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FBC Animal Services
281-342-1512

FBC Appraisal District
281-344-8623

FBC County Clerk
281-341-8685

FBC Main Switchboard
281-342-3411

FBC Public Transportation
281-633-7433

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281-342-0508

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281-341-4704

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713-953-0808

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Annual Meeting

At the annual meeting on June 16, scholarships were awarded to ten deserving seniors in our community. You can learn more about the students elsewhere in this issue.

One board of directors candidate stood for election. Details of the board election appear elsewhere in this newsletter. The 2024 budget results were reviewed and the 2025 budget was approved. In 2024 our results were very good, and our cash position is strong. Maintenance and Operations expenditures were \$7k (1.2%) over budget. Replacement/Special expenditures were \$99k over budget primarily due to staining the fence two years ahead of schedule. The fence staining portion will self-correct in 2026.

End of Year Balances compared to 2024EOY: Maintenance/Operations was down \$40k primarily due to lower assessment payments in December; this will self-correct in 2025Q1. Reserve/Special Projects was up \$32k. Reserve for Bad Debt was up \$12k. Accounts Receivable were up \$42k, again due to lower assessment payments in December. and Liabilities were up \$1k.

Hinz Re-elected

At the annual meeting Sherman Hinz was re-elected to the Board of Directors. Election was by acclamation because he was the only candidate. The board now consists of President Mike Trent, Vice President Hinz, Secretary Cheryl Stiles, Treasurer John Baker, and Director Corey Fleming.

At next year's meeting, two seats will be up for election. The period to file as a candidate will be announced in the Spring newsletter.

The board of directors meets at the Rec Center in even numbered months. Dates are always announced at least 6 days in advance via email blast and with signs throughout the community. We encourage all residents to attend if possible.

If you are an owner and have not shared your email address with Genesis, please do so. They protect your address and publish email blasts in order to send important information right to your desktop. Please provide it to Kristin@GenesisCommunity.com



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Scholarship Recipients Named

Graduation season brings joy to graduates and their families. It marks significant changes in the high school graduate's life and in the lives of their family. In some cases, they will move from the family home and live alone or with "roomies" for the first time. The graduate who begins college experiences a VERY different environment whether he or she lives at home or away.

Each year graduating seniors who live in our community may apply to go through an application process including an essay and a personal interview. They tell of their educational accomplishments, community service, and extracurricular activities. Funding for the \$1,000 grants is provided from a special account that is primarily supported by a small fee paid by the buyer when a home is sold. Let's meet the phenomenal graduates from our community who were recently granted scholarships. The following introductions are edited from their applications and personal interviews. Unfortunately, photos are not available for some of our students.



Mahek Charania

Mahek exhibited leadership in many areas. As president of the National Honor Society, she led meetings, coordinated service projects such as blood and donation drives, and promoted academic excellence. As co-founder and President of the Model United Nations Club, she organized meetings and trained members to compete at the Houston Area MUN Conference. She was Class of 2025 Treasurer, managing senior class budgets, organizing fundraisers, and ensuring financial transparency, successfully increasing funds for key events. She was Debate Club President, organizing debates, training members, and she led the team to competitions. She placed third in the district UIL extemporaneous debate.

Beyond these roles, she was an active member of the UNICEF and ECO Clubs, participating in fundraising events and environmental initiatives. She received numerous awards in the Ismaili San Jacinto Girl Scouts, Troop #883, where she was involved for 13 years! She volunteered as a tutor at the Houston Headquarters Jamatkhana Pre-Primary REC, helping young children build foundational skills in a faith-based environment, and at the Goerge Memorial Library as an assistant. She worked as an unpaid intern at the Fort Bend County Justice Center and she

tutored at the Kumon Math & Reading Center, providing personalized academic support to students in math and reading.

As a senior, she received several honors recognizing her academic performance and community involvement: the Academic Excellence Award by the Wharton Jr. College Honor Scholarship for ranking in the top 5% of the class, an Academic Excellence Award as a dedicated member of the National Honor Society, the 2025 Senior Award of Excellence for completing 160 hours of community service, multiple nominations by her teachers for Exceptional Student awards.

She is undoubtedly prepared and qualified to pursue her chosen field of law at The University of Texas at Austin.

Katherine Cisneros

Throughout high school, Katherine was an active varsity dance team member. As a sophomore she took on a leadership title as a line leader and then became head captain in her junior and senior years. She became an active National Honor Society member in her junior and senior years. She took an active part in the Peer Assistance Leadership (PAL) program mentoring younger students navigate through personal challenges.

Katherine volunteers at her church every Sunday working with children birth through five years old providing them with age-appropriate bible lessons and caring for them while their parents are in Worship services.

She received All State Dancer and All American Dancer awards in several years. She was All A Honor Roll recipient as a senior. Katherine was recognized with the P.R.I.D.E. Award for student excellence and the National Hispanic Recognition award from College Board. She graduated in the top 5% of her class.

She is headed to the University of Texas at Austin to major in early childhood education. She will build on her experiences with the youngsters at her church and the example set by her mom as a high school special needs teacher.



Mariella Guerrero

As a sophomore Mariella was a nominee and winner of the Rice Rising Star award for excellent academics from Rice University, and was awarded the high school's Excellence Award. In her junior year, she received P.R.I.D.E Awards for both her English and Retail Management classes. She has been on the A/B Honor Roll for two years and is a member of both College and Career Club, and the National Honor Society.

Mariella frequently volunteers at her church, school, neighborhood, and at elementary schools. This adds up to over 165 hours of community service.

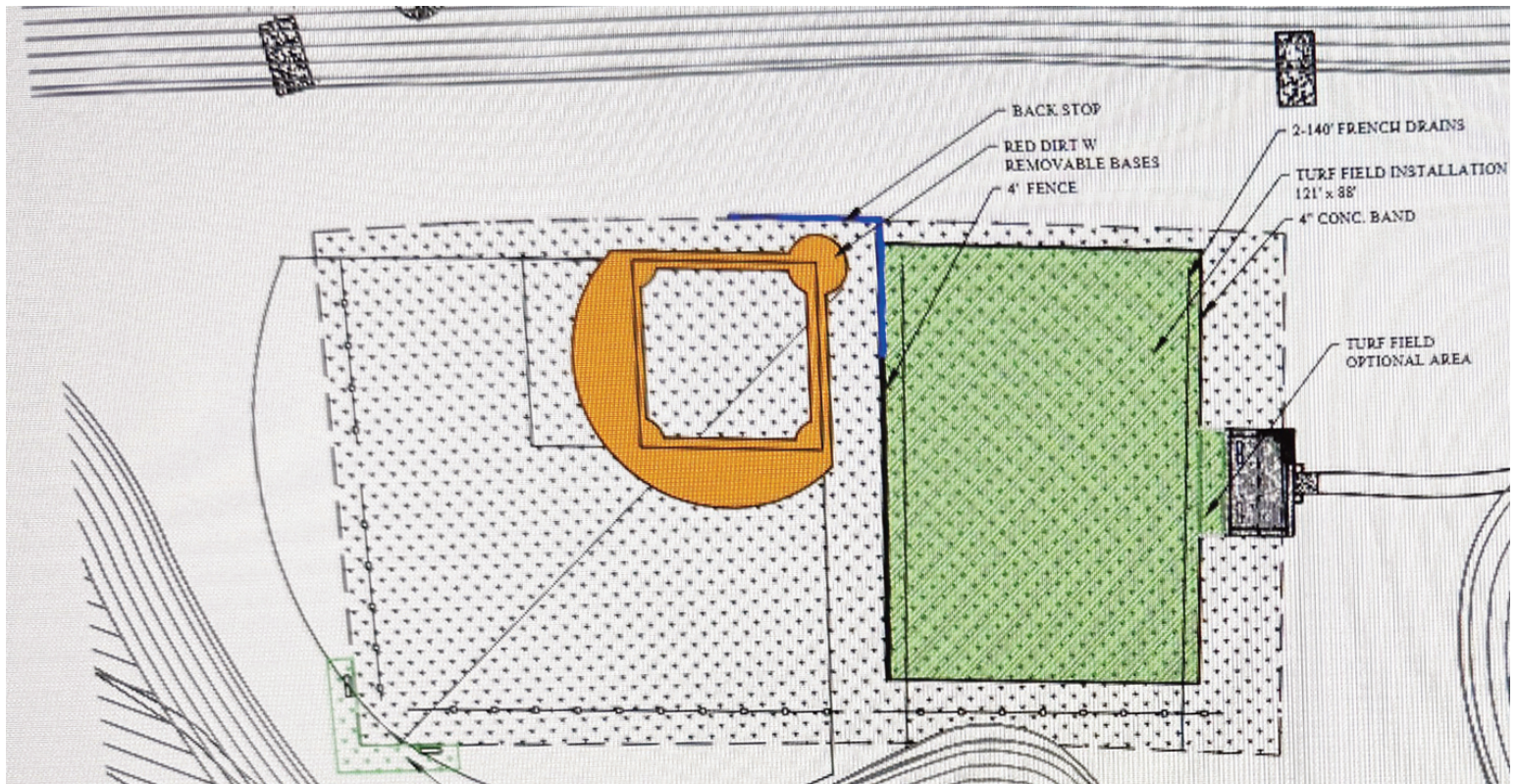
She looks forward to her studies in Social Work and Sociology at Houston Christian University.

Mist Lakeside Plans Finalized

In the final phase of the multi-faceted common grounds improvement project plans for Mist Lake are now completed. This will close out the very large joint project by the HOA and the MUD.

Lighting contracts for the trees surrounding the lake are under review and an additional electric meter has been installed to provide the required additional power. As shown here, a shade/pavilion with picnic tables and benches has been added alongside the soccer field. It is of the same design as the pavilion installed at Mist Park earlier in the process.

The area near the pavilion is being refurbished to include an artificial turf to provide a consistent and safe surface for the soccer field. In addition a baseball/softball field is being installed as shown here. Both will be completed in the coming weeks.



Easter Egg Hunt

Neighborhood children and parents alike enjoyed a beautiful Spring morning at Mist Park for the fourth annual Easter egg hunt. In addition to the big search for thousands of plastic eggs bearing candy and toys the kids enjoyed two bounce houses and various games. The parking lot became a canvas for beautiful, creative, and whimsical masterpieces created with sidewalk chalk.

The weather was perfect for all the activities AND snow cones! Based on the smiles and giggles, a great time was had by all, including the 6-foot-tall Easter bunny who made her annual visit.

We owe a huge thank you to the volunteers who host this very popular annual event. We give special thanks to the students from Randle High School Honor Society who assisted in so many ways. Although most of them do not live in our neighborhood, they come out in force every year to give back to the larger community.

