

COMMENTS FROM THE MAYOR

By Charles Jessup



Celebrating 110th Birthday

I was quite proud to be asked to join in on the 110th birthday celebration of Mrs. Lilian Cox here in Meadows Place. 110! Wow. I can't imagine.... but Mrs. Cox can, and she can tell you all about it. She no longer drives but was once the country's oldest driver and has it on film at her 100th, and that was a decade ago. At her 105th Lilian was dancing

around the floor of the Hamptons at Meadows Place where she now resides and was leading the group in Karaoke at, I think it was her 108th. Lillian has slowed a bit now but she is still active and can be seen all day long moving from one program to the next. She is always on the move, has a smile that will light up the room and is still the grand lady she has always been. Visited regularly by her Granddaughter Alyson Smith and her husband Jeff, Mrs. Lilian and her family love Meadows Place and are a great reminder that Meadows Place can be Your Place for Life for a long, long time.

Zoning vs. Deed Restrictions

After the meeting where the six person Chicken Research Committee presented its results and recommendation to City Council, I received a question asking why the city could not enforce the existing homeowners deed restrictions. The short answer is, the City enforces Zoning, homeowners enforce Deed Restrictions.

Zoning is the power of a municipality to protect the health, safety and public welfare of the community. This is a legislative power exercised by a governmental entity, in this case, the City of Meadows Place.

Deed restrictions are contractual agreements made between property owners restricting land to a particular use. Deed restrictions can restrict a piece of property to virtually any use and can also govern such features as the presence and dimensions of trees, fencing heights, or the ownership of livestock – including poultry.

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Camp Out in the Park

Meadows Place Lake

March 18th at 2 pm

Pre-Register by March 4th

More Details on Page 6

CITY CALENDAR

Meadows Place

- Mar. 2** EDC Meeting 6:30 p.m.
- Mar. 18** Campout in the Park
- Mar. 28** City Council Workshop - 6:00 p.m.
Regular Council Meeting - 7:30 p.m.

Fort Bend ISD

- Mar. 4** 2017 Gala 6:30 p.m.
- Mar. 6** Called Meeting
at Travis High School 6:00 p.m.
- Mar. 10** End of 9 Weeks
- Mar. 13-17** Spring Break
- Mar. 27** Regular Board Meeting 6:00 p.m.

Did You Know?...

Did You Know... February saw several of our planned Meadows Place projects come to fruition? These projects included the completion of the Dorrance reconstruction and overlay project. The city upgraded the concrete base, Fort Bend County Road and Bridge provided the manpower, the machines and the expertise for the overlay and Texas Direct Auto contributed funds for the project. County participation saved the City of Meadows Place tens of thousands of dollars which is just one more reason why we are grateful for the great relationship between our city and Fort Bend County.

Did You Know... our Meadows Place YAC (Youth Action Council) has been asked to support a statewide YAC initiative to provide cards for children in hospitals? Over 20 Meadows Place YAC members got together and produced some beautiful cards for this project which were then taken to the Annual YAC Summit in Abilene, Texas. I am proud to say 10 of our YAC members attended the Summit and will be bringing their ideas and experiences back to Meadows Place. Way to go YAC.

Did You Know... at the last Council meeting Council voted to adopt the 2014 version of the National Electric Code (NEC) as the standard for safe installation of electrical wiring and equipment in Meadows Place? This includes all the changes from the 2011 which served as our safety standard prior to this change. This is just one of the many areas that Meadows Place works on to maintain the highest levels of safety in our city.

Did You Know... at the last Council meeting a resident spoke to Council about loose dogs and told us that his dog had been attacked by other dogs? It was heartbreaking, so let this serve as a reminder to make sure our pets are secure and under control.

Did You Know... Richard Ramirez was beaming as he prepared for Opening Day of

Meadows Place P.O.N.Y. Baseball? The fields look great, the teams all think they are going to win every game and every player is going to hit .300 and pitch a no hitter. You gotta love spring baseball. Don't forget, Picture day is March 4th. Now, Play Ball!!!

Did You Know... Meadows Place took part in the Flood Impact Roundtable at the Fort Bend Office of Emergency Management? All the top people from the County were there discussing, reviewing and updating the data from last year's major floods. This will soon be part of the early warning system of the County, State and National Flood Centers. Taking part in these important programs is just one way your city officials make sure Meadows Place will always be... *Your Place for Life!*

Did You Know... Kathryn Brown wants us to know Old Town Meadows is happening on April 7, from 6-9 pm at Meadows Elementary and invites us to come have some fun. Besides being fun, Proceeds from Old Town Meadows go directly back to the school to enrich the quality of the education and school environment for our kids. One main goal this year is to complete the final phase of the playground replacement project. To sponsor or donate an item for the silent auction please email: otmcoordinator@gmail.com. To volunteer for this event please email nynathan@hotmail.com.

Did You Know... Charles and Elaine Jessup were smiling ear to ear as they watched the games and goings on at the baby shower for Mark and Rachel Jessup, who are now stationed over in Naples, Italy?

Did You Know... We have some great mailboxes in Meadows Place? March is Mailbox Month so now is the time to repaint, refresh or replace.

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

Did You Know... Scouting has always been a big part of Meadows Place.

This was evident again last month as scouts from Cub Scout Pack 301 collected a truck full of food for their annual food drive. Cubmaster Mark Johnson is proud of his Scouts. Great effort. Thank you boys.

Additional scouting efforts include the Flags over Meadows Place program run by Boy Scout Troop 731.

(see flyer pg. 11) This great program puts flags in front of homes, ties the city together, puts our patriotism on display and is one more reason Meadows Place is... *Your Place for Life!*

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In the case of Meadows Place, the deed restrictions were in place long before we were a city. However, the Meadows Place Homeowners Association is no longer a viable body (and why we do not pay HOA fees). However, as I understand it, that does not take away the homeowners ability to enforce deed restrictions individually by taking someone to district court.

Basically, by law, cities cannot assume the legal right of the homeowner to enforce the covenants contained within a homeowner's deed restrictions. Cities enforce Zoning.

Planning Ahead for a Parade Marshal

Our Department Heads have made plans for the year. Street repairs, Neighborhood Watch programs, Utility Software upgrades, Court Clerk training and so on are all on the books. So is our 2017 4th of July Parade Marshall. I am very proud to announce that the City of Meadows Place Parade Marshall for 2017 will be Mike Matson, Skipper of the 22 foot rowboat Anne, which just placed first in their division in the 3000 mile Race Across the Atlantic. Mike, says he will be honored as Meadows Place was where he and fallen firefighter Anne Sullivan served together as firefighters. Plan to meet Mike this year at the end of the Parade. See you there!

Meadows Place Economic Development Corporation BUSINESS OF THE MONTH

Tackxas

The largest tack store in this part of Texas.



Pictured are: EDC Director, Kurt Kopczynski, President/CEO of Tackxas, Maaz Hilal, EDC Director, Matthew Walker, & Mayor Charles Jessup

This award is presented to those business partners who contribute to, and support the City of Meadows Place. Drop by and wander their HUGE showroom, it is worth a visit.

COP TALK

By Chief Gary Stewart



A Visit From Liza Vier

Recently the Meadows Place Police Department was blessed with a visit from Liza Vier. Liza is a 19-year-old college student in the Houston Metroplex studying Criminal Justice. She is on a mission to show her support and appreciation for Law Enforcement. Her mission began after many of the recent tragedies involving Law enforcement and realizing the danger of the profession. Liza found that the archangel, St Michael, is the Protector of Law Enforcement and wanted each officer to carry the blessings close to their heart during these dangerous times. She went above and beyond, asking her priest to bless each one of the cards that has a St. Michael pendant attached. This is her way of saying the community has our back.

She has given out more than 16,000 cards/St. Michael pendants, across the nation to date. She continues her quest to reach all Law Enforcement. This is truly a blessing to our department and Law Enforcement.



Thank you Liza,

From: Chief Stewart and the Meadows Place Police Officers

Check out her Facebook and Go Fund Me pages:

Facebook Link:

<https://www.facebook.com/Lizasmission/?fref=nf>

GoFundMe Account:

<https://www.gofundme.com/2frw2dc4>

Household Hazardous Waste Collection



By Danny Segundo

Household hazardous wastes are disposed of improperly when poured down the drain, on the ground, in storm sewers or in the trash. The dangers of such disposal may not be immediately obvious, but certain household hazardous wastes can contaminate septic tanks or wastewater treatment systems; harm children and pets and cause injury or sanitation workers.

When poured in storm drains, contamination of the local water body occurs.



Many homes and garages in Fort Bend County are currently storing products, which are classified as hazardous by the EPA. An estimated 1.6 million tons of household hazardous waste are generated by Americans each year. Officials estimate that between three and 10 gallons of cleaning products, solvents, automobile fluids, garden chemicals, fertilizers and other materials hazardous to human health or the environment can be found in the average household. When these products are no longer needed or wanted, they are called household hazardous waste and should receive special storage, handling and disposal.

The Fort Bend County's Solid Waste Advisory Committee is proud to offer a Household Hazardous Waste Collection for Fort Bend County's citizens. The collection site will be staffed by personnel trained to handle hazardous waste and the materials collected will be disposed of according to EPA regulations.

Residents who are interested in more information about HHW disposal locations can visit the Fort Bend County HHW website at <http://co.fort-bend.tx.us/index.aspx?page=358>



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Mailbox Month



By Jerry Parker

How about this wacky weather that we've been having! Cold, Warm, Wet, cold then warm all over again! God Bless Texas weather! Now the problems set in...Mold on our homes, grass and weeds getting out of control...Literally, a few minutes of work on the weekend can save you a load of trouble later in the coming months.

I will be out providing friendly reminders to the residents of homes that are starting to show mold, rotten siding, fascia and fences....I suspect that I will be busy, as there are a lot of homes here that need this attention.

Here are three friendly reminders:

1. Our ordinances require that your dog remain on your property unless restrained on a leash. This means that you may not just open your front door or gate to allow your pet outside to do its business and when you walk your dog, you SHALL maintain control of the animal via a leash/rope or other device that is sturdy enough to maintain positive control of the animal. In addition, you are required by ordinance to pick up after your dog. .
2. March is Mailbox Month. Mail/E-Mail/Deliver, before and after pics of your remodeled mailbox to me or City Hall and receive \$10 off your utility bill.
3. If you are having work done to your home, verify that your contractor is registered with the city. This helps protect you from scams as well as guarantees that the proper permits are pulled and inspections are performed.

A question arose recently concerning the process from getting a warning to receiving a citation. The resident thought a 10 day grace period was required and that is not true. To obtain code compliance the city will give occasionally give warnings but is not required to do so. The city can, and has, issued citations for Code Violations without issuing written warnings. There just has to be at least 10 days in between the receipt of the citation and the court appearance date.

Top Hits from February (Thru 2/15):

Violation:	Warn/Cit	Comply:
Grass/weeds	1	1
Trees / Shrubs	2	2
Trailer/Car/Boat	6/3	3
Trash Cans / Debris	15/1	14
General Nuisance	21	21
Other	14	14
Totals	59	93

Contact me directly if you have any questions. Thank You.
- Jerry Parker, Code Enforcement Official

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



GARAGE SALE

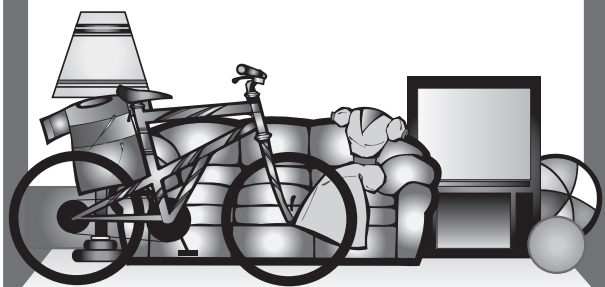
Dates for 2017:

February 10 & 11

May 12 & 13

August 11 & 12

November 10 & 11



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

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- 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.

- Donna's House Cleaning: Ten years of experience, references available. I pay attention to every detail. Please call for a free estimate. Weekly, bi-weekly, special occasions. 713-205-3404.

- Destination Paint Party: I bring the fun of the paint party to you! No experience necessary. Great for kid's birthdays, church groups, ladies night and more. \$10 off per painter NOW! Destinationpaintparty.com 832-264-4560

- AVON. Call me. Belle Murry, 281-495-3297 Resident.

- 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.

Parks Make Life Better!®

Meadows Place Parks and Recreation 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 cityofmeadowsplace.org or 281.983.2935.

How To Register

Many of our programs require pre-registration. There are two ways to register. 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. 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 websit for more details.

Rental Options - **NEW

Community Center	Pool	**Kayaks
**Lock-In's	**Park Shelter	**BBQ Pit



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, archery, etc. We will provide the meals and you will provide a tent and sleeping gear. Check in is at 2pm and activities will begin at 3pm. 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.

3/18, 2pm @ Meadows Place Lake, \$25 for family of 4 / \$10 Individual. Must Pre-register by March 4.



BEST FRIEND SCAVENGER HUNT

This February marked the beginning of the Best Friend Club. Each month Parks and Recreation will offer another opportunity for you and your best friend to have fun and make new friends. This month, be sure to bring your favorite stuffed animal, doll, or superhero as we hunt for hidden items throughout McDonald Park then enjoy a picnic together. Your child will leave with great memories, new friends and a take home photo to remember the day. A guardian is asked to stay with the child throughout the program. Fee includes picnic for 1 child and 1 adult. Add \$3 for each additional child. **Preregister.**

**3/25, 10:30am - 12noon @ McDonald Park (3yr – 9yr)
\$5 per 1 child / 1 adult, Add \$3 for each additional child.**



POOL WRISTBAND PRE-SALE

Avoid the lines and pre-purchase your pool wristband starting April 3 at City Hall, Monday – Friday from 9am – 4pm. Annual seasonal access to the City of Meadows Place Pool is available **ONLY** to Meadows Place residents. A Driver's License along with a city water bill **MUST** be shown in order to purchase access wristbands. Each family member is required to have a wristband for entry. Buy now and avoid the lines.

4/3- 8/15, 9am-4pm @ City Hall, Residents Only, \$5 each



This spring Meadows Place will come alive with music in our park. We will host a series of concerts beginning this April – May.

April 21 – Orion, Variety Band, 2 Food Trucks, Bonnie Blue the Rock Caricature Artist and Contest

April 28 – Revolving Doors, Variety Band, 2 Food Trucks, Select Beer and Contest

May 5 – Cinco De Mayo Latin Band, 2 Food Trucks, Contest, Select Beer

Each concert will have multiple food trucks, contest, and select beverages for purchase. If you attended Meadows Place Oktoberfest, you know our music events are fun! Bring a lawn chair and stay for the evening.

4/21, 4/28, 5/5, 7-9pm @ McGrath Park



CPR CERTIFICATION

This course is taught by certified American Heart Association instructor Marilyn Mac Farlane, R.N. The course will cover A.E.D., infants, child, and adult CPR. This class is suitable for all ages. Once the course is successfully completed, each participant will receive their certification. **Registration required**

4/2, 2-6:30pm @ Community Center, \$45.



March Painting Selection

DESTINATION PAINT PARTY

With guidance from instructor Stephanie you will create your very own masterpiece. One preselected design will be the focus for the evening and each student will paint their interpretation of the design. All supplies will be provided. Bring snacks and BYOB if you like. **Pre-register 281.642.7696**

3/3, 7-9pm @ Community Center, (16yr & up), \$25 per person.



Come have fun, work up a sweat, and learn how to dance a variety of line dancing styles! Join us as we learn country, urban/hip-hop, Latin/salsa, and a few advanced dances. Get ready for upcoming dances, parties, and weddings and make new friends!

4/3 – 4/24, Every Monday 7:30-8:30pm, \$45



WEIGHT LOSS GROUP

NEW YEAR NEW YOU! Let's get healthy together. The NEW Meadows Place weight loss group will have a Kick-Off meeting on Monday, March 6th, 6pm at the City Hall. The group will meet once a week to weigh in, provide support, accountability, recipe exchange, etc. Monthly dues are \$5. More details will be given at the kick-off meeting.

3/6, 6pm Every Monday @ City Hall, \$5 monthly



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. Instructor: 4th Degree Black Belt, Steve Puma and 3rd Degree Black Belt, Michael Puma. New full session to begin in April. **Must pre-register.**

4/6 – 6/1 ,Thurs. @ Community Center

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

7:30-8:30pm (13yr & up) \$45

Uniform Fee paid to instructor \$30



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

4/3 – 6/26, Mon. and / or Wed. @ Community Center

5-6pm (4-11yr)

6-7pm (12yr - Adult)

9 Classes \$49 / 1 class per week

18 Classes \$89 / 2 classes per week includes uniform



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.

Registration Required.

3/7 - 3/28 Tues. 7 pm @ Community Center, (All Ages) \$25

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.**

3/7 - 3/28 Every Tues., 6pm @ Community Center, \$20

3/8 - 3/29 Every Wed., 9am @ Community Center, \$15



It's a recipe for a whole lot of healthy fun. Take a heaping dose of tennis, throw in a dash of ping-pong and add a pinch of badminton and you have the formula for one of the fastest-growing sports in the country. Come out and experience the new sport of Pickleball. The rules and fundamentals of play are posted and the equipment is provided. This is a low impact sport that is popular with all ages.

Tuesday and Thursday 2 Courts reserved for Pickleball

If you are interested in playing pickleball but need a partner, contact the Parks & Recreation office and we can assist.

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.



OPEN KAYAK AT THE LAKE

4/8, 2PM @ the Lake (Safe Boating Card or Essentials of Kayaking Training Pre-Requisite) No Fee

ESSENTIALS OF KAYAKING

This eco-friendly sport is recognized as the fastest growing sport in the world! Our lessons provide an introduction for the beginner paddler, the course is led by an ACA certified instructor who will share her love and passion for the water through this interactive experience. You will be taught the basics of safety, balance, paddling, and turns.

4/8, 1PM @ McGrath Park Lake (7yr & Up) \$15



YAC- YOUTH ACTION COUNCIL

Meadows Place YAC members just attended a state wide conference in Abilene. The conference connected the Meadows Place YAC with other Texas groups in an effort to share ideas to better serve their own community. YAC organizations provide volunteer and service hours to the community where they live. Meadows Place YAC have provided 345 hours since the beginning of this school year. Projects have included, the Little Libraries, Making Cards for Children in Hospitals, Volunteering at Christmas Memories and the Haunting. Call 281.642.7696 if you would like to join.

3/8, 6:00 – 8:00pm @ Community Center,(Meeting)

3/18, 1– 7pm @ McGrath Park (Volunteer at Campout)



LICENSE TO CARRY

This class is designed to teach the laws that relate to weapons, the use of deadly force, handgun use & safety, and non-violent dispute resolution. This class is for those who are already familiar with handguns and shooting. It's a 4-hour class followed by a short exam, then time at the gun range, finished between 4 & 5 pm. MPPD Capt. Jack Ashton will be instructing this class. OK to bring a snack! **Registration Required.**

4/29, 8am SHARP @ Community Center, 21 & Up valid ID
Fee: \$75 + (\$20 Range Fee paid @ Range)



INSTRUCTORS NEEDED

Parks & Recreation is looking for instructors to teach classes. If you would like to earn extra money from teaching, please contact Leigh Ylanan, Recreation Coordinator

lylanan@cityofmeadowsplace.org / 281.983.2935

Zumba	Zumba Gold	Tai Chi
Archery	Line Dancing	Tennis
Scuba Diving	Dog Obideinece	

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If you are interested in volunteering with Parks & Recreation please email your contact information and area of interest such as special events, programs, parks, etc.

parksdirector@cityofmeadowsplace.org / 281.983.2934



ACTIVE ADULT 50+ PROGRAM

WEEKLY MEET UP

Active Adults meet every Monday at the Community Center for food fellowship and fun. Come and be a part of our Active Adult Community from 10:00am – 1:00pm. For your enjoyment, we will have games and coffee available at all times.

- **MONDAY, MARCH 6** – Destination Painting will provide an art project to paint a Rodeo themed painting. (\$7) You can also visit and meet new friends while playing cards, dominos or sipping coffee.
- **MONDAY, MARCH 13** – Join us for our 1st Active Adult Potluck! Bring a pot of your best chili for our Chili Cook Off and our judge will decide who reigns supreme in Texas's official state dish.
- **MONDAY, MARCH 20** - Come and play BINGO & Popcorn...bring your quarters.
- **MONDAY, MARCH 27** - Come and play Poker, Black Jack, and Dominoes!
- **TUESDAY, MARCH 28** – Field Trip to George Ranch in Richmond Texas. We will stop at Rudy's BBQ in Richmond after the tour. Tour is \$12 and make sure to bring money for lunch. If you need a ride, please meet at the Community Center by 9:30pm for departure.



WALKING GROUP

Walking as a group offers friendship, safety and mental wellness. Meet at the Outdoor Classroom to walk around the Parks together & meet new friends. **Daily, Meet @ 8 am or 7 pm, Outdoor Classroom**

BRIDGE CLUB

Do you play bridge? The Bridge Club meets the 1st Tuesday of each month. If you are interested in socializing and playing cards, then this is the group for you. Come and join the fun. **3/7, 9am-2pm @ Community Center (No Fee)**

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.

3/7 – 3/30, Every Tues and Thurs, 10:30 AM @ Community Center, \$30. Join anytime and your price will be pro-rated.

2017 BOYSCOUT FLAGS OVER MEADOWS PLACE



Holiday flag placement in your yard on:

Memorial Day > Flag Day > Independence Day > Labor Day

We wish to express our sincere Thank You to those who have subscribed to this Flag Service, for supporting Boy Scouts and for expressing the patriotic spirit on the holidays when we honor America. If you had any difficulty with your flag subscription last year, please contact Rick Staigle. To those who have not yet subscribed, we extend this invitation and ask for your support.

Troop 731 will proudly post an American Flag in front of your residence on each of the following national holidays:

- **Memorial Day**
- **Flag Day**
- **Independence Day**
- **Labor Day**

(On Veteran's Day, the scouts are usually in school so flags will NOT be placed in front of homes that day). Boy Scout Troop 731 flag placement occurs early morning and flag retirement early evening. **Note: The flags and flagpoles are the property of Troop 731. You are purchasing a subscription service and NOT the flag or flagpole itself.**

The subscription cost is \$25.00 per calendar year, paid in advance. To subscribe, please complete the following information and return this form with your \$25.00 donation to:

Please Make Checks Payable to "BSA Troop 731"

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PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE TIP ~ FYI:

Have the duct work checked in your homes attic space for air leaks. If your home is 25-30 years old the typical "flex duct" originally installed by builders can deteriorate & literally "fall apart" due to constant heat & humidity of attic conditions in our area. This can hit you hard in the "pocketbook" (i.e. very comfortable attic space!). Not to mention your system has to work harder to comfortably heat & cool your home. Having your duct work checked can be easily scheduled during your annual fall furnace inspection. **Call Now** before you make the switch to heat.

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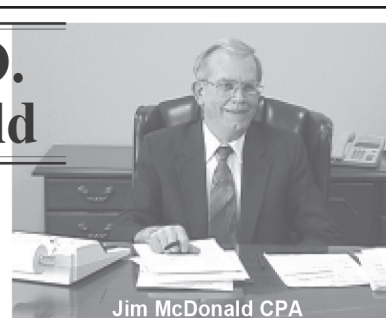
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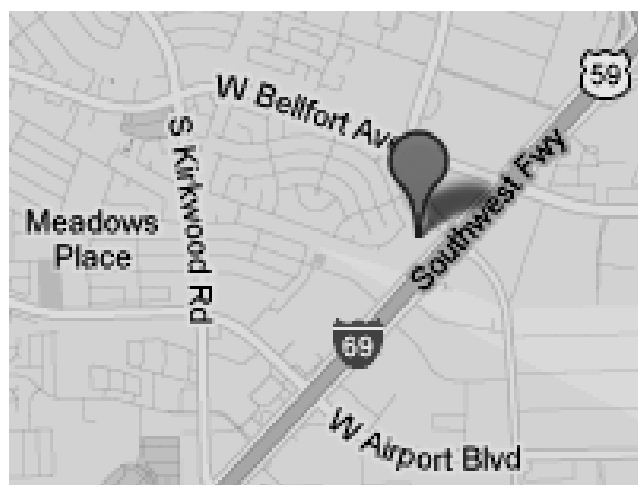
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