



# MEADOWS PLACE

# IT STARTS IN PARKS

Coaching. Connecting. Community.

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.

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Meadows Place will provide a respite for Monarch butterflies enroute to Mexico during their annual migration thanks to the efforts of city officials and nonprofit groups.

The city is the first permitted prairie restoration site in power line right of way, according to Barbara Keller-Willy, executive director and founder of Monarch Gateway and president of the Native Prairies Association of Texas.

As a Monarch Host City, Meadows Place is converting 13 acres of ROW to a pollinators' habitat, including milkweed, on which Monarchs lay their eggs and on which caterpillars feed before they form a chrysalis.

Representatives of Wildlife Habitat Federation have treated the land for invasive plants and will begin to seed native plants within the first two weeks of November to create a habitat for pollinators. But it's more than that. "It will bring back what we used to

have - the animals and plants that existed at one time," said Jim Willis, president of Wildlife Habitat Federation.

The prairie land will provide many opportunities for education. Meadows Elementary will use it as a subject source for creative writing, science studies of habitat and life cycle, and in math they will use days of growth and development to create charts and math problems.

Texas ATM students and professors are currently involved in research and development of a low combustible seed mix as well as future data collection from the site. This site will also provide teaching clinics about monarchs, prairies, plant life and pollination.

A grand opening will be scheduled at the new trailhead located directly behind the fieldhouse in McGrath Park. Date and time to be determined.

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## MEADOWS PLACE DISCOVERY & NATURE CENTER PRESENTS

### "OWL'S & PUMPKINS"



Our Nature Center is ready for fall. All month long youth can learn fun facts, play games, grow a pumpkin inside a pumpkin, and other fun activities about the beautiful owl and fall pumpkins.

**Tues. – Sat., 12-5pm, \$2 child / \$5 adult or buy an annual pass for \$10 child / \$15 Adult**

#### Other Weekly Activities Include:

**Tues. @ 2:30** – Animal Parade - Dress Up & Learn

**Wed. @ 2:30** – Tot Time- Stories and Puppets

**Thurs. @ 2:30** –Meet the Animals or Make a Craft

**\*\*\*If you would like to feed the tortoise you may bring romaine, strawberries, celery.**



**OWL'S, WHOOO ARE THEY?**

Come and enjoy and in depth study of these beautiful creatures. Learn about their life cycle, habitat, and interesting facts specific to their species. There will be hands on displays, video and discussion led by a Texas Master Naturalist. Light refreshments will be served.

**REGISTER**  
11/16, Fri. 7pm @ Discovery Center \$5



**DIY-THANKSGIVING CENTER PIECE**

Sip on your favorite bottle of wine while you learn how to make a Thanksgiving themed center piece using your own empty wine bottles. Snacks provided. Bring your own bottle of adult beverage if you like.

**MUST REGISTER by November 9<sup>th</sup> by emailing [lylanan@cityofmeadowsplace.org](mailto:lylanan@cityofmeadowsplace.org).**

**REGISTER**  
11/10, Sat., 7pm @ Discovery Center \$20



**COMMUNITY GARDEN**

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

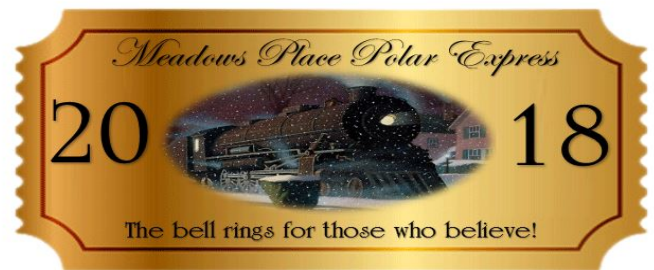
2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sat., 9am @ Community Garden

**DROP SHOP**

Get your holiday errands done or enjoy a relaxing night out while the kids are entertained in a fun and safe environment with the Meadows Place YAC Babysitters. Send the kids in their pajamas ready for an evening of fun. Activities will include: Decorate Holiday Cookies, make crafts, watch holiday movies, play fun games and enjoy a dinner of fresh fruit, baked chicken nuggets, and macaroni

**REGISTER** \$15 per child / \$5 each additional  
11/17, 5:30pm –10pm @ Discovery Center (4yr+)

12/15, 5:30pm –10pm @ Discovery Center (4yr+)



**The Polar Express is Coming to Meadows Place, Friday, December 7**

The Trolley Conductor will greet you as you step on board the Polar Express. Each passanger will be given a keepsake pass and Christmas bell. Christmas songs will play as you tour the city in an authentic wooden trolley car and look at holiday lights. Upon returning you will be offered a cup of warm coco and given a fast pass to get your picture with Santa Claus while at Christmas Memories. Be sure to wear your pajamas for a cute photo opp.

**Don't miss out. Seats are filling fast!**  
Purchase in person at City Hall, M-F 9am-4pm (or) Complete online form and drop with payment in the after hours mail slot in City Hall parking lot.  
[Cityofmeadowsplace.org](http://Cityofmeadowsplace.org)

**REGISTER** Registration Now Open  
No waiting in line. Register for a time slot beginning at 6pm every half hour until 8:30pm. Must pre purchase tickets they are transferrable. LIMITED TICKETS AVAILABLE

12/7 @ McGrath Park,\$15 per person (1yr+)



### CHRISTMAS MEMORIES

Snow, Santa, Rides, Music, Food & More

12/7, 6pm @ McGrath Park, No Fee

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### SANTA'S MAILBOX

Write a letter to Santa and place in in the North Pole mailbox in front of City Hall. Santa's box will arrive 11/26 and leave in time for Christmas.

11/26-12/23 @ Discovery and Nature Center

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The Marine Corp is hosting its annual toy drive and Meadows Place is once again a host site. Please drop off an unwrapped toy for toddler, children or teens at City Hall or one of our City Christmas events.

11/26 – 12/13, Drop off @ City Hall

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### RAINBOW TROUT STOCKING

Limit 5 Trout per person. ONLY keep trout. RELEASE all other fish.

December @ McGrath Lake, Date TBD



### HOLIDAY POTPOURRI

Come celebrate the Christmas season while listening to the beautiful music of Opus 4, String Quartet. Music by Villa Lobos, Dankner, Cohen, Traditional Holiday and Jazz Holiday songs

Light refreshments will be served at this free community event.

Please consider donating an unwrapped toy in lieu of an entry fee. Toys 4 Tots bins will be onsite for collection

12/22, 7pm @ City Hall

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### ALL HIGH-SCHOOL STUDENTS

Would you like to be a part of a national organization while making a difference in your own community? Do you need or want volunteer hours for school or college applications?

2018/2019 School year will include:  
Camping Trip - Volunteering at City Events -  
Hosting a Food Drive - Glow Fun Run - Beach Cleanup - Assisting at the Nature Center – Building an Inclusive Playground – Etc

**Attend next meeting to learn more. There is no fee to join. BRING A FRIEND!**

- 11/9-11/11-Camping @ Huntsville Park
- 11/17, 5:30pm –10pm, Shop N Drop Volunteer @ Discovery Center
- 12/7, 5:00pm – Christmas Memories Volunteer @ McGrath Park
- 12/15, 5:30pm –10pm @ Discovery Center

**TEXT 281-642-7696 w/ questions**

# ACTIVE ADULT 50+ PROGRAM

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

**MONDAY, November 5-** The Book Club will meet to discuss "*Alias Grace*" by Margaret Atwood. Also join us to visit and meet friends while playing cards, dominos or sipping coffee.

**MONDAY, November 12-** Arts & crafts with Sherril ! Make a Christmas ornament using Christmas paper, pins & styrofoam egg. All provided for \$5.00. Each person should bring a thimble of any sort.

**MONDAY, November 19** – Join us for our first ever night field trip to Santa's Wonderland in College Station! Get your holiday shopping done, appease your appetite at the food court, or sit back and enjoy live music. **Tickets are \$39.95 + tax**. If you plan to carpool, please email [lylanan@cityofmeadowsplace.org](mailto:lylanan@cityofmeadowsplace.org) by November 12<sup>th</sup> to reserve your spot in the van. An email will be sent out with additional information once you RSVP

Additionally, from 10 – 1pm, we will continue our journey cooking recipes from the Crockpot Fixins book. Join us for a taste of fall and take home a recipe with you.

**MONDAY, November 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**



## OUTDOOR TAI CHI CHIH

It is a moving meditation with 19 movements and one pose that are easy to learn and have profound effects. 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

**11/5, 11/12, & 11/26, Mon, 6pm-7pm, Large Pavilion by Lake, \$20 fee**



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

**11/1 – 11/28, Mon / Wed., Community Center  
7:30 – 8:30pm, \$65 includes  
2 days per week/Walk ins \$6**

## 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 of each year.



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## HOW DO I REGISTER?

Our programs require pre-registration. There are three ways to register. Forms can be found on-line at [cityofmeadowsplace.org](http://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 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. \*\*

## FACILITY RENTAL & LOCK - IN

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.

## BIRTHDAY PARTY

Birthday Party packages are available for the Discovery and Nature Center to include animal encounters, crafts and activities.



Call for pricing and availability. 281-983-2935.

## TAEKWONDO

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** \$30 Uniform Fee to Instructor  
November 5<sup>th</sup> – December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
5-6pm (4-11 yrs.)  
6-7pm (12 years and adult)  
10 classes for \$60.00  
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: 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Black Belt, Steve Puma and 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Black Belt, Michael Puma.

**REGISTER** \$30 Uniform Fee to Instructor  
9/13-12/6 @ Community Center  
Thursday 6:30- 7:30pm (5-12yr) \$45  
Thursday 7:30- 8:30pm (13-70yr) \$45

## OVER 50 & PTT

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** NO CLASS ON 11/22.  
11/6-11/29, T/TH, 10AM Community Center \$25