

COMMENTS FROM THE MAYOR

By Charles Jessup



Elections

468 seats in the U.S. Congress, State and County positions are up for election this November, and many of these races will have to have a primary to decide the candidate. These primary elections are on March 6, 2018. There will probably be some runoffs which would then take place on May 22nd.

Part of this potentially complicated election cycle includes an election for three Council positions and the Mayor here in Meadows Place.

The Meadows Place city election was approved by Council at the January Council meeting and will be held on May 5th, 2018. To be eligible to vote you must register at least 30 days before an election so if you are not registered, please do so. We will post election information on the website and reminders on the official City of Meadows Place Facebook page. Early voting begins on April 23rd at City Hall. Check the Website or call City Hall for more information. Meadows Place has been voting at a higher percentage than most of the County and needs to continue to do so for us to get the attention of state and national elected officials.

Moody's Investment Report

Moody's Investor Service released their Annual Comment on Meadows Place and I am pleased to tell you the report was excellent. They said "the city has a robust financial position" and reported our fund balance at 81.4% is far stronger, and our cash balance at 88.4%, is far superior to the US median. Moody's covers our Finances, Debt, Tax base, Management, Governance and more. The full report is on the website for your review. This strong report is a reflection of the hard work over the past decade by your City Council and Mayoral administrations to strengthen and improve the city's finances so Meadows Place is able to meet our financial responsibilities of the future.

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NOTICE

**NOTICE OF DEADLINE TO FILE
APPLICATIONS FOR PLACE ON THE BALLOT**
(AVISO DE FECHA LÍMITE PARA PRESENTAR
SOLICITUDES PARA UN LUGAR EN LA BOLETA)

**May 5, 2018, City of Meadows Place
General Election**

(la Elección General de la Ciudad de
Meadows Place el 5 de mayo, 2018)

Filing Dates and Times:
(Fechas y Horario para Entregar Presentaciones)

Start Date: January 17, 2018
(Fecha de Inicio: 17 de enero de 2018)

End Date: February 16, 2018
(Fecha Límite: 16 de febrero de 2018)

Office Hours: Mon.-Fri.: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
(Horario de la Oficina: Lunes-Viernes: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.)

See website for more information
(Ver sitio web para más información)
[http://cityofmeadowsplace.org/government/
municipalelectioninformation/](http://cityofmeadowsplace.org/government/municipalelectioninformation/)

CITY CALENDAR

Meadows Place

- Feb. 16 Last Day to File for Place on Ballot**
5:00 p.m.
- Feb. 27 City Council Workshop - 6:00 p.m.**
- Feb. 27 Regular Council Meeting - 7:30 p.m.**

Fort Bend ISD

- Feb. 19 Student Holiday**
- Mar. 27 Regular Board Meeting - 6:00 p.m.**

Did You Know?...

Did You Know... Police Chief Gary Stewart had a busy night at last month's City Council. In addition to asking the city to declare Richard Simmons day in Meadows Place as part of Richard's retirement, the Chief gave service pens for longevity to Bill Niz (15 yrs.), Jason Rebsch (10 years), and Yonathan Mezegabe (5yrs.). Congratulations and Thank You to all these fine officers and Welcome to three officers who have recently joined the force. They are: Davon Jackson; Solomon Manna and Jazmine Manzanara. All three are in various stages of the training process which, because of our rigid requirements, takes months to complete. The addition of Jazmine filled the patrol roster making Meadows Place one of the only departments around with a full complement of patrol officers. We should all be proud, and happy, because a strong police force is one more reason Meadows Place is... *Your Place for Life*.

Did You Know... Mark Jessup, who has a plaque on our Wall of Heroes in City Hall, is a JAG attorney who just got to try his first case at sea. The trial took place on the carrier USS Theodore Roosevelt. Mark was excited not only about a trial at sea, but also about landing on a carrier. He said you go from landing speed to stop in about two seconds and that it was very intense. Can't wait to hear about the takeoff.

Did You Know... Meadows Place uses volunteers and workers that are a part of a seniors work program. Last year we received over 2,596 volunteer hours, which were utilized mostly in Admin, Courts, and Parks. These hours helped Meadows Place expand and improve its service to the residents and helped save the city a LOT of money. Great job, and Thank You.

Did You Know... your City Council appointed two new members to the Meadows Place Economic Development Corporation

or EDC. Joining Kurt Kopczynski and Matt Walker for two year terms were Richard Ramirez, a marketing analyst for Perry Homes and Tia Baker, Marketing Manager for LJA Engineering. Tia also sits on the Board of Directors of SMBS. These two young professionals bring great experience, energy and vision to an already dynamic EDC. These four will join EDC President Bob Graf, Terry Henley and Harry Hamilton as they strive to maximize EDC impact on the future of Meadows Place. Congratulations, and Thank you all for serving.

Did You Know... Meadows Place has a new Code Enforcement Officer. His name is Robert Rivas and he has already been through a week of Code Enforcement training, been trained on the Code Enforcement software and met with our City Attorneys, Judge and Prosecutor. Robert is a veteran and a retired police officer who is still a licensed peace officer in the State of Texas. Robert has worked with Meadows Place PD and Chief Stewart, was on the Fort Bend County Drug Task force for over 5 years and is anxious to establish himself as the Go To guy for The City of Meadows Place Code Enforcement. Welcome aboard Robert!

Did You Know... according to Pastor Doug Robinson, "it takes a lot of work to launch a preschool". Yet this is just what they have done. Meadows Place Preschool is a new preschool at Sugar Grove Church of Christ that "seeks to inspire hearts to grow, learn and love!" Pastor Robinson said "We love being a part of this community ". For more information visit : meadowsplacepreschool.org. Glad to have you in Meadows Place and glad you chose to include the name of our great little city in the name of your school.

Did You Know... is for you. To get something in Did You Know in 2018, drop us a note at City Hall or email: mayor@cityofmeadowsplace.org.

Did You Know... Meadows Place is about to have two new additions. The first is the Discovery Center next to the pool. In addition to the very exciting Nature Center portion, this facility will house new programs for people of all ages and, in response to the Parks Program Survey, will offer more evening programs for adults. (You ask, we listen) Thank You to Regas Construction ! They played a huge role in the restoration and reconfiguration of our new Discovery Center by contributing FREE labor and construction expertise. Coming soon - a new eco-friendly bathroom in McDonald Park by the tennis courts. Parents, park patrons and the school have wanted one for a while – now we will!

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It is also indicative of the abilities of staff, especially our fantastic Department Heads. Fiscal responsibility is a priority and will ensure Meadows Place will continue to be... **Your Place for Life.**

After Action Review

On Monday, January 22nd, Police Chief Stewart, Public Works Director Danny Segundo, Parks Director Colene Cabezas, City Secretary Courtney Rutherford and I all met for an After Action Review to examine our processes dealing with the freeze event. The meeting was documented and served not only as a review, but a roadmap to better deal with future events. Meadows Place was very responsive and did a good job, but as our Public Works Director said, "You can always learn from an event like this". Some takeaways included improved processes for addressing commercial irrigation, remote payroll procedures and Code Red notices. Each department felt they benefitted from this review and will include the changes in our Emergency Management Response. Meadows Place strives to continually improve in every area but also puts in the effort required to improve.

Yes, I am running for re-election and am delighted to do so. I am running again because I love this city, the people and the future we can continue to build together.

I have dedicated the last decade to making sure Meadows Place strives to become the perfect place to live and raise a family. A city where young professionals and seniors alike can see the investment in their home grow, a place where children can walk and ride to the parks and play in safety. A place people are proud to call home.

I am proud to call Meadows Place home, proud of what we have accomplished, and excited about our future.

Thank You, Charles Jessup

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By Danny Segundo

Don't be a Victim Do your homework

How often do you hear of someone being taken advantage of by a contractor? Unfortunately, it happens all too often, thus giving reputable and legitimate contractors a bad name. While the majority of contractors may be trustworthy, there are others who are unscrupulous and unreliable. Some will fix items that don't need fixing, or grossly overcharge you for services or parts. Worse, there are plenty of con artists posing as tradesmen who will simply take your money and run. Take time to do your homework and select a trustworthy contractor to do the job. As the spring home improvement season approaches, look out for these "red flags" which can indicate a contractor may be unscrupulous. Beware if the contractor:

- Drives an unmarked van with out-of-state license plates - Be suspicious of anyone who simply shows up and operates in nondescript vehicles with no business markings.
- Offers a special price if you sign today, or wants the money upfront or only in cash - A good contractor will never want CASH or the entire payment up front. There is usually a reasonable down payment and payments are in progression based on the construction schedule. It's practice for a contractor to ask for 1/3 of the total cost up front to cover purchasing material.
- Has no references - Get at least 3 references from other customers. Ask to talk to the contractor's last three customers, not his favorites. This ensures that the contractor is consistent in quality. If he refuses to get you past customer references, that should be a sign that there will be a problem.
- Does not provide written estimates or contracts - Never trust a contractor who doesn't require a written contract. Never sign a blank contract or one with holes in it. If something goes wrong, you have no legal recourse because nothing was in writing. Get a contract that spells out cost of materials, labor, an outline of the project, and other important work details. If there are changes along the way add detailed "change orders" signed by all parties.
- Is not licensed - Always ask a contractor to see their licensing credentials, then verify this information with the local building inspector's office. Look up the contractor's Better Business Bureau rating. Even if your state doesn't require licenses for certain projects, your contractor should still be insured. Call their insurance carrier and make sure their policy is current and can cover your project.
- Does not look professional and does not have business cards or letterhead on invoices - Get a business card. Call the number on the card and make sure he picks up. (Some numbers are voicemail services that can't be traced.) Call the Better Business Bureau, go on Yelp and see if there are any complaints about him.

If you hire a contractor, you're trusting this person to come into your home and change the most expensive thing you own. So take the necessary precautions to avoid becoming a victim.



COP TALK

By Chief Gary Stewart

IRS Scams

The Meadows Place Police Department would like to remind everyone it is Tax Season again and the Scammers are out there. Here are some tips from the IRS. If you suspect you may have been a victim, please contact the Meadows Place Police Department or IRS (800-366-4484) to report suspicious activity.

The IRS continues to warn consumers to guard against scam phone calls from thieves intent on stealing their money or their identity. Criminals pose as the IRS to trick victims out of their money or personal information. Here are several tips to help you avoid being a victim of these scams:

- **Scammers make unsolicited calls.** Thieves call taxpayers claiming to be IRS officials. They demand that the victim pay a bogus tax bill. They con the victim into sending cash, usually through a prepaid debit card or wire transfer. They may also leave "urgent" callback requests through phone "robo-calls," or via phishing email.
- **Callers try to scare their victims.** Many phone scams use threats to intimidate and bully a victim into paying. They may even threaten to arrest, deport or revoke the license of their victim if they do not get the money.
- **Scams use caller ID spoofing.** Scammers often alter caller ID to make it look like the IRS or another agency is calling. The callers

use IRS titles and fake badge numbers to appear legitimate. They may use the victim's name, address and other personal information to make the call sound official.

- **Cons try new tricks all the time.** Some schemes provide an actual IRS address where they tell the victim to mail a receipt for the payment they make. Others use emails that contain a fake IRS document with a phone number or an email address for a reply. These scams often use official IRS letterhead in emails or regular mail that they send to their victims. They try these ploys to make the ruse look official.

The IRS will not:

- Call you to demand immediate payment. The IRS will not call you if you owe taxes without first sending you a bill in the mail.
- Demand that you pay taxes and not allow you to question or appeal the amount you owe.
- Require that you pay your taxes a certain way. For instance, require that you pay with a prepaid debit card.
- Ask for your credit or debit card numbers over the phone.
- Threaten to bring in police or other agencies to arrest you for not paying. *If you don't owe taxes*, or have no reason to think that you do: Do not give out any information. Hang up immediately.

The Meadows Place Police Department is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week (281) 983-2900.

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GARAGE SALE

Dates for 2018:

February 9 & 10
May 11 & 12
August 10 & 11
November 9 & 10

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.

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

- COMMERCIAL BROKERAGE SERVICES: I can help with an office, retail, or industrial lease. I can help you if you are looking to buy or sell a building or land. Over 30+ years of commercial real estate experience. Resident, Broker. Bob (281) 415-1205

- Retired 30 year mechanic. Will fix cars and cut lawns. Very Reasonable. Maintenance before catastrophe. Call Irishman Noel 281-804-1751.

- Pet/house sitting. 20 year resident of Meadows Place. 5 years experience. References gladly provided. 281.222.7731. Kim

- Pet Sitter, House Sitter, Bonded. Linda 713-302-6740 lmssolutions.us@gmail.com

- Terries's Home Child Care has an opening for a Toddler Registered 28 years First Aid CPR. Breakfast lunch and snacks provided play room back yard play area lots of love and care 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Mon-Fri. Call Terrie 281-222-3640.

- AVON. Call me. 281-495-3297 Resident.

- Pet Sitting or dog walking. Ask for Chris. 281-561-5574

- For Sale. Used lumber. 8' 2X4, various lengths 4' X 4'. 12311 Alston Drive, Phone: 281-879-7508

Home & Garden Club

By Clyde Little, Publicity

We are pleased to announce the winners of our "Most Festive Holiday Decorations" for the 2017 Christmas season. Photos of these yards and homes may be found on the "News" page on our website, listed below. We congratulate these homeowners, and all who decorated their homes, for the effort put forth to brighten our Christmas Season. The winners:

Section I

Tod & Melissa Van Note
11806 Scottsdale

Section IV-North

Daniel & Martha Lugo
11807 Blair Meadow

Section II

Mike & Regina Shreve
11803 Montecito Court

Section IV-South

Tadd & Tiffany Shreve
12227 Hoggard

Section III

Anthony & Mercy Kirk
12018 Meadowdale

Section V

Elsie Cera
12206 Meadow Glen Ct.

There will be not be a General Meeting/Presentation in February. Instead, the Club members will be gathering for our annual "International Dinner."


The next General Meeting is scheduled for March 13th at the Community Center. The meeting begins at 7pm with a presentation by Debbie LeBlanc and Beverly McMinn. Their topic is "Shade Plants and Landscaping." Refreshments are served after the program, followed by our business meeting. Guests are free to leave or stay.

Contact us via e-mail at:

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Meadows Place Parks and Recreation has many ways for you to get out, get active, and get involved. For questions please contact lylanan@cityofmeadowsplace.org /281.983.2935



CAMPOUT IN THE PARK

Come and experience the great outdoors first hand. For those who have never camped and even those who are experienced this event will be fun for all. We will teach the basics of kayaking, fishing, etc. We will provide the meals and you will provide a tent and sleeping gear. Check in is at 1pm and activities will begin at 2pm. The event ends Sunday morning by 10am. This is a family event, at least one parent or guardian must be registered for youth under 18 to participate. * New this year: tandem kayaks, free play activities and rock wall.

REGISTER

3/17, 1pm @ Meadows Place Lake, \$30 for family of 4
Additional \$10 per person. Must register by March 9.



RC REGATTA

Meadows Place will hold its first RC Regatta. We will have races for novices to advanced racers! There will be separate categories, children & adult.

REGISTER

2/10, McGrath Park @ 10am, \$10 entry fee
Must register by 2/7.



ALL DAY SUMMER CAMP

Meadows Place will now offer All Day Summer Camp! Each week will be themed with exciting and action-packed activities! We will offer arts and crafts, outdoor adventure, fishing, boating, swimming, adventure days, cooking, science labs, plant & animal interactions and more!

- Registration begins March 5
- Limited spots available
- Weekly sessions / June 4 to August 13.
- \$125 Resident / \$150 Non-Resident
- Additional fee for early drop off
- Monday to Friday, 8am to 5pm
- Grades 1 – 6

*This camp is not a state licensed day-care.

BE INSTA-READY!

This workshop is for anyone who wants to bring their selfie game to another level. The instructor, Ally Garcia, will teach you basic skin care, contouring, and how to care for your brushes. Class is limited to 10.

REGISTER

4/15, Sun, 1pm – 3pm @ Discovery Center, \$65



HIGH-SCHOOL STUDENTS

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. YAC is a great way to earn service hours and also include on your college application. This is a youth run organization. Teens elect officers and make the plans for service, volunteering and fun.

Applications will be accepted throughout the year and can be found on the City website. Show up at one of the dates below and we will get you started. It's EASY!

2/9, 6-8pm @ City Hall – Food, Fun, Project

2/16-18, YAC Summit in Cedar Hill, TX

Preregister by 1/31, \$75 includes 2 nights' hotel stay, transportation, meals, t-shirt, conference registration & socials. Leaving 2/16 at 3:30pm.



BACKYARD BIRDS & ME

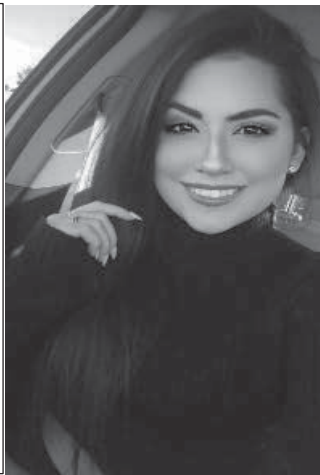
Is a dog a bird...what about a frog...am I a bird? Your child will have fun & make friends while learning about BIRDS. Classes will provide learning through arts, crafts, stories, and hands on activities. **Location: Discovery Center, 11938 Amblerwood.**

3/6, 3/20 & 3/27, Tues., 9am – 9:45am,
(4–7yr), \$20 Parent must accompany child.

3/1, 3/8 & 3/22, Thurs., 9am – 9:45am,
(7–12yr), \$20

CAKE AND BAKE

This workshop is for the everyday busy woman who wants to learn how to apply make-up in 15 min and look like they just walked off the runway.



Instructor, Ally Garcia, will guide you in basic skin care and how to look your best in 15 min. Class is limited to 10. Cupcakes will be served along with Mimosas!

REGISTER

4/8, Sun, 11am–1pm @ Discovery Center, \$65

ACTIVE ADULT 50+ PROGRAM

Active Adults meet Monday's at the Community Center for fellowship and fun. Come and join our Active Adult Community from **10:00am – 1:00pm**.

MONDAY, February 5

Visit and meet friends while playing cards, dominos or sipping coffee.

Book Club will be reading;

A Memory of Violets: A Novel of London's Flower Sellers by Hazel Gaynor.

MONDAY, February 12

Free demo of Tai Chi Chin. Join Janet as she guides us in this gentle way of exercise. Demo will start at 10:30am.

MONDAY, February 19

Houston Bonsai Society will demonstrate the basics of caring for a bonsai tree. Begins at **10:30am**.



MONDAY, February 26

Come and play BINGO. Bring your quarters.

BOWLING

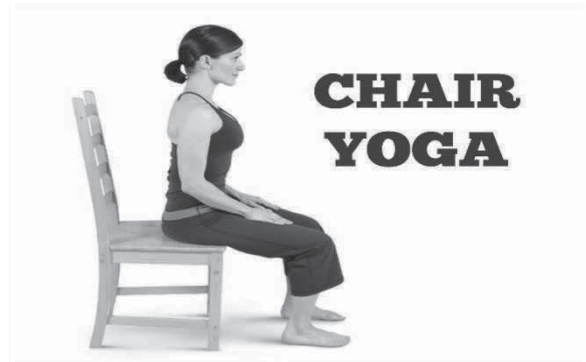
Meadows Place Ladies Bowling Team bowls every Wednesday morning, 9am @ Emerald Bowl; Come join the team, meet new friends and get active!

Call: 281.498.8330

BRIDGE

Do you play Bridge? The Bridge Group meets the 1st Tuesday of each month, September – May. If you are interested in socializing and playing cards, please contact Dolores Parker, 281-814-8844.

2/6, 9am-2pm @ Community Center, No fee



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. **No class Feb. 13th**

REGISTER

2/6 - 2/27 Tues, 6pm @ Community Center, \$25



TAI CHI CHIH

It is a moving meditation originated by Justin Stone in 1974. The 19 movements and one pose are easy to learn and have profound effects. With regular practice benefits may include:

- Balanced physical energy and stamina;
- Building a healthy posture;
- Improving our joint flexibility;
- Promoting spiritual serenity;
- Focusing our mind and awareness

REGISTER

Class will be held at 3pm on 2/6

2/6 – 3/1, T/TH 1:30 –2:30pm, Community Center, \$50 fee



ZUMBA

Come shake, shimmy, and dance those calories away!!!! A total workout, combining all elements of fitness – cardio, muscle conditioning, balance and flexibility, boosted energy and a serious dose of awesome each time you leave class.

REGISTER

1/10 – 2/28, Mon & Wed. @ Community Center
7:30 – 8:30pm, \$65 includes
2 days per week / Walk ins \$6



BODY SCULPT



New year, new you! This class will help you burn calories, tone muscles, work on balance and get a great stretch! The class is a little different each time, but always a great workout! The instructor, Dani Reed, is a certified personal trainer who specializes in a unique form of exercising that focuses on the integration of anatomical movement. Utilizing her vast knowledge of human anatomy, she customizes individual fitness plans to meet her client's goals. **Must provide a mat and towel.**

REGISTER

2/4 – 2/25, Sunday, 9:00 – 9:45am @ City Hall or McGrath Park if weather permits, \$50 (All Ages)



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. (All Ages)

REGISTER

No class Feb. 13

2/6 - 2/27, Tues. 7 pm @ Community Center, \$25



OVER 50 & FIT

Strengthen your core muscles as well as improve stability and range of motion. Most exercises are done while sitting in a chair. All genders and ages are welcome.

REGISTER

Class will be held at 2pm on 2/6

2/6 - 3/1, T/TH 10AM @ Community Center, \$20 Join anytime, price will be pro-rated.



JIU-JITSU

Grappling Zone's Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu program will improve your life in many ways including fitness level, confidence, goal setting, focus, discipline and better grades for children. **Call now 832-995-0548 or visit our website @ www.GrapplingZone.com**

REGISTER

2/2 – 2/23, Fri. 7:30pm @ Community Center
\$65 All Ages / Fee covers use at all
Grappling Zone Facilities multiple days.

TAEKWONDO

Register now for Fall! Sharpen your mind, strengthen your body with Master Jenny Pless. She has been teaching in Meadows Place Community Center since 2005 and teaches all skill levels from basic to advanced. Ongoing classes.

REGISTER

No class 2/19 3/12, 3/14

1/8 – 3/28 ongoing classes

M/W 5-6pm (4-11 yrs)

M/W 6-7pm (12-year-old and adult)

Fee: 10 classes for 55.00

Fee: 20 classes for 99.00

KARATE

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. New full session to begin in April. **\$30 uniform Fee**

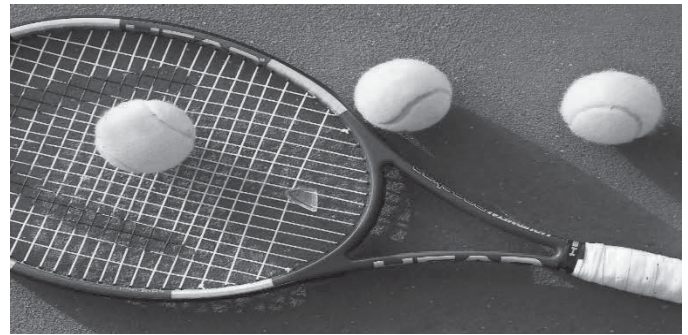
REGISTER

No class 3/15

1/11 – 3/29, Community Center

Thursday 6:30- 7:30pm (5-12yr) \$45

Thursday 7:30- 8:30pm (13-70yr) \$45



TENNIS LESSONS

This is an introductory class teaching form and the basics of the game for youths 14 years old and under. The classes taught in groups of 4 students.

REGISTER

Racquet required.

2/3 – 2/24, Sat., 8:15am – 9:00am \$55
Private lessons upon request. (All ages)

TENNIS COURT ACCESS

Resident Access Cards are available for purchase at City Hall Monday – Friday 9am-4pm.

Cards are \$50. Pickleball access cards are \$15.



Parks and Recreation is looking for instructors to teach new programs. Make your own schedule and get paid to teach. We handle the registration, provide the facility and all the marketing.

Contact us for more details.

lylanan@cityofmeadowsplace.org

Scuba	Archery	Birding	Plants
Dance	Crochet	Cooking	Art
Speakers	Nature	Decorating	
Carpentry	Car Repair	Photography	
Scrapbooking	Travel Club	Etc.	



HOW DO I REGISTER?

REGISTER

Our programs require pre-registration.

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, 77477

You may also register in person at City Hall, Monday thru Friday between 9am–4pm. If after hours place form & payment in the night drop box in the City Hall parking lot.

****If a class has not met the minimum number of enrollment five (5) days prior to the start date, the class may be cancelled. Most classes have a maximum enrollment and are open on a first come, first serve basis. There will be no refund unless the class does not fill. Classes are NOT pro-rated unless stated. ****

RENTALS

If you're looking for a location to host a celebration or family gathering, the Community Center and Garden is a great local option. We also offer rentals of Covered Park Pavilions, Community Pool, Large BBQ Pit, Kayaks and Overnight Lock- Ins.

Call for pricing and availability. 281-983-2935

TENNIS COURT ACCESS

Resident Access Cards are available for purchase at City Hall Monday – Friday 9am-4pm.

Cards are \$50. Pickleball access cards are \$15.

AQUATIC INTERN

The City of Meadows Place is accepting applications for an Aquatic Intern now through March 12, 2018 for Summer 2018. Applications can be picked up and turned in at City of Meadows Place City Hall or visit

<http://cityofmeadowsplace.org/government/job-opportunities/> to apply.

LIFEGUARDS WANTED

The City of Meadows Place is accepting lifeguard applications now through March 19, 2018 for Summer 2018. Applications can be picked up and turned in at City of Meadows Place City Hall. You must be 15 years of age to apply, pass the prerequisite requirements, and available for **ALL** training dates TBD in April. See website for prerequisites.

CAMP COUNSELORS/ CAMP LEAD

The City of Meadows Place is accepting applications for Camp Counselors and Camp Lead from now through March 19, 2018 for Summer 2018. Meadows Place will host 11 weeks of day camp each Monday – Friday for youth grade 1 – 6.

Applications can be picked up and turned in at City of Meadows Place City Hall.

<http://cityofmeadowsplace.org/government/job-opportunities/> to apply.



Meadows Place Discovery & Nature Center will open its doors to the community this spring. This facility will be home to many new opportunities for children, adults, volunteers and school field trips.

The Discovery Center will offer the following:

- 7 Areas for New Programs
- Meeting Space
- Party Rentals
- Full Cooking Kitchen
- Full Day Summer Camp
- Vegetable and Butterfly Gardens
- Nature Center
- Plant and Animal Interactions
- Science Lab / Hands On Activities
- Swap Shop
- Outdoor Discovery Zone
- Extended Office Hours
- Parks Program Registration
- Rental Reservation & Tours

WHEN?

A Ribbon Cutting Ceremony will be coming this spring. The facility will be available for everyone to explore and interact. Details will be posted within the next month.

WHAT?

The Discovery & Nature Center are designed to function independently from one another. Each will have different operating hours and programs. Our current staff will office from the new location and manage the programs and facility. We will also enlist the support of volunteers and Jr. Naturalist from the community to assist with the gardens and animals.

WHY?

Looking back over the last 10 years, city officials have had many conversations during planning workshops to expand the current aquatic facility. Their vision for the future included acquiring the property next to the pool for future aquatic activities. The opportunity to acquire that property arose sooner than had planned, however when it became available the city responded not knowing if or when they would have the chance to do so again. Although the property was acquired, the funding for an aquatic redesign was not available. City officials asked the Parks department if the house that stands on the property could be used for other activities. The answer was a definite yes. Through surveys, emails and Facebook, the community has expressed a desire for more programs. The Center will provide that and so much more. For now, the Discovery & Nature Center will be used in this manner until the demand, desire and funding becomes available to use the property for aquatics.

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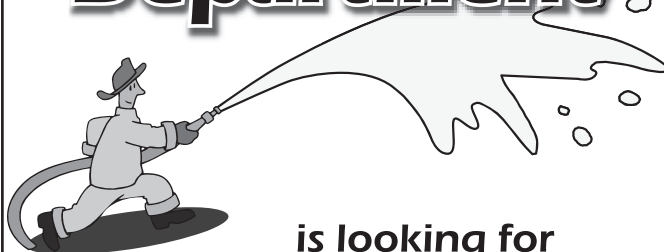
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