

Mangum Manor



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Dessert Potluck at May Meeting

We'll be having our second annual dessert potluck at our next civic club meeting, Thursday, May 19th at 7:00 PM in the Scarborough High School cafeteria. Bring your favorite dessert to share! We'll provide plates, napkins and utensils.

Mike Robinson of Robinson Capital and Investments will share his plans to renovate Silvercreek I and II apartments located at 3200 Mangum & 4619 W. 34th.

The proposed revised deed restrictions will be discussed. Questions from residents will be answered.

Sgt. Frank Escobedo will discuss crime prevention, giving special emphasis to the recent outbreak of vehicle wheel theft. He'll also be awarding certificates to our Citizens on Patrol volunteers.

Civic Club Officers for 2011-2012 will be elected at this meeting. Nominations may be made from the floor, with the consent of the nominee. See the proposed slate of officers on page 4 of this newsletter.

Door prizes will be awarded at the close of the meeting.

Easter Egg Hunt a Success

Saturday, March 26th, at 10:00 AM at Mangum Manor Park children gathered for the first annual Easter Egg Hunt sponsored by the newly formed Parents Group. It was a beautiful day for the event and the children who participated were delightful as well as delighted!

Many thanks to Carolina Chavez and Krista Ledman for organizing this event for our neighborhood children.



No Maintenance Fee

Lately there have been rumors that a large maintenance fee will accompany adoption of the proposed deed restrictions. This is not true.

Mangum Manor Civic Club is a volunteer organization dedicated to the maintenance and betterment of our neighborhood. Our voluntary dues are \$15.00 a year. There is no provision in the proposed deed restrictions for the collection of mandatory dues. The generosity of our neighbors who contribute their support is greatly appreciated.

Citizens on Patrol

A big THANK YOU to the dedicated Citizens on Patrol Volunteers. Their dedication has made our park a fun, family oriented place once again! No major incidents have been reported at the park in the afternoons no doubt due in part to our visible patrollers. It doesn't take much to make a big difference and we should all be thankful for such wonderful neighbors.

As trends go, we usually see a spike in crime as the school year comes to end. Be watchful and report any incidents to the police.

If you are interested in joining COP or just getting more information, please contact Shelly Shindler (713) 562-0461 or shindlers@comcast.net

Recipe of the Month

Shrimp Creole

- 1 cup celery, chopped
- 1 1/2 cups onions, chopped
- 1/2 cup bell pepper, chopped
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 4 tablespoons oil
- 2 tablespoons flour
- 1 (14 oz.) can diced tomatoes
- 1 (10 oz.) can Rotel tomatoes (to taste)
- 1 (8 oz.) can tomato sauce (or less)
- 1 (13 oz.) can chicken broth
- 1 tsp. salt
- 2 bay leaves
- 3 tablespoons butter
- 2 teaspoons parsley flakes
- 1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
- 1/2 teaspoon hot sauce
- 2 lbs. uncooked medium shrimp

Directions:

In a Dutch oven, sauté celery, onions, bell pepper, and garlic in oil until all are wilted. Stir in flour. Add remaining ingredients, except shrimp, and simmer for 30 minutes, stirring occasionally. Add shrimp and simmer until shrimp are pink. Serve over rice. Serves 6.

Voting Postcards

Pre-stamped voting postcards that came with the proposed revised deed restrictions for Mangum Manor subdivision should be mailed, preferably in a mailbox or at the post office, or brought in person to the May 19th civic club meeting. It will be possible to vote before or after the meeting, but not during the meeting.

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Yards of the Month



May Yards of the Month:

- 5302 Saxon
- 4139 Donna Lynn
- 5026 Saxon

Congratulations!

Blocks Stolen from Park Corner



Unfortunately thieves have been stealing the blocks from the park corner and apparently using them to jack up cars after stealing tires! The remainder of the blocks have been removed to prevent this from happening again.

Working on the Esplanade



Tim and Hunter Janacek and Charles Gabriel recently had to cut back the remainder of the oleander tree that died on the Antoine esplanade because of the drought.

April Meeting Highlights

The April meeting of the civic club featured Neil Sayers, reknowned horticulturist, who presented a program entitled: "Delightful Plants, Delightful Tales." Mr. Sayers talked about the discovery, history and legends of many plants. He then aswered questions from the audience.

Several residents had questions about the proposed revised deed restrictions for Mangum Manor subdivision. Setback lines and commercial businesses run from home were among the topics discussed.

In reponse to a question about Super Neighborhoods, Wes Krueger explained that Mangum Manor is included in the Central Northwest Super Neighborhood which meets on the fourth Wednesday of the month at the City of Houston Solid Waste Recycling Center at 1245 Judiway. He said that topics of meetings were printed in The Leader.

Odis Cobb announced that the City Parks and Recreation Department will be addressing the long-standing erosion problems in Mangum Manor Park. Work will be completed by year's end.

Refreshments were served and door prizes of a gardening nature were awarded.

Yard Maintenance in a Drought

Dreaming of a fairway-perfect lawn this summer? A drought year is not the time to think about it. Water conservation should always be our goal, but drought conditions make it especially important this year. Most conservation measures require little aesthetic sacrifice, although they may take time and patience.

Residents can take simple steps to conserve water and still enjoy their lawns this year.

First, minimize or stop fertilization. Lush lawns look great, but heavily fertilized lawns use more water and are more susceptible to drought stress. Most commercial lawn fertilizers call for multiple steps, including a second application of fertilizer about six weeks after the first one. For this year, apply less fertilizer or save the fertilizer for fall.

Second, don't mow too closely to the ground. A good rule of thumb for mowing is never remove more than one-third of the grass at one time. Raising the mowing height of your lawn mower at least one setting higher than the one you are using now is a good idea.



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Proposed Slate of Officers

The Nominating Committee chairperson, Bina Mlcak, will present the slate of Mangum Manor Civic Club officers for 2011-2012 at the May general meeting to be held on Thursday, May 19th. Additional nominations may be made from the floor with the consent of the person nominated. Officers will then be elected by a majority vote.

- President - Janice Gabriel
- Vice President - Carrie Jaeger
- Secretary - Norma Willoughby
- Treasurer - Rebecca Nall

- Section Representatives:
- Section I - Berta Jacobs and Rebecca Janacek
 - Section II - Al Henry and Shirley Ferrell
 - Section III - Adolfo Chavez and Barbara Farrar

No Summer Meetings

There are no newsletters or general meetings in the summer. Board meetings will be held as necessary. Issues that arise during the summer should be reported by phone to 713-385-6214, in writing to Mangum Manor Civic Club, P. O. Box 924305, Houston, TX 77092 or by e-mail to contact@mangummanor.org

Civic Club Membership Form

Name(s): _____
 Address _____
 Mailing Address (if different) _____
 Phone: _____ Email _____

I am including: \$15 annual dues
 additional donation \$ _____

Make check out to: Mangum Manor Civic Club
 Mail to: P.O. Box 924305, Houston, TX 77292

WASTE COLLECTION - 2011
Thursdays
 May 12. Tree Waste
 June 9. Junk Waste
 July 14. Tree Waste
 August 11 Junk Waste

RECYCLING DATES
Thursdays
 May 12, May 26; June 9, June 23
 July 7, July 21; August 4, August 18

Crime Report

NOTE: Only POLICE REPORTS can be made at the HPD Storefront, 1335 W. 43rd. DO NOT GO TO THE STOREFRONT EXPECTING AN OFFICER TO ASSIST YOU. IF YOU NEED THE ASSISTANCE OF THE POLICE YOU MUST CALL 911 OR 713-884-3131. Victims of crime should go to the storefront to make a police report which is entered into the system and allows police to provide more patrols in our area.

- Between Sunday evening, May 1st and Monday morning, May 2nd, all four wheels were taken from a Suburban parked in the driveway of a home in the 5000 block of Saxon. Residents heard nothing during the night. Police were called and a report was made.
- Someone rummaged through cars in the 5200 block of Poinciana and stole a wallet which was later found near Randalls with the contents removed.
- May 4th during the night an air compressor was stolen from the trunk of a car in the 5200 block of Georgi.



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