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Official Newsletter of the Atascocita Community Improvement Association

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ACIA Christmas Decorating Contest Winners

Congratulations go out to the three winners chosen by the Garden Club:



7611 Hurst Forest - home Of Jenny Gerald



20430 Perry Oak - home of Larry Purcell

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ELECTION 2013

ACIA Annual Meeting Election Results

We would like to thank everyone who showed up at The Overlook, November 14th and also those that voted that could not attend. Without involved homeowners our community could not function, so thanks to all of you. Congratulations to Sue Boaz Raymond and thank you for volunteering to help our community.

> 276 Voted 202 Voted for Sue Boaz Raymond 74 Voted for Greg Campbell

Your Community Newsletter

The Atascocita Happenings newsletter is a great tool for the community and the ACIA board to share information. This publication will grow if everyone participates. If you are involved in a community club or activity, please e-mail information about your activities and meeting for inclusion in the newsletter to anthonyk@ embarqmail.com, or any ACIA Board Member. If you have any ideas for the newsletter, please let us know and we can incorporate these into the publication. The deadline for submission is the 8th day of the month for inclusion in the next month's newsletter.

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COMMUNITY CONTACTS

BOARD MEMBERS

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Greg Campbell
Janel Dale
Don Gregerson
Ron Jones
Tim Mulkey

EMERGENCY INFORMATION

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P-4 Constable Dispatch		
Humble ISD Police (Schools)		
Atascocita Volunteer Fire Dept (AVFD)		
Non-Emergency Number		
Harris County Animal Control		
Texas Poison Control Center		

UTILITIES

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Power Outages	
Street Light Outages	
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Water, Severn Trent	
24 Hour Emergency Number	
Telephone, Centurylink	
Trash, Waste Management	
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SCHOOLS

Humble ISD	
Website	www.humble.k12.tx.us
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8230 Magnolia Glenn - home of Gwyn and Bill Carley Mcnutt

And a big thank you to every homeowner that decorated their homes this Holiday season. There were so many great looking decorated houses in our neighborhood. Your efforts bring a festive spirit to the entire neighborhood that is enjoyed by all, I'm glad I did not have to choose. Thanks again for all your efforts, hope everyone had a great Holiday. Pictures can also be viewed at: aciahomeowners.org

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TENNIS ANYONE?

By the time you read this our Pinehurst Park Tennis Courts should be completely resurfaced. Stop by and try them out. For the comfort of our tennis players ACIA has made arrangements for the Pool restrooms to be cleaned on a regular basis. Access the pool restrooms with your Pool Key Fob issued to all residents prior to pool season. The fee to obtain an access key for the tennis courts has been reduced to \$15.00, if you need one contact Sterling Association Services at 832-678-4500.

TENNIS LEAGUE FORMING

Mr. James Longoria has graciously agreed to be Chairperson of the newly formed Tennis Committee. He's an avid player and looking for other tennis enthusiasts to form a league in Atascocita. Anyone interested should contact Mr. Longoria by email: james.longoria2010@yahoo.com

ACIA Landscaping Changes

Driving around, residents will notice some new landscaping located at the entrances. The planting of annuals (living only for one season) is being eliminated in favor of long lasting perennial shrubs. The updating of our entrances will continue next spring when more colorful plantings will be added.

The unique fence located next to the Golf Villas has been completely rebuilt and repaired. This will keep it stable for many years.

All the irrigation systems have been repaired and are now functioning properly. This will conserve water and also ensure our trees and plants are receiving the water they need to flourish.

The pavilion area at the Marina (covered patio with tables and benches) has been power washed and is an enjoyable area to picnic during the pleasant weather.



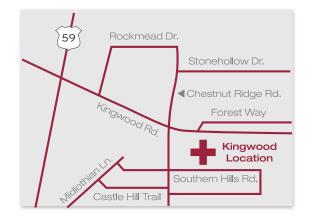


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The ACIA must expend considerable funds paying contractors to pick up and dispose of green waste (dead tree branches) that are dumped on common areas. Dumping of green waste has also happened on the petroleum pipeline running through the sections located on the south side of FM 1960. Dumping degrades the environment, is an eyesore, and is difficult to clean up. We should all take our obligation to protect the neighborhood environment seriously. The trash contractor, Waste Management, will pick up branches that are bundled and less than 4 feet in length. Local business, Dirt Cheap Mulch, will accept branches of any length for a small fee. Costs for all services are continuously rising. Please help keep our neighborhood attractive and clean.

If you witness anyone dumping, get the license plate number and a description of the vehicle if possible than call the Precinct 4 Constable Dispatch at 281-376-3472. ACIA will prosecute for dumping on private property.



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Why does the ACIA need a reserve fund?

This question was recently raised by a resident and I would like to respond to that question.

We need a reserve just like we as individuals need a savings account. We never know what unexpected emergency will come up that we need to have monies readily available to pay for repairs.

Our parks, our pools, our marina and our tennis courts are all we have as amenities and as they get older they require repair or replacement.

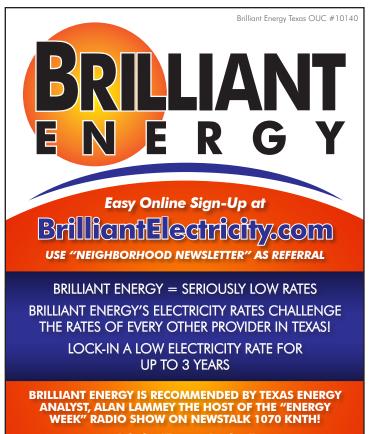
We can never know what can happen but we don't want a situation that would cause the ACIA to have to raise our annual fee.

Besides those listed above we have a sprinkler system throughout that requires upkeep and a lot of trees.

One hurricane hitting our neighborhood could have a devastating effect on our reserve fund. The bottom line is we need to be prepared.

This is short and simple, if you have any questions or concerns please feel free to send me an e-mail at

Jhubbard006@comcast.net Jonathan I Hubbard Treasuser



Ask the "Energy Analyst" 281.658.0395

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NOTICE OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Dear Homeowners:

The Board of Directors for the Atascocita Community Improvement Association will hold a regular meeting on Monday, January 27, 2014 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00:pm., at The Overlook 20114 Pinehurst Drive, Atascocitia, TX 77346.

The subject of the meeting is general business of the Association, including discussion of items related to the Association budget and expenditures as well as discussion of items related to the assets owned by the Association.

Items that may be discussed in executive session include: actions involving personnel, pending or threatened litigation, contract negotiations, enforcement actions, confidential communications with the Association attorney, and other business that is confidential by request of the affected party.

Any changes to meeting time, place, or agenda will be posted on our website: aciahomeowners.org

Very Truly Yours,

Atascocita Community Improvement Association

LAKE HOUSTON LADIES CLUB

JANUARY 2014 MEETING

The Lake Houston Ladies Club will have their luncheon meeting on Tuesday January 21, 2014 beginning at 10:00 a.m. at the Walden Country Club, 18100 Walden Forest, Humble TX 77346. This month's entertainer will be local newspaper contributor and comedian Danielle Schaaf. She will be introducing us to her alter-ego and subject of her column "Haute Flash Contessa". The Lake Houston Ladies Club is a social organization that welcomes new members from all surrounding areas to join and offers several avenues for individual interest. They include: Readers Choice, Bridge, Bunco, Mah Jongg, Lunch and Look, Movie Group, and Supper Club. Please join us. New members are always welcome. Please call Carol at 832-671-4475 for more information and for reservations call by Friday, January 17 by 5:00 p.m.

> Laura Pavlat, Publicity Chairman Lake Houston Ladies Club 281 852-4671 Email: fpavlat@aol.com

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