

Greatwood News

The publication of the Greatwood Community Association, Inc.

January 2014

Avoiding Conflict with the Neighbors



We all CAN get along. The key? Communication. It's often the best way to prevent and resolve conflict before it reaches the legal system. You don't have to be friends or spend time together to achieve a peaceful coexistence, but you should try to be a good neighbor and follow these tips:

Say hello. At the mailbox, while walking the dog or when you see a moving van arrive, introduce yourself. Learn your neighbors' names and regularly offer a friendly greeting.

Provide a heads up. If you're planning a construction project, altering your landscaping or hosting a big party, contact your neighbors beforehand.

Do unto others. Treat neighbors, as you would like to be treated. Be considerate about noise from vehicles, stereos, pets, etc.

Know your differences. Make an effort to understand each other. Differences in age, ethnic background and years in the neighborhood can lead to different expectations or misunderstandings.

Consider the view. Keep areas of your property that others can see presentable.

Appreciate them. If the neighbors do something you like, let them know. They'll be pleased you noticed, and it'll be easier to talk later if they do something you don't like.

Stay positive. Most people don't try to create problems. If a neighbor does something that irritates you, don't assume it was deliberate.

Talk honestly. Tolerance is important, but don't let a real irritation go because it seems unimportant or hard to discuss. Let your neighbors know if something they do annoys.

Be respectful. Talk directly to your neighbors if there's a problem. Gossiping with others can damage relationships and create trouble.

Remain calm. If a neighbor mentions a problem they have with you, thank them for the input. You don't have to agree or justify any behavior. Wait for any anger to subside before responding.

Listen carefully. When discussing a problem, try to understand your

neighbor's position and why he or she feels that way.

Take your time. Take a break to think about what you and your neighbor have discussed. Arrange to finish the conversation at another time.

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Calendar

1/2.....	ACC Meeting
1/16.....	Lakecrest Annual Meeting
1/16.....	Fairview Annual Meeting
1/23.....	Monthly Board Meeting

ACC meets the first Thursday of the month at 7:30 at Rec Center #2.

Board meetings are on the fourth Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. At Rec. Center #1

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All information and articles submitted to the Committee become the property of the Community Association, which publishes articles at its' sole discretion.

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- January – December 1
- February – January 1
- March – February 1
- April – March 1
- May – April 1
- June – May 1
- July – June 1
- August – July 1
- September – August 1
- October – September 1
- November – October 1
- December – November 1

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Greatwood Office Hours:

The Greatwood office, located at Rec Center #2 at 8802 Greatwood Parkway will be opened on Mon. and Wed. 9 a.m. - 11 a.m. and Tues. and Thurs. 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.

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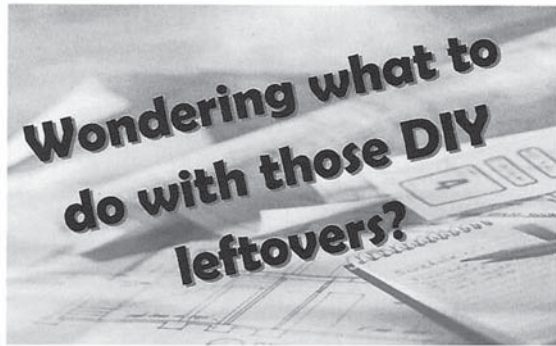
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Bend					38
Brazos Bend	1				1
Brooksmill	1		1		48
Charleston					
Crossing	4		1		16
Enclave					10
Estates	3		1		
Exec. Towers					
Fairway Vista					5
Fairview	1				7
Forest	3		1		36
Glen	4				8
Green	1				16
Knoll	1		2		23
Highland Park	4		1		15
Lakecrest	1				37
Lakeside					4
Landing			1		
Manor	5		2		73
Shores	4				38
Springfield	2		1		30
Stonebridge	4		3		58
Terrace	1				26
Trails	3				67
Tuscany					11
Village	3		2		32
Vista of GW	1		1		7
Woodcreek	1		1		36
Woodhaven	3		1		13
Rec Center #1					
Rec Center #2					
Rec Center #3					
Visitor Center					
Campbell School					
Dickinson School					
Mont. School					
Primrose School					
Golf Club					
Realtor Office					
Grand Court					
Water Plant					
Total:	52	0	21	0	687
Subtotal:			760		
Total From Worksheet:			615		
TOTAL ALL CALLS:			1375		
CITATIONS	5				
WARNINGS	10				



Bike Safety

By Judy Holy

Since so many children and adults received a new bike over the past holiday season, we thought it would be a good time to run this article from the National Highway Traffic Administration about bike safety.

BIKE SAFETY

Biking is fun, healthy, and a great way to get around and be independent. But your bike is a vehicle, not a toy! So DRIVE your bicycle and follow these tips.

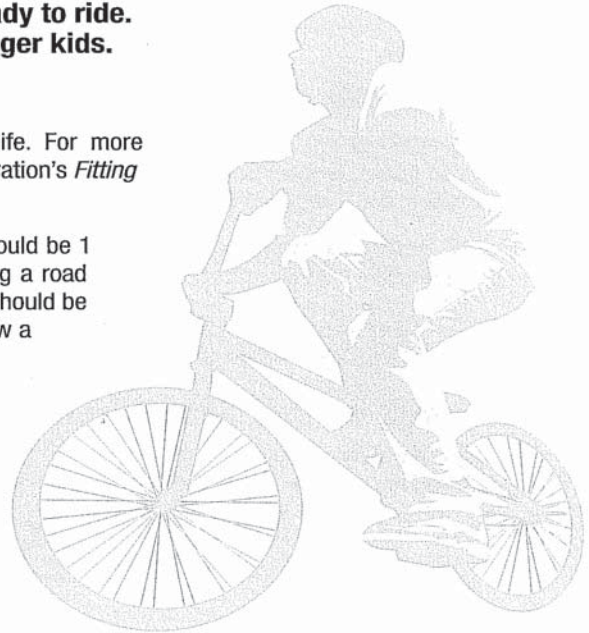
Safe Riding Tips

Before riding, make sure you and your bike are ready to ride. You can be a "Roll Model" for your peers and younger kids.

Remember to:

- **Wear a Bike Helmet.** Protect your brain, save your life. For more information see the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's *Fitting Your Bike Helmet*.
- **Adjust Your Bike to Fit.** Stand over your bike. There should be 1 to 2 inches between the rider and the top tube (bar) if using a road bike and 3 to 4 inches if using a mountain bicycle. The seat should be level front to back, and the height should be adjusted to allow a slight bend at the knee when the leg is fully extended. The handlebar height should be at the same level with the seat.
- **Check Your Equipment.** Before riding, inflate tires properly and check that the brakes work.
- **See and Be Seen.** Whether daytime, dawn, dusk, foul weather, or at night. Wear neon, fluorescent or other bright colors when riding, to make yourselves the most visible to others. Also wear something that reflects light, such as reflective tape or markings, or flashing lights. Remember, just because you can see a driver doesn't mean the driver can see you.
- **Control Your Bike.** Ride with two hands on the handlebars unless signaling a turn. Place books and other items in a bike carrier or backpack.
- **Watch for and Avoid Road Hazards.** Look for hazards that may make you crash, such as potholes, broken glass, gravel, puddles, leaves, and dogs. If riding in a group, the rider in front should yell and point to hazards to alert other riders.
- **Avoid Riding at Night.** It's harder for other road users to see bicyclists at dusk, dawn or nighttime. Use reflectors on the front and rear of the bike. White lights and red rear reflectors or lights are required by law in all States.

Many bike-related crashes resulting in injury or death are associated with your behavior as a bicyclist, and some of them are in your control. First, while it doesn't prevent a crash, a bike helmet worn correctly can prevent injury to your brain if you crash; a helmet could save your life. By paying attention, and knowing and following some basic rules of the road, you can avoid some crashes completely.



Rules for Biking on the Road

In all States, bikes on the roadway are considered vehicles, and bicyclists are the drivers of those vehicles, with the same rights and responsibilities as other motorists to follow the rules of the road, including:

- **Go With the Traffic Flow.** Ride on the right side in the same direction as other vehicles. Go with the flow – not against it.
- **Obey All Traffic Laws.** As the driver of your vehicle on the road, obey all traffic signs, signals, and lane markings.
- **Yield to Traffic.** Almost always, drivers on a smaller road must yield (wait) for traffic on a major or larger road. If there is no stop sign or traffic signal and you are coming from a smaller roadway (out of a driveway, from a sidewalk, a bike path, etc.), slow down, look for traffic, and go only when it's clear. Also yield to pedestrians in a crosswalk.
- **Be Predictable.** Ride in a straight line, not in and out of cars. Signal your moves to others.
- **Stay Alert at All Times.** Use your eyes AND ears. Look for potholes, cracks, wet leaves, storm grates, railroad tracks, or anything that could make you lose control of your bike. Listen for traffic and avoid dangerous situations; don't use personal electronic devices when you ride.
- **Look Before Turning.** When turning left or right, always look behind you for a break in traffic, and then signal before making the turn. Watch for left- or right-turning traffic.
- **Watch for Parked Cars.** Ride far enough out from the curb to avoid the unexpected from parked cars (like doors opening, or cars pulling out).

Sidewalk versus Street Riding

The safest place for riding a bike is on the street, where bikes are expected to follow the same rules of the road and ride in the same direction as motorists. Sidewalks are designed for slower moving traffic like pedestrians.

- If you don't know the rules of the road, or your parents feel like you aren't ready to ride on the street, avoid riding your bike near traffic altogether.
- For anyone riding on a sidewalk:
 - Check the law in your State or jurisdiction to make sure sidewalk riding is allowed.
 - Watch for vehicles coming out of or turning into driveways.
 - Stop at corners of sidewalks and streets to look for cars and to make sure the drivers see you before crossing.
 - Enter a street at a corner and not between parked cars. Alert pedestrians that you are nearby, saying, "Passing on your left," or use a bell or horn

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Rental & Leasing Policy

By Nikkole Luna

By now, you have received a copy of the Rental and Leasing Policy that is now in effect. The policy was included with your 2014 annual assessment statement.

If you own a home in Greatwood that you lease, you must submit a copy of the lease to the on site office. All leases must be current.

Although you lease your home, you, as the owner of the property, are ultimately responsible for your tenant's actions.

Please submit a current copy of your lease to the on site office no later than February 28, 2014. You may email, fax or mail.

Email: Nikkole Luna at nluna@houcomm.com

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Mail: Greatwood Community Association
8802 Greatwood Pkwy
Sugar Land, TX 77479

2014 Annual Assessment

By Nikkole Luna

You should have received your 2014 Annual Assessment statement in the mail. Please keep in mind, the annual assessment of \$725.00 is due January 1. To avoid any late fees and penalties, assessments must be paid no later than January 31.

There are a few options of submitting your payment. You may mail your payment to the address shown on the coupon, pay on line at www.houcomm.com, or you may drop your payment off with the coupon at the Greatwood on site office which is located at 8802 Greatwood Pkwy.

Should you choose to pay on line, there is a fee to do so. There are 2 different options that you can pay online; Option 1. Pay with a credit card, the bank charges an interest percent of 3.5% of the amount that is paid with Master Card, Discover and American Express. If you are paying with VISA, the bank charges a flat fee for the average assessment amount for the association that you live in. Option 2. Pay with by e-check; there is a flat fee of \$2.95.

Greatwood Community Association, Inc. Rental and Leasing Policy

WHEREAS, Article IX, Section 3 of the Declaration of Protective Covenants for Greatwood (hereinafter the "Declaration"), recorded under Fort Bend County Clerk's File No. 8940912, provides that the Association, acting through its Board of Directors, may make and enforce reasonable rules and regulations governing the use of the Properties; and

WHEREAS, Article XII, Section 27 of the Declaration governs "Leasing of Units" and gives the Association, acting through its Board of Directors, the authority to regulate leasing of Units.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the following Rental and Leasing Policy has been adopted:

I. Terms and Conditions

Rentals are permitted in Greatwood providing the following terms and conditions are met:

- a. The Tenant must sign a lease agreement for a minimum initial term of one (1) year.
- b. The least must specify the following:
 1. The Tenant agrees to use the premises solely as a personal residence.
 2. The premises may be occupied only by members of the Tenant's immediate family and others whose names are specified in the lease agreement. The Lease must be signed by all adult occupants of the premises.
 3. Neither the Tenant nor the Landlord may sublet or assign the leased premises or any portion of the leased premises.
 4. The Tenant agrees to comply with all restrictive covenants, bylaws, rules and regulations set forth by Greatwood Community Association, Inc.
- c. The Landlord must provide the Tenant with copies of the Greatwood governing documents and rules and regulations

prior to the Tenant occupying the premises.

- d. No less than two (2) weeks prior to the Tenant occupying the premises, and no less that two (2) weeks prior to any renewal or extention of the lease agreement, the Landlord must provide the Association with a signed copy of the lease agreement and any applicable addendums thereto.
- e. The Landlord must provide his/her current physical address (no P.O. Box) and telephone number to the Association in writing. It is the responsibility of the Landlord to keep such contact information current in the Association's records.

II. Violations

- a. The property owner (Landlord) is responsible for ensuring compliance with all Greatwood restrictive covenants, Bylaws and/or rules and regulations and policies.
- b. In the event of a violation by Tenant, the Association will send notice to both the Landlord and the Tenant.
- c. If a Tenant fails to correct a violation of the restrictive covenants, Bylaws and/or rules, regulations or policies of Greatwood, the property owner (Landlord) shall be held responsible for any costs incurred in the enforcement of any violation.

III. Tenant Communications

Tenants may not directly contact Greatwood Community Association, Inc., its managing agent, Board of Directors or neighborhood representative. All Tenant communications must be directed to the Landlord.

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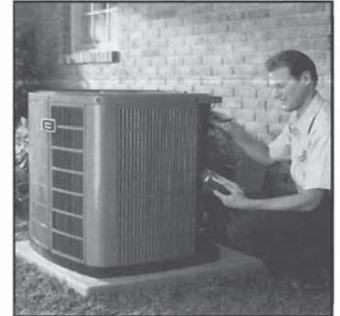
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Girl Scout Troop 29137

Girl Scout Troop 29137 had a toy and food drive on December 7th to benefit East Fort Bend Human Needs and Santa's Exchange. The girls worked in shifts with some help from a few other brownie troops. A truckload of food was collected as well as \$550 for EFBHN. Another truckload was filled with toys for the Santa's Exchange!

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5	6 • 1:30 PM-Story Time	7 • 10:30 AM-Toddler Time • 7:00 PM-Pajama Night Story Time	8 • 10:30 AM-Mother Goose Time • 4:00 PM-After-School Break	9 • 10:30 AM-Story Time	10	11 • 10:30 AM-10:30 am - Rise & Shine Story Time
12	13 • 1:30 PM-Story Time • 5:00 PM-Middle School Scene	14 • 10:30 AM-Toddler Time • 7:00 PM-Pajama Night Story Time	15 • 10:30 AM-Mother Goose Time • 4:00 PM-Kinder Korner	16 • 10:30 AM-Story Time • 4:00 PM-Tween Cafe	17	18 • 10:30 AM-Rise & Shine Story Time
19	20 • NO STORY TIME TODAY	21 • 10:30 AM-Toddler Time • 7:00 PM-Pajama Night Story Time	22 • 10:30 AM-Mother Goose Time • 4:00 PM-After-School Break	23 • 10:30 AM-Story Time	24	25 • 10:30 AM-Rise & Shine Story Time
26	27 • 1:30 PM-Story Time • 5:00 PM-Middle School Scene • 6:00 PM-Middle School Advisory Council	28 • 10:30 AM-Toddler Time • 7:00 PM-Pajama Night Story Time	29 • 10:30 AM-Mother Goose Time	30 • 10:30 AM-Story Time	31	

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Sugar Land Finalizes Plans for New Year's Eve Party

Say goodbye to 2013 and hello to 2014 at the City of Sugar Land's New Year's Eve on the Square celebration on Tuesday, Dec. 31, at Sugar Land Town Square.

To ensure visitors of all ages have a chance to celebrate, the evening will be divided into two segments.

A children's celebration beginning at 7 p.m. will feature music and entertainment from Radio Disney on the main stage, a bubble artist, LED balloon artists and other great street performers roaming City Walk Drive. The celebration will close with a spectacular fireworks show at 9 pm.

The party resumes at 9:30 p.m. with the New Year's Eve celebration where alcohol will be available for purchase to responsible adults until 1 a.m.

A brand-new, never-before-seen 3D video projection mapping show with fireworks is scheduled for this year's midnight presentation. Illuminated statuesque "Light Beings" will seem to glide along the columns of Sugar Land City Hall while elaborate cirque jugglers and stilt walkers entertain the crowd within the plaza.

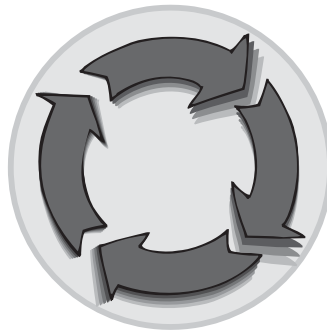
An entertainment staple in New Orleans's French Quarter, the Dragon Masters interactive comedy team will keep everyone laughing while Flipping Out, a stunt trampoline group from Florida, will amaze the crowd with their air-catching moves.


This is a free event with parking available at both the Texas and Lonestar Garages. There will be additional parking at Mercer Stadium, 16403 Lexington Blvd., with a free shuttle service to Town Square from 6:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.

Sugar Creek Baptist Church is sponsoring this year's Get Home Safely program - people who identify themselves as designated drivers will receive free soft drinks and water throughout the evening from any beverage station at the event. Taxi available starting at 11 p.m. can either be pre-booked or booked that night by visiting the City of Sugar Land information kiosk. All taxi fares and charges will be the responsibility of the passengers.

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A Holiday Lighting Contest Thank You

By Judy Holy

Most of us have childhood memories of driving around with our families looking at neighborhood Christmas lights. Now we do the same thing with our children and grandchildren. Some of our Greatwood neighbors produce some truly beautiful and spectacular Christmas lighting for the rest of us to enjoy.

Here in Greatwood we have an annual Christmas Lighting Contest and for the past 10 years, Shelley Buechner has organized this event, gotten judges, gotten signs to indicate the winners and posted the results on the community web site. She has done this because she really loves the season and wanted to do something for her neighborhood. For the past two years, it is Shelley who was also responsible for hanging wreaths on most of our neighborhood entrances. After this year, she has decided to pass the event on to someone else.

**On behalf of the residents of Greatwood,
your HOA Board wishes to thank Shelley for
the wonderful job she has done.**

THANKS, Shelley!

**Thanks also to all those residents who
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 **2013 Holiday Light Contest Winners** 

Congratulations to all the winners!

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Hall of Fame Best Decorated

Stonebridge - 1259 Deerbrook Drive - Jim and Melissa Pariseau

Hall Of Fame Most Elegant

Estates - 8206 Forest Gate

Hall of Fame Most Creative

Brazos Bend - 1811 Lavender Field - David, Marcie, Meganne, Stephanie & Katelin Money

Hall of Fame Kids Choice

Glen - 1131 Woodfern - Mark, Becky, Haley and Megan Foster

Winners for Best in Greatwood:

Best Decorated Home in Greatwood

Forest - 1227 Garden Brook Forest - Jess, Stacey, Drake, Carter & Myatt Richards

Best Themed Home in Greatwood

Terrace - 1719 River Trails - Dede Sullivan & Mike Herring

Honorable Mention Home in Greatwood

Charleston Estates - 1706 Oak Shade Forest - Trisha, Charlie, Justin, Jamie & Logan Hunton

Kids Choice in Greatwood

Crossing - 7302 Whistle Court - Larry and Tricia Hyek

Most Elegant Home in Greatwood

Arbor - 2002 Verdant Valley - Curt, Karri & Britni McIntire

Best Street in Greatwood

Forest - Forest Brook

Honorable Mention Street

Bend - Garden Bend

Individual Neighborhood Winners:

* Indicates the “Best of Greatwood” Finalists.

Arbor

Best Decorated Home - *1815 Wild Violet - Bill, ReNae, William & Reagan Scott

Honorable Mention Home - *2002 Verdant Valley - Curt, Karri and Britni McIntire

Best Street- Verdant Valley

Charleston Estates

Best Decorated Home - *1706 Oak Shade - Trisha, Charlie, Justin, Jamie & Logan Hunton

Honorable Mention Home - 7730 Long Shadow - Jim & Toni Beeman

Best Street - Oak Shade Court

The Bend

Best Decorated Home - 1106 Summer Brook- Jeff, Susie, Danielle, Nicole & Christina Alford

Honorable Mention Home - 1226 Magnolia Woods Court - Ken & Mary Murphy

Best Street - *Garden Bend

Crossing

Best Decorated Home - 7311 Whistle Court - Brian and Charity Lyssy

Honorable Mention Home - *7302 Whistle Court - Larry and Tricia Hyek

Best Street - Whistle Court

Brazos Bend

Best Decorated Home - 1815 Rockwall Court- Dwaine & Tonia Colby

Honorable Mention Home - 1807 Rockwall Court - Vanessa, Chris, Nicholas & Avery Weidman

Best Street - Morning Star Drive

Enclave

Best Decorated Home - 8714 Chipping Rock - Joe and Shirley Hovespian

Honorable Mention Home - 8518 Chipping Rock - Stan and Diedra Nowak

Best Street - Chipping Rock

Brooks Mill

Best Decorated Home - 1815 Old Trail Court - Christina, John & Kaitlin Vasquez

Honorable Mention Home - 1507 Stone Canyon - Bill & Linda Burnes

Best Street - Babbling Brook Court

Estates

Best Decorated Home - *8202 Forest Gate - Ray, Noreen, Lauren & Nathan

Honorable Mention Home - 8218 Forest Gate Drive

Best Street - Forest Gate Drive



2013 Holiday Light Contest Winners



Fairview

Best Decorated Home - 1607 Morning Shadows
 Honorable Mention Home - 1610 Morning Shadows - Bob, Wendy, Caitlin and Blake Wilson
 Best Street - Bent Trail Court

Fairway Vistas

Best Decorated Home - 7207 & 7211 Welshwood - Scott & Jeanne Martin and Jan Behren
 Honorable Mention Home - 7202 Welshwood - Tracy Ray (Spence) Pieper, Randall Pieper & Austin Spence

Forest

Best Decorated Home - *1227 Garden Brook - Jess, Stacey, Drake, Carter & Myatt Richards
 Honorable Mention Home - 7926 Autumn Trail - Andrew, LeighAnn, Grayson, Cade & Cole Cloutier
 Best Street - *Forest Brook

Glen

Best Decorated Home - *7103 Greatwood Glen - Richard and Sharon Boehch
 Honorable Mention Home - 7334 Mosswood Drive - Alan, Stacie, Ryan, Kaitlin & McKenna Young
 Best Street - Greatwood Glen Court

Green

Best Decorated Home - 1818 Teal Brook Lane - Rick and Betsy Skovan
 Honorable Mention Home - 1738 Teal Brook Lane
 Best Street - Teal Brook Lane

Highland Park

Best Decorated Home - 2019 Starlite Field
 Honorable Mention Home - 2319 Upland Park - Jim, Lauren, Kaitlyn & Dylan Pyle
 Best Street - Highland Green Drive

Knoll

Best Decorated Home - 6714 Flowermound - Jayson, Stacey, Walker, Jack & John Mitchell
 Honorable Mention Home - 1127 Knoll Crest Court - Robert & Lissette Bazan

Lakecrest

Best Decorated Home - 1835 Shadow Lake Drive - Fred, Caroline and Morgan Thornton
 Honorable Mention Home - 1903 Shadow Lake - Steve Skelton & Kim McMillin

Lakeside Village

Best Decorated Home - 1806 Sterling Green Court - Tony Zubizarreta
 Honorable Mention Home - 7806 Silver Pond - Keith, Roseane, Elizabeth & Mathew Bernstein
 Best Street - Sterling Green Court

Landing

Best Decorated Home - 1907 Auburn Court
 Honorable Mention Home - 1939 Cascade Court

Manor

Best Decorated Home - 2015 Woody Bend - Ken, Kris, Kenny & Faith Barzilla
 Honorable Mention Home - 7510 Guinevere - Craig, Michelle, Madison, Canon and Kendall Deserf
 Best Street - Birnam Glen Drive

Shores

Best Decorated Home - 7510 Old Bridge Court - Michael, Michelle, Julia, Jacob, Joshua and Jenna Triesch
 Honorable Mention Home - 2011 Shadow Bend Drive - Steven, Stefanie, Marlie & Steellie Armatta
 Best Street - Old Bridge Court

Springfield

Best Decorated Home - 8102 Moss Stone Drive - Jason, Eileen, Alexa and Sienna Koler
 Honorable Mention Home - 8118 Spring Bluebonnet - John, Ashley, Claire and Jack Schilling
 Best Street - Spring Bluebonnet

Stonebridge

Best Decorated Home - 1423 Hidden Terrace Drive - Tracey, Sterling and Kendall Schuyler
 Honorable Mention Home - 8126 Lauren Way - Bret, Betsy, Will & Kate Dolan
 Best Street - Hidden Terrace Drive

Terrace

Best Decorated Home - 1702 River Trails - Freddie & Cassidy Parce
 Honorable Mention Home - *1719 River Trails - Dede Sullivan & Mike Herring
 Best Street - River Wind Drive

Trails

Best Decorated Home - 7722 Shady Way - Tom, Lisa and Haley Fragale
 Honorable Mention Home - 1503 Moon Shadow Court - Keith, Janet, Chris, Allison & Kelsey Marlow
 Best Street - Stone Trail Drive

Tuscany

Best Decorated Home - *1603 Turning Leaf - Jon, Sara, Trent and Landon Richards
 Honorable Mention Home - *1606 Turning Leaf Court - Steve, Jennifer, Sarah & Eric May
 Best Street - Turning Leaf Court

Village

Best Decorated Home - 7007 Morningside Drive - Keith & Joy Mathews
 Honorable Mention Home - 7010 Hearthside - Michael, Stacie & Aaron Henderson
 Best Street - Morningside Drive

Vistas

Best Decorated Home - 8934 Silent Willow Lane - Joanne, Sarah, & Brianna Pacilio
 Honorable Mention Home - 8939 Summer Ash - Susan Johnson

Woodcreek

Best Decorated Home - 1822 Cross Spring Drive - Paul, Terry, Kaillyn, Cody and Brook Hydo
 Honorable Mention Home - 1814 Cross Spring Drive - Jimmy, Tiffany, Remme, Parker and Sydney Loos
 Best Street - Magnolia Forest

Woodhaven

Best Decorated Home - *1918 Sutters Chase Drive - Guy, Amy, Guy and Katy Lanier
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Dinner at 5:30 p.m.

Take a night off from cooking dinner and join us for an evening that will entertain the entire family – local vendors will be selling their dinner items beginning at 5:30 p.m.

General PTA Meeting at 6 p.m.

Have you wanted to be more involved or just want to find out more about the PTA? Before our feature presentation, the PTA will host our General PTA meeting in the school library at 6 p.m. for all to attend. We welcome anyone to come hear more about what we do and how we make a difference.

Featured Program at 6:30 p.m.

Our annual program night will feature The Morris Brothers: Social Super Heroes. They're hip, they're hot, they're cool, and they're nerds?! That's right, but they believe N.E.R.D. stands for a Never Ending Radical Dude. With their offbeat appearance, the Morris Brothers capture the attention of young and old alike. They may look like nerds, with their taped glasses, pen-stuffed pockets, and less than stylish clothes, but they believe they are "Superheroes" on a mission to save the world. Only one thing is certain... kids love them! They will be presenting their fifty minute Bully Buster presentation in a humorous way via music, skits, comedy, and audience participation.

EARLY BIRD PRICING ENDS JANUARY 31ST

REGISTER NOW

We invite you, your family and friends to join us on Saturday, February 22, 2014 for our Annual Fun Run and Carnival benefiting Campbell Elementary.

Event schedule/times

8:00am | Certified 5K

9:15am | Toddler Dash

9:20am | Family & Kids 1 Mile Run

9:45am | Awards Ceremony

The Carnival follows open at 9:30 a.m.!

Race Information

Whether you're looking to set a new 5k PR, or just in need of some good family fun, The 5th Annual Memorial Hermann Sugar Land Fun Run & Cougar Carnival is the event for you!

Fulfill your competitive side by registering for our hill-free 3.1 mi course, let the whole family join in on the fun with our 1 mi run, or create a memorable photo op by letting your little one(s) make a break for our Toddler Dash finish line.

After your medal has been collected and you've smiled for your finisher's photo, stick around and enjoy the food and games at our Cougar Carnival! The Memorial Hermann Sugar Land Fun Run & Cougar Carnival will be a day of enjoyment that's sure to become a family tradition!

Registration

Hurry! Early bird discounts are still available. Registration fees increase on January 31, 2014.

Individual 5k - \$20	1 mi Individual - \$10
Team 5k - \$100	1 mi Family - \$50
Family 5k - \$50	Toddler Dash - \$5

To register, scan the QR Code or visit us online at:



<http://www.active.com/sugar-land-tx/running/races/5th-annual-memorial-hermann-sugar-land-fun-run-and-cougar-carnival-2014>

Cougar Cafe

What goes along with good times...good food!

We are busy getting the Cougar Café filled with healthy and yummy options for runners and kids alike. Runners will be able to fuel up with fresh fruit, granola bars, kolaches and donuts at the finish line.

On the carnival side, what is that wonderful smell in the air? It's the Greatwood Gator Grill cooking up some of their famous hot dogs, hamburgers, and grilled chicken sandwiches. Kona Ice will be back this year with their beloved snow cones.

So, stay after your race and grab some great food while enjoying all the fun post-race activities. If you would like to participate by setting up a booth to promote your company and food, please contact Bridget Schanck at bridget315@hotmail.com.

Online Auction

This year we are moving our silent auction onto the internet to streamline the auction process and to extend the viewing period.

Auction previews will be made available in February prior to the race date. You can check for auction updates at www.campbellpta.org.

Carnival Wristbands

This year we will make carnival wristbands available for purchase. These \$20 wristbands will give you total access to most ticketed rides and games. More information is available on the registration website or you can use the QR Code in the registration section:

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Carnival Tickets

Discounted carnival tickets will be sold at race packet pick-up: \$10.00 for 25 tickets.

On race day, tickets will be 50 cents each and wristbands will be \$25.00.

Carnival Program

Whether or not you run in a race, everyone is invited to join in the fun in our 2014 Carnival.

Last year the PTA presented the first ever post race carnival. It's inaugural success has lead to a bigger and better carnival in 2014. This year we will open the carnival rides and games at 9:30 a.m.

Carnival Games

- CAKE DANCE: 5 tickets. 12 chairs with 2 winners per game.
- FISHING BOOTH: *NEW* 2 tickets. Cast a line for a great catch.
- PLINKO: 1 ticket for 1 Plinko chip. Maximum 3 chips per turn.
- LOLLIPOP PYRAMID: 1 ticket for 1 lollipop. Maximum 3 lollipops per turn.
- DISAPPEARING PING-PONG GAME: *NEW* 2 tickets
- PLUCK-A-DUCK POND: 1 ticket for 1 duck. Maximum 3 ducks per turn.
- PAINT A POT AND PLANT A SEED: *NEW* 3 tickets
- BALLOON DART GAME: 1 ticket for 3 darts.

- CAN KNOCK DOWN GAME: *NEW* 2 tickets
- FACE PAINTING: 4 tickets
- FORTUNE TELLER: 3 tickets
- SPINNING WHEEL GAME: 1 ticket
- SQUIRT GUN GAME: *NEW* 2 tickets
- PHOTO STATIONS: 1 ticket
- ESTIMATION STATION: 1 ticket
- BEAN BAG TOSS: 1 ticket for 3 bean bags.
- FOOTBALL TOSS: 1 ticket for 3 throws.
- BULLSEYE GAME: 1 ticket
- RING TOSS: 1 ticket for 3 rings
- NUMEROUS BOUNCY RIDES: From 1 - 4 tickets each

2013-14 Cougar Calendar	
Dates	Events
1/4/2014	Spirit Night - El Vaquero
1/6/2014	Spirit Night - Lenny's Sub Shop
1/7/2014	School Resumes - Full Day
1/8/2014	Spirit Night - Jupiter Pizza and Waffles
1/8/2014	10 a.m. Monthly PTA Board Meeting
1/10/2014	Health T-shirt Day
1/10/2014	Cougar Store Open
1/11/2014	Spirit Night - El Vaquero
1/13/2014	Spirit Night - Lenny's Sub Shop
1/16/2014	Spirit Night - Chick-Fil-A
1/18/2014	Spirit Night - El Vaquero
1/20/2014	MLK Day - No School
1/20/2014	Spirit Night - Lenny's Sub Shop
1/24/2014	Cougar Store Open
1/25/2014	Spirit Night - El Vaquero
1/27/2014	Spirit Night - Lenny's Sub Shop
1/30/2014	5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Program Night
1/31/2014	Kids for Kindness Groovy Party



George Ranch Project Graduation

George Ranch High School Project Graduation (Pro Grad) 2014 will be holding its Senior Serve Fundraiser at the George Ranch Historical Park Arena January 18, 2014. Senior Serve is the largest fundraiser for the Pro Grad event. It consists of a great night of food and entertainment by our seniors, along with live and silent auctions. All proceeds will fund college scholarships as well as the Pro Grad event, which is a chaperoned all-night celebration in a safe, drug and alcohol free environment.

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Fastest Time, Most Points, and Best Team Spirit/Costume.

Registration will begin January 15, 2014. The entry fee is \$15 per person or \$30 per team of two and includes a race t-shirt. Individuals who sign up will be placed with a partner, and all competing teams are two person. Participants can register/pay online at readingpto.org, mail form/payment to ARJH at 8101 FM 762, Richmond, TX 77469, or drop off form/payment at the ARJH front office. Spots will go quickly, so grab a partner and register early!

We are currently seeking sponsors, and silent auction donors for the race. Sponsors will receive great publicity and benefits for their contributions. If you are a business owner or know someone in our community that would like to take part in this exciting event, please contact Sofia Sheikh at president@readingpto.org.

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Management Company

Houston Community Management Services.....800.568.6807 or 832.864.1200
Nikkole Luna, Assoc. Community Mgr.....281-545-1134 - Fax: 281-218-6973
Email.....nluna@houcomm.com
Maggie McKay, Greatwood On Site Mgr.....281-545-1134 - Fax: 281-218-6973
Email.....mmckay@houcomm.com
Accounting800.568.6807 or 832.864.1229 - Fax: 281.333.2054

For Questions about Recreation Center Reservations, or to Obtain Tennis Court and Pool Keys Contact

Nikkole Luna.....281-545-1134 Email:nluna@houcomm.com

Newsletter - Pamela Printing Co.

David Smith281.240.1313 - Fax 281.240.1312 - greatwood@pamelaprinting.com

School District

Dickinson Elementary832.223.1400
Lamar School Board Representative - Julie Thompson.....281.343.1259
Campbell Elementary.....832.223.1300
Antoinette Reading Junior High.....832-223-4400
George Ranch High School.....832-223-4200

Texas Park & Wildlife.....281.931.6471

Ft. Bend Animal Control.....281.342.1512

Police • Ft Bend Sheriff

Emergency/Crimes in Progress.....911
Non-Emergency.....281.341.4665
Information/General Info.....281.341.4704
Crime Prevention Unit.....281.341.4618
Constable Precinct 1.....281.341.4536
House Watch.....281.341.4536

Fire Department, Sugar Land

Emergency.....911
Non-Emergency.....281.275.2873

Ambulance

EMS-Emergency (Life Threatening).....911

Fort Bend Road and Bridge.....281.491.0852

To report issues with street signs and roads call Fort Bend Road and Bridge

SEnvironmental (Water/Sewer)

24/7 Customer Care..832-490-1600.....24/7 Emergency Repairs..832-490-1601

Storm Water Illegal Dumping

Storm Water Solutions.....www.cleanbayous.org

Waste Management

Best Trash.....281.313.2378
HOLIDAYS: If your regular pick-up falls on a holiday (NEW YEAR'S DAY, MEMORIAL DAY, JULY 4TH, LABOR DAY, THANKSGIVING DAY AND CHRISTMAS DAY), pick up will be made on the next regularly scheduled pick-up day.

Post Office

Sugar Land.....800.275.8777

Library

George Memorial Library281.342.4455
University Library.....281.633.5100

CenterPoint.....713.207.2222

To report a streetlight that is out call Center Point with the number of the pole.

Golf Club.....281.343.9999

Auld Lang Syne...

(Old Long Since)

Falling right behind Happy Birthday, it's the second most performed song in the world.

Originally it was a poem that was put to music and then "tweaked" to the version that we know today. It became a popular song to sing on New Year's Eve when Guy Lombardo played it at midnight during a live radio broadcast.

So in tradition, as we ring in the New Year...

For auld lang syne, my dear, for auld lang syne, we'll take a cup of kindness yet, for auld lang syne *(for old time's sake).*

Wishing you the very best in 2014!

Happy New Year...

Thank you for letting us be a part of your neighborhood.

- David Smith

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MUD and LID Directors & Meeting Times

Meeting dates and times listed in bold italics

Below is the list of the men and women, in our community, who presently serve on the Boards of our MUD and LID.

FORT BEND COUNTY LID No. 11:
3rd Tuesday of every month - 5:00pm
Justin Ring, President
Stuart Rimes, Secretary/
Assistant Vice President
Jared Jameson, Vice President/
Assistant Secretary

FORT BEND COUNTY MUD NO. 106:
3rd Thursday of every month - 5:00pm
Jack Molho, President
Stanton J. Nowak, Vice President
Larry Shultz, Assistant Vice President
Julie Sams, Secretary
Charlie Bryant, Assistant Secretary

FORT BEND COUNTY MUD NO. 108:
4th Wednesday of every month - 5:00pm
Robert Terrell, President
John Scarborough, Vice President
Jennifer Dewey, Assistant Vice President
Arthur W. Olson, Secretary
Christopher B. Argo, Assistant Secretary

FORT BEND COUNTY MUD NO. 109:
4th Thursday of every month - 8:30am
James A. Kidada, President
David Brittain, Vice President
Bobby E. Rich, Secretary
Frank Dea, Assistant Secretary
Jackie Lawrence, Assistant Vice President

FORT BEND COUNTY MUD NO. 117:
1st Monday of every month - 4:30pm
Jason Kelly, President
Christina Vasquez, Vice President
Terri Edwards, Assistant Vice President
Michael T. O'Neal, Secretary
Ann Cantu, Assistant Secretary

*All meetings are held at
Professional Project Management Services
19875 Southwest Freeway, Suite 270
Sugar Land, TX 77479
Check the MUD website at:
www.greatwooddistricts.com
For meeting dates and times.*

Meeting Dates subject to change with holidays

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For Assistance with MUD Matters Contact SEnvironmental, LLC

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