween with these Safety Tips:

- Instruct your older children to TAKE FRIENDS when “Trick or Treating.”
- Make sure a TRUSTED ADULT, accompanies your younger children when “Trick or Treating.” Older children should travel in groups.
- Children should not enter homes without your prior permission.
- Only approach homes that are well-lit both inside and outside.
- Teach your children to NEVER approach a vehicle unless they are accompanied by you
- Make sure your children wear reflective clothing and carry a flashlight or glow stick
- Make sure your children are able to see and breathe easily when using facial masks.
- All costumes and masks should be clearly marked as flame resistant.
- Teach your children to always stay in well-lit areas, and never go into isolated areas.
- Teach your children to stay alert for any suspicious incidents and report anything unusual to you and law enforcement.
- Teach your children if anyone tries to grab them to draw attention to themselves and yelling loud as they can: “This person is trying to take me,” or “This person is not my father/mother.” Teach your children to make every effort to escape by walking, running, or pulling away; yelling; kicking; attracting attention; and otherwise resisting.
- Consider organizing or attending parties at home, in schools, or in community centers as a good alternative to “Trick or Treating.”
- Please notify the Meadows Place Police Department immediately of any suspicious or unusual activity (281) 983-2900

Meadows Place Economic Development Corporation BUSINESS OF THE MONTH

Tradiaco Brazilian Steak House!



Left to right: Manager Elvis Reyes; EDC Director Kurt Kopczynski; Gertrude Abrantes-Owner; Melissa Abrantes – Events Mgr.; EDC Director -Matt Walker; Mayor Charles Jessup

***Please support Tradiaco and all
Meadows Place businesses***

The Drain is for Rain



By Danny Segundo

Storm water runoff from urban areas can carry pollutants and trash into the storm water drainage system. Water that flows down the drains in our homes first goes to sewage treatment facilities before it's released to bayous and rivers. But, water that flows into our storm water drainage system, along with other substances it collects, goes directly into our bayous, rivers, and ultimately into Galveston Bay. Unlike sewage, storm water receives no treatment.

The City of Meadows Place has installed inlet markers bearing the phrase "only rain down the drain". The message is intended to remind citizens to not to dump pollutants into storm sewers or contribute to ordinary storm water runoff by littering, over-fertilizing, or sweeping yard debris into the street.

Much of the pollution in area creeks and bayous comes from common, every-day materials, like household chemicals, fertilizers, pesticides, gasoline, used motor oil and antifreeze and litter. These substances run off into storm drain inlets by rainwater from our streets, yards, driveways and parking lots.

Information about the City's storm water management plan can be found on the City's website at www.cityofmeadowsplace.org, under the public works link, storm water hotline page.





GARAGE SALE

Last Date for 2016

November 11 & 12

Updates



By Jerry Parker

Finally, the summer heat is on the way out and cooler temps are returning!

October is Fire Prevention month, so please take a minute to check your smoke detectors and change the batteries.

With the National Elections coming this November, I have been asked about election signs. You may have election signs in your yard for 30 days prior to, and 5 days after the election. These signs may not be lighted, and must be 5 square feet or less in size.

Trash cans have still been an issue. Even with citations issued, warnings are still being ignored. Warnings are not required and are a courtesy. Please help your neighbor out. If they are out of town, work "off" hours and can't get their cans put away, place them behind the fence and out of view. Makes our City look a little better and keeps them from getting a \$500 fine.

Top Hits from September:

Violation:	Warn/Cit	Comply:
Grass/weeds	36/3	30
Trees / Shrubs	9/1	8
Trailer/Car/Boat	12/2	10
Trash Cans / Debris	73/8	56
General Nuisance	65/2	59
Totals	195/16	163

Please remember, I can't see everything. If you don't let me know what is happening and what is important to you, I can't make it a priority.

Code Enforcement Official • Office: 281-983-2938
E-Mail: code-enforcement@cityofmeadowsplace



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Home & Garden Club

By Bob Dybala, Publicity

Congratulations to the **September Yard of the Month** Award winners and a big thanks to all of you for keeping Meadows Place "Your Beautiful Place for Life." This is the last month this year for these awards. We will be awarding in December the yards that have the most festive holiday decorations. The regular Yard of the Month program will pick up at the end of March for the month of April.

Section I

Moris and Esperanza Hernandez
11322 Brighton Lane

Section II

Barbara Tansey
11823 Brighton Lane

Section III

Marie Niccolai and Mike Jones
12134 Monticeto

Section IVN

Paul and Emily Blubaugh
11706 Bolero Ct.

Section IVS

Michael and Holly Grace
12314 Meadowberry

Section V

Hao Dang
12306 Meadowglen

We had the first meeting of our 2016-2017 program year on September 13th. The meeting featured a presentation by Al Glos of the TX A&M Agrilife Extension Service who provided an audio-visual education about Fall Vegetable Gardening. The highlights of his presentation can be found on our website on the "News" page.

Our October meeting and presentation are set for October 11th. Watch the marquee at the Community Center and/or watch the Facebook announcement. This year all our meetings and presentations will take place at City Hall. All our meetings begin at 7:00 PM with a presentation open to the public. Presentations are followed by refreshments and then a business meeting.

Please join us for our annual Fall Craft Show set for Saturday, October 22nd at the Community Center from 9AM—3PM. We are proud that our Craft Show features only home-made/hand-crafted items. The show is open to all such vendors. We hope that you crafty Meadows Place residents will be there to show your "stuff." There are a few vendor booths still available so contact Joe De Bruyn (281-799-1847), the chairperson in charge of the Show, now. Our Show also features a bake sale featuring the best of home-cooking treats. Have lunch as well with grilled hamburgers, polish sausage dogs, and nachos. All the proceeds go into our Scholarship Fund so help us support a Meadows Place resident achieve a higher education goal.

We are developing our membership roster for the coming year. If you are interested in Home Improvement and/or Gardening and would like to join the Club, please contact Betty Landers (281-495-0080) or Betty Schofield (713-202-6663), the co-chairpersons of our Membership Committee. Dues for an individual membership are \$25.00; for a family membership it is \$35.00. Remember half of your membership dues go into our Scholarship Fund.

Contact us via e-mail at:
meadowshomegardenclub@gmail.com

Visit our web site today.

Meadowshomegardenclub.com



Classified & Advertising

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

- William Sutherland Handyman Repairs. Appliance, Electrical, Plumbing, Clean out sewer line from 2"-8" pipe. Power washing, interior/exterior, Carpentry work, Painting, Concrete, Tiles. Cell 713-384-2817 / 281-568-0308

- Home Daycare enrolling. 22 years experience. References available. Melanie 281-235-2107.

- AFFORDABLE QUALITY ROOFING - Roof leak? Hail damage? Aging roof? We can help. 22 yrs. experience, fully insured, member in good standing of the Houston area Better Business Bureau and an MP resident. We provide excellent workmanship with an excellent warranty, for a free estimate call (713) 484-9398- ROOFING, SIDING, and WINDOWS.

- Baby Bunny Daycare has openings available! 20 + years' experience in my Meadows Place home. Call or email Margaret for more information. New phone number: 832-803-3694 Email: margrussell0317@yahoo.com

- Mary Kay Cosmetics. Call for your complementary skin care or glamour makeover. Carol Evans, Meadows Place – 281-933-8298.

- ONYX LANDSCAPE: Residential and commercial total lawn care. Fertilization, flowerbeds, and mulch. Seasonal flowers, sod, tree trimming, tree removal, wood fence installation and repair. Meadows Place resident free estimates. Manuel 281-865-6636.

- Meadows Place Cub Scout Pack 301: Meadows Place Cub Scout Pack 301 is helping out the community! We are giving back to our city and neighbors! On October 22nd from 2:30 until dark we will be doing a city-wide service project. This includes working on our garden, cleaning the streets of nails and trash, cleaning our parks and trails, and mowing yards of those in need. If you know of anyone that needs help mowing their yard please let us know. If they are willing to accept the help and are in need, the scouts are here to help. Please contact Mark Johnson at 832-496-3818 or at furrymarkj@gmail.com to nominate a house for help or to get information on volunteering. We hope to get as many groups involved as possible and make our city stronger and more beautiful.

REMINDER! National Night Out: October 4th, 2016 • 6pm to 8pm

The Meadows Place Police Department will be making the rounds in an effort to meet and greet the community

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT is designed to:

- Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness;
- Generate support for, and participation in, local Neighborhood Watch Program;
- Strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships; and
- Send a message to criminals letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.

Along with the traditional barbecues and front yard gatherings, we encourage a variety of events and activities:

- Meet your neighbors and the police officers serving the community
- Join in on one of the many block parties, and cookouts

For more information: www.cityofmeadowsplace.org

*Contact Madonna Bolmanski:
police@cityofmeadowsplace.org or 281 983-2900*



POLICE • COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS



Est. 1970
41st Annual

Fall Craft Show

Saturday, October 22nd
9:00 AM—3:00 PM

Meadows Place Community Center
11975 Dorrance

Enjoy shopping for unique **hand-crafted/ home-made** items from local artisans.

All proceeds go into a Scholarship Fund for Meadows Place residents.

The Show includes a **Bake Sale**, a **Raffle** and a **Food Booth** with grilled burgers, sausage dogs, nachos and beverages.



Admission is free!!



Meadows Place Neighborhood Watch

Where you learn what to look for and learn to protect yourself, your family, your home and your car.



★ *This Month at Neighborhood Watch* ★

What To Do

In a Live Shooter Event!

Event Limited to first 55 people.

*Door Prizes * Refreshments*

Next Meeting - Thursday, October 20th in MPPD Training Center - - 11975 West Airport.

Begins promptly at 7.p.m. Ends at 8:00

*To report suspicious activity call 281-983-2900
Neighborhood Watch makes us Stronger!*



Meadows Place has many ways for you to get out, get active, and get involved. Stay current with the latest program and event information by checking the City website, Facebook and monthly Newsletter. We are always open to hear your ideas and suggestions, so please call or email your comments to parksdirector@cityofmeadowsplace.org or 281.983.2935.

PROGRAM REGISTRATION

- 1) Forms can be found on-line at cityofmeadowsplace.org under the department tab / parks and recreation / programs. Make checks payable to City of Meadows Place then mail to, 1 Troyan Dr. , Meadows Place, TX 77477
- 2) You may also register in person at City Hall, Monday – Friday between 9am – 4pm. If after hours place form & payment in the night drop.

RENTALS

If you are looking for a location to host a meeting, celebration or family gathering, the Community Center is a great local option. It can accommodate up to 160 occupants. Tables and chairs are provided with rental. We also offer seasonal rentals of the community pool. Consult the website for more details.

Beginning Oct 1, rental rates will increase AND will now include cleaning following your event!



CALLING ALL ACTIVE ADULTS

Come to a light lunch, cards and dominos and discuss upcoming activities just for you. This will be your opportunity to tell the Parks & Recreation staff just exactly what activities you would like to have in Meadows Place. Please bring your friends and your ideas!

10/18, 11:30 am @ Community Center

NATURE EXPLORERS: BAT BONANZA

Parks & Rec is inviting families on October 11 to come to the Lake and learn about our neighborhood bats. Assist us by building new bat boxes to hang in our parks to provide a home for our bats, learn how beneficial bats are to our environment and learn to love bats, not fear them! **Children must be accompanied by a parent. FREE!**

10/08, 10–11am, Pavilion by the Lake



OCTOBER 28 FROM 6-9PM

Come enjoy the sounds and taste of Germany. Food Trucks will be on site offering German Fare, desserts and beer for purchase. The Texas Legacy Czech Band will be performing throughout the night along with children activities. No admission fees just bring a chair or blanket and enjoy a night out in Meadows Place.

10/28, 6-9pm @ McGrath Park



Chris Noble will speak on the importance of mammograms, cervical cancer screenings and assistance for those without insurance. **R.S.V.P. to Colita Campbell @ ac23cc@aol.com**

10/ 20, 6:30-7:30PM @ City Hall



BIRDING PROGRAM

A beginner Birding class will be offered in October/November. This is a 6 week course; weeks 1, 3 & 5 will be classroom instruction in the Community Center, and weeks 2, 4 & 6 will be field trips to local area Parks.

Instructional class will include information about birding etiquette; choosing/using binoculars; field guides & birding apps; what to wear/what to bring; identification methods; bird calls; bird topography; and how to get involved in birding activities in our area. Photos would be shown of some of the common birds of the City of Meadows Place area. A field trip schedule with locations and addresses will be distributed.

Registration is limited to only 8 participants.

10/10 – 11/14, Every Monday, 8:30–10:30 am @ Community Center (Ages 14 & up) \$60 residents/ \$75 non-residents



NOVEMBER 12 – 13 @ LAKE LIVINGSTON SP

Come and experience the great outdoors first hand. For those who have never camped and even those who are experienced campers, this event will be fun for all. Texas Parks & Wildlife has partnered with Meadows Place Parks & Recreation to host a Texas Outdoor Family Campout at Lake Livingston State Park on November 12 – 13. TPWD will provide all equipment needed and Parks & Rec will be there for support. We have only 7 sites available (6 people per site only) and this event will fill up fast, so register right away! Park admission and camp site fee are included in the fee of only \$30/site, bring only your food & bedding.

Registration Required, Spaces Limited

11/ 12 – 13, \$30/site (max 6 people/site)



CHAIR YOGA

Soothe achy joints and Increase your range of motion with this gentle seated yoga class, adaptable to your comfort level. Specifically designed for the 55+ crowd, but all ages are welcome! Chairs will be provided. Registration required.

10/4 – 10/25, Every Tuesday, 6 pm @ Community Center, (All Ages) \$20 – Now on Tuesday evenings too!

10/5 – 10/26, Every Wednesday, 9 am @ Community Center, (All Ages) \$20



RESTORATIVE FLOOR YOGA

Center your mind and body in this calming, breath-focused class. Build your endurance with standing postures that transition into floor work and an extended time of silent meditation. No previous yoga experience necessary.

10/4 – 10/25, Every Tuesday, 7 pm @ Community Center, (All Ages) \$20 – New Time! Registration Required.



PARENT & PRESCHOOLER YOGA

Join your preschooler in yoga poses and breathing exercises to help strengthen coordination, gain flexibility, and build body awareness. All caregivers are welcome as we work through this bonding routine that may include some fun partner poses.

10/6 – 10/27, Every Thursday, 8:30 am @ Community Center, \$30 (includes parent & child); Registration Required.



TURBO KICK

It's an energetic workout that will get your heart pumping. Come and get into shape while having fun. No experience necessary just the desire to feel better and improve yourself. Teen Challenge kids are welcome! **Must pre-register.**

10/5 - 10/26 Wednesdays 7:30-8:30pm @ Community Center (All Ages) \$20 – Registration Required.



KAYAK SKILLS TRAINING

This eco-friendly sport is recognized as the fastest growing sport in the world! Our lessons provide an introduction for the beginner paddler, the instructor will teach safety, paddling, and turning through this interactive experience. This course will be offered periodically throughout the year.

10/22, 10 am @ McGrath Lake (7yr & Up) \$15 Pre-registration required.

LAKE KAYAK DAY

Have you completed Kayak Skills Training and would like to kayak at the lake for free? Come out for open kayak day.

10/22, 12 pm - 2pm @ McGrath Lake (Anyone certified)



NEW BOWLERS NEEDED

Meadows Place Ladies Bowling Team bowls every Wednesday morning, 9am @ Emerald Bowl; Come join the team, meet new friends and get active! **CALL: 281.495.8330**



PICKLEBALL OPEN PLAY

The rules are posted and the courts have been striped for play. Find a partner and enjoy this fun sport. Equipment is provided on site. Court passes can be purchased at City Hall M - F / 9-4pm for year round access.

Tuesday and Thursday Courts reserved for Pickleball



Tennis classes offered by Fort Bend Tennis Services.

Register online at fortbendtennis.com

**Junior Beginner/Adv. Beginner 6:00-7:00pm
Monday & Wednesday \$95/month**

Juniors, age 7-12 years. Beginner/Advanced Beginner: For students with little or some experience. You will learn the basic shots of the game, ball handling, movement & keeping score.

**Adult Novice Class 7:00-8:30pm
Monday & Wednesday \$135/month**

Adults, age 18 & older. Adult Novice: For students with little or some experience or who have not played in many years and are ready to return to the game or improve their basic shots and movement. You will learn/review the basic shots, movement and playing the game.

Class size: minimum 4, maximum 8 per Instructor.

Pre-registration and raquet required. Sign up online at fortbendtennis.com

TENNIS COURT / PICKLEBALL ACCESS

Resident Access Cards are available for purchase at City Hall Monday – Friday 9am-4pm. Cards are \$50. Cards are valid through May each year.



Sharpen your mind and strengthen your body with Hall of Famer, Master Jenny Pless. She teaches all levels of skill from basic to advanced.

Mon &/or Wed. @ Community Center / Must pre-register

Session I - 9/7-10/26 (no class 10/17)
5-6pm (4-12 yrs. old)
6-7pm (13+ – adult)
7 classes for \$35.00 or 14 classes for \$69.00

Session II - 11/2-12/14 (no class 11/23)
5-6pm (4-12 yrs. old) 6-7pm (13+ - Adult)
6 classes for \$30.00 or 12 classes for \$59.00
9/15 –12/8, 7:30-8:30pm Thursdays (13yr &up) \$50



OVER 50 AND FIT

Strengthen your core muscles as well as improve stability and range of motion. Some exercise will be on the floor so please bring a mat for comfort.

10/11- Nov 17, 10:30am T/TH @ Community Center \$30



American Society of Karate teaches American Karate to ages 5-70yr in a positive ever-changing system. Its goal is to not be the largest, but to be the best. Instructors: 4th Degree Black Belt, Steve Puma and 3rd Degree Black Belt, Michael Puma. May try 1st class for free w/signed waiver. **Must pre-register. @ Community Center. Uniform Fee paid to instructor \$30**

9/15 -12/8, 6:30-7:30pm Thursdays (5-12yr) \$50
9/15-12/8, 7:30-8:30pm Thursdays (13yr & up) \$50



COMMUNITY GARDEN

The Community Garden meets twice a month to plant, till and weed the beds on the second & fourth Saturday of the month at 9am. If you are interested in learning how to grow and tend a garden, just show up and you will be taught.

2nd & 4th Saturday monthly, 9am @ Community Garden



ATTENTION ALL HIGH-SCHOOL STUDENTS

"Build a Little Library" October 15 and 29, 10-12 @ McDonald Park by the Tennis Court

Would you like to be a part of a national organization while making a difference in your own community? If so, now is the time to join the Meadows Place Youth Action Council. Serve as the voice of teens in the community, promote leadership through volunteerism, and make a positive impact while having fun with other teens. YAC is a great way to earn service hours and also include on your college application. This is a youth run organization. Teens created the bylaws, set the schedule, and make the plans for service, volunteering and fun. Applications will be accepted throughout the year and can be found on the City website.

2016 / 2017 School year will include Camping Trip, Skeeters Baseball, volunteering at City events and more. Charitable activities will include food drive, book drive, host a glow run, beach cleanup and feed the homeless.



MEADOWS PLACE HAUNTING

October 14 from 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm

ZOMBIE LASER TAG / GHOST TRAIN/ INFLATES / CONCESSIONS

This is a family friendly community event for all ages. Come and enjoy a night out in Meadows Place!

Little Joe's DJ and Light Show, Tiger Rock Marshall Arts of Sugar Land Skills Challenge Course, train, inflates and concessions will be available for your enjoyment.

Wristbands will be sold for unlimited outdoor Zombie Laser Tag - \$10 each, 5 years & up. All other activities are FREE of charge.

NEW AMENITIES COMING TO MEADOWS PLACE THIS OCTOBER



LITTLE FREE LIBRARY.ORG
TAKE A BOOK • RETURN A BOOK



Little Free Library

Our very own Youth Action Council (YAC) with the assistance of Tom Evans and Tina Garza, will be installing 6 Little Libraries in the Parks throughout October. These will be permanently placed in the parks for use by the community free of charge. The idea is to take a book and return a book. The Little Libraries will promote literacy and the love of reading as we build a sense of community and share skills, creativity and wisdom across generations.

The Little Libraries will be registered with the Worldwide Project and listed online as a destination site. You will find ours at McDonald Park, McGrath Park, Brighton Pocket Park, Meadowglen Pocket Park.

Illuminated Spray Pad

An illuminated spray pad will be installed in McGrath park where the current fitness equipment sits. This site will include a flow through water spray system during the day and illuminated spray at night. The water feature will be self-controlled on a 15-minute timer. This site will also include a dry area for seating. The water will be operated seasonally, however the pad site can be used year round for a stage area or program space.

New Outdoor Fitness Equipment

The current fitness equipment will be replaced with multi-generational pieces. The new equipment will be placed along the front edge of the trail creating a linear style circuit. This equipment will cater to most ability levels including 60+.

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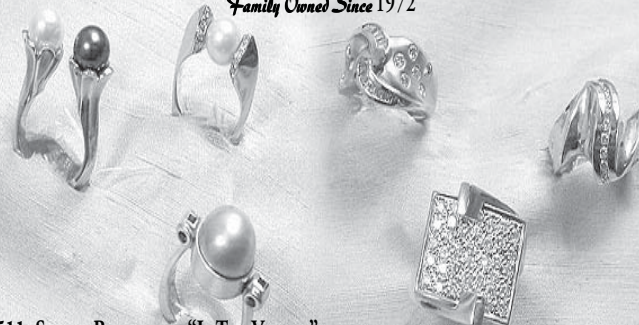
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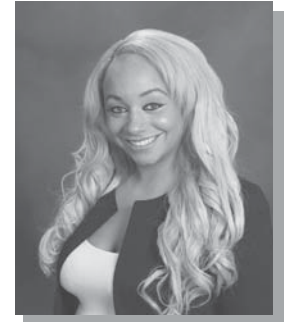
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