

2nd Qtr 2017

June 8 - Pot Luck. July 13 - Vote on meeting amendment. August 10th - Elect new civic club officers.

Come join us for the **Meadowcreek Village**Civic Club Summer Pot Luck Meet 'n' Greet.

Thursday June 8, 6:30P Community Center. Bring your favorite side dish or dessert. The club will provide sandwiches, Momma Ho's Egg Rolls, water and tea.

**Current membership total to date: 134.** 

POTLUCK DINNER

From the President's Corner - Hello Meadowcreek Village Residents,

A week before the general meetings a board meeting is held. Those who are interested in the civic club activities and want to contribute and solicit ideas are welcome to join these meetings. In the last meeting the board discussed reduction of the frequency of meetings from once a month to every other month on the even numbered months. We will continue to have the Summer Potluck in June and the Holiday party in December. This arrangement will leave us with 4 meetings per year.

The reason for this decision: the meeting attendance has fallen to low numbers: most of us have hectic work, home, and extra curricular schedules. The senior population have pretty much retired from meeting attendance due to physical limitations; changing demographics and lifestyles also contribute to decline of attendance; the advent of the Internet. Close allegiance with the City of Houston police department and the City of Houston's 311 program have played a big part to Keep (our neighborhood) Houston Beautiful. Our own Deed Restrictions Vice President has been appointed to the KHB - Keep Houston Beautiful committee. Our former HPD liaison officer Jerry Rodriguez taught us the importance of "SEE Something, SAY Something" 911 campaign: Encouraging citizens and Meadowcreek Village residents to call 911 and immediately report any suspicious activity. Many of us now utilize the Internet: Meadowcreek Village Facebook site has over 750 members and another good community site is NextDoor.

We would like to begin our bi-monthly meetings in August, however to keep in line with the civic club by-laws to change the meeting frequency: the bylaws may be amended at any regular meeting by a two-thirds majority vote of the members present, provided the proposed amendment is submitted to the secretary in writing and read at the previous regular meeting. If we don't have a quorum then we will un-officially hold the meetings on even numbered months.

<u>Please make every effort to attend the July meeting to vote.</u> If you have any questions or concerns please use the Facebook site or email me: president@meadowcreekvillage.org

Thank you, Suzanne Riggenbach



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We welcome your comments, suggestions, and story submittals. We can be reached through the E-mail or postal address shown above.

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©2017 Meadowcreek Village Civic Club **August meeting** - we will hopefully elect new officers for the upcoming year. There are 5 officers: President, 1st & 2nd Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary. Anyone who has been a member for the preceding six (6) months is eligible to hold office. Responsibilities (abbreviated for space) as shown below:

President - The President shall preside over all general meetings and any other executive committee meetings.

1st Vice Pres - Chairs the Membership Committee and performs the duties of the President, if absent.

2nd Vice Pres - Chairs the Deed Restrictions Committee and performs the duties of 1st VP if absent.

Treasurer - is in charge of the club finances.

Secretary - records and maintains the meeting minutes.

## Flooding and Storm Surge Symposium

Attendee and Contributor: Mark Clemmons

April 5 Council Member Dave Martin along with Council Member David W. Robinson hosted a successful Flooding and Storm Surge Symposium at the George R. Brown Convention Center, with over 300 attendees.

Flood Control focused on how effectively the infrastructure near bayous, streams and rivers handles swift runoff. Storm Surge Protection focused on the best infrastructure to minimalize damage due a storm surge. They relate because they are the result of massive amounts of water going where it is not wanted. The Symposium is intended capture support and understanding that while this is a problem of the local area, it also is a national problem because of the industries and the people involved. The panelist presented a case that the state and national funding should be steered to implement these plans. Statewide and nationally: oil, energy, and transportation industries will be affected.

The heads up for property owners who enjoy river and coastal property ownership is that any plans to address these concerns will be affecting the ownership and use of the property they own. Is your home near a creek or bayou? Harris County Flood Control District just completed a project near Meadowcreek Village just across S. Richey near Berry Bayou. The dredging repository surrounded by Allen-Genoa Road, Hwy 225, Allendale Road and Scarborough Lane is a part of the storm surge levee plans. To prevent damage to Galveston Bay, "the levee plans" suggest that "Rollover Pass" needs to be filled in rather than maintained.





# **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):

## **Meadowcreek Village History Corner**

Some of the history of Meadowcreek Village has come to life in a map with images of homes, businesses, and the park. Most of the pictures were digitized from Harris County Archives public records and show what the neighborhood looked like in previous decades. This is an ongoing project so if you have any images to add (or questions), please contact Lauren Meyers at lauren@arch-ive.org. The map was made with ArcGIS Storymaps and can be accessed at this address: http://arcg.is/200A8b3.

