

**JULY/AUGUST 2015** 

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From the PRESIDENT.......

Neighbors,

Welcome to summer in Texas!

As we move into the summer months I am happy to report we have not had any reportable crimes in Fleetwood. Please continue your diligence and report any suspicious activities to Houston Police and Security Patrol. If we do not feed the criminals and watch out for each other I hope we can continue to have a safe and secure place to call home. Thanks again for all your efforts to keep Fleetwood safe!

We continue our efforts to update the bulbs on the walls and hope to have the project completed soon. I will continue to monitor the walls, streets, and alleys for areas that need attention.

Otherwise, I hope you have a happy and safe summer.

Sincerely,
James Ainsworth
Fleetwood Board President



Saturday July 4<sup>th,</sup> 2015 National Holiday

### **Memorial Super Neighborhood**



Fleetwood is in Memorial Super Neighborhood 16, which meets monthly to discuss important issues relative to our neighborhoods. Currently we have 26 Home Owners Associations present at these meetings. We have monthly updates and input on crime from Houston Police Dept. and local Constables, City Council Representatives, along with reports on drainage, infrastructure and beautification. Next, meetings are:

August 24, 2015

6:30 p.m.- 8:30 p.m. at

**MDUMC** "The Gate" 13194 Memorial Drive (on the west end of the TJ Maxx shopping center) Memorial United Methodist Church, 12955 Memorial Dr.

For more information go to: www.memorialsn.org

For more information on our district go to: <a href="http://www.houstontx.gov/council/g/">http://www.houstontx.gov/council/g/</a>

MaryAnn Sterrett-Russell

SN representative <u>m.sterrett2@att.net</u>



## Statehood Day in Hawaii in USA August 21<sup>st</sup> 2015

(The date, Aug 1<sup>st</sup> 1959 just so happens to be the same date of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday in Aug of 2015) See below!

Hawaii's Statehood Day commemorates Hawaii's admission as a state **on August 21**st, **1959**. In 1898 the united states annexed Hawaii, which was declared as a "necessary" navy base for the conduct of the Spanish American War. The United States' interests coveted the islands for some time. During World War II, Oahu served as the command post for the US operation in the Pacific. Large portions of Hawaii were turned over for the US military bases. After the war, two thirds of the residents favored statehood.

However, because of the many ethnicities present, there was resistance to Hawaii's statehood from segregated southern states. A primary election took place in Hawaii on June 27<sup>th</sup>, 1959, and various statehood propositions received many votes on the day. Following the certification of the election results, President Eisenhower signed a proclamation on August 21, 1959 declaring Hawaii to be the 50<sup>th</sup> state. This was known as Admission Day until 2001.

Hawaii's "Admission Day" is now called "Statehood Day". **Hawaii's Statehood Day is an annual state holiday on the third Friday of August**. It commemorates the anniversary Hawaii's statehood. This holiday is not to be confused with the Statehood Day in Kentucky or Tennessee, USA.

www.timeanddate.com/holidays/us/hawaii-statehood-day



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MEMORIAL SUPER NEIGHBORHOOD 16

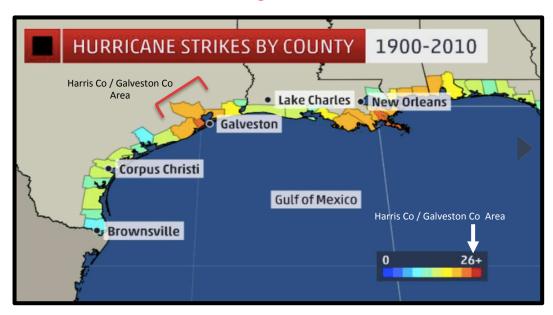
Website: www.memorialsn.org

FLEETWOOD NEXTDOOR NEIGHBORHOOD

(Fleetwood and Fleetwood West)

Website: https://fleetwoodneighborhood.nextdoor.com/login/

# 2015 Atlantic Hurricane Season June 1st through November 30th.



Hurricane strikes by county or parish from 1900-2010 along the western Gulf coast **From:** Weather.com

Hurricane Preparedness Plan - BE READY! <a href="http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/prepare/ready.php">http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/prepare/ready.php</a>

Invite your neighbors and friends





# Fleetwood Neighborhood Nextdoor Want to know what's going on in Fleetwood FAST?

If there are any security issues such as solicitor sightings or any crimes committed or almost committed in Fleetwood, Nextdoor.com is one of the fastest ways to learn about it or communicate problems or issues. It is also a vehicle for many other topics or concerns of interest to the neighborhood such as obtaining contractor recommendations, and to share upcoming events. It's free and easy to sign up.

#### To join, visit:

https://fleetwoodneighborhood.nextdoor.com/join

or send an email to

fleetwoodnextdoor@gmail.com

The Fleetwood POA official Website is:

www.fleetwoodpoa.com

# The Future Plans of Exxon Property on Memorial

# Massive mixed-use underway on former Exxon Chemical site

May 28, 2015 12:00 am CDT Updated May 28, 2015 8:30 am CDT

#### Roxanna Asgarian

Houston Business Journal

Although speculative construction has all but halted since the slide in Oil prices, one big-time development is betting big on the Energy Corridor

Republic Square, a mixed-use complex on 35 acres of Interstate 10 that was formerly the site of Exxon Mobil Corp's (NYSE:XOM) chemical operations, will be breaking ground early next year, according to PMRG, which is developing and leasing the project.

Coming with \$1 Billion price tag over 10 years, the final development will include up to five office buildings with 2.6 million square feet of space, two full-service hotels, and 800 apartment units. There will also be 100,000 square feet of retail, including a 35,000-square-foot high-end gym, a beer garden and restaurants. An existing conference center formerly used by Exxon will be kept and revamped.



Republic Square will include up to 5 office buildings with 2.6 million square feet of space, two full service hotels, and 800 apartment units.

#### More of the above article on website:

http://www.bizjournals.com/houston/morning\_call/2015/05/massive-mixed-use-projecton-former-exxon-chemical.html

Other current articles about "Republic Square" / Previously Exxon Property:

http://www.houstonchronicle.com/business/real-estate/article/Developer-plans-urban-style-enclave-in-Energy-6290852.php

http://www.republicsquare.com

http://www.pmrg.com/press/2015/pm-realty-group-reveals-republic-square-master-plan/

http://www.sasaki.com/blog/view/580/



## **Fleetwood Board Meetings**

The Fleetwood Board Meeting are scheduled the Second Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m.

Meetings are held at Crest Management Offices 17171 Park Row, Suite 310 Houston, TX 77084



## PLEASE!

THINK WHEN DRIVING IN FLEETWOOD!!

THANKS!!





### **History of Labor Day**

#### An Excerpt from a "History Channel" Article

The idea of a "workingmen's holiday" celebrated on the first Monday in September, caught on in other industrial centers across the country, and may states passed legislation recognizing it. Congress would not legalize the holiday until 12 years later



a watershed moment in American labor history brought worker's rights squarely into the public's view. On May 11, 1894, employees of the Pullman Palace Car Company in Chicago went on strike to protest wage cuts and the firing of union representatives.

On June 26, the American Railroad Union, led by Eugene V. Debs, called for a boycott of all Pullman railway cars, crippling railroad traffic nationwide. To break the strike, the federal government dispatched troops to Chicago, unleashing a wave of riots that resulted in the deaths of more than a dozen workers. In the wake of this massive unrest and in an attempt to repair ties with American workers, Congress passed an act making Labor Day a legal holiday in the District of Columbia and the territories. More than a century later, the true founder of Labor Day has yet to be identified.

Article continues:

http://www.history.com/topics/holidays/labor-day

Labor Day Monday September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2015

## **Neighborhood Family Play Group!**



Join the fun and get to know your fellow neighbors! Did you know our playgroup consists of 71 families with 127 kids primarily from Barker's Landing and Fleetwood?

The current kid age group breakdown is: 31% Infant to 3 years old / 36% Ages 4-6 30% Ages 7-10 / 2% Ages 11-17

We have activities for "Little ones" (3 years and younger) and "Big ones" (4 years+) in addition to Playgroup dinner get together and even a Girls Night Out. Our playgroup is a great way for families to get to know one another. With so many of our kids attending different schools, it's a great way for kids to grow up knowing other kids in our neighborhood, enriching our community. You can join us by searching for us on Facebook under "BLF Neighborhood Family Group" or emailing our Coordinator Anna Vargas at: <a href="mailto:susanna512@yahoo.com">susanna512@yahoo.com</a>







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903 Crossroads Dr. 14127 Britoak Lane

806 Daria Dr. 910 Daria Dr.

930 Daria Dr.

15907 Foxgate Road

915 Ivy Wall Dr. 847 Silvergate Dr.

PLEASE WELCOME OUR NEWEST FLEETWOOD RESIDENT AND HELP THEM TO GET TO KNOW OUR GREAT AREA!

(THROUGH MAR.-MAY.2015)

## Fleetwood Garden Club Luncheon

Will resume in Fall

Janet Miller, PhD

Janet1465@sbcglobal.net



#### Fleetwood Yards of the Month

MAY 15810 Fleetwood Oaks NORTH

JUNE 15722 Fleetwood Oaks.

MAY 1018 Daria Drive SOUTH

JUNE 15911 River Roads

Congrats to all! Happy Gardening!



#### FLEETWOOD NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

Please see the Fleetwood website (www.fleetwoodpoa.com) for current news and alerts. The Newsletter is posted on "Nextdoor website" and Fleetwood POA website along with back issues.

If you have any information for the newsletter, send all information to me, Suzanne Smith at smithsb0929@gmail.com.

Please help your next door neighbors and make a copy for those that have no access to a computer. You are always welcome to email me and we can make further arrangements.

# Summary of Memorial SN May meeting minutes regarding Memorial Drive Reconstruction, Skanska, Grayco and Republic Square.

For complete minutes go to <a href="https://www.memorialsn.org">www.memorialsn.org</a> Memorial Drive Reconstruction

Randy Jones, Vice President of Memorial SN, noted that bids for the Memorial Drive Reconstruction Project were opened on May 14th. The lowest of the six bids was \$32,720,726 while the remaining five were in the range of \$37.5 million to \$38.5 million. The City's estimate was \$27,718,162. A 90 day process occurs before the award is made, so a reconstruction start would still be in September if the additional monies are readily found for the difference between the low bid and the estimate. As noted at the pre-bid, the proposal is to start at Kirkwood and work west in three panels of approximately 800' to 1,000' each. One panel would be demolition, the second would be underground utilities and paving, and the third would be finish. Once a set of panels is finished, then construction would begin on the next set of panels. The construction period is scheduled for 860 days. Currently, construction meetings are intended to be scheduled once per month with a community meeting prior to the start of construction.

# Memorial Drive Reconstruction (N-798): Milestone Update:

- \* Advertisement April 3, 2015 (actual)
- \* Bids were received and opened last week (May 14th)
- \* Award June 17, 2015 (expected)
- \* Construction begins Mid September 2015 (expected)
- \* Cost: Estimated by City -- \$\$27,718,162. Low bid of six submitted was \$32,720,726,"

# "Skanska (Property south of Memorial and west of Eldridge across from Westlake and old Exxon Chemical property)

Mike Mair has noted:

- The 12-story 330,000 sqf. building is approximately 60% leased with PGS (March), Venari Resources (February) and Siemens (April).
- \* The parking garage is nine stories.
- The building under construction will be 14 stories with a topping out in late summer, fully enclosing in fall and completion about a year from now.

#### Grayco (Property to the immediate south of the Skanska property)

John Britton, CFO, has noted:

- \* 309 flats and 79 townhomes, all rental units.
- 5 stories apartments at north end, then 4 and then the 3-story townhomesat the south end.
- \* Rents will range from \$1,370 to \$3,030 per month.
- \* Temporary leasing office opened April 30th with a June move-in for some townhomes.
- \* Construction completion in the third quarter."

For more information on Republic Square (the Old Exxon Chemical Site) go to: <a href="www.republicsquare.com">www.republicsquare.com</a> Summary of minutes prepared by MaryAnn Sterrett-Russell SN representative <a href="mailto:m.sterrett2@att.net">m.sterrett2@att.net</a>

# DEFECATION BY DOGS OR CATS (POOPER SCOOPER LAW)



There is an ordinance relating to picking up fecal matter deposited by owned dogs on property which does not belong to the owner of the dog or where the owner has consent to let his/her dog defecate. The text of the ordinance is as follows:



#### "Section 6-24, Defecation by dogs or cats.

4) "Violation of this section is unlawful and any violation shall be punishable upon conviction by a fine of not less that that &75.00 or more than \$500.00. Each act in contravention of this section is a separate offense.

View the official version of this ordinance on the city's webpage at <a href="www.houston.gov">www.houston.gov</a>. It will be found on the first page of the web site under "City Desk". When you open that screen, scroll down to the "Code of Ordinance"; once there go to

Chapter 6 of the Code and scroll down to Section 6-24.

www.houstontx.gov/health/quicktips/scooperlaw



# FLEETWOOD Fall Festival

11 Years of Making Neighborhood Memories

Sunday October 25 3:30pm to 6:30pm @ Silvergate Court Nearly 600 homes invited

Become a Sponsor!

100% of all contributions pay for the food, drinks, activities, and event expenses



Plantinum \$300 Gold \$200 Silver \$100 Bronze <\$100



Event includes: Roving Magician, Live Music, First Responders, Great Restaurants, Door Prizes, Hot Doas, Ice Cream, Lemonade and more!

A Taste of Fleetwood: In celebration of the broad diversity of our Fleetwood neighbors, please consider submitting samples of appetizers/finger foods highlighting your cultural heritage!

To donate Door Prize items, please contact: *Kris Finley*, 304-610-8708, brazitku@aol.com or *Gayland Stehle*, 330-639-8397, gayland.stehle@gmail.com

Children

**ENTER THE Wing-Ding PARADES!** Contact: *Richard Golden*, 281-920-0203

A. Costumes or B. Wheeled Vehicles (bicycles, floats, etc. - Not motorized)

Other Children's Activities: Miriam Mills, miriam@aromahealthcar.net, 713-855-2143

For additional information or donations, please contact co-chairs:

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DeLaine Stehle 330-639-8400 delaine.stehle@gmail.com

\*\*For Fleetwood, Fleetwood West, and Fleetwood Village Residents\*\*
The event is underwritten by Fleetwood/Fleetwood West /Fleetwood Village Residents contributions and neighborhood sponsors. Volunteers for the event are invited to participate in hour time slots. Please contact area of interest.

\$2 per person / \$5 per family donation appreciated at the entrance

# FLEETWOOD Fall Festival

Donor or Company Name (Please print clearly):

Sunday, October 25, 2015 3:30pm - 6:30pm

Please circle category(s): 1. Sponsor 2. On-Site Vendor 3. Door Prizes 4. Cultural Dish
Contact
Address
City, State, Zip
Phone(s)
Email(s)
1. Sponsor (Circle one): Platinum \$300 Gold \$200 Silver \$100 Bronze \$100
2. On-Site Vendor (min \$100 with a door prize item) amount donated
Levels: \$300 guaranteed canopy; \$200 guaranteed shared canopy; \$100 guaranteed table only. (Note: May be upgraded if there is space available.)
Door Prize item donated and approximate value: (Please fill in #3 below)
3. For Door Prize Item, Approximate Value: Please briefly describe item:
4. For "A Taste of Fleetwood", Cultural Dish Entry, please briefly describe submission:

## Thank you for your generous support!

Please make checks to: Fleetwood Festival Mail Community Support Form to: 1006 Riverlace Drive, Houston, TX 77079

For additional information, please contact co-chairs: Judith Bruni 281-556-1908 jbruni@sbcglobal.net DeLaine Stehle 330-639-8400 delaine.stehle@gmail.com