

*Your
Place for
Life*

City of
Meadows 
PLACE

AUGUST 2013

COMMENTS FROM THE MAYOR
By Charles Jessup



Road Use Fee

I am proud to announce that your City Council has taken steps to secure the future for Meadows Place. A Road Use Fee. This new initiative will strengthen the way we address our basic infrastructure needs and provide us a platform from which to move forward into a brighter, more secure future.

In the recent Road Fee survey the residents of Meadows Place spoke. An overwhelming 87 % of respondents said - "Fix Our Roads!" - and your Council listened. First, let me thank everyone who went to the website to take our Road Use Survey. It was most helpful and gave us great insight into the thoughts and feelings of the residents of Meadows Place. A 76% response made it clear the residents preferred a monthly flat fee to any other process, so last month Council passed an ordinance that calls for a monthly Road Use Fee of \$5.00 to be enacted. This fee will begin to show up on our utility bills in a month or two. This account will set aside these funds to be used exclusively for road repairs and nothing else. To ensure that, the City will create a fund that, by ordinance, is separate, specific and segregated for a singular purpose – road repairs and maintenance. This is not the end all to dealing with our aging roads and infrastructure, but a new beginning. An opportunity to begin to make both plans – and repairs – and to ensure our property values are maintained. I would also like to thank our Council who had the courage to act, to help us invest in ourselves, and to make sure our children, and our children's children will still be able to proudly proclaim Meadows Place IS... **Your Place for Life.**

New City Secretary

It is with mixed emotions I make this announcement - We are getting a new City Secretary. Her name is Jan Moore and she comes to Meadows Place with a world of experience, a strong background in municipal government and a complete understanding of the many, many facets required of a City Secretary in a small city. Jan is known for her calm demeanor, her strong technological background and wonderful organizational skills.

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KID FISH DERBY!

August 17th
Meadows Place Lake
7:00 am - 9:00 am

Limited to the First 100 Kids ages 5-12
Register at the Lake the Morning of the Derby.
(Equipment Provided)



CITY CALENDAR

Aug. 16 Last Barefoot - n - Friday

Aug. 17 Kid Fish Derby

Aug. 26 School Starts

Aug. 27 Regular City Council Meeting
City Hall 7:30 p.m.

Did You Know?...

Did You Know... we have a great Pet Finder Page on our website? This page is a great tool to use when Fido gets out and wanders off or when Kitty slips out. There have been many happy pet reunions as a result of this page. This site is maintained by two of our residents and is a volunteer site to be sure, but it works very well. To use it, just click the link on our website and it will take you right there. It is at the bottom of the front page. You can post a photo on it as well. We all know how important our pets can be so Thank You to the folks who keep up with and maintain this site.

Did You Know... I am still getting compliments a from the 4th of July Parade? Folks keep going on about the “feel” of the parade and the number of families who camp out to watch it. This seemed to be an especially good parade with the bagpipers, all the visiting dignitaries, the elected officials and of course our fantastic Principals on Parade. It was like a parade within a parade. Also, Thanks to Brookside Equipment and Texas Direct Auto for generously helping with our transportation needs and Sugar Grove Church of Christ for letting us use their parking lot for a staging area, as well as, providing refreshments at the end. It all worked out to make a great parade.

Did You Know... Meadows Place Pony Baseball enjoyed some great success this year? The Meadows Place Mayhem are the first MP Pony All-Star team to advance to the South Zone Tournament. The 9&10 yr. olds blew through regionals, sectionals and went on to State!! The 11& 12 yr. old were right there with them but ran out of innings in the sectionals. Great season for both teams and a great job of carrying the Meadows Place banner in a way we can all be proud. Couple that with the 5 Meadows Place kids on the Dulles team that went to the State and it is plain to see that Meadows Place is a hotbed for baseball. Way to go guys!

Did You Know... William Heierman, a resident, filmed the 4th of July parade? He has some pretty fancy movie cameras so hopefully we will get some great ‘film’ when the editing is done. Mr. Heierman is also a world famous gemologist who visits gold, ruby and sapphire mines around the world.

Speaking of filming, **Did You Know...** Harry Hamilton is filming a series of short clips to help promote our city? He has taken most of the shots now and is working on the background commentary and the jingle. Harry is generously donating his time. Thank You, Harry.

Did You Know... Lucy Apparicio let me know she was proud of her husband and her son for looking after the yard of a neighboring house when it needed mowing? Luis, and son Luis Gabriel made sure the house didn’t look bad while the bank was getting all the paperwork in place. Thank You both for stepping up, we all appreciate your unselfish act. I would like to take this opportunity to remind everyone that Jerry Parker, our new Code Enforcement Official, needs to know about such things ASAP so, e-mail Jerry and he will check into any concerns you have.

Did You Know... disposable wipes are hard on the pumps at our Wastewater Treatment Plant? So far we have been lucky but they are causing major problems and expensive repairs all across the country, even from the ones marked flushable. Our plant does, and will continue to do a great job for us, as long as we don’t mess it up by putting things down the toilet that don’t belong- like disposable wipes.

Did You Know... Is just for YOU - and counts on you for input? Please let us know what is going on and Drop a note at City Hall or email: mayor@cityofmeadowsplace.org. Thank You!

Did You Know... Meadows Place Utilities Department has jumped into the 21st Century in a big way! Bear with us as we change from our old DOS driven billing system to a Windows based system. That forced us to give up that big tractor feed dot matrix printer that sat behind Patty as we move into a new laser printing system. We think we have this figured out, but are having to make some temporary fixes. Your bills will be accurate, they just may look different, or not. As we go to press, we are still a bit uncertain. We began the change when the software support on our old system ended. It took a while and we were fortunate it did not fail during the process. But, as a bonus, when we reach the day we have the smart type water meters, we will be prepared. Thank You.

(Comments From The Mayor continued from page 1)

Jan was recommended to Council by a search committee that produced three outstanding finalists, all of whom were deemed capable to fill the position. Jan just seemed to “fit” a bit better and brought with her a strong foundation in areas important to our city. On top of that, Jan considered the Meadows Place position “her dream job”. Please drop by to say hi to Jan, or come to a Council meeting to see her in action. I couldn’t be more pleased with Jan’s selection. The reason I have mixed emotions is because we are losing Yolanda Wilson, who, because her husband got transferred, is moving to the Dallas area. Yolanda’s quick smile, cheery disposition, incredible energy and caring nature will be sorely missed. I wish her well in her future endeavors.

Website Survey

Just a reminder - check the new Survey Section on our website for an opportunity to not only have your voice heard but to give a direct response to questions that are sometimes very specific, like the Road Use Fee, or general What Can We Do Better type questions. Our challenge today is to take bold new steps to connect the city with the world, to connect Meadows Place with its future while quietly maintaining the Quality of Life we all so treasure. These surveys are just one more tool we use to help do that. New surveys go up about the first of the month and are generally online for two weeks before being closed down. Don’t procrastinate, check it out and please participate. After the survey is closed down, the host site compiles and analyzes the data. These results will then be posted online for all to see. It is my hope that you will find this process as enjoyable as I do helpful. Thank You.

Taking Care of Business

Our Business Neighbors are a very important part of the City. This column is dedicated to those businesses.

I am proud to announce Meadows Center at Kirkwood and W. Airport has new Property Managers. After meeting the new Property Managers, BHW - a Houston Real Estate Firm, - I believe they will help this very important piece of commercial property reach its full potential. Let us all say

Welcome To

BHW

Meadows Place has some really great businesses. Let’s support them.

Our businesses need, and deserve, our support



Thank You

Code Enforcement

Tree Maintenance



By Jerry Parker

Why do we need to prune trees? Branches that hang low over sidewalks and streets are considered a safety hazard, either to pedestrians or to persons travelling in vehicles. Low overhead vegetation, and limbs not properly maintained can not only fall during storms, or reduce visibility, but can also damage larger vehicles such as: school buses, delivery trucks and more importantly, emergency vehicles. As you can imagine, repairs to a fire truck can be quite costly for our city to absorb.

How much do I need to prune? The minimum height of overheard vegetation is 10 feet over sidewalks, and the minimum height of limbs over streets is 16 feet.

How do I prune a tree? For the purpose of the ordinance requirements I am asking that you raise the crown of the tree, which means to remove the lower branches of the tree to allow clearance. Large jobs that require the use of a ladder and power tools would probably be best if left to professionals. When hiring a tree contractor, make sure that they have experience, references, the proper equipment, and are insured.

My trees aren’t as bad as my neighbor’s, why am I being asked to trim? When I am leaving notices for tree trimming, I will be asking all of your neighbors along your street to do the same. Some families will only need to address a few branches, but others have a larger job at hand. We are trying to maintain uniformity in the limb heights, so even though all trees don’t grow at the same rate, at least the over growth will be manageable.

Safety First! Please remember SAFETY FIRST when you are trimming your trees. Never work near any power lines. If you are working in the street be aware of your surroundings, and get someone to assist you with traffic. Use personal protective equipment such as gloves, safety glass, hard hats, hearing protection and be sure to read the manufacturer’s operating manual for any power equipment that you may be using.

For more information on tree care and maintenance, check out: www.treesaregood.com , www.arborday.org and www.fs.fed.us



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



COP TALK



By Chief Gary Stewart

Meadows Place Police Department's Vacation Crime Prevention Tips

Summer is a time of year that many families go on vacation. Being on vacation can lead to crime victimization if appropriate crime prevention measures are not followed. Most families do not think about being victimized while on vacation because of all the excitement of going on vacation. The following crime prevention tips are designed to allow the vacationer to enjoy a safe and secure trip and to return to a secure residence.

Before Leaving...Secure Your Residence

- Make sure all the locks on the doors and windows function properly and use them.
- Make sure your residence looks lived in and not empty.
- Leave the shades and blinds on doors and windows in a position that you would normally have them.
- Ask several neighbors to keep an eye on your residence while you are away. Leave your vacation address and telephone number with the neighbors so you can be reached in an emergency.
- Make sure your smoke and burglar alarms are functioning properly and armed.
- Arrange for a neighbor to pick up your deliveries: mail, newspaper, and any other packages.
- Arrange for someone to maintain your yard so your home appears occupied.
- Have someone place your garbage cans at the curb for normal pickup and put them away after the pickup has been made.
- Make sure you have timers for lights, television, or radios so they turn on and off at the appropriate times.
- Turn the ringer on the telephone down low or off. A possible intruder will not be alerted to your absence by a ringing telephone. If you can, forward your calls to your cellular phone or a trusted individual.
- Leave a normal message on your answering machine; do not announce your absence on the answering machine.
- Ask a neighbor to park in your driveway while you are gone so it will appear that someone is home. If you leave your car at home, park as you normally would.
- Consider taking valuables that you cannot live without to a safety deposit box.
- Call Meadows Place Police Department for a vacation watch.

On The Road

- Try not to carry large amounts of cash; use traveler's checks. If you must carry large sums of money do not openly display it.
- Do not carry more credit cards than you will need. Keep a list of all traveler's check numbers and credit card numbers in a safe place. Have telephone numbers to call if either are lost or stolen.
- Never advertise your plans to strangers; this includes travel routes and the amount of cash you are carrying.
- Do not stop for hitchhikers or stranded motorists. If you want to help, call for assistance for them.
- If you suspect that someone is following you, drive to the nearest well-populated place and call 911 or use your cellular phone for emergency assistance.
- Do not leave any tickets (airline, train, bus) in open view. They are as valuable as cash.
- Males are advised to carry wallets in an inside pocket or the front pocket of their pants. Females should carry their purses under their arm with a firm grasp.

Car Security

- Always lock your vehicle after entering or leaving it.
- Park in well-lighted areas.
- Check the backseat before entering your vehicle.
- Always place valuables out of sight, preferably in the trunk. Do not leave wallets, checkbooks, or purses in your vehicle.
- Try not to advertise that you are a tourist.



Back to School Safety

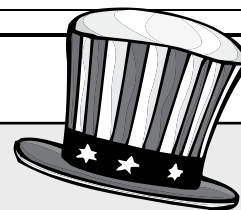
AUGUST 26th



- **DRIVE SLOWLY**
- **WATCH FOR CHILDREN**
- **NO CELL PHONES IN SCHOOL ZONES**



2013 Meadows Place 4th of July Parade



Every 4th of July the City of Meadows Place turns red, white and blue as United States flags of all sizes spring up throughout the City. Celebrating America's birthday is one of the events Meadows Place residents look forward to each year. Residents lined the streets to watch and cheer as a procession of fire trucks, cars, floats, pipers, bicycles and walkers all decorated in patriotic colors made their way through the City.

DJ's Unlimited gave the new line-up area at Sugar Grove Church of Christ a festive feel, playing patriotic tunes while the floats and cars gathered. Ten year old resident Brigid Ferris-Hughes WOW'd the crowd by singing God Bless America; Christina Garcia, a City of Meadows Place Lifeguard, sang the National Anthem. The parade went through the alley behind Texas Direct Auto, west on Dorrance, south on Mulholland, and east onto Brighton ending at McGrath Park/Lake.

Meadows Place was proud to present Principals on Parade as past and present Meadows Elementary School principals honored us as Parade Marshals. In attendance were Rita Drabek (1974 - 1984), Terry Harris (1984 - 1990), Scotty Bass (1990 - 2002) and current Principal Michele Labus. Former Principal Irma Cobos (2002 - 2012) was scheduled to participate, but was unable to attend at the last minute. Mayor Charles Jessup rode along in a Luxury 4-seat Gator Utility Vehicle provided by Brookside Equipment Sales and "had a BLAST!" Again this year, Texas Direct Auto generously donated the use of their vehicles for our Parade Marshals, Councilmen and visiting dignitaries and also provided drivers for many of the vehicles.

Sugar Grove Church of Christ members accompanied their float, collecting personal care items for their Connecting with the Community Drive; the drive continues and donations can be dropped off anytime at the Church. Other entries in the parade included the Knights of Columbus Color Guard from St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church,

the Lifeguards, Meadows Home & Garden Club, Anita Milne Beard Realty Group and The Corvette Club once again showing their patriotic pride; a music truck provided by DJ's Unlimited brought smiles to all those who watched from the sidelines. The St. Thomas Alumni Pipe Band, Twirl Dazzle of Sugar Land, Girl Scout Troop 19073, Chick-fil-A and some individual resident entries were new additions this year along with youth from Meadows Place Pony Baseball, Cub Scouts from Packs 1115 and 301 and Meadows Marlins Swim Team.

Residents met at the Park for fun and food at the end of the parade. St. Thomas Alumni Pipe Band brought tears to everyone's eyes with their rendition of Amazing Grace while sno cones, popcorn and water were donated and served by Sugar Grove Church of Christ. Awards for the Best Float for Youth, Commercial and Spirit along with the winners of the Patriotic Yard Decorating Contest were presented by the Mayor. Sponsored by the Parks & Recreation Department, the Patriotic Yard Decorating Contest brought winners from on and off the parade route. Thanks to the Meadows Home & Garden Club for judging the entries throughout the City.

The City of Meadows Place Parks & Recreation Department would like to thank our volunteer judges Candy Gibson, Abby Murphy and Nancy Lewallen. Thanks to Tracey Spiller and Brittney Cech who served as our Bike Judges & Patrol. Thanks also to the Meadows Place Public Works and Police Departments, the Stafford Fire Department and the Fort Bend County Precinct 2 Constables office for their invaluable assistance. The Parks & Recreation Department would also like to thank all of you who took the time to decorate your home or a float and participate in the festivities. Check out our website www.cityofmeadowsplace.org for more pictures, provided by Shaw Photoworks, from the parade! Hope to see you at next year's parade.

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

Non-Motorized Entries:

4 & under:

- 1st place – Zoey Rivera
- 2nd place – Alexis Navarro
- 3rd place – Zoe Terry

5 & 6 years old:

- 1st place – Evelyn Merritt
- 2nd place – Sarah Lovetinsky
- 3rd place – Mariah Navarrete

7 & 8 years old:

- 1st place – Taylor Brown
- 2nd place – Grace Lovetinsky
- 3rd place – Riley Terry

9 & 10 years old:

- 1st place – Moran Oltremari
- 2nd place – Zorian Campbell
- 3rd place – Johnna Lovetinsky

11 & 12 years old:

- 1st place – Christopher Navarro
- 2nd place – Madison Alpha
- 3rd place – Miles Huddle

13 & up:

- 1st place – Jameson Huddle
- 2nd place – Amy Lovetinsky
- 3rd place –

Floats:

Youth Entries

- 1st Place – Meadows Marlin Swim Team

Commercial Entries

- 1st place – Sugar Grove Church of Christ, "Connecting with the Community"

Spirit Entries

- 1st place - Meadows Lifeguard with "Red, White & Bluau"

Patriotic Yards On and Off the Parade Route:

Sponsored by Parks and Recreation:

- 1st place – winner of a \$75.00 Home Depot Gift Card, **The Sefcovic Family, 12315 Hoggard**
- 2nd place – winner of a \$50.00 Home Depot Gift Card, **The Morales Family, 11506 Dorrance**
- 3rd place – winner of a \$25.00 Home Depot Gift Card, **The Kitchen Family, 12034 Pender**

2013 Meadows Place 4th of July Parade



Principals on Parade:

Meadows Elementary Principals past and current were featured as our Parade Marshals.

Pictured (left-right):

Rita Drabek (1974-1984), Joyce Ledger (wife of late Mr. Ledger, first principal, 1973-1974), Evelyn Dixon (former teacher), Michele Labus (2012-present), Scotty Bass (1990-2002), Peggy Norman (former teacher) & Terry Harris (1984-1990). Not pictured Irma Cobos (2002-2012).



St. Thomas Alumni Pipe Band



Parade watchers at McDonald Park



Meadows Place PONY Baseball



Meadows Marlins Swim Team

55+ Club

55+ Club August Events:

- **August 6:** Informational Meeting: "Summer Safety"
- **August 6:** Game Day
- **August 6:** Movie Day:
Road to Perdition, starring Tom Hanks

All activities will take place at the Community Center beginning at 9 am.

I look forward to see all of you at the Community Center!

Message from the Aquatics Director

By Tracey Spiller

I find it hard to believe the summer is almost over; it has been a hot one! As August draws to a close the last day the pool is open during the week is Friday August 23rd. We are still running Tattoo Tuesdays and Freezy Pop Fridays so come on by and enjoy the last few days of summer.

I want to extend a heartfelt thanks to my life guard staff. They have done an outstanding job this summer keeping all of us safe. Not to mention locating my keys and cell phone on numerous occasions!

And a big thank you to the residents for their patience and understanding during the renovations, outages and everyday trials and tribulations at the pool.

Beat the Heat! Come to the Pool!



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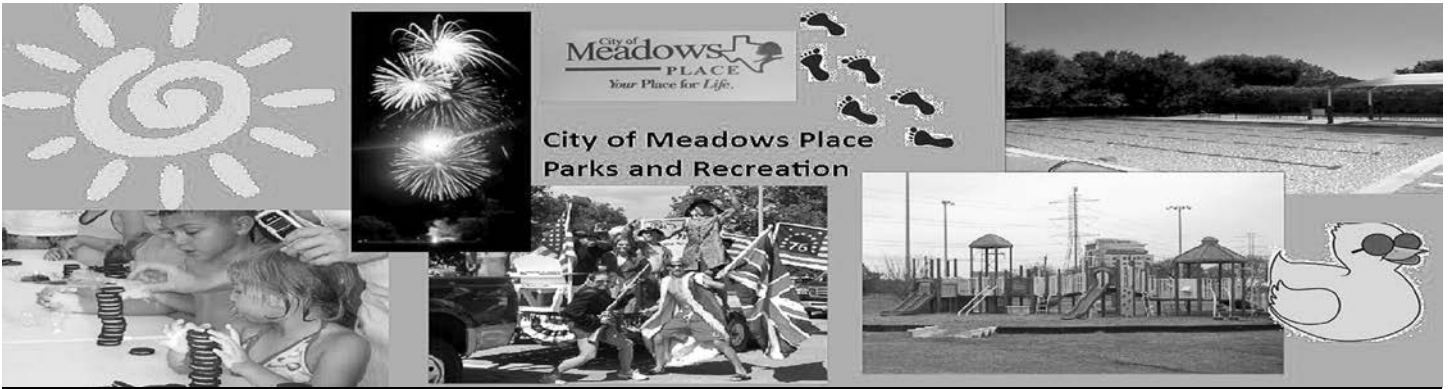
(281) 498-3900
(713) 721-7800

Garage Sale Dates

August
9 & 10

November
8 & 9





Pre-registration is required and most classes have a minimum/maximum enrollment. PLEASE REGISTER EARLY!!!

Call Parks and Recreation for information @ 281-983-2935 or

email us: monya@cityofmeadowsplace.org or parks3@cityofmeadowsplace.org

Unless otherwise noted, Meadows Place Community Center/Pool will be the location for all activities.

You can download registration form from the website: www.cityofmeadowsplace.org

Classes

TENNIS ANYONE?!

Description: Beginning Youth Tennis Lessons

Who: Youth 8 - 14 years old

Where: Tennis Courts

When: Wednesdays 7:00 pm / Saturdays 8:00 am

Session 8: August 3 - 31 (no class Aug. 14)

Session 9: September 4 - 28

Session 10: October 2 - 26 (Wed class will move to 6 pm)

Session 11: October 30 - November 23

Session 12: December 4 - 21

Cost: \$75 per session, 4 weeks per session (2 classes per week)

\$40 per session, 4 weeks per session (1 class per week)

Instructor: Gabriella Diano

Pre-Registration (One Week) prior of classes or programs start dates is required to participate in all classes or programs. Forms can be picked up at City Hall M-F 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. or printed off the City website www.cityofmeadowsplace.org



MEADOWS PLACE TENNIS COURT ACCESS SYSTEM

Last years Tennis Court access cards were deactivated at the end of May. Residents may purchase new Tennis Court access cards at City Hall, Monday through Friday, 9 am to 4 pm.

- **Only residents of Meadows Place may purchase a card.**
- **A driver's license AND water bill verifying Meadows Place residency must be shown to purchase the access card.**
- **Access cards are \$50 per card, maximum 2 cards per family.**
- **Cards are valid through May 2014**
- **All tennis players must have access card with them while on the courts.**
- **A maximum of three (3) guests allowed per card and all guests must be accompanied by a resident.**
- **Tennis court rules posted & on registration card MUST be followed at all times.**

FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH ALL RULES WILL RESULT IN FORFEITURE OF YOUR ACCESS CARDS AND FUTURE ACCESS WILL BE DENIED.

PARKS & RECREATION

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Fishing!!

BULLETIN BOARD

Barefoot N'
Friday!

Aug. 16 Last Barefoot - n - Friday,
Pool 8:30 - 11:00 pm

Aug. 17 Kid Fish Derby,
Meadows Place Lake 7:00 - 9:00 am

Weekly Classes and Activities:

(All are at the Community Center, Pool or Tennis Courts)

Tennis Lessons: Begins Aug. 3rd 8:00 am

Monday Movie Madness: Ongoing - Mon. 12:00 noon

Adult Lap Swim: Ongoing - Tue./Thur. 7:00 am/8:00 pm

Tattoo Tuesdays: Ongoing - Tue. All day

Wednesday BINGO!: Ongoing - Wed. 11:00 am

Karate: Ongoing - Thur. 6:30 pm

Freezy Pop Fridays: Ongoing - Fri. All day

Contact Parks Department about Registration!

281-983-2935

MEADOWS PLACE POOL ACCESS SYSTEM

Residents may purchase new wrist bands ONLY at the pool during normal operating hours.

- **Only residents of Meadows Place may purchase a wrist bands.**
- **A driver's license verifying Meadows Place residency must be shown to purchase wrist bands.**
- **Wrist bands are \$5 each, limited to one wrist band per family member.**
- **Residents must have wrist bands with them when at the pool.**
- **A maximum of one (1) guest allowed per band; all guests must be accompanied by resident.**
- **Cards are valid for 2013 Summer season only.**
- **Pool Rules posted and on registration card MUST be followed at all times.**



Class or Program Title

If interested in starting a class or program at our Community Center or outdoor facilities in Meadows Place, follow the format below and send to Meadows Place Parks and Recreation Department, One Troyan Drive, Meadows Place, Texas 77477 or email, parks3@cityofmeadowsplace.org.

Must have class and or program information in writing for approval by 1st Friday of the month in order to meet newsletter deadline 2nd Friday of the month.

Description: (Briefly describe your class or activity)

Who: (Age of students to participate)

Where: (The location of where the participants meet every week)

When: (Include dates and times of your program)

Cost: (How much you plan on charging for your session)

Additional Info: (Include any type of specifics that pertain to your class, such as certain attire, supplies needed, etc.)

Instructor: (Your name, as well as the names of any additional helpers/assistants, along with a short biography of you and contact phone number optional)



Taekwondo

Early bird sign up, get a free uniform! (First 10 only)
Come earn a belt!

SHARPEN YOUR MIND, STRENGTHEN YOUR BODY

New Sessions Start in September!

Where: City of Meadows Place Community Center
11975 Dorrance Lane.

Time: Mon. & Wed.: 5:00 - 6:00pm for children 5-12 years old
Mon. & Wed.: 6:00 - 7:00pm Adult class (13-up)

Session 1: September 9 - October 30

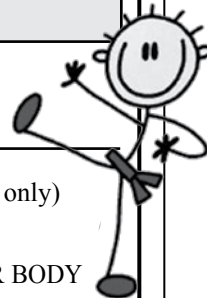
Fee: 8 Classes - \$40 (1 class per week)
16 Classes - \$70 (2 classes per week)

Session 2: November 4 - December 18 (No class Nov. 25 & 27)

Fee: 6 Classes - \$40 (1 class per week)
12 Classes - \$55 (2 classes per week)

Instructor: Jenny Pless (City of Meadows Place resident, teaching at the Community Center since 2006)

PRE-REGISTRATION ONE WEEK prior to class or program start dates is required to participate in all classes or programs. Forms can be picked up at City Hall M-F 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. or printed off the City website www.cityofmeadowsplace.org



Attention!!!

New Bowlers Needed! League play begins in September!

Meadows Place Ladies Bowling meets every Wednesday morning at 9 am at Stafford Bowling Lanes. Interested? Contact Belle Murray at 281.495.3297 or Betty Glona at 281.498.8330.



Monday Movies

A movie is shown on several Mondays at the Community Center. An adult or responsible babysitter **MUST** accompany children NOT yet 5 years old. Movie titles are posted on the marquee by the front door of the Community Center and now on the City website. Popcorn and drinks will be served.

When: Aug. 5, 12, 19

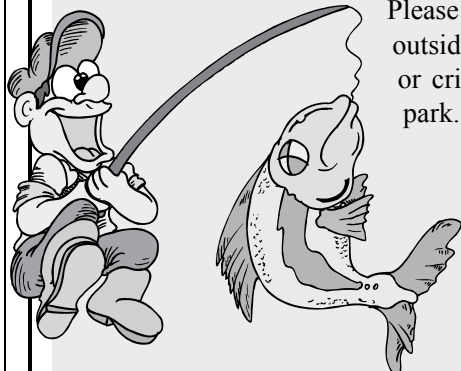
Where: Community Center

Time: 12:00 noon until the movie ends

Fee: \$1

Fishing at the Lake!

Catch and release fishing is permitted. Anglers ages 17 and up must have a current fishing license, discounts are offered to those ages 65+. Grab your pole & bait and head to the lake!



Please do not release any outside fish into the lake or critters into the lake or park.

BINGO Binge Bash Wednesday

Join the Parks & Recreation on Wednesday for BINGO. Prizes and fun for all that attend.

When: Aug. 7, 14, 21

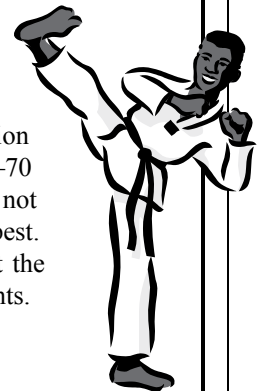
Where: Community Center

Time: 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Fee: \$3 (ages 5 and up)

AMERICAN SOCIETY OF KARATE (A.S.K.)

The American Society of Karate is an association designed to teach American Karate to ages 5-70 in a positive ever-changing system. Its goal is not necessarily to be the largest, but to be the best. This class has been on going for 19 years at the Community Center and welcomes new students.



New session starts in September!

Starts: September 19

Ends: December 12 (no class November 28th)

Cost: \$45--12 Week Session
\$30--Uniform (sorry no checks, CASH ONLY)
All Students **MUST** Register

Time: 6:30pm - 7:30pm Junior Class (Ages 5-12)
7:30pm - 8:30pm Adult Classes (Ages 13 and up)

Where: Community Center

Instructors: Steve Puma, Meadows Place resident (3rd Degree Black Belt), Michael Puma (3rd Degree Black Belt)

New students will be accepted the first 3 weeks. You may try the first class **Free** to make sure you wish to sign up. Children must be 5 years of age.

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Pool Hours

Tuesday - Saturday 11:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Sunday 1:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Monday - Closed except for Holidays

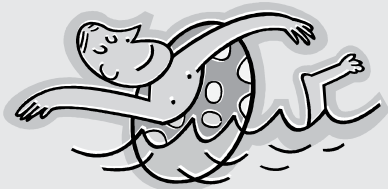
Holidays - 12:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

August 16 Last Bare Foot N' Friday 8:30 pm

August 23 Last Weekday Pool's Open

Aug. 24 - Sept. 1 Pool Open Weekends Only
Regular Hours

September 2 Holiday Hours, Last Day Pool Open



Message from the Pool Manager

By Kristina Hickle



Spirit Competition: "Red, White and Blueau"

2013 Meadows Place Lifeguard Staff

Pictured (left-right): Kimberly Heallen (Lifeguard), Shanda McKinney (Lifeguard), Aliexius Torreros (Lifeguard), Christina Garcia (Supervisor), Michael Puma (float driver), Makayla Mueller (Lifeguard), Cody Kitchen (Supervisor), Kendra Donahy (Lifeguard), Jami Burt (Lifeguard), Samantha Ferriera (Assistant Manager), Jacob Bravo (Assistant Manager), Kristina Hickle (Pool Manager), Juan Lumbreras (Lifeguard). Not pictured: Keegan Huffman (Lifeguard).

The lifeguards would like to thank everyone for a great summer 2013 season and look forward to seeing you back at the pool for summer 2014!

Adult Lap Swim **Additional Times!**

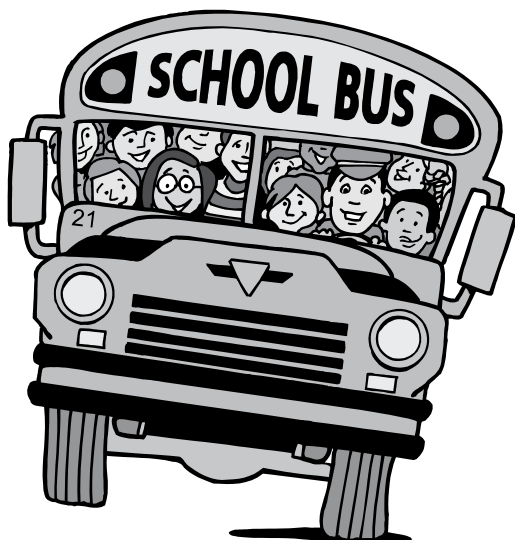
Who: Adults ages 16 and up

What: Swim laps in the pool before or after regular pool hours

When: Tuesdays and Thursdays 7:00 - 8:00 a.m. AND
Tuesdays and Thursday 8:00 - 9:00 p.m.
Ends August 22

Where: City of Meadows Place Community Lap Pool

School Starts August 26th!



Aquatics Director Tracey Spiller reacts as the Lifeguards Float "Red, White and Blueau" was selected as the Best Spirit Float!



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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.

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Home & Garden Club

By Beverly Martin, Publicity

The Home and Garden Club hopes everyone had a fun Fourth of July. As always the Meadows Place Parade was a big success. This year our theme was "The Spirit of the Home and Garden Club." We are proud of our scholarship fund raisers and we wanted to share that information with all residents and others enjoying the parade. For those who were not able to be there, our Annual Fall Craft Show is on Saturday, November 2nd at The Sugar Grove Church of Christ, 11600 W. Airport from 9:00 to 4:00. Mark your calendar!

If you are a hand craft vendor and interested in securing a booth at the Fall Craft Show, contact Joe at jd965@sbcglobal.net.

Congratulations to July Yard of the Month Winners:

Section I

Lee Ann and Ted Zikeli
11622 Dorrance

Section IVS

The Shores Family
12059 Sturdivant

Section II

Theresa Hostetter
11711 Brook Meadow

Section IVN

Margaret Sandlin
12230 Alston

Section III

Judy Flores and Jim Boykin
12103 Meadow Hollow

Section V

Sherry L. Nelson
12206 Meadowcrest Ct.

The Home and Garden Club's next meeting is on Tuesday, September 10th at 7:00 at the Community Center. Thinking of joining? Come visit and see what we are about. Annual fees are \$25.00 per person and \$35.00 per family.

Enjoy the rest of the summer!



Missing

Missing from McGrath Park/Lake Pavilion:



The cover of the brand new smoke urn looks like a light house and would make a lovely decorative item for any home, but it belongs to the City and covers the smoke urn at the large pavilion. Here's a picture of the one at the small pavilion. If you see it around, please contact the Parks & Recreation Department at 281.983.2935 or email at parks3@cityofmeadowsplace.org.



Bare Foot N' Fridays



Ages 9—14

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**Meadows Place Police Officers will be on duty at the Gate!
Parent volunteers are needed at the gate at 11 pm to assist
pool staff & MPPD in making sure all participants are
picked up safely.**



2013 Summer Schedule

Dates: August 16

Where: Meadows Place Community Pool

Time: 8:30 - 11 pm

Fee: \$5

Last 2013 BFF!

Requirements to attend:

**Must be 9 - 14 years old Come Barefoot
Enjoy Night Swimming, Music & Fun**



You do not need to be a Meadows resident to attend!

**Mark your calendar with these dates and be sure to bring
your friends!**

**Concessions available by Boy Scout Troop 301 for a
nominal charge.**





2013 FALL BASEBALL REGISTRATION

Saturday, August 17th

8:00am to 11:30am - Meadows Place Community Center

Saturday, August 24th

**10:00am to 2:00pm - Sports Authority
(in The Fountains shopping center)**

Wednesday, August 28th

**6:00pm to 8:30pm - Meadows Place baseball fields
(near the concession stand)**

Saturday, August 31st

8:00am to 11:30am - Meadows Place Community Center

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6-9 PM

Wednesday August 14

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This seminar is free to the public. Please pre-register through the church office if you need child care during the seminar. Please check our web site www.sugargrove.org for further information on the seminar.

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at www.sugargrove.org

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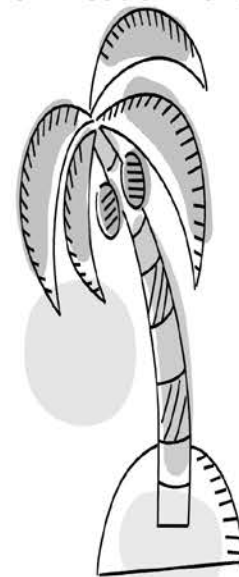
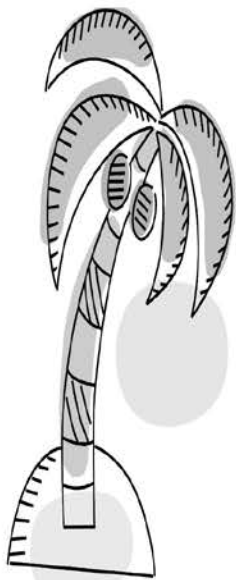
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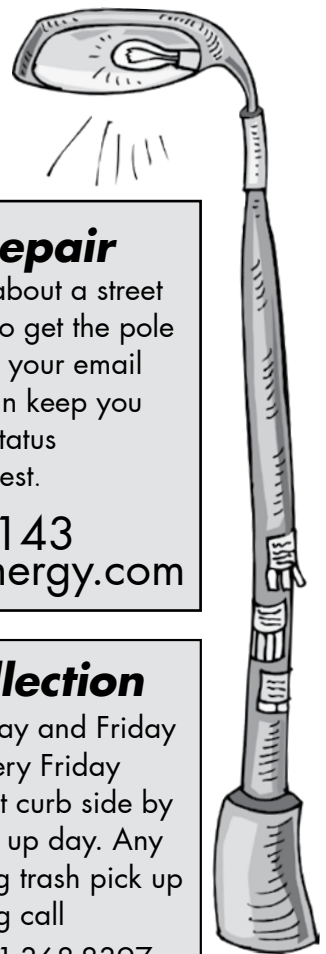
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