

2014 Civic Club Board Members

President: Angel Smith

Vice President: Scott Lewis

Secretary: Jessi Heiner

Treasurer: Melissa Averett

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Section III Reps: Claudia Friedman & Christy Stewart

Civic Club Information

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Newsletters will be printed and delivered for the months of October, February, and April. The remaining months will be emailed and uploaded on our website and Facebook page. If you would like a hard copy of the electronic newsletters delivered to your door, please email us or call (713) 364-3351.

Newsletter Writers & Delivery

We are looking for writers interested in submitting a paragraph or two for each newsletter on topics agreed upon with the editors. We are also looking for help delivering newsletters. If you are interested in helping with either of these items, please email contact@mangummanor.org

Warm Welcomes

We are looking for people to help assemble or deliver welcome baskets to new Mangum Manor residents. For more information on how you can help, please email us at welcome@mangummanor.org

Yard of the Month

Around the 1st of each month, new winners will receive their sign. Judging did not take place December through March, but has resumed for April. Results will be in the following monthly newsletter. Good luck!

Mangum Manor Entrance Sign Removed Temporarily



Due to ongoing construction along 290 and the adjacent roadways, the first 2 esplanades on Antoine northward from the highway will soon be demolished and paved over with temporary roadways while the new permanent ones are built. David Grissett and Scott Lewis dug up the Mangum Manor sign and a commemoration marker super, super early last Saturday to preserve them during the construction. Unfortunately, the wooden end-posts of the sign had rotted thoroughly after years of service. The civic club is considering replacing them with engineered wood as well as a fresh coat of paint when it is time to return the signs to Antoine following the completion of construction in that area sometime next year.



April Civic Club Meeting

DATE CHANGE

April 23 – 6:45 PM at Scarborough High
*Councilmember Ellen Cohen will be the guest speaker. Don't forget to bring your Civic Club Board nominations!

May Civic Club Meeting

May 14 – 6:45 PM at Mangum Manor Park

*Don't miss the opportunity to vote on next year's Civic Club board members! Guest speaker Assistant City Attorney Heather Cook will be able to answer questions regarding deed restrictions and city codes.

Civic Club 2015-2016 Officer Election

The 2015-16 Mangum Manor Civic Club Officer Elections will be held at the May meeting, but nominations will be made at the April meeting. The following positions are elected each year:

- **President:** Leads and helps organize the civic club and its activities
- **Vice President:** Acts as second set of hands for the President and, if necessary, assumes role if the President vacates office or can't get a babysitter.
- **Secretary:** Takes and maintains official meeting notes from the general meetings and board meetings.
- **Treasurer:** Oversees the financial matters of the civic club, including depositing payments to the club as well as disbursing funds for expenses.
- **Section Representative:** Act as board members and help conduct civic club activities and provide updates on sections. There are 2 representative positions per section.

You can be nominated for a position without being present at the April meeting, but it must be done with prior consent. Of course, any nominee may decline nomination. The only requirement for any officer position is that you are a resident of Mangum Manor and have paid your annual dues. The civic club officers provide the backbone of the civic club and often help drive how active and effective the club can be for our neighborhood. Whether you haven't been to a civic club meeting in ages or just moved into the neighborhood, you are part of Mangum Manor and can help make it a better place by giving your time.

Mangum Manor Civic Club Membership Form

Name(s): _____ Address: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

- Annual Dues \$ 15 Beautification \$ _____
 Social Events \$ _____ Deed Restrictions \$ _____

Make check payable to Mangum Manor Civic Club

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Metro to Sell Former 290/Pinemont Park and Ride Property

Following the closure of the 290/Pinemont Park and Ride earlier this year, Metro has put the 14.8 acre parcel of land up for sale. So far, the Houston Housing Authority has been on track to be the buyer, pending Metro board approval, and plans to build a 300-unit public housing development. The adjacent community, Forest West, as well as other nearby neighborhoods, including Mangum Manor, have begun watching the developments closely, communicating together to consider possible actions and providing feedback to local elected officials. HHA has already mentioned it may use power of eminent domain to get the land. Forest West HOA leaders have organized a Town Hall meeting for April 16 at 7PM at Advent Lutheran Church, 5820 Pinemont, in the Life Center at the East end of the campus.

Citizen Patrol Program

It is never too late to volunteer for the Citizen Patrol Program. Trainings are held throughout the entire year. If you would like info about how to make Mangum Manor more safe, please email Jessi Heiner at j.h@aggiemail.usu.edu

Gasper Michael DeGeorge

Gasper Michael DeGeorge (1930 – 2015), third generation Houstonian, passed away on Wednesday, the 25th of February 2015, peacefully at his home with his daughters at his side. He was born on the 13th of July 1930, to the late Gasper Michael DeGeorge, Sr. and Josephine Pinto DeGeorge Lamantia. He had a long diversified career. As a very young man in the early 50's he owned the first private nightclub in Houston and the Marquis Lounge in the historic West Gray shopping center. He maintained his Texas Real Estate Broker License for over 60 years and was honored in 2005 as holding one of the oldest licenses in the State of Texas. After his marriage and subsequent fatherhood a career shift was made to follow in his father's footsteps as a visionary and developer of residential and commercial properties. As an award winning residential builder, he notably developed Mangum Manor and Mangum Plaza. Additionally he developed and built many office buildings, apartment complexes and churches in the Houston and Dallas areas. In the 1970's he continued custom home building in West and North Houston.

Easter Egg Hunt

The civic club held its annual Easter Egg Hunt in Mangum Manor Park on Saturday morning eggactly the weekend prior to Easter. The long grass from lack of mowing actually made for eggsellent egg-hiding by the Easter Bunny and his neighborhood volunteer helpers. Several hundred eggs were eggspertly hidden with candy, toys and prize tickets inside across the park, separated into two areas for small kids and big kids. Roughly 40 kids and parents had an eggsighting time!



Many people helped make this a fun family event. That is what makes the community wonderful. Special thanks to all the volunteers and eggspcially Bronwyn Lauder for donating 3 tickets to the Bayou City Arts Festival as a grand prize.

Nine New Trees in Mangum Manor Park



On February 21, 2015, about 25 volunteer Mangum Manor residents gathered to plant 9 new trees in Mangum Manor Park. This project could not have been done without the amazing strong hands of our community and especially David Grissett and Jessi Heiner for planning and organizing with the City of Houston Parks & Recreation Department. Additionally, special thanks go out to the City of Houston Parks & Recreation Department and Trees for Houston who donated and delivered all 9 trees. The trees were planted all around the playground and some of the picnic table area. With some years of good rain and sunshine these trees will soon grow to shade the area once more.

