



Feb/Mar 2015

Wow!!! Is all I can say we closed out 2014 with a bang!!! Thanks to our Beautification Chairman Jose Rocha. He spent over 60 man hours creating, building and organizing people to ride on Meadowcreek Village first ever Christmas Parade Float!! In the **Pasadena Parade**, on Dec. 6, with Jose driving, me as "shotgun" and the St. Augustine Cheerleaders cheering us on. As if Jose did not have enough fun he entered the same float in **S. Houston's Annual Parade of Lights** — and guess what!!??? Meadowcreek Village float took **4<sup>th</sup> place!!!** Yippee!! Job well done!!!

Suzanne Riggerbach - President MVCC



**South Houston Parade of Lights  
4<sup>th</sup> Place**



**Civic Club Meetings  
Feb 12<sup>th</sup> and March 12<sup>th</sup>  
6:30pm Meadowcreek  
Village Community Center  
Meadowcreek Village residents  
and their guests are invited.  
Refreshments served**

Feb 12:  
**Basketball Pavilion Update:**  
Representatives from Parks &  
Recreation Dept and General  
Services Dept.  
Please attend.

March 12: Speaker TBD

As of this writing, 1/27 Meadowcreek  
Village Civic Club has 112 household  
members.  
Thank you, for your support.



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**Botanical Garden Update:** By the time the paper edition of this newsletter will be delivered, there would have been a discussion at the **Park Place Civic Club meeting on Tuesday, February 3 at 7 p.m.** Location: **Charlton Park Community Room located at 8200 Park Place Blvd.**

City Councilmember Robert Gallegos (District I) and Jeff Ross, President of the Houston Botanic Garden have confirmed their attendance to discuss the **Houston Botanic Garden at the Glenbrook Golf Course.**

The process and timeline involved will have been discussed. You will also have the opportunity to express your support or concerns for this recent City Council decision to consider plans for the Botanic Garden in our neighborhood. Feel free to distribute this email to your neighbors or any neighboring civic club interested in attending.

The Park Place Civic Club meets on the first Tuesday of each month.

If you have been waiting to sell, this may be the time for you to seriously consider talking to a Realtor. Inventory in Meadowcreek is low (only six homes for sale) and the price per square foot is higher than I have ever seen. The condition of homes in Meadowcreek really vary, but if your home has been well maintained, you should be able to get on the high side of average market value. There

are many Buyers who appreciate the architecture, larger lots and big oak trees in our neighborhood. Commuting from Meadowcreek provides easy access to Freeways . Our HISD Schools are in new buildings: Patterson, Stevenson, and Chavez. Patterson is starting a Dual Language Class next year starting with Pre-K and Kindergarten which many parents are excite about. These classes will feed into the first through fifth grade as these children advance. Some of our homes are zoned to Pasadena ISD which also has new buildings with the new Intermediate School completed and a JR High to come in the near future. We even have St. Augustine Catholic School for those who prefer a Catholic Education. Great Education for our children is very important for homeowners with children and in school and for resale purposes for homeowners selling.

**ACTIVE LISTINGS:**

5414 S. Shady Creek	1,520	\$64,900	\$42.70
2139 Lamina Lane	1,333	\$107,000	\$80.27
5616 Allendale Road	1,200	\$110,000	\$91.67
2123 Spring Creek Lane	1,220	\$127,000	\$104.10
5307 Laurel Creek Way	2,178	\$146,000	\$67.10
5207 Coral Creek Dr.	2,333	\$169,900	\$72.82

**OPTION PENDING:**

2042 Forest Oaks Dr.	2,650	\$205,216	\$77.44
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**PENDING:**

2519 N. Straight Dr.	2,090	\$175,000	\$83.73
5755 Berry Creek Dr.	1,088	\$98,500	\$89.71
1815 Mosa Creek Ct.	4,654	\$350,000	\$75.20

**SOLD:**

22110 Linden Creek	1,431	\$85,360	\$59.65	01/08/2015
5442 Apple Creek Rd	1,787	\$131,500	\$73.59	12/08/2014
5222 Sleepy Creek	2519	\$163,550	\$64.93	12/29/2014
5311 Laurel Creek Way	2,614	\$170,000	\$65.03	01/02/2015



**Useful Contacts:****HPD Non-Emergency:**

713-884-3131

**HPD Eastside Dispatch**

713-928-4600

(press '0' then '#' to connect to dispatch)

**HISD Police:**

713-892-7777

**Pct 2. Constable Dispatch:**

713-477-2766

**Emergency**

9-1-1

**City General Concerns**

(lights, streets, animals):

3-1-1

**Street light Repair**

**800-332-7143**; choose a language; then press 5. Before you call have the Nearest street address & 6 digit light pole number.



**Oak Meadows Barber Shop**  
1410 Ahrens

- Regular Haircuts
- Flat Tops
- Hair Styling
- Boys Haircuts
- Razor Cutting

**713-649-1930**  
Tues – Fri 7am – 6pm  
Saturday 6am – 3pm





Remember Meadowcreek Village has a Facebook site: search for **"Meadowcreek Village."**

This site now has **505 535** members as of 2/02.

Help is needed to translate this newsletter to Spanish please contact me. – The Editor

- **PIP (Positive Interaction Program) update Jan 26:**

The guest speaker at Monday night's PIP meeting was Moiya Press-Jackson, Community Outreach Specialist, with the Dispute Resolution Center (DRC). The DRC is a free resource provided by Harris County for individuals or groups—like the Meadowcreek Village Civic Club—looking to resolve problems.

Mrs. Press-Jackson was a dynamic speaker who provided a number of scenarios —e.g. Bill always keeps yard well-manicured; however, Bill's neighbor, Tom, goes months before cutting his grass. After speaking asking Tom a number of about keeping the grass cut, Bill was able to contact DRC and set up mediation between Bill and Tom to help them come to an agreement before going to court.

DRC help Harris County Residence with a number of issues, to include: family, assist parents if you have problems with your children's school, neighbors, auto repair, landlord and tenant, consumer and merchant, homeowner associations, employment, personal injury and many more. The Dispute Resolution Center can provide services before or after a lawsuit has been filed.

Mrs. Press-Jackson reported the DRC has a 65% resolution rate!

Our taxes do not fund the DRC. Established in 1980, the DRC is a nonprofit corporation, sponsored by the Houston Bar Association, is funded through the Harris County Courts and mediates over 2,800 disputes each year.

Did you know after spending a couple of hundred dollars going to small claims court will the judge will often request the two parties meet with the DRC? You can save your money and call 713-755-8885 or visit their website at <http://www.harriscountytexas.gov/drc/> and speak to someone who can setup a free mediation.

Another topic of the PIP meeting earlier this week was the Houston Police Explorers. The Houston Police Explorers programs are based on five areas of emphasis: career opportunities, life skills, service learning, character education, and leadership experience.

If you know someone interested in becoming a police officer, the Law Enforcement Career Exploring is open to young men and women ages 14 (and completed the 8th grade) and not yet 21 years old with an interest in learning more about careers in the field of Law Enforcement.

After joining the Explorers, young men and women are able to learn and experience simulated arrests and other law enforcement interactions.

**In Memoriam: Lyn Bennett, 2110 Oak Creek**

Post on Facebook Jan. 23 by "Dee": Sadly one of our neighbors passed away this week after a 2 month battle for her life. She was hit by a drunk driver on Fairmont on Thanksgiving day. She was one of the most responsible people I knew. So sad and heartbreaking.

Please. Please. PLEASE do NOT drink and drive.

Another friend Lucy informed me that Lyn would decorate her yard during any holiday celebration. She is surely missed by her friends and neighbors.

The Jan. civic club meeting welcomed **Gloria Medina Zenteno** founder of **Barrio Dogs**. Gloria talked about how we can help with the overwhelming problem of abandoned dogs in the Houston metro area. See [www.unityforasolution.org](http://www.unityforasolution.org). More information to come.



Coming together is a beginning...  
 Keeping together is progress...  
 Working together is success!

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# Save the Dates!

## February 2015

- Feb 2 - Heavy Trash, Junk Waste North of Allendale (Meadowbrook)
- Feb 2 - Single Stream Recycling (Green Bins)
- Feb 9 - Heavy Trash, Junk Waste South of Allendale (Meadowcreek)
- Feb 12 - Civic Club Meeting: Community Center, 6:30PM
- Feb 16 - PIP Meeting: Eastside Patrol Station, 7525 Sherman, 6:30PM
- Feb 16 - Single Stream Recycling (Green Bins)

## March 2015

- Mar 2 - Tree Waste North of Allendale (Meadowbrook)
- Mar 8 - Daylight Saving Time Starts (Go Forward)
- Mar 9 - Tree Waste South of Allendale (Meadowcreek)
- Mar 9 - **Schedule change!!** Single Stream Recycling (Green Bins)
- Mar 12 - Civic Club Meeting: Community Center, 6:30pm
- Mar 16 - PIP Meeting: Eastside Patrol Station, 7525 Sherman, 6:30PM
- Mar 23 - **Schedule change!!** Single Stream Recycling (Green Bins)

## April 2015

- Apr 6 - Heavy Trash, Junk Waste North of Allendale (Meadowbrook)
- Apr 6 - Single Stream Recycling (Green Bins) **Schedule changed!!**
- Apr 9 - Civic Club Meeting: Community Center, 6:30PM
- Apr 13 - Heavy Trash, Junk Waste South of Allendale (Meadowcreek)
- Apr 20 - PIP Meeting: Eastside Patrol Station, 7525 Sherman, 6:30PM
- Apr 20 - Single Stream Recycling (Green Bins) **Schedule changed!!**

### Tree/Junk Waste Collection Schedule

January	Tree Waste ONLY
February	Junk Waste
March	Tree Waste ONLY
April	Junk Waste
May	Tree Waste ONLY
June	Junk Waste
July	Tree Waste ONLY
August	Junk Waste
September	Tree Waste ONLY
October	Junk Waste
November	Tree Waste ONLY
December	Junk Waste