

WINTER 2014

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NOTICE Board Meetings

Glen Laurel's monthly Board Meetings will now generally be held on the 1st Wednesday of the month at 7:00pm at the Woodbridge Club House.

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MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD



Fence Update

As we start a new year, the focus of the HOA Board now turns to the second part of the fence project, namely the Burney Road fence. As stated numerous times before, the current condition of the Burney Road fence does not meet the City of Sugar Land Street Scape Standards. Simply stated, unless the current Burney Road fence is replaced, the HOA could be fined \$500.00 per day by the City once enforcement action begins.

To get things started, the Board dedicated the January and February Board meetings to a "town hall" type discussion on the best way to tackle this problem. Numerous ideas were exchanged during the meetings, and it was clear to the Board from those in attendance that the Burney Road fence should be constructed using the same Aber concrete fence that was used on West Airport. It was equally clear to the Board that the project should be financed by a construction loan. This is in line with the promise that the Board made last year to NOT have another assessment.

To assist in the cost of the project, the Board once asked the City of Sugar Land Economic Development Council, 4B Funding, to contribute money for this project, as they did last year for the West Airport fence. We were told by the Council that all available funding for 2014 has already been given out and no more funding will be available until 2015.

Because of the large cost of this project and a lack of assistance from the City of Sugar Land, the Board has to consider breaking the project into two different phases. During the March Board meeting,

a plan of action will be voted on to begin the process of replacing the fences. If the plan is passed, the Board can then start to talk to various banks to see the feasibility of taking out a construction loan. Watch the web site for updates on this important issue.

Preliminary 2014 Budget posted on our website

The Board of Directors have approved a preliminary budget for calendar year 2014. If you would like to view the budget, please access it via the Resident Only section of the website.

If you don't have access to the Resident Only section, please sign-up for email notifications and a login and password for the Resident Only section will be emailed to you.

Highlights from City's quarterly HOA meeting

The City of Sugar Land held its quarterly HOA neighborhood representatives meeting on January 16, 2014. One of the items discussed was the Sugar Land 4B Corporation which has a partnership program for community based organizations- HOA, sports teams etc. to develop public improvements. Projects must comply with State statutes and SL4B policy and not conflict with other City plans. The applicant must pay 50% or greater of the project cost and demonstrate financial ability to do so. The site must be located within the current City limits and is on public property or easement. For a complete recap of the meeting, please visit our website, www.glenlaurel.net, and find the meeting minutes on the home page.

Thanks,

Glen Laurel
Board of Directors

COMMUNITY NEWS

Glen Laurel's Power Up Program

Residents - Would you like to see a completed walking trail around the lake, additional landscaping beautification projects, a nicer clubhouse where we can actually have inside neighborhood events or eventually our very own tennis courts right here in Glen Laurel??

Sounds like an impossible wish list, right? Well, this can all be possible with the help of every one of you. The great thing is it doesn't require writing a check, fundraising, or going door to door...it just requires one thing - going to the following website: www.glenlaurelhoa.streampowerup.biz and switching your electric provider to Stream Energy.

Each resident that enrolls under Glen Laurel's Power Up program will be helping to contribute thousands of \$'s to our Reserves every single month. We have over 700 homes in our neighborhood and every last resident pays a light bill to some company right now. Why not switch to Stream Energy and take advantage of their incredibly low rates and help make those items on Glen Laurel's wish list a reality at the same time!

It is important to know that anyone can participate in this program, you do not have to be a Glen Laurel resident. For more information call Jennifer at 281-732-9375 and let me help you get signed up today.

GLEN LAUREL TREE PLANTING



Volunteers plant trees at Lake at Imperial Canyon

More than 50 volunteers turned out for the Burney Road MUD and Glen Laurel HOA tree planting held on Saturday January 11. Many volunteers from the Boy Scouts along with Glen Laurel residents planted 69 trees in less than 2 hours in the green space areas around the lakes at Burney and W. Airport and the lake at Imperial Canyon.

The trees were donated by Centerpoint Energy with landscape design provided the City of Sugar Land Parks Department and include red oaks, Mexican plum, red bud, burr oak and fringe trees to re-landscape the green space areas around the two lakes.

The design includes larger trees such as the burr oak and red oak for seasonal colors but also smaller under story trees for seasonal color of reds, plums, lavender and white. This will improve the appearance of the Sugar Land community along the W. Airport roadway near Burney Road.

The Glen Laurel HOA would like to give a huge **'Thank You'** to Center Point Energy, The City of Sugar Land Parks Department, the Boy Scout and Cub Scout troops, the Burney Road MUD and all Glen Laurel residents who came out and volunteered for this effort to beautify the community.



SIGN-UP FOR SPRING BREAK FUN CAMP

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Looking for a spring break for children filled with fun, adventure and new friends? Then,

consider "5 Days of Fun Camp" March 10-14, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the Imperial Park Recreation Center, 234 Matlage Way.

The camp includes a week full of crafts, activities and games.

Children will participate in different fun and exciting themed events each day such

as creating team flags, competing in different games from around the globe and learning about foods from different countries during "World Olympics Day."



Children should wear comfortable shoes and weather-appropriate clothing. While a snack is included, campers must bring a lunch. Space is

limited, so call now to register. The camp is open to children between the ages of 5 and 12. The cost is \$100 for children who live in Sugar Land and \$125 for non-residents.

For more information, contact the Imperial Park Recreation Center at (281) 275-2885 or visit www.imperialparkrecreationcenter.org.

SIGN UP FOR EMAIL NOTIFICATIONS

Please check the Glen Laurel website to get important information and sign up to provide your email address if you would like to have alerts emailed to you. Visit www.glenlaurel.net and click on the tab labeled "Email Sign-Up" to receive the notifications. Signing up for email notifications will also allow you to access the Resident Only section of the website.



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IMPERIAL REDEVELOPMENT UPDATE

Revised Agreement To Imperial Development

Sugar Land City Council recently amended an agreement between the City and Cherokee Sugar Land LLP for the Imperial Redevelopment project, a 700-acre master-planned community located at the northeast corner of State Highway 6 and U.S. Highway 90A. The amendment provides development applications to modify plans for the overall project, maintains the mix of uses originally planned for the redevelopment of the refinery and establishes time lines for developer obligations for public improvements at the refinery site. Key points of the amended agreement include the following items:

The development manager may submit concurrent applications to modify the general plan and planned development zoning district. The modifications will include a change in land use. Area previously designated for a business park and commercial development along Oyster Creek will be considered for single-family residential. The amendment sets minimal taxable values per acre. Designated commercial areas along Highway 6 may change to office and business uses. The development manager will construct infrastructure necessary to support initial redevelopment of the Imperial Sugar refinery site within two years. The development manager will remodel or construct shell space for a historic museum within two and a half years.

For more information visit
www.sugarlandtx.gov.

PROGRESS MADE IN GLEN LAUREL



New landscaping areas at the pool!



New fences on W. Airport near Mason.

NEW POSITION WITHIN THE ASSOCIATION



The HOA Board is pleased to announce the creation of a new position in the Association, that of Director of Special Events. The Board approved Jennifer Fuchs to assume this role. Jennifer is the past Vice President of the Association and a longtime resident of Glen Laurel.

The Director of Special Events, as the name implies, will be responsible for coordinating all the social events sponsored by the HOA. Jennifer has hosted numerous events in the past several years and the Board is excited about her new role with the Association. With an emphasis on social events, the HOA hopes to get everyone involved in our neighborhood and that starts with meeting and socializing with your neighbors. The next event Jennifer has planned is an end of school party in late May or early June. Watch the newsletter for more details.

As we enter a new year, many challenges still face our HOA as we continue to improve our community. The Burney Road fence and the Mason Road fences must be dealt with to bring the HOA in compliance with the Sugar Land street standards.

The condition of the detention ponds continues to generate numerous complaints to the HOA. As I am sure everyone is aware of, the ponds are owned and maintained by the Burney Road MUD. As we progress through the year, we will talk more about this issue.

By the time this newsletter reaches you, repairs along the new West Airport fence will have started again. Our landscaper had started the repairs after the wall was finished, but turned his attention to the repair of the Avana Glen Lake and the Imperial Canyon Lake irrigation system in anticipation of the tree planting. See the related article and pictures.

The HOA Board encourages every resident to take an active role in the well-being of our community. Please contact the Board or Sterling Management if you have a suggestion or a comment on improving our community. As has been stated many times, our HOA, our neighborhood is only as good as the participation of the residences.

Glen Laurel HOA Board.

FBISD WATCH HEALTH FAIR

WATCH Fair is a free health & wellness children's fair by Fort Bend Medical Society Alliance; an initiative in collaboration with FBISD and made possible by community partners. WATCH, the award winning program, is an acronym for the 5 factors to "watch" (weight, activity, tobacco, cholesterol, hypertension) to prevent childhood obesity and promote healthy living choices, taught as part of the FBISD curriculum and as a community health fair. Come out to Sugar Land Town Square on Saturday, March 1st from 11-2 for free screenings, fun educational activities and giveaways!

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Emergencies	911
City Hall	281-275-2700
Councilman/Mayor	281-275-2710
Fire Department	281-275-2851
Fire Dept. Non-emergency	281-275-2500
Police Department	281-275-2525
Public Works/Street Lights	281-275-2450
Ordinance/City Code	281-275-2370
Sugar Land Animal Control	281-275-2750
Animal Control Alternate	281-275-2364
Auto Registration	281-341-3710
Crime Stoppers	281-342-8477
Driver's License	281-232-4334
Health Department	281-342-6414
Fort Bend ISD	281-634-1000
Sheriff's Department	281-341-4700
Social Services	281-342-7300
Voter Registration	281-341-8670

Hospitals:

24HR Emergency Center	281-277-0911
Memorial Herman S.L.	281-725-5000
Methodist Health Center	281-274-7000
Oak Bend Medical Center	281-342-2811
S.L. Medical Center	281-274-6600

Misc:

Poison Control	800-764-7661
Sugar Land Library	281-277-8934
Sugar Land Post Office	800-275-8777
Recycling Center	281-342-5226

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COLLEGE FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION NIGHTS

Need help getting money for college? Fort Bend ISD will hold 9 FAFSA Workshops in the Spring of 2014. The workshops will run thru Saturday March 22nd, in time for the March 31st deadline for FAFSA/TASFA submissions. The workshops will rotate around to different high schools on different days and times, and you may attend any one of them if you have or are a Fort Bend ISD senior planning to attend a college or university.

These sessions provide a general overview of the financial aid process, scholarships, grants, loans, and the FAFSA/TASFA process. All sessions are open to ANY FBISD high school parent/student, regardless of home campus or grade! All sessions are from 6:00pm to 8:00pm! No pre-registration required for these sessions.

PLEASE NOTE: You only need to sign up for ONE SLOT, even if you have more than one senior graduating! The FAFSA/TASFA person assigned to you will work with you on all FAFSA/TASFA's needing to be filed!

Note: Not all high schools will host a workshop, but you are welcome to attend ANY workshop offered at ANY high school in Fort bend ISD!

For a complete workshop schedule and checklist of items to bring to the workshop, please visit:

www.fortbendisd.com

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This is the Burney fence which is still in need of repair!



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